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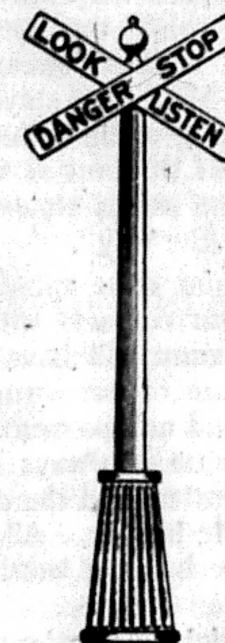
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EDITORIAL



TASKS BEGUN ARE TASKS HALF DONE

Mrs. W. J. Cox, President, W.M.U., S.B.C.



It seems but yesterday that we were planning for the early spring work and now the thoughts of fall are in our hearts. The inspiration of Lorado Taft's latest sculpture representing Time sets one to brooding. The majestic figure representing Time stands upright while the human race with bowed heads pass on in endless stream. The inscription is this: "Time goes, you say? Ah, no. Alas, time stays; we go". In the cycle of our work we find ourselves ever taking up new duties. If we are to be alert workers we need to know our state W.M.U. plans as well as the general denominational plans. One has said, "To know the end is almost to know the way; and a strong desire to reach the end is to find the way".

Most states will feature state missions in September. We need to make much of this program. Our contacts with our own state work and workers are close and vital. This program will have unusual appeal. Special emphasis can be placed upon each feature of our own state work. The early history of our states is rich in romance and achievements. A brief resume of the historical and religious history of your state is always informing and interesting. Everyone is glad to hear of the early settlers and the oldest church, and human interest stories which abound in every state history. All too soon we forget these virile pioneers in whose lives duty was such a big word. We have a stamina today we would not have but for them.

Regardless of the special time designated for enlistment, the fall is a splendid time for adding new members. Many people changing locations move into the church neighborhood and are eligible for circle membership, and to be drawn into the church and society. A large insurance company estimates that every eleventh prospect is sold. Our efforts in enlistment bring greater returns with less effort. Plan your fall mission study in advance. A brief period in the society meetings, during September and October can advantageously be devoted to the study of W.M.U. methods. This will prove helpful to both new leaders and new members. In Ecclesiastes we find, "if the iron be blunt and one do not whet the edge then must he put to more strength". Many workers worry over their work and feel a sense of overwork because of a lack of knowledge concerning the task. Enthusiastic reports come from circles now spending a half hour in Bible study, a half hour in mission study and about twenty minutes in business.

Interest your society in its young people's organizations if they are not already vitally in touch. Any society is wise in recognizing its young people as a vital part of its corporate life and not an appendage. If your society has its full graded organizations help a weaker neighboring society organize its young people. If your church is in a college town or where a Baptist hospital is located, the young women of those institutions should receive some special attention from your society. There are many ways you can express to these Baptist young women your interest in their missionary development. Keep the younger women, especially in the large society, in mind for development in leadership. If you find talent and ability, utilize it by positions of responsibility. You will thus conserve

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NEWS from MISS MALLORY



On the morning of June 12 a cablegram was received at the W. M.U. office telling that Miss Mallory had reached Rio de Janeiro in safety. There had been the hope of having a "Travel Talk" from her in time for this issue of ROYAL SERVICE but the distance is too great to be covered by regular mail so quickly.

A message written on shipboard told of meeting Maurice Sowell, a Margaret Fund student, who with his parents was called to mind by the Calendar of Prayer on the very day Miss Mallory landed in Rio. What she has to say about him will interest ROYAL SERVICE readers: "During these vacation days he is working his way on this boat in order that he may see his parents. As he said in talking with Mrs. Truett and me: 'It makes home seem nearer!' All along the journey it has made me feel all the closer to the mission fields to realize that this one of the ship's crew was the grandson of Dr. and Mrs. W. B. Bagby, who were our pioneer missionaries in Brazil and, therefore, in South America, and that he is the son of Dr. S. M. Sowell who showed the same pioneer spirit in behalf of Argentina. Then my cup of joy overflowed when I saw that this was the family on the Calendar of Prayer for the day of our entry into Brazil. Candidly it seemed to me to set the seal of God's approval on the journey".

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AS TO BOXES for FRONTIER MISSIONARIES

When August comes the thoughts of many societies turn to the needs of missionary pastors and their families on the frontier. Many of them are in difficult and lonely fields and find it practically impossible to provide for all their needs from the meager salaries they receive. No society should send a box to the frontier if by so doing it must fail in meeting its apportionment or pledge to missions and benevolences. However any who can give such help "over-and-above" its other obligations should write to their state W.M.U. corresponding secretary who will as soon as possible furnish them with a missionary's letter telling the special needs of the family. The applications do not generally come in before August first, so it will be well to wait until then to write to your state secretary if you are interested in sending a box.

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PLEASURE and PROFIT at SUMMER ASSEMBLIES

More than any other, August is vacation month. Ideal vacation spots that will be the scene of summer assemblies during this month are Blue Ridge, Ga., where the facilities of Mary P. Willingham School will make Georgia Baptists comfortable during their assembly August 1-8; New Mexico Baptists will likewise use school property for their gathering at Montezuma the last week in the month. By the very sound of their names Clear Creek, Ky., and Falls Creek, Okla., hold out invitation to their pleasant grounds. From August 5-15 these places will echo to the happy voices and quick tread of Baptists following the usual assembly schedule of class work and recreation. At all these gatherings there will be classes for women and young people interested in mission study or methods that will enable them to help their W.M.U. organizations at home to work on a higher plane.

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A NEED for PRAYER

The W.M.U. Training School is dear to southern Baptist women, and so for the school's sake and for her own sake there has been widespread interest in the marriage of its principal, Mrs. Janie Cree Bose to Mr. James H. Anderson, of Knoxville, Tenn., which took place June 10. Let our love for the school express itself in earnest prayer that again God's goodness to this institution may be made manifest in revealing His choice of leadership for it.



FAMILY ALTAR



Mrs. W. H. Gray, Alabama

TOPIC: "My Helpers in Christ"

"**N**OW precious is the book divine,
By inspiration given!
Bright as a lamp its doctrines shine,
To guide our souls to heaven."

"**O**ER all the strait and narrow way
Its radiant beams are cast,
A light whose never-weary ray
Grows brightest at the last."

Paul's Helpers

- 1st Day—Rom. 16:1-8, 19, 20
- 2nd Day—II Tim. 4:9-13, 18-22
- 3rd Day—Acts 18:1-8
- 4th Day—Acts 18:12-16, 18, 24-28
- 5th Day—Acts 23:16-24
- 6th Day—Phil. 2:19-30
- 7th Day—II Cor. 16:17-24

Old Testament Helpers

- 8th Day—Ruth and Naomi: Ruth 1:14-22
- 9th Day—David and Jonathan: I Sam. 18:1-7; 19:2-6
- 10th Day—Samuel and Eli: I Sam. 2:11, 18, 20, 26; 3:1-8
- 11th Day—Moses and Aaron: Ex. 4:29-31; 5:1-3; 7:1, 2, 6, 11
- 12th Day—Daniel and Three Friends: Dan. 2:49; 3:13-26
- 13th Day—Samuel and Saul: I Sam. 15:1, 10-22
- 14th Day—Job and Three Friends: Job 2:11-13; 4:1, 2; 8:1, 2; 11:1, 2; 32:1; 42:7, 8, 9

New Testament Helpers

- 15th Day—Cornelius: Acts 10:1-8, 17-23
- 16th Day—A Jailer: Acts 16:27-40
- 17th Day—Paul and Silas: Acts 17:1-12
- 18th Day—Stephen: Acts 6:1-8, 15
- 19th Day—Philip: Acts 8:26-38
- 20th Day—Ananias: Acts 9:10-18
- 21st Day—Saul of Tarsus: Acts 9:19-29

Jesus' Helpers

- 22nd Day—John the Baptist: Matt 3:1-3, 13-17
- 23rd Day—Peter and Andrew: Matt. 4:18-25
- 24th Day—Twelve Disciples: Matt. 10:1-8
- 25th Day—A Lad: John 6:3-14
- 26th Day—Men: Luke 5:17-26
- 27th Day—Mary: Matt. 26:6-13; John 11:2
- 28th Day—Martha: Luke 10:38-42
- 29th Day—Joseph of Arimathea: Matt. 27:55-66
- 30th Day—Two Marys: Matt. 28:1-10
- 31st Day—The Eleven: Matt. 28:11-20

"Pray Ye"

In gratitude to God for His unfailing mercy
In yearning for the millions in darkness
For missionaries awaiting reinforcement
For missionaries returning to their fields
For furloughed missionaries and for volunteers longing to be sent
For associational meetings that their emphasis may be unusually missionary
For Church Leadership Conference at Ridgecrest, N. C., August 7-17
For state leaders and societies preparing for season of prayer for state missions

Calendar of Prayer August, 1930

Prepared by Mrs. Maud R. McLure, Kentucky

IN Christ there is no East or West,
In Him no South or North;
But one great fellowship of love
Throughout the whole wide earth.

IN Him shall true hearts everywhere
Their high communion find;
His service is the golden cord
Close binding all mankind.

