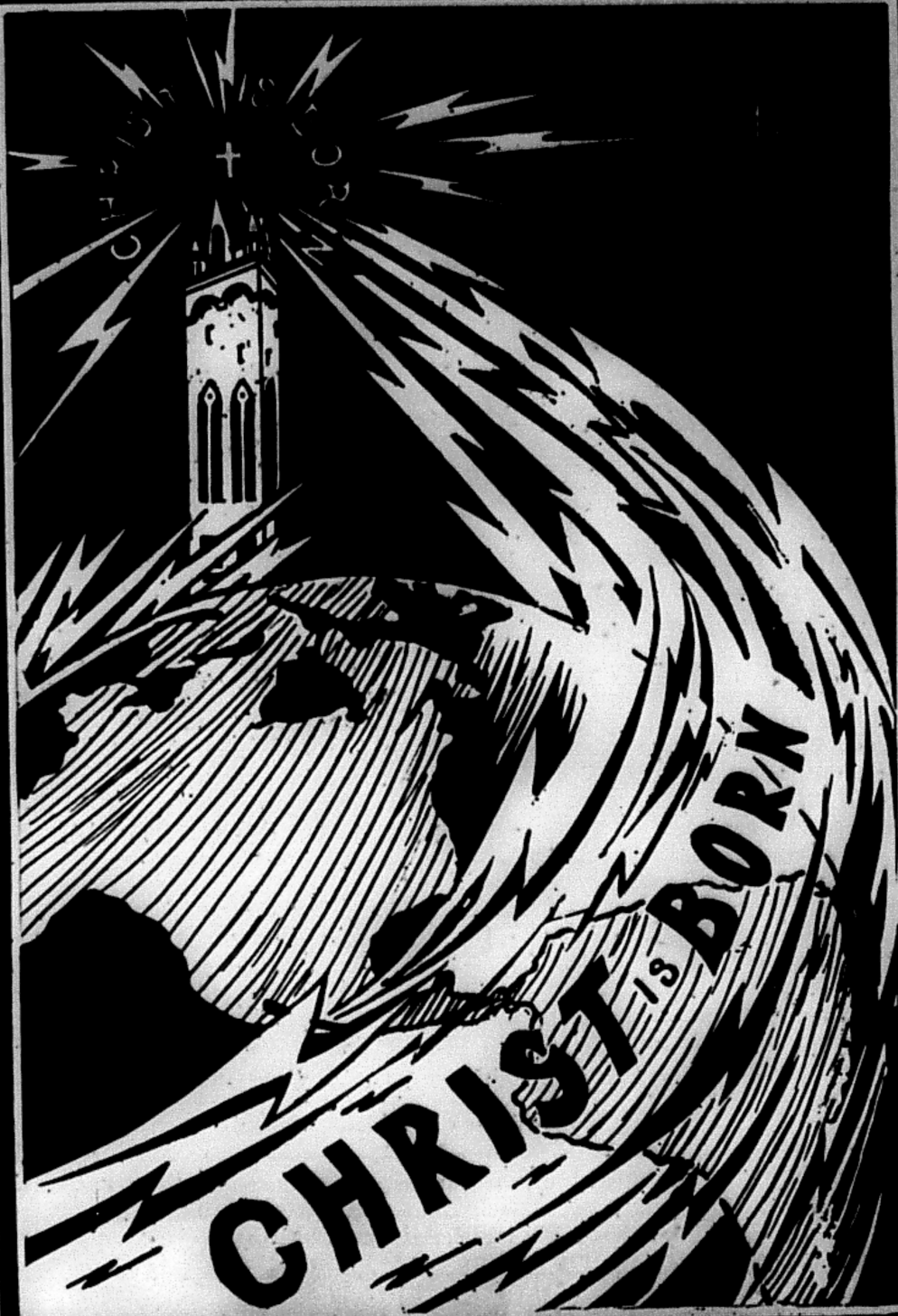


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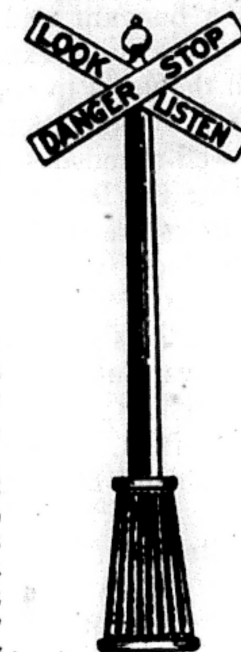
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EDITORIAL

SPIRIT of PROGRESS

Mrs. W. J. Cox, President W.M.U.



All over the land the wheels of industry are beginning to increase in speed. A new vigor is apparent everywhere. Fall is here. This increased life is felt in a marked degree in our religious and church life. There is evident in every department of activity a spirit of progress; an enthusiasm which is the result of unlimited resources. The lull of summer is gone. Every phase of the work of Woman's Missionary Union is feeling this stirring of renewed life. The young women in our Training School and the students of the Margaret Fund are launching out into a buoyant and an enlarged conception of life. This spirit is not only an expression of present consecration but will be felt in the years to come: it projects itself far into the future. The Y.W.A. organizations in the colleges are making plans for a year of well-rounded Christian development. Grace McBride

organizations are surmounting the lethargy of the summer months with renewed zeal. Business Women's Circles are ready to incorporate some of the energy and efficient facilities of the business world in their missionary activities. Junior organizations evidence the spirit of the class room.

Back of all these organizations stand the societies in our churches. They are like dynamos charging these various interests with new life. From the societies emanate plans, leadership, oversight, support, prayers, gifts that run through every W.M.U. and denominational effort. The society is an important, a vital factor. Certain phases of the work should be magnified by it and kept before each organization this month.

There should be a definite effort to conserve the year's work. Each organization should faithfully foster its Ruby Anniversary effort. This worthy work does not take the place of new enlistment effort. The fall is eminently the time to increase active membership and to plan for enlargement. Let your efforts be personal and intensive. The salesman who explains his call on a business man by saying, "I was in this neighborhood and thought I'd drop in" would lessen his chances of a sale by this attitude. Calls, visits and efforts to enlist should be definite and made with express purpose and convincing sincerity. The Standard of Excellence should be especially featured in some original and arresting way that the members may keep before them the aims of the organization. This standard is the vaulting pole by which the society will rise to higher endeavor. Especial stress should be placed on obtaining new subscriptions to **Royal Service, World Comrades** and **The Window of Y.W.A.**

Leaders, make plans and get things in line for one of the greatest efforts of your society in the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. Begin now, a month previous to the offering, by outlining and stressing the worthy objects of this offering in your meetings. Feature it on your program in advance, remembering it individually and unitedly in prayer. Do not overlook the request for a sermon on missions and adequate and proper announcements. Interest in this December Season of Prayer must be awakened in advance. Resolve not to be discouraged and intimidated by handicaps. No doubt you will find them. Hudson Maxim says

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CITY MISSIONS—"Holding Forth the Word of Life"

Dr. Byron Hoover DeMent of Baptist Bible Institute



Cities are centers of commercial, social, educational, moral and religious influence. From them as fountains go forth the murky waters of death to inundate or the crystal streams of life to irrigate the surrounding country.

It is unscriptural to contrast city and rural missions for they are essentially one, being only different segments of the globe-encircling field of missionary activity. We need to evangelize the city for the sake of the city, for the sake of the country, for the sake of the church, for the sake of Christ, for the salvation of the lost, for the edification of the saved and the glory of God.

In Christ's day, far more than at present, people lived in cities and villages for military protection and social and commercial advantages. Jesus devoted much time to the centers of population, whither the multitudes from far and near were most easily drawn. Jerusalem in the south and Capernaum in the north were the great foci in the field of Christ's ministry. From these two cities He went forth to various towns and into rural sections in Judea and especially in Galilee. Paul's missionary tours may be sketched by the cities in which he preached the Gospel, as the two Antiochs, Lystra, Iconium, Philippi, Thessalonica, Corinth, Ephesus etc. He aimed to reach the largest possible number of people in strategic centers where evangelization would be perpetuated through the churches and projected into the surrounding territory. He "held forth the word of life" where the greatest darkness settled and sought "by all means to save some"—the largest and most influential "some" he could possibly reach.

In order to carry on His work after He left the world Christ promised His disciples power that they might be His witnesses in Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria and the uttermost parts of the earth. Their starting-point was Jerusalem where Christ was crucified, where the

tides of opposition were strongest and the Gospel voice would sound the farthest. The Jerusalems of our Christian efforts are fine places to begin our saving ministry but are fatal points at which to end our missionary labors.

In the cities there are brought within a small area thousands and even millions of people of many nationalities, habits of life, educational equipment, social and religious ideals. The modern city needs more than electric lights, it needs the Light of life; more than the filtered water in the reservoir it needs the Water of life; more than bread from the bakery and milk from the dairy, it needs the Bread of life and the unadulterated milk of the Word.

Evangelism, both public and personal, is the fundamental and perpetual method of carrying the Gospel to those in alley and boulevard, in cottage and mansion, to the rich and the poor, to the laborer and capitalist, to the illiterate and the cultured, to the Jew and the gentile. Christ's method of work was: *teaching*, for men are ignorant of the way of life; *preaching*, for men need an authoritative message of spiritual hope; *healing*, for men need physical restoration and the touch of a kindly hand. It is the Christian's high and holy calling to cooperate with Christ in religious *instruction*, royal *proclamation* and genuine *philanthropy*.

Evangelism, both personal and public, is the supreme need of our cities. Personal contact, cottage prayer-meetings, distribution of the Bible and religious tracts, invitations to services, mission Sunday schools, preaching in homes, halls, school houses, on the streets, in jails, in work-houses, in hospitals and various other institutions where an opportunity is offered to "hold forth the word of life", there the people of God should let their light shine as a witness to Him who is indeed the "Light of the world".

The first city missionary of which we have any record in the Bible is the Samaritan woman who, immediately after accepting Christ as her Redeemer, went

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CHURCH SCHOOL of MISSIONS



WHY and HOW

Rev. E. F. Estes, Pastor of West Broadway Baptist Church, Louisville, Ky.



