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Laborers together with God—Corinthians 3:9

## WATCHWORD FOR 1924-1925

Let the whole earth be filled with His glory.—  
Psalm 72:19

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"When thou prayest, pray to thy Father".  
—Matt. 6:6

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## EDITORIAL



### SUGGESTED PROGRAM IN OUTLINE

Week of Prayer, September 21-28, 1924

NOTE.—The following outline program is suggested by Dr. L. R. Scarborough, Dr. C. E. Burts and the W.M.U. corresponding secretary for use during the special Week of Prayer, September 21-28. As ROYAL SERVICE readers know, Dr. Scarborough is the director of the Baptist 75 Million Campaign and Dr. Burts has been entrusted with the launching of the 1925 Program of Southern Baptists. In July this outline program was sent to each state W.M.U. corresponding secretary so that she might incorporate into it any plans the state Union already had for the observance of a special program on state missions. The societies will doubtless receive added suggestions, therefore, from their state W.M.U. headquarters. Every effort should be made to get the pastors, laymen and young people interested in the observance of this program, especially during the two Sundays and on Wednesday. The initial idea for the week came not from the Union and is not in any sense fostered entirely by the women. It is for all the congregation.

Brief though its outline be, it can be seen that each day recalls the 1919 spirit of victory and the imperative need at this time for the same; that each devotional stresses prayer; and that on each day one of the seven causes of the Campaign is the special object to be remembered in prayer, talks and discussions, the seven objects being also the ones for the 1925 Program. It is earnestly hoped that Wednesday will indeed be a "day of prayer and fasting".

OBJECT: Seeking Divine Guidance for Completion of Baptist 75 Million Campaign and for Launching of 1925 Program of Southern Baptists

*Sunday, September 21*

SUBJECT: VISION OF VICTORY

Emphasis on 1919 and 1924 Southern Baptist Conventions in Atlanta Where Campaign and Program Were Launched

*Devotional: Planning for Prayer*

Scripture and Songs Showing Necessity for Planning Definite Times and Places for Prayer

Scripture References: Isaiah 56:1-7; Hebrews 10:19-25; Luke 6:12-19; Acts 1:12-14; 3:1-10; 16:11-15

*Object to Be Remembered: S.B.C. Ministerial Relief*

Included in Campaign and in 1925 Program

*Monday, September 22*

SUBJECT: ORGANIZING FOR VICTORY

Emphasis upon Organization in 1919 and Now

*Devotional: Purpose in Prayer*

Scripture and Songs Showing the Why of Prayer and Also Necessity of Being Definite in Prayer

Scripture References: Numbers 21:4-9; Genesis 33:22-30; Matthew 9:38; 26:41; Mark 11:24; II Thess. 1:11, 12; Matthew 18:19, 20

*Object to Be Remembered: Baptist Orphanages*

Included in Campaign and in 1925 Program

*Tuesday, September 23*

SUBJECT: INFORMATION FOR VICTORY

Emphasis upon Wide Circulation and Use of Literature in 1919 and Now

*Devotional: Privilege of Prayer*

Scripture and Songs Showing that It Is God Who Hears and Answers Prayer

Scripture References: Psalms 91; 145:18; Isaiah 58:9; 65:24; Matthew 7:7-11; Mark 11:24; James 1:16-18

*Object to Be Remembered: Baptist Hospitals*

Included in Campaign and in 1925 Program

*Wednesday, September 24*

*Special Day for Prayer and Fasting*

SUBJECT: STEWARDSHIP FOR VICTORY

Emphasis upon Christian Stewardship in 1919 and Now

*Devotional: Power of Prayer*

Scripture and Songs Showing that Prayer Has Power with God

Scripture References: Mark 9:23; Matthew 19:26; Phil. 4:19; II Corinthians 9:8; Jeremiah 33:3

*Object to Be Remembered: Southern Baptist State Missions*

Included in Campaign and 1925 Program

*Schedule of Day's Program in Urban Churches*

7 A.M. to 8 A.M.: Business Men's Prayer Hour

10:30 A.M. to Noon: Women's Prayer Service

Noon to 1 P.M.: Business Women's Prayer Hour

3:30 to 4:30 P.M.: Young People's and Women's Prayer Service

8 P.M. to 9 P.M.: Prayer Service of Entire Congregation

*Schedule of Day's Program in Rural Churches*

Morning Prayers in Homes

Noonday Prayers in Homes

3 P.M. to 4 P.M.: Women's Prayer Service

7 P.M. to 8 P.M.: Prayer Service of Young People

8 P.M. to 9 P.M.: Prayer Service of Entire Congregation

*Objects of Prayer for Wednesday Services*

1. The Seven Causes Embraced in Campaign and in 1925 Program: S.B.C. Ministerial Relief Fund, Orphanages, Hospitals, Schools, State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions
2. Successful Completion of Campaign
3. Adequate Preparation for 1925 Program
4. Enlistment of All of Our People
5. Unity of Our Constituency
6. Practice of Christian Stewardship on the Part of All of Our People with the Assurance that God Will Give Business Prosperity as It Seemeth Good to Him
7. Salvation of the Lost at Home and Abroad

*Thursday, September 25*

SUBJECT: ENLISTING FOR VICTORY

Emphasis upon Enlistment in 1919 and Now

*Devotional: Persevering in Prayer*

Scripture and Songs Showing that Prayer Prevails

Scripture References: Luke 11:1-13; 18:1-8; Matthew 7:7-11; James 5:16-18

*Object to Be Remembered: S.B.C. Home Missions*

Included in Campaign and 1925 Program



Friday, September 26

**SUBJECT: OUR YOUNG PEOPLE FOR VICTORY**

Emphasis upon "Calling Out the Called" in 1919 and Now

**Devotional: Possessing by Prayer**

Scripture and Songs Showing that Prayer Enriches

Scripture References: Psalms 37:1-9; 65:1-4; Acts 2:1-4; Luke 9:28-36; James 1:5-8

**Object to Be Remembered: S.B.C. Foreign Missions**

Included in Campaign and in 1925 Program

Saturday, September 27

**SUBJECT: PRAYER FOR VICTORY**

Emphasis upon Prayer in 1919 and Now

**Devotional: Praise through Prayer**

Scripture and Songs Showing that God Is Glorified through Prayer

Scripture References: Psalms 100; 95:1-7; Daniel 11:32; I John 5:4; Romans 8:31-39

**Object to Be Remembered: S.B.C. Schools**

Included in Campaign and in 1925 Program

Sunday, September 28

Special Program of Sunday School Board

Sermon on Prayer by Pastor

⑥ Zion, Waste

**QUESTIONS ON PROGRAM TOPIC FOR STUDY AND DISCUSSION**

1. Are state rights an asset or a handicap to the best interests of state missions? In either case why?
2. Of what value to missions is the individuality of a state?
3. Can the same methods for Christian work be used in every state?
4. In how many states are there mountain schools? In how many Indian reservations?
5. Is immigration a problem in the southern states?
6. Explain the relation between the local missionary society and the state W.M.U.
7. Explain the relation between the state W.M.U. and the State Mission Board
8. What is the meaning of your state name? What its dimensions and population?
9. What religious influences touch your state? To what degree does your state W.M.U. affect religious conditions in your state?
10. Enumerate the blessings the 75 Million Campaign has brought to your state



**BIBLE STUDY**



**TOPIC—Awaiting Orders**

I. *Under Orders.* Noah, Gen. 6:9, walked with God as did Enoch; called of God to prepare the means of salvation the ark "for the saving of his house", Gen. 6:8-14; Heb. 11:7. Abraham answered the call when "the God of glory" appeared to him, Gen. 12:1-5; Acts 7:2, 3; Heb. 11:8-10, and "went out not knowing whither", Rom. 2:28, 29; 9:4-8. God made trial of his faith when He told him to sacrifice his only son, Isaac, Gen. 22:1-14, having respect to the true sacrifice which was to be offered for the whole world. Joseph called by his father Israel to go in search of his brethren, Gen. 37:13, 14, may truly be considered a type of Christ; Gen. 37:3, Matt. 3:17, John 3:35; 5:20; Gen. 37:4, John 15:25. As Joseph reconciled his brethren and afterward exalted them, so will Christ with His Jewish brethren, Gen. 45:1-15; Deut. 30:1-10; Hos. 2:14-18; Rom. 11:1, 15, 25, 26, according to the prophets. Moses' call came at the burning bush when the God of glory spoke to him, Ex. 3:1. He was the deliverer, type of Christ, Isa. 61:1, Luke 4:18, 19, II Cor. 1:10, I Thess. 1:10.

II. *The Message.* Noah warned of righteousness and judgment, II Peter 2:4-14; Jude 6:7, 14; II Sam. 7:14, Rev. 20:12. There are many judgments of sins in the cross of Christ, John 12:31. Jesus was lifted up on the cross for our sins, John 12:32, thus in the death of Christ there is justification, John 5:24, Rom. 5:9; 8:1; Abraham taught faith and obedience, Heb. 11:1, 16-19, James 2:21-24. Faith in Christ crucified brings justification, Rom. 4:13-25, the remedy for sin, Rom. 3:21-28, because Christ has borne our sins and we are made unto Him righteousness, I Cor. 1:30, 31. Joseph spoke of love and forgiveness, Gen. 50:15-21, Gen. 49:22-26, exemplified in Jacob's life ending in serenity and blessing testified to the power of God to transform character. Moses' message is of sacrifice and self-forgetfulness, Heb. 11:23-29. He forgot himself, Ex. 32:30-35; 33:12-17, in confession and intercession and when we reflect on his ministry, his life, his death, we are convinced that he was the messenger of God, a type of the Redeemer, Deut. 18:15-19, Acts 3:20-26, Ex. 32:11-14, I John 2:1.

III. *Called to Be Saints,* I Cor. 1:2-9. The Christian's position in grace is the result of the work of Christ and is begun the moment that Christ is received by faith, John 1:12, 13, Rom. 8:1, 15-17, I Cor. 1:30. The weakest Christian has the same relationship in grace as the most illustrious saint. All the work of God in his behalf, the applications of the word, John 17:17, Eph. 5:26; the chastenings, I Cor. 11:32, Heb. 12:10, the ministry of the Spirit, Eph. 4:11, 12; the difficulties and trials of the way, I Peter 4:12, 13, the final transformation, I Cor. 15:51-53. There is a life of the flesh and a true, more real and higher life of the spirit, Rom. 8:5-10.

IV. *The Apostolic Commission,* John 20:19-23, Acts 1:8, Matt. 28:16-20, Mark 16:15-18, Luke 24:48, John 17:18. "Ye shall be witnesses", John 15:27, Acts 2:32-36; with the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ begins the "dispensation of the grace of God", Eph. 3:2-5, which is defined as His kindness towards us through Christ Jesus and the gift of God. Under grace God freely gives eternal life, Rom. 6:23, the salvation of all who believe, Acts 16:31. The Name, Matt. 28:19, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, is the final name of the one true God manifested in the work of redemption. In Matt. 3:16, 17, Mark 1:10, 11, Luke 3:21, 22 the Trinity is fully manifested. The spirit descends upon the Son and at the same moment the Father's voice is heard from heaven, Mark 16:9-20; we have the ministry of the Son, John 5:22; 17:2, Eph. 1:22, now exalted to all authority, I Cor. 15:20-25.—Mrs. James Pollard





## DAILY BIBLE READINGS



### TOPIC—Awaiting Orders

"Not hope nor retrospection, Lord,  
Can give me joy divine,  
But looking in Thy precious Word  
I learn that Thou art mine.

"Then let this truth my spirit hold  
Each moment; on Thy breast  
I find the peace that saints foretold—  
And heaven's eternal rest."