—Oxenham

Topic: Notable Native Christians

1—FRIDAY

Pray for †Mrs. J. H. Rowe, educational work, Kokura, Japan, and for Harper, John, and Melvin Rowe, Margaret Fund students.
Though He cause grief, yet will He have compassion.—Lam. 3:32

2—SATURDAY

For Rev. and †Mrs. P. E. White and Miss Attie Bostick (*on furlough*), evangelistic work, Kweichow, China
If ye are reproached for the name of Christ, blessed are ye.—I Pet. 4:14

3—SUNDAY

Pray that permanent good may result from all state assemblies and encampments during August.
Laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come.—I Tim. 6:19

4—MONDAY

Pray for Rev. and Mrs. Chas. L. Culpepper (*on furlough*), evangelistic work, Hwang-Hsien, China.
We have this treasure in earthen vessels.—II Cor. 4:7

5—TUESDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Berry, educational work, Bello Horizonte, Brazil
Let us exalt His name together.—Psa. 34:3

6—WEDNESDAY

For Misses *Essie Fuller, *Bertha Lee Hunt (*on furlough*) and *Eupice King, educational work, Pernambuco, Brazil
Happy is he that hath the God of Jacob for his help.—Psa. 146:5

7—THURSDAY

For Rev. and *Mrs. W. W. Fielder, evangelistic work, Chengchow, China
In the day that I called Thou answeredst me.—Psa. 138:5

8—FRIDAY

For Rev. and †Mrs. F. T. N. Woodward (*on furlough*) and Miss Leonora Scarlett, evangelistic work, Kong Moon, China
Who is a mighty one like unto thee, O, Jehovah?—Psa. 89:8

9—SATURDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. Wade D. Bostick (*on furlough*), evangelistic work, Pochow, China, and for Oreon Bostick, Margaret Fund student
My righteousness is near, my salvation is gone forth.—Isa. 51:5

10—SUNDAY

Pray that the native Christians of all our mission fields may "put on the whole armor of God."
That we may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.—Eph. 6:11

11—MONDAY

For Rev. A. Pucciarelli, worker among Italians, Birmingham, Ala.
He that loveth Me shall be loved of My Father.—John 14:21

12—TUESDAY

For Rev. and †Mrs. Z. Paul Freeman, evangelistic work, Concordia, Argentina
He that loveth his neighbor hath fulfilled the law.—Rom. 13:8

13—WEDNESDAY

For Misses *Viola Humphreys, evangelistic work, Blanche Rose Walker and *Josephine Ward, educational work, Kaifeng, China
Ye are the salt of the earth.—Matt. 5:13

14—THURSDAY

Pray for God's guidance on the Jubilee Celebration of the Negro National Baptist Convention, Aug. 14-25, Chicago, Ill.
Jehovah taketh pleasure in them that fear him.—Psa. 147:11

15—FRIDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. A. Y. Napier (*on furlough*), evangelistic work, Chinkiang, China
The people that sat in darkness saw a great light.—Matt. 4:16

16—SATURDAY

For Rev. and †Mrs. M. G. White, evangelistic work, Bahia, Brazil
Ye are the light of the world.—Matt. 5:14

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Calendar of Prayer August, 1930

JOIN hands, then, brothers of the faith,
Whate'er your race may be;
Who serves My Father as a son
Is surely kin to Me.

IN Christ now meet both East and West,
In Him meet South and North;
All Christly souls are one in Him
Throughout the whole wide earth.
—Oxenham

Topic: Notable Native Christians

17—SUNDAY

Pray that all foreign students in our country may find Christ as their personal Savior.
He that will let him take of the water of life freely.—Rev. 22:17

18—MONDAY

Pray for all colored workers under our Home Board, in the Southern Baptist Convention
He will stand at the right hand of the needy.—Psa. 109:31

19—TUESDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. E. A. Ingram (on furlough), educational work, Sao Paulo, Brazil
He that trusteth in Jehovah loving kindness shall compass him about.
—Psa. 32:10

20—WEDNESDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. Rex Ray, evangelistic work, Wuchow, China
Let my prayer be set forth as incense before Thee.—Psa. 141:2

21—THURSDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. A. E. Hayes (on furlough), evangelistic work, Parahyba, Brazil
Thou art my stronghold.—Psa. 31:4

22—FRIDAY

For Misses Elma Elam and *Lucile Reagan, educational work, Lagos, Nigeria
My words shall not pass away.
—Matt. 24:35

23—SATURDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. E. T. Snuggs, evangelistic work, and †Miss Faith Snuggs (all on furlough), educational work, Lui Chau City, China
Say to them that are of a fearful heart, Be strong.—Isa. 35:4

24—SUNDAY

Pray that the children and young people on our foreign mission fields may give their hearts to God.
Train up a child in the way he should go.—Prov. 22:6

25—MONDAY

Pray for the Home Board workers in Acadia Academy, Church Point, La.
My heart hath trusted in Him and I am helped.—Psa. 28:7

26—TUESDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. W. B. Johnson, evangelistic work, Soochow, China
It is required in stewards that a man be found faithful.—I Cor. 4:2

27—WEDNESDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. S. L. Watson (on furlough), publication and educational work, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
He will deliver thee in six troubles.
—Job 5:19

28—THURSDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. R. L. Bausum, boys' work, Kweilin, China
Be their shepherd also, and bear them up forever.—Psa. 28:9

29—FRIDAY

For Rev. and *Mrs. E. G. Wilcox, educational work, Pernambuco, Brazil
Behold now is the day of salvation.
—II Cor. 6:2

30—SATURDAY

For Dr. and Mrs. R. T. Bryan, educational and evangelistic work, Shanghai, China
Let all those that seek Thee rejoice and be glad in Thee.—Psa. 40:16

31—SUNDAY

Pray that the great ideals of the W.C.T.U. may prevail in our country.
Be strong and of good courage.
—Josh. 1:6

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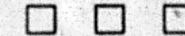


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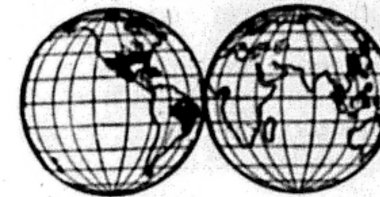


Mrs. W. H. Gray, Alabama

Societies, circles, families and individuals wishing a more detailed outline Bible study are referred to the "Family Altar" page with its many carefully grouped Scripture references.



TOPIC: "My Helpers in Christ" (Romans 16:3)



An expert on "dress" expressed the opinion that America would never design the styles for the world. The French, he said, have the background for leading in fashions. The child who hears the Bible read daily has the background for becoming a helper in Christ.

Aquila and Priscilla are mentioned by Paul because he appreciated the part they had in his work. Aaron's place by the side of Moses, Jonathan's planning for David's escape, the service of Samuel toward Eli's performance of the priestly office,—these and other notable examples come to mind. Many a person could never have reached his peak of greatness without the quiet helper when an emergency arose. Will you think with me on one of the best known parables of our Lord?

Two pictures! The five wise virgins with oil in their lamps ready for the summons to meet the bridegroom afford a happy spectacle. Over against this there is the picture of disappointment and chagrin on the part of the five foolish virgins who had no oil.

How like unto our own preparation are the wise virgins! How like unto our lack of preparation are the foolish virgins! In which class are we? "Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh."

"Jesus is coming to earth again,
What if it were today?"

Some one has said that the things we do can never be a shock to God, for He sees our hearts all the time and the heart prompts the act. Are our hearts right? I think we might go further and say that it would be impossible for Jesus to be surprised at the place in which He finds us when He comes; for we will be working out the expression of our natures. He knows us better than we know ourselves. Think then on those wise virgins who were ready with oil in their lamps when the bridegroom came. Consider the way of those foolish virgins who could not sit at the marriage supper because their lamps were out. With which group would you feel most at home? "Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh."

It was with clearness and conviction that our Lord set forth in parables the nature of the kingdom. In this one He looked ahead through times of war, days of persecution, seasons of prosperity, years of peace, knowing many changes which should come to this old world. He must have seen the advancement and achievement which man would make. He knew there would be increasing through all generations the knowledge of the glory of the Lord. He knew that God's Word would remain steadfast. He knew that men, women and children would continue

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PROGRAM PLANS

Mrs. T. M. Pittman, North Carolina

WITH the PROGRAM COMMITTEE



Preparation for the August meeting presents many problems to the Program Committee. First, the long heat of summer has caused many to relax in all duties outside the home. Second, this is usually the vacation month and many members are away from home. Third, it is a busy time on the farm and it is difficult for rural societies to meet.

But difficulties are opportunities. The committee must put forth extra effort and plan a bright, short program. A committee on transportation may be appointed to get the members to the meeting. Another committee should arrange the place of meeting, having it as attractive as possible.

The program committee will note that the material given consists of the life stories of some native Christians. We may take as our title for the program "Epistles of Christ" (II Cor. 3:3). A short opening Bible reading may be given on this subject.

Use the following from II Cor. 3:2, 3, 17, "Ye are our letter (epistle) (written in our hearts), known and read of all men: Forasmuch as ye are manifestly declared to be the letter (epistle) of Christ (ministered by us), written not with ink, but with the Spirit of the living God; not in tables of stone, but in fleshy tables of the heart—Now the Lord is that Spirit; and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty". By reading these verses omitting the clauses in parenthesis, the idea of the program topic may be made clear.

After this reading, the leader for the afternoon may stress the point that each Christian is a letter to the world, commending Christ or failing to commend Him. The advantage of such "letters" is that they may be read far from the presence of the "living letter", and even after the living letter has been carried into the Heavenly Home, we here in our local societies may read these "living epistles" as recorded by those who have known and do know them in the flesh.

Have those on the program tell and not read the stories of the native Christians. The talks might begin somewhat like this,—"I want to tell you of a letter written to the Christians of the West Coast of Africa. This letter was fifty-seven years in writing. It was known as Majola Agbebi". Then continue with the life story of this great Christian organizer.

When the "Eight Beatitudes" are described they might be given as a family "round robin". We know how some families start a letter, send it to one member who adds to it and mails to the next, and so on, till all are reached.

In describing each of these "Epistles of Christ" be sure that their Christian traits are described. How did Fernandez of Chile bless them that persecuted him?—How was the word "freedom" written in the Epistle called Joachim Paranaqua?

No doubt many more "letter" ideas will be developed by the committee. In closing, the thought should be developed that each of us is a letter, the world reading us more clearly than we realize. Does the world read this in each Christian life? "Not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord; and ourselves your servants for Jesus' sake. For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ" (II Cor. 4:5-6).



Program Outline and References for Advanced Missionary Societies

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"WHAT GOD HATH WROUGHT"

Matt. 8:10—That many shall come from the east and west, and shall sit down with Abraham and Isaac and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven.

Purpose of the Program—To realize that Jesus Christ is the molder of great Christian characters in all lands and, through the influence of such personalities, the kingdom of God and His Christ is arising in mission lands, in power and influence.

Devotional Suggestions—Use the Scripture quotations as they are interpolated with each character studied, thus making the entire program deeply devotional in spirit throughout.

"For we are His workmanship—created in Jesus Christ for good work".

Japan—

1. *Toyohiko Kagawa, the Christian Social Worker*—"Travelers in Japan who wish to see where the Sermon on the Mount has been literally lived should visit Toyohiko Kagawa at his settlement house in the slums of Shiukawa, Kobe".

References—"Creative Forces in Japan" and Gleason's "What Shall I Think of Japan?"

Pray that the great revival for which Kagawa is leader may give Japan their goal of a million Christians.

2. *Miss Ubako Hayashi, a leader in the Anti-Vice Movement*—"A sermon on that fact that all mankind are brothers was a decisive factor in her life".

References—"The Leaven in Japan"

China—

Ye shall know them by their fruits.—Matt. 7:16

Dr. Mary Stone—"Truly the Chinese women are blessed in having so perfect an embodiment of the ideal woman of the great new China."

References—"Notable Women of Modern China"

India

The Spirit giveth life.—II Cor. 3:6

Sundar Singh—"His vision of Christ was as direct, as pertinent, as timely as Paul's. The mysticism of the oriental mind is seen at its best in the writings of the Sadhu".