The organization of missionary societies, mission study clubs and classes in our day is the working of the leaven among us germinating from the seed of the Gospel planted through the centuries. It was left to the twentieth century to see that, unless the whole commission is carried out, the coming of the Kingdom must be postponed and the world continue to grovel in sin. Jesus said to preach, certainly, but also to teach and heal; there are no clear distinctions to be made between preaching and teaching. No, nor is healing altogether separated from the other two; the commission is a unit, yet there are the three ways plainly outlined in the last orders given by the Captain of our salvation, and the revealing word with reference to our acceptance of it is that word "NATION"—peoples, lands, tongues, tribes, kindreds—"EVERY NATION". That, if you please, is the foundation for our School of Missions. That is the great answer to the "WHY".

First, we are today in a world that is so much smaller than in any day of the past. We all live in the same doorway. The race is more than ever a big family. No matter where man lives, the constant hum of the voice of the world breaks in upon him. God said in an early day, "It is not good for man to live alone". That is an impossibility today.

Second, to propagate any new thing, a thorough knowledge of the people among whom we wish to send it is necessary.

Third, the very genius of the Gospel demands that an abiding interest in folks shall be established.

Therefore, if we are to make disciples of all nations, we must study the nation, know the people, their religions, customs and tendencies. No thoughtful Christian will question the imperative that is placed upon a follower of Jesus: to know, to go, to teach.

We must study missions—but HOW?

Christ set up a distinct and altogether peculiar institution—peculiar to the mission upon which He came, peculiar in its make-up, in its task and source of power. The church is the only institution among men that does and will abide, and the one task of that institution was, is and will always be, to carry forward to completion the mission of its Founder. Therefore, a *CHURCH SCHOOL of MISSIONS*.

In the autumn of 1927 we co-operated in a plan originating in "The Baptist Pastor's Conference of Louisville" to hold Schools of Missions in the churches of our city, date was set for the second week in January 1928, course of study planned and inspirational speakers listed. Fine so far, but how put the plan into operation in the churches? Speaking now in the first person: I, as pastor, called together my deacons and led them to see its worth; then to my Sunday school officers and workers; last to my young people. The women were already thoroughly in accord with the idea, having inaugurated it in our W.M.S. several years before. From then on the task was easy. At every service, from December first until the opening of the School, mention was made of it in church bulletins, B.Y.P.U. and class calendars and every other means available was used until EVERYBODY who came to our church knew something BIG was being planned. On Sunday

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STEWARDSHIP SUGGESTIONS



Stewardship Hymn

Tune: "Robin Adair"

THIS is our stewardship year,
Stewardship year—
The call rings sweet and clear,
Rings sweet and clear.
Master, we pledge to Thee
Our love and loyalty:
Open our eyes to see
Thee, only Thee.

We have high goals to win,
High goals to win—
Cleanse Thou our hearts from sin,
Our hearts from sin.
Humbly we'd live for Thee,
Be what Thou'st have us be:
Open our eyes to see
Thee, only Thee.

'Tis for Thy glory, Lord,
Thy glory, Lord—
Teach us to love Thy Word,
To love Thy Word.
Then, though the goals are high,
We'll reach them if we try:
Thine ever watchful eye
Will safely guide.

Grant Thine approving smile,
Thine approving smile—
The weary hours beguile,
Weary hours beguile.
Led by Thy tender love
We look to Thee above:
All doubts and fears remove,
Dear Lord, we pray.

—Mrs. C. C. Pugh, Ala.

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genius, like gunpowder, requires obstruction to do its best work. Without obstruction it makes only a flash and a smoke, but when obstructed it smashes its way through to success. This is true in all real effort. Know a steadfast purpose to persevere and attain in all spiritual endeavors. If we fulfill His conditions, then, God's blessing will fall like the dew of Hermon. His promise is, "Behold, I will pour out My spirit upon you".



BIBLE STUDY



Mrs. W. H. Gray, Ala.

TOPIC: The World into Which Jesus Came

Scripture: John 1:3-10

Hymn: All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

"FOR the homes that with purest affection are blest,
For the season of plenty and well deserved rest,
For our country extending from sea to sea—
The land that is known as the 'Land of the Free'—
Thanksgiving! Thanksgiving!"



Neighbors from both sides had gathered on a friend's porch. World war news was the subject of conversation and there were varied guesses as to how long the fighting would continue. Our host reminded us that peace would not come all at once. In just another week there came the sound of bells ringing and whistles blowing. Word went all over the country that an armistice was signed. The full meaning did not come for years.

Two thousand years ago troubled Israel looked for the coming of a Messiah. It seemed to the wise men of that day that all conditions had been met and time enough had elapsed. Surely Bethlehem of Judea would soon receive a King. Not marching at the head of an army, not even coming in royal dress did this Prince of Peace appear. "While shepherds watched their flocks by night" there came an angel who spoke assuringly of a Babe born in Bethlehem that night.

And what of the world into which Jesus came? Under Roman rule, trembling at the thought of the mighty Herod, sin-sick Israel lay crouched in shame. To be sure there were those faithful Hebrews who were still hoping that Emmanuel would come. Even in the far East were those astrologers who confidently expected some unusual thing with the appearance of "the star".

Passing over the years of His boyhood and youth we find Jesus a young man coming to John, the Baptist, to be baptized of him. What now of the world into which the Savior had come? He must make known that God had sent Him: God declared Him His only begotten Son. Many doubted. A few believed. Soon the word was carried a little further, individuals received the call to follow. In spite of all that was said and done, unbelief was in the world.

Tell me, friends, what difference was there between the world into which Jesus came and the world today? How much more ready will the world be to receive Him when He comes again? Sum up the things He found: unbelief, degradation, sin, slavery, hate, strife! Were these all? No, there were those whose faith remained. There were those who looked to God as the Creator and Giver of every good and perfect gift. Alas, that they were few!

And when He comes again "will He find faith on the earth"? God grant it may be so. What are you doing to make the world a better place for His second coming than it was at His first coming?

What did He bring to the world? Salvation, peace, love! How much did He raise woman from her lowly place? When before did man look so kindly on little children? Who else had declared all men equal and did He not make it clear that the Gospel was for the sinner as well as the Pharisee?

The world into which Jesus came was largely the world into which He continually comes through His Spirit in the hearts of men. See to it that the heart into which He comes is made a fit dwelling-place for Him. Let every man, woman and child know of this Jesus who came into the world. Then the question will solve itself of the world into which Jesus came.



FAMILY ALTAR



Mrs. W. H. Gray, Alabama

TOPIC: The World into Which Jesus Came

HOLY Bible, Book Divine,
Precious treasure, thou art mine:
Mine to tell me whence I came;
Mine to tell me what I am;

MINE to tell of joys to come
And the rebel sinner's doom:
O thou Holy Book Divine,
Precious treasure, thou art mine.

—John Burton

"Made by Him"

Friday, 1st

John 1:1-14

Saturday, 2nd

Hebrews 1:1-14

Sunday, 3rd

I Corinthians 8:6; Ephesians 3:8, 9;
Colossians 1:15-17; Revelation 3:14;
4:11

Monday, 4th

John 3:13; 6:62; 8:56-58; 17:5, 24;
Romans 11:36

Tuesday, 5th

Genesis 1:1-15

Wednesday, 6th

Genesis 1:16-31

Thursday, 7th

Genesis 2:1-7; Hebrews 7:3; I John 4:9

"In the Days of Herod"

Friday, 8th

Matthew 2:1-15

Saturday, 9th

Matthew 14:1-12

Sunday, 10th

Mark 1:1-15

Monday, 11th

Mark 3:1-12

Tuesday, 12th

Mark 6:14-28

Wednesday, 13th

Matthew 7:1-8, 31-37

Thursday, 14th

Mark 10:1-16

"The Leaven of the Pharisees"

Friday, 15th

Matthew 12:1-18

Saturday, 16th

Luke 12:1-12, 56, 57

Sunday, 17th

Matthew 15:1-14

Monday, 18th

Matthew 16:1-12

Tuesday, 19th

Matthew 23:1-19

Wednesday, 20th

Matthew 23:20-39

Thursday, 21st

Matthew 24:1-14

"Little Faith"—"Great Faith"

Friday, 22nd

Matthew 17:14-21; Mark 10:46-52

Saturday, 23rd

Mark 5:21-34

Sunday, 24th

Matthew 7:15-29

Monday, 25th

Mark 9:19-24; Luke 17:11-18

Tuesday, 26th

Matthew 9:1-13

Wednesday, 27th

Luke 19:1-10

Thursday, 28th

Matthew 9:27-38

Friday, 29th

Luke 21:1-15

Saturday, 30th

Mark 4:36-40; Luke 17:5; 18:8; Hebrews 3:14-19



"PRAY YE"



"At the BEGINNING of THY SUPPLICATION"



Among the many striking incidents in the book of Daniel is the one (9:20-27) where Gabriel talked with him while he "was speaking in prayer". The words to underscore are: "At the beginning of thy supplications the commandment went forth and I am come to tell thee". Other passages in Scripture confirm the Christian's faith that God is listening and is quick to hear.

Among the many causes which will this month be taken to Him in prayer are the plans for the observance of the Season of Prayer for Foreign Missions, December 2-6 inclusive. It will not be easy to get the society—or preferably each circle—to study this month a book on foreign missions in preparation for

the prayer season; nor to get every W.M.S. member and many other women to accept the offering envelopes; nor to show them the spirit of sacrifice in making the offering; nor to secure leaders for each program and prayerful assistants for those leaders; nor to arouse the W. M. U. young people's organizations so that each of them will have remarkably good programs and very generous offerings. Facing all such discouragements it is the part of wisdom as well as of faith to do as Daniel did—speak about it to God in prayer, believing that "at the very beginning of thy supplications" He will brood over the hearts and minds of those who can be thus used during the week's program. "But" you say, "suppose they refuse after I pray!" Well, just remember two things: (1) Be sure to pray; (2) Know that "No good thing will He withhold from them that walk uprightly" (Psa. 84:11).

During this present month of November make a very especially prayerful effort to get your society and each of its circles to arrange so that either before or after the regular time for their meetings there may be an opportunity for united prayer. As guided then by the Spirit, prayer may be offered along some if not all of the following lines:

Thanksgiving that God crowneth the year with His goodness

Thanksgiving for God's "unspeakable Gift"

Thanksgiving for our country

Prayer for President Hoover and all others in authority

For exceptionally helpful personal service this "Thanksgiving Month"

Prayer that societies and circles will:

- (1) Hold mission study classes before December
- (2) Have member-wide use of the offering envelopes
- (3) Secure leaders and assistants for each day's program of December week
- (4) Foster W.M.U. young people's organizations in their plans for the week
- (5) Reach year's apportionment

Prayer for Christians the world around, especially those under persecution as in Russia

Reaching goal of \$225,000 for Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

Calendar of Prayer November, 1929

Prepared by Mrs. Maud R. McLure, Ky.

