

That in all things He might have the preeminence— Colossians 1:18

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- L for the *love* in W.M.U. Loyalty that makes us work and not faiL
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- Y for the yearning of Loyalty that Baptists fulfill plans splendidl Y
- A for the *altar* fires of Loyalty that prayers rise to God with sweet aromA
- L for the *lifting*, outgrowth of Loyalty that hopes of help coming need nowhere faiL
- T for the *tithe* paid in Loyalty that will hasten to spread the Gospel of LighT
- Y for you moved by this Loyalty that you pay your pletiges promptly and honorabl Y

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# BAPTIST LOYALTY CAMPAIGN

A Period for paying our vows to God in connection with the

### 75 MILLION CAMPAIGN

I press on toward the goal unto the prize of the high calling of GOD in CHRIST JESUS-Phil 3:14

### Intercession

After this manner therefore pray ye: Our Father who art in heaven

HALLOWED BE THY NAME THY KINGDOM COME THY WILL BE DONE GIVE US FORGIVE US WE FORGIVE LEAD US **DELIVER US** 

as in heaven, so on earth. And this day our daily bread and our debts as our debtors. And not into temptation but from evil. For Thine is and and

THE KINGDOM THE POWER

THE GLORY

forever and ever

Amen

### Enlistment \*

But first they gave their own selves to the Lord-2 Cor 8:5

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 If you met his searching look; Give as you would of your substance If his hand your offering took.—Stewardship and Missions

### Stewardship

Yea and beyond their power they gave of their own accord-2 Cor 8:3 Why are ye fearful? Have ye not yet faith?—Mark 4:40

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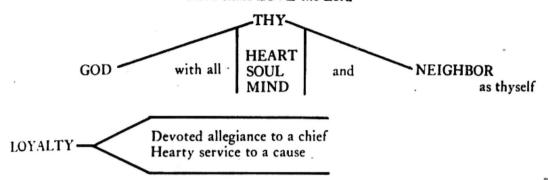
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MAY, 1921 SMTWTFS Day of final ingathering for 1920-21

All things come of Thee and of Thine own have we given Thee-1 Chron. 20:14

### I AM JEHOVAH THY GOD

Thou shalt LOVE the Lord



L-Love is of God; . . . He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love. 1st John 4:7-8

Love

O-O ve of little faith, why reason ve among yourselves, because ve have not bread? Do ye not yet perceive, neither remember the five loaves of the five thousand, and how many baskets ve took up? Matt. 16:8-9

**FAITH** 

Y-Ye have not, because ye ask not. Ye ask, and ye receive not, because ye ask amiss, that ye may spend it on your pleasures.

**PRAYER** 

A-Abide thou in the things which thou hast learned and hast been assured of, knowing of whom thou hast learned them. 2nd Timothy 3:14

Bible Study

L-Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields, that they are white already unto harvest. John 4:35

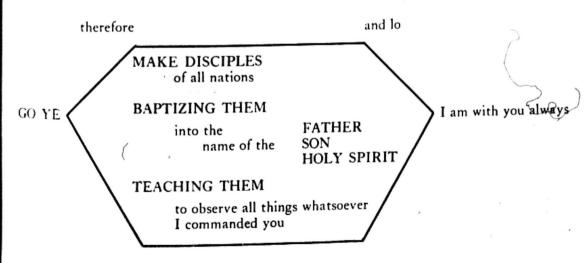
Mission Study

T-The earth is Jehovah's and the fulness thereof. Ps. 24:1 Bring ye the whole tithe into the storehouse—Mal. 3:10 Give and it shall be given unto you. Luke 6:38

**GIVING** 

Y-Ye are the light of the world. . . . Even so let your light shine before men; that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in heaven. Matt. 5:14-16

SERVICE





# BIBLE STUDY



### TOPIC—Go Ye into the Vineyard

I. What shall we have? Matt. 19:27. Peter had asked this question of our Lord, for he wanted his Christianity to pay, and the answer was the parable of the laborers in the vineyard. The whole object of the parable is to show there is to be no bargaining about the kingdom of heaven, "not of works lest any man should boast", Eph. 2:9. We get out of Christian work according to our capacity, the work itself is the reward. The penny to each is what he would make it. God measures service not by its visible results but by the spirit in which it is rendered. The worker must examine his own heart making the motive the test of his life; unless work for God is inspired of His spirit it cannot be valued as service for Him. The apostolic mission was to go, the result of a spirit working from within, Acts 26:15-18. God will show Himself an abundant "rewarder of them that seek Him" and serve, Heb. 11:6; I Cor. 1:9, for He is ever faithful to His promise and will keep the feet of His saints, I Sam. 2:9.

II. The Householder: Matt. 20:1-7. God calls His children to the privilege of working for Him, John 15:16. Every summons to the vineyard is from the Lord, man's heart never originates the impulse. It is man's prerogative either to heed the call or to resist the summons. An agreement was made by those who were the first to be called and a bargain like that which Peter wished, Matt. 19:27. Later the simpler spirits went to work trusting the wisdom of the householder. God said to Abraham and so to each of His servants, "I am thy exceeding great reward", Gen. 15:1. The reward He imparts is Himself, I John 3:1, 2. Those who are working to build up the whole body of Christ and to hasten His return are not so anxious about the penny reward as to have the approval, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant enter into the joy of thy Lord", Matt. 25:23. They who work for reward do not get as much as they want, they who work for love get far more than they expect, Matt. 10:39.

III. Go ye into the vineyard: A call of divine grace to come out of the world and to become the servants of the loving God and Father, to build up the church of Christ which is His body, Eph. 1:23; 2:19-22, which He has purchased with His blood and which He plants, waters, takes care of and enjoys. The soul of man stands ready to be levied into some service or other, Rom. 6:11-13, 20-23. The devil by his temptations is hiring laborers into his vineyard to "feed swine", Luke 15:15. God, by His Gospel, is hiring laborers into His vineyard to dress it and keep it—we must choose, Joshua 24:15. A man may go idle to hell but he that will go to heaven must be busy. This does not prove that the reward of our obedience is purchased by our works or is a debt, Luke 17:7-10; 12:37. No, it is of grace, Rom. 4:4; 5:21. At the best we are unprofitable servants, the reward set before us by the righteous Judge is a crown of righteousness, II Tim. 4:8; and a crown of life. "Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer."

IV. For a day: The period of life is the day in which we must work the works of Him who sends us into the world, John 9:4. Time is short, the reward is for eternity, the work is only for the day of our life. This should quicken our diligence, John 11:9, 10, and encourage us in reference to hardships and difficulties which are only for the day. Hold out with faith and patience yet a little while; all who, by patient continuance, seek for glory, honor and immortality obtain eternal life, Rom. 2:7, as the gift of God, Rom. 6:23. "When the evening was come": this is the time of reckoning, the account must be given, in the evening of our life, Deut. 24:15; II Cor. 5:10; this is God's rule. The first call was to work in the vineyard, the second will be to receive the penny. Those who have faithfully responded to the first call will welcome the call to cease from labor, I Thess. 4:16, 17. No preference will be given but everyone "shall stand in his own lot at the end of the day", Dan. 12:13.-Mrs. James Pollard

# Calendar of Prayer for Southern Baptists April, 1921

Prayer was the first work which enabled the apostles to discover quickly the peril of the increased husiness cares of a growing church. It was a crisis for Christianity. Well for us and the world that these early leaders refused to be taken from the secret place where God's voice can always be heard. They said: "Look ye out . . . seven men . . . . whom we may appoint over this business. but we will continue stedfastly in prayer and in the ministry of the word."—Bishop Hamilton

### Topic: Stewardshin

### 1-FRIDAY

That the money placed in the hands of God's people may not witness against them before the world Walk honestly toward them that are without.—1 Thessalonians 4:12

### SATURDAY

That the plans and purposes for annual meetings of S.B.C. and W.M.U. have their origin in and be executed through prayer Trust in the Lord . . . le thine own understanding. -Proverbs 3:5

### 3-SUNDAY

Pray with great entreaty that during this month two-fifths of Baptist 75 Million Campaign Fund be completed Let God be magnified.—Psalm 70:4

### MONDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. R. E. Chambers and Rev. and Mrs. John Lake, publication and evangelistic work, Canton, China The secret of the Lord is with them that fear Him.—Psalm 25:14

### TUESDAY

That the financial needs for the work of the Home Mission Board be abundantly met through the Campaign Fund That . . . your abundance may be a supply for their want.

-2 Corinthians 8:14

### WEDNESDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. P. H. Anderson and Miss Mary Anderson, Canton, China

Not seeking mine own profit but the profit of many, that they may be saved.

—I Corinthians 10:33

### 7-THURSDAY

That our Father bless the work of Misses H. F. North, Margie Shumate and Alvada Gunn, Shiu Hing, China Sanctify them through thy word.
—John 17:17

### -FRIDAY

Pray for the sensible presence of the Spirit of God in W.M.U. Annual Meeting of Arkansas

That ye may stand perfect and complete in all the will of God.—Colossians 4:12

### 9-SATURDAY

For Christian Education, that it be fostered in the south through annual payments of pledges to Campaign

It is God which worketh in you both to will and to do.—Philippians 2:13

### 10-SUNDAY

Pray that our pastors boldly interpret New Testament ideals in the making, handling and distribution

He that in these things serveth Christ is acceptable to God.—Romans 14:18

### 11-MONDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Shepard, Rev. and Mrs. S. L. Watson and Rev. and Mrs. A. B. Langston, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee.
—Hebrews 13:5

### 12-TUESDAY

For the W.M.U. Annual Meeting of Mississippi, that this be a precious season with the Master

There hath not failed one word of all His good promise.—1 Kings 8:56

### 13-WEDNESDAY

Pray earnestly that our Foreign Mission Board be not hindered in new plans of work by delayed fulfilment of pledges to Campaign

Sow to yourselves in righteousness, reap in mercy.—Hosea 10:12

### 14-THURSDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. Rex Ray, that they may have many years of happy service in Wuchow, China In thy light shall we see light.