### Under Orders

**Monday, 1st**  
Genesis 5:23, 24; Hebrews 11:5, 6;  
Psalm 1:1-6

**Tuesday, 2d**  
Genesis 6:8, 9, 13, 14, 22; 7:1; 8:20;  
9:1

**Wednesday, 3d**  
I Peter 3:12-22; II Peter 2:4-9, 21;  
Hebrews 11:7

**Thursday, 4th**  
Genesis 12:1-5, 15; 17:1-8; John 8:  
47-59

**Friday, 5th**  
Exodus 3:1-14; 4:10-12; 19:3, 25

**Saturday, 6th**  
Exodus 20:1-24; 32:15-19; 34:1-4,  
29-35; Luke 9:29-31

**Sunday, 7th**  
Mark 9:2-8; Hebrews 3:1-6; 11:  
24-29; Psalm 62

### The Message

**Monday, 8th**  
Isaiah 45:18-25; Psalm 22:27-31

**Tuesday, 9th**  
I Chronicles 16:7-31; Psalm 96

**Wednesday, 10th**  
Isaiah 40:3-9, 25-31; Matthew 3:1-  
12

**Thursday, 11th**  
Luke 3:1-6, 16; Mark 1:1-8; John  
1:6-8

**Friday, 12th**  
Matthew 3:13-17; John 1:35-39; 3:  
8, 5, 6; Psalm 51:15

**Saturday, 13th**  
Matthew 4:12-17; 10:27, 28; 28:19,  
20

**Sunday, 14th**  
Acts 6:4, 5, 9-11; I Corinthians 9:  
16-18; II Timothy 4:1-5; Titus 1:9

### Called to Be Saints

**Monday, 15th**  
I Corinthians 1:2-9, 30, 31; 12:12,  
13, 27-31; 15:10, 11

**Tuesday, 16th**  
Romans 1:1-8; II Corinthians 6:1-  
10; I Corinthians 4:1

**Wednesday, 17th**  
John 15:1-14; I Corinthians 13:1-13

**Thursday, 18th**  
Ephesians 1:3-14; Titus 3:4-8; Ga-  
latians 5:1

**Friday, 19th**  
Romans 8:14-17; Hebrews 1:1-3;  
Colossians 1:12-14

**Saturday, 20th**  
I John 2:3-11; I Peter 2:21-25; Pa.  
23:1-3

**Sunday, 21st**  
Ephesians 2:4-10; 3:20, 21; I John  
3:2; Revelation 1:5, 6

**The Apostolic Commission**

**Monday, 22d**  
Exodus 28:3; 31:3; Numbers 11:25,  
29; Judges 11:29

**Tuesday, 23d**  
II Samuel 23:1-4; II Peter 1:21;  
Luke 1:68-70

**Wednesday, 24th**  
John 20:19-23; Acts 1:8, 9; 2:32, 33

**Thursday, 25th**  
Matthew 28:16-20; Mark 16:15-18

**Friday, 26th**  
John 15:26, 27; 17:6-26

**Saturday, 27th**  
John 15:1-16; Psalm 91:1-16

**Sunday, 28th**  
Matthew 10:40-42; Ephesians 2:8-  
10; 3:17-19

**Monday, 29th**  
Luke 24:48-53; Acts 2:46, 47; He-  
brews 12:28

**Tuesday, 30th**  
Acts 1:10-14; Philippians 3:20; I  
John 3:2; Revelation 22:12

## Calendar of Prayer for Southern Baptists September, 1924

Lord, when we pray "Thy kingdom  
come!"  
Then fold our hands without a care  
For souls whom Thou hast died to  
save  
We do but mock Thee with our  
prayer.

Thou couldst have sent an angel band  
To call Thine erring children home,  
And thus through heavenly ministries  
On earth Thy kingdom might have  
come.  
—W. H. GRIFFITH THOMAS, D. D.

### Topic: Our State

#### 1—MONDAY

For state-wide inspirational  
Campaign meetings  
The inspiration of the Almighty giveth  
them understanding.—Job 32:8

#### 2—TUESDAY

For God's watchcare over Rev.  
and Mrs. Rex Ray, Wuchow,  
China  
He shall give His angels charge over  
thee.—Psalm 91:11

#### 3—WEDNESDAY

For State Mission Boards and  
officers  
The Lord hath done great things for  
them.—Psalm 126:2

#### 4—THURSDAY

Thanksgiving for 438 baptisms  
among Indians of Oklahoma,  
Mississippi and North Carolina  
Let all flesh bless His holy name.  
—Psalm 145:21

#### 5—FRIDAY

Pray for unhindered missionary  
work in Japan  
That the word of the Lord have free  
course.—II Thessalonians 3:1

#### 6—SATURDAY

For soul winning work of Rev.  
and Mrs. Ullin Leavell, Wu-  
chow, China  
Beloved of the Lord.  
—II Thessalonians 2:13

#### 7—SUNDAY

That work of Campaign Con-  
servation Commission be done  
in the power of the Spirit  
Moved by the Holy Ghost.  
—II Peter 1:21

#### 8—MONDAY

For Miss Lillie Hundley, evan-  
gelistic work, Soochow, China  
By faith ye stand.  
II Corinthians 1:24

#### 9—TUESDAY

Thanksgiving for rapid increase  
of Good Will Centers through-  
out the state  
Let them praise the name of the Lord.  
—Psalm 148:13

#### 10—WEDNESDAY

That state stewardship secreta-  
ries arouse God's children to  
spiritual honesty  
I will put my laws into their . . .  
hearts.—Hebrews 8:10

#### 11—THURSDAY

For Dr. Jeanette Beall, medi-  
cal evangelist, Laichow - Fu,  
China  
He is able also to save them.  
—Hebrews 7:25

#### 12—FRIDAY

For state Baptist hospitals  
His tender mercies are over all His  
works.—Psalm 145:9

#### 13—SATURDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. Wade D.  
Bostick, educational and evan-  
gelistic work, Pochow, China  
The spirit of glory and of God resteth  
upon you.—I Peter 4:14

#### 14—SUNDAY

That God guide W.M.U. in  
choice of Campaign speakers  
during September Week of  
Prayer  
The meek will He guide in judgment.  
—Psalm 25:9

#### 15—MONDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. G. P. Bos-  
tick, evangelistic work, Pochow,  
China  
God is with you.—Zechariah 8:23  
†W.M.U. Training School Alumna



## Calendar of Prayer for Southern Baptists September, 1924

*But since to human hands like ours  
Thou hast committed work divine,  
Shall not our eager hearts make haste  
To join our feeble powers with  
Thine?*

*To word and work shall not our hands  
Obedient move, nor lips be dumb,  
Lest through our sinful love of ease  
Thy kingdom should delay to come!*  
—W. H. GRIFFITH THOMAS, D. D.

### Topic: Our State

#### 16—TUESDAY

Remember missionary families  
who have met recent bereave-  
ment  
Thou shalt understand hereafter.  
—John 13:7

#### 17—WEDNESDAY

For state Baptist colleges and  
schools  
Follow after righteousness.  
—I Timothy 6:11

#### 18—THURSDAY

For Rev. and †Mrs. J. H. Rowe,  
evangelistic and educational  
work, Kokura, Japan  
Sanctified by word of God and prayer.  
—I Timothy 4:5

#### 19—FRIDAY

That personal service activities  
cover the land with kindness  
That ye may be the children of your  
Father.—Matthew 5:45

#### 20—SATURDAY

For Miss Leonora Scarlett,  
evangelistic visiting, Kong  
Moon, China  
He sent them to preach the kingdom of  
God.—Luke 9:2

#### 21—SUNDAY

That great spiritual and finan-  
cial blessings follow week of  
prayer for Campaign victory  
Ask in faith.—James 1:6

#### 22—MONDAY

For soul winning medical work  
of Dr. Ethel Pierce, Yang  
Chow, China  
He spake unto them of the kingdom of  
God and healed them.—Luke 9:11

#### 23—TUESDAY

Gratitude for good report of  
missions in Cuba, brought  
through state secretaries' con-  
ference held in Havana  
We cannot but speak.—Acts 4:29

#### 24—WEDNESDAY

For Rev. and †Mrs. Roscoe  
Smith, educational and evan-  
gelistic work, Fukuoka, Japan  
They spake the word of God with bold-  
ness.—Acts 4:31

#### 25—THURSDAY

For state W.M.U. officers and  
workers  
Called according to His purpose.  
—Romans 8:28

#### 26—FRIDAY

For Rev. and †Mrs. S. E. Ayers,  
evangelistic work, Pingtu,  
China  
That I might show my power in thee.  
—Romans 9:17

#### 27—SATURDAY

For annual state conventions  
Make known the riches of His glory.  
—Romans 9:23

#### 28—SUNDAY

Thanksgiving for prayer privi-  
leges  
For the administration of this service  
not only supplieth the want of the  
saints, but is abundant also by many  
thanksgivings unto God.  
—II Corinthians 9:12

#### 29—MONDAY

For soul cure of each patient  
treated by Dr. Roscoe Etter,  
and for Mrs. Etter, Canton,  
China  
I must work the works of Him who  
sent me.—John 9:4

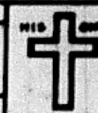
#### 30—TUESDAY

Pray for the speedy evangeliza-  
tion of the world  
That my name might be declared  
throughout all the earth.  
—Romans 9:17

†W.M.U. Training School Alumna



## MY ALABASTER BOX



### THREE WIDOWS' MITES

A CERTAIN widow in Chattahoo-  
chee Association is seeking to  
get every member of her W.M.S.  
to give a designated amount over and  
above the pledge to the 75 Million Cam-  
paign. This noble little woman has  
planted a special acre for her Lord and  
expects to give the proceeds from the  
crop towards the completion of the Cam-  
paign. Another widow, who sews for a  
meager living, pledged \$50 on faith, has  
paid her pledge in full and rejoices in  
the privilege of sacrifice. She is 74 years  
old, lives alone in half of a house, occu-  
pied by another family, the rent of  
which is given to her. Still another  
widow pledged \$600 to the Campaign! She  
has redeemed this large pledge by  
making and selling angel-food cake.  
When her strength was not equal to the  
labor of beating cake, she made sand-  
wiches for the drug stores, made candy  
and sold eggs gathered from a few hens  
in her little back yard. This dear old  
saint rejoices in the privilege of break-  
ing "An Alabaster Box" for her dear  
Lord.—Mrs. W. J. Neel, Georgia

### SELECTIONS ON STEWARD- SHIP

TO a western college thirty years  
ago a poor man came to teach.  
He lived simply, which was necessary on  
a small salary. After marrying, he con-  
tinued to live in the same little cottage.  
The wife was willing to do her own  
work; they lived happily and indeed  
richly together for they entered into the  
lives of the students and became a real  
asset to the college and community life.  
When a check for \$6,000 was sent  
anonymously to the treasurer of the col-  
lege, no one dreamed that the 'poor' pro-  
fessor was the donor. He and his wife  
had learned the lesson of increasing the  
'Saving and Giving Compartments' while  
the 'Living Compartment' remained the  
same as before.

"One of the greatest factors standing  
between the present-world situation and  
the winning of the world to Christ is the  
attitude toward money on the part of  
Christian men and women. Today as  
never before women are handling the  
money of the world; they are managing  
business concerns, dealing in real estate,  
heading philanthropic organizations and  
filling many other places of trust and re-  
sponsibility. Moses said, 'It is God that  
giveth thee power to get wealth'. Is it  
true that the majority of women carry  
the habit of saving to such a point that  
it becomes deformed into the miserly  
trait of hoarding? What false economy  
to save for 'a rainy day' an accumula-  
tion which can be weighed against one  
at the Judgment Day!"