"FOR My sake and the Gospel's
go
And tell Redemption's story";
His heralds answer: "Be it so,
And Thine, Lord, all the glory!"

THEY preach His birth, His life,
His cross,
The love of His atonement—
For Whom they count the world
but loss—
His Easter, His enthronement.
—Bishop Henry Bickersteth

Topic: Our Unchanged Task in a Changing World

1—FRIDAY

Pray for the organization of many mission study classes.
Give diligence to present thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed.—II Tim. 2:15

2—SATURDAY

For Miss Elsie Clor, evangelistic work in Jerusalem, Palestine
And He will redeem Israel from all his iniquities.—Psa. 130:8

3—SUNDAY

Pray that southern Baptists may truly realize the "world mission of Christianity".
Go ye, therefore, and make disciples of all the nations.—Matt. 28:19

4—MONDAY

Pray for abundant blessing on the annual sessions of W.M.U. of New Mexico, Santa Fe, and W.M.U. of Oklahoma, Shawnee, Nov. 4-5.
Thy vows are upon me, O God: I will render thank offerings unto Thee.—Psa. 56:12

5—TUESDAY

For Mrs. Ismael Negrin and Mrs. Aurelia Baez, workers among Cubans, Ybor City, Fla.
For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.—Rom. 10:13

6—WEDNESDAY

For Rev. and †Mrs. Norman F. Williamson, evangelistic work, Fukuoka, Japan
In God have I put my trust, I will not be afraid.—Psa. 56:11

7—THURSDAY

For Rev. and *Mrs. I. E. Gonzales, workers among Mexicans, Austin, Texas
He that hath the Son hath eternal life.—I John 5:12

8—FRIDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. Eugene E. Steele (on furlough), evangelistic work, Shanghai, China
The blessing of Jehovah maketh rich.—Prov. 10:22

9—SATURDAY

For Dorcas, Guy and Leverette

Meadows (children of the late Dr. and Mrs. Meadows of China) Margaret Fund Students
In Thee the fatherless find mercy.—Hos. 14:3

10—SUNDAY

Thank God for privilege of service with Him.
Ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord.—I Cor. 15:58

11—MONDAY

Pray for Rev. and Mrs. Orlando Johnson, workers among Indians, Cushing, Okla.
Watch therefore; for ye know not in what day your Lord cometh.—Matt. 24:42

12—TUESDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. Robert Logan (on furlough), evangelistic work, Buenos Aires, Argentina
Casting all your care upon Him, for He careth for you.—I Pet. 5:7

13—WEDNESDAY

For Dr. and Mrs. T. W. Ayers (on furlough), medical and evangelistic work, Hwang-Hsien, China
We know that if our earthly house of this tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building from God.—II Cor. 5:1

14—THURSDAY

For Rev. and *Mrs. John L. Bice (on furlough), evangelistic work, Maceio, Brazil
Fear not, little flock; for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the Kingdom.—Luke 12:32

15—FRIDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. C. C. Marriott, evangelistic and educational work, Chinkiang, China
Serve Jehovah with gladness.—Psa. 100:2

16—SATURDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. D. D. Cooper, workers among Indians, Shawnee, Okla.
Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and He will exalt you.—Jas. 4:10

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*Attended Southwestern Training School

Calendar of Prayer

November, 1929

HARK, hark, the trump of jubilee
Proclaims to every nation,
From pole to pole, by land and sea,
Glad tidings of salvation:

AS NEARER draws the day of
doom,
While still the battle rages,
The Heavenly Dayspring through
the gloom
Breaks on the night of ages.
—Bishop Henry Bickersteth

Topic: Our Unchanged Task in a Changing World

17—SUNDAY

Pray for an outpouring of God's Spirit upon all missionaries at home and abroad.

And I will put My Spirit within you and cause you to walk in My statutes. —Ezek. 36:27

18—MONDAY

For wise planning in annual sessions of W.M.U. of Texas, Beaumont, Nov. 18-20

Make me to go in the path of Thy commandments, for therein do I delight. —Psa. 119:35

19—TUESDAY

For Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Anders, medical work, Ogbomoso, Nigeria

As the mountains are round about Jerusalem, so Jehovah is round about His people. —Psa. 125:2

20—WEDNESDAY

For special blessing on the annual sessions of W.M.U. of District of Columbia, Washington, Nov. 20

Commit thy works unto Jehovah, and thy purposes shall be established. —Prov. 16:3

21—THURSDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. Sidney J. Townshend, evangelistic work, Kweitch, China

Be glad in Jehovah, ye righteous. —Psa. 97:12

22—FRIDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. P. W. Hamlett, evangelistic work, Wusih, China

What time I am afraid I will put my trust in Thee. —Psa. 56:3

23—SATURDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. A. N. Porter, workers among Mexicans, Waco, Texas

If any of you lacketh wisdom, let him ask of God, who giveth to all liberally. —Jas. 1:5

24—SUNDAY

Pray that the spirit of reverence and thanksgiving may fill the hearts of all Christians everywhere.

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God, the Almighty. —Rev. 4:8

25—MONDAY

Pray for Rev. and Mrs. G. W. Strother, evangelistic work, Pochow, China.

This is the promise that He hath promised us, even eternal life. —I John 2:25

26—TUESDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. E. F. Tatum (on furlough), evangelistic work, Yang Chow, China

Thou art a God ready to pardon, gracious and merciful. —Neh. 9:17

27—WEDNESDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. J. L. Mitchell, workers among Indians, Pawnee, Okla.

I wait for Jehovah—and in His word do I hope. —Psa. 130:5

28—THURSDAY

Thanksgiving for God's manifold mercies to America

Declare His glory among the nations. —Psa. 96:3

29—FRIDAY

Pray for Dr. and Mrs. P. S. Evans, medical and evangelistic work, Tsinan, China, and Isabel Evans, Margaret Fund student.

My kindness shall not depart from thee. —Isa. 54:10

30—SATURDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. R. Cecil Moore, evangelistic work, Concepcion, Chile

Then shall we know if we follow on to know the Lord. —Hos. 6:3

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PROGRAM PLANS



Mrs. T. M. Pittman, N. C.

WITH the PROGRAM COMMITTEE



Can you tell the unchanging things in the Christian life? Suppose the Program Committee begins with this thought. Let the chairman ask each member to bring a written statement in answer to this question.

A suggestion is to use Christ's summing up of the Ten Commandments: "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart and with all thy soul and with all thy strength and with all thy mind; and thy neighbor as thyself". The unchanging things in the Christian life therefore should be: 1st, a steadfast striving to love God with the heart—emotional love; with the soul—worshiping love; with the strength—love in service; with the mind—intelligent love; 2nd, a steadfast striving to love one's neighbor (*meaning all who need*) as one's self.

These to the Christian are the unchanging attitudes toward God and man. An opening talk may be made on this subject, bringing out the thoughts that fashions in dress may change, customs may change, outward circumstances may change, yet the attitude of the Christian's heart remains unchanged. Earnest prayer should follow that each member of the society may be so fixed on the Rock of Ages that no storms of ever changing conditions can move her heart from its love and purpose.

After this introduction the committee will find it an easy step to the topic: "An Unchanged Task in a Changing World". Splendid material is given in the program section for talks on the following subjects (*pages 16-21*):

I. Changes at Home: Paragraph 1, Changes Affecting the Home Base, is brief but so full of thought that a long talk could be made from it. But we must beware of long talks. The great lesson of this paragraph is waiting God's time—"The World for Christ in This Generation" was the cry that brought forth the too confident answer "We can do it and we will". The Psalmist learned a great lesson when he wrote (*Ps. 37*) "Trust also in Him; and He shall bring it to pass. —Rest in the Lord and wait patiently for Him; fret not thyself because of him who prospereth in his way, because of the man who bringeth wicked devices to pass".

The next talk should take up the paragraphs on: Changes Abroad; The New Race and National Consciousness; and Changes in the Industrial Situation. These can be given only in outline but should be given so clearly that they will start the listeners to thinking.

Changes in Mission Work would be the next talk and should include: Changes in Education and Religion; the Rising Tide of Youth; Changing Leadership. These, like the foregoing, must be stated briefly and clearly.

The first talk gave the unchanged inner life and purpose of the Christian. The last ones should be made by eight people in brief paragraph talks. The heads as arranged by Mrs. James are too fine for the society to miss (*pages 21-23*). They may be grouped under the general head:

UNCHANGING THINGS

1. Christ, in Love and Power
2. Humanity's Value
3. Humanity's Need
4. The Power of the Gospel of Christ

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*Program Outline and References for
Advanced Missionary Societies
Prepared by Mrs. W. D. Pye, Arkansas*



OUR UNCHANGED TASK in a CHANGING WORLD

Hymn—How Firm a Foundation

Devotional Topic—An Old Gospel for a New Age—Luke 4:17-19; Matt. 28:18b-20; Romans 1:16. We cannot afford to sever the religion of today from the religion of nineteen centuries ago—the religion of Jesus. For reference: "Citizens of Two Worlds", C. B. Williams, chapter 8; "Spiritual Adventuring", Bertha M. Conde, chapter 9; "The Christ of the Ages", Henry P. Sloan, chapters 1-6

Prayer that we may be willing and joyful messengers of the Gospel
Hymn—Lamp of Our Feet

Individual Responsibility for the Task—If one is to have real success in spreading the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ, then that person must have a longing for the salvation of lost souls. See "How to Bring Men to Christ", R. A. Torrey; "Motives and Methods in Modern Evangelism", Charles L. Goodell; "The Plan of Salvation", Austin Crouch.

"His lamps are we,
To shine where He shall say:
And lamps are not for sunny rooms,
Nor for the light of day:
But for dark places of the earth
Where shame and wrong and crime have birth:
Or for the murky twilight gray
Where wandering sheep have gone astray."

Prayer for the lost of our communities

The Church's Primary Task—The primary task of the church of Christ today, as in all the yesterdays, is the winning of the lost and the establishment of a world-wide Kingdom of righteousness and love. For reference: "The Christ of the Ages", Sloan, chapter 7; "The Desire of All Nations", Egbert W. Smith, chapters 3 and 4; "The Church and Missions", Robert E. Speer, chapters 1-4; "The Story of Missions", Edwin E. White, chapter 5; "Missions in the Plan of the Ages", W. O. Carver, chapter 5.