—Psalm 36:9

### 15-FRIDAY

That we seek to keep mission fires burning steadily in our southern states through systematic following of five year program of finance He laid down His life for us .- 1 John 3:16

# Calendar of Praper for Southern Bantists April, 1921

It is said that Raphael used to wear a candle in a pasteboard cap so that, while painting, his shadow would not fall upon his work. Many a man's prayers are spoiled by his own shadow. There are things in his life which must be given up if ever he is truly to pray. . He must wear on his forehead the candle of renunciation for his work's sake—Harry Emerson Fosdick

### Topic: Stewardship-Continued

### 16-SATURDAY

That God continue to bless the work of Rev. and Mrs. E. A. Baker, Rev. and Mrs. L. T. Hites and Miss Ruth Randall, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil We preach not ourselves but Christ Jesus the Lord .- 2 Corinthians 4:5

### 17-SUNDAY

Pray that, through Christian giving, more laborers be sent into the waiting harvest

The earth shall yield her increase I am the Lord.—Ezekiel 34:27

### 18-MONDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. John Sundstrom and Misses Lora Clement and Sarah Funderburke, Kong Moon, China Be of good cheer, I have overcome the world.—John 16:33

### 19-TUESDAY

For the seventeen new missionaries appointed July, 1920

Do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of thy ministry.—2 Timothy 4:5

### 20-WEDNESDAY

For Dr. and Mrs. R. E. L. Mewshaw and Misses Hattie Stallings and Mattie Vie Summer, Kwei Lin,

Thou shalt be His witness unto al men.
--Acts 22:15

### 21-THURSDAY

That the solemn obligation of \$5-000,000 for Ministerial Relief be paid conscientiously and systematically

Owe no man anything but to love one another.—Romans 13:8

### 22-FRIDAY

That out of their abundance southern Baptists may give generously to the needs of Central Europe

◆Behold, I stand at the door and knock. -Revelation 3:20

### 23—SATURDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. W. B. Bagby and Miss Alice Bagby, Sao Paulo.

Who . . . hath translated us into the kingdom of His dear Son.

—Colossians 1:13

### 24 -SUNDAY

Ask of our heavenly Father that business conditions may not discourage the hearts of His children Seek ye first the kingdom of God . . . and all these things shall be added unto you.—Matthew 6:33

### 25 -MONDAY

For all missionaries on furlough, that they find rest, health and joy in the homeland I will spare them as a man spareth his own son that serveth him.—Malachi 3:17

### 26—TUESDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. C. J. Lowe and R. L. Bausum, Kwei Lin, China The Lord thy God shall bless thee in all thy works.—Deuteronomy 15:10

### 27-WEDNESDAY

That Hospitals and Orphanages benefited by Campaign Fund may not suffer through neglect of Christian stewardship Ye ought to support the weak, and to remember . . . It is more blessed to give than to receive.—Acts 20:35

### 28-THURSDAY

For Rev. C. H. Westbrook, Shanghai Baptist College, and all sorrowing missionaries Behold, I am alive for evermore.

—Revelation 1:18

### 29-FRIDAY

For the growing work of Rev. and Mrs. A. L. Dunstan, Porto Algere,

What things were gain to me, those I counted loss for Christ.—Philippians 3:7

### 30—SATURDAY

Pray for obedience Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse . . . prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven and pour you out a blessing that there shall not be room enough to receive it .- Malachi 3:10



# PROGRAM FOR APRIL



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.

### STEWARDSHIP

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DISTRIBUTION OF STEWARDSHIP COVENANT CARDS

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PRAYER—For Recognition and Acknowledgment of God's Ownership

COLLECTION OF STEWARDSHIP COVENANT CARDS

DISMISSAL WITH HYMN OF PRAISE

### STEWARDSHIP PRINCIPLES\*

God Is the Sovereign Owner of All Things

Man Is a Steward and Must Give an Account for All that is Entrusted to Him

God's Sovereign Ownership and Man's Stewardship Ought to Be Acknowledged

This Acknowledgment Requires, as Its Material Expression, the Setting Apart, as an Act of Worship, of a Separated Portion of Income

Biblical History Records the Setting Apart of the Tenth of the Income as the First Form of that Acknowledgment

<sup>\*</sup> This may be written on blackboard.

This Separated Portion Ought to be Systematically Administered for the Kingdom of God, and the Balance Treated as no Less a Trust-Missione

1. Who Makes Ask a business man and he will say, "Land, labor, capital. These materials handled with business ability will bring wealth." But who the Money? made the land? "In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth." "The sea is His . . . and His hand formed the dry land." "The land is mine." Whence came the labor? Labor, the heritage of disobedience, is the contribution of the individual and has been blessed of God who hath given to man "the power to rejoice in his labor; this is the gift of God". Is capital from God? "The earth is the Lord's and the fulness thereof." "I am God . . . every beast of the forest is mine and the cattle upon a thousand hills." Is business ability a human quality? "Thou shalt remember Iehovah thy God, for it is He that giveth thee power to get wealth." Does the business man's answer satisfy? No, it is only partly true. Money making is a co-operative enterprise. God, society and the individual are the factors. God contributes the original material, the primary capital, the sun and rain which bring the harvests, the business ability. He creates the need for the products which bring wealth.

"Back of the loaf is the snowy flour, And back of the flour the mill: And back of the mill are the wheat and the shower And the sun and the Father's will."

To those who have riches God says: "Lay not up for yourselves"; to the wage earner; "Upon the first day of the week . . . as God hath prospered him"; and to all: "Bring ye all the tithes." Note the rewards which follow—overflowing blessing from heaven. promise of rich harvests, national honor, a delightsome land. In partnership with God we labor in a delightsome land and surely we will deal honorably with Him in our business -relations.— New World Movement

2. How to

As a pastor was leading a candidate into the baptistry the latter suddenly remembered that he had his pocketbook in his pocket. "Oh, I forgot to Christianize take my pocketbook out of my pocket!" The pastor answered, "Never mind, let it be baptized too." This was perfectly sound advice and should appeal to all who surrender their lives to Christ. The preacher

must grow the courage to teach the New Testament upon the subject of money.

It is a harder task to Christianize our money than to Christianize our theology or church polity, and unless Christ's people take the lead here they will forfeit the leadership of an industrial and commercial age. Unless we spiritualize our material resources they will materialize us and our last state will be worse than the first. We begin to Christianize our money when we see the peril of accumulation and frankly acknowledge it as a peril. Said Bishop Spaulding: "The ability to make and save money carries with it the danger of losing the impulse to give it away." We are thankful that this is not always true.

To Christianize our money our people must be willing for the mind of Christ about money to be preached. Many Christians are in real perplexity because this teaching has been so long neglected in the ministries of the churches. One can see that much of the confusion of our times is due to the failure of the Christian pulpit to interpret the New Testament ideals in the making, handling and distribution of money. When all is said and done our only hope of Christianizing our money is in carrying the whole body of Christians back to the scriptural teachings about money and its rightful use by us as stewards. Our property and our property interests are included in the redemption which is in Christ Jesus. Men begin with subtracting a tenth and devoting it sacredly to the maintenance of public worship. They go on and on and on to living on the tenth and distributing the nine-tenths, or as a Christian jurist, the best loved lawyer in his metropolitan city, said: "I have no interest whatever in making money except as I can give it away." Money, like birth, will tell, but it tells on us.—Edwin M. Poteat

### Stewardship and the Church

3. Experiences in Stewardship

Says Dr. Robert E. Speer, "We need some practical, abiding principle of acknowledgment of indebtedness to God to make sure that the principle of stewardship is a reality in our lives and that we do not inwardly find ourselves swept into self-deception. It is the

easiest thing in the world for a man, who does not deal with God in the matter of obligation as he does with his fellows, to find that he has not been giving his due. I think that every man will find that the acceptance of a principle like this will mark a distinct era of spiritual enlargement in his life. I am not speaking out of the air. I am speaking out of the experience of many who look back out of such a time as marking a new era in their lives. The early church faced greater difficulties in paying the tithe than we. The Jew was a poor man and lived in a poor land. Moreover, in making comparisons of this kind we must remember that the Jew paid a second tithe in addition to the first and every

third year he paid another tithe for the relief of the poor."

The need for Kingdom conquest is greater today than in Iewish times. This constitutes a reason for increased giving. Let each look to his or her own church and launch a stewardship movement if it be needed. There are numerous instances of laymen or representatives of the women's organizations starting a stewardship revival. It is told of one woman with a stewardship conviction that she frequently talked to her husband of this. He was busy; he was not interested; but she kept talking and smiling. She also kept choice bits of literature on tithing where he could pick them up when he came to dinner. Then the leaven began to work. One night he came in and laid down eight hundred dollars which he said was the tithe of his year's income. But she did not stop with this victory. She wrote friendly and tactful letters to the officials of the church enclosing selected literature and a number of stewardship enrollment cards. These were presented at their regular meeting. It was the duty of the officials to attend to such business. They listened. They read. After a time they signed. Then the pastor took it up and there was a new church with a deepened spiritual life. A woman started it!-The New Christian

### Stewardship and the Family

"We were going over the family budget for the year," said a well-to-do business man recently. "Suddenly I looked up at my wife with a gasp of astonishment, 'Do you see what we have done?' I exclaimed. 'For amusements and the automobile we have allotted ten times as much as we are planning to give to the church and for charities!' I had never thought of it before. Together we went over the figures, eliminating here and there expensive trifles we had thought we could never do without. After a half-hour's work the sum set aside for God amounted to a little more than one-tenth of our income. Wetook that for a starter although it seemed kind of a heathenish little bit, but we were learning. We were determined to see the thing through. And we did it! Now we have literally 'grown up' as supporters of all enterprises of our church. Each year we give a definite proportion of our income—a tenth? It was that at first but now—well, with a tenth we just couldn't do the things that had to be done."-Missionary Review of the World

The year they decided to try it out they looked at each other a little startled, neither of them suspecting the money miracle! He said, "I suppose you realize the children may suffer if we carry this thing out!" She said, "They may suffer if we don't! A thing that is right to do is right to do—that is all there is to do. Probably there are lots of families like ours all over this country who honestly want to practice Christian stewardship, only they don't dare! I am thinking it may do the children more good in the end than-music lessons for instance."

"But \$150 out of my \$1500 seems a bit steep," he admitted. "I suppose we could start in giving less than the tenth until we got used to it."

"And be meaner than the Jews were? Not much!" was the quick answer.

