

Royal Service

W.M.U. WATCHWORD: Laborers together with God
—I Cor. 3:9

WATCHWORD for YEAR: Be ye steadfast.
—I Cor. 15:58

O GOD We pray Thee to revive
in us the hardy spirit of our forefathers
that we may establish and complete their work,
building on the basis of their democracy the firm
edifice of a co-operative commonwealth in which
both government and industry shall be of the
people, by the people and for the people. May
we who now live see the oncoming of the great day
of God, when all men shall stand side by side in
equal worth and real freedom, all toiling and all
reaping, masters of nature but brothers of men,
exultant in the tide of the common life and
jubilant in the adoration of Thee, the source of
their blessings and the Father of all. Amen

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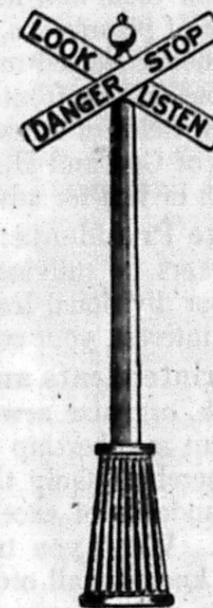
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Oct. —Your State and Mine Nov. —A New Day in an Old World
Dec. —"They Followed the Star"

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OCTOBER—Your State and Mine

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GROWING PAINS

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

Again October brings the anniversary of America's discovery, turning our thoughts to new fields of organizational activity. The enthusiastic worker, taking up the fall tasks, longs to become a Columbus in other realms. "Possess thou the west and the south", said Moses to a tribe in Israel. Such a command carried for them and for us new adventures, the bliss of action, the hope of possessions, the fulfillment of our Christian destiny. We are not redeemed to sit idly down but to pioneer, to face the hardships of new frontiers. The Christian must ever seek to enter new fields of knowledge, of experience, of service, new conceptions of God and His work. Look to the west of you and to the south of you for adventures.



State Presidents: Keep in touch with your state work and workers by rallying messages in your state paper, by personal messages, through your divisional leaders and state office. These co-workers need the assurance of your interest, your cooperation, your knowledge of conditions.

Associational Superintendents and Local Presidents: Strengthen your local work where it is weak, organize new work. Possess to the west and to the south. Interest your present membership through worthwhile programs and goals, and enlist new members thereby. Only the difficult stimulates and electrifies to real activity. Set high standards of excellence before your members. Let your slogan be, "A-1 for 1931". Won't you try?

Recently a nationally known mail order house making extensive additions in its building published in the daily papers an outline of the future building. The building was represented as a face and appeared as if suffering. Around the building was a bandage and underneath in large type appeared the words, "Growing pains". This explained the spreading out, the digging down, the hammering and sawing evident everywhere for the house was growing, growing, growing. No department was closed, efficiency everywhere, but the building was being transformed with marvelous speed without the loss of a single day. It may be so with your Union work. Growing pains may be evident everywhere but no time need be lost, no work need be slighted, nor member lost. And when the dust is cleared away you and all your church will be surprised and happy in the enormous gains. Determine that October shall be a month of growth in new members. That it will feature the best observance of state missions that your organization has ever known. Do not let the good work that you are doing prevent you from achieving the best. This month heralds the first breath of fall, and is prophetic of cool nights which again invest reading and study with romance. Make an effort to get your quota of subscriptions to our missionary magazines and state papers. Let mission study chairmen make painstaking preparation for mission study. Choose good books. Tell the people of your state about them. "A good book", says Christopher Morley, "like Eve, ought to come from somewhere near the third rib. There ought to be a heart vibrating in it". "Study to be quiet", says Paul. The Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions truly prepares our hearts for the proper celebration of Christmas. Out of this week of intercession for the

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APERTA PE



Polite to the *nth* degree are Brazilians but even they have an expression which means "Hurry up!" Their way of urging haste is to say "Aperta pe", which sounds like "a-pert-ar pay". The first time I knew what the expression meant was on an afternoon trip to a farm in the western part of the state of Minas, the fascinating Portuguese for "farm" being "fazenda". Delightfully interesting was the visit, the farmer being one of eleven heirs each of whom received 2000 acres. He has 70,000 coffee trees, many zebus, orange trees, pineapple plants, shelves of rich cheeses, cotton, grain etc. In fact, he said the farm could supply all the essentials except salt, matches and candles. But the nicest thing on the vast fazenda was the family—father, mother and three little daughters. The mother was educated in a Catholic school and she manifested her loyalty by wearing a crucifix and by having one around the neck of tiny Elsa, a cross being also over the door of the brick oven. The boy of the family is in a Catholic school and the mother had an appealing look in her soft brown eyes as she said that in a few years little Marie must also go away to school. How I craved those children for an evangelical school and how imperative became the expression "Aperta pe" as I thought of the vast number of Brazilian farmers to whom no missionaries have yet been sent.

In striking contrast to the fazenda experience was a visit to a dentist's office in Rio de Janeiro. Over a quarter of a century ago he was converted through the preaching of Dr. W. E. Entzminger and Dr. A. B. Deter and was encouraged by them to go to Richmond, Va., where he worked his way through the dental college, in which his

Christian son is now a student. This skillful Baptist dentist had only two vacant hours the week I had to go to him, they being 8 A. M. appointments. It meant a half-hour ride on a rapid transit bus but it was worth it for at least four reasons: (1) to see how carefully he worked in his excellently equipped offices; (2) to watch the boats and mountains in the exquisite harbor; (3) to realize how friendly was the dentist's attitude toward the United States; and (4) best of all to hear him planning with the missionary for his younger sons to attend the junior department of her Sunday school. Well did I appreciate the fact that she was saying within her heart "Hurry up" in the winning of those boys that they may become fine Christians like their father and mother. But how can their pastor really cultivate them for, like most of the missionaries whom I have met in Brazil, he is burdened with the work of two furloughed missionaries. Is it fair to say to him "Aperta pe"—should not we in the homeland hasten with reinforcements? There would be an added tug in your heart and at your purse-strings if you could have heard what one of our women missionaries recently said to me. For a week I had watched her at her accustomed round of duties and had wondered at the bigness and the countless details of it. As my boat was lifting its anchor she said: "Tell the friends at home that I can't hold out much longer if help is not sent soon, for I am not as strong as I was last year!" From my heart I pray that W.M.U. members will do their utmost to meet this appealing challenge.

On and on this article might run in its effort to show why southern Baptists should "hurry up" in the evangelization of Brazil. Just one more instance, however, will now be cited: it is

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SOCIETY METHODS



HINTS for the RECORDING SECRETARY

Written by Request of Executive Committee

By Mrs. H. M. Wharton, Recording Secretary, W.M.U.



Who does not love antiques—the beauty of flowers against the sheen and depth of old mahogany, the sparkle and lovely shape of an old bottle, the graceful line of a chair once occupied by one inexpressibly dear, the faded manuscript of a celebrated author long dead? And the passing of the years but increases the value of these cherished possessions. This is true of the records of an organization which with time increase in historical importance. Finding it necessary at one time to consult the earliest records of our Union I went to headquarters and asked for that privilege. I watched with deep interest as the iron safe was opened and a bound volume carefully removed from its allotted place and handed to me with the request that I be very cautious as the pages were frail and worn and it was the only copy the Union owns. A new conception of the value of the secretary's work was revealed in a flash as I read the history of the Union's early years as written by the first recording secretary. No argument was necessary to convince me of the importance and significance of such work when carefully and conscientiously done and from that day even the arduous and least interesting duties have been lifted out of the commonplace.

Next in importance to writing history is the opportunity of the secretary to help make the meetings orderly, smooth-running and efficient. She sends out notices of the meetings in ample time and has the announcement in the church bulletin the previous Sunday. She has an accurate roll with addresses, she may make out the order of business for the chairman, not forgetting unfinished

business, she records proceedings in concise language and reads slowly and remains standing until approval. She graciously allows the minutes to be consulted, furnishes information to committees which she notifies of appointment. She is in her seat at least ten minutes before the meeting is called to order, arranges pencils, pads, books and necessary articles on her table, places the order of business at the president's place and finds herself with a composed mind ready to take up her pencil as soon as the devotional service is over. In the absence of the president and vice-president, it is the duty of the secretary to open the meeting and preside at the election of a chairman pro tem.