Hymn—I Love to Tell the Story

The Demands of New World Conditions—This is the greatest intellectual, scientific and mechanical age the world has ever known. Christianity must take note of the various mental currents and physical attainments of the times, but the same sweet Gospel story must be told as in the days of Paul, even though we employ new mission methods. See "The Church and Missions", Speer, chapter 5; "Today's Supreme Challenge to America", Love; "Old Trails and New Facts", Charles E. Jefferson, chapters 4-6; "The Business of Missions", Cornelius H. Patton, chapter 6.

"Our little systems have their day,
They have their day and cease to be.
They are but broken lights of Thee,
And Thou, O Lord, art more than they."

Prayer for southern Baptist mission boards and missionaries

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Miss Inabelle Coleman, North Carolina

TOPIC: Our Unchanged Task in a Changing World

Hymn: O God, Our Help in Ages Past

Devotional: *Scripture*—Prov. 11:30; Luke 11:23; Mark 13:10; 16:15; II Cor. 5:20; I Cor. 1:27; Matt. 28:19-20

Prayer

Solo—Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life

Talk: Changes Affecting the Home Base (See pages 16, 17.)

Talk: The New Race and National Consciousness (See pages 17, 18.)

Discussion: Difficult and New Problems on Mission Fields (See pages 18, 19.)

Talk: The Rising Tide of Youth (See pages 19, 20.)

Prayer for the Youth of the Whole Wide World

Talk: The Industrial Revolution (See page 20.)

Talk: Changing Leadership (See pages 20, 21.)

Prayer for the New Missionaries and the Old Scenes: Eight Unchanging Realities (Presented by the leader, using 8 pieces of card-board for the 8 key-sentences found on pages 21-23. Present each for silent reading and thought, then give brief impressions.)

Prayer that these unchanging facts may be the guiding forces of each Christian's life

ORGANIZE a BUSINESS WOMEN'S CIRCLE



Because the W.M.S. usually meets in the afternoon when the business women are working, many of the business women of the church are unenlisted unless there is a B.W.C. Willie Carrico, the leader of the very active B.W.C. of Highland Baptist Church, Louisville, Ky., says: If the B.W.C. is not functioning in your church business women are deprived of the privilege of participating in our W.M.U. program. By enlisting them you will enjoy a cooperation that will prove mutually helpful.

Obtain a census of your business women from your church roll. Solicit. Organize. Officers should include a leader; associate-leader; secretary; treasurer; stewardship chairman; personal service chairman; religious literature chairman; mission study leader and pianist. These are regulation officers for the beginning. As the work expands other offices may be created and other workers enlisted.

Circle officers automatically comprise your executive board and supply the machinery that starts the operation. The importance of correct organization must be observed.

Immediately following organization arrange a meeting of the executive board

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PROGRAM for NOVEMBER



Prepared by Mrs. W. C. James, Virginia

The list of reference books given at close of this program is the source material used in the preparation of this program, and credit is hereby given for facts and suggestions derived therefrom as well as for matter quoted in whole or in part. Further interesting material and help may be found in these books as well as in the leaflets suggested in this number which may be obtained for a few cents from W.M.U. Literature Department, 1111 Comer Building, Birmingham, Ala. See list of leaflets on page 3.

TOPIC—Our Unchanged Task in a Changing World

Hymn—Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty

Prayer of thanksgiving to God Who gives the sunshine and the rain and the harvests in their due season, and by Whose mercies we live in a land of freedom and plenty

Scripture Readings—A New Heaven and a New Earth Foretold—Revelation 21:1-5; Faith and Its Triumphs—Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-10

The Author and Perfection of Our Faith—Hebrews 12:1-2

Hymn of Praise—In the Cross of Christ I Glory

Prayer of thanksgiving for the wonder of God's love for Christ and the glory of His resurrection

Hymn—God Moves in a Mysterious Way

Talk—Changes Affecting the Home-Base of Missions

Talk—Changes Affecting Foreign Mission Lands

Hymn—"Send the Light"

Round Table Discussion—New and Difficult Problems on Mission Fields

I. Changes in Education and Religion

II. The Rising Tide of Youth

III. The Industrial Revolution

IV. Changing Leadership

Hymn—A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Unchanging Realities—a Symposium

Hymn—Revive Us Again

Prayer that southern Baptists may get and keep the vision of our waiting Lord in their hearts so that they may see the task and pray and give and work that the world may be one in Christ Jesus

CHANGES AFFECTING the HOME BASE of MISSIONS



"The great world swings down the ringing grooves of change", and in our day the changes are so rapid and startling that we feel much as Alice in Wonderland and "go wondering and awestruck" through the days. The things that are new today are history tomorrow, when other new and strange happenings will claim our attention. By means

of modern inventions the nations of the world have been brought so close together that every change has its effect upon the whole human race. It should therefore be no surprise to us that the work of missions has been seriously affected by the changing times. In 1910, less than a generation ago, a world missionary conference was held in Edinburgh, Scotland. At that time, there were problems to be discussed it is true but, because of the successful progress of missions in heathen lands, many at the conference believed that, if men and

money were available, they could enter the open doors of the non-Christian lands and evangelize the world in one generation. During the next four years the cause of missions advanced remarkably but a shot rang round the world that released the pent-up selfishness of a number of so-called Christian nations and plunged them into a death struggle, in which many non-Christian peoples were also engaged. Needless to say, the cause of missions suffered a serious set-back during the world war, and the hope of evangelizing the world in a generation was shattered. But when the United States entered the war, millions had come to believe that victory for the Allies would usher in a new world, in which all races and nations would have the opportunity to "sit in the sun" and be gloriously free to exercise privileges long denied them. It is told of a dear old saint past eighty who, in the last months of the war, prayed the Lord that he might live to see the grand new world into which humanity was to enter after the struggle. When the armistice was signed the hope revived in the hearts of Christ's followers that the evangelization of the world would go forward by leaps and bounds in this new world. The churches of America entered into great campaigns for men and money that they might do their part in winning the world to

Christ. For awhile all went well. The people gave gloriously, the work on foreign fields was greatly expanded, and it seemed that the Kingdom would come in a day. Then there came a change. As readjustments following the war were made, it became evident that selfishness had not died in the struggle, that greed was still abroad in the world, that certain races and nations would have to struggle and fight for their freedom and their right to a place in the family of nations. As a result the belief that the war had cleared the way for a better world faded and enthusiasm died. Even the churches seemed to lose their world vision and partake of the spirit of the new nationalism as expressed in the slogan "America for Americans". Certain it is that since 1921, the money spent in the building of churches at home and for local expenses has steadily increased while the gifts to missions have steadily decreased. It is right to support and equip our home churches but asks someone, "Is it right to spend \$20 on our churches at home and \$1 on work in foreign lands at a time when the work was never so difficult and the need never so great?" Today is our day of opportunity. The nations of the non-Christian world are in commotion: loyalty to Christ demands that we lift Him up and give Him the opportunity to lead them into their new day.

QUESTIONS on CHANGES AFFECTING the HOME BASE

1. Name happenings that occurred in the two decades from 1910 that in turn promoted or retarded missionary work.
2. Seek to discover how the gifts for local work including new buildings (if any), local church support and any city mission work compare with the gifts of your church to the cause of Christ outside your own community; also, how much your church gives to foreign missions.

CHANGES AFFECTING FOREIGN MISSION LANDS

The New Race and National Consciousness—From the time Columbus discovered America and Vasco da Gama sailed around the Cape of Good Hope to India, European civilization and white domination have been steadily expanding to the ends of the earth. Be-

cause of superior force, the whole world of color came to acknowledge white leadership and bowed to the will of the white man. But in the last few years there has come a decided change in the attitude of the colored races toward the white, and today they challenge any suggestion of racial inferiority. The victory of yellow Japan over white Rus-

sia in 1905 did two things. In the first place, it demonstrated to the colored races of the world that it was possible to defeat the white man. It also gave the nations of colored races courage to believe that some day they would be able to develop their national life according to their own ideals without interference from the outside. Close contact with the white race in the World War, under circumstances that showed their weaknesses as well as their strength, heightened their sense of human equality, while larger contacts with the world made them conscious of their overwhelming supremacy in numbers. A traveler in the orient will often hear the slogans, "Egypt for the Egyptians", "Arabia for the Arabians" and "India for the Indians". Two illustrations will help us to realize the deep longing of races to be free and also the intense feeling against anything foreign on the part of some in the nations seeking to control their own national affairs.

One of the ablest and boldest helpers of the great Ghandi in his work for home rule for India died recently. We are told that the greatest crowd of people that had ever been seen in Calcutta came together to mourn their loss and do him honor. But before he died, he sent this message to his people: "I feel the handcuffs on my wrists and the weight of iron chains on my body. It is the agony of bondage. The whole of India is a vast prison. What matters it if I am dead or alive?" "That is a sob", says Dr. Jefferson, "that comes up out of the deep heart of India. That sigh

is heard in Heaven and must be reckoned with on earth".

The other illustration is taken from China for "China though free has a great determination to take her rightful place among the nations". It must be remembered that while there are many faithful Christians in China and many others who have confidence in the missionaries, yet there are many who have never heard of Christ and others who are suspicious of anything that seems foreign because of their intense spirit of nationalism. An anti-foreign poster circulated in China just a year or so ago used the following language: "Fellow countrymen! Do you think these foreign imperialists would send all the gold into our land for the building of schools, for the establishment of churches and hospitals without some scheme for gain? That is a false belief. Schools are the camps of cultural invasion. See the evil before your eye! What school omits the reading of the Christian Bible, fails to observe Christian ceremonial, to pray, to baptize and to carry on all these church affairs? In the interior, too, all these preachers with their prayer and praise are really fooling the country people, bringing in capitalistic influences, serving to unite bandits, secretly importing machine guns". Extreme though it seems, that is what some of the Chinese think of us and mission work. Not all, we are glad to say: but they have their influence and the "heralds of the Cross" will have to take them into account.

QUESTIONS on CHANGES AFFECTING FOREIGN MISSION LANDS

1. What are some of the things responsible for the new consciousness on the part of the colored races and the desire of the different peoples of the world for a national life free from outside interference?
2. Give an illustration showing how India feels about her dependence upon Great Britain.
3. Give illustration showing how extreme is the attitude of some Chinese in their struggle to be free from all foreign influence in their national life.