This was the dawn of their new day. For he took a small account book and in fear and trembling started a family budget with a tenth set down conspicuously in the Lord's column. It was only through this bookkeeping that he discovered the miracle at the end of the year: their nine-tenths minutely administered for their own needs had gone exactly as far as had the entire ten-tenths the previous year, when they aimlessly spent from month to month, never quite knowing where the money went.—Margaret Applegarth

### Stewardship and the Children

The real headquarters for the campaigns that furnish the millions of dollars needed for the missionary enterprise are at mother's knee. A man who has given hundreds of thousands of dollars for missions replied when he was asked how it happened that he made such large gifts: "It didn't happen at all. When I was a little boy my mother taught me to set aside for the Lord's treasury a certain part of all the money I had. I simply have more money now than I did then." It is not "frenzied finance" but the careful home training in stewardship that will fill missionary treasuries.

In the home of one of our great missionary leaders there is a strong box known as the Lord's treasury. Into that box father, mother and the children put at least one-tenth of the money that comes into their hands. From there the church envelopes are filled on Sunday morning with amounts agreed upon in family council. Special offerings also go into this box. Frequently the family agree together that they will do without something in order to make a gift to some special object. The children have a deep and abiding interest in these plans. In this home the giving is regular, systematic and sacrificial. It is all done with a spirit as fine and contagious as was the spirit of "meatless days". And over all is prayer.—Missionary Review of the World

### Stewardship and Myself

Read over Stewardship Principles on page 9. Can I know God's will concerning the separated portions of my income, my time, my talents? God reveals His will through the Scriptures. The study of His Word on this subject leads directly to the truth of stewardship. The following outline from The New Christian, Studies in Stewardship, by Ralph S. Cushman will show some high points in the Bible history of the tithe: "The first fruitlings of the flock, Gen. 4:4. The meeting of Abraham and the priest Melchizedek, Gen. 14:17-20. Jacob's promise to pay the tithe to Jehovah, Gen. 28:16-22. Other passages referring to the tithe, Num. 18:20-23; Deut. 14:22. Israel called to allegiance, 2 Chron. 31:4-6, 10-12; Neh. 10:29, 35-37; Mal. 3:7-12. Coming to the New Testament there seems to be good evidence that Jesus commended the paying of the tithe as the 'separated portion' while rebuking the Pharisees for not recognizing the principles involved, Luke 11:42. The sermon on the mount, Matt. 5:17-20. The separated portion a personal question, 2 Cor. 8:7-9; 9:7; Col. 3:14-17.

The tenth was regarded as the *minimum* acknowledgment, generosity could only begin beyond this point. The tithe is to be thought of as a 'schoolmaster' to lead up to Christian liberality."

4. Our Stewardship of Personality

Personality? What is this? Why are you different from your dearest friend, why is she different from another friend? We say her personality is charming, or the reverse, this one is magnetic, that prosaic, but what is it? Analyze it. I cannot. In my own

close home circle it makes one child totally different from another, and with all my power I would keep it so. It is something God-given, holy, inviolable. It is the most powerful force in the world. It is of this tremendous thing God gives us stewardship. What of our occupancy, our responsibility, our accountability? We are responsible for every power, every talent, every attainment with which we are entrusted: our health, our strength of mind, our youth, our maturity, our opportunities, our sympathies, our social, educational and religious privileges, our power to love, to think, to plan, our ability to

speak, to write, to sing, our power to appropriate the good and to shun the evil, our farsightedness, genius of management, keenness of judgment, aptness to read character, quick perceptions of right and wrong, our gift of leadership, ability to organize, power to execute. All this and more makes "Personality" and through this we are to fulfill the petition: Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done "on earth".

Honest stewardship is to recognize that all power to do, to be, to acquire, to possess is God-given and any success comes only as we use the faculties and power entrusted to us. Whether the increase be great or small there must be increase or we will be held responsible as dishonest and unprofitable servants, for our abilities are most mis-used when not used. but "laid away" out of the barter and trade of life. Ah this laying away of "Personality"! Surely the apostle James would be justified in changing the "gold and silver" in his criticism and thundering at us: "Your 'Personality' is rusted, and the rust shall be a testimony against you." Is it with rusted gifts we are going to face the Master? Do we wish to say of the gift of song, "Lord, behold here is thy gift all rusted, for I never used it for thee." Of our talent for social ease and gracious manner, "Lord, here is thy pound, covered with rust but carefully kept, laid by in a napkin. I never used it in thy church nor in the Sunday school nor in the missionary meetings." Or of the power to execute, to lead, "Here, Lord, is thy pound. It was too much trouble to use it for thee, it is eaten with rust for I laid it away; lo, thou hast it back again!" Of the power to speak or write, "Lord, here is thy pound. I was afraid, so I hid thy talent in the earth; lo, it is cankered with rust!" Or, "Here, Lord, is my college education, it was a delightful experience for me but I never put it to usury for thee. I could have used it in the Sunday school, in the social settlement, in the mission study class but I did not and it rusted beyond recognition, now I give it back to thee." Or of the appreciation of beauty. "Lord, behold I

Oh, women and young people in the work of the church of Christ, how many of us have consecrated our personality? What do we mean when we sing "Here, Lord, I give myself away?" How few of us are able to ask the Lord for a blessing on the individual missionaries, on some particular work or separate station? On how many can the leaders depend even to sing the best known hymns? How many can be depended on to be present. Of all the diversity of individual gifts surely this one has been given to all, to be present when the work of the Lord requires our presence. Let us put our personality to usury, to trade and trade and trade again. Keep the interest growing, multiply the principle, earn the "Well done". To the stewardship of our personality we must be faithful.—

return thy talent. I robbed thee and used it to make my home beautiful and my person

lovely. I disdained to make thy church beautiful for thee. It is a rusted talent I return." What shall the Master answer? "Out of your own mouths I judge you unprofitable

servants, the rust is a testimony against you."

"Are the movies open Sunday morning in Washington?" asked a stranger

5. Sixteen as he watched a congested stream of girls elbowing their way into the
Hundred biggest picture-house in the national capital.

Tithers "No indeed. Those are Burrall girls going to Sunday school," explained his companion. The stranger gasped. A Sunday school class of hundreds of girls was something new in his experience. But Washington is becoming used to this amazing phenomenon as it has watched the "Burrall girls" grow and grow until today they number more than sixteen hundred.

How did it all happen in the very beginning? Well, it began three years ago with a class of six girls in the Calvary Baptist Sunday school who came under Miss Jessie Burrall's teachings. And then something different was noticed about these girls, they seemed happier than their fellows, and gradually each girl took friends to the class. Suddenly the class had outgrown the regular class room. One by one the various rooms of the church were tried, each one overflowing; even the church auditorium proved inadequate and a year ago the class found its present haven in the big movie palace.

Miss Burrall's class believes in faith and good works and its members give a portion of their weekly wages (these are mostly business girls) to the Lord, for they believe in the

good old Biblical tithing system and act on it too. Twenty thousand dollars a year roll in to the class treasury through its tithes alone. This does not include the spontaneous pledges which every worthy cause brings forth. A \$1200 automobile was recently purchased for a lame missionary in a far-away heathen land. Home missions, benevolences, orphan homes and church drives are heartily supported after each-member has paid her tithe; nor does she neglect her individual church treasury.

"The full glory of the giver lies in the spirit of the giving," cautions Miss Burrall. who approves tithing only as a voluntary and individual system. At no time has she asked them to give, nor does she permit any one to plead for a special cause. Her girls' contributions are understood as part of their investment in spiritual values and the peaceful happiness of the tithers bespeaks their reward. - Alice Gram in Good House. keeping

Our young people whom we need, whom we must have, will measure the future of the denomination by what they are doing now; their plans in the present will make the future. Viewed from this angle is not the training of our young women, girls, boys and little children in stewardship a vital matter? Here is a good place for the investment of influence.

# Commiseration— Which?

We quote again from Dr. Edwin M. Poteat in New World 6. Congratulation or Movement: "Estimates of our national wealth vary from \$250,000,000,000 to \$320,000,000. If we had had our present wealth in George Washington's day we could have bought every foot of ground on the earth's surface, paid cash

and had money left in the bank. There is more wealth in dollars in the United States today than there have been seconds of time since the garden of Eden. American capital is being loaned in all five continents and the United States dollar is a more important unit in international exchange than the English pound sterling. Are we to be congratulated or commiserated? Ruskin's warning to his native England is more pertinent and solemn to us of the United States than to any other nation. In one of the most eloquent sentences ever written this great writer said: 'Since the dominion of man was first asserted over the ocean three thrones of mark above all others have been set upon its sands: the thrones of Tyre, of Venice and of England. Of the first only the memory remains; of the second, the ruins; the third, which inherits their greatness, if she forgets their example may be led through a prouder eminence to a less pitied destruction.' Tyre fell after a period of great prosperity. At one time the sails of the commerce of the queen city of the Adriatic whitened all the Mediterranean, but her wealth became her doom. Of course it is impossible accurately to assess the amount of the wealth of the nation in Christian hands. In the year 1916 there were upwards of twenty-five million members of evangelical churches in the country, with adherents of twenty-five million more. We cannot be far wrong from the facts when we say that half of the total wealth of the United States is in the hands of members of evangelical churches."

To acknowledge our peril; to Christianize our money, time and talents; to realize that we as individuals have a part in saving our nation from decay-these are immediate duties. The courage to do them will be given to the earnest soul from Him who alone can save us from the handwriting on the wall.

Christ's commendation of a woman, as He sat over against the treasury, has won many other women to become tithers. Are you one of these? Our Union holds as a fundamental principle systematic and proportionate giving and during the past year has distributed more than 144,000 "Stewardship Covenant" cards. If all in your society are not tithers send to your state headquarters for as many of these as can be used. Invite your non-tithers to sign them and be forever free from raising money. Let the money raise you-to higher ground.



# Y. W. A. PROGRAMS



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### FIRST MEETING

Topic-The Principles of Stewardship Invocation

Presentation of Poster-"Stewardship Principles"

Bible Reading-God's Ownership of All Things (Principle I) Deut. 8:11, 17, 18; I Chron. 29:11-14; I Cor. 4:7

Talk-Our Stewardship of All That is Entrusted to Us (Principle II)

Hymn-"Take my life, and let it be" (Principle III)

Talks-Our Stewardship of Money: The Separated Portion of the Income (Principle IV)

Bible Quotations-Setting Apart the Tenth; Response to Roll Call (Principle V) Talk—The Systematic Administration of

our Trust (Principle VI)

Program Contest Closing Prayer (sung) We Give Thee But Thine Own

### Suggestions

Presentation of Poster-Have a member of the auxiliary read, from an attractive poster prepared in advance, the six "Stewwardship Principles" (W.M.S. program this issue, page 9). She should announce that the remainder of the program sets forth these principles, one by one.