References—"With and Without Christ" by Sadhu Sundar Singh

Africa

If God so loved us, we ought also to love one another.—I John 4:11

J. E. Kwegyir Aggrey—"Where Three Continents Meet"—"The discovery of one great diamond indicates diamiferous soil". He was the flower of African Christian manhood.

References—"Sons of Africa" by Gollock

Pray for the native workers around the world.

Suggestion to Leader—The points to be stressed in each biography are (1) the greatness of character; (2) the outstanding contribution of each to his country and to Christianity; (3) how they illustrate the possibilities of the development of personality under the molding influence of Jesus Christ.

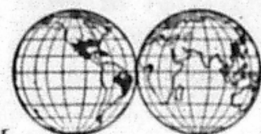


BUSINESS WOMEN'S CIRCLES



Miss Inabelle Coleman, North Carolina

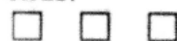
A "DIFFERENT" MEETING for AUGUST



SUMMER SLUMP—Often we wonder what our Lord thinks of our *summer slumps*. Suppose He turned aside during the month of August and paid no attention to us, ceased to bless us, omitted watching over us! No—we know that He is not that kind of a God. He is "the same yesterday, today and forever", "merciful and faithful", "full of compassion, and gracious, long-suffering and plenteous in mercy". He needs more Christians of that caliber. And in this there is a challenge to the B.W.C. who with vision and steadfastness are doing many of the "impossible" things here and there. May they help God to win over His enemy, the *summer slump* this August in every conceivable way!

But one way in particular will be to make the August meeting a campfire meeting, inviting the Y.W.A's., the older boys' chapter of the R.A's., and the senior G.A's. After a picnic supper, gather around the campfire for songs and stories. Let different ones of the hostess group tell these stories of the August program, while certain of the guests in costume present the characters of the stories in tableaux. For instance: Agbebi may be a large R.A. He will enjoy impersonating this African doctor.

After the stories there under the starlight, let the president of the W.M.S. lead a call to worship sounding the truth that Christianity's greatest need today is more uncompromising, consecrated, conviction-filled *young* heroes and heroines for Christ. With taps the story hour ends.



Program Heading Suggestion: Mimeograph the program on brown wrapping paper. Paste twigs in each end and roll like a scroll. From book store get stickers of camp-fire, a tree, wildflower etc., and stick one at top of each program. The young guests will appreciate these for their memory books.

Topic: Around the Campfire with Notable Native Christians

Campfire Medleys: Hymns and Songs of Worship

From Lands Afar: (Introduction (Pages 14, 15)

Pictures in The Fire:

Agbebi (Page 15) by.....	Tableaux by.....
Oyerinde (Pages 16, 17) by.....	Tableaux by.....
Eight Beatitudes (Pages 17-19) by.....	Tableaux by.....
Joachim (Page 19) by.....	Tableaux by.....
Fernandez (Page 20) by.....	Tableaux by.....

The Afterglow: Devotional by W.M.S. president

Taps (*Sing the words.*)

Silent Prayers

Dismissal

"**S**WEET hour of prayer, sweet hour
of prayer,

The joys I feel, the bliss I share
Of those whose anxious spirits burn
With strong desires for thy return!

"**W**ITH such I hasten to the place
Where God, my Savior, shows
His face,
And gladly take my station there
And wait for thee, sweet hour of
prayer!"



PROGRAM in BRIEF



Mrs. W. C. James, Virginia

TO MEET YOUR NEED



The program suggestions on this page have been planned with new, inexperienced Women's Missionary Societies especially in mind. Study other pages with the purpose of using the ideas and facts they present for the enrichment of this program. Note carefully the page references in the outline and also the

Calendar of Prayer on pages 7 and 8 and the hymn for the year on page 36. Urge those taking part in the program to put the material into their own words as far as possible. Use several women for the group of short stories rather than having one person tell them all.

NOTABLE NATIVE CHRISTIANS

Hymn—"Faith of Our Fathers"

Bible Study—"My Helpers in Christ"—(Page 9; read all of Romans 16:1-15)

Prayer of thanksgiving for the faithful stewards of the Gospel through all the ages since Christ

Watchwords—Be Ye Steadfast—I Cor. 15:58

Laborers Together with God—I Cor. 3:9

Out of the Mail Bag—(See Current Events Page 33.)

Introduction by Leader (See last 3 paragraphs of "Introduction to Program", page 15.)

Story—Oyerinde: "Teacher and Faithful Steward" (Pages 16, 17)

Hymn—"Am I A Soldier of the Cross?"

Group of Short Stories—The "Eight Beatitudes" (Pages 17-19)

Story of Maximino Fernandez (Page 20)

Hymn—"I Love to Tell the Story"

Prayer that we may strengthen the hands of those in foreign lands who "love to tell the story" by our prayers and by our gifts so that there may be more and yet more witnesses for Him in all lands

Questions for use in "Program in Brief"—Numbers 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 10, 12—(Page 21)

EDITORIAL

(Concluded from Page 4)

talent that otherwise will ultimately turn to outside interests as mediums of expression. Use striking posters whenever and wherever possible. A Chinese sage said that one picture is worth ten thousand words. Do not overlook the splendid priced leaflets that can be ordered from headquarters. If your organization or society is small in numbers do not let down in your interest in trying to keep up with advance plans, nor become discouraged. Remember the experience of the great Lyman Beecher. Only one man was in the large auditorium to hear him preach on one occasion. But twenty years later he met this man who told him that he was converted that day under his message delivered to one man alone and had been called to the ministry. Set in motion your individual dreams and plans to carry out those sent out from your state headquarters in denominational enterprises. A task begun is a task half done. Begin!



PROGRAM for AUGUST



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 Bldg., Birmingham, Ala. See list of leaflets on page 3.

Prepared by Mrs. W. C. James, Virginia

TOPIC: Notable Native Christians

Hymn—"Faith of Our Fathers"

Bible Study—"My Helpers in Christ" (Page 9)

Prayer of thanksgiving for those through all the ages who have been faithful in the Gospel and faithful witnesses of the Gospel

Watchwords—For the Year

Union Watchword

Out of the Mail Bag—(See *Current Events*, Page 33.)

Introduction by Leader of Program

Helpers in Africa

Agbebi—Evangelist, Pastor, Organizer

Oyerinde—Teacher and Faithful Steward

Hymn—"Who Is on the Lord's Side?"

Helpers in China—The "Eight Beatitudes"

Hymn—"Come, Women, Wide Proclaim"

Helpers in South America

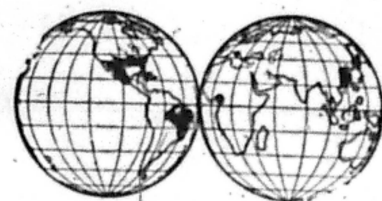
Brazil's "Grand Old Man"

Maximino Fernandez

Hymn—"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

Prayer for all native Christians on our foreign mission fields and that we may strengthen our missionary forces that all together they may hasten the coming of the Kingdom

INTRODUCTION to PROGRAM



There can be little doubt that human nature is the same everywhere and has been the same in all times. This being true it would be but natural for us to think that when Paul and Barnabas started out from Antioch on their first missionary journey to the Gentiles there were those among the Jewish Christians who looked upon their enterprise with doubt. "There are people of our own cities, there are many of our own people who have not yet learned to know and follow Christ", we seem to hear them say. "Why should

Paul waste his magnificent powers on these heathen—the Gentiles? They have their gods and their worship that satisfies them. Why not let them alone?" These and other things many probably thought and said in opposition to foreign missions. But Paul knew he had a commission from the Lord. A stewardship of the Gospel had been committed unto him and to the churches and he and others considered they had no choice in the matter. "It is required", said he in Corinthians, "in stewards that they be found faithful". Had it not been for the faithfulness of those early stewards in giving the Gospel to the Gentiles we might yet be groping in heathen darkness. In their immortal letters the New Testament writers of-

ten mentioned with thanksgiving the faithfulness and loyalty of the men and women of the Gentile churches, and the great work of many of the leaders. Through these and others after them the blessings of Christianity have come across the centuries to us and thus the stewardship of the manifold Grace of God has been committed unto us.

In the beginning of the modern missionary movement there were many Christians who believed that we should keep the Gospel to ourselves, that the non-Christian people had their gods and could not, or would not, appreciate Christianity. There are unfortunately many today who, by their failure to support missions if not by their words, have the same ideas. Many there have been, and still are, however, in these modern times who are faithful to the trust. Some in going and many more in sending the Gospel to the "Gentiles" beyond our borders.

As the New Testament writers could speak with joy of the Gentiles who had become faithful followers of Christ and mighty in the winning of souls so have our missionaries given us inspiring stories of men and women in non-Christian lands who have become faithful followers of Christ, mighty in winning and leading their people into the ways of Christ.

In our program we are to hear just a few of these stories concerning the work of our own Baptist people on foreign fields.

These stories should certainly confirm our belief that the Gospel of Jesus Christ can transform and endue with power the lives of any people from the most ignorant and undeveloped races to the most cultured and highly developed people.

AGBEBI—EVANGELIST—PASTOR —ORGANIZER

TOWARD the close of the World War in 1917 there died in Africa one of the most outstanding characters not only of the Baptists and of the Yoruba people but one of the greatest characters of the West Coast of Africa. Louis

M. Duval says that to the untiring energy, great zeal and ability for organization of Majola Agbebi (*Ma-joe-la Ag-baby*) is due, to a large extent, the success of the Baptist cause in Nigeria where southern Baptists are at work.

Agbebi was born in 1860. He was descended from Yoruba people who had been captured in slave raids and sent out on slave ships to be sold in America. When these ships were captured by British men of war in the attempt to break up the slave trade those on board were put on shore at Sierra Leone (*See-error Lee-on*), a British colony on the West Coast of Africa. Several of these freedmen like the late African Methodist Bishop Crowther and the parents of Agbebi were converted to Christianity and became the first missionaries to carry the gospel to their own people.

Majola Agbebi was educated in a mission school. Though he was a teacher, author, journalist and politician his principal work was that of a preacher. Beside being pastor of the Baptist church in Lagos he went on long and difficult journeys visiting towns and villages preaching, winning souls and organizing churches. He made visits to England and the United States and was successful in raising large sums of money for his beloved work. The degrees of M.A., Ph.D. and D.D. were conferred on him by colleges in Liberia and America because of his great work.

At the time of his death Dr. Agbebi was president of the Native Baptist Union of West Africa, of which he was the founder. With all his large work and the many things he accomplished he lived so near his Lord that it was said of him when he died: "Were every one for whom he has done a kindness to go and lay a single blossom on his grave he would sleep under a wilderness of flowers". And today we must add our tribute to the work of this great man and others like him who have made it less difficult for our missionaries in Africa.