The form of the minutes may be as follows: At the regular meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society, held in the Baptist Church, on Thursday afternoon, March 19, 1920, the president,, in the chair, the devotional was conducted by by reading and commenting on John 3:16, prayer and singing of hymn "Jesus Calls Us". spoke on the topic, "The Homeland". There was a special season of prayer for home missions, followed by an offering of \$10.00 for that work. In a short business period, the minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. It was voted to send two delegates to the state annual meeting. The Personal Service Committee, through its chairman,, reported as follows..... It was voted to adopt, on motion of It was voted to adjourn after the social hour at which was hostess.

Prayer by.....
.....Secretary

Approval of the record by the body means that no changes can be made without the consent of the body. The Constitution and By-laws should be copied in the minute book. To do good work it is necessary for the secretary to be equipped with proper materials. A brief case in which a note book, pads, pencils, the roll and minute books and important papers may be kept and carried to the meetings is most useful. An inexpensive substitute is the strong pasteboard file which ties securely. All

equipment should be furnished by the society.

The ability to listen and to write at the same time can be cultivated and is very desirable. Secretarial work is also greatly helped by a sense of order, a legible hand, good English and most important of all a willingness to serve. By assuming the office the secretary does not forfeit any of her rights and privileges as a member of the organization but retains her right to discuss and to vote.

TRAVEL TALKS

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drawn from Bello Horizonte, which is the capital of the state of Minas, where the fazenda was visited. Bello Horizonte is only 36 years old but it has a population of 120,000 and shows many signs of a modern and very progressive city. The state of Minas contains about one-fifth of the population of Brazil, is rich in minerals such as gold and diamonds and is also famous for its cattle and dairy products. As evangelical Christians we are inexpressibly grieved however to know that it is a Catholic stronghold, in the midst of which we have only eight missionaries, two of whom are young mothers. About thirteen years ago our work was commenced at Bello Horizonte, where we now have two strategically located

churches and several preaching places, not to mention churches and groups of believers in other cities and counties in various parts of the state. Also in Bello Horizonte we have a highly esteemed school on a truly splendid piece of property. In fact, the missionaries bought so wisely that by selling lots as the city grew they have more than paid the original purchase price. But the danger now is that they will have to sacrifice land in order to get money to enlarge their very crowded class rooms. Please pray that they will be guided by God in this crisis and that we in the homeland will hasten to help in what seems to be a challenging opportunity.—Kathleen Mallory

The Eternal Quest

BY KATHERINE ZINZ

Oh God,
Great men and small have sought for thee all through the ages,
In human faces and between book pages.
They've delved beneath the earth and gazed into far spaces,
And they have found a part of Thee in all these places.

We thank Thee, God, that we can never fully comprehend Thee;
That there is always more of Thee for us to find.
We only pray, Oh Lord, for endless patience
To seek and delve for Thee with heart and mind.



FAMILY ALTAR



Mrs. W. H. Gray, Alabama

Topic: "ABOUT ALL GALILEE"

"TILL I read the ancient story,
And my joy is ever new;
How for us He left His glory,
How He still is kind and true.

"His Workmanship"

- 1st Day—Eph. 1:1-14
- 2nd Day—Eph. 1:15-23
- 3rd Day—Eph. 2:1-10
- 4th Day—Eph. 2:11-22
- 5th Day—Eph. 3:1-12
- 6th Day—Eph. 3:13-21
- 7th Day—Eph. 4:1-12

"Members One of Another"

- 8th Day—Eph. 4:13-24
- 9th Day—Eph. 4:25-5:2
- 10th Day—Eph. 6:10-18
- 11th Day—Phil. 1:9-11, 21; 2:1-3
- 12th Day—Phil. 2:5-16
- 13th Day—Phil. 3:7-14; 4:4-8, 13
- 14th Day—Col. 3:1-4, 12-17; 4:1, 2, 5

"LET me kneel, my Lord, before Thee,
Let my heart in tears o'erflow,
Melted by Thy love adore Thee,
Blest in Thee mid joy or woe."

"Into Galilee"

- 15th Day—Matt. 4:12-23
- 16th Day—Matt. 8:5-20
- 17th Day—Mark 1:16-28, 32-34, 39
- 18th Day—Mark 2:1-13
- 19th Day—Mark 7:31-37
- 20th Day—Mark 9:30-42
- 21st Day—John 2:1-11

"Who Is My Neighbor?"

- 22nd Day—Luke 10:25-37
- 23rd Day—Ex. 20:16, 17; 23:4, 9, 13
- 24th Day—Lev. 19:15, 18, 34-37
- 25th Day—Matt. 7:12; 19:19; 25:34-40
- 26th Day—Rom. 13:10; 15:1, 2, 5-7, 13
- 27th Day—James 2:8, 17-26
- 28th Day—Luke 14:16-24
- 29th Day—Luke 15:2-10
- 30th Day—Luke 15:11-24
- 31st Day—I Cor. 13:1-13

"Pray Ye"

In thanksgiving for God's constant mercy
In supplication for forgiveness of sins and for deliverance
from evil, that W.M.U. members may exemplify Christ.
In intercession for missionaries and for reinforcements
Pray that schools and churches may train new missionaries
and that southern Baptists will send them forth by the
leading of God.

Remember native Christians, handicapped by heredity and
environment yet striving to be trained and trying to
win souls.

Pray for W.M.U. plans in personal service, mission study,
stewardship and training of young people.
Ask God's guidance for December Week of Prayer.

The Bible is still the world's best seller. In 1929 the American Bible Society and other leading Bible publishers showed that 14,000,000 Bibles and Testaments were sold in the United States and that the total for the world was 36,500,000.

Calendar of Prayer

October, 1930

Prepared by Mrs. Maud R. McLure, South Carolina

GOD of our fathers, whose almighty hand
Leads forth in beauty all the starry band
Of shining worlds in splendor thro' the
skies,
Our grateful songs before Thy throne arise.

Thy love divine hath led us in the past,
In this free land, by Thee our lot is cast;
Be Thou our Ruler, Guardian, Guide and
Stay,
Thy Word our law; Thy paths our chosen
way.
D. C. Roberts

Topic: Your State and Mine

1—WEDNESDAY

Pray for the evangelistic work of
Rev. and *Mrs. R. Cecil Moore,
Concepcion, Chile.
Jehovah is my strength and song.
—Psa. 118:14

2—THURSDAY

For Rev. and †Mrs. P. H. Ander-
son, evangelistic work, Canton,
China, and for Ruth and Florence
Anderson, Margaret Fund students
Declare His glory among the nations.
—Psa. 96:3

3—FRIDAY

For Mrs. W. H. Sears, educational
work, and †Miss Blanche Bradley,
nurse, Pingtu, China
Mine eyes are ever toward Jehovah.
—Psa. 25:15

4—SATURDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. Victor Koon,
evangelistic work, Chengchow,
China
Let the peace of Christ rule in your
hearts.—Col. 3:15

5—SUNDAY

Pray earnestly for the Sunday
school teachers in your state and
mine.
Watch therefore, for ye know not the
day nor the hour.—Matt. 25:13

6—MONDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. S. E. McAdory,
workers among Indians, Union,
Mississippi
My heart shall not fear.—Psa. 27:3

7—TUESDAY

For Dr. and *Mrs. B. L. Lockett,
medical and evangelistic work, Og-
bomoso, Nigeria
Surely goodness and loving kindness
shall follow me all the days of my life.
—Psa. 23:6

8—WEDNESDAY

For Rev. and †Mrs. A. J. Terry,
evangelistic work, Corrente, Brazil
My help cometh from Jehovah.
—Psa. 121:2

9—THURSDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. A. B. Christie,
evangelistic and educational work,
Petropolis, Brazil, and for Margaret
and A. B. Christie, Jr., Margaret
Fund students
Under His wings shalt thou take ref-
uge.—Psa. 91:4

10—FRIDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. F. A. R. Mor-
gan (*on furlough*), Boys' School,
Bello Horizonte, Brazil, and for
Marian Morgan, Margaret Fund
student
All things are possible to him that be-
lieveth.—Mk. 9:23

11—SATURDAY

For Rev. and †Mrs. J. A. Abernathy,
evangelistic work, Tsinan, China
Be patient therefore, brethren, until
the coming of the Lord.—Jas. 5:7

12—SUNDAY

Pray for the power of God's Spirit
on the pastors of your state and
mine.
Fight the good fight of faith.
—I Tim. 6:12

13—MONDAY

For Misses †Ruth Kersey, and
Naomi Robertson, nurses, Ogbomo-
so, Nigeria
That life which I now live in the flesh
I live in faith.—Gal. 2:20

14—TUESDAY

For God's guidance on annual ses-
sions of Kentucky W.M.U. Oct. 14-
16, Louisville
That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ
—may give unto you a spirit of wis-
dom and revelation—Eph. 1:17

15—WEDNESDAY

For all our native workers in Cuba
Guide me in Thy truth and teach me.
—Psa. 25:5

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Calendar of Prayer

October, 1930

From war's alarms, from deadly pestilence,
Be Thy strong arm our ever sure defence;
Thy true religion in our hearts increase,
Thy bounteous goodness nourish us in
peace.