Our Stewardship of All That Is Entrusted to Us (Principle II) "In everything man is a steward. There is a stewardship of life, of health, of strength physical and mental, of time, of social, educational and religious privileges and of opportunity to do good." I Cor. 10:31; I Cor. 9:17 (Revised version) "The custody of money is only one department of the great stewardship into which many as a rational and spiritual being, has been called." Comment upon the several departments of stewardship. (par. 4, W.M.S. program)

Our Stewardship of Money (Principle IV)

Topics: The Sin of Hoarding Money The Sin of Wasting Money Giving as Stewards, Not as Owners

(Par. 2, W.M.S. program; Chapters III, IV and V of Dr. Chas. A. Cook's Stewardship and Missions gives a clear discussion of this principle.)

Setting Apart the Tenth (Principle V) Let each member respond to roll-call, from memory, with a verse from Scripture on tithing or on setting apart of our means for God's work. In quoting the verses give enough of the context to make the meaning clear. References: Gen. 14:20; 28:22; Lev. 30-32; Numbers 18:21-26; Mal. 3:10; Mat. 23:23; I Cor. 16:2

The Systematic Administration of Our Trust (Principle VI) "'Preach the Gospel to every creature' is the great command. To do this involves tens of thousands of pastors, evangelists, missionaries, teachers, physicians, Bible women, the building of houses, schools, church buildings, hospitals, the printing of Bibles and religious books, and much else besides." Show the need of system in the doing of this "great and costly work". Illustrate by stories of men and women who have given systematically.

### Program Contest

This feature of the program really marks the end of a contest, the award being made at this time for the best program submitted on the subject "Young People and Stewardship". Each auxiliary may find it well to modify in accordance with its own peculiar needs, the following directions for the con-

Encourage all members of the auxiliary to enter the contest. Appoint three judges from the auxiliary or ask three members of W.M.S. to serve as judges. Allow at least two weeks for the contestants to prepare their programs for the contest. They should, of course, have access to the general program (this issue of Royal Service) and to as many leaflets as possible from W.M.U. state headquarters. Dr. Cook's Stewardship and Missions is invaluable in its information and suggestiveness. Interesting statistics are given in this book which may be used by the contestants in making very attractive posters. The programs should be submitted in outline form. It may be well to limit the outlines to seventy-five or a hundred words each. Three or four of the programs plans adjudged best by the Committee of Judges may be read before the auxiliary at this meeting and further selection made from these by vote of the auxiliary. The program thus chosen is the one to be used by the auxiliary at the second meeting of this month.

### SECOND MEETING

Topic-Young People and Stewardship Hymn-O Zion, Haste Scripture-Matt. 5:13-16 Prayer-That all Y.W.A.'s may be faithful to the commands of the King The Question Box The Winning Program

### Suggestions

The Question Box—This is a substitute for roll-call. Have each member in turn draw from a box (prepared beforehand by the leader) a slip of paper on which a ques-

tion is written. As soon as she has drawn it she should read it aloud and answer it to the best of her ability. The leader, already familiar with the questions, should correct any incorrect answers. The questions should bear upon stewardship. Some of the following may be used:

What is a steward? What was Jesus' great illustration of stewardship? (Luke 19:12-27) Why is tithing a reasonable thing for a Christian? How does tithing foster one's devotion to Christ? Where is tithing commanded? Where does Jesus commend tithing? When did Christ commend a certain distributor, and why? What sort of giving did Christ censure? Does tithing antedate the Mosaic code? What is Paul's plan of giving? How was the woman of Zarephath rewarded in her giving? What is wrong with haphazard giving? How may our auxiliary help awaken in our church a greater interest in the subject of Christian stewardship?

The Winning Program-In carrying out this, the successful program of the contest, the Program Committee, working in co-operation with the member who made the plan, should seek to have the most interesting and the most enthusiastic meeting of the year. Let everybody understand that it is a "made in the auxiliary" program. This may be made the occasion for distributing the Stewardship Covenant

### LOYALTY CAMPAIGN SONG

\*Tune: "Send the Light" Miss Margaret McRae Lackey, Mississippi

There's a call comes ringing o'er the south- When with golden harvests we shall greet land wide:

Loyalty! Loyalty! And each heart joins in rapture with the All the joy bells of Heav'n will with gladswelling tide:

Loyalty! Loyalty!

Though the dark clouds hover, let this ensign wave:

Loyalty! Loyalty! Faith will sure o'ercome in hearts sincerely brave:

Loyalty! Loyalty!

our King,

Loyally! Loyally! ness ring:

Loyalty! Loyalty!

### CHORUS:

Let it ring, the joyous slogan ring! Loyalty, in crucial hour! Let it ring! Unto our Saviour King, Loyalty, for peace and power!

\*The tune, "Send the Light", was written by Mr. Chas. H. Gabriel, in whose hymn books it will be found. It will also be found on page 215 of "The Popular Hymnal", a limp cloth copy of which may be secured for forty tist book stores of the various states. Texas, the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, or the Baptist Dook stores of the various states.



# COLLEGE Y. W. A. PROGRAMS



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### FIRST MEETING

Annual Business Session Hymn-O Zion, Haste Prayer-That Our Y.W.A. May Be an Uplifting Force Bible Reading-Nehemiah 2:11-20; 4:6 Repeating of Watchword-Daniel 12:3 Hymn-The King's Business Election of Officers

Installation Service—(Auxiliary Manual

Reading of Auxiliary Ideals-(Manual

Prayer-That We May Strive towards Our Ideals Opening of Suggestion Box—Discussion

Demonstration-"Cremate" Closing Prayer

Suggestions-Decorate room. After election of officers, counselor or retiring president may conduct Installation Service (Auxiliary Manual, page 19). New president may read Auxiliary Ideals, calling attention to the new one suggested at Nashville conference: "That our auxiliary stands for determination to give no offence in dress, personal appearance, speech or deportment, nor in any way to shadow the purity and beauty of the Christian character".

Two weeks before meeting, place notice on Y.W.A. bulletin board (a large green blotter makes a good one) asking members to put in attached box thoughts, suggestions, plans that will make Y.W.A. mean more another year. On box print notice such as:

Y our W ise A' dvice S olicited! The following demonstration taken from \*"Ready to Serve" by Miss Margaret Applegarth should be carefully memorized and recited very slowly.

"Let's pretend my name is Sarah! yes-

day I heard two women talking about me and one said: 'Does Sarah belong to our church?' And my minister's wife said: 'W-e-l-l ! of course that's just an expression yet I hardly think Sarah does belong to our church! Certainly her time doesn't belong to it (displays paper clock) and her service doesn't belong to it (displays paper hand and foot) and she isn't quick to see any-" thing in church (show two paper eyes) or to hear any calls for help (two paper ears), she never has a good word to say about the church (show paper lips) and her reading matter is never Christian (show paper book labelled "Movie Stars"), and she hates to give her money to the church (show paper money). So I don't believe there's one square inch of Sarah that belongs to our church, even though she is a baptized member. I'm afraid Sarah belongs first, last and all the time to herself!' They passed on and I went slowly home and I said to myself: 'Oh Sarah! Sarah!' So I took my selfish hours and my selfish hands and feet and eyes and lips and also my selfish money and I cremated them like this (burns these paper articles in a basin) and while I did it my heart was singing-singing-sing-

Solo: Take My Life and Let it Be (Without any introduction have the singer ready to start right in as "Sarah" says the words "Singing". Use all verses of the hymn.)

### SECOND MEETING

Topic—Taxing Stock As Stewards Hymn-A Charge to Keep I Have Opening Prayer Bible Reading-I Timothy 6:7-12, 17-21 Prayer-Gratitude That We Are His Stewards

Our Time—a Trust Annual Our Money—a Trust Y.W.A Our Education—a Trust Convention Our Personality—a Trust

<sup>\*</sup> Ready-to-Serve, .10 from Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, 276 Fifth Ave., New York City

Hymn—Take My Life and Let It Be Sentence Prayers in Closing

### Suggestions

April is the month for new year of college Y.W.A. Have meeting take form of annual convention when committee reports are in order. Consider one committee as reporting on "Our Time", another on "Our Money", see above outline. Each report may bring out thought: "How are we using our trust?" Member reporting on "Our Time" may take membership and multiply by 365 to get number of days to credit of Y.W.A. She may mention ways in which time has been used, as study for future work, needed recreation and good times, personal service work, mission study classes; she may call for statement as to use of vacation times by members. At close of report, another member may recommend that auxiliary members endeavor to give more time to personal service work during coming summer. If motion is carried secretary should record it.

Likewise report on "Our Money"; use par. 1, W.M.S. program also some of the

following statistics from Washington as to expenditures for and by American women in 1920: about one million dollars on jewelry and watches; 100 millions on furs; 65 millions on toilet soaps and powders. Americans in 1920 spent about 180 millions on candy and about 15 millions on chewing gum. A poster with these figures could be hung effectively at close of report. The auxiliary treasurer may be asked to state the standing of campaign pledges. Recommendation may follow that in the expenditure of our money we be loyal to our campaign pledges.

"Our Education"—Mention work that may be done by students in summer in Good Will Centers, Daily Vacation Bible Schools, Girls Clubs, in Sunday school and as leaders of G.A.'s and Sunbeams; use also par. 5, W.M.S. program. Recommendation that we endeavor to devote some of our educational advantages this summer to definite work for the furtherance of the Kingdom.

"Our Personality"—Use par. 4, W.M.S. program. Recommendation that we use our talents in furthering work in our local churches.

### TWILIGHT WATCH STUDIES

"Truehearted, wholehearted, faithful and loyal King of our lives, by Thy grace, we will be." First Twilight: What is Loyalty?