OYERINDE—TEACHER and FAITHFUL STEWARD

"I CANNOT tell when I was born. None of my relatives has yet been able to tell me", said Nathaniel D. Oyerinde (*O-yin'-de*) when asked his age. He thought he was born about the year 1883, soon after our Baptist work was reopened in Africa. As an infant his cradle was a kind of cloth hammock swung on the back of his mother. For months African babies are never separated from their mothers, but swinging on their backs, they laugh, coo and sleep as happy as can be; but as soon as the little one is able to get about by himself life becomes one round of never-ending terror and trouble because of the superstitions of his people.

Let us imagine a group of little African boys starting out to some place at a distance from their homes. You will notice some queer little objects fastened to a string around their necks. They are nut-shells, bones, teeth or claws of leopards, or almost anything the witch doctor had made into a charm to protect them against the evil spirits that they believe are in every bush or twig or in fact anything. As they start out if they meet a man coming toward them on the path they must return home and make another start for unless they do, evil will come to them. If a bird alights on a branch above their heads, they examine it anxiously. If its wings are tipped with white it is a good sign and they go on. If it is a brown bird calling out "Via, Via" their little hearts stand still with terror, for they believe that means they will be condemned to die in fire. We could go on and on telling of the many things from which the small boys and girls of Africa suffer but there is one other thing we must know for that one thing made it very difficult for Oyerinde when he came to be a man. In Africa it was the custom of certain tribes to mark their children so if ever they were stolen, and sold into slavery or captured in tribal wars the tribe or family could identify them and rescue or ransom them. Oyerinde was born before his father became a

Christian and he has on his face the marks of his tribe. There are twelve long scars, three parallel with the nose and three running from the ear toward the chin on each side of his face. They were left from great gashes made on his face when he was but a little boy.

Many of the customs and beliefs of the Africans changed with the coming of the missionaries to their communities and others are now more fortunate. A mission school was started in the African city in Ogbomoso (*Ogg-bo-mo-shaw*) to which Oyerinde was sent. Here he was converted and baptized. Since a true Christian always wants to share with others the knowledge of God's greatest gift Oyerinde became exceedingly anxious to help his own people to know Christ. Feeling that he could do more for them if he had a better education this African boy studied diligently and worked to pay his way till he graduated from the mission school in Ogbomoso. Then he worked for the government, taught in the school and saved his money, often going hungry, until he had what he needed to come to America where he could get the training he so much craved.

Oyerinde came to America in 1906 with but a few dollars of his savings left and entered the Virginia Union University, a school for Negro boys, in Richmond. In the university he took the high school, college and theological courses, completing his work in 1915. He not only worked his way through school but made a fine record in his studies proving himself one of the best students the school ever had. It is said of him that he had a wonderful influence over the student body the years he was in the university. One of the sad things about his life in America was the difficulty he had in getting work. Because of the tribal marks on his face those to whom he would sometimes apply for work thought he was a mean Negro and had gotten the scars in fights.

Oyerinde returned to Africa in 1916 and is now one of the most valued teachers and one of the finest influences in our Baptist College and Seminary in

Ogbomoso. In the report of the Foreign Mission Board of 1929 the following statement was made: "It is on the college and seminary that we depend entirely for our supply of native workers in Africa". So we can see how much Oyerinde can do for his people.

When Oyerinde returned to Africa he did not go expecting to receive the salary of a missionary but the very much smaller salary of a native worker. When writing about his salary he said, "Let the salary question take care of itself. The joy that comes from working with God for human uplift and regeneration cannot be calculated in terms of dollars and cents. The question is not, 'What shall I get?' but, 'where shall I serve?' Give me my share of the world's work, give me an opportunity for service and usefulness".

Such was the spirit of an African boy who was born in a heathen home and who bears on his face the tribal marks of a heathen custom, but who has the Saviour of mankind enthroned in his heart.

The "EIGHT BEATITUDES"

IT has often been said and there is every evidence to prove that a people or nation rises no higher than the ideals of the homes of that people or nation. It has also been recognized that in the home the mother is the greatest influence. For that reason it should be of genuine interest to all who care anything for the cause of missions to hear something of the life story and achievements of native Christian women on our foreign mission fields.

The Chinese call the Beatitudes the "eight happinesses" or "blessings" and this is the story of the eight daughters of Pastor Wu who are known as the "eight blessings" in the old North Gate Church of Shanghai. For nine years Pastor Wu (*Woo*) was the beloved pastor of the old North Gate Church, now the First Baptist Church, and the pastor emeritus till his death. Let us not forget as we listen to the story of this family that the Chinese for thousands of years in a very special sense have looked

upon the family as the unit of Chinese life rather than upon the individual. "This great importance placed upon the family has both helped and hindered the progress of Christianity. It makes the Christian family very influential but very difficult for an individual in a non-Christian family to become a Christian". Wherever Christianity has gained an entrance, however, its effects are remarkable both in the home and upon the individuals particularly upon the women and children.

Pastor Wu's father and mother were not Christians, but he became a Christian and was married in his twenty-fourth year. Mrs. Wu was but sixteen. He was made a deacon at twenty-five and a pastor at twenty-six. He proved himself worthy of these honors for he led both of his parents and his wife to Christ. Ten children, two boys and eight girls, came to bless their home.

Pastor Wu was greatly helped in his home and church by Mrs. Wu. They were both very faithful in their family prayers and in Bible study with their children, who in turn, loved and showed great respect for their parents. Mrs. Wu died first. During her last illness she constantly talked of the love of Jesus and her parting message to her children was a plea that they never forsake Him or His Gospel.

When their missionary, Dr. Bryan, was planning to write something of Pastor Wu's life and work one of the daughters in a letter said, "In writing about my father, I wish you would mention my mother. She had also a great part in training her children. My mother's teaching as well as my father's is still living in my life today." Five of the eight daughters are married. It is an exception for Chinese women not to marry and for their husbands not to be chosen for them. But Pastor Wu's daughters enjoyed the Christian privilege of marrying or not as they chose and had some choice as to whom they should marry. They also enjoyed the privilege of having homes of their own

instead of living with their husbands' families.

Wen Yiung Wu—(*Literary Heroine—The Translator*)

The first one to marry, Wen Yiung (*Wen I-o-ng*), became the wife of a successful business man and a good member of a Baptist church. They had a large family but lost several of their children and were defrauded out of a large amount of money by one whom they trusted. Through it all, however, Wen Yiung and her husband showed a true Christian spirit and never lost the joy of their faith. Of her it is said "As a daughter Mrs. Chien (*Gien*) is dutiful, as a wife she is faithful, and as a mother she is kind and loving".

Hsiu Yiung—(*Refined Heroine*)

The second daughter, Hsiu Yiung (*Shoe I-o-ng*), married a deacon who is one of the leading members of the North Gate church. He is a wealthy business man and has been chairman of the Shanghai Chamber of Commerce. Mrs. Zau (*Zaw*) is an unusually fine Christian woman, wife and mother. Although she is the mother of twelve children she finds much time to give to her religious duties. She has rather unusual family prayers in her home. All the family gathers together after supper and each one separately, quietly reads the Bible and prays. The oldest of her boys is assistant superintendent of the Sunday school. Her oldest daughter is a graduate of our Eliza Yates school and is a lovely active Christian. All the children are Christians.

Kia Yiung (*Prosperous Heroine*)

The third daughter of Pastor and Mrs. Wu, Mia Yiung (*Jar-I-o-ng*), married a university graduate. We are told that her children though quite small are able to recite much Scripture and are being brought up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.

Kyuh Yiung—(*Chrysanthemum Heroine*)

The fourth daughter, Kyuh Yiung (*Yoh I-o-ng*), often sought in marriage turned a deaf ear to all suitors because she wanted to take her mother's place

in the home, a place she is filling well as all the family love and look up to her as a substitute for their mother. She is very active in church work and is a deaconess.

Lan Yiung—(*Orchid Heroine*)

The fifth daughter, Mrs. Yu, unlike her sisters married a Presbyterian. But like them she is a good wife and mother. She has very decided ideas about bringing up her children and is making a success of it. She is also a missionary in that she never loses an opportunity to help other mothers who have not had her Christian opportunities.

Ming Yiung—(*Intelligent Heroine*)

The sixth daughter, Ming Yiung (*Ming I-o-ng*), was still single in 1927. She is the best educated of any of the children both boys and girls. She is an excellent speaker and is co-principal of the junior high school of her church.

Fok Yiung—(*Happiness Heroine*)

The seventh daughter, Fok Yiung (*Folk I-o-ng*), is married to a college graduate who is a Baptist preacher. Her name, Fok Yiung, means "happiness heroine". She has had three great sorrows in the death of three of her children yet has lived true to her name. Soon after the death of her own baby boy she said to her missionary friend, "We are trying to act like David when he lost his child. We have wiped away our tears knowing that while our child cannot come back to us we can go to him".

Dzen Yiung—(*Virtuous Heroine*)

The eighth and youngest daughter, Dzen Yiung (*Djen I-o-ng*), is a graduate of the girl's high school, is a good musician and plays for the church services. She is also a teacher in her church school.

Eight daughters in one Chinese family and each a blessing to the world. Is it any wonder they are called the "eight Beatitudes" or the "eight happinesses" of the old North Gate Church?

But we are sure you want to know something of the two sons of Pastor and Mrs. Wu, Ting Sung (*Ding Soong*) and Ping Sung (*Bing Soong*). Both are

prominent and successful business men and when their father was pastor of the church they would sometimes fill his pulpit for him. Both have given much money to the Lord's cause and it is expected that they will yet give much more. Faithful stewards all of them.*

BRAZIL'S "GRAND OLD MAN"

JOACHIM and Benjamin were twin brothers, sons of a devout Roman Catholic. When the boys were sixteen years of age their father sent them to the Catholic seminary to be prepared for the priesthood. Joachim studied well but when in his church history he learned of the terrible persecutions the Catholics had inflicted upon devout Christians in what is known as the "Inquisition" he gave up the priesthood because in his heart he believed in *physical, political and spiritual* liberty. Returning home he persuaded his father to let him study medicine. After graduation instead of settling in some one of the cities he returned to his beloved home in Corrente in the state of Piahy (*Pea-a-we*) to practice. There he founded the first society for the emancipation of slaves and proved his sincerity by freeing all the slaves on his own property.