Refresh Thy people on their toilsome way,
Lead us from night to never-ending day;
Fill all our lives with love and grace divine,
And glory, laud and praise be ever Thine.
D. C. Roberts

Topic: Your State and Mine

16—THURSDAY

For Rev. and †Mrs. I. V. Larson,
evangelistic work, Laiyang, China
His commandments are not grievous.
—I John 5:3

17—FRIDAY

Pray for Rev. and Mrs. E. O. Mills,
evangelistic work, Nagasaki, Japan.
Whoso trusteth in Jehovah, happy is
he.—Prov. 16:20

18—SATURDAY

For Rev. and *Mrs. Jas. W. Moore,
educational work, Chefoo, China
Who shall separate us from the love of
Christ?—Rom. 8:35

19—SUNDAY

For the mountain schools in your
state and mine
Happy is the man that findeth wisdom.
—Prov. 3:13

20—MONDAY

For blessing on annual sessions of
Maryland W.M.U. Oct. 20-24, Bal-
timore
Jehovah will be thy confidence.
—Prov. 3:26

21—TUESDAY

For Rev. and †Mrs. M. S. Blair,
evangelistic work, Rosario, Argen-
tina
My mouth shall praise thee with joyful
lips.—Psa. 63:5

22—WEDNESDAY

For Rev. and †Mrs. W. W. Enete
(on furlough), young people's work,
and Rev. W. C. Harrison (on fur-
lough), evangelistic work, Rio de
Janeiro, Brazil
A great door and effectual is open
unto me.—I Cor. 16:9

23—THURSDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. C. H. Westbrook,
and Miss Lillian Thomasson, Shang-
hai Baptist College, Shanghai,
China; also for annual meeting
Arizona W.M.U. Oct. 23-24, Glen-
dale
O Jehovah my God, in thee do I take
refuge.—Psa. 7:1

24—FRIDAY

For Rev. and †Mrs. W. D. King,
evangelistic work, Canton, China
Lead me to the rock that is higher
than I.—Psa. 61:2

25—SATURDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. W. W. Lawton,
evangelistic work, Kaifeng, China
Jehovah is thy shade upon thy right
hand.—Psa. 121:5

26—SUNDAY

For the Mission Boards in your state
and mine
Make me to go in the path of Thy
commandments.—Psa. 119:85

27—MONDAY

For God's Spirit upon annual ses-
sions of Illinois W.M.U., Oct. 27-30,
Marion
Give me understanding that I may
learn Thy commandments.—Psa. 119:73

28—TUESDAY

For Dr. and Mrs. J. M. Bailey (on
furlough), medical work, Kweilin,
China
And Jesus went about—healing all
manner of disease.—Matt. 4:20

29—WEDNESDAY

For George Taylor, son of Rev. J. J.
Taylor, § Brazil, and Landis Med-
ling, son of Rev. P. P. Medling, §
Japan, Margaret Fund students
Them that honor me will I honor.
—I Sam. 2:30

30—THURSDAY

For the workers among deaf mutes
in the south
The ears of the deaf shall be unstopped.
—Isa. 35:5

31—FRIDAY

For generous giving to state missions
Ye are enriched by Him.—I Cor. 1:5

§Died in service

†Attended W.M.U. Training School

*Attended Southwestern Training School

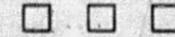


BIBLE STUDY



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: "ABOUT ALL GALILEE"

"THERE is many a step goes lighter,
Coming home,
There is many an eye grows brighter,
Coming home,
All the way seems to remind you
Of sweet memories that bind you
To the distant days behind you,
Coming home.

"YOU'LL forget your load of sorrow,
Coming home
They will wait until the morrow,
Coming home,
You can see the kind smiles beaming,
And the tender eyes a-gleaming,
Oh, the longing and the dreaming,
Coming home."



One story which Jesus told while here on earth was about the young man who grew tired of home and asked his father to give him his portion of the father's estate. When he had received it he went into a far country and frittered away all that he had. At length he came to want. As he was not capable of filling a desirable position he hired himself out as a feeder of swine. By and by it seemed that he could stand it no longer. He determined to return to the home of his boyhood and throw himself upon his father's mercy. When he reached home his father received him kindly and forgave him. He even went so far as to invite the boy's former friends to a feast that they might rejoice together upon the return of one who had been counted lost. There was an elder brother in the family who had gone along without making any special demands or receiving any special rewards for being obedient. This one was roused to jealousy and something of envy at the cordial reception given his "trifling" brother. He expressed this state of feeling to his father who was surprised. "Why, my son," he said, "you have enjoyed all that I have through the years. Can you not enter into my joy at your brother's return?"

When Jesus related a parable he wanted his hearers to get a message in regard to the kingdom which is His. As we think upon this parable we immediately see three things which stay with us. We see the prodigal away from home. We can picture his misery and distress. We pity him. As we watch him our pity turns to compassion. His heart of stone becomes a heart of flesh. There is repentance. When true repentance has had its way, the next step is coming home.

How truly this represents the three conditions in which a sinner finds himself. If he is at first rebellious in his heart at his position out of harmony with God, we pity him. Just as soon as there is repentance we are compassionate, as we know God loves the penitents. If being sorry for sin is followed by a determination to arise and go to the Heavenly Father, then we rejoice also with the angels in heaven. The coming home brings a restoration to fellowship with God.

It would have been foolish if the prodigal son had remained in a far country bringing sorrow to his father's old age and unhappiness to himself. His father had enough for him and to spare. How much more foolish would it be for the sinner to shut himself away from God!

As Christians we see this. May we with all haste seek to find the prodigals

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PROGRAM PLANS



Mrs. T. M. Pittman, North Carolina
WITH the PROGRAM COMMITTEE



In most of the states special programs are prepared and sent out for a State Mission Day in September or October. The committee should consult with the president to find out whether there is to be a special state mission meeting or whether the regular monthly meeting will be given added features. Some societies have a business session in the morning, a lunch at the church and the State Mission Program in the afternoon.

Other societies arrange with the pastor and carry out the State Mission Program at the mid-week prayer meeting. In some towns, the societies from several churches unite in the day's service, often holding separate short business sessions then uniting in the program. A town and a country society might have a spend-the-day meeting, though it is difficult to get full attendance.

If there are to be two meetings with state mission programs,—the regular monthly meeting and then a special meeting,—it is most important to have the two programs as different as possible. The committee should have a copy of the special program and compare it with the material in ROYAL SERVICE to prevent repetition.

An opening talk may be made on "The Threefold State Mission Purpose". Draw a large triangle with the three sides named Evangelism, Education, Benevolence. Explain how each side touches the other two, influences them, holds them, helps them. Education must be evangelized; benevolence must be evangelized, or they will be learning without wisdom, and charity without Christ. Evangelism needs education to carry out to the full the command to preach and teach; it needs benevolence that faith may be made visible through works.

A talk may follow on "How Our State Organization Began": Cut nineteen stars for the states of the Southern Baptist Convention. Put the name and date of organization on each and pin these to a blackboard or stretched cloth in their order of organization. Some special sketch may be given of the beginning of your own state convention. Bring out the two purposes: 1st, State Cooperation in Evangelizing the State; 2nd, State Cooperation in Evangelizing the World.

The program may now go back to the triangle and talks be made on the three topics, Evangelism, Education, Benevolence.

Evangelism embraces (a) Missionary Evangelists; (b) Churches Helped.

Education carries a long list: (a) Sunday Schools; (b) Baptist Young People's Unions; (c) Training Schools; (d) Assemblies; (e) Vacation Bible Schools; (f) Woman's Missionary Union; (g) Baptist Brotherhood; (h) Baptist Schools. To this list also may be added Baptist Papers; Baptist Book Stores, as these are educational in effect.

Benevolence also has its divisions; (a) For the Child (Orphanages); (b) For the Aged (Homes and Funds); (c) For the Sick (Hospitals). We may add Social Service.