### HOW TO MAKE A COAT SUIT LAST FOREVER

MRS. MONTGOMERY begs us to  
stop giving the price of a pair of  
gloves to missions and give the price of  
a hat. Would you like to give the price  
of a coat suit? I can tell you how to  
make your old one last forever! When  
buying a coat-suit, it is good economy to  
buy an extra skirt to match; make one  
if necessary—they are very simple  
nowadays. Later, the material is not so  
easy to find, but it can be done. By  
studying the tailored pockets very care-  
fully, they can be copied. One coat I  
know has now its third skirt. As to the  
coat itself, when the lining needs patch-  
ing, it is well to buy a new piece for  
sleeve-linings, which need not be an ex-  
act match, and take the old sleeve-lin-  
ings for mending the rest. A patch in  
a queer place can often be covered by a  
pleasant pocket. This method will carry  
the coat another season, before a new  
lining becomes necessary. Finally, good  
pressing and occasional dry-cleaning  
will keep the suit looking trim as a box  
hedge.—Ella B. Robertson, Kentucky

Thanks be to God for His unspeakable gift—II Cor. 9:15  
And all the women that were wisehearted . . . . . brought a  
free will offering unto Jehovah.—Exodus 35:25, 29





## PROGRAM FOR SEPTEMBER



*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 Baptist Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Va. For a few cents leaflets suggested in this number can be obtained from W.M.U. Literature Department, 1111 Age-Herald Bldg., Birmingham, Ala.*

### OUR STATE

Hymn—O God, Beneath Thy Guiding Hand

Bible Study (See page 7)

Prayer Season—For Campaign Victory in Every State

Personal Service Period

Hymn—Come Women Wide Proclaim

The Individuality of the States

A Significant Meeting

State W.M.U. Broadcastings (with sentence prayer after each state paragraph)

Hymn—Blest Be the Tie that Binds

Prayer—Psalm 33:20-22 (In unison)

### INDIVIDUALITY OF THE STATES

**A**N observing business man whose official duty for a large industry was to keep in touch with business conditions in every state of the Union came to recognize a pronounced individuality of states. After some years spent in his vocation of exploring the states he writes: "Suddenly, in the twinkling of an eye, it was borne in upon my consciousness, that the most important discovery I had made was one whose existence I had not even suspected. Yet it was obvious and fundamental, and my study and observation culminated in something far different and far better than I had set out to find. The states were revealed to me as no longer mere geographical expressions but rather as forty-eight separate human entities, utterly unlike in their heterogeneous statehood, agreeing only in their homogeneous nationality. This accounts for the deathless grip with which they cling to their rights as something inherent in their being; their sufficiency unto themselves, their passing jealousy of each other. As a necessary result of such differing the matter of business, or any other venture, does not succeed so much through their material resources as through the nature and character of their people." That is to say that the material wealth of the state

does not make the character of a state, this is made by the people themselves and in each state the people as a unit are individual. The general character of the people of a state individualizes it. After specializing on the character of a few of the states the writer concluded his article thus: "The spirit of each state has an wholesome air, it is wholly natural and essentially progressive. They are unlike in all things save one; and that common bond is the spirit of nationalism that grows with the state spirit and is its unfailing accompaniment. The intense state pride is not narrowness—it is the abiding characteristic which saves the commonwealths from being mere provinces instead of living and separate entities in the great union of the forty-eight commonwealths." In speaking of southern states he especially noted the curious mixture of age that told of past glories and a new born spirit of youth which is "pervasive, intangible yet definite and in all its impression it is making upon this country of ours. In Baptist ranks individuality and basic unity are no new ideas. State rights may be jealously guarded but there is no cry of state rights in the Christian co-operation between our State Mission Boards and the Foreign, Home, Sunday School, Education and Ministerial Relief Boards, all of which go to make up the

great unit—the Southern Baptist Convention. In speaking of state individuality in Christian work we must not lose sight of the individual man and woman whose hard work, consecration and Christ-like love have produced the great results we report from year to year. Ever since 1846 such men and women have arisen, borne the burden and have gone to their reward, leaving their places to still other individual workers. With this power of individuality and unity invested in the supreme power of the Spirit of Christ we may well meet all the obligations we have assumed for giving the Gospel to the whole world.

### A SIGNIFICANT MEETING

**H**ERE is something that will be of interest to every woman of every missionary society of every state within the bounds of the Southern Baptist Convention. On the third of last June the Conservation Commission met in Nashville to consider plans for reaching the 75 Million Campaign goal. Waiting upon the Lord in a spirit of gratitude and praise and seeking from Him the power to rightly place before the states suggestions for meeting Campaign obligations for the remaining months of the year, the Commission formulated and later presented a number of recommendations in the carrying out of which it desired to cooperate with the states. Among these were the following: That a good hour be given at summer conventions and assemblies for a complete setting forth of Campaign interests, cooperating with the Commission in procuring strong speakers; that states and churches plan for proper presentation, through pastors and evangelists, of the Campaign at every evangelistic meeting held during the summer and fall, emphasizing Christian stewardship; that an all-day associational conference be held in every association during the month of July for the purpose of giving full information for working out plans for the completion of the five year Campaign and paving the way for the future program; that under the direction of the general director a south-wide inspirational campaign be put on in each state, using as strong speakers as can be secured and that this be done, of course, in cooperation with the state secretaries; that states be urged to put on section-wide or association-wide inspira-

tional meetings that every member of every church in the south be reached through personal effort, as many of the churches have made no plan for an every member canvass this is important; that the churches be urged to push steadily and persistently the campaign of stewardship, working through the distribution of literature, denominational periodicals and the state paper, the organizations of the church and especially the layman's organization for reaching the men of the church. It is recommended that pastors and Sunday school leaders teach classes on stewardship, using Dr. Cook's book on stewardship, which can be secured from the Sunday School Board; that the week, September 21st to 28th, be set apart for prayer, asking the W.M.U. forces to foster this movement, with an all-day prayer meeting on the Wednesday of this week. Pastors are urged to lead in this call to prayer, especially the all day meeting on the 24th; that pastors in every association be banded together, by pulpit exchange, visiting and other means to forward in every way all Campaign interests, and that groups of laymen be likewise banded together for the same purpose.

These recommendations have been published in your state paper. Nor will they be dry reading if read with the desire to come to the aid of Christ's work of redemption through His chosen channels. The study of the locomotive machinery of an automobile may not be very interesting at first but after it is mastered you will know something you did not know before, you will ride with more intelligence, will run a car better and get good and proper results. Mark well the fact of the week of prayer in September and the mid-week all day of prayer. Wherever we be we can join in this. A million women with hearts bowed in prayer will be something that a God who hears and answers prayer will love to look upon. Do you doubt the answer? Also remember that the Conservation Commission will cooperate with all Campaign movements until the goal is reached.

The great people of the earth today are the people who pray. I do not mean those who talk about prayer, nor those who say they believe in prayer; nor yet those who can explain about prayer;



but I mean those who take time and pray. They have not time, it must be taken from something else, very important and pressing but less pressing than prayer. Take time to pray.—S. D. Gordon

#### STATE W.M.U. BROADCASTINGS

THE reader of Baptist history in the south will soon discover that the states which show the greatest denominational power are those in which state missions have been most emphasized. State missions means soul winning, planting new churches and enlisting the church membership for active service. The state has been called the foster father of missions—training its forces to deal effectively with its own problems and to meet its own missionary needs, at the same time taking its place as a part of the great Baptist missionary body of the south. In this comprehensive work the state W.M.U. might surely be called the big sister, working toward the same goal through the women's missionary societies, the Y.W.A. and the junior organizations as well as through the Sunday school and, as occasion offers, the B.Y.P.U. Let us listen in to the broadcastings of the W.M.U. of each state that we may catch the message of the particular and peculiar responsibilities of each state and rejoice with them in their achievements, breathing a prayer after each message for God's blessing upon that particular state:

##### Alabama

THE year 1923 marked the Centennial Celebration of the Alabama State Convention, in which the women played an important part. Only seven women's societies were represented in 1823. The Alabama W.M.U. celebrated this Centennial at its annual meeting in November at Bessemer by presenting a splendid pageant, "A Century of Service". A day of conferences preceded the opening of this meeting when associational officers and young people's leaders met to discuss their work. This has come to be one of the most helpful features of our Alabama convention work. Alabama is divided into six districts, averaging twelve associations to a district. District conventions were held in March with the vice presidents and young people's counselors in charge. A full delegation attended the S.B.C. in Atlanta and rejoiced to learn that Alabama came

second in the contest for the loving cup. At an enthusiastic meeting of the Executive Board in June plans presented at the Atlanta Convention were discussed and adopted. Arrangements were made for four field workers to conduct 36 schools of missions during the summer. The Board members pledged their hearty cooperation in providing necessary buildings and equipment for Judson College. The Alabama W.M.U. provided scholarships for fifteen young women and one ministerial student, eight of the young women attending the W.M.U. Training School and the rest provided for in our state denominational schools. The Alabama Assembly, we believe, is the only one in the south which provides a week of activity for each department, the B.Y.P.U., Sunday school and the W.M.U. The W.M.U. week was held this year at Mentone and was an unusually fine meeting with splendid speakers on the program. The field in Alabama is truly "white for the harvest", but we have not yet awakened to our marvelous possibilities. Pray that this great state may be aroused to the full glory of abounding service.—Mrs. Ida M. Stallworth, Corresponding Secretary

##### Arkansas

OUR work has been growing in power through the year. The six district meetings held in June were unusually well attended. The program was based on the Standard of Excellence and proved not only exceedingly profitable but very attractive and interesting. In July the women came up to beautiful Siloam Springs to swell a record attendance at the B.Y.P.U. Assembly. The features provided by the W.M.U. for the program being a mission study class, a methods conference, a class in story telling and a story hour. Four Y.W.A. and G.A. camps have been established in picturesque parts of the Ozarks with a total attendance in August of more than 225 girls. College Y.W.A. work has had remarkable growth. There have been nine college Y.W.A.'s in the state this school year, six being A-1. The signal honor of having the first 100% membership Y.W.A. in the south came to Central College this year, every student being enrolled by the second week of school. The Ouachita school followed the next week and both have maintained this record for the year. Arkansas W.

M.U. held the first state-wide G.A. conference in the south March 7-9 of this year, when 212 G.A. girls from all parts of the state with 37 counselors and leaders were the guests of Central College at Conway. Mission study classes were taught by Union workers at each of the eleven Bible Schools held by the State Mission Department in January. There is a wholesome interest in the Standard of Excellence in the societies, marked by a larger number striving to reach the A-1 rank. The annual meeting was held April 2-4 at Ashdown. Reports showed progress in all departments, this was especially evident in the heroic efforts being made to meet Campaign pledges. Two interesting reports outlined definite programs for inter-racial work and participation in Opportunity Schools.—Mrs. J. G. Jackson, Corresponding Secretary

##### District of Columbia

WHEN the Baptists of Washington entered upon the five-year Campaign they entered also upon a Campaign of cooperation and fellowship, for it was then that all churches pledged not only their gifts but their allegiance equally to the two conventions, northern and southern. It has been difficult for our women to give two plans of work equal attention. Recently a new plan of work for the District has been formulated, combining the essential features of the plans outlined by the Woman's Missionary Union and the Missionary Societies of the Northern Baptist Convention. In these new plans the Standard of Excellence was made so high that any society making it will be A-1 plus. Miss Beulah Mudd, a graduate of the W.M.U. Training School has been recently engaged as field worker in the District. At the Columbia Association Mrs. W. C. James, W.M.U. president, brought us wonderful messages from mission fields in Europe. We have had enthusiastic mission study classes and other good meetings addressed by fine speakers.—Mrs. E. Hilton Jackson, Vice President

##### Florida

BEING sparsely settled Florida has an average of only one church in every eighty miles of territory. Notwithstanding these and other difficulties a steady Baptist growth has been experienced. The W.M.U. has increased in the past year in number of organiza-

tions. The young people's auxiliaries are growing in favor with the churches. The large number of mission study classes have given new vision and love for service. Although the W.M.U. pledge to the Campaign was overpaid our women are not relaxing in their effort to redeem Florida's entire pledge by December 31st. Informing and spiritual rallies have been held in the various associations and the seven district meetings were most helpful. From six to eight mission study classes were taught during the W.M.U. period at the assemblies. These assemblies make great training schools for every phase of Christian life. As a worthy objective and challenge to Florida Baptists the state adopted the following goal for 1924: 1. Complete the Campaign with success and joy. 2. Missions and benevolences not less than \$225,000. 3. One million increase in valuation of church property. 4. An evangelistic meeting in every church. 5. Twenty thousand accessions to our churches. 6. A pastor for every church. 7. Witness (state paper) subscriptions doubled. To this end every association was divided into groups of churches and a rally held for each group. Church directory and service cards were distributed in each church, to be filled out and mailed to the state office. A tentative program was prepared by the state secretaries and every department asked to have a speaker. Associational rallies followed the district rallies, thus reaching every church, informing and enlisting, in order to reach the great objective.—Mrs. H. C. Peelman, Corresponding Secretary