Believing in political freedom he was anxious for a republican form of government for Brazil. Brazil at that time was a monarchy. At one time Dr. Paranagua (*Pa-ran-argwar*) was vice governor of his province and when the governor was called to Rio de Janeiro he served as governor.—When the glad tidings reached Corrente (*Co-rent-e*) that Brazil had been changed from a monarchy to a republic Dr. Paranagua rode all through the country on relay mounts spreading the joyful news. There were no telegraphs then. He was chosen as a member of the congress which framed the constitution of Brazil and was an intimate friend of Dr. Lima who was the one most influential in bringing about the separation of church

*The above were the facts concerning the Wu family in 1927.

and state. Dr. Lima said that it was the reading of the Bible that led him to take the stand he did.

When our missionary Mr. E. A. Jackson was conducting a series of meetings in Dr. Paranagua's home state he was a guest in the doctor's home. Just before leaving Mr. Jackson at the request of his host had a Bible reading with him on the subject of baptism which later resulted in the conversion of both Dr. Paranagua and his wife. At once he became a flaming evangelist preaching Jesus so earnestly and effectively that attempts were made to kill him. When he heard that his missionary was expected home from the National Convention he and his family went on horseback about seventy-five miles and waited twelve days for the missionary—the only one in all that section—that they might be baptized. Dr. Paranagua and his wife later went on to Rio de Janeiro where they united with the First Baptist Church. There Mrs. Paranagua became a leader among the women and the doctor was ordained a deacon.

He had the joy of seeing all his children converted and become members of the church. In season and out of season he told the story of the Gospel to all with whom he came in contact, from the president to the peddler, from the congressmen and senators to the farmers and cowboys. Always he was ready to answer the call of suffering and wherever there was need gave his medical services for nothing. He wrote a number of very helpful books and in his latter years made great sacrifices to help establish and maintain the "Corrente Industrial Institute".

Dr. Paranagua was once heard to say that from the little town of Corrente, hidden off in the mountains of the southwestern part of the state of Piahy, there started three mighty movements, two of which rapidly swept over the whole state, that is, the movements for the freedom of the slaves and for political freedom. The third, the one for spiritual freedom through Baptist prin-

ciple, was in a fair way, said he, to do the same.

This hero of the faith, Brazil's "Grand Old Man", has been called up higher and the spirit of the missionary who baptized him found its way to God from his watery grave in the Atlantic but today we may well think of them as looking over the ramparts of heaven rejoicing as they see "spiritual freedom through Baptist principles" continuing to make headway in Brazil.

MAXIMINO FERNANDEZ

MAXIMINO Fernandez (*Max-e-me-no Fer-nan-days*) of Argentina at one time did not believe in young people's work and would not attend their meetings though a young man himself. After he had become a minister he said in a convention that he did not believe in young people's societies and that he had no confidence in any young man. Mr. J. L. Hart who was his missionary friend invited him to his home for dinner that evening. In talking over the meeting Mr. Hart asked Fernandez why he had made such a statement and then added quickly—"If Mrs. Hart and I had not had confidence in one young man I wonder where he would be today?" The color surged into Maximino's face for he was thus reminded of the day Mr. Hart had found him sitting in the *patio* of a tenement house reading the New Testament to a group of people who had gathered round and were eagerly listening. Later when Mr. Hart went to see him and asked him if he would like to be a preacher Maximino with tears in his eyes had said, "Yes, I would rather tell people about Jesus than do anything on earth, but I am a poor ignorant workman. How can I stand before the people and preach?" "Never mind", said Mr. Hart, "you come to our home, we'll give you a chance". Mr. and Mrs. Hart took this ignorant young man into their

home, gave him his board and clothing and gave him his chance.

For five years he worked with Mr. and Mrs. Hart. After his marriage to a cultured woman who was a real companion and helpmate he moved to another city where he built up a strong church. Next he was asked to open the Baptist work for the Argentine Convention in Paraguay. There he succeeded in planting a church in the capital and in opening mission stations in other parts of the country.

The work was difficult and the climate hard on Mrs. Fernandez. Because of her health they felt they must leave Paraguay (*Pair-a-gwi*). In the meantime Mr. and Mrs. Hart had answered the call of their hearts to help in the work in Chile and had gone to that country. Consequently Fernandez asked to be transferred to Chile to be near the friends who had meant so much to him. The request was granted and he with his wife were sent to Valdivia, Chile, where they have done a splendid work.

"Although a large man Fernandez", says Mr. Hart, "is as gentle as a woman and as simple and confiding as a child. But he is also courageous and fearless. This boldness has brought him many experiences. Often he has received kettles of hot water, chairs and even daggers for his pains, but he always went back and usually with the result that they listened next time". He is a great soul winner and needless to say has come to have faith in the sincerity of young people and is helping many to observe the things whatsoever Christ commanded — Go — baptize — preach — teach is a command thousands of natives on our foreign fields have heard and are proving themselves faithful to the stewardship committed unto them. All that Jesus asks of any of us is that we be faithful wherever we may be placed or whatever our opportunities may be and so may the Kingdom of God be advanced.

QUESTIONS

- 1—Have you any in your society or church who show by their lives if not by their words that they do not believe in foreign missions?

- 2—What are you doing to try to win them to a recognition of their stewardship of the Gospel?
- 3—Who was Agbebi? Tell something of his work.
- 4—Name some things in the life of Nathaniel D. Oyerinde which show that he is a fine character and is of value to the mission work in Africa.
- 5—What makes it so difficult for a person in a non-Christian home in China to become a Christian?
- 6—Who was Pastor Wu and what was his work?
- 7—Aside from Pastor Wu's service in his church what else proves his and his wife's sincerity and strength as Christians?
- 8—Name three great beliefs that influenced the whole life of Dr. Paranagua, the "Grand Old Man" of Brazil.
- 9—How did he prove his beliefs?
- 10—Tell the life story of Maximino Fernandez.
- 11—Contrast the work and opportunities of Dr. Paranagua and Fernandez.
- 12—In what respect were all these persons discussed in this program great?

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BIBLE STUDY

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to call upon the Heavenly Father for continued mercies. He knew that some would cry against Him and the things which He taught. In short He knew that so long as time endured there would be some who were wise and some who were foolish. He foresaw that human nature would remain the same; and that it was only by His cleansing power that these hearts of ours could be changed in any way. And so, with a yearning that all might understand and choose wisdom, He spoke to them of the time when He would come. For the wise—what a great day that will be! Later He sent word to us by John on Patmos that every one who loved His coming should be blessed. For the wise it will be time to shout, "Hallelujah, Christ returneth. Hallelujah, Amen!"

Contrast the despair of the foolish! The light is bright within. The sound of mirth and gladness fills the air. How expectantly the foolish virgins wait outside! How sorry they are that their lamps have burned out! They sing,

"Have we not heard the bridegroom is so sweet?
O let us in, tho' late, to kiss His feet!"

But the answer comes from within, "No, no, too late! ye cannot enter now".

Yet There Remaineth Time to

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OUR YOUNG PEOPLE



Miss Juliette Mather, W.M.U. Young People's Secretary
(On Leave of Absence)

For You Counselors—WHEN VACATION TIME COMES



How many times during the past months as you were reading your W.M.U. literature and planning for your Y.W.A. or G.A. have you said, "The girls could do that very thing but they are in school and do not have time"? Why not gather up these unattempted activities and put them into action during this season?

When we think of vacations we think of picnics; it's a happy time when the girls take their lunches, spend the day in the country and as they return home stop by a neighboring church and organize a Y.W.A., G.A., R.A. or Sunbeam Band. New organizations are easily formed when picnics and God's out-of-doors are combined.

To be an ideal counselor one needs really to know those she counsels. This opportunity is afforded if you can accompany them to summer assemblies and on associational camps. Here you really become acquainted with the girls, every phase of Y.W.A. work is stressed and best of all the girls are shown and enjoy the right kind of a good time.

The summer season, when the college girls are at home, is the time when the Y.W.A.'s. should be very active, with never a summer slump. Many principles learned by these girls in College Y.W.A.'s. should be put into practice; much depends upon the wisdom of the counselor in assigning these various activities both to the college girls and to those who stay at home.

Some girls love to have their own flower gardens and so a flower basket on their church's pulpit marked with the organization name should always be kept full of the loveliest of blooms. In the rural districts some would be interested in beautifying their church grounds

and many churches truly need this.

The inmates of county institutions always enjoy religious services but especially in the summer because these services can be held out-of-doors. Oftentimes a special program is not necessary, just the regular program with an occasional treat for the inmates.

No doubt some girls and some older R.A.'s. will be making the first money of their own so stewardship and tithing should be stressed, the counselor being very sure that she sets the right example in this direction.

Can you think of a more beautiful service than for a Y.W.A. girl who has been a helper or teacher in a Daily Vacation Bible School in her own church to go to the mountains and help some weak, struggling church to have a D.V.B.S.? This is one of the ripest fields in which to carry out the Y.W.A. watchword, Dan. 12:3.

Here's something every one can do and every Sunday school can furnish the material. Gather up the unused Sunday school papers in each department of the Sunday school and take these with you on all motor trips. Scatter these freely as you motor through rural sections, small towns and villages.

Then, too, summer is an ideal time for mission study, if enough time and energy are put into it. What young person will not enjoy study outdoors?

O, counselors, you will be responsible to God for the time which this vacation period places at your disposal, so, forget the failures of the past, launch out into the deep as never before. Urge the girls and boys not to spend their time idly nor give the emphasis to the shallow, flitting things of life by leading them into lovely, wholesome, worth-while, God-honoring activities.—Mrs. Eureka Whiteker, Kentucky

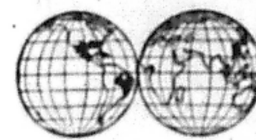


COLLEGE Y. W. A.



Miss Juliette Mather, W.M.U. Young People's Secretary
(On Leave of Absence)

NEGLECT NOT the NURSE



Our hospitals are little worlds. In them is heard the cry of the newborn babe, also the sobs of those who have watched the spirit of a loved one pass into the beyond. From one room comes the moan of suffering and from another the laugh of happiness from the convalescent. In one door comes a stretcher with its burden followed by a group of anxious friends. Going out another door is a smiling group supporting on either side one of the happiest persons in the whole world, a patient recovered sufficiently to go home.

In and out among the people of this hospital world, move the white-capped nurses with their sweet, young faces. For eight hours of each day, they minister to the sick and suffering. When the halls are darkened and the quiet of the night settles down upon the hospital other nurses are on duty, for twelve hours this time. Seeing their youth and realizing how strenuous is the life of a student in a training school for nurses, the thought comes, "Why do young women ever enroll in such a school?" However before that thought passes, comes another, "But what a blessing to humanity is the trained nurse!" For—

"To be a nurse is to walk with God
Along the path that our Master trod,
To soothe the achings of human pain;
To faithfully serve for little gain,
To lovingly do the kindly deed,—
A cup of water to one in need,
A tender hand on a fevered brow,—
Oh, white-capped girls with hearts so true
Our Great Physician's working through you."