Someone has said it is "the willing and practical and thoroughgoing devotion of a person to a cause". Our hymn uses these terms: "Fullest allegiance", see Mark 10:28; "Valiant endeavor", see II Corinthians 11:23-28; "Loving obedience", see John 14:15 Second Twilight: Lovalty to Ourselves

Our daily actions are the proof of our loyalty, John 2:13-17. Our loyalty to our highest purpose, Matthew 7:21-28; our loyalty to our highest ideal, Galatians 2:20

THIRD TWILIGHT: Loyalty to Others

Someone has also said that loyalty is "duty persisted in guided by truth, impelled by love". How does loyalty show itself? "God so loved that He gave." Paul said to the Corinthians, "I will most gladly spend and be spent for your souls", II Cor. 12:15. Am I "gladly" spending my means and my life for others?

FOURTH TWILIGHT: Loyalty to Christ, Luke 14:26-30

- 1. Loyalty to Christ must come before our loyalty to human relationships, if we would be His disciple.
- 2. Loyalty to Christ must reach to the point of any sacrifice, if we would be His disciple.

3. Loyalty to Christ must not regard the cost, if we would be His disciple.

David Livingston put it this way: "I will put no value on anything I have or may possess except in relation to the Kingdom of Christ".



# G. A. PROGRAMS



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### FIRST MEETING

Topic—Using Talents
Hymn—O Zion Haste
Watchword—Daniel 12:3
Prayer for Missionaries
Bible Study—Matt. 25:14-30
Hymn—Consecration
Prayer
Exercise—My Talents
Solo—Give of Your Best to the Master
Story
Hymn—I Am Thine, O Lord
Business
Mizpah

### My Talents

(Let the girls taking part in this exercise dress simply in white, wearing sashes to indicate the parts taken.)

Girl—(reading) "And to one he gave five talents and to another two and to another one; to every man according to his several ability." We had that in our Sunday school lesson not long ago and the teacher told us that all of us have talents. I wonder what mine are? I can't think of any. I can't play the piano and I can't give readings and I can't draw. I don't believe I have any talents. Well, I get along very well and there is one good thing about it, I don't have any responsibility either. But it does look as if I would have one talent anyhow.

Time—I am Time. I am one talent that God gives to everybody alike. To you I bring twenty-four hours in every day, seven days in every week. They are God's gift entrusted to you. You are responsible for the use you make of them. They are for work and rest and pleasure and helpfulness and worship. Not one minute is for idleness and sin. As you use the hours of the day for sane, right living, helpful service as you find opportunity and loving worship in prayer and Bible study, you use your hours aright and merit God's "Well done". As

you give to God, truly, one day out of each week as He requireth of you, you put out the talent of time to usury that when He cometh He may have His own with interest.

Girl—How strange! I had never thought of time as a talent. Must I give account of my time to God? For work, for rest, for pleasure, for helpful service and for worship. Am I putting each of these into every day?

Personality-I am Personality, another talent that God gives to every girl. I am the thing you are yourself, the goodness and the badness, the kindliness and friendliness, the weakness and the strength. I am your power to love. The thing you are belongs to God. The thing which He has given you the power to be is a talent which He has given to you for use. To conquer your weakness, to add to your strength, to live so that you give people the right to believe in you, to love people so much that they may read in you the love of God for them; this is to serve God with the talent of personality. (Hidden voices sing "A Little Bit of Love".)

Girl—A talent just to love people. A talent just to be what God meant me to be. How strange!

Opportunity—I am the talent Opportunity. There are many kinds of opportunity that God gives to girls and for each He requires an accounting. There is the opportunity for education and special training of various kinds. There are opportunities of position, opportunities for leadership and for service on every hand. Of all of these, we are stewards. They are given by God to use for His glory.

Girl—I wonder what special opportunities I have. There is our automobile. I suppose it is an opportunity to get to people and to bring people in touch with the church. Maybe there are some of the girls that do things because I do them and I could get them interested in some personal service if I tried. My, there is a lot to this talent game that I had not thought of. I

wonder if there are any more?

Ability-Yes, there is the talent Ability. There are some things that every one can do and do well. In one church there was an old woman who could wash dishes faster and better than anybody else. She could never lead in prayer or take part on a program or entertain people at the church socials but after every social she could be found in the church kitchen using her talent for washing dishes. And so well and so faithfully did she do her work that in spite of her ignorance and her poverty there was not in all that church a woman more respected and more loved. If you can sing, sing. If you can play, play. If you can read, read. If you can only do the homely but necessary drudgery of the world, do that faithfully and well. What you can do is your responsibility. Use it so hard that you will have no time to worry about what you can't do.

Girl-Washing dishes a talent! And sweeping and dusting, too, I suppose! Well, I have seen churches that would have been better for both. I can fix flowers prettily. Maybe I ought to take flowers to church and arrange them every Sunday. It would brighten things up. I wonder what else I

can do?

Possessions-I am Possessions. I am money, stocks and bonds, houses and lands, jewels and all the other things men own. I am a rather small talent for G.A. girls, you see. They do not have a great deal of me at this time in their lives but the part they have is just as great a responsibility for them as the larger part is for older people. As they administer their small pos-

sessions now, they will use the larger ones when they come. God has required of all those who love Him a tenth as a minimum. Nobody gives more until he has started giving that. If you will give that now in your youth, you will find yourself gladly giving more as your possessions increase.

Girl-Am I the girl who said she had no talents? Yet here are time and personality and opportunity and ability and possessions. Five-big responsibilities lie at my door. I will not bury them in a napkin. I will try to use them so that God may say to me, "Well done".

### SECOND MEETING

Topic-Stewardship Opening Hymn Lord's Prayer Bible Study-Dramatize Matt. 20:1-15 Hymn: Hark, 'Tis the Shepherd's Voice Hear

Debate: Resolved that Missions is a debt which should come first among our responsibilities

Hymn-Am I a Soldier of the Cross Poster Presentation—"Either—Or" Business Hymn-O Zion, Haste Mizpah

### Either-Or

Make a poster showing what each coin up to a five dollar bill may be used for, on one side showing some personal use to which the girls are accustomed to put it and on the other something that it will do for missions: five cents will buy a copy of the gospels, ten cents a whole New Testament, a quarter will keep a child in a kindergarten for a month etc.

The public libraries in many of our large cities are becoming a very real factor in the Americanization movement, especially those branch libraries near the districts where the foreign-born live. Large supplies of books in the language of these people are found on the library shelves to tempt the foreigner to the library, and sympathetic librarians are ready to meet his perplexities and difficulties and help him. Over five hundred libraries are specializing in this phase of Americanization.

Many Russian prisoners in German prison camps have been converted during these terrible years of the war and those converted have gone to work to preach to others, the audiences sometimes numbering a thousand. Their desire for better training so that they can do truly efficient work for their own people when they are released is being satisfied by a group of Bible teachers who have formed training classes in this camp. Only the future can reveal what this training will mean for storm-tossed Russia.



# R. A. PROGRAMS



### Miss Lillian Williams, Virginia

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### FIRST MEETING

Topic-Doing Business with Christ

Hymn-To the Work

Bible Lesson-The Lad with the Loaves and Fishes (Told by boy)

Prayer-That we may get God's blessing from this meeting

Bible History of Tithing-(See page 12,

"Stewardship and Myself".)

Roll Call-Answered by enumerating what we can give to the Lord; found in hymn "Take my Life" (Put these on blackboard)

Remarks on each of these

Hymn-Take my Life (Sung thoughtfully)

Discussion-The "Biggest" Life: How may we have it?

A Trial, based on Mal. 3:8-12

Closing Prayers—That God may help us to use talents to make other boys strong and happy; help us to keep safe and use wisely that which he has entrusted to us; help us to live so that other boys may see we are doing business with Christ

### The Lad with the Loaves and Fishes

One day when Jesus and His disciples were very tired they decided to go into a desert place across the Sea of Galilee so that they might rest a while. But some of the people saw them going and wanted to be with Him and these were joined by others so when the little ship with Jesus arrived there was a multitude of people waiting for Him. Jesus talked to them until late in the afternoon and then asked some of the disciples what such a crowd would do for something to eat, saying there was no place nearby where food could be bought and even if there were they had not money to buy for so many. The disciples were distressed. It was late. The people were hungry and would not be able to walk home without food.

Now in this great crowd there was one boy who had been thoughtful enough to bring a lunch with him. One of the disciples told Jesus that this boy had five barley loaves and two small fishes but he knew this was not enough to feed such a hungry crowd. The boy gave Jesus the loaves. Do you know how He used them? Why, after He had had the people sit down on the grass in an orderly way He gave thanks and then began giving the disciples loaves and fishes to distribute to the people. He kept multiplying that lunch and making it larger and larger until five thousand people were fed. When all the people had eaten as much as they wanted Jesus told His disciples to gather up what was left so that nothing would be lost. I think that must have been a very happy boy to have had his gift used by Jesus in such a wonderful way.

### Suggestions for Discussion

We may have the abundant life by acknowledging God's ownership and our stewardship. The Lord is the best business partner a boy or man ever had and He desires to be a silent partner in every firm. Giving makes us able to do more and at the same time become more perfect. We know the more a violet bed gives of its blossoms the more it has to give and that each one becomes more beautiful. Example of the Great Salt Lake may be used to emphasize the danger of withholding what might be shared.

### Suggestions for "A Trial"

Have testimonies of tithing from several witnesses taken from W.M.S. program. Have case to originate in the violation of a partnership contract with regulations-

- 1. Will keep no partnership accounts and never promise a settlement with my Silent Partner
- 2. Will make a present when I feel like it 3. Charge Him with bad debts and call it charity
- 4. Will never honor my Partner's draft This violation leads to an indictment against the business manager. Give plea of defense and arguments as found in leaflet Trial of the Robbers\*.

### SECOND MEETING

Topic—National and Christian Stewardship

Hymn—Work for the Night Is Coming Prayer—That we may choose friends not for personal interest but because they need us

Stewardship Defined Reasons for Stewardship

How to Give—("Stewardship and Children", W.M.S. program, page 12)

What to Give—Personality (W.M.S. program, page 12)

Song-Are You a Tither?