The program leader may turn again to the triangle and remind all that it stands for heart, mind and body, all united for service; that through state missions there may be found "Work for Everyone" and "Everyone Trained for Work". These last may be made into mottoes and hung in view during the meeting.

With so much material the chief work of the committee will be to cut it into one hour length, but a short program will give all the information the average mind can carry home.



Program Outline and References for
Advanced Missionary Societies
Prepared by Mrs. Taul B. White, Georgia



HOW CHRISTIAN IS MY STATE?

Purpose of Program—(1) To evaluate the meaning of a Christian civilization; (2) to know what forces are working toward a Christian order in my state; (3) to know the outstanding needs in my state; (4) to cooperate in every way possible with all the Christian forces of my state making for righteousness

Song—Use your State Song if it is dignified and reverent in spirit.

Prayer for state mission workers and pastors and civil officers

Scripture Reading—Psalm 24

Suggestion to Leader—To present the program on "Your State and Mine" in pageant form will make more vivid our state's conditions and needs than through the usual method of "reports".

Characters:

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| 1. The State | 4. The Secretary of State Missions |
| 2. Christianity | 5. "Allies" of Christianity |
| 3. The Pioneer | |

1. The State calls on Christianity to answer the question: "How Christian is My State"? Christianity calls for the Pioneer who tells of the early days, conditions, needs, challenges and how they were met by the Christian forces of that day.

2. Christianity asks the State Secretary of Missions to explain the place of state missions in the working program of southern Baptists, and the departments of state mission activities. (*This could be presented by posters or persons representing the departments.*)

3. The State calls on Christianity for information on the organized work of other Christian bodies. (*Representatives from other church bodies could be asked to appear in the pageant, furnishing this information.*)

4. "To what particular tasks", asks the state, "are these religious forces committed?"

In reply Christianity presents Evangelism, Christian Education, Ministerial Education, Sunday Schools, Mission Churches, Church Building, religious journalism, hospitals, orphanages etc.

5. "What 'allies'", asks the State, "has Christianity in making my state more Christian in spirit and outlook?"

Christianity presents persons who represent the Social Service organizations of the state.

6. The "areas" in the state that are yet to be claimed for Christ Christianity presents in a closing appeal, using maps, posters, statistics to make vivid.

Materials for Program

1. The 1930 State Minutes; "A Mission Field" by Spencer B. King, Baptist Book Store, 317 Palmer Bldg., Atlanta, Ga.
2. 1930 W.M.U. Minutes; 1930 S.B.C. Minutes
3. The State Department will furnish information as to its Social Service work:



BUSINESS WOMEN'S CIRCLES



Miss Inabelle Coleman, North Carolina

TOPIC: YOUR STATE and MINE

(Poster or blackboard suggestion: Draw a map of your state and paste stars on the points where your state board is doing missionary work.)

State Song—By the Circle

Prayer for the state and its governor

Scripture: Bible Study (Page 11)

Prayer for a keener interest in state missions

Solo:

Talks:

The Why of State Missions (Pages 16 and 17)

The How of State Missions (Page 17)

Evangelism (Page 18)

Religious Education (Page 18)

Missionary Education (Page 19)

The Baptist Brotherhood (Page 19)

Benevolence (Page 20)

Miscellaneous (Page 21)

Hymn: O Zion Haste—By the Circle

Discussion: The *who, where, what* of Missions in Our State
(A brief survey of the work in the state.)

Hymn: Tell Me the Old, Old Story—By the Circle

Prayer for the state missionaries and other state workers



Your Own State—Last year Frances Heidreski of Louisville, Ky., presented to her B.W.C. the following state mission program entitled: "The Gospel Trail in Kentucky".—Devotional: Ex. 2:1-10; 4:4-9; Acts 9:36-43; Early Baptist Trails in Kentucky; Trail of the Traveling Church; Kingdom Building along the Gospel Trail; Extending the Work of the Kingdom via the Gospel Trail; W.M.U. Trail in Kentucky; Who's Who in the Kentucky W.M.U.; Educational Trail; State Missions, a Gospel Agency; Prayer for state work and workers. Each member received a mimeographed copy of

the program carrying names of speakers.

I wonder if there isn't a young woman in your B.W.C. who will enjoy searching through the old Baptist archives for information, seeking out old men and women for direct facts, writing to state headquarters for more truths and perusing state publications etc., for the story of the Baptist work in your state. She may compile this in one paper, or divide it into separate assignments to several members. Information is conducive to inspiration; knowledge leads to interest; and interest to activity. What do you and I actually know about the history of the beginning of, the progress of, and the results of our state mission work? Here's an opportunity for one of the best programs of the year. And the results will surprise you. (Note: Such a study might well be offered your W.M.U. secretary for publication in your state denominational paper.)

Information—Never before in the history of southern Baptists have there been so many tracts, bulletins, maps and suggestions in free literature of all kinds dealing with the denomination's work as may be had now.

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PROGRAM in BRIEF



Mrs. W. C. James, Virginia

ADAPTING the PROGRAM to YOUR NEED



The purpose of this department is to adapt the general program to the needs of new or inexperienced societies. Be sure to read "Note" under program outline on page 16. Further ideas as to the program development will be found on page 12. The facts and incidents on page 33 will add to the interest of the meeting; use them as suggested by the program outline. Let those who offer the prayers take note of Prayer Calendar suggestions for the day and also items in "Pray Ye" department. Urge those making talks to become so familiar with their material that the thought may be given in their own words.

TOPIC: YOUR STATE and MINE

Hymn—Faith of Our Fathers

Prayer that we may be steadfast in our faith and that the supreme purpose of our lives shall be to live and work for the coming of the Kingdom in all the world

Bible Study—"About All Galilee"—(Page 11; Matthew 4:23)

Hymn—Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus

The How of State Missions—

Evangelism (Page 18)

Education (Pages 18 and 19)

Benevolence (Pages 20 and 21)

Report on Current Events (Page 33)

Hymn—Come Holy Spirit

Watchwords—Watchword for the Year: "Be ye steadfast."

Our W.M.U. Watchword: "Laborers together with God"

Prayer for the leaders in our state mission work, for all the departments and institutions that God may guide them and bless them

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*





PROGRAM for OCTOBER



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

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Hymn—O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee
(See note at beginning of program.)

The Why of State Missions

Hymn—Jesus Shall Reign

The How of State Missions

Evangelism

Education

Benevolence

Report on Current Missionary Events (See page 33.)

Hymn—Come Holy Spirit

Watchwords For the Year: "Be ye steadfast".

Our W.M.U. Watchword: "Laborers together with God"

Closing Prayer that God may bless all our states—"till all success be nobleness, and every gain divine!"

NOTE—To the editor of this program it seems that the best method of development would be by questions and answers. Let the leader give out the questions before the meeting so that some one will be prepared with the answer to each question, or ask all to study the material so that all will be prepared. Some societies might find it interesting to have a contest something after the order of a spelling match. Other questions might be added concerning the work in your own state.

THE WHY of STATE MISSIONS



When Jesus gave His great commission, "Go ye into all the world", He made no mention of territorial divisions but commanded the disciples to take the whole world into their planning, promising that He would be with them even unto the ends of the earth. We must recognize therefore that there can be no division in the spirit of missions. No one can be an intelligent, loyal and generous lover of missions who does not recognize the needs of the world everywhere and

work with the salvation of the whole world as the aim of all missionary endeavor.

But when Jesus gave His command "Ye shall be my witnesses", He recognized territorial fields. The Gospel was to go out from Jerusalem by preaching in Judea, in Samaria and unto the uttermost parts. Jesus also made Peter an apostle to the Jews and Paul an apostle to the Gentiles. So today when we recognize certain territorial divisions and people recognize the call to this or that field of service we are but following the precedent of Scripture and working

along the line of common sense as laid down by our Lord.

In our national life the state is the unit of sovereignty. The people of a state have nearer relations with each other and therefore their interests and their methods of thought and work are more nearly alike.

For that reason when the American colonies became a united and an independent nation made up of states, and the Baptist churches were engaging more and more in organized missionary work both at home and in foreign lands, it was but natural and most reasonable that they should begin to think of organizing along state lines. Since the first district association of churches in the south was organized in South Carolina—the Charleston Association in 1751—"for mutual consent and to propagate the Gospel" it was to be expected that the first Baptist State Convention should be organized in South Carolina. This convention was organized in 1821, the purpose of which should be: "The union of the Baptists throughout the state in efforts to advance the Kingdom of Christ throughout the world". In quick succession there followed the two state conventions of Alabama and Georgia. The "Baptist General Association of Virginia" came next.