As they serve others, what can the women of the W.M.S. do to give to their lives the cheer of heart which comes from knowing that there are those who appreciate the work being done?

I know of one group of women, who after consultation with the superintendent of nurses, gave a party for the nurses. Another party will be arranged later on for the students who did not get to attend the first party.

Another treat given a group of the nurses was a drive in the city or out into the country. The majority of the students are strangers in the city, and have few opportunities for such an outing.

While hospitals serve good, nourishing meals, the student nurse craves home food and home cooking. One group of women tries to invite each nurse to dinner in a home sometime during the calendar year. This expression of friendly interest means much to the nurse girl away from home. This is not always convenient but where it is possible, it will give you an opportunity to know the students and to be helpful to them.

But, you ask, if we do not live in the city where the hospital is located, what can we do to bring sunshine to the nurses? Why not make a few extra jars of jelly, preserves, or pickles and label them, "For the nurses"? A box of home made cookies, cake, and candy would be a most acceptable way of expressing to these young women your interest in them. It would warm their hearts, and encourage them to carry on.

His words, His deeds, His prayers were all for the benefit of others. To pray for others is often the truest form

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THE COURSE in CHURCH HISTORY

By Dr. F. M. Powell, Professor of Church History at
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The primary aim of this course is to provide a concise but comprehensive view of the history of the church as a whole. We believe it is of prime importance to offer one class which will give a progressive and connected picture of the entire field, not only as a background for further study, but also as equipment for practical Christian service. Here we seek to trace the history of the churches through the various ages and stages. To do this, we study those great formative characters who have lived and wrought, both as friend and foe, in all the years of Christian history.

We endeavor to face the history of the church, not only in relation to all history, but especially, with reference to the facts as they have been and are, without resorting to our preferences and desires. In this way it is really historical study,—in which we try to cultivate the historical attitude and method. Christianity, as represented in the churches, has taken many directions in its long and interesting career. Much has been done under the name "Christian" that has had little relation to Christ. There have been many "exotic growths" even when the aim and ideal were Christian.

There is scarcely a phase of Christian training that does not come within the scope of Church History. The church has formed such a vital and interesting part of all history, that one cannot afford to neglect its study. While not all the facts are pleasant ones, yet these, with all other facts, we seek to verify and interpret. Economics, Education, Sociology, Preaching, Missions, Theol-

ogy etc., have their fullest meaning in the light of Church History.

The work for a given year divides itself, naturally and conveniently, into four sections or periods. These are studied respectively in the four quarters of the school year.

Early Christianity. After a brief survey of the Graeco-Roman world, we briefly review the life of Christ, the Apostolic age and the lives and the period of the "Fathers". Christianity is then traced through its conflict with Paganism, through the long and varied persecutions and, with its increasing changes, until it becomes a state religion. This is followed by the period of imposing councils, which not only define doctrine but punish dissent. The east and the west gradually grow apart, and at the same time, the Roman Catholic Church slowly emerges upon the ruins of the ancient empire.

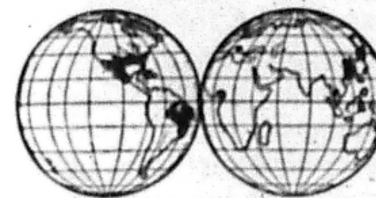
The Middle Ages. The east is marked by its Persian wars, Mohammedan conquests, and persecution of heresy. The west, thus left to itself, completes the formation of the Roman Catholic Church, and inaugurates a new empire under Charles the Great. There are many gleams of light throughout the "Dark Ages" as evangelical sects protest against the increasing sacerdotalism. Great universities rise up to promote scholasticism. The east and the west have their final schism, and this is followed by the fall of the Eastern Empire.

The reformation era, ushered in by the Renaissance, forms one of the most attractive periods of Church History. Not only do we study the various countries and leaders of the Reformation, but

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Chairman: Mrs. Frank Burney, Waynesboro, Ga.

"GREATEST THING to MISSIONARIES' CHILDREN"



Mrs. Howard Gilmer, Virginia chairman, has enjoyed the privilege of mothering ten of the Margaret Fund students this year. She writes as follows: Our women, throughout the state, are prompt and generous to respond to every appeal for our Margaret Fund work. This is not surprising when we consider the fine type of young people who are the objects of their prayers and generosity. The fact that they are committed to us by our missionaries emphasizes our responsibility and our duty toward them. I could fill pages telling you of what Virginia means to these students but I want at least two of these students to speak to you themselves.

Ben Sowell graduated last year at the University of Richmond and is teaching now at Fork Union. His sister, Annie, is at Intermont. He writes in appreciation: "This school is my alma mater, which has given me a special pleasure in being associated with it once more. I am learning more now than I did at college. But if it had not been for the Margaret Fund I am sure I would not have had this opportunity so soon. The Margaret Fund has made it possible for me to go four consecutive years to school, which might otherwise have been indefinitely drawn out. All my own earning powers, my dad's and the school's combined did not help me as much as did the Margaret Fund. I am sure that both my brother, Maurice, and myself will always feel keenly grateful to the people that have made it possible".

From Annie comes the good news: "I have attended school at Virginia Intermont College for five years. The Mar-

garet Fund has made this possible. What I should have done without the Margaret Fund is a mystery to me. There was no appropriate high school for me to attend in Argentina. I have done nearly all my high school work at Intermont, finishing the course in 1928. I took advantage of the wonderful music department in the school and graduated in piano last year. I never could have had such splendid piano instruction in Argentina. This year I graduated in the junior college course of literaries. I have enjoyed every year of my school life so far; in fact, each year has been better than the last. I have learned far more things than books and have experienced the real joy of studying, too. The school stands for a lot. I am glad that I have used the Margaret Fund for my education at Intermont. It has been a great blessing to be a Margaret Fund Intermont student. I cannot say enough in appreciation of the *Margaret Fund*, of what it has meant to me as well as to my brother, but I know that it is the *greatest-thing* that has ever happened to *missionaries' children*, and we thank God for it".

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Through the Margaret Fund the Margarets of the south are to be memorialized. Did you read the article in July ROYAL SERVICE describing the plan? Any Margaret's name will be enrolled in the Margaret Fund's Book of Remembrance upon payment of \$2.00, one dollar in honor of the person named and one dollar in honor of the Margaret Memorial. Of course more than \$2.00 will be gladly received,—that is only the minimum. The plan for sending in such money is to forward the names and the gifts to your state Margaret Fund chairman. She will see that the money and the names reach the proper places.



PERSONAL SERVICE



Southwide Personal Service Chairman: Mrs. Una Roberts Lawrence

A PROVEN PLAN



One Sunday evening in November, 1928, I took part in a City-Wide Rally of Negro B.P.Y.U. and G.A. boys and girls. Its aim was to interest them in the missionary work of the church. The program began at 6:30 and extended through the church hour. Each of the fifteen organizations represented had been invited to furnish a musical number, so it was late before I was introduced to speak, then the pastor of the church was presented and made lengthy remarks. Some prominent visitors were introduced and the program continued until a late hour. Before its close I found myself longing to help these people; many times afterward as I knelt at the throne of grace I prayed for these colored neighbors and asked God to use me to help them.

Presiding over this gathering was an enthusiastic little Negro woman, Bettie Withers by name, who does field work among women and young people. A few months later I found myself standing beside this same little woman, in a crowded street car, and recognizing her, I asked how the G.A. and R.A. work was progressing. In the course of conversation that followed she told me how earnestly she desired to have a training school "just like the white people have", in which would be taught methods of missionary work. She said her people were willing to do, but did not know how. She was anxious to have a Daily Vacation Bible School also and wanted to get some trained workers ready for the following summer months. I gave her my address and set a time for her to call on me. The result was that she had a School of Missions and Daily Vacation Bible School training classes in March, 1929. "Why and How of

W. M. U." was taught for the women in the Missionary Society and "Telling You How" for young people's leaders. Two classes were also taught in Daily Vacation Bible School methods. These classes were taught by interested white friends in Louisville.

The sessions stretched over a period from 11 A.M. to 9 P.M. or later. There were no printed programs for there was no money with which to buy them. Every one who registered at the door was asked what she had to donate. The women of one society had a bazaar in connection with the school. Everything was most informal. Pastors of churches and all kinds of visitors were brought forward and given an opportunity to say whatever was on their heart. Our audience changed daily and many who attended the school regularly, sat in a different class each day, much to the distraction of the teachers. Few stood examinations. We had an average attendance of 105.

Ere the close of the week I realized that I had failed to consider, when assisting with the planning of the week's program, that those people had never had a training school before and didn't grasp the importance of sticking to a schedule, when using busy people as teachers.

They were grateful indeed for the help given them and could not say enough by way of appreciation.

Some months later I was requested to teach the book on Methods at another church, one chapter each evening for a week. It was easy to secure teachers, one for each chapter, and nine seals were awarded. The following January brought a similar request and on the same day Bettie Withers came to see me about another city-wide

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STEWARDSHIP SUGGESTIONS



Southwide Stewardship Chairman: Mrs. G. R. Martin, Virginia

PERENNIAL PROFITS



If, according to a conservative estimate, giving is already reckoned as one of America's leading industries, certainly we are compelled to believe that much of it is also prodigal waste. And when we remember that in many respects, the balance of money-power today is in the hands of women,—they having control of 41 per cent of the wealth of this nation; paying in personal taxes on 3 billion dollars annual incomes and comprising the actual majority stockholders in the largest corporations of the country,—surely the Woman's Missionary Union has never had a better opportunity than in study classes to present to groups of young business girls and women in every church the various phases of a denominational program which would lead them to make an intelligent financial investment in an enterprise netting such large returns. The joy of such an inspirational study would lie in the development in Stewardship of the believer who is the unit of activity in every strategic situation; and the stressing of the fact that the Kingdom interests

within themselves are worthy of the solicitation of gifts for their support. I presume we often make the mistake of using a *detached program*—separation of finances from subject-matter. Primarily, the force which makes for the establishment of the Kingdom of the Lord Jesus is spiritual, but money is the lubrication which takes the squeak out of the wheels of Zion. Competent, consecrated business teachers should be found for such classes.