##### Georgia

A WONDERFUL spirit of courage and an enthusiastic desire to complete the 75 Million Campaign prevails throughout the state. Special interest has been manifested this summer in the June Councils for the young people, leading up to the R.A., G.A. and Y.W.A. camps at Blue Ridge, held in August. At the beginning of the Campaign our state W.M.U. was asked to be responsible for the Georgia Baptist Assembly program. Much prayerful preparation was made to have this and the assembly the greatest in their history. The General Stewardship chairman in the state reports 1800 classes in stewardship and missions. All lines of mission study



have developed marvelously and the Church Schools of Missions have been most successfully conducted. In order to further promote this department a mission study banner will be presented at the convention. Up to date, June 25, 1924, the Georgia women have given \$1,474,199.35 to the great Campaign. "Let the whole world be filled with His glory!"—*Laura Lee Patrick, Corresponding Secretary*

#### Illinois

**N**O phase of W.M.U. work is meaning more to Illinois than that of mission study. Several schools of missions have been held and have been a medium of distributing missionary information to a number who do not belong to the Woman's Missionary Union. Our Good Will Centers are gradually reaching the hearts of the many foreigners in our midst and we are praying that many of them will be won to Christ. We are endeavoring to keep the victory thought in the minds and hearts of our people for our part in completing the Baptist 75 Million Campaign. Coal mining is one of the chief industries of Southern Illinois, many of our mines have been closed all summer, this embarrasses our financial condition and will hinder some from meeting their pledges. Our orphanage is located at Carmi and is well equipped with good buildings on its 320 acres of ground. Our W.M.U. is helping in the care of the 96 children by furnishing their clothing and supplying other needs.—*Aretta Beswick, Corresponding Secretary*

#### Kentucky

**T**HE past year, while far from being all we might have hoped for, was a year of real growth on many lines. In new organizations we increased 16 per cent.; in A-1 societies 33 per cent.; in mission study classes 40 per cent.; increase in small seals 70 per cent.; in post graduate seals 100 per cent.; in official seals 25 per cent. We have also 1,095 additional tithers. We are happy to report a good increase among our women and young people in the seasons of prayer, a greater number taking part in these seasons and in the nine o'clock prayer time. In gifts, too, we have had an encouraging increase, giving more than \$37,000 over the gifts of the previous year. Even more gratifying is the growth of the work among the young

people and the increased interest manifested by the women's societies in this work. In addition to our usual meetings, associational, district, assemblies, etc. we had during the past year a four-day institute in each of the five districts. These days were full of conferences on methods and inspiring messages. The successes of the past year are few compared with what our hearts long to do during this new convention year.—*Janie Cree Bose, Corresponding Secretary*

#### Louisiana

**W**ITH grateful hearts we report the year one of encouragement and progress. For two years we have been holding the annual sessions of our Union at a separate time and place from the state convention and this is no longer an experiment. The four divisional meetings were well attended. Five new fields were opened among the French last year and two among the Italians. We have four women's missionary societies where all the women speak French, with two or three women in each who can speak English. With but few exceptions we have young people's leaders in all associations. We have planned for four Junior Councils to be held during the summer. More intensive mission study work has been done this year than ever before. The first Good Will Center for our state has been opened at Shreveport and we are hoping for the second at an early date. Some good work is being done for the negroes. There is an interesting Sunbeam Band in one of the negro churches organized by one of our Sunbeam leaders who keeps in direct touch with the band to advise and help when needed. They have an attendance of from 30 to 50 at the meetings. We are holding up nothing less than the full amount pledged to the 75 Million Campaign by the women of the churches as being the amount which must be paid during 1924.—*Georgia Barnette, Corresponding Secretary*

#### Maryland

**T**HE W.M.U. of Maryland has every reason to be proud of the year's record. The report shows a growth of organizations with a corresponding increase of inspiration through information. During the year there have been added 36 new societies of all grades, making the total number in the state 170. Because of this splendid advance-

ment Maryland was awarded, at the Atlanta meeting, the W.M.U. banner for the largest number of new organizations of all grades; the Sunbeam banner for the largest number of new organizations of that grade; the R.A. banner for a similar reason and the silver loving cup for the largest number of A-1 societies of all grades. Mission study has been a very definite part of the work of each society. To this study we attribute much of our increase and through it the desire to be A-1 on the Standard of Excellence. The season of prayer for foreign missions was observed by 89 societies, while 81 met to pray for missions in the homeland. The first Tuesday in each month is devoted to discussing our work problems, plans and methods, praying for wisdom and guidance as well as for an outpouring of God's Spirit upon southern Baptists and all their interests in kingdom affairs throughout the world. Our Maryland scholar in the W.M.U. Training School, Miss Jeanette White, graduated in May with high honors and is now serving Maryland as field worker. With this fine record to stimulate us and all of the opportunities calling us into His service there is no reason why Maryland should not go forward in a much larger way during the coming year.—*Mrs. Samuel R. Barnes, Corresponding Secretary*

#### Mississippi

**M**ISSISSIPPI has had three consecutive poor crop years. Being altogether an agricultural state crop conditions fix our financial status for the year. During these three years we have had a struggle to meet our Campaign pledges, which were made in more prosperous days. However hope beats high as we approach this golden September. By faith in Him and by honest and sacrificial work we believe the last cent will be met on Campaign pledges. The spirit of liberality has manifested itself in an unusual way during the past year and a stewardship conscience is being developed throughout the state. Perhaps our greatest achievement this past fiscal year has been our growth in auxiliaries. Our young people's work under the leadership of Miss Fannie Traylor is growing in numbers and interest. The state W.M.U. had the privilege of sending our young people's leader and our college

correspondent, with a dozen other young women, to the Y.W.A. camp at Ridgecrest in June. We have not had so many new societies as in some previous years, but those we have are strong, healthy organizations. We are profoundly thankful to God for the marvelous way in which He has led us on. Such leadership has deepened our faith and has added new courage. We are therefore prepared for greater conquests in the name of "Him who loved us and gave Himself for us".—*Margaret M. Lackey, Corresponding Secretary*

#### Missouri

**I**T would be difficult to think of state missions without taking cognizance of the influence and work of our six colleges and benevolent institutions and their status as evangelistic and missionary agencies, which are of fine quality. Large emphasis has been placed on evangelism during the year. Personal evangelism in our women's societies is getting stronger hold and soul winning is given a larger place in thought and effort. A campaign for stewardship study has done much toward quickening the conscience with reference to Christian giving. There have been 444 stewardship classes touching one fourth of our churches and engaging the services of 289 pastors. One association ranks 100%, having every church in the association touched by the institute. Women are among the personnel of most of the classes and in addition there have been 45 distinct W.M.U. classes in stewardship. During March, 22 central meetings were held in the interest of home and foreign missions, with 567 pastors in conferences. In our W.M.U. organizations an increased interest in special offerings during the special prayer seasons is manifest and a stronger emphasis on missionary giving among the auxiliaries is bearing fruit. Summer assemblies are giving greater prominence to missions on their programs and to mission study classes of all W.M.U. grades. Dedication of life for Christian service is a natural result and conversions among young people in the classes is an objective and often a happy occurrence. Our State W.M.U. promises to become a real factor in a greatly enlarged state program.—*Mrs. J. G. Reynolds, Corresponding Secretary*



#### New Mexico

**T**HE outlook for the W.M.U. of New Mexico is encouraging in spite of crop and bank failures. The scope of our work with the Indians, Spanish-Americans and negroes is becoming wider each year. One or more of our W.M.U. organizations are functioning in their Baptist churches. Our women are becoming more and more engaged in personal service and White Cross work. Sending supplies to both home and foreign hospitals. Nearly as soon as a child arrives at our Baptist Orphanage at Portales some society will supply it with clothing and toys for the time it remains in the home. Our different W. M.U. organizations are establishing memorial rooms in Montezuma College and supplying furnishings for the same. We had a successful State Convention with helpful speakers and a good attendance.—*Mrs. M. D. Schumaker, Vice President*

#### North Carolina

**A** WONDERFUL spirit of cooperation pervades the whole state. Our W. M.U. was organized thirty-eight years ago. Contributions for the first year amounted to \$1,000. All through the years the chief aims for which the Union was organized have been stressed at our meetings. The result has been a steady increase in all phases of our work. Last year was a victorious one. The reports showed a marked increase in mission study. Fostering and standardization of the societies were kept before the women and resulted in great increase in the active and standard societies. All through the year the redeeming of our Campaign pledges has been emphasized. Last year the contributions amounted to \$325,392. Since the launching of the 75 Million Campaign, including the last quarter (May 30) the women of our state have given \$1,502,000 to this fund. Two other interesting features of our work are the Heck Library and the Fannie E. S. Heck Birthday Offering, June 16. The former was established at the suggestion of Prof. Charles M. Heck for the purpose of disseminating missionary information among students; the latter was planned to commemorate Miss Heck's birthday, giving at the same time an opportunity to present love gifts for the Campaign. One of our most encour-

aging prospects for the year is the work of our young people. Under the present splendid leadership we feel they will not only lead the state in gifts but in standardization as well. May our women continue to labor in loving service for our Master!—*Mary Warren, Corresponding Secretary*

#### Oklahoma

**G**LAD enthusiasm and quickened interest has been manifested all year in the work of the Woman's Missionary Union of our state, caused by the presentation last year of the loving cup and R.A. and G.A. banners, in Kansas City. Much of the year has been spent in perfecting the district organization, in securing leaders for young people, White Cross, mission study and personal service work. Never before have the various societies given more hearty response to White Cross work. We intend to grow in gifts from year to year. This year has begun work in the colleges for the college Y.W.A.'s. In reference to mission and Bible study, Oklahoma has had the best year that we have ever had and in the coming year we hope to grow in grace, in knowledge and to finish our part in the great task of the 75 Million Campaign.—*Mrs. R. T. Mansfield, Vice President*

#### South Carolina

**"A LITTLE child shall lead them"** has been demonstrated as South Carolina Sunbeams have shown the power of united effort. Taking \$50,000 as their five year quota in the 75 Million Campaign they had to their credit on April 1st, 1924, nearly \$54,000. Mission study, Bible memory work, prayer, training in stewardship under splendid leadership explain how it came to pass. The promise of the future is also given us in enthusiastic groups of boys and girls in R.A. and G.A. camps in summer assembly; in interested classes in academies and colleges studying missions under competent leaders; in groups of volunteers for life service and in thirteen students in W.M.U. Training School and nineteen in other institutions being prepared for definite Christian work. A fine spirit of study, service and giving pervades the ranks of our women. We are full of courage as we see our constituency standing true in life and effort. South Carolina began the 75 Million

Campaign period fifth in the list of states as to per capita pledges. At the end of the fourth year she was fourth as to per capita gifts. The loyalty of our women and young people has been a strong force in these accomplishments.—*Mrs. J. D. Chapman, Vice President*

#### Tennessee

**"I**T is unbecoming in a great people to do a little thing," says Dr. Scarborough. Tennessee Baptists number a quarter of a million and they are attempting great things for the Master. We have erected this year a new administrative building at our orphanage which also takes care of our school. We were offered the Woman's Hospital in Nashville and have accepted it. We have helped 155 churches last year to support their pastors. These pastors reported 2790 conversions. Many of our mission churches are becoming self-supporting and have pastors for full time. Our stewardship department has been created during the past year and hundreds of stewardship classes have been taught and thousands have agreed to tithe. Chattanooga W.M.S. originated the idea of using alabaster boxes for the Campaign. At their first opening they were found to contain \$500. The Tennessee W.M.U. is determined to pay its Campaign pledges through the use of the alabaster boxes, by becoming "burden bearers" and by giving a month's salary to the Campaign. We are trying to get our money as a result of life and not at the expense of it. We are planning hundreds of missionary rallies where information and inspiration can be given. The home of Campaign Headquarters will be loyal to our great unfinished task.—*Mary Northington, Corresponding Secretary*