Between 1830 and the organization of the Southern Baptist Convention in 1845 five stars were added to the field of southern Baptist mission work. They were, in order, the state conventions or general associations of North Carolina, Missouri, Maryland, Kentucky and Mississippi. The Louisiana Baptist Convention was the first to be organized after the Southern Baptist Convention came into being. Texas and Arkansas followed almost immediately. One other state, Florida was organized into a state convention before the war clouds then hovering over the south closed in and missionary progress came almost to a standstill.

With the closing days of reconstruction the Tennessee Baptist Convention and the "Columbia Association of Baptist Churches" were organized. These

two were the last state-wide organizations to be effected in the south before the close of the century. In the first decade of this century, however, two other stars were added to our southern Baptist field. The General Convention of Oklahoma and the Illinois Baptist State Association. In the decade between 1910 and 1920 the Baptist Convention of New Mexico came into being and the Baptist Convention of Arizona now but two years old makes the 19th star in our southern field.

Studying the articles in each of the constitutions of the various state conventions, which set forth the purpose, one finds that all have the same purpose and that it is twofold: *First*—to spread the Gospel over the state and at the same time unite and develop the state forces in the work of the Kingdom for the conquest of the state. *Second*—to turn all the state forces, as they are developed, into the wider fields beyond for the conquest of the nation and the world, all in the name of their Redeemer.

THE HOW of STATE MISSIONS

Studying the background of all mission work, and especially that of the work of state missions in our country we learn that the pioneers found that to be successful in establishing Christianity three phases of work were necessary. As has ever been the case they realized that they must preach the Gospel first, last and all the time. But in addition to that they found they must seek to help men in their physical needs as did their Lord and like Him seek to train and equip a leadership that should "carry on" after they should lay down the task.

Logically therefore the work of all state organizations is threefold: Evangelistic, Educational and Benevolent.

Evangelism—

Missionary Evangelists—The very first work of state conventions has ever been that of sending forth missionaries on evangelistic tours seeking to win the lost to Christ. From the beginning even until now evangelism is the primary

object of all mission work and through all the years state missionaries and associational missionaries have led into the Kingdom great hosts of men, women and young people whom no one could number. Even today every report on state missions lists the number led to Christ by the evangelistic workers of the State Mission Boards.

Churches—To preach the Gospel and to win souls is the supreme work but, if a denomination is to occupy a state and evangelize it, it must occupy it with churches that will enlist men and women in the work of the Kingdom and thus carry on the work of evangelism. Consequently the state conventions have been and are still active in the founding of churches. The missionary pastor, altogether or partly supported by state missions, soon follows the missionary and the work begins to be established. Since a church without a permanent home cannot accomplish what it otherwise could, the gathering and administering of funds to aid new and weak churches provide buildings for themselves has become a definite phase of state mission work.

The history of many of the strongest and most useful churches in all the states will reveal the fact that in the beginning they were dependent upon state help for their very existence. But as they became self-supporting they in turn contributed strong men and great sums of money to both state and world conquest. This is as it should be, but there are instances in every state where churches are situated in such important yet such needy fields, for example where the population is constantly changing, that they have little chance of ever becoming self-supporting. Therefore the State Board of Missions must continue to help them as mission churches and strong churches must recognize such needs.

Notwithstanding the fact that ours is called a Christian nation we cannot claim that any one of our states has been truly evangelized. So long as there are thousands of the unconverted in every state the work of evangel-

ism will be necessary and state mission work go on, particularly in those states where there are settlements of Indians, foreign speaking Americans, foreigners and also great industrial centers.

Religious Education—

Records show that Sunday schools have proven themselves to be fruitful evangelizing agencies. "Faith comes by hearing and hearing by the Word of God." It is perhaps true that among southern Baptists about 95 out of every hundred men and women who are most active in the work of the denomination were led to Christ early in life chiefly through the Sunday school. Not only is the Word of God the "sword of the Spirit" in the winning of the lost to Christ but is "profitable also for teaching . . . that the man of God might be completely furnished unto every good work". For these two reasons, without exception, every State Mission Board has a Sunday school department which is set for the enlargement and for the strengthening of the Sunday schools along all lines.

The Sunday school department and that of the Baptist Young People's Union are closely related in all of the states. In the Sunday school the principles of Christian life are taught and the B.Y.P.U. is for the purpose of giving young Christians the opportunity of exemplifying them in practice. Specialists are employed to devote their whole time and energy to the extension and improvement of both Sunday school and B.Y.P.U. work in each state. The Baptist Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention assists in the financial support of these two departments in all of the states and in addition sends its own experts to help where needed.

Since workers must be trained not only in the knowledge of those things to be taught but in the art of teaching and of administration, training schools for Sunday school and B.Y.P.U. workers are fostered in country, town and city and sometimes financed by the state boards of missions.

Nearly every state convention now owns or controls grounds and buildings that are used for summer assemblies. Here for ten days or more gather every year for the study of the Bible, of religious education, of missionary education and kindred subjects hundreds of our men, women and young people.

In the minutes of almost every state convention are to be found reports on the work of the Daily Vacation Bible Schools for intensive study on the part of the children sometime during the summer vacation.

In addition to all this a large number of states employ secretaries for part or full time to work among the students of the state and Baptist colleges in the work of Religious Education.

Missionary Education—

By the W.M.U.—As we all know every state within the bounds of the Southern Baptist Convention has its own Woman's Missionary Union which has as its supreme object the missionary education of all the members of the various societies. Bible and mission study, prayer, personal service and definite plans for giving are means used to this end. Each state W.M.U. has its share in the work of the summer assemblies besides camps, conferences and houseparties for its young people. The W.M.U. is likewise active in stimulating the work of missionary education among the students in the colleges. Because in most of the states the women and young people of missionary societies send their gifts to Baptist causes through their church treasurers to the treasurer of the state convention, the state W.M.U.'s. expect in return the money necessary for financing their work. In this sense the state W.M.U. work may be said to be fostered by the state convention. Some one or more states pay their own expenses by special gifts from the societies.

By the Baptist Brotherhood—

The Baptist Brotherhood was originally known by the name "Layman's Missionary Movement" and was started primarily for the purpose of missionary education and missionary activities.

Nearly every state has a committee on "The Baptist Brotherhood" whose business it is to encourage the men of the churches to organize and also to help them in their work. The Southern Baptist Convention has a full time secretary and also a full time assistant who work in all the states. But many of the states have in addition their own state secretaries on laymen's work who are constantly seeking to enlist the men in the Baptist Brotherhood that they may engage in a larger study of the Bible, of stewardship and of missions to the end that they may be developed in personal service for the Kingdom and in systematic and proportionate giving.

Christian Education—

Every state convention has been interested in Christian Education since the beginning of its history. In the early days of Baptist history in the south there were few schools other than denominational schools where boys and girls could receive an education. Even now, though there are many fine state and private institutions of learning, great Christian leaders yet feel that the Christian college is necessary. Education, they say, without the Christian standards of character and the Christian motive of service is only partial in its content. All schools purpose to turn out men and women of culture, trained for professions and business, but the Christian school has an additional aim that of turning out men and women of sterling Christian character. The ideal for the denominational college is that it will not only turn out Christian men and women but those trained in the doctrines, ideals and policies of the denomination to which the school belongs that in them the churches may have the leadership they need so sorely. For that reason our Baptist state conventions continue to found, finance and control Baptist schools and colleges. Only two states do not have their own Baptist college but each of these cooperates with, and helps to support the college in an adjoining state.

Almost every state provides free or loan scholarships for men in college

who intend to enter the ministry and some for women who are preparing themselves for life service in Christian work.

Benevolence—

For the Child—Perhaps the oldest benevolence supported by our state conventions, and certainly one dear to the hearts of all of us, is the care of homeless and orphaned children. Every one of our state conventions including the District of Columbia has a Baptist home for children except Maryland and Arizona. Maryland, however, is doing a great work for homeless children through its Children's Aid Society and Arizona is helping in the work of the orphanage in New Mexico.

According to the reports in the state convention minutes of 1929 there are approximately 4600 children being cared for in the Baptist orphanages of the south. The care of this great number, however, does not represent all the work being done by these institutions. As one report says: "It is not alone the orphan child that presents the call for help. Years ago we prided ourselves on caring for orphan children. We have reached the point where we must now place the accent upon the child in distress. Many homes are broken for other causes than death of the bread winner, either father or mother. The abnormal increase in divorce and other family troubles are breaking up homes and leaving many a child homeless or helpless who must be cared for." Then, too, so much emphasis is not being given as formerly to placing children in institutions, but more and more where it is possible and wise children are being placed with foster parents or left in their own home with the mother. In such cases either the institutions or the Children's Aid Society frequently bears a part of the expense and always has oversight of the child. Almost every report shows that all orphanages have had to enlarge the scope of their work and are helping in these new ways.