No richer illustration of a wise investment could possibly be had than in the tribute of Miss Kathleen Mallory, beloved corresponding secretary of the Woman's Missionary Union, given at the recent session of that organization in New Orleans. Miss Mallory tenderly referred to her father's foresight in the placement years before of a sum of money the earnings of which made possible her contemplated trip to South America this summer. "Business in Religion" is not a poor slogan,—if the business is of that type which will help us to profit spiritually from amounts given for stated causes. And, "until we can realize our ideal, let us idealize the real".—Daisy Nichols, Oklahoma

CHIEF AIMS of WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

1—PRAYER—*Individual and United*

2—STUDY

- (1) *Missionary Message of the Bible*
- (2) *World Missions*

3—PERSONAL SERVICE—*Directed and Individual*

- (1) *Enlistment*
- (2) *Soul-Winning*
- (3) *Methods*

4—MISSIONARY EDUCATION of YOUNG PEOPLE

5—STEWARDSHIP of POSSESSIONS

- (1) *Tithes*
- (2) *Offerings*





MISSION STUDY DEPARTMENT



Jehovah God, reasoning with the prophet Isaiah concerning the social and moral disorder of Israel, said, "Therefore my people are gone into captivity, because they have no knowledge: and their honorable men are famished, and their multitude dried up with thirst".

What does this mean to spiritual Israel? The answer is: Without knowledge of world-wide needs and desire for missions—the inter-dependency of nation on nation for the climax of Christianity, the bringing in of the Kingdom—we are captives to indifference and uninterested in the cause.

The fundamental idea in studying missions is to inculcate in the mind of the student the world's need of an uplifting Gospel. Applying the principles of text-books to humanity's need, we are not famishing for a truth nor thirsting for an act of service. But we find the truth of souls unborn, of denominational exigency, of co-operation between those "that go out to battle and those who tarry by the baggage".

Knowledge gives impulse to duty and responsibility, hence the study of missions gives one the impetus to fulfill duty. The vista of the unknown is opened and understanding for Christian activities becomes clearer, making real our investment of time, talent and money.

A better discernment of races and creeds is obtained, so much so that a deeper responsibility to the Great Commission is realized, as is also the magnitude of the task.

The mission study class solves the problem for intensive missionary education and trains leaders for effective methods of work.

A. J. Brown says: "The systematic study of missions is one of the most promising signs of the time, a study

class should prove a powerhouse for all sorts of missionary effort".

Enlarge thy vision—spare not thy talent—lengthen thy zeal—strengthen thy faith through mission study.—*Mrs. C. F. Creal, Kentucky*

KNOWING and DOING

THE only task Christ left for His disciples was to win others for His kingdom and the Master's dependence upon His followers for bringing in His kingdom is illustrated by an early Christian legend.

It is related that after Jesus had given the commission, "Go ye", the angel Gabriel came to Him and said "Suppose these disciples fail you and do not carry the Gospel to the uttermost parts of the earth, what then will you do? What other plan have you?" Jesus replied: "I have no other plan; the coming of My kingdom depends upon the faithful witness of those who know and love Me".

What a real responsibility is ours,—for Christians of today are commissioned to witness the same as these early Christians. However, before one can do her best for the Master there must be a knowledge of the kinds and fields of service, so information is essential. In our W.M.U. work mission study then should be the most important place of our endeavors for by lifting our eyes and looking on the fields we learn of the conditions and needs found there; also of the preaching, teaching and healing for Jesus' sake. A study of missions brings one in contact with great unselfish souls, thus inspiring one to be less selfish.

To learn about missions and help make Christianity real is a task big enough to enlist all Christian women, yet many are unenlisted because they do not know the full meaning of "Go ye". Neither has "Study to show thy-

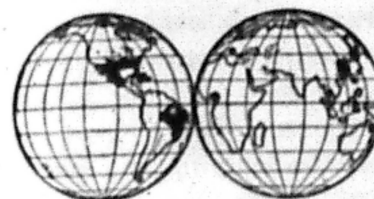
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SOCIETY METHODS



STUDY, PLAN, WORK



"The more one puts into a thing, the more she gets out of it", applies to the Woman's Missionary Society as well as to other organizations. So often we hear the criticism, "We are not doing anything in our society", and each time the same cause will be found, there is no thought or effort put into the plans.

The first requisite for a live organization is a group of officers who know what to do and how to do it or who are ready and willing to find out. All these are within reach of everyone in the W.M.U. Manual, The How and Why of W.M.U., Union Year Book and ROYAL SERVICE. So there must be study.

Since the responsibility of the success or failure of the society depends upon the officers of the society and the circles, then upon them rests the responsibility of planning definitely every meeting and every undertaking. The more time given to the plans the greater will be the success. A president knowing her society was falling behind in its apportionment planned to have a "Dollar Shower". A special program was arranged and each circle set to work to have a worthy part in the meeting. One circle pinned a dollar from each member on a long cord, had it carried forward by three little girls, who quoted verses on giving, sang "Bring Ye All the Tithes" and as one gave the Great Commission they twined the string of dollars around a globe. An indifferent member of that circle followed her dollar to the church and was so impressed by the program, she resolved not to be guilty of such neglect again. So to make it interesting there must be a plan.

Even the best plans however will not work themselves. How can we increase our membership? *Work.* How can we make our attendance larger? *Work.* How can we meet our apportionment? *Work.* How can we reach the Standard? *Work.* In fact, prayerful, persistent, planned work will solve all our problems.—*Mrs. C. C. Bennett, Alabama*

MAKING ORGANIZED IDEALISM FUNCTION in a W.M.S.

I have often been asked if I think it possible for a small society to reach the ideals formulated by W.M.U. specialists, and I always answer "Yes", for I have seen it accomplished. Since space is limited I want to tell you in outline how I have been able to meet with success in accomplishing my subject.

The secret in organizing and fostering a W.M.S. so that these ideals may be reached lies in placing responsibilities. Select some woman who believes in the work and who has the ability to make others believe in it, to present the work to the women of the community in a body. Form a roll, from those present and select a Nominating Committee to prayerfully and carefully nominate the officers and committee chairmen. When these are elected by the newly formed society the chairman should at once select two helpers, each, for their committees.

Each officer and chairman should outline plans for her year's work before the society and should be called upon once each month to show wherein she has succeeded or failed. The chairman of the Personal Service Committee should get a report each week.

Failure often comes from trying to make the W.M.S. a money-making organization. Teach God's plan of stewardship and begin at once a class in mission study or Bible study, or both,

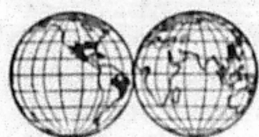
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ORGANIZING—FOSTERING



ORGANIZATION of SOCIETIES



In thinking of this phase of our W.M.U. work we may paraphrase Romans 10:14 to read "and how shall they be organized unless we go and show them".

Our method has met with hearty response and co-operation. First we wrote the pastors of the churches where there were no W.M.S. telling them of the work, and asking for the names and addresses of some of the influential women. With this information in hand we wrote to these women, asking if we might come and talk to them about organizing a W.M.S. The time usually selected for such a conference, in the rural sections, was the Sunday they had preaching, for then the women are present in a large majority.

With this arrangement we would go taking two or three other women with us, and present the work of the W.M.S. to them; telling them for what it stands, the work of missions, and the details of organizations.

We have an election of officers then and there, getting a list of names of women who will join, supplying them with literature and making definite plans for their future meeting.

When such an organization exists for the work it will do, important as that is, it also becomes the "mother" organization of that church. Immediately other groups are started—Y.W.A., R.A., G.A., and Sunbeams. Leaders for these are drawn from the mother organization, and since most of our Sunday schools are graded it is easy to get these groups together and we then have a W.M.U. family.

The favorite time of meeting in the rural churches is after Sunday school, when there is no preaching.

In conclusion may I give a personal experience. A co-worker and I were

invited to visit a W.M.S. There was no definite arrangement except as to time and place. We were simply asked to come. I knew they had no young people's organizations. That morning I asked the Lord to lead us and guide us in what we were to do that afternoon. My prayer was answered. The response was wonderful, we organized four auxiliaries. This proved to me that prayer is the *greatest* factor in the organization of societies.—*Mrs. J. M. Whitted, North Carolina*

FOSTERING

"OUR new Missionary Society is dead! What can we do about it?"

Suppose we hold an inquest to determine the cause of this untimely death. In the first place, let us investigate the circumstances surrounding the birth of this new rural society. Every child has the right to be well born; was this child of the W.M.U. thus favored? Were the mothers properly informed and interested; and were the most careful preparations made beforehand to insure the life of this young society?

Next, we would question the doctor, (pastor) as to his responsibility for the infant's death. Perhaps he was not consulted; or his services may have been earnestly sought, but he had more important patients and no time for this little one.

There is still another at the inquest who possibly was a party to the child's death—the nurse, who had promised to foster it. Was she on the job, or did she leave her little charge in inexperienced hands without even so much as a tract on the care and the feeding of infants?

Even a weak child may blossom into promising youth under the ministrations of a nurse who knows the prescribed food, how to make it palatable to the taste of the young, and realizes too, the effect of a joyful, happy atmosphere

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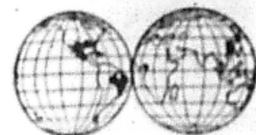


BOOK REVIEWS



Mrs. Julian P. Thomas, Virginia

INDIA LOOKS to HER FUTURE



Present conditions in India make any book on that country of mysterious charm interesting. Especially helpful to the understanding of the situation is "India Looks to Her Future", by Oscar MacMillan Buck, Professor of Missions and Comparative Religion, Drew Theological Seminary. Born in India, and spending years of his life there, the author tries to interpret for us the many conflicting elements that will go into the making of the India now developing.

He looks at both sides in the struggle of India to obtain complete independence from Great Britain, and sees the enormous difficulties in the way of a just settlement. We realize from his description of the divisions of nationalities, of religions, of caste, the almost superhuman task of welding together all these different elements into a nation capable of self-rule.

The author's account of the religions of India, the Moslem and the Hindu with their variations, is exceptionally full and informing. We learn to sympathize, and almost to agree with the Indian nationalist that while the western world may be superior in material things, the Hindu has the advantage spiritually. Hindus all over India say of Jesus, "We shall interpret Him", and that is what Ghandi is doing. Hindus take literally the Sermon on the Mount, and Ghandi says, "If I had to face only the Sermon on the Mount and my own interpretation of it, I should not hesitate to say, 'I am a Christian'".

The book closes with the question of how India will get the complete picture of Christ, whether through institutions, educational or otherwise, or through the churches or literature or what. Will the missionaries be able to give it, or is

it to be by the lives of the Christian Indians?

He thinks that India's freedom is bound up with the knowledge of Christ.

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A CLOUD of WITNESSES

THE Central Committee on the United Study of Foreign Missions publishes this year for study "A Cloud of Witnesses", written by Elsie Singmaster, a well-known writer of popular fiction. She has brought to the stories of these women "witnesses" in foreign lands, the charm of her style, and her deep interest in those who have given their lives in the spread of the gospel.