Debate—Resolved that the recognition of stewardship is the greatest need of the world and the church today

Signing of Stewardship Cards—"May we be free from raising money, but may the money raise us to higher ground"

Closing Prayer

### Stewardship Defined

"The World War brought home with force the fact that the government is the owner and citizens are but stewards. A steward is 'a person entrusted with the management of estates or affairs not his own' and as a citizen of the United States you are but a steward of your country and to you are committed its welfare and its good name. Your citizenship is but the pledge of yourself and your possessions to be used for the maintenance and protection of its well-being and its honor. To carry on the war the government had need of money, materials and men. Did it stop at asking you to do your 'bit'? No, it not only launched its four loans for billions, but it took from you through taxes a share

in your earnings and profits. When food, clothing, arms, ships, hospitals were needed the government commandeered them if necessary. Nor is this the limit of its power; when men are needed to bear arms are the ranks filled only volunteers? You understand the draft law too well to answer amiss. If the government has such authority over its citizens, how much more right has Jehovah, the absolute over of all, with man as His steward!"

### Reasons for Stewardship

- 1. Love for God, II Cor. 8:9—Can we love without giving? If we love God we will give. Worship without giving is bare; worship is where prayer and gifts go up together.
- 2. Commanded—Whether this law is binding now or not, we know He does not set for us a lower standard than was set for the Jews 3000 years ago.

3. All belongs to Him—"Who made the money" (W.M.S. program, page 10)

- 4. It blesses us—Gives us greater joy, develops us, makes us partners with God (See paragraphs below: "Partnership" and "Rewards".)
- 5. It is practicable—The government taught us to stop wasting and hoarding for self alone. As Christian stewards let us neither waste in extravagance nor hoard in selfishness the possessions entrusted to us.
- 6. It blesses others directly and by example.
- 7. It is dishonest to keep the tenth—Mal. 3:8
- 8. Helps us to pray—Acts 10:4
- 9. Helps us to trust—Matt. 6:21
- 10. Brings us nearer to Him-2 Cor. 9:7

(Tune "Are you from Dixie?")

Are you a tither?

A happy tither?

Do you turn one-tenth back unto the Lord? Well, you should be one

Your duty's not done

Until you share your income with Him For blessings without number He will shower on you down

Pressed down, running over is His promise

Are you a tither, a happy tither? Come be a tither, too.



# SUNBEAM PROGRAMS



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SUNBEAM BAND OF DEADERICK AVE. CHURCH, KNOXVILLE, TENN. for two years the banner band of their state

### FIRST MEETING

Topic—Our Money .

Welcome Song
A Child's Prayer
Song—We Are Little Sunbeams
Roll Call—Answered with the name of a missionary
Prayer for the Missionaries
Bible Story—In Business for God
Song—L-o-v-e, Love
Dramatize Bible Story
Offering Service
Business
Sunbeam Song
Closing Prayer
Sunbeam Rally Cry

### In Business for God

Does God want us to make money? Yes, He wants us to make money for ourselves and for Him. He wants us to do our very best and make just as much as we can for the more we have the more we can give. One day when Jesus was here He told a story about a man who had some servants in business for him just as God wants us to be busy for Him. He said that this man

had to go away on a long, long journey and before he left he called his servants to him and gave them each some money to trade with and make money for him while he was away. To some of the servants he gave a great deal of money and to some less and to some just a tiny little bit. But to all he gave the same commandment, that they should be faithful and work hard. While he was gone those servants were just as busy

<sup>\*</sup> Order from W.M.U. Headquarters, Baltimore, Md.  $\S$  for 3c

as they could be, they took their money and traded with it and made more and more and more. That is all of them were busy save one. He was a lazy sort of man, I suppose. Anyhow he did not work as his master commanded. He took his piece of money the master had given him and wrapped it in a napkin and buried it in the ground where nobody could steal it or take it away or lose it. Then he just waited till the master should come home. After being gone a long time the master did come and then he sent for his servants to come and tell him what they had been doing while he was gone. Those faithful servants who had worked hard were glad and they brought the money which they had earned to show him. When the master saw that they had gained much money he was very pleased. The man who had received only one piece of money didn't come so the master sent for him and asked him what he had done. The man took the talent which he had received and hidden and handed it to the master, saying that he had been afraid that he might lose it and make him angry so he had not worked any or made any money for him at all. Then the master was greatly displeased with the lazy servant and scolded him and sent him away and took his money and divided it between those who had been faithful. He wanted his servants to use their chances to do well and prosper just as God wants us to do.

Suggestions for dramatizing above story: Choose one child for the master and others to represent the three servants. Let the rest of the children be the tradespeople with whom the servants trade and make money. The master goes into another room or to a

far corner and the two faithful servants go busily from one to another of the trades. people trading. The wicked servant wraps his money in a handkerchief and goes to one side where he digs a hole and buries it then goes away and sits idly down until the master's return. When the master returns the faithful servants run to meet and welcome him and they show him their money which he approves. Then he sends one of them for the wicked servant who goes and digs up his talent and brings it to the master and tells him that he has earned nothing. The master then scolds him and sends him away and divides the money between the other two. Let the dialogue come from the children themselves with as little direction and suggestion as possible for in this way any false ideas that they may have gotten can be corrected.

### A Business Suggestion

If there is some special object for which you would like to raise funds, a dime may be given out to each child at this meeting and each one urged to see how much he can make with it in a given length of time as the servants did in the story. If this is done it must be emphasized at each meeting and the idea that they are in business for God carefully impressed. Some suggestions as to ways must be made, too. Seed may be bought and planted and vegetables sold, or thread bought and crocheted by the girls, or candy made by the older girls and sold by the little children. Try to see that the members of the children's families understand and let the children really earn their money or the moral effect may not be wholesome.

### SECOND MEETING

TOPIC—Belonging to God
OPENING SONG
SENTENCE PRAYERS FOR MISSIONARIES
SONG—Little Hands and Feet
BIBLE STORY—A Little Boy Who Belonged to God
PRAYER
SONG—He Loves Me Too
THE DO-WITHOUT BOX
SONG—I Think When I Read That Sweet Story of Old
WHAT THEIR MONEY DID
PRAYER FOR THE WORLD CHILDREN
ROLL CALL—Answered by Bible Verses

Business
Sunbeam Song
Closing Prayer
Sunbeam Rally Cry

### A Little Boy Who Belonged to God

Once upon a time a very long time ago, so long that it was before Jesus came into the world, there was a little boy who belonged to God. Now of course we know that all the little boys in all the world belong to God. He made us and gives us everything so, of course, we are His. This little boy belonged to God even more than we do because his mother gave him to Him. When God sent to her a cunning, laughing, little black-eyed baby boy she gave him right back to God because she loved God so much. She took him to the temple where all the people worshipped in those days to be God's little boy and help the old priest who taught the people how to worship God. After that she only saw him once in a very long while when the time came for her to go to the temple to worship, but she thought of him all the time and made pretty little suits to take him and was very happy because of him. The little boy lived in the temple with the kind old priest and was a good boy as God's child should be and he learned to do many helpful things. He didn't have any money but he had two good strong hands and with them he could fill the temple lamps that had always to be kept burning. He had two swift feet that ran here and there to bring and carry things as they were needed. He had two clear eyes that could look for things when they were lost. He had two good ears that could listen to the old priest as he taught the people about God and he had a heart that could learn to know and love God. All that he had he used for God, for were they not His? So it came about that in after years when this little boy became a man that God made him a ruler over His people, the greatest judge of them all, loved, honored, obeyed by everybody because he belonged to God and gave his whole self unto the Lord.

### The Do-Without Box

In a city not a thousand miles from here there are some boys and girls who love God

so much that they want to do something for Him every day. In the beginning they were not at all sure about what God would like to have them do but they have a teacher who is very wise and she thought that God would like to have them give their money to tell others about Him. So she made a "Do-Without Box" and brought it with her one day to those boys and girls. They were delighted with it and you would have been, too, if you could have seen its pretty blue cover and the little stickers in its pincushion top. The stickers were long ... blackheaded pins stuck through pretty colored pictures of the things that those boys and girls might do without to help the children who did not know about God to know and love Him. Of course there was chewing gum and there was candy and a street car to show that sometimes one might walk and all sorts of things. They made a game out of the "Do-Without Box". Each Sunday all the stickers were taken out and laid on the table and as the children came those who had done without anything during the week stopped and stuck the sticker that stood for what they had done without into the cover and dropped the money through the slit in the box. Some Sundays the whole top was covered with stickers and everybody was glad. Once in a while there would only be three or four stickers and folks would look sort of sad and shake their heads and wonder if everybody had been selfish that week. But the pile of money in the box grew and grew and one day when a real missionary came to the church on a visit she came into that room and they opened the box and gave her the money to take back with her to far-away China to buy Bibles for the girls in her big girls' school. Would you like to have a "Do-Without Box" for your Sunbeam band, I wonder?

### What Their Money Did

Once I knew a crowd of junior boys and girls who saved their money and gave to God one-tenth of all that they received and

when they had put it all together it was enough to send a boy to school in the northern part of China. Each year they sent more money for this same boy and at last he finished boys' school and went to a school where he learned to be a preacher. Last year they had a letter from him in which he said that he was through with

school and was going out to be pastor of some Chinese churches and preach Jesus to his people. There was not a boy or girl in that whole Junior Department who was over twelve years old and none of them were rich yet their money could make a preacher out of a little Chinese boy when they gave it to God.

# NINE EVANGELISTIC LEAFLETS

As long as they last, one each of the following nine leaflets will be sold for ten cents a package. As their titles show they deal with salvation, invitation to the unsaved, comfort for the sorrowing. Please state in sending in your order whether or no you will be satisfied with substitutes if your order finds the supply of the following leaflets exhausted.

Debts Paid
A Good Sinner
A Word to You
He Had No Song
The Young Actress
Peace: Who Gets It, and How?
How to Begin a Christian Life
If Thou Knewest the Gift of God!
The Kerry Boy and the Lost Sheep

Order from

W.M.U. Literature Department
15 West Franklin Street
Baltimore, Md.

### NOTICE

On page 3 will be found the titles of thirteen leaflets which have been carefully selected for use with this month's program on stewardship. The price of each is given with the title. Many persons will desire the entire collection, not only to use with their April programs but to give to friends who do not understand the principle of stewardship. The fourteen cost 35 cents from the address given on page 3.

Attention is also called to the list of evangelistic leaflets as advertised above. During the Loyalty Campaign as well as throughout the years the churches will be holding evangelistic meetings. These leaflets will be of great service at such times, for many a person has been converted through the reading of a simple leaflet such as they are. The Woman's Missionary Union urges its members to be soul seekers. In studying and teaching the new book, "Talks on Soul Winning", the leaflets listed above will be found convincing. Send in your order early!