In almost all the states the expense of orphanage work is borne jointly by the Sunday schools and the state boards

while the Women's Missionary Societies help to make the burden lighter with gifts of money, food and clothing. It is joyous to learn that every orphanage, without exception, reports a remarkable state of good health among the children and fine grades are being made by them in the schools. But more joyous still is the knowledge that in all ways the children are being trained in their youth to be living temples of the glory of God.

For the Aged—Before the Board of Ministerial Relief and Annuities had been established by the Southern Baptist Convention practically every state had some form of relief work for aged ministers. All of the states are now cooperating with the southwide board. There are yet four states that hold and administer small relief funds which they have not turned over to the southwide board. Many Women's Missionary Societies are aiding in this work according to the plan suggested by the W.M.U., auxiliary to S.B.C.*

Three states report homes for the aged provided for by the state. There are, of course, many local homes for the aged in many of the states supported by Baptists and yet there are too few.

Healing the Sick—Hospital work is perhaps the newest form of benevolence in which our Baptist people have engaged. Certainly the records of work done by the Baptist hospitals justify their existence and their value.

Counting out the two hospitals owned by the Southern Baptist Convention there are 28 hospitals owned and controlled by the Baptists in the states. Three things are of particular interest concerning the work of these hospitals. *First*, they are all self-supporting as is the southern hospital in New Orleans. It is true that they are not all free from debt, but, the debts are for buildings and equipment and not for operating expenses. Many of them are helping the state boards not only by paying the interest on their debt but are making pay-

*See Paragraph VIII in Plan of Work in the W.M.U. Year Book.

ments on the principal. The *second* interesting fact is that practically \$750,000 were spent in giving free service to thousands of charity patients last year. In many states the offerings in the churches on Mother's Day are given for this work, but much of it is provided for out of the regular income of the hospital.

The *third* and most vital fact is that it is not only Baptists who are treated in our hospitals. All people regardless of religious belief are cared for. Only one-fourth of the total number received in the hospitals were Baptists, while in one year more than 17,000 patients treated in all the hospitals were not professing Christians. What a marvelous evangelistic opportunity! "Heal the sick and say unto them the Kingdom of Heaven is come nigh unto thee."

Miscellaneous

That every Baptist state convention is concerned in helping on all the causes of righteousness in the state is shown by the fact that at all the convention meetings there were reports and discussions on *Social Service* for the purpose of stimulating those present to help in such service.

To further help in the knowledge and education of their people all the states except three have Baptist papers and of the 16 all are owned by the state conventions except four. These four, however, give as faithful attention to the denominational affairs as the state owned papers. Every state except the Dis-

trict of Columbia has a Baptist Book Store where all kinds of the best books and other literature can be bought. Each of these stores is owned jointly by the state conventions and the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

The state conventions are the collecting agencies for both state funds and southwide funds for foreign and home missions and southwide education. The states decide what part of every undesignated dollar given for Baptist cooperative work shall be used for state work and what part for southwide work. All designated gifts are sent to the objects for which they are given without deduction for any purpose.

Like a glimpse of the rainbow of promise came the report last fall from the Missouri Baptist Convention—NO DEBT—for the debts on nearly all the state conventions are heavy and grievous. But we have the promise of God's help if we seek to know and do His will. We read that when Nehemiah would rebuild the walls of Jerusalem the people made their prayer unto God, that *every one* wrought in the work. So we might well say in spite of all discouragement and in spite of obstacles whether of debt or hard times or what not: "The work is great and large and we are separated upon the wall, one far from another" but we all have one place where we may gather for strength and courage and that is at the Mercy Seat of God. "Our God will fight for us" if we do our part.

QUESTIONS

The Why of State Missions

- 1—Do territorial divisions justify a division in the spirit of missions?
- 2—Why is our work done according to states?
- 3—When was the first Baptist State Convention organized in the south? When was yours organized?
- 4—Name the states cooperating in the Southern Baptist Convention.
- 5—What is the purpose of state convention work?

The How of State Missions

- 1—What three phases of work are necessary in all mission work?
- 2—By what means have the state conventions promoted their specifically evangelistic work?

- 3—Has the founding of churches been helpful to state missions? How?
- 4—Name the kinds of work engaged in by state organizations for Religious Education.
- 5—Name the two departments of state work which may be said to be specifically engaged in Missionary Education.
- 6—In what way is the Baptist Brotherhood fostered by the state convention? How may the state W.M.U. be said to be fostered by the state convention?
- 7—What is meant by Christian Education? Why do the states still have Baptist schools and colleges?
- 8—Name the four phases of benevolent work in which our states are especially engaged.
- 9—What are some of the new ways in which orphanages are helping the child in distress? Why is this more necessary than formerly?
- 10—How can a Woman's Missionary Society help the aged minister besides giving to the cooperative work?
- 11—Are the state Baptist hospitals costing the states anything for running expenses? What is the cause of their being in debt? Are they helping to pay their debts?
- 12—Do they have an evangelistic opportunity? How?
- 13—Does your state have a state paper? What religious paper do you read?
- 14—Who decides what part of undesignated gifts shall be used for state work and what part for southwide work? What is the proportion in your state? (See *Current Events* page 33 for average.)
- 15—What is done with money designated for special objects?
- 16—How may each of us help in paying the debts of our boards?
- 17—*Who is the Executive Secretary of your state and where are your state headquarters located?
- 18—How many Baptist hospitals in your state and where are they located?
- 19—How many Baptist orphanages in your state and where are they located?
- 20—Name your Baptist schools.

REFERENCE BOOKS

- The Primacy of State Missions.....
 The Kingdom in the States..... Frank W. Padelford
 The 1929 Minutes of all 19 of the Baptist State Conventions or General Associations cooperating with the Southern Baptist Convention.

EDITORIAL

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world comes a chastened spirit which is a rebuke to the hectic rush and clamor usually evident at this season. Something of the majestic and peaceful power of God pervades the heart that participates and instills true perception and steadiness of purpose. It will enlarge your offering to keep the objects of the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering before the members of your organization. People give to definite causes. For this reason, a large chart enumerating the splendid array of objects will materially increase gifts in your society. Perhaps there are individuals in your church or in your city or state who might be interested in making a large gift to one of these specific objects. Each object is vital. As you grow, look out for possible losses, watch your leaks! Ever as you advance, hold the ground won. Be A-1 for 1931 for the glory of God's missionary program.

*Answers to the last four questions can be found in your state convention minutes which your pastor should be able to furnish you.



COLLEGE Y. W. A.



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

(On Leave of Absence)

THE COLLEGE Y.W.A. COUNSELOR



There is a real need for a Y. W. A. counselor on every college campus where there is a Young Woman's Auxiliary. The need is threefold. In the first place she may serve as connecting link between the women of the college center and the Y. W. A. girls. In the second place she has the opportunity for wise counsel with the Y. W. A. leaders in planning for the promotion of the great missionary program. Then last she has the greatest opportunity through the close personal contact she has with the girls.

In the early days of college—while the students are striving to get adjusted to being away from home—the counselor may bring to them some interested W. M. U. members who will serve as sponsors or sponsor mothers. However busy the student may become she will never cease to cherish the privilege of having a real home open to her—a place where she will find a warm welcome and a kind understanding friend. Surely the sponsor may be the tie which binds.

To the campus counselor comes the mighty challenge of presenting the crying needs of missions to our young women. If she has studied carefully our missionary magazines she will be ready to impart this knowledge. Missionary neglect is mainly due to ignorance. Selfishness may be more easily overthrown in the lives of our youth than in the more mature. When we know the needs, are we not ready to pray, to give and to go? Prayer lists of our missionaries and special needs may be kept before the students daily. Then the counselor may promote the special Weeks of Prayer to be observed for state, home and foreign missions. In

addition to this each member may choose the name of one special missionary for whom to pray daily. The song "For You I Am Praying" may be impressively used when members come together, followed by a season of silent prayer for the special missionaries.

Giving is the normal result of praying for missions. After the desire has been created, the counselor will see that the opportunity to give is presented. She will foster subscriptions to the Co-operative Program. She will also keep the needs of missions before the students as these needs are presented.