DIFFICULT and NEW PROBLEMS on MISSION FIELDS

I—Changes in Education and Religion—The modern contacts, which the colored races and backward nations

have had with other people of the world, have revealed to them that the people of power are the people of education and that those things, which have added to the wealth of the western nations and

seemed to make life more worth living, are the products of education. The result as Dr. MacLennon puts it in "The Cost of a New World" is that "all the world is learning to read. The babies of the orient, of Africa and of the isles of the sea are all alike climbing up the rungs of the educational ladder". In the early days of mission work, education was not popular. In certain places of China, it was necessary to pay girls enough to buy their rice to get them to come to school. But as the doors of China and other countries opened to western civilization, the mission schools began to be crowded. This did not mean that all wanted our religion. Some did, but more wanted a chance to learn and were willing to *expose themselves to Christianity* to get what they wanted. Today these nations are developing modern school systems of their own and in their new effort for freedom from all foreign domination are showing a decided determination to say what shall and what shall not be taught in all schools whether government or not. They are saying that the Bible and the ideals of our Christian religion shall not be taught even in the mission schools, and some are requiring that all schools measure up to certain requirements and be registered with the government. This presents one of the most serious problems with which the missionaries have to deal. Just when the facts of science are causing hundreds of thousands of students to lose faith in the old religions, it seems almost a tragedy not to be free to train those in Christian schools in the teachings of Jesus. We must, however, recognize the right of a government to control its internal affairs and do our best to overcome the difficulties. By organizing the students into societies of various kinds, which meet outside of school hours in the churches or elsewhere, much religious teaching is given. Also since the foundation of Christian education is the living of the Christ-life, it is possible for the teachers in Christian schools, by their lives and by their moral teaching,

to lift Jesus so high that, seeing the beauty of His character in them, the students will want to know and follow Him. The responsibility therefore is placed upon us to support our mission schools in such a way that they will be better schools than the government schools if possible, that they may attract the students and then see to it that the teachers are *great Christians* as well as great teachers.

The tragedy of the non-Christian world is that the people are losing faith in their old religions faster than the religion of Jesus has had the opportunity to win their faith in Him. A Chinese hearing in America an address which referred to the deserted temples of China said: "Yes, that is true; and more than that; the heart of China is an empty shrine". Shall we rejoice that hearts are being made empty, or shall we work that they may be filled with the love of God?

II—The Rising Tide of Youth—

In all the continents of the world and in every department of life, youth is facing the new problems of the new world in a new way. Every country has its youth movement and they are demanding control of their own lives. They are finding fault with things as they are and are wondering what is the matter with the world. They are refusing to bow to the old traditions and customs, and reverence for age seems to be a thing of the past.

It is difficult to appreciate the change that has come over the youth of the old lands, where ancestor worship has been practiced or where the old religions demanded a deep reverence for age and authority. In China a single quotation from Confucius was authority enough for any custom, but all this has been changed. They want a democratic government and are opposed to all western influence. The youth of the lands are the torchbearers of the new national movements. It is true that large numbers name the Name of Christ. They may be numbered by the thousands but the great majority of them have faith

in no religion and regard Christianity as a foreign religion which is allied with imperialism, militarism and capitalism.

Nothing is too new for them to discuss, and nothing too new for them to try, once it has caught their imagination. It is this very courage and open mindedness that are the power of youth, and the problem that faces Christianity in this changing age is so to present Christ that He will capture the imagination of the youth of the world, that they may help rebuild the old civilizations into strong nations founded on the Rock, Christ Jesus.

III—The Industrial Revolution—

The great development in industry which in all lands has called so many people from the country into the cities and industrial centers, and which has been the cause of so many perplexing problems, has had its corroding effect upon the non-Christian lands as well as upon our own. Because men have failed to accept the teaching of Jesus that man shall live by "every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God", but in its place have adopted the false maxim "Man shall live by bread alone", money has become one of the greatest forces in the world. There are exceptions, and the number is increasing, but the typical captain of industry, even though he be a professing Christian, is of the opinion that business and religion won't square and that the Sermon on the Mount is not practicable. Such a spirit has dominated the industrial revolution in non-Christian lands, as well as in our own. There is perhaps no greater obstruction to the Gospel today than our industrial system which ignores the Golden Rule. Infant mortality, child labor, burdened women, forced labor, poverty and disease are demanding that industry be Christianized. But such a task requires money and men and the whole hearted cooperation of the Christians of all lands. The times are calling for enlargement of mission work and not only in the homeland but also in foreign lands if

we are to be true to the Great Commission.

IV—Changing Leadership—When a new missionary goes to a foreign field, he is encouraged by the fact that he will find there men and women who have been won to Jesus Christ, many of whom have suffered and endured and have sacrificed that they might be trained for service in His Name. It was not so with the early missionaries. We think of Carey, Judson, Morrison and others who served years among hostile people ere they won a single convert. "Dr. Lambuth in the early days of Japan had a Presbyterian cook who used to pray for 'the Methodist Church that didn't have a member'". These men were not discouraged by the small numbers they were able to win, because they were counting on their converts to do greater work than they because it was always their belief that the non-Christian lands would never be fully claimed for Christ till native Christians should undertake the task. It was always their hope and purpose to train and equip men and women who could lead in the great enterprise. We should not be surprised, therefore, in these changing times, that native Christians are asking that their own people should have a share in the management and control of the work as it develops in their own lands. On the other hand, we should look upon the present movement for native leadership as most encouraging and plan to cooperate, in such a way, that the problems which confront Christianity will be more easily solved and the work go forward more rapidly than ever. In many instances the missionaries are more ready to turn over responsibility and control than the native leaders are to assume it. The native Christians know their need and are earnestly pleading for "more missionaries", not to control but to counsel and work with them. Nothing could so injure our work as to insist upon foreign leadership in these changing times. So long as Christianity is looked upon as a foreign religion, it is in dan-

ger from nationalism. China has already decreed that the heads of Christian schools shall be Chinese and that a certain number of Chinese shall be on the boards. Mexico forbids that a foreigner be pastor of any church or that he preach in the churches. Some may think that if the natives aspire to leadership and to a share in the control of mission work they should support it. Many of the churches are already self-supporting and native Christians are giving more and more to the support of

all the Christian institutions. But we must remember that their number is small, that the great majority are desperately poor and that foreign money has established institutions which alone they will not be able to support for years to come. If we are to make the past a success therefore we must recognize the value of cooperation with native leadership and not only send more missionaries but support the work even more faithfully than we have in the past.

QUESTIONS on NEW and DIFFICULT PROBLEMS on FOREIGN FIELDS

1. How is the new spirit of nationalism affecting the work in mission schools?
2. Why is this such a problem and what has been done and can be done to overcome the difficulty?
3. Why should the giving up of an old religious faith before Christianity has had a chance to win be such a tragedy?
4. What are the power and the hope in youth movements in any lands?
5. What conditions in industry demand Christianization and call for an enlarged missionary force in non-Christian lands?
6. What conditions in foreign lands make the work of the missionary today less difficult than that of the pioneer missionary?
7. What belief did the earliest missionaries, and those who have followed, hold concerning the ultimate evangelization of any non-Christian people?
8. Should the desire of native Christians to have a voice in the management of the mission work cause us to think them ungrateful or to withdraw missionaries or help in support of the work?
9. On the other hand, what is our duty and why?

UNCHANGING REALITIES

"**HE** that sitteth on the throne saith, Behold I make all things new". There never has been a time when Christianity had its own way unchallenged or dealt with unchanging conditions. Change is a part of the process of the Kingdom. He proposed to make all things new and all this change is but proof that:

"God is working His purpose out
As day succeeds to day".

Nothing is happening in the world today which is not either the beginning of what Christ came to accomplish or a manifestation of the very things He came to set right. Did He not say "I came not to bring peace"? But the Gospel itself never changes and there is a very true sense in which the world never changes. Let us therefore think of some of these unchanging realities

and our responsibility because of them.

*First—The Purpose and Love of Christ Are Unchanged

A purpose that can persist through the cross of Calvary is not affected by any changes that are now taking place in the world. The Gospel was born and the great sacrifice made because of the love of God for men in need. A missionary was advised by the ship's captain on the African coast to remain on the ship and not risk his life. "They do not want you", he said. "No", was the reply, "may be not; but I came because He wants me, and I still think He does". Those who give and work and go are carrying His purpose out and are on an errand of love for the

*Chapter IX—Changing Foreign Missions—McAfee

God of the universe, going to His children with His message.

Second—The Essential Value of Humanity Is Unchanged

"Are they worth it?" is a question that sometimes comes into the heart concerning some races and people. Jesus thought so, for He died for them. He called humble fishermen like Peter to be His apostles. The Holy Spirit sent Philip to the Ethiopian eunuch. He called Peter to take the Gospel to despised people whom Peter thought unworthy. A missionary has told us, that he wished he could put in words what his Chinese friends meant to him. He said: "During the recent troubles they warned of danger, risked their lives pleading for our safety, in fact everything that could be done they did; and had it not been for them I am sure we would have been massacred". Yet those who massacred and those who prevented it were of the same race just as those who followed Christ and those who crucified Him were of the same race.

Third—The Fundamental Need of Humanity Is Unchanged

"The world changes outwardly, but the same old hunger is at its heart, the same old diseases with pain and anguish prey upon humanity, the same old selfishness mars its moral beauty and sin still holds men in bondage though it has been nineteen hundred years since Christ came to make men free and to give them abundant life.

Fourth—The Power of the Gospel of Christ Is Unchanged

One of the most amazing stories in the whole history of missions is told of the work on the Ivory Coast of Africa. In 1913 a follower of Christ wandering barefoot among the people told them of God as the one Lord and Master. He told them of One who had come from Heaven and died for men. He denounced idol worship and bade his hearers give up theft, idolatry, drunkenness and murder and to keep one day sacred to God. He showed them the Bible and told them they were

to look for a white missionary who would explain it all to them. Whole villages forsook their ancient worship and became his converts. At the end of the war this man was deported by the French—they suspecting some political meaning in the remarkable movement. In 1924 a missionary touring the Ivory Coast was recognized as the missionary foretold by their leader, and they gave him a remarkable welcome. They offered their churches and themselves to him if he would send them a teacher. His mission now has the task of educating this mass of Africans won by the power of the Gospel.