#### Texas

**A**S the new corresponding secretary-treasurer of the Texas W.M.U. I have observed that a hopeful sign of our work for 1924 is a genuine desire for information to the end that intelligent cooperation may be given to every phase of work in the Southern Baptist Convention. Especially do we so wish to cooperate in the great task of the 75 Million Campaign, which now burdens the hearts of our women. In recognition of this a little book called "Things We Should Know" has been published for

the workers and widely distributed. The aim for this year is not only to get new organizations but to rejuvenate those which have been inactive for a year or more. The first quarter shows seventy revived. In March it was decided to give the Woman's Training School at Fort Worth seventy scholarships, which we feel is a forward move. Consecrated, capable women to the number of fifty matched the enthusiasm and sacrifice of the brethren by volunteering to speak whenever and wherever they could on the Campaign. The work is directed from the central office in Dallas known as the "Speakers' Bureau" and our women are helping the secretaries in every way possible.—*Mrs. J. E. Leigh, Corresponding Secretary-Treasurer*

#### Virginia

**T**O Virginia Baptists the great event of the past year was the celebration of the hundredth anniversary of the General Association of Virginia, held in Richmond in November 1923. The history of W.M.U. work in Virginia was written by Miss Emma Whitfield and used in conjunction with this anniversary, which was a wonderful occasion. The students of the University of Richmond presented a beautiful pageant, "The Mirror of History" written by Miss Ruby Buxton, giving the story of the hundred years of Baptist work in Virginia.—On educational lines many forward steps have been taken this year. The Bluefield College has recently added four new buildings, three for faculty homes and the fourth for a gymnasium. One of the state mission mountain schools, the Piedmont, will go into a new building next session, and another, the Blue Ridge School, has become an accredited high school.—Fork Union Military Academy which lost all except one of its buildings by fire has replaced them, with many improvements.—The Virginia Baptist Hospital located at Lynchburg opened in July 1924 with 54 beds in its first unit (the plan calls for five units). Mr. O. B. Barker, president of the Board of Trustees, has donated funds for a nurses' home, this will be erected at once.—Yearly assemblies grow in interest and numbers.—The G.A.'s. have used their camp building for three years and that for the R.A.'s. will soon

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## Y. W. A. PROGRAMS



Material found in the general program on pages 12-19 as well as other items in this issue will be quite helpful to supplement the following programs. It is hoped it will be freely used in this supplemental way. The leaflets suggested on page 3 will also prove attractive additions.

Prepared by Mrs. I. E. Enlew, Ky.

### FIRST MEETING

Topic—The State with a Soul  
Opening Hymn—We're Marching to Zion

Organization  
Who's Who in Your State  
Hezekiah's Cleansing of the State—II Kings 18:1-12

Prayer for Cleansing of Your State  
Hymn—Loyalty to Christ  
"Going Some" in an Auto Bus  
The State with a Soul  
Hymn—True-hearted, Whole-hearted  
Closing Prayer for God's Blessings on Your State Workers

#### Organization

**T**HE State Mission Board supervises missions within the state. It is composed of interested ministers and laymen who receive no salary but give their services willingly to state missions. However, it is necessary for the State Board to employ helpers who give their entire time to the work. An office force is necessary for the statistical work and a secretary for each department of state missions—a state mission corresponding secretary, a W. M. U. corresponding secretary; a young people's leader; a B. Y. P. U. secretary and often an assistant for junior and intermediate B. Y. P. U.; a Sunday school secretary often with elementary assistants and associational missionaries.

#### Who's Who in Your State?

Name the members of the State Board.  
Name the various secretaries of the State Board and give the duties of each one.

What is the name of your state Baptist paper? Who is the editor?  
(Consult your pastor or write to State Headquarters for information)

#### "Going Some" in an Auto Bus

**H**AVE large outline map of your state drawn on a poster. Write only the names of towns of Baptist interest, locating Baptist colleges, junior

colleges, academies, mountain schools, Baptist hospitals, orphanages, summer assemblies, Y.W.A., G.A. and R.A. camps, state headquarters, etc.

Take an imaginary trip in a large auto bus to each of these, giving all the information obtainable about them, such as names of presidents, number of students in schools and orphanages, number of beds in hospital, number of buildings, etc.

#### The State with a Soul

**A** STATE which has a soul cares for its people from every angle, educational, recreational, industrial, and spiritual.

1. Can your state fulfill this name? What is it doing to educate its youth? Is it giving the proper education youth should have? Ten states expressly forbid Bible reading in public schools. They are New York, Louisiana, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Illinois, Arizona, Nevada, Wyoming, Idaho and Washington. Bible reading is compulsory or provided for by law in the public schools of Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Tennessee, Georgia and Alabama. In eleven other states Bible reading is specifically permitted while the remaining states are silent on the subject.

2. What is your state doing through its Public Health Bureau and Red Cross to protect the health of its youth?

3. What legislation, protection and recreation does it offer for women and girls in the factories?

4. What wholesome recreation under trained leaders are the Baptists offering? (Summer assemblies, Y.W.A., G. A., R.A. camps, especially in Arkansas and Virginia—See W.M.U. Program—Y. W.A. Camp, Ridgecrest, N. C., Good Will Centers, Christian Negro Centers.)

5. What are the Baptists doing to help your state take care of its people spiritually? (Tell of the work of state missions, enlistment work, Sunday school

training institutes, Bible institutes, helping pay pastor's salary, building missions and churches.)

In the last four years through the Campaign state missions have accomplished the following results:

- (1) Employment each year in state mission work of 2,492 evangelists, general missionaries and missionary pastors
- (2) Reception into local churches of 358,314 new members
- (3) Organization of 1,030 new churches
- (4) Formation of 3,330 new Sunday schools
- (5) Organization of 1,710 B.Y.P.U.'s
- (6) Building of 691 new houses of worship
- (7) Repairing of 1,742 church houses
- (8) Thousands of Bibles and millions of tracts and other bits of religious literature given away
- (9) Gospel message carried into neediest communities of every state in the south

### SECOND MEETING

Topic—Graphic Glimpses of State Missions

Opening Hymn—Stand Up for Jesus  
Devotional—Divers Precepts For Baptists in the State—I Thess. 5:5-23

Prayer that Baptists May Heed These Precepts

Hymn—Some One Is Looking to You  
Geographic

Paragraphic

Harmonigraphic

Telegraphic

Photographic

Phonographic

Youth Holds the Key

Song—Lighted to Lighten

Prayer that Y.W.A. Girls May Let Their Candles Lighten Souls in Darkness within Their State

#### Geographic

**D**IMENSIONS of your state, mountains, rivers, etc; meaning of its name; early history; early Baptist history; population; number of Baptists; number of Y.W.A.'s; number of new Y.W.A.'s last year.

#### Biographic

**L**IVES of missionaries who have gone out from your state; where located; sketches of pioneer Baptists whose outstanding lives have made your state Baptist history.

#### Paragraphic

**S**HORT paragraphs on state mission work in various southern states: What states have immigration to deal with? What are they doing? What states harbor the Indians? What are they doing? What states are helping the negro in their midst? (Consult Home and Foreign Fields and recent issues of ROYAL SERVICE)

Harmonigraphic—Piano Solo

#### Telegraphic

**H**AVE special written telegrams (supposedly from state headquarters) brought in at this time telling facts of state missions.

1. How much your state pledged to 75 Million Campaign, how much paid, how much still needed

2. How much your W.M.U. pledged, paid and still needs to raise

3. How much your Y.W.A. needs to pay to complete its pledge. If a victory society have new pledge on telegram

4. Blessings and achievements the 75 Million Campaign brought to your state  
Autographic—Offering

#### Photographic

**O**BTAIN from state headquarters, various pamphlets or programs, pictures of your state leaders, paste on large poster in an attractive way to hang up in your Y.W.A. room.

Also obtain pictures of schools, assemblies, orphans' homes, hospitals, etc.—(Write for catalogs) Make large posters also to keep hanging in your Y.W.A. room. Study and discuss pictures.

#### Phonographic

Play on phonograph or victrola several sacred selections.

#### Youth Holds the Key

**I**T is in the power of the young people to save our future for missions. There is need for a great company of Christian young people to enlist multitudes of their comrades to live stewardship lives, to dedicate their hands to God, and their lives unreservedly to Jesus Christ and to lead their state for greater things for the Master. If a Y. W.A. girl fails to do her part her church suffers, hence state missions suffers and if we fail to support state missions all our work both home and foreign suffers. Will you, Y.W.A. girl, heed "the Master's call" in your state and "lighten where you are"?





## COLLEGE Y. W. A.



### KEEPING TOGETHER DURING COLLEGE DAYS

**S**EPTEMBER is always a sad-glad month; goodbyes and greetings come so close together; college days anticipated, worked for, prayed for have come and daughter is packed up and sent away. The house seems lonely without her, piano quiet, car standing idle, no merry snatches of melody echoing from room to room, mother of the college-daughter, are you going to let her go and you stay behind or are you going with her in your prayers? Daughter is lonely too; there is the big dormitory building, dining hall in one direction, classes scattered about here and there and everyone in great stir as this bell rings or that; all the faces are new and strange, how will you ever become adjusted, little new girl at college? It would be so much nicer if mother were there too, or if you could step home again for just a little while each day wouldn't it? Well, why don't you, you could—let W.M.U. bridge the chasm by the Y.W.A. way; it will solve the problem for mother at home and daughter away at college so talk it over before the last "good bye" is said and "Mizpah" whispered from heart to heart.

You can be very near from home to college by that sunset route or sunrise path of prayer and together praying for each other you can come closer as you each pray for the same person or denominational activity—use your ROYAL SERVICE prayer calendar and so be linked together. Daughter will be glad to promise to meet you in her prayers that way; it will be a bit hard to keep that promise but Y.W.A. will help her with its morning watch, noon day prayer service or vespers for no College Y.W.A. but has one of those times set aside for quiet prayer and uses the ROYAL SERVICE prayer calendar then.

And if you will but think about it, you will be together in your monthly missionary programs for the same subjects will be studied in college and at home. Oh, the treatment will be different, of course, but the College Y.W.A. programs will follow the same monthly study topics that the local W.M.S. pursues. Colleges will have other studies too—Mrs. W. C. James' "Foundation Stones" carried over from the mountain-top days at Ridgecrest Y.W.A. camp during June; the Seasonal Programs which Thanksgiving and Christmas, February's patriotism and Mother's Day make interesting and a series of studies based on the relation of college girls to the enterprises of our five great Southern Baptist Convention Boards. Week by week these programs outlined in the *College Y.W.A. Bulletin* and the *Baptist Student* will be keeping the college girl in close contact with the life of her church. There will be the good times and the sisterly spirit of Y.W.A. so like that of the Y.W.A. that gave the goodbye party back in the local home church that little new girl at college will not be lonely after all but will rejoice in the unity of plans which provides for her organizations not strangely new but transformed to new vigor and fervor by that unquestionable yet unseen force, "College Spirit".

Sometimes in the whirl of newness the new girl at college will be tempted to leave off her regular Sunday school and church services, to study or frolic instead of being present at Y.W.A. meeting. The mother of a college daughter wisely will talk over the importance of all this college growing and show Miss Daughter before she leaves that in order to keep together over the miles between she must enter into the Kingdom activities on her college campus just as mother continues in those of her local church. Welcomed by Y.W.A. members with banners flying and green and white streamers in evidence, the home ties seem not broken but endowed with a kind of elasticity which keeps mother and daughter, home and college, close together.



## OUR YOUNG PEOPLE



### S-E-P-T-E-M-B-E-R, Remember, Counselors

**S**EPTEMBER, remember is State Mission month. To each organization is sent from state headquarters a suggested program to be used in encouraging definite praying for state missions by giving the needs of state mission interests. If your R.A., G.A. or Sunbeam Band did not receive this outline program write to your state young people's leader and make request for it, giving the names of your organization officers, probably the reason the program did not reach you safely was that you changed officers without remembering to notify your state leader. For this state mission month you will find the programs in *WORLD COMRADES* attractively planned. Perforce they must be general in nature and matters of your own state's special interests must be added. Be sure that your missionary organization members really know the names of the various state secretaries, the exact address of state mission headquarters, the location of such institutions as orphanage and hospital, Baptist colleges in the state and information regarding these enterprises peculiarly important in state activities. S will stand for subscribe as well as state missions and the matter of subscriptions to *WORLD COMRADES* is of prime interest now that October will bring its first issue as a monthly magazine and since this year each state has been assigned a specified quota of the 15,000 total set as goal. Help put your state's name in the shield of honor next May by subscribing for *WORLD COMRADES*.