The desire to "go into all the world" comes to many during college days. Here the counselor faces a difficult situation. How may she advise when she knows how many are being recalled? One solution to the problem of missions in the homeland is to try to locate positions in public schools or other phases of community life in places where missionaries are needed. In this way one may become a self-supporting home missionary perhaps in a mountain school district, in a Mexican area, in an Indian community, in a locality where there are many foreigners, or perhaps in a place where community uplift work is needed. One will probably go at a lower salary than the average school teacher receives yet the call to go may be answered. God will open the door in one way or another.

Happy is the campus counselor in the contacts she has! Contacts with those who want to be missionaries, with the happy, the carefree girls, with those bearing burdens. To share in the joys, the sorrows and even in the every day monotony of things is a great privilege. There are so many, many opportunities

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OUR YOUNG PEOPLE



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

WATCH YOUR P's and Q's

 October is a time for watching the P's and Q's for our missionary activities. Three-fourths of the year have passed. We started the new year P-articularly anxious to Q-ualify as a full graded A-1 Union, let us pass the fourth quarter as eagerly.

As the mother heart P-rays for her own child the heart will grow tender for all children in the church and around the world. The boy or girl just coming to the age of sensitiveness and self-consciousness, those who are climbing "fool's hill" need the sympathetic understanding and interested prayers of the mother heart. Young women going out to meet life's responsibilities are facing the danger of falling short of their best unless we pray. There are subtle temptations to be met and overcome, difficulties of understanding a young woman's place in the world's program to be reckoned with. Through our prayers some young person will do what she is capable of doing for the cause of missions through money, influence, gifts, talents and life. Let us so direct that in any plans for the missionary activities the young people shall be included. P-lan for mission study, help the counselors secure teachers, see that books are provided.

Last year's record showed marked P-rogress in the interest of missions on the part of young people. How true it is that "the youth of the world are a-stir". Always they are on the march. The privilege of determining largely the direction of that march is given to women. Let us women of the missionary society see to it that "the set of their face is forward".

Q-uestions present themselves for consideration. Why have a full graded Union? How have one? Where can

we find the leaders? How keep the organization alive? How interest the young people? Many such questions stand at attention and await their turn for an answer. Fortunate is that missionary society which has a W.M.U. young people's director to help in answering. A young people's director live, enthusiastic, mission-loving is essential.

The Q-uestion of Q-antity takes far too great a place in our thinking. "We had only five members and so we disbanded—" says one. To this question of quantity comes the answer that five boys in your church need the training just as much as twenty-five would need it. The only cause for q-antity dissatisfaction should be that eligible persons are unenlisted. Watch the q-antity and q-uality of gifts that are given. Soon we shall be coming to the season of prayer for foreign missions. Young people delight to meet a need when once they have seen the need. Let us utilize their ready helpfulness during this prayer season time.

Watch the Q-uadrant. The circle of church activities is made up of quadrants—preaching and prayer service, Sunday school, B.Y.P.U. and W.M.U. The circle cannot be complete without the missionary quadrant. The missionary program in the church for young and old must be fostered by women whose hearts are aflame for the missionary cause. Dr. Cody accounts for the women surpassing the men in their gifts to missions and benevolences in two ways, one of which is their information about the mission work and workers. If our churches of tomorrow are to surpass the churches of today in their missionary interest the women of today must watch carefully this q-uadrant of our church life.—*Pearle Bourne, Associate Young People's Secretary*



TRAINING SCHOOL



PHYSICAL EDUCATION in the W.M.U. TRAINING SCHOOL



A person may be trained in all the schools of the country but if he has not health he can not use his methods or share his knowledge with others. The purpose of the physical education in the training school is two-fold: first, to improve the health of the students, and second, to prepare them in some way to promote physical education when they are out on their field of service. We may say then that the object of the Physical Education Department is to help us retain the good health with which we came to the training school and to make it better.

As Dickson says, "The trinitities of work, play and rest; of cheerfulness, good will and smiles; of love, laughter and song; and moderation in all things, are commended as the surest antidote for all the evils we would name in opposition to the blessings of good health". We use all of these and endeavor to make "A happy soul in a pleasant dwelling, a useful soul in a healthy body".

It is a kindness to others to keep oneself well. An unhealthy body more readily acquires or carries infection and may transfer it to others. Thus when you keep well you help those around you to remain healthy. When you are ill some one must care for you and by keeping fit you spare them the extra burden though willingly borne by your friends and loved ones.

All animal nature demands proper food, exercise and rest. The lower animals comply with these rules but man inclines to self-satisfaction, pleasure seeking and frequently neglects them. The greatest part of our work has to do with regular exercise. Some wonder why this need. There are many reasons but foremost I might mention food and habits of life. People today eat foods

that do not require the chewing nor contain the cellulose as did the food our forefathers ate. Our lives now are those of students, sitting bent over a book much of the time. Yes, and we go to our life's work; we sit in an office, we ride in an auto, we push our vacuum cleaner or turn on the electric washing machine. Our mothers walked in all kinds of weather and really had exercise as well as fresh air. They wielded the broom and mop and made frequent use of the wash-board. Did they need exercise in the form of gymnasium work? As far as the muscles are concerned, no, but they did miss the fellowship and cooperation of working together in a game or class. We have regular gymnasium classes, we have a basket ball team and walking and rest are required. I mentioned a basket ball team and it is well worthy of honorable mention. This was the victorious team in the league of churches conducted by the Y.W.C.A. and now have a silver cup for 1929. We are not only proud of this but also of their splendid sportsmanship as well as modesty. The results of all this are: clear minds, nights of rest and strong bodies.

Some attain success and many have made valuable contributions to the world when physically unfit but those contributing the most to the progress of the world are the strong. "The law of health is the law of God, and he who violates its sacred observance is criminal indeed." Our bodies and eventually our souls may be wrecked by continued disobedience. Strength of will must rule above all, and strength of body, mind and spirit will result.

Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth.—III John 2.

Eva M. Sanders, Director of Physical Education



MARGARET FUND



Chairman: Mrs. Frank Burney, Waynesboro, Ga.

RICH RETURNS on INVESTMENTS



"Take this child and rear it for me and I will give thee thy wages" comes to mind in connection with our Margaret Fund. Perhaps no money invested for our Master brings greater dividends, pays larger wages, than the money given through this fund, for a vast majority of our students find greatest joy and happiness in serving our King in countries that know not our Lord.

They are so grateful for your investments in their education, for your making real their dreams and aspirations, as these letters testify:

The Margaret Fund made it possible for me to do the thing that appealed to me. Ever since days of childhood I have wanted to be a doctor,—to be a doctor and to go to a far away land where they needed doctors ever so badly.

The Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society has just appointed me as a medical missionary to South India, so that you see my dream is growing into reality, and I am very, very happy!

Without the Margaret Fund the realization of this dream would have been a long, hard and almost impossible struggle, because my daddy could not help much.

The interest of the women of the south, their gifts, their love, have been a tremendous factor in my life. It has been inspiring to know that they stood back of me; and more, that they *shared* my dreams and aspirations. I want to carry their friendship with me to India, and there some day to prove to them that they did not work and wait and pray in vain.

Dorothea Witt, Panama

Somehow I can scarcely believe my

ears when I hear of such generosity from the ladies of the W. M. U. towards me. Isn't it all a dream which when I awakened will not be real?

As I was looking this fall towards the Seminary I did not see funds wherewith to go there. Everything was a blank wall in front of me, but I was sure I should get there. I had not worried about the matter but had left it up to Him to guide. How graciously He has guided and how beautifully you have answered His guidance. May He be praised for it. May I express my, well—I don't know how to express it. All I can say is thank you.

This extra grant to help students to become ministers is truly a blessing to us, and I shall try to use it in making myself more useful to Him. I trust it will be a sum which will make me a "pearl of service" in Japan where I hope to go after two more years at the Seminary in Louisville.

Again from the depths of my heart I want to say thank you. May I say here that whatever measure of success I may attain I shall attribute a large measure of it to your loving kindnesses.

In humble gratitude

Edwin B. Dozier, Japan

I'm sailing on the 16th of this month for Brazil to help Daddy in his work in the Campos school. Before I leave I want again to thank you all for your love, kindness and interest in me as a Margaret Fund girl as well as for my scholarship.

I'll remember always these three happy years in America and I'll never forget you or what the W. M. U. has done for me. If ever I can be of service to you please let me know.