Beginning with Bible women and women evangelists, she takes each class, teachers, physicians and nurses, women in social and welfare work, pastors' wives etc., and shows how an ever increasing number are evangelizing their own people.

Miss Singmaster believes that the Christianizing of the nations must be done, not by the missionary, however fine his work, but by the natives themselves; that there must not be an English Christian church for the Indians, nor an American Christian church for the Japanese, but each nation must have a Christianity nurtured by its natives.

The author tells these stories believing that always the human mind, young or old, enjoys a story, and that these show the growing success of the Christian appeal in non-Christian countries. Some of the stories are of inconspicuous lives, and some of women well-known to the world, but all are true.

The account of how Dr. Paru of South India became a successful physician doing a wonderful work for Christianity, the extraordinary vicissitudes in the life of Madame Yajima of

Japan, baptized at forty-five, first teacher, then Y.W.C.A. head, then the organizer of a rescue home for girls, and finally the bearer of a petition to the president of the United States for the limitation of armaments, and other thrilling stories of the success of native women in bringing in the kingdom, give us a glimpse of the ongoing of woman's work for humanity and for God.

The book is dedicated to Katherine Scherer Cronk, whose noble life has left us a legacy of incomparable worth.

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THE DESIRE of ALL NATIONS

IT is the custom of this page to review recent books only, but an exception is made in favor of "The Desire of All Nations", by Dr. Egbert W. Smith, Executive Secretary of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S.

This review is for the purpose of urging all missionary societies that have not already used the book in mission study to do so.

A true Presbyterian, Dr. Smith exalts the Bible, and shows how in many churches and Sunday schools the missionary implications of the Bible have been overlooked.

COLLEGE Y.W.A.

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of service. How many of you pray regularly for our nurses in training? Tired of body but eager of spirit, loving fun and seeking it, they need your prayers and the challenge of high ideals such as the Grace McBride Y.W.A. offers to keep them loyal to the best Christian principles, and true to the highest standards of Christian womanhood.—Sallie Priest, Kentucky

TRAINING SCHOOL

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also its general influence, doctrines, compromises, wars, results etc.

In the fourth quarter is studied the many-sided development of Christianity

Rarely have we been made to see so clearly that the Bible is from beginning to end the story of missions, missions to all the people—foreign missions. From God's promise to Abraham, "In thee shall all the families of the earth be blessed", over and over is the promise repeated, until at last the Savior gives His final command "Go ye into all the world—to every creature".

The author's discussion of missions is very thorough. Beginning with "The Bible and Missions", he goes on to the preacher and missions, the church and missions, the Sunday school and missions; then giving to missions, and finally the criticism of mission work.

In this last chapter each of the usual arguments against missions is given and refuted, and a number of quotations presented from notable persons, either not interested in missions or opposed to them, in proof of the value of the work of missionaries.

The style of the book is so simple yet so delightful, the illustrations so apt and convincing, that it holds the interest from beginning to end. Presenting most attractively the mission cause, it makes a fine foundation study for W. M. S. and Y. W. A.

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from the "Peace of Westphalia" to the present time. As time allows, we study the rise and growth of the great denominations in their doctrinal, educational and missionary aspects. Every effort is made to provoke independent investigation and thought, but always under sympathetic guidance and direction.

SOCIETY METHODS

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and money will not be lacking in God's treasury. The material in ROYAL SERVICE should be abundantly used, also Home and Foreign Fields, for programs, and attempts should be made to put these periodicals into every woman's home so that ignorance might be no excuse for failure.—Mrs. C. E. Almond, Mississippi

CURRENT MISSIONARY EVENTS

Discussed by Mrs. W. C. James



President Herman Liu of Shanghai College reports for the spring term 515 students in the college, 414 in the middle schools, 74 in the elementary school and kindergarten and over 600 in their social center. The college has the largest percentage of Christian students among the institutions of higher learning in China. Among them there are 25 Bible classes with 250 enrolled. Recently there were six on the campus baptized.

The Brazilian Baptist Convention, the Baptist Association of Porto Rico and the Nigerian Baptist Convention in Africa are now members of the Baptist World Alliance.

Following is the translation of a notice appearing in a Turkish newspaper: "The National Association for the Protection of Children is preparing two laws to submit to the grand assembly this year: (1) No child below the age of 18 shall be allowed to buy liquor or cigarettes; (2) No child below the age of 15 shall be allowed to attend motion pictures". It is stated that the principal object of the second law is to protect the children from American-made movies. Think of it—the "infidel" aroused to protect his children's morals against the product of a Christian land.

Through arrangements made with the United States Lighthouse Service at Washington, the New York Bible Society has just sent hundreds of Bibles to lighthouses and light ships along the coast.

The demand for Christian literature in China was never greater than now. The reports of the China Baptist Publication

Society of last year show that a tremendous lot of work had been done with far reaching results for the Kingdom, but Dr. Chambers reported that the society had not been able to publish new tracts in sufficient quantities owing to lack of funds. They are therefore asking the Chinese churches to make an offering of \$10,000 on Publication Society Day, which will be observed by the Baptist churches of China in October.

John W. Lowe writes that Mrs. Bryan tells him that the wives of the mayors of Nanking, Soochow and Shanghai were all "sweet girl graduates" of our Eliza Yates School for Girls. The wife of the mayor of Shanghai is a most faithful active member of the old North Gate Baptist Church.

The Kingdom of God movement in Japan has been formally launched now in 50 or more centers in the nation's life. From Kawazawa a Baptist pastor writes: "Mr. Kagawa spoke two hours and a half to the audience of 1200. The aisles were crowded, some sitting even a few feet from the speaker. One hundred and fifty gave signed decision cards. With those of the previous night that made 273 new decisions; and I think they were all really honest about it, because 18 assigned to my church were all found to be true decisions and nine of them are to be baptized next Sunday". (May 28 date)

The report comes from Cawnpore, India, that the late Queen Alexandra, mother of the present king of England, is being worshiped as a goddess by the Jains, a fanatical but wealthy sect of India. They have a figure of her set up in a special pavilion.

PERSONAL SERVICE (Concluded from Page 26)

school in March, 1930 and this time she wanted the Sunday school work added to it. We planned it to begin at two in the afternoon, with mission study classes followed by Daily Vacation Bible School methods, then supper served at 6:15 and the night session beginning at 7 P.M., with B.Y.P.U. classes and graded Sunday school work. Some of Kentucky's best teachers gave their time to conduct these classes. Again they begged for a class in "Why and How of W.M.U.". It seems that is what they are continually asking us,—the why of it and how to do it. The G.A.'s. studied "Pioneers of Good Will" and the Sunbeams "Stewardship Stories". Printed programs were donated by a white friend.

Remembering the difficulties with the schedule of the previous year, and mindful that we had secured busy people as teachers, I put aside engagements, postponed activities and planned to spend the five days with them as the first one there in the afternoon and the last one to leave at night. Assuming the role of time-keeper, I saw to it that no teacher had to wait a minute for her class and that she could go as soon as the period was over. Thus, at the close of the school the teachers said they would be glad to come again next year. Seventy-two seals were awarded,—a

very creditable increase over the previous year.

They need us,—they are continually crying out, "Tell us how". Let us not put off until tomorrow what may be done today to bridge the sea of prejudice that has sprung up in some Negro hearts because of our years of neglect.—Mrs. S. L. Durham, Kentucky

MISSION STUDY

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self approved unto God" come with power into their hearts.

"If we don't study, we don't know;
If we don't know, we don't care;
If we don't care, we don't give;
If we don't give, we don't help;
If we don't help, we don't save."

—Mrs. J. J. Alexander, Arkansas

ORGANIZING—FOSTERING

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upon the health of the child. Did the W.M.U. nurse use these methods to safeguard and develop this wee child of the W.M.U.?

Death is always sad; but may not our W.M.U. family learn from death itself some *methods of prevention* which will save many of our precious organizations from an untimely end.—Mrs. Wm. L. Ball, South Carolina

HE built a house; time laid it in the dust;
He wrote a book; its title was forgot;
He ruled a city but his name is not
On any tablet graven or where rust
Can gather from disuse on marble bust.
He took a child from out a wretched cot
Who on the state might have dishonor brought;
And reared him to the Christian hope and trust.
The boy to manhood grown became a light
To many souls and preached for human need
The wondrous love of the Omnipotent;
The work has multiplied like stars of night
When darkness deepens. Every noble deed
Lives longer than a granite monument."

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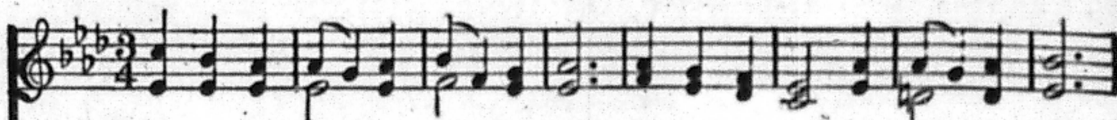
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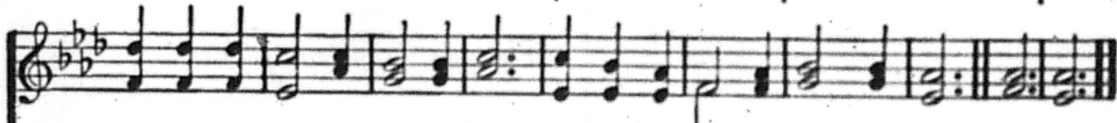
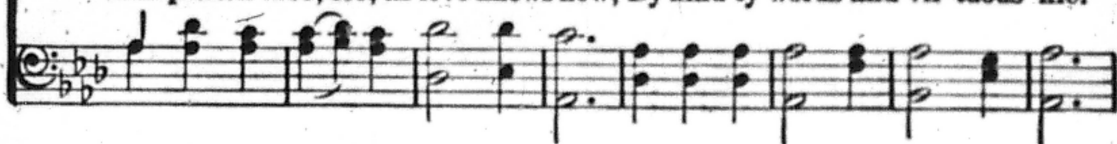
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1. Faith of our fa - thers! liv - ing still In spite of dun-geon, fire, and sword:
2. Our fa - thers, chained in pris-ons dark, Were still in heart and conscience free:
3. Faith of our fa - thers! we will love Both friend and foe in all our strife:



O how our hearts beat high with joy When-e'er we hear that glo-rious word!
How sweet would be their children's fate, If they, like them, could die for thee!
And preach thee, too, as love knows how, By kind-ly words and vir-tuous life:



Faith of our fa - thers! ho - ly faith! We will be true to thee till death!
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Faith of our fa - thers! ho - ly faith! We will be true to thee till death! A - MEN.



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