Fifth—The Duty of the Christian to Proclaim the Gospel Is Unchanged

More than half of the human race is yet untouched by the Gospel. It is not our Gospel. It was at a fearful price that it was brought across bloody and turbulent centuries to us. The heroes of the Cross

"Climbed the steep ascent of Heaven
Through peril, toil and pain"

that we might have this Gospel. A little girl asked her father if there were angels in the air. He answered "I do not know". Later he found some lines she had written:

"If I were strong
I would make angels come in the air
again
And I would make God in the sky come
true".

Too often Christian people say, "If I were strong I would do so and so—if I were rich; if I were talented; if I had time—I would make angels come in the air and make God real to men", forgetting that it was God who said "Not by might nor by power but by My Spirit".

Sixth—The Ability of Christian Believers under God Has Not Changed

A brief study of the progress of missions in the world will show the power of the Spirit. The churches today are better equipped than ever before to send the Gospel. There are more than 8,000,000 converts on the foreign fields

to help in the work and great ideas have been released that working in the hearts of men will result in those things that will promote the Gospel if all will but yield and be guided by the Holy Spirit.

Seventh—The Need of the Churches for This Expression of Their Life and Love Is Unchanged

To save its own soul, each church needs to seek the souls of all men. Growing rich, the Roman church forgot the command of God who gave it power to get wealth and, just as it began spending money on great church buildings and enriching itself by conquest, its spiritual power declined and the church became corrupt. The Dark Ages came on and the light of the Gospel was kept burning by a few consecrated souls that remained faithful to the Great Commission. The small number of those giving to foreign missions and the decrease in such gifts, while the gifts for our home expenses constantly increase, make us wonder if history is not repeating itself and if the time will not come when the churches will so far forget their mission that but a few consecrated souls will keep the light burning and the joy of bringing in the Kingdom will pass to people of other lands.

Eighth—The Certainty of the Coming of the Kingdom Has Not Changed

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever, and it was He who promised: "All authority hath been given unto Me in Heaven and on earth—Go ye, therefore, and make disciples of all nations—and lo I am with you,

even unto the end of the world". And He also promised: "Fear not, little flock, it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the Kingdom".

To bring in the Kingdom is no easy task. "It was no summer sea on which the infant church set sail". The Reformation was no easy task. Morrison, Carey, Judson, Livingstone had no easy time. They asked for the hardest tasks and found them. Jesus still stands among us with pierced hands and asks us to follow where He leads.

"**H**E is waiting with long patience
For His crowning day,
For that Kingdom which shall never
Pass away.

"And till every tribe and nation
Bow before His throne
He expecteth loyal service
From His own.

"He expecteth—but He heareth
Still the bitter cry
From earth's millions, 'Come and help
us,
For we die'.

"He expecteth—doth He see us
Busy here and there,
Heedless of those pleading accents
Of despair?

"Shall we, dare we disappoint him?
Sisters let us rise!
He who died for us is watching
From the skies.

"Watching till His royal banner
Floateth far and wide,
Till He seeth of His travail,
Satisfied!"

QUESTIONS on UNCHANGING REALITIES

1. Should we be discouraged by change and its problems? If not, why not?
2. In the above outline which items show that the Gospel never changes and which show that in certain ways the world never changes?

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COLLEGE Y. W. A.



Miss Juliette Mather, W.M.U. Young People's Secretary

SPEED the MESSAGE



This Season of Prayer for Foreign Missions challenges each Y.W.A. to follow Miss Lottie Moon's example in offering her life or her talents or her gifts in making Christ known the world around. Where could there be found a girl who does not want to express her answer to the challenge in her Lottie Moon Christmas Offering? A hearty response characterizes the giving spirit of Y.W.A.'s. who really have the knowledge of conditions in the eighteen foreign countries where southern Baptists have work.

Fortunate are our organizations this year in having the little book, "Speed the Message", for their use and information. Each College Y.W.A. will be sent one free copy; additional copies at 25c each can be secured either from the Baptist Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Va., or from your state Baptist Bookstore. As you study it there will come the realization that upon you and hundreds of others like you depends the rapidity with which the message travels. With this realization ringing in your heart, faithfully and consciously will you set yourself to the task of making a worthy gift to the King. Early in the season will Christ and His Kingdom's interests take the first and largest place on your Christmas list.

"On Thy Mission of Light"

Attractive will be the poster with a steeped church from the cross of which radiates the words, "Christ the Savior is born"; the words "Speed the message around the world" underneath will remind all of "the mission of light" and create a fresh desire to publish the glad tidings, "Christ the Savior is born". (See page 1.) Giving in the Christ-spirit will enable you to sing with a new heart-interest:

"Speed away, speed away
On thy mission of light
To the lands that are lying
In darkness and night".

"In Darkness and Night"

The objects included in the goal bring an additional appeal. Would it not be fine if our young people of the south-land would set themselves to the task of helping largely to keep the forty missionaries returned by the Woman's Missionary Union to "the lands that are lying in darkness and night" by giving much of the \$32,000? The returning of sixty additional missionaries to the field with the next \$72,000 is also an impetus to sacrificial giving. You—a part in such a glorious undertaking! A challenge that!

No less will the 20 "blocks" on the Foreign Mission Board's debt challenge you, for thus will the day be hastened when others and yet others will "speed the message" in the midst of darkness and light. With these three objects in view no Y.W.A. will want to fail to have a part in supporting one-fifth of the missionaries on the foreign fields and providing for one-fifth of the indebtedness on the Foreign Mission Board.

Your state headquarters will send you the suggested program. A chapel period or a twilight service could be used to present the matter. After the presentation of the program make plans for keeping it before the student body. Let not the year close nor the Christmas season pass by without speeding the message. "Speed away—speed away!"

—Pearle Bourne, Associate Secretary



OUR YOUNG PEOPLE



Miss Juliette Mather, Young People's Secretary

SELECTING a W.M.U. YOUNG PEOPLE'S DIRECTOR

Luke 6:39—And He spake a parable unto them: "Can the blind lead the blind? Shall they not both fall into the ditch?"

In Miss Mather's "Telling You How" she gives the following qualifications of a good leader:

1. Genuine, sincere Christian
2. Punctuality, dependability
3. Enthusiastic
4. Loves young people
5. Trained
6. Practices what she preaches
7. Originality
8. Personality, influence
9. Forehanded
10. Foresight in programs, business, study



No catalogue of virtues will adequately cover all cases, for personality is not poured into moulds; but that one who wishes to be a leader will find her consecration, her knowledge, her understanding, her tact, her time all taxed to the fullest as she seeks "to be rather than to seem". "One blazing soul sets another on fire". The leader sees how great a zeal for missions is kindled in her own heart, that the youth may warm, may purge itself as it strikes fire.

If there is not a salaried worker in the church or if it is not desirable to add such a worker, the W.M.S. will select a capable, consecrated woman to serve as director of all W.M.U. young people's work. Here is a place of strategic importance. Surely the director selected will fill the place with humble, prayerful pride. Miss Bucy in "Why and How of W.M.U." suggests that the director be the third vice president of the W.M.S. and she gives, among the six duties of the director, this: "Remember that life counts most which multiplies itself most highly in the lives of others".

The director must be one who loves and studies her Bible. Without the Bible there would be no missionary work. The most helpful of all missionary libraries is the "little library of sixty-six small books, usually bound together as one Great Book, which has been the inspiration of every missionary worker since the world began". Genesis 1:1 and John 3:16 are the texts that won Joseph Neesima to the Christian faith. Jeremiah 45:5 was Henry Martyn's favorite text. Psalms 131 and 135 are known as Livingstone's Psalms because they are the ones he selected to read the morning he sailed to his distant field. Matthew 28:20 has been a source of comfort to countless missionaries but to none more so than to James Gilmore at the beginning of his lonely work among the Mongols.

A director should be one who prays. Through prayer marvelous achievements have been wrought; for lack of it the progress of the Kingdom has been seriously retarded. Prayer is an unused power in missionary work. Miss Brain in "Holding the Ropes" says: "For five years it was my privilege to lead a young people's missionary organization. Everything connected with the organization was taken to God not only by the leader but by an inner circle of praying ones. God was asked to give wisdom in making the programs and not only to make the

young people willing to take the parts but to make them faithful in carrying them out. One by one the young people were prayed for by name. From this group five became foreign missionaries".

A director should be one whose life is fully surrendered to the will of God. The surrender of the will to God is the greatest act in life. A life surrendered to the will of God is travelling the "Upper Road". It is not a road of ease. Strength comes with the climbing. Mary Lyon said: "When things seem hard like a steep hill, just say, Some people may call you Difficulty, old hill, but I know your name is Opportunity. You are here to prove that I can do something worthwhile". Had Moses failed to accept the call of the "Upper Road" what a tragic loss it would have been. Like Moses a director may hear God speak to her. She may climb some Sinai, catch a great vision of life and become a leader of the best. The object of life is not to find a pleasant road but to reach a worthy goal.

It's a rough road and a steep road,
And it stretches broad and far,
But it leads at last to a Golden Town,
Where Golden Houses are.—Joyce Kilmer

A director should be one who gladly fills the place God has for her to fill. She realizes that is why the Master of Life has given her that place. It is a wonderful privilege to be alive today. It is great to be privileged, with His help, to become the most helpful and most inspiring person in this day; to be able to say, as Frances Willard said in her day: "It shall be better that I lived". Young people's director should hear and accept the call of the "Upper Road".

Matthew 25:21—His lord said unto him: "Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things; enter thou into the joy of thy lord".

—Mrs. W. L. Harrell, Florida

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TRAINING SCHOOL

Mrs. Janie Cree Bose, Principal

"THE SUN SHINES BRIGHT in MY OLD KENTUCKY HOME"



On September twenty-fourth, in Louisville, Kentucky, the sun seemed to shine brighter than usual as a great host of happy students came flocking to the gray stone building at Preston and Broadway, known as "House Beautiful".

The sun was shining bright in the hearts of those who serve from year to year at the thought of the opportunity in directing those happy young people in their year's preparation.

The sun was shining bright in the hearts of the Baptist people of the city as visions came of many happy helpers coming into all departments of the church's life, assisting in the Sunday school, the B. Y. P. U. and W. M. U. organizations.

The sun was shining bright in the homes and hearts on the Good Will Center field. Little children and boys and girls, as well as weary mothers were cheered as they thought of the leaders and teachers of clubs and classes, and the beautiful helpful visits in the homes that always cheer and bless.

The sun was shining bright in the hearts of the old people living at "Parr's Rest" as they remembered the many cheering programs given by the Training School girls and felt sure they would come in for their share of such cheer again this winter.