Gratefully,

Christiana Christie, Brazil



PERSONAL SERVICE



Southwide Personal Service Chairman: Mrs. Una Roberts Lawrence

PERSONAL SERVICE in RURAL and SMALL TOWN SOCIETIES



Often an idea prevails among rural and small town societies that *organized personal service* is beyond their reach and only possible with city organizations.

The writer hopes to dispel any such idea. Every city has many agencies for alleviating distress and relieving the sick and afflicted. Our city societies at best can only be auxiliary agencies to these larger ones. In the country and small towns there are no such community agencies and whatever is to be done in the care of dependent children, delinquent girls and boys, the sick and afflicted and the poor must be done through the voluntary efforts of the women of the churches. Therefore, it seems to me that personal service in the country and small towns is much more vital an effort than it is in the cities where on the surface there seems to be a greater field for it.

Every society should study the outline on personal service as given in the Plan of Work. A Committee on Personal Service should be appointed with a general chairman. A survey of the community should be made in order to find out what can be done—much will be found; then go to work. All activities should be reported according to state plan. Many societies fail in personal service work because they refuse to avail themselves of this plan. Any missionary society can visit in the interest of the church and Sunday school, talk to the unsaved, hold prayer meetings and assist in revival meetings. Instances of personal service rendered by small town and rural societies are as follows: One society made a list of all the sick and shut-ins in the community, planned how each auxiliary might in turn take a program of good cheer to them. The result was an aged invalid man won to Christ through the efforts

of a Sunbeam Band. Some may say "A Sunbeam Band win a man to Christ!!" Try it and see!

During a revival meeting in one of our rural churches a young girl came, being timid and afraid she sat on the back seat. Upon investigation it was learned that she had stolen away from an ungodly home far back in the mountains where she had lived with her father and brothers, a motherless girl. She was hearing the Gospel for the first time. With wise counsel and loving hands the women of the church cared for the girl, found a home for her and later sent her to a mountain school where she was converted and she is now a volunteer for special service.

In a small town in an oil field a man lay dying with tuberculosis, his wife and children in desperate straits. The women, alert to discover such situations, succeeded in placing the sick man in a sanitarium, cleaned and renovated the home, not only in a physical but spiritual sense, found a position for the mother that enabled her to care for her children and with some further aid the children were soon in school and Sunday school. Christ dwells in that home today and peace and happiness are there, all because a missionary society found their personal service work in time.

In a community where the Gospel was rarely preached—never more than twice a year—the boys and girls with no place to go were turning to sordid forms of entertainment. Dancing was being introduced, drunkenness among the boys was no uncommon thing. The women, realizing that something must be done immediately, set to work. The idea of a club house was suggested, a place of their very own for the young people. The men and boys were enlisted and in one day's time a neat little log cabin

stood among the pines, as a result of prayer and careful planning. The cabin was furnished, opening day came and many boys and girls crowded eagerly in to see what it was all about. The idea was a great success. Someone is always there to smile a welcome and to chaperon, though the young people never seem to sense that. Enthusiastically they take part in the games and entertainments that are offered. Books are being added and good current magazines that are a rare treat in that locality. Gradually the element of religion is being introduced, Bible lessons, even mission study classes and sacred musical programs. No one would dare estimate the good that has come from the influence of that little log cabin up in the mountains. A club house for

boys and girls fostered by a missionary society in the country!

The writer recently conducted a Daily Vacation Bible School in a small town in which there were 134 children enrolled. The 15 teachers and helpers who assisted were members of the G.A., Y.W.A. and W.M.S. of the local church. At the close of the school as a direct result of the efforts of these workers there were 20 conversions among the boys and girls. The missionary society practically financed the school. What that society did any small town society can do. "All things are possible to them that believeth." Personal service in rural and small town societies pays great dividends. "Life is no resting but a moving; let thy life be deed on deed."—*Miss Helen E. Shaw, Field Worker, Arkansas W. M. U.*

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for contacts. In addition to individual contacts there are those to be made in the programs to be planned, in the personal service work, in the happy social times together, in the circle leaders meeting where the plans and problems are brought, and in the Y. W. A. meetings themselves.

Not only does the counselor have these privileges of contact but she may bring to her campus outstanding lead-

ers and missionaries to speak, to teach and to bring new inspiration which kindle anew the missionary flame. Truly the work of a campus counselor is a great and challenging one. The needs are many, the task is stupendous, but the great inspiration to press forward for Christ grows greater with the mighty task.

—*Mary D. Yarborough, Blue Mt. College, Miss.*

EXPLAINING MONTHLY MISSIONARY TOPICS

The topics under the title for each month's missionary subject make clearer the ideas which will be developed in the W.M.U. programs during the remaining quarter of this year. The entire prospectus for the monthly missionary studies during the calendar year of 1931 is shown on page 28.

OCTOBER—"Your State and Mine"

The theory of state missions
Agencies at work in various states
Christian schools, eleemosynary institutions etc.

NOVEMBER—"A New Day in an Old World"

China—its missionary opportunities and changing conditions

DECEMBER—"They Followed the Star"

A program on Christian giving and its effect on our world-wide mission program
Concrete examples of sacrificial givers on home and foreign mission fields



MISSION STUDY DEPARTMENT



A MOUNTAIN VIEW



Some years ago a friend and I went from the quaint little foreign town of Manitou, Colorado, to the top of Mt. Manitou, 10,000 feet above sea-level. We seated ourselves with a dozen others in the curiously balanced car on the cable-incline track. As we rose almost vertically along the mountain-side, suspended in mid-air with our backs to the mountain before and below us lay, it seemed, "The kingdoms of this world and the glory thereof"! Tints and colors never seen before transfigured the towns and cities below us. In the near prospect, a lovely stretch of green was Colorado Springs; northward beautiful Denver, a dream of blended light and shadow; to the southwest Pueblo, a foreign-looking steel town. To our quiet, solemn ascent, the view opened and widened and within us, our quickened hearts throbbed, saying "ElDorado, land of gold and jewels gleaming in the splendor of the western sun"!

Friends, have you penetrated into the Kingdom, far more extensive than this, that is yours for the taking? Have you viewed with the alert eye of your mind the treasures of Mexico and Brazil, of China and Japan, of Korea and Africa? Have you felt your heart expand as you studied the needs and aspirations of unknown peoples living

across the sea or almost at your door? Have you thrilled to the romances embedded like bright mosaics in the life-stories of Moffat, Livingstone, Judson? Have you been roused to new Christian enthusiasm by the jewels of faith, love, consecration, devotion, adorning the experiences of missionary and of convert? It can be done, it is being done by earnest students of missionary endeavor. Will you not rise with us to this high mountain view? Will you not give yourselves to mission study?—*Mrs. P. I. Lipsey, Mission Study Leader, Mississippi*

Mission Study

(With apologies to "The Psalm of Life.")

Tell me not, you poor old shirkers,
Mission study is a dream;
That the women are not workers,
That they will not support your scheme!

Start each study in dead earnest,
Invite every living soul;
Thou wilt have when thou returnest
Lots of members for the roll.

Go to women and remind them
They should all improve the mind;
And in mission study tell them,
Joy they will be sure to find.

Let us, then, be up and working,
Studying early—studying late;
And no duty we'll be shirking
When we study! Let's not wait!
From "The Missionary Voice"

PROSPERITY

They tell me thou art rich, my country;
gold
In glittering flood has poured into thy chest;
Thy flocks and herds increase, thy barns are pressed
With harvest, and thy stores can hardly hold
Their merchandise; unending trains are rolled
Along thy network rails of east and west;

Thou art enriched in all things bought and sold!
But dost thou prosper? Better news I crave.
Oh, dearest country, is it well with thee
Indeed, and is thy soul in health?
A nobler people, hearts more wisely brave,
And thoughts that lift men up and make them free—
These are prosperity and vital wealth.

—*Henry Van Dyke*

STEWARDSHIP SUGGESTIONS

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

GIVING ALPHABET

And they did not, as we hoped, but first gave their own selves. 2 Cor. 8:5.

Bring ye *all* the tithes into the storehouse: and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of Hosts, if I will not open the windows of Heaven and pour you out a blessing that there shall not be room enough to receive. Mal. 3:10.

Charge them that are rich in this world, that they do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to distribute, willing to communicate. 1 Tim. 6:17:18.

Draw nigh to God and He will draw nigh to you. James 4:8.

Every man shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the Lord thy God which he has given thee. Deut. 16:17.

Freely you have received, freely give. Matt. 10:8.

Give, and it shall be given unto you: good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over shall men give unto your bosom. For with the same measure you mete