September, remember the E is for Enrollment. Now that school is opening it will be easy to see exactly where the summer newcomers live and to get acquainted with those not noticed before. R.A.'s and G.A.'s and Sunbeams will all be meeting new schoolmates who should become mission mates in interest also. Encourage each member to bring these new friends to the first meeting after school "takes up". This should be an exceedingly interesting meeting with a warm cordial welcome for everyone be-

cause September, remember, needs to realize a Pick up and Push after the natural lethargy due to the unusually warm days of the summer just past by. Perhaps interest has waned a little because attendance has been broken by visits to grandmas and aunties but now that September has come remember to persistently persuade until all R.A. and G.A. and Sunbeam Band members are lined up for splendid fall activities. As a wise counselor do not try to do all the rounding up yourself, but give your membership committee suggestions as to a systematic way of locating everybody and then let them do it. The more regular hours which must be observed now that school bells ring will help regulate R. A. and G.A. and Sunbeam Band so that their meetings will not be forgotten if the wise counselor will just remember that T.

There it is in September, remember counselor, that T for Time. What time is best in every way for the meeting? A mid-week time to be sure, not Sunday with its Sunday school, church and B.Y.P.U. The policy and plan of W.M.U. is not to crowd Sunday but to put missions as the mid-week activity of our young people. More than likely Tuesday or Thursday afternoons will seem best but let the officers and committee chairmen, the Executive Committee or Staff of the organization, talk it over carefully and decide. Avoid meeting on the afternoon of prayer meeting night certainly for our young people should be encouraged to be present there; avoid meeting on the afternoon which will naturally be literary society meeting, or glee club practise or basket ball playing, select an auspicious afternoon not burdened regularly with other things. In connection with the T of time the wise counselor will be sure to talk to the Woman's Missionary Society, explaining the regular meeting time of Royal Ambassador chapter, Girls' Auxiliary or Sunbeam Band so that mother will arrange music and expression lessons on another day. It will likely be well to call attention to the fact that



while school children seem to be busy and really are so there are yet many leisure hours (statisticians have figured them at 3000 a year for a high school boy allowing for odd jobs and chores) and it is a question whether those leisure hours be improved by mission activities and studies or be totally, even harmfully, lost. More and more it is a question of expenditure of energy in a worthwhile or worthless way and September is the month of habit forming as it brings a necessary planning for school, recreation and cultural activities.

September, remember, has an E just for that Energy business, see it? The energy of young people, rested after vacation and abounding in output in after-school hours: is it not well to direct some of it to personal service deeds, is it not wise to turn some of it to Christian friendship and good times guided by the counselor? Mental and physical and spiritual energy, there are the three divisions as there are the three types of interest always and each may be brought to good use through your missionary organization if you are wise this September. Mental energy will delight in world interests, physical energy will find outlet in errands run, helpful deeds done and spiritual energy certainly experiences both intake and outlet in facts of missions calling for prayer and participation through grace of giving. But the E will apply to the wise counselor also for your energy will also be needed, mentally, physically and spiritually. Mentally to command the respect of your young people by your world knowledge; you must have as much authority and respect because you know as Miss School-Teacher has. Correspondence course of W.M.U., mission study books, ROYAL SERVICE, WORLD COMRADES, Home and Foreign Fields will all help give you the information you need. Yes, E costs but what endless returns it starts, returns that will go on through eternity for a few moments reading on your part may be used by Our Father to turn the heart of a second Matthew Tyson Yates to China or another Taylor to Italy. You will double the possibility of such establishment of the work of your hands by your own expending of spiritual energy as you pray for your organization as such and as you pray for its members individually, as you

pray before each meeting asking that it may glorify God and create new visions in young hearts, and as you pray when home again after the meeting is over, asking that He will crystallize those impressions until they become impelling motives to missionary undertakings for Him. Your energy as well as that of the young people physically too for there must be fall picnics and fall frolics and you will plan and play with your R.A. or G.A. or Sunbeam Band because then they will plan and pray with you in turn.

September's M as every other M will bring to mind the mighty motivation of Missions. Missions that starts both "miss" and "mister" and even the little "master" of a home into more real Christian experiences. Said Robert Speer, "I date my personal experience of the Christian life from my reception of the mission spirit". Never must young people's organization of Woman's Missionary Union forget that their reason for being is missions. Bible study will bring to the front the great world plan revealed there; prayer will be for the world and the missionaries who go into the nearer and farther remote parts and for the members that they may relate themselves to the world plan according to His will; giving will be with world needs in mind; personal service will be the immediate expression of a real desire to serve the world; program work and reading and study will be to reveal the world; with the world throbbing and calling for its Light in its vitally first place in Royal Ambassador Chapter, Girls' Auxiliary and Sunbeam Band there will not be danger of your organization turning too much attention to good times, becoming just a social club, there will not be danger of its turning all gifts into the local expenses, to charity funds, to the new church building. W.M.U. young people's organizations are to lead our young people into missions, the biggest business of the church, with almost 12,000 organizations, international in membership we shall not swerve from our mission purpose, that is our business.

And there is a B to remind us of it in September as well as the M so that as energy and interest are redoubled in the fall all will follow the right path. The B will be for other Business too, the regular conduct of details in the

meetings, the plans for new business and committee duties. Let them all be carried on according to the best of parliamentary procedure. This will help in the behavior of members or care in addressing the chair, in waiting for recognition before speaking will not only be valuable from the standpoint of training for coming years but will prevent the noise and confusion of several trying to talk at once, or of whispered inattention. Do not let the business sessions drag out unnecessarily, train committees to act and bring reports, but let the business of your mission organization be conducted in a businesslike way which will command respect and show that the King's business is above all other in importance.

One large item of business is the Standard of Excellence and in every correct September there is that third E, following Enlistment and Energy the E for Excellence of workmanship. The Executive Committee should bring the Standard before the organization, moving that attaining A-1 by meeting its requirements be the goal accepted. "Keep the Standard before the Society", we say it over and over again but by all means let the wise counselor see that this is done. Refer to your state minutes this September state mission month and see if your record of A-1 organizations could not be improved upon. Put up the wall chart and mark it month by month, then the year will not surprise you by being gone before you have had your mission study class or met your apportionment or increased your attendance. Build up to the Standard as soon as possible.

R the last of September, it must be Readiness. Ready with renewed zeal, ready with larger co-operation from the W.M.S. through the circle that will foster R.A. chapter, or Girls' Auxiliary or Sunbeam Band. Ready with fall study course prepared for teaching. Don't you remember the old seal, the ox pictured standing between plough and altar with the inscription "Ready for Either". September says to the wise counselor, Ready for both activity and sacrifice for the sake of missions and young people for Him. S-E-P-T-E-M-B-E-R, remember.



By all means each R.A. chapter should make a state map showing colleges, hospitals, headquarters, mountain schools if there are such, Good Will Centers and other matters of Royal Ambassador interest. It would be well to mark the cities in which churches have met their Campaign pledges, would your own be indicated so?

G.A.'s. should be especially active now that they have their new Manuals. Said one G.A. leader, "It is so full of clever suggestions I shall never run out now. I find something new every time I look in the Manual". Use the initiation ceremony. G.A.'s. may prefer to leave the map making to the Royal Ambassadors but they will enjoy sending postal cards to all the girls in the Baptist orphanage, just friendly greetings, or flowers to the sick girls in the Baptist hospital, some little thing to express a state consciousness in state mission month.



Even Sunbeams will be glad to know how many other Sunbeam Bands there are in their state and what they all are doing. There is a thrill for even little folks in knowing that they belong to something big and seeing pictures of the young woman who is state Sunbeam Band leader and so their very own secretary.

## PROGRAM FOR SEPTEMBER

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be ready. In these camps B.Y.P.U. members are also entertained.—Lizzie Savage, Corresponding Secretary

### ONE IN CHRIST

IN the broadcasting of the proceedings of the great Democratic National Convention recently held in New York City, for the purpose of nominating democratic candidates for the presidency and vice presidency of the United States, those who listened in received a most vociferous demonstration of the individuality as well as the unity of the states. At the one hundredth ballot roll call of the states there was no great change in results. Each state said in effect: "Here I am, a unit of the great

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## SOCIETY METHODS



### THE W.M.U. PLAN OF WORK

#### Clause I.—Fundamentals

**A**RE you interested in laying the foundation on which the whole structure of our Union rests? If so, the seven corner stones may be found in our "Chief Aims" and the mortar is contained in the "Moral Standards".

The first step in getting these points before our women is to print the State Executive Committee Policy on the W. M. U. page of the state paper after its adoption. Urge the officers of local societies to assist in building by presenting this policy in detail to the members at an early date and also to have the women study the "Plan of Work" when they receive the Year Book. These are the architect's "blue prints" and must be followed carefully. If the president of the society is thoroughly awake and interested in permanent construction, she will take pleasure in promoting harmony among her helpers.

Let each item in this clause be stressed on the program of the associational and district meetings. In the better developed groups, their own officers and delegates can do this. If some organizations lack local talent, a representative officer of the Executive or Central Committee will be with them to re-enforce the weak laborers in their programs. In this way large numbers become enthusiastic and take new life currents of interest back to the local societies, whose builders may then be persuaded to work overtime to assure the success of the organization. Throughout the year departmental superintendents in the state, district, and associational Unions should ever be alert to promote the interests of the items affecting their departments.

At any group meeting sing the hymn for the year and repeat the watchword, trying to instill them into the minds and hearts of the women, and as they learn to build skillfully for the Master you can hear their voices as they sing "O Zion Hasten" that "the whole earth may be filled with His glory".—*Mrs. W. D. Pye, Arkansas*

#### Clause II.—Individual and United Prayer

**Individual Prayer**—In the 14th Chapter of Matthew, verse 23, we find these words: "He went up into the mountain apart to pray: and when the evening was come, he was there ALONE." Jesus felt the need of times of quiet communion ALONE with the Father and secured in these quiet hours increased power for service. So we, His humble followers, must needs have these times ALONE with Him if we would be made strong and fresh for the tasks He gives.

Many members of societies, busy housewives and others, stop for a few moments of quiet prayer as the clock strikes nine in the morning. Some have the calendar of prayer taken from ROYAL SERVICE tacked on the wall above the kitchen sink, as 9 o'clock is dish washing time. Others keep it in a prominent place in the bedroom and if making beds when 9 o'clock comes, drop down on their knees beside the bed for a time of prayer, the daily tasks for the moment forgotten as they seek strength for the day and blessings for others. Others keep the calendar of prayer in their Bible, using the daily Bible readings in connection with this time of quiet prayer.

**United Prayer**—Matthew 18:19 reads: "That if two of you shall agree on earth as touching anything that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of my Father which is in heaven." The one thing, more than all else, that will draw people together and cause them to live in love together, is the time of common prayer. The prayer group before the regular meeting of the society has been found the great source of power and blessing.

During the weeks of prayer for Foreign, Home and State Missions, the whole life of the society is developed, as the women unite in prayer for special objects and people. Giving to the women before hand a list of the special work and workers to be prayed for has been found most helpful, as knowledge of the work was sought that the prayers might be more effective.—*Janie Cree Bose, Ky.*



## TRAINING SCHOOL



### VACATION TIME AT GOOD WILL CENTER

**V**ACATION usually means a time for play but at Good Will Center it means a time for work and play. Some of the activities of the regular school months are discontinued for the summer due to the absence of the Training School force.

Sunday school continues throughout the entire year. One of the greatest problems of the summer work has been the securing of volunteer help. This summer we are unusually fortunate in having capable and loyal teachers for the beginner, primary, junior and intermediate departments, from the Amoma Class of Walnut Street Baptist Church. Seven of these young women are gladly giving their Sunday afternoons to Good Will Center. Mrs. Peyton and Miss Hazel Brown from Highland Baptist Church are two of our efficient volunteer workers. Mrs. Peyton has charge of the adult department and Miss Brown assists in the primary department.