And even at the Home for Incurables the sun seemed to shine a little brighter for some remembered the uplift and comfort of the Sunday morning hour and the message brought in song and story by "the young women with shining faces".

Some of the hospitals, too, felt extra rays of sunshine in the memory of the helpful services of the Training School students.

Also at the colored mission the sun was shining bright, for here they felt sure that teachers and leaders from the Baptist Training School would come to help, remembering that Jesus came to save and serve all races.

Surely the sun was shining brightest in the hearts of the students as old friends met again and new friends were found and as they, all sisters in one big family, looked forward to a joyful year in House Beautiful together.

We are grateful to the Heavenly Father for such a joyful opening time. About eighty boarding students, as well as a large number of day students, entered on these first days. Eighteen states and one foreign country are represented in the student body; also the Canal Zone. (Alabama, Arkansas, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, West Virginia, Canal Zone and Brazil.) A serious, yet hopeful, happy group, all seemed to feel that we are beginning the best year ever in this dear school. Even on the first day, though weary from long travel, the room was crowded as we gathered for the first Tuesday afternoon prayer time. Surely with such a spirit this will through the year indeed be "a power-house of prayer".

Will you not pray with us and for us, dear women of the W. M. U., that through the influence and prayer of this school the sun may be made to shine in many dark places of the earth as well as in Kentucky?—Janie Cree Bose



MARGARET FUND



Chairman: Mrs. Frank Burney, Waynesboro, Ga.

"And the Child advanced in wisdom and stature and in favor with God and man".



Our beloved child of the Union, our Margaret Fund, has grown so amazingly that 'tis hard to recognize her stature as we review her in her thirteenth year. In 1916 when first scholarships were granted 8 students became beneficiaries.

This thirteenth year 88 students were receiving aid from our fund. To date 634 scholarships have been used by 193 students.

Four mission fields were represented in that first students list—China, Japan, Brazil and Panama. Now the fund touches *every* mission field where Baptists are at work and missionaries of China, Japan, Africa, Italy, Mexico, Brazil, Argentina, Chile, Panama and Europe have realized her educational and benevolent ministry and praise God for this avenue of blessing.

\$1,350 was expended in scholarships that first year, 1916; in 1928 we gave \$26,153.06 to assist in the education of these missionaries' sons and daughters. \$140,072.31 is the full amount given these thirteen years and the principal \$10,000 has been enlarged to \$55,000.

So fast is her growth "in favor with man" that her principal has just been increased to \$55,000 through the beautiful memorial gift of \$5,000 by Mr. J. H. Anderson, Knoxville, Tennessee, in honor and memory of his lovely wife, our beloved former chairman of Margaret Fund of Tennessee. Perhaps no memorial gift can become a greater blessing, for in a peculiar way this fund relieves a great burden from the hearts of our missionaries and helps to solve their problems during these strenuous days. No record can tabulate the amount given in gifts, prayers, love and thought showered by the societies on these students, for wherever the work

is presented enthusiastic interest is awakened and Baptist women's hearts long to cheer and bless these precious boys and girls so far from their parents.

In this review we praise God for the strength of body of our student list, for in these years only two students have died—Gordon Herring in April of 1921 after his return to China and Martha Lois Dawes in December of 1928 while her parents were here on furlough. Some have been ill, others having serious operations but, during all this, they were "encompassed about" and hands were ready to relieve and hearts were yearning to serve, realizing "a charge to keep we have, a cause to glorify". Faithfully the states have served these students, bringing great joy to their hearts.

"Favor with God"? Yes, for a large majority of our students are called of Him for definite missionary service—already had Gordon Herring and Lois Dawes heard His voice and answered "Here am I, Lord, use me"—and some are serving on the far-flung battle lines, others are waiting *prepared*, anxious to be sent, while many volunteers are now preparing themselves for the "mantle of their fathers". Efficient, splendid missionaries do they make: having already learned the languages and already understanding the customs, they need not the years of waiting on the fields but can begin at once to garner the harvest which is so white and ripe for reapers.

Two of our recent graduates, ready for medical missionary work, are *yearning* to be sent: one to Brazil, the other to Africa but—the funds are lacking. "How can they go unless they be sent". Other boards may send them if southern Baptists do not seize these efficient, trained, consecrated workers. "Stir us, oh, stir us, Lord!"—Mrs. Frank Burney



MISSION STUDY DEPARTMENT



DISCIPLINE through STUDY



Since 1911 "at least one mission study class each year" has been a wise clause in our Standard of Excellence, for few things are more rewarding than a really alive mission study class, and even a poor one is better than none. The individual effort put forth in a study group brings its own reward quite apart from gold and silver seals in the new sense of God's plans and purposes for the world.

The ideal class is the circle group but, where the circle plan is not used, study groups can be formed from the society. The ideal time is once a week for six weeks, but there have been successful groups which came together only once a month. Where enough leaders cannot be found for a number of groups, the whole society can meet as a study group in the weeks between the regular program meetings.

Another helpful method is a "Mission Study Day"—morning and afternoon sessions, with a basket lunch. Each chapter is presented by a different person to widen the interest, the leader ready with all connecting thoughts. The most stimulating method is the Church School of Missions. At one time and in one place, all groups in the church—men, women, girls, boys—study one general topic, each in its own group, coming together for prayer, general discussion and inspirational addresses. (See page 6.)

In this day of transition and change we need the discipline which comes through study, that we may the better understand what is the will of God in these things.—Mrs. E. B. Mathews, Md.

KEEPING TRULY MISSIONARY

AS southern Baptists we pride ourselves upon being missionary Bap-

tists, but unless we have a real awakening among our constituency this will soon become a misnomer for our great denomination. To think that the Great Commission given unto us by our Lord seems to be unheeded by so many of our people is cause for most serious alarm. If we are going to strive to carry the Gospel into all the world we must have church members who are informed and zealous concerning the missionary task.

Since missions are the very heart of church work, mission study ought to occupy a prominent place in its educational program. Mission study develops missionary character for it gives an insight into missionary activities on home and foreign fields. Christians are always benefitted by earnest mission study and as a result of it are usually incited to reconsecration and new enthusiasm for Christian service. It gives an interest and an inspiration which comes from knowledge of the failures and the successes of our undertakings.

Too many of our members seem to consider mission study an abstract subject to be taken by a select few but it should be the whole church studying in whole-hearted co-operation. With this end in view mission study ought to be put into the program of every church with a deep sense of the need of a full knowledge of our missionary enterprise and with each member having his or her share in it by gifts, by prayer and by personal service.

So realizing the importance of this great and vital work let us undertake our mission study in a spirit of earnest prayer that our Lord may indeed be pleased with us as true missionary Baptists.—Mrs. John Farrell, Ill.

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and told the people, even the men, of her home town what a Saviour she had found. She was the first of a long and unbroken line of faithful women who, in their churches and auxiliary organizations, in home and public life, have without ostentation but with love and courage "held forth the word of life" to make the cities of earth a little more like the New Jerusalem.

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preceding the beginning of our School, a part of each service was given over to publicity and enrollment, so that we began on Monday night with more than three hundred enrolled.

For our inspiration period, following the lunch (*prepared and paid for by the church*) we had Dr. J. F. Love (*who delivered his last complete address before his Home-Going*), Dr. J. W. Beagle, Dr. W. W. Stout, Mr. Herbert Cralle and Mr. E. Kirk. We were exceedingly fortunate in our speakers.

Then, too, we had classes to suit the needs of all who came. For the women Miss Mary Davies led them through the study of "Lottie Moon"; the men studied Dr. Ray's "Only a Missionary"; Miss Bettie Miller led our young people in the study of "Only a Missionary"; Mrs. Clarence Kelly led our juniors in "Just around the Corner Tales"; and for the little folks Mrs. W. E. Baker led them in the study of "Books of Other Babies". Going through the entire week interest never lagged, crowds increased, enrollment grew until three hundred and sixty-seven were listed as students in our School of Missions.

In many respects it was the greatest week in the history of our church. We demonstrated the fact that men, as well as women, will come and study together night after night; and I believe, as we shall teach our men and women, boys and girls the things they need to know about our task, our field and our opportunity, we shall be able to sing with a deeper meaning, "The Kingdom is coming"—"even so Lord Jesus".

PROGRAM PLANS (Concluded from Page 13)

5. The Christian's Duty to Proclaim the Gospel
6. The Ability of Christians under God
7. The Need of the Churches for This Expression of Their Life and Love
8. The Certainty of the Coming of the Kingdom

This is a most important program topic and the committee should put its best and most prayerful efforts into making it impressive and helpful. All Christians need to get back to the thought of "Unchanging Things" and to be strengthened afresh for the unchanging purposes.

The Personal Service Chairman will doubtless have special plans to offer for the Thanksgiving work of the society. This work may be introduced as the expression of the Christian's heart in thanksgiving, love and service.

PROGRAM OUTLINE (Concluded from Page 14)

Some Triumphs of the Gospel—Jesus said, "And I, if I be lifted up . . . will draw all men unto Me". (*John 12:32*) When Christ is lifted up before the nations the Gospel triumphs over sin and wrong. This is the unchanged task of the ages. For some striking triumphal instances see chapter 5 of "The Desire of All Nations", Smith; "The Church and Missions", Speer, chapter 6; "Some Fruits of the Gospel", Leavell; "Gospel Triumphs in Argentina and Chile", Hart; "Wonders of Missions", Caroline A. Mason; "The Story of Missions", Edwin E. White, chapter 6.

Hymn—The Kingdom Is Coming
Closing Prayer



BUSINESS WOMEN'S CIRCLE (Concluded from Page 15)

for the purpose of planning and carrying on your work. Launch a membership drive. There is inspiration in numbers, and other business women need to become affiliated with recognized band of W.M.U. workers who are "laborers together with God". This is how the Louisville B.W.C. began.

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Other clever and new ideas sent from your B.W.C. are coveted for this department. Send all such to Inabelle Coleman, care First Baptist Church, Greensboro, N. C.



W. M. U. IS COUNTING on YOU

to keep on fostering Ruby Anniversary organizations


to organize new societies among women and young people



PERSONAL SERVICE



SERVING WHERE NEEDED

 In visiting a remote section we talked and prayed with a woman who kept on with her washing under the trees—her children being reared in filth with no Christian environment—and yet we stirred in her the desire that is hidden in the heart of every woman, if you go deep, tactfully and gently enough, that her children might mean the very most and that they might have Christian training. The result of these interviews is a Sunday school with one of our Training School girls in charge, giving her Sunday afternoons and driving some twenty-five miles with other workers to maintain the work. The people come, walking three and four miles over rough roads through the woods carrying their children. They crave the personal touch of the Christ and the privilege of meeting with those who have something which they do not possess.