# FROM OUR MISSIONARIES



### MAKING READY FOR SERVICE



AI CHEN AND FENG CHEN

faces are pupils in the boarding school here with many others who we are praying may have a good part in making China a better country. Ai Chen, the older, and her mother went one day to a Gospel tent meeting in a nearby village because everyone else was going, to see rather than to hear. While there she met one of our lady missionaries who was teaching a class of women and girls each day. Although a small child then, she became so interested in the Gospel she determined to go to school and learn to read for herself yet,

there was so much opposition to overcome, how could she? Her mother did not receive the Gospel message as she did; then there were her father and brother away from home. What would they do? They had quite different plans for this bright child. One point greatly in her favor was her marriage engagement had not been settled, so she began to plan how she could learn to read. Other minds were doing the same and the result was that a lady promised to keep her in school. The mother very reluctantly gave her consent and Ai Chen has been in school about three years.

Feng Chen's mother has been a Christian several years but her father opposed the Gospel so they had a very unhappy home. The family had known much better days but opium had brought them to poverty. One of the mother's greatest trials was that the child's father was very anxious, for a good sum of money, to sell or engage her to marry into a rich heathen family who wanted her because of her pretty face. That meant her feet would have to be bound up ever so small, she would not be allowed to go to school and would never know about the Gospel. This, Feng Chen's mother felt was more than she could bear. Yet she had no other recourse but to pray to the Heavenly Father for help. While she lived she felt she could prevent the child's being sold but she had an incurable disease and knew she could not be long with her child. I rejoice to write that for four years this girl has been in our boarding school; her father has become an enquirer and we hope he may soon confess Christ. Her mother went home to heaven last year and what a great joy it would be to her to know that not only Feng Chen, but her younger brother and sister are being taught in Christian schools. Will not all of you pray for these two girls and for the many more who are in our schools-that their lives may count for much as Christian workers?-Mary D. Willeford, Laichowfu



# SOCIETY METHODS



# AN INSTALLATION SERVICE FOR GIRLS' AUXILIARY

ROCESSIONAL-Onward Christian Soldiers-(Girls wear white, old members carry lighted and new members unlighted candles. Old members place lights on table prepared for them and step back forming semicircle about new members. Counselor-Ye are the light of the world.

Old Members—And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness, as the stars forever and ever.

Counselor-(Holding large lighted candle) We are commanded to let our lights so shine that men seeing our good works may glorify our Father who is in heaven. Woman's Missionary Union has striven to set aflame five great lights that shall shed their light abroad through all the world.

Prayer-Woman's Missionary Union sets aflame in every heart the light of prayer, earnest, intelligent, persistent, united prayer. I light the light of prayer. (Light candle.)

Education—Through Bible and mission study Woman's Missionary Union sets aflame the light of knowledge in the land, knowledge of our mission fields and their problems, of need and opportunity throughout the world, of God's Word and will concerning us. I light the light of knowledge.

Enlistment-With sister spirit and mother heart Woman's Missionary Union is ever reaching out to set alight the flame of service for other women and even for little children. Having known the joy of service she has longed to gather in others also. I light the light

Giving-Woman's Missionary Union would everywhere set aglow the light of sacrificial giving. No need of little child or other mothers fails of compassionate heeding wherever W.M.U. is found. I light the light of giving.

Personal Service-No light can shine more brightly than that which glows when we learn to give ourselves in personal effort for the saving of the lost. The Woman's Missionary Union stands for personal responsibility for the salvation of the lost around about us. For them I light the light of Personal Service.

(New members pass by and touch candles to each of these five flames.)

Counselor-Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to the whole creation.

Old Members-And lo, I am with you alway even unto the end of the world.

Flag-bearer (Steps forward and presents Christian flag.) Thou hast given a banner to them that fear thee.

(All salute Christian Flag, march to seats unless the platform is large enough to seat all comfortably.)

Counselor—(Abridged and adapted from "A Call to Colors")

We are part of a great regiment and this regiment has lookout stations in every church. There cannot be too many of them for there are danger signals in all directions. The local societies of W.M.U. are lookout stations. The recruits in them are drilling, looking out for danger signals, carrying messages, standing by the colors and obeying orders of the Great Commander. Your missionary meeting is the drill ground where you are learning to be a first-class soldier. You cannot afford to neglect these meetings for you are called to the colors and the meetings are the camp for your training. How dreadful a thing to fail when called to the colors! You are drilling. You are on guard duty. What are some of the danger signals for which you must watch? The greatest of these is selfishness. What one word will remove that danger?

All-Others.

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# TRAINING SCHOOL



# THE PRAYER CALENDAR IN HOUSE BEAUTIFUL

7HAT does the Calendar of Prayer for Southern Baptists mean to the girls who have lived in House Beautiful? What does it mean to those who now form? links in that chain which reaches from continent to continent around the world. As day by day their names appear on that prayer list their hearts turn back with thanksgiving to the beloved Training School and they know that in the Heck Memorial Chapel their sisters, with other Baptists scattered over the southland, are pleading with the Master for them. 'As God answers these prayers the day is made brighter, new hope is born, inspiration for greater service is kindled in the soul and they realize that the Sister Spirit is bearing a part of their burden.

It is largely through the Prayer Calendar that these messengers of Christ on the foreign fields and in the homeland are kept from being narrow in their thoughts. There is great temptation to grow so absorbed in one's own field of labor that if it were not for the daily reminders all else would be forgotten. There was once a very noted surgeon whose whole interest was centered in his laboratory. He could not carry on a social conversation for more than three minutes at a time without changing the subject to his own line of work; he spoke, moved and lived only in the world of surgery. One day his eyes were opened. While recovering from a severe illness he formed the habit of committing to memory each day a thought from one of the great poets and when able to turn again to his beloved profession he found that his world had grown, he had stepped out into the realm of literature and touched the lives of great men whose work was as important as his own; he had felt the throb of brotherhood. Today he is a changed man. So it is with the missionary as she works year after year on the same field, sees the stupendous need of her people and hears their cry for help. It is no wonder that she is liable to forget others in a different continent whose burden is as heavy as her own. But the Prayer Calendar recalls her past and as the days go by, if she cuts out items from the various papers about these missionaries whose names appear on the calendar and pastes them by their names, she becomes better acquainted with her fellow-workers. Thus each morning, before beginning the day's work, it is her joy to talk to the Saviour about these brothers and sisters who have answered the call and are serving as she.

If the Prayer Calendar means so much to our girls who have gone out, what must it mean to us living here in House Beautiful, the power house of prayer? As we think of our great responsibility towards those who are depending on us to bear them up to the Throne we feel our own shortcomings and unworthiness in the sight of the Master and are humbled to pray more earnestly for strength to follow in His footsteps. Then it becomes our glorious privilege to talk to Him about those who are now performing the service for which we are preparing. We, too, are broadened in learning the names and needs of many we would not know otherwise. And so the Prayer Calendar comes to be a light, a joy and an inspiration to Training School girls abroad and at home, drawing us all closer together and closer to the Master.-Marguerite Pierce

> "There is a viewless, cloistered room, As high as heaven, as fair as day, Where, though my feet may join the throng, My soul can enter in and pray. One hearkening, even, cannot know When I have crossed the threshold o'er; For He alone, who hears my prayer, Has heard the shutting of the door.



# PERSONAL SERVICE



# THE DAILY VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: WHY HAVE IT? WHAT IS IT?

"Life no loftier aim can hold than leading little children in the light."

### Why?

Because of the pressing need. "For over two months in summer school supervision is withdrawn from 20,000,000 children. For many of these vacation is a happy time but for many more it is a time of demoralization and danger. Fathers and mothers, busy all day, cannot give their children needed care. Americanization demands for these children formation and conservation of character." America stands for government of the people, by the people, for the people in the spirit of justice, fraternity and service for all mankind. Not a day should pass without weaving more closely into the very fiber of child character love for God, love for America and love for all children of all nations. Further, religious training is not allowed in our public schools, consequently the duty of providing for it rests on the church. Is democracy safe without the Bible and the knowledge of God? Is Americanization possible without this dynamic? The summer vacation is the greatest opportunity of the year to supply this vital need through THE DAILY VACATION BIBLE SCHOOLS.

### What?

What is a Vacation Bible School? It is a school without books where children delight to go; where there is a happy, orderly confusion. It is a school that advertises itself when once under way. It is a school of real religious instruction through ear-gate and eye-gate. Loyal patriotism is emphasized. Love for the flag and for the ideals and principles it represents has, in Daily Vacation Bible Schools, always joined hands with Bible teaching. What It Will Do

1. It will promote the social welfare of children, irrespective of race or creed, by giving them competent teachers, suitable and happy occupations, supervised games, good songs and, above all, will combine with this program Americanization and the Bible which from the beginning has shaped this nation's history.

2. It will promote the community use of church buildings in cities and rural districts for child welfare on broad, non-sectarian lines, especially when public schools are closed for the suppose.

178,000 Protestant church buildings in the United States Estimated value, \$935,000,000 exempt from taxation

To fail to use them for community welfare is a serious form of economic waste

3. It will promote industry. Alert college men and women, inspired with the spirit of social service and fitted to be efficient leaders of children in worship, in work and in play, will gladly utilize their vacation months to promote American and Christian ideals by training the children for safe citizens of home and nation.

Idle churches used for community welfare Idle students used for moulding character Idle boys and girls saved for home and nation

4. It will make you rejoice and thank God. The development that will take place before your eyes in those few short weeks will cause you to marvel at the possibilities in the boys and girls attending the school. You will rejoice in any part you have had in the enterprise.

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# UNION NOTES



### ROUND TABLE

The thirty-third annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Union, S.B.C., will be called to order by the president, Mrs. W. C. James, at 9.30 A.M. on Thursday, May 12.

Attention is called to the fact that the previously published topics for July and October have been interchanged. This means that the topic for July will be "Ministerial Relief, Orphanages and Hospitals" and the one for October will be "W.M.U. Plans for 1921-22". This change is announced thus early in the hope that it will not greatly inconvenience the chairmen and members of the various program committees. The W.M.U. Executive Committee decided that it was best to make this change since it is almost impossible to get a program on W.M.U. plans ready for the printer immediately after the May annual meeting, the July program being needed by the printer on May 18. A further argument for the change is that October is the month when most of the societies naturally plan for the winter's work.