The members of the "Friendly Circle" or Mothers' Club are faithful in attendance and loyal to the club. It is an inspiration to see these mothers, as tired and worn as many of them seem, leaving all and coming apart on Tuesday afternoon to spend one hour seeking something higher and nobler than their every day life affords. On July first Mrs. A. T. Robertson gave the last of a series of lectures dealing with home and child problems and many of the members have expressed a sincere appreciation of them.

The Scouts are enjoying hikes, camping and city-wide meetings. These clubs afford a wonderful opportunity for keeping in touch with our older boys and girls and a more wonderful opportunity for winning to Christ. Fifteen of these recently united with East Baptist Church and four have expressed a desire to do definite Christian work. Our mid-week prayer service is well attended during the summer.

On hot afternoons, the playground is a popular spot where children of several different nationalities find recreation. As we watch them at their play—the brown-eyed, black-haired Italians; the rosy-cheeked Jewish children and the blue-eyed Americans—we are reminded that Jesus does love the little children of the world. Ball games interest the older ones, while the playground apparatus affords amusement for all. Even the babies are welcomed, for they are always safe and happy on the sand pile. When the sun is hot, all are eager for stories, and the wide-eyed interest with which they listen, and the never-failing plea of "Please, Teacher, just one more", gives one an insight into the bareness of their little lives.

At nine o'clock on the thirtieth of June a group of eager children gathered to begin work in the Daily Vacation Bible School. Sixty-five are enrolled, with an average attendance the first week of fifty-two. It is interesting to note that thirty-four are from Catholic, five from Jewish, two from Lutheran, one from Christian Scientist, three from Episcopal, two from Methodist and seventeen from Baptist homes. The program consists of Bible lessons, music, games, handwork and a health period. Miss Pearle Bourne, of the Training School, has charge of the junior boys and girls. Under the leadership of Mr. Casper Warren, of the Seminary, a dozen boys convert the workshop into a scene of activity. By no means the least important people are the wee tots of the kindergarten. What could be more interesting than a Bible school kindergarten composed of Italians, Jews and Americans? As their happy voices sing, "Let the Merry Sunshine In" or "How Strong and Sweet My Father's Care", our thoughts turn to the words of our Savior as He said, "Suffer the little children to come unto me", and we thank Him for the provision He has made for our little ones at Good Will Center, for we know that "A little child shall lead them".—*Clara B. Webb and Lydia E. Green* 27





## FROM OUR MISSIONARIES



### TOMORROW AND THE OTHER TOMORROW

**W**HEN school is out often the little ones say "School tomorrow?" Then one of my brightest little five-year olds invariably says, "And the other tomorrow?" meaning the day after tomorrow.

And so tonight, friends of mine, I want to talk to you a few minutes about my "tomorrow" and the "other tomorrow". You've heard of the poor equipment of my mission school many times. But I always thought better conditions were just ahead, possibly on the morrow. And so it has proved. Tomorrow has come!

Some one, I don't know who, wrote Dr. Henning that the steps of the school room upstairs were unsafe and something must be done. So the Home Board, even in the midst of their dreadful financial strain and stress raised the funds and improvements were made. Two small rooms were built at the rear of the building, sewerage put in, the steps made secure, the leaky places patched, guttering put all around and new blackboards put in the ceiled room downstairs which we had decided to use as church and school room combined. What rejoicing there was as we moved into our new quarters and what gratitude in the heart of the teacher to the Home Board that had gone to the limit of their means to better conditions on this field!

But what of the "other tomorrow"? When will it dawn and what does it hold in store for us? Oh, friends that it may be a church! It is an extremely difficult task to win these foreigners from their coldness, infidelity, old Catholic superstitions and practices and from their love of the "almighty dollar". But God has blessed the labors of the missionaries throughout the years and now we have a nucleus of nearly one hundred baptized believers. As in American churches, not all are faithful I say with sadness of heart, but many come regularly to the mid-week and Sunday night services. I wish you could have been a visitor at prayer-meeting last night and heard their testimonies of faith in God

and in His church, as Mr. Romano, our Italian pastor, talked about organizing our members into a church of their own. Of course you couldn't have understood them, but you would have felt it was the power of the spirit that moved them to testify. One young married man stepped out in front of the audience and said as he told us afterwards in English, "A church member must believe in Christ, keep the Ten Commandments and render service to God".

Now do you not feel in your hearts that these faithful ones should be rewarded with a church house? And do you not know that an attractive building would be a great asset in winning others? When I stand before these fifty-four little children, every one an Italian, some from Christian homes, but the majority from homes that scorn our church or else are indifferent, how my soul yearns for a rich harvest of souls on the "other tomorrow"! And so, friends back at home, will you not render greater service to God than ever before by your earnest prayers that the "other tomorrow" may come speedily and may be a great day in the growth and expansion of the Kingdom of God in this field?—

Kate McLure, Tampa

### "PRAY WITH US"

**M**AY we ask you to pray with us for our Girls' Boarding School which is to be opened in September. A teacher and matron are needed; ones whom the Lord can use in training each young life for His service. Then the selection of the girls is a big problem. Miss Murray is asking the girls to bring their food with them, giving them the privilege of bringing grain. It is very hard for these people, even those who have plenty to eat at home, to think they can allow their girls to go to school and then to send her food too is a problem over which they will study a long time. They will make any sacrifice for their boys to get an education, but expect the mother-in-law's family to educate the intended daughter-in-law, if they want her educated. In most cases they are afraid of the experiment.

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## HOME DEPARTMENT



### THE CALL NOT TO GO

*He that had been possessed with the devil prayed Him that he might be with Him. Howbeit Jesus suffered him not, but saith unto him, Go home to thy friends.—Mark 5:18, 19*

**T**HIS is a remarkable refusal of prayer. If ever prayer was uttered to which a favorable answer might have been predicted it would have been this. A man who had been redeemed from his iniquity asks leave to dwell in the special presence of Jesus—in other words, to devote himself exclusively to a religious mission; he is told to go home to his friends. His friends doubtless thought that he had shown a great piety in his desire to get away from them. It must have been an extreme surprise to them when Christ sent him back. I can imagine them saying, "How could the Lord have rejected the services of one who desired to be a missionary of His truth!" But did He reject his services? No; if we think that we have missed the point altogether. The man was under a false impression. He thought that the only way of serving Jesus was in the work away from home. Jesus told him that this was a mistake. He told him that a man, that a woman, might be a missionary by the fireside. He told him that the duties of the domestic altar were as dear to the heart of God as carrying the Gospel abroad. He sent him home to his friends, not because he was unfit for His service but because he was specially fit for a particular branch of His service—the family circle, the church and the community. I think the Gospel would have lost something without this incident. We hear a great deal about the call to leave home and follow Jesus; is it not as well that there should be at least one call of a contrary kind—to pursue the duties at home?

My brother, my sister, I have heard you bemoaning your want of a mission. I have heard you complaining that the duties of home forbade you to consecrate yourself to missionary work. I have

heard you pray for a corner in God's vineyard—for a place among evangelists, for a message to the heathen; and I have seen you fret because no door was opened. Did it never strike you that the shut door was itself an answer to your prayer. Did it never strike you that you are the very one who asked to abide with Jesus on the sea and to whom Jesus said, "Go home to thy friends." There are those who are called to do outdoor work; but there are those who are called not to do outdoor work. Why not claim this prohibition as itself a call from God? Are you tied by the duties of the household, forced to abide at home? Does that make you less a missionary than Paul was? Not so. God sent Paul out; but He sends you in. The men on the sea with Jesus had a glorious mission but not more glorious than that of the healed demoniac whom Jesus sent home. Has the Lord refused you the request He granted to Livingstone—the permission to go out and convert the nations? Be it so; but remember, the refusal is as special a call to you as the permission was to Livingstone. Go home to thy friends! God cries to thee. Consecrate each family tie! Light heaven on the hearth! Plant Nazareth in the nursery! Sow peace in the parlor! Shed kindness in the kitchen! Spread Bethany at the board! Fill with pure literature the library! Live Christ to thy neighbor! Show hospitality to the stranger within thy gates! Then shalt thou know that it was a mission call which said to thee, "Go home to thy friends."—*From Rests by the River*

"If you cannot cross the ocean  
And the heathen lands explore,  
You can find the heathen nearer—  
You can help him at your door."





## BOOK REVIEWS



### CHINA'S CHALLENGE TO CHRISTIANITY

**T**HAT the study of missions has been found to be worth while is demonstrated by the large number of books issued and used for this purpose. Text books on China perhaps outnumber those on any other country. China is changing and these changes bring new maps, new statistics and new volumes for mission study. One of the latest books issued by the Missionary Education Movement is *China's Challenge to Christianity*, written by Lucius Chapin Porter, one of the wise, far-seeing and creative leaders of the church of Christ in China. The index of contents reveals the riches contained within the six chapters of the book. The chapter topics are: 1. Chinese Attitude Toward the West, which gives us some understanding of what the small leaven of Christianity has done in China and suggests self-examination for the un-Christlike attitude of the west in dealing with the Chinese. 2. Changing Environment, shows contrasting pictures of political, industrial and social conditions which Christianity alone can adjust and harmonize. This is a great chapter! 3. The Rural Majority, tells of the country folk of China and the great opportunity for industrial and agricultural mission work among them. 4. Hsin Ch'ao—The New Tide, relates "things old and new"—past and present conditions and customs. 5. Spiritual Quests, gives a short history of the religions of China and presents Christianity as the only quest whose goal is rest and peace to the human soul. 6. Christianity Creative, focuses attention upon the Christian enterprise of missions and gives a climatic vision of a people "builded together for a habitation of God in the Spirit". There are appendices giving bibliography, dates of outstanding periods in Chinese history, missionary statistics, etc. This is truly a student's book, too interesting to be dry, too vividly true to be ineffective and too distinctly up to date not to be used at once.

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cational Dept., Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Va.

### HOME LETTERS FROM CHINA

**B**OOKS and books have been written about China and I have read a good many of them but there is nothing like seeing for yourself," says Gordon Poteat, A.B., Th.M., of the Shanghai Baptist College and Seminary, China. To these books on China Professor Poteat has added another, *Home Letters from China*, which brings us very nearly to seeing China for ourselves. Being one of our own missionaries the author has, in his book of letters, adopted an intimate epistolary style which gives the happy impression of having received a personal letter of great interest from him telling of our work in Central China, where he is located. The information, however, is not confined to this section but might be called China-wide, both in a geographical sense and in giving a knowledge of the great movements which are making China an important agent in world operations of today.

The thirteen chapters of the book have the following consecutive titles: *The Journey to Peking; Some Early Impressions; China from a Foreign Viewpoint; The Initiation Into Social Life; New Chinese in old China; Architectural Monuments; Summering in China; Kai-feng; Christmas in China; A New Year and New Problems; On with the Work; Greatness of the Task; The Impacts of Christianity*. These chapters have subdivisions, the titles of which give a comprehensive idea of their contents and are of immense value in teaching a mission study class.

In closing his book Professor Poteat speaks of some of the first fruits of his missionary labor, giving incidents which move us to fervent thanksgiving for all missionary work in China and especially for that of the Southern Baptist Convention. Of the latter we should be well informed that our prayers and gifts be intelligent and adequate. The W.M.U. earnestly recommends *Home Letters from China* to our women and young people for immediate study.

Price \$1.50 from Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.



## UNION NOTES



### ROUND TABLE

#### "O, Zion, Haste"

**O**F primal importance in Christian growth, individually and collectively, is prayer. Therefore, as the closing quarter of the Baptist 75 Million Campaign is entered and as the plans are being projected for the 1925 Program of Southern Baptists, it is wise that throughout southern Baptist churches there should be a call to prayer on the part of the men, women and young people. Never before in the denomination's history has there been such a challenge as now for growth in the grace of giving if the full objective of the 75 Million Campaign is reached and if pledges adequate to the need are made for the 1925 Program. Therefore, the closing week of the month, September 21-28, has been set aside as a Week of Prayer that throughout the Campaign and on into the new year the people may "advance upon their knees". On pages 4-6 the suggested program for the week is outlined, each church being of course at perfect liberty to improve it to meet local conditions. As stated in its introductory note, it is an all-church program, the hope being that every family in the church and each member of every family will be invited to the services and that one and all, whether at home or school or work, will "pray without ceasing".