District after district in the rural sections as well as the outlying communities of our cities must have the Gospel carried to them and to do this we find the cottage-meeting the very best agency since nearly every one will open the home for such a meeting. They appreciate the privilege of having you and your workers, believing that you are vitally interested in that home and the children—you are so full of love and the message of the Christ. You brought flower-seeds and bulbs of your own, clothing for the children. Oh, you were just everything to all of them, and they found that you have something they do not possess. They come to realize that motherhood and a mother's love are something like God's love. So many are waiting just for you. God grant that while we gladly support our foreign work we may not neglect those at our own door.—*Mrs. H. M. Finch, N. C.*

In HIS STEPS

OUR desire should be for an infilling of the Spirit of Jesus and a determination to press forward in His strength, lifting burdens and relieving the suffering. We should remember that to be true to Him is the very embodiment of personal service. One of our leaders has said: "Personal service means presenting my Savior, the personal touch, from God to man". He it was who fed the hungry, healed the sick, comforted the sorrowing, blessed little children. Thrice happy are those who follow in His steps.

Having such desire, our minds and hearts should be so alert that we will have only to sense a need when feet and hands will swiftly fly to minister to that need, knowing it is pleasing to Him who said "Be ye followers of Me". The urge right now for devoted personal service is imperative. Scores of new members were gained during the Ruby Anniversary and subsequently and there are many new organizations, whose entire membership must be made strong by constant care. Therefore let us accept the challenge and be about our Father's business knowing there is

So much to do; there are lambs to feed,
The precious hope of the Kingdom's need;
Strength to be borne to the weak and faint,
Help to be given the needy saint.

"So much to do?" Thy Savior said,
"Follow thou Me in the path I tread".
Lord grant Thy help for the journey through,
Lest faint we cry: "So much to do".—*Adapted*

—*Mrs. W. T. Martin, Atlanta, Ga.*



BOOK REVIEWS



Mrs. Julian P. Thomas, Virginia

SOUTHERN BAPTISTS in SUNNY ITALY



In "Southern Baptists in Sunny Italy" Dr. George Braxton Taylor has written lovingly of his gifted father's life and work in Italy. He, himself, was a child when Dr. Taylor first went to serve the southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board in this difficult field. Growing up in this land of art and finest culture, he came to understand and appreciate perhaps better than any other person the fascination as well as the difficulties of the task which his father faced. He has given us a charming picture of his father and mother and of a missionary family on a foreign field.

Using as far as possible letters and other writings of his father he depicts for us conditions on the field and the progress of the work, giving also valuable glimpses of others sent to Italy by our Board. Short sketches of our Italian pastors and others make real for us the situation and hearten us as to the way in which these brethren are building on foundations laid deep and strong in this land of popery. We realize, as we read, that the days of persecution are not over and that it has taken and will continue to take sturdy stuff in the make-up of our converts if Italy is eventually to have a strong and vigorous and growing Baptist constituency. The last chapter is a most interesting characterization of Mussolini but leaves us with a question mark as to the real man.

The book is one that we shall want to keep in our libraries for reference and turn to again and again for helpful and accurate information on this land of poetry and romance, a land where Baptists have had to struggle mightily to establish the truth as held by them. Order from the Baptist Foreign Mission

Board, Richmond, Va., price, cloth \$2.00; in clubs of five or more, \$1.50.

SPLendor of GOD

This page departs from its usual custom of reviewing only books that may be used for mission study in order to call attention to a biographical novel, "Splendor of God", by Honore Willies Morrow. This is the thrilling story of Adoniram Judson from the time he reaches Rangoon until his second marriage to Sarah Boardman. Doubtless much in the book is not historically accurate—what novels are?

Wonder grips the mind of the reader as one tries to realize the almost super-human courage and determination of Judson through the many difficulties and dangers that beset him. Only the consciousness that God had chosen him to save Burma could have carried him through to final success. The human element sustaining him in every hardship was the sense of humor and commonsense of the lovely Ann Hasseltine. One loves Ann of Ava in all that has been written of her, but this author gives an added touch of natural charm and beauty to a character that we have learned to think of as the perfect woman and wife.

Through all the story the depth and brilliancy of Judson's intellect stand out no less than his deep piety, as he rapidly acquires the language, translates the Bible into literary Burmese, appraises the qualities and capacities of missionaries sent out to him from America, upholds the spirits of his companions in the terrible prison—"Hand-Shrink-Not"—and negotiates a treaty between the English and the Burmese kings. He was indeed the chosen of God to bring Christianity to Burma!

Tears fill our eyes as we read of the death of his other self, the lovely Ann, and his lapsing into a state of despair. (Concluded on Page 34)



CURRENT MISSIONARY EVENTS



Discussed by Mrs. W. C. James



In a recent letter a missionary from Korea says: "The Christians all over Korea are preparing for their annual Thanksgiving service in November. The day they celebrate is the anniversary of the coming of the first missionary to Korea. Many of the churches begin their preparation sometime in advance of the day. They have early morning prayer meetings from five to six one day in each week. Every year they take an offering. So grateful are they for the blessings of the Gospel that this offering is always given to foreign missions. The Koreans have work in China, Japan and on the Island Chayu".

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At the meeting in Denver this year the Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society of the Northern Convention appointed twenty-two young women as new missionaries in home mission work.

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The American Board, the foreign mission agency of the Congregational churches in the United States, has transferred the control of all the property of its North China Mission to the Chinese. The Chinese board is to be known as "The Promotional Board of the Chinese Congregational Churches of North China". This board will control through gift or loan all property of the American Board except the residences of the missionaries. The missionaries themselves will be loaned by the American Board to help in the promotion of the work.

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The representative of the World's Sunday School Association in Japan after twelve years of service there has returned to this country. Before returning he completed the process of turning over the work of religious education, for which the association had been

responsible, entirely to Japanese leadership.

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The sentiment for temperance is making tremendous progress in Japan. We are told the Japanese Emperor is an absolute teetotaler. On the royal banquet tables not a drop of intoxicating liquor is found. It is almost impossible to estimate the influence for good such an example has over the youth of Japan.

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In the constitution proposed for India by an Indian committee it is provided "that there be no state religion, no endowment of any religion by the state and no disability or preference on account of religious belief. The principle of religious liberty is thus recognized and Hindus and Mohammedans have accepted it".

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According to the Student Volunteer bulletin, 1702 new missionaries were needed this year by 100 boards or other agencies sending out foreign missionaries.

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such as only a high strung nature could feel. It is a relief when after eight years he finds solace in the love of a second woman gifted like Ann with the qualities that Judson needed as a supplement to his own. To Sarah Boardman is largely due the return of Judson to normal conditions of life and ever-increasing usefulness in his chosen work.

America was indeed blessed to have as her first missionaries the two whose lives have furnished inspiration for every missionary who has since left these shores. Mission study classes will do well to secure this volume and either read it together or pass it around for private reading. Order from the Baptist Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Va., price, cloth, \$2.50.

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Such a task can be largely met through southwide subscription to and use of the magazine. During the first nine months of this calendar year 56,167 renewals and new subscriptions were received, leaving 26,074 of the year's goal to be attained before January, as will be seen by studying the appended table. In high praise and deep gratitude the stars have been placed by the four states which in the nine months sent in more than three-fourths of their year's quota. Complete victory for them and every state depends, however, upon the remaining months' record. Please loyally help your state and the magazine to "complete the task" by securing other renewals and subscriptions each at 50 cents a year from

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Name of State	Quota for 1929	Received in 9 Months	Expected by December 31
Alabama	6290	4471	1819
Arizona	88	72*	16
Arkansas	2410	1467	943
District of Columbia	135	49	86
Florida	3725	1948	1777
Georgia	6740	5273*	1467
Illinois	1250	770	480
Kentucky	6280	4445	1835
Louisiana	3460	2471	989
Maryland	550	346	204
Mississippi	5165	3679	1486
Missouri	4610	2937	1673
North Carolina	7990	5413	2577
New Mexico	430	294	136
Oklahoma	3915	2510	1405
South Carolina	5170	3988*	1182
Tennessee	5210	3964*	1246
Texas	10345	6141	4204
Virginia	8255	5706	2549
Miscellaneous		223	
Totals	82,018	56,167	26,074

THINKING in TERMS of 225

THINK upon two of the wise sayings of Solomon: "As one thinketh within himself, so is he.—Out of the heart are the issues of life". Do they not teach W.M.U. members, as they approach the December Season of Prayer for Foreign Missions, that the programs, the attendance, the prayers, the offering depend upon their "having the eyes of their hearts enlightened"? In such heart-thoughts it should be borne in mind that the goal for the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering is \$225,000. Thinking in such terms, why not try to be one of 1000 each to give \$225, either individually or as a circle or society or Graded W.M.U. or association? Doubtless there are 100 women or societies or associations that can each give \$2,250. Certainly 10,000 can be found who will rejoice to offer \$22.50 each, while thousands of others can be persuaded to change their usual dollar or quarter contribution to an offering of \$2.25. Some how, some way, think in terms of \$225,000.

THINK also in terms of enlisting at least 225,000 women and young people to attend the prayer services—225 in your church or your association. Take as your individual goal a minimum of 2 and if possible 25 whom you will visit before December, asking each one to attend the meetings and to "bring an offering". Leave with each one a foreign mission tract, which you can secure free by writing to your state W.M.U. headquarters (*address on page 2*). Leave also a Lottie Moon Christmas Offering envelope, bearing the donor's name. It can but set them to thinking in terms of \$225,000 if you explain the purposes of the offering: (1) to keep on their fields the 40 missionaries returned by the 1927 offering; (2) to pay the out-bound passage and one year's salary of 60 more missionaries to be returned by the Foreign Mission Board; (3) to reduce the Board's debt by "removing" 20 "blocks" at \$5000 a block; (4) to supplement the native work by at least \$21,000. So "true, honorable, just, pure, lovely, of such good report" are the offering and all the plans for the December Season of Prayer that you are asked to "think on these things".

LEAFLETS for WEEK of PRAYER for WORLD-WIDE MISSIONS

December 2-6, 1929

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