The W.M.U. annual meeting sessions on Thursday and Friday, May 12-13, will be held in the First Baptist Church, Chattanooga, Tenn.

The monthly missionary topics for 1922 are as follows: January, Expanding the Foreign Mission Horizon; February, Our New Foreign Mission Fields; March, Origin and Growth of Home Mission Board; April, Baptist 75 Million Campaign; May, W.M.U. Training School and Margaret Fund; June, S.B.C. Christian Education; July, Making a Home in the New Land; August, Industrial Foreign Missions; September, Growth of State and Associational Missions; October, W.M.U. Plans for 1922–23; November, The Ministry of Healing; December, Fulfilling the Royal Law.

The First Baptist Church in Chattanooga is on Georgia Avenue and Oak Street. The pastor is Rev. John W. Inzer.

The young people's missionary topics for 1922 to correspond with the ones given above are: January, Opening the Doors; February, Through Eastern Windows; March, The Threshold of Missions; April, Keeping Step; May, Our House Beautiful; June, Gateways of Opportunity; July, Making a Home in the New Land; August, Youth at Work in the Foreign Lands; September, Our State for Christ; October, Planning; November, The Ministry of Healing; December, Following the Star.

Hotel Patten will be headquarters in Chattanooga. It is on Georgia Avenue and 11th Street, being only five blocks from the First Baptist Church.

The Bible topics for 1922 will be: January, The Eternal Gospel; February, Renewal of Strength; March, Saving Knowledge of the Truth; April, the Command—the Promise of Power; May, The Light of Life; June, The Understanding Heart; July, Deliverance Announced; August, Wise-Hearted Women; September, The Ministry of Obedience; October, Self-Denial and Progress; November, Continue in Prayer; December, Love and Service.

The Southern Baptist Convention will hold its sessions in Chattanooga in the Billy Sunday Tabernacle, which is between 9th and 11th Streets. The tabernacle is only one block from the Hotel Patten and four from the First Baptist Church.

Union workers were certainly grieved to hear early in February of the death of Mrs. W. P. Throgmorton, the W.M.U. vice president for Illinois. Gently and lovingly did she give her best to our Union interests from the very beginning of the W.M.U. work in Illinois. Another February Homegoing, which was triumphant and yet one which brought deep sorrow to many through-

out the south, was that of Dr. Allan Fort, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Nashville, Tenn. Truly Dr. Fort was a friend of woman's work, his last words to the W.M.U. corresponding secretary being: "Before the Union calls we stand ready to answer", his sermon that day being a burning appeal for missions, in which he gave thanks for the many missionary conferences which were held in Nashville and in particular for the January ones at which Drs. Mullins and Gambrell had told of the Baptists in Europe.

The W.M.U. Secretaries' and Field Workers' Council will meet in its tenth annual all-day session at 9.30 A.M. on Monday, May 16, in the Central Baptist Church of Chattanooga. This church is on McCallie Avenue and Palmetto Street, ten blocks from Hotel Patten and six from the First Baptist Church.

The first two weeks of February were spent by the W.M.U. corresponding secretary in Missouri. Most of the time was given to the leading of a class of about one hundred in the study of Dr. Mullins' book, "Talks on Soul Winning", at the "Efficiency School" which is each February conducted in the Southwest Baptist College at Bolivar, Mo., Prof. J. C. Pike being president. Forty-seven certificates were awarded to those who persevered and took the examination. The institute is one of the mountain schools of the Home Mission Board and its faculty and students seem tremendously in earnest. As an advertisement for the school, as a supplement to its teaching and as an aid to pastors and others in adjoining towns and counties the "Efficiency School", dealing with many phases of denominational life, is conducted. This February over two hundred enrolled from twenty counties, the homes of Bolivar caring for them. From Bolivar the beautiful trip through the Ozark Mts. was taken to St. Louis where a Sunday was spent as the guest of Delmar Baptist Church. The service at night was in the interest of the young women, being presided over by their counselor, Mrs. Eugene McCarthy. The devotional service was led by Miss Laura Lee Patrick, for nine years the W.M.U. corre-

sponding secretary in Alabama and now assistant to Rev. L. M. Hale at Delmar Church. It was hard to give Miss Patrick up in Alabama but her devoted work in St. Louis is being blessed even as it was in Alabama. The Union is bearing another great loss in the resignation of Mrs. Julian P. Thomas as corresponding secretary in Virginia. During the fifteen years of her splendid service as secretary and as W.M.U. vice president she has endeared herself to thousands in Virginia and throughout the south. It will be hard to face Union problems without the wisdom of her experience and the faith of her loving heart.

Twenty-six committees of Chattanooga Baptist women are eagerly planning for the W.M.U. meeting in their city in May. Mrs. H. D. Huffaker is general chairman.

One of the chief joys of being W.M.U. corresponding secretary is the privilege of spending a week each year as the guest of the W.M.U. Training School in Louisville, Ky. February 14-22 was thus spent this year. The weather except for one deep, white snow was really spring-like and almost without exception the 126 boarding students were well. Before breakfast each morning, except two, they led the prayer services in the Heck Memorial Chapel, a real blessing coming through each service. In the lovely chapel we gathered each evening but Saturday and Sunday for the talks on W.M.U. work. One evening the James Circle of the Y.W.A. admirably presented an impressive home mission pageant, written by Miss Juliette Mather of Arkansas, the author of the double acrostic on "loyalty" which appears on the front cover page of this issue. Each evening the "Loyalty Campaign Song" as given on page 16 was heartily sung. The work of the school's Good Will Center was found to be in excellent condition. The young Blue Bird girls are building a fairy "Health Palace" and through the night classes and Mothers' Club several Italian women have been converted. The school seems to be a veritable bee-hive of industry and a mighty power-house of prayer and yet the girls find time and heart for wholesome pleasure.

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### SOCIETY METHODS

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Counselor-What weapon do we use in fighting?

All-Love.

Counselor-It takes much drilling to learn to use this weapon aright and be ready when called on to fight hard battles for truth and righteousness. The soldier who answers "Here" at every roll call, who is neither absent nor tardy, soon learns to drill. Some of the lessons learned are:

Attention! Fixing the mind on the world and its needs. Mark Time! Doing the humdrum things faithfully. Present Arms! Doing what you can, giving what you can. Forward March! Trying new things. Right About Face! Try, try again.

Follow the orders of your captain who is the leader of your missionary society. Be at every meeting and give attention at every moment that you may learn the reasons for your missionary efforts. Learn what missionary marching means. Keep step even though the drill grows a bit tiresome at times. Keep eyes and ears open. Watch!, God has called you to be a good soldier pledged to drive ignorance and sin and misery from the world. Follow lovingly and loyally.

Prayer by pastor O Zion, Haste-in Pantomime

Miss Willie Jean Stewart, Mrs. R. L. Durant

### PERSONAL SERVICE

(Continued from page 30)

WHAT IT WILL COST

Superintendent (preferably pastor)	\$60 to \$	70
Kindergartner		
Two adult workers		
Cost of material	about \$1	00
These figures for a five weeks session and 100 pupils		
One dollar for a boy or girl for five weeks		

Volunteer helpers will prove a valuable aid

Julia Donnahaw

(To be continued)

(We are largely indebted for the above to the comprehensive and helpful literature of the Daily Vacation School Association to which we refer for further information and direction. Address 90 Bible House, New York City)

### UNION NOTES

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The evening they gave the pageant they had as their guests the seminary married students and their wives and little children. On Saturday evening they had the merriest of parties down in the basement, half the joy to the W.M.U. corresponding secretary being to see how completely they could relax.

The W.M.U. sermon at the Chattanooga meeting will be preached in the First Baptist Church on Sunday, May 15, at 11 A.M., the pastor presiding.

Miss Susan B. Tyler, the W.M.U. college correspondent, visited in February many Baptist and state schools in Tennessee and North Carolina. Everywhere the faculty and students heard her gladly and showed marked interest in the Y.W.A. work. In April Miss Tyler will represent the Union at the Mississippi and Arkansas state meetings. Wherever she goes, she calls attention to the Young People's Session at the Chattanooga meeting on Friday, May 13, at 8 P.M., an invitation to which is given on page 36 of this issue.

Every one who has ever been a student at the W.M.U. Training School in Louisville and who is planning to go to the May meeting in Chattanooga is asked to take a white dress to wear at the Friday night session mentioned above.

THIRD QUARTERLY REPORT OF TREASURER OF WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION, AUXILIARY TO SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION

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# Included in preceding table SPECIAL OBJECTS

States	Church Bldg. Loan Fund	Ministerial Relief	Christian Education	State	Orphanages	Hospitals	Miscellaneous	Totals
Alabama. Arkansas. District of Columbia	\$ 404.30	\$ 855.30	\$ 6,420.96	\$ 2,301.97	\$ 2,055.86	\$ 432.92	\$19,425.37	\$12,471.81 19,425.87
Florida. Georgia		274.80	850.34	3,916.00	1,374.03		94.70	6,509.87
Illinois.  Kentucky	326.56	310.60	7,921.12	7,339.35	909,16	57.51 3,887.70	3,949.33	5,576.79
Maryland Mississippi Missouri	5.00	230.80	1,300.00 3,956.46	1,168.77	1,236.75	2,184.50	6.20 428.17 976.35	2,901.94 11,717.06
New Mexico. North Carolina. Oklahoma.	450.49	3,433.02	21,640.32	21,654.76	7,263.22	1, 222.68	2,371.95	2,371.95 55,664.49 23,746.47
South Carolina Tennessee Texas Virginia	1,401.60	1,417.47 1,582.23 5,094.20	26,921.21 12,657.94 20,376.80	3,955.57	5,968.32 2,373.33 4,859.56	2,238.12 3,955.59 2,230.01		43,856.31 25,926.26
Totals	\$4,275.80	\$17,943.35	\$147,377.18	\$72,966.25	\$33,174.41	\$19,605.23 \$106,057.41	\$106,057.41	\$401,399.63

Value of Boxes: \$5,908.82



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Y.W.A.'s-G.A.'s-R.A.'s
Sunbeams

Where

Chattanooga, Tenn.

When

Friday, May 13

What

Young People's Session

Why

To Hear about Our Work

United for Service