**Z**EAL is an enthusiastic handmaiden of faith, helping it to manifest itself by works. Tirelessly has it served during the past five years, encouraging members of the various W.M.U. organizations to prove their faith in the seven-fold program of the denomination by redeeming and, if possible, increasing their pledges to the Baptist 75 Million Campaign. But the ardor of zeal must burn with an unusually fervent glow during the few remaining months of the Campaign if faith's victory is really achieved. As an ever-present reminder the Union has prepared Alabaster Boxes for free distribution to all its W.M.S. and Y.W.A. members who will use them

for the ingathering of Campaign gifts which are over and above the donor's pledge to the Campaign. It is said that no large contribution but millions of small ones made possible St. Peter's Cathedral in Rome. Only a few years ago the nation-wide purchasing of War Savings Stamps showed how huge is the aggregate of many small investments. Even so will it be if the societies for the women and the young women will encourage the use of the Alabaster Boxes. Find out at your next meeting or over the telephone how many of your members will use one, write to your state W.M.U. headquarters for the necessary number and set a time for the ingathering of their offerings. See the Alabaster Box Department in this issue on page 11.

**I**NFORMATION leads to inspiration is a current saying. Believing this, southern Baptists have set aside the month of September as a special time for the securing of subscriptions and renewals to the state denominational papers. Every Woman's Missionary Society and every Young Woman's Auxiliary is urged through committee and individual effort to increase the circulation of these papers. None of them is high priced and, therefore, few families will be burdened by subscribing. Week by week they bring into the home the latest denominational information, furnishing for all ages represented in the family interesting, wholesome reading. W.M.S. and Y.W.A. members also know that their organization cannot reach the Standard of Excellence unless their state denominational paper is subscribed for in at least one-half of the homes represented in the organization. Truly "it is a poor rule that doesn't work both ways". One of the best places for securing such subscriptions is at the associational meeting, for many attend such annual gatherings who do not often go elsewhere. If yours is in session during September please attend it and tell



the women there assembled what a blessing the state paper has brought into your home. It will be worth the trip if you secure just one subscription, for limitless is the influence of an informed Christian home.

ONLY those volunteers for foreign mission service who are detained at home know the real longing which is in their hearts to go without delay. At this time there are eighty young southern Baptist men and women who have signified their desire to go as foreign missionaries but they have been told that there are no funds with which to send them forth. Of course they cannot understand it for they say that they have a definite call from God, they remember that they have been encouraged by southern Baptists to train themselves to obey that call. And now they are ready to go but, instead, they must stay! It doesn't seem fair, does it? Time was when only a very, very few young people were brave enough to heed the call for foreign service. Now, this very September, there are eighty who are ready to go but those to whom they looked for support in going—even southern Baptists—are not ready to send them. It will cost a church or an individual only \$1100.00 to send one of the eighty. Can't you, won't you send one, over and over your regular gifts to the Campaign and the 1925 Program? In July the number was ninety-five instead of eighty but in the meanwhile provision has been made for sending forth fifteen. Of these there are ten who are being sent by Miss Varina Brown of Anderson, S. C. Another large gift came in July when the Norton family of Louisville, Ky., gave \$100,000.00 to the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. Is "not our heart burning within us" as God speaks to us through these noble gifts? Will we not do our best to send forth as quickly as possible the eighty who wait only our promise of support?

NOTHING is more essential than having a definite plan for a given task. Therefore, each year the Woman's Missionary Union through its delegated representatives adopts in annual session its "Plan of Work" for the ensuing twelve months. To every society, whether of young people or women, a copy of the Plan of Work is sent, being incorporated in the W.M.U. Year Book. Please turn

to pages 10-24 in the Year Book and read the "Plan of Work" at one sitting so that its full purpose may be seen. Then, please, study specifically clauses 1 and 2, they dealing specifically with "Fundamentals" and "Individual and United Prayer". Now turn to page 26 of this magazine and read how these two clauses may be so presented to your society that the members will not only be conversant with them but will incorporate into the society's plans for the year. From month to month the other clauses will be set forth so be very sure each month to study the "Methods Department".

HAPPY indeed were Union workers when Mrs. Maud R. McLure found it possible to go as the W.M.U. representative to Jewell Baptist Assembly in Liberty, Missouri, more than 300 registering at this initial assembly. In glowing terms she writes: "I taught Ming Kwong to three classes, the third being an extra one for a few who could not attend either morning class. Then I had opportunity of speaking about the Training School to the G.A. and Y.W.A. organizations of the Liberty Church. Thinking that it would give an impetus to the entire W.M.U. department of the assembly I decided to put on a pageant in which I tried to correlate Ming Kwong with our southern Baptist work in China. It was crudely written but seemed to be acceptable and interesting. In the afternoon of W.M.U. Day there was held a reception for the entire city, ladies of other denominations adjourning their own missionary meetings that they might enjoy with us the reception".

ALL during July the W.M.U. corresponding secretary was absent from the Birmingham headquarters, being in attendance upon the assemblies at DeLand, Florida; Greenville, S. C.; Bristol, Virginia; and Ovoca Springs, Tenn. At DeLand, Mrs. H. C. Peelman was dean of the eight W.M.U. mission study classes. In one of these classes 130 took the written test on the study of Ming Kwong. At Greenville, Mrs. J. D. Chapman presided over the W.M.U. conferences, while the W.M.S. and Y.W.A. mission study class was directed by their state mission study leader, Mrs. T. B. Clarkson. The book used was Ming Kwong, between 75 and 100 participating in the study. Remarkably success-

ful at Greenville were the three camps for the young people, there being 100 in the G.A. Camp under Mrs. Geo. E. Davis' direction, 75 in the R. A. Camp with Miss Effie Rose and 125 in the Sunbeam Camp as "mothered" by Mrs. W. J. Hatcher. After Greenville, three days were spent with Virginians at Bristol, the attendance there being unusually large for that particular assembly. Illness prevented the presence of the state W.M.U. secretary, Miss Lizzie Savage, but three mission study classes were taught by the state president, Mrs. C. W. McElroy, the state mission study leader, Miss Bessie Trevett, and the state young people's leader, Miss Katherine Harris. One hour each day was also devoted to a discussion of W.M.U. methods.

SUMMER assembly bugle notes sounding from mountain and campus call us to arm ourselves with mission study books and charge the army of missionary indifference and ignorance. Braddock Heights, Md. furnishes an ideal assembly location and Pastor Royal of Frederick a most gracious host. "The Plan of Salvation" was used in W.M.U. hour. Next year we hope W.M.U. will be able to have classes for the junior organizations as well as the W.M.S. Russellville, Kentucky, with Bethel College as hostess entertained the west Kentucky assembly. W.M.U. hour was used in conferences on methods led by Mrs. Bose and a study of Ming Kwong and G.A. Manual. Miss Bright delighted the hearts of the children in her story hour period each afternoon.—*Blanche Sydnor White*

THE Arkansas Assembly reached the largest enrollment in its twenty year history when it passed the 750 mark. The attraction of the spacious new grounds, beautiful with springs and mountain drives combined with the well-selected speakers in drawing Baptists from all over the state to Siloam Springs. The Union was represented by its young people's secretary who rejoiced to be "home" again and tried to teach Ming Kwong to what was the largest mission class the Assembly has known. Mrs. Una Roberts Lawrence conducted a mission story hour each evening too but it is hoped that before

many more years pass mission classes for all ages can be arranged. Mrs. Jackson's conference hour on W.M.U. fundamentals and methods was of great help and record attendance also. It is interesting to know that in her district meetings Arkansas W.M.U. arranged for the additional Margaret Fund and Training School apportionment which most other states will take care of in the spring campaign.

Mandeville-on-Lake-Ponchartrain is as delightful as the name suggests and it is no wonder that Louisiana Baptist Encampment this summer surpassed other years in registration, as news of the new grounds spread it will increase more and more. A splendid program had been planned and was carried out with good spirit. Sunday was the "high day" with Dr. Scarborough present for a campaign message in the morning and a calling-out-the-called service in the afternoon. Many answered his appeal for life dedication. W.M.U. work included the W. M.S. class taught by Miss Georgia studying Ming Kwong, a story hour directed by Miss Ora Fleming assisted by Virginia Hamilton and a Y.W.A. and G.A. methods class taught by the Union's young people's secretary. One evening was devoted to a pageant "They Never Knew" presented by Y.W.A. members drilled by Miss Fleming, followed by an address by Miss Mather, Miss Barnette presiding throughout.

Louisiana watermelons were in their hey-day and "cuttings" on the beach were almost a regular evening feature of the assembly. A barbecue prepared by Mr. and Mrs. Domaourian, Armenian members of St. Charles Ave. Baptist Church, New Orleans, was much enjoyed by the faculty and leaders of the Encampment.—*Juliette Mather*

EVERYONE will agree that Virginia Beach is a most wonderful place for an Encampment or assembly of W.M.U. folks. To teach "Chinese Lanterns" to thirty-five G.A.'s. is indeed a joy and to each evening speak to the seventy-eight G.A.'s. of the G.A. Camp seated on the grass within sight and hearing of the ocean inspired one to her best in messages on Auxiliary Ideals and Methods. The response in examination papers, prayer and testimony and consecration



were all one could wish. Miss Harris and Miss Johnson are to be congratulated. We spoke to the R.A.'s. in their camp as a guest for dinner. A message on "The College Girl" was given at a W. M.U. session. The new president of the Virginia Union, Mrs. McElroy, presided in Miss Savage's absence. Constant, earnest prayer was made in every session of every department of the encampment for Miss Savage's recovery. Sincerest gratitude is ours for this season of fellowship with the Virginia women and with Miss Leachman who was also their guest and teacher.—Mrs. Geo. E. Davis, S. Car.

### FROM OUR MISSIONARIES

(Continued from page 28)

Let me tell you some of the experiences one of our girls has had in trying to get an education. Eighteen miles south of Chengchow nestling in the trees and canebrake lies a small village, the home of the Changs. The father and mother have been Christians for a long time but their two sons have been bitterly opposed to the Gospel. The mother seeing her sons would not go to school decided to send her little daughter. The sons would not allow her to have either money or grain, for they did not have much of either. But the mother prayed and the prayer was answered by some good sister sending the needed money. In spite of the brothers' protest the little girl was provided with two new blue cotton garments and she and her father walked the eighteen miles to Chengchow. From here she was sent with a group of girls to our school at Kaifeng. She was given the name Feng Ie, which means "faithful happiness". Girls in China are named when they go to school. At home they are called by numbers.

Feng Ie proved a very diligent pupil and was worthy of her name. But the

brothers at home encouraged by some of their heathen relatives grew more bitter. After the vacation when her father started to take her back to school some of the relatives beat him until she turned back. Two days later her mother took her to school. Another time when she was ready to start back, her elder brother hanged himself. Father Chang said "Hang if you want to, this child is going to school". His wife and brother cut the rope so he was not hurt much.

Faithful Happiness will finish high school next year and has had ambitions for college, but the Christian boy to whom she is engaged is teaching and does not seem to aspire to a college education, so we hope they will be able to open two of our very much needed country schools in the near future. We crave your prayers for these young people.—Mrs. W. W. Lawton, China

### PROGRAM FOR SEPTEMBER

(Continued from page 25)

Union, but I stand for the principles and obey the instructions of *my particular state*." But when the deadlock gave way favorite sons were withdrawn from the race and, putting aside their individual disappointment, the states concentrated their strength on the nomination of the chosen candidate; not disloyal to their state leaders they yet recognized the larger issue of a unity made strong by merging their forty-eight individualities. So our southern Baptist states, each coming to the goal by different routes, merge into one great body under the leadership of Christ our Master. Whether of Paul or Apollos or Cephas we are all of Christ. Christ is not divided. "Ye are Christ's and Christ is God's." Bending low before Him let us listen in for His directing voice and obeying this we will find ourselves going forward together. (See page 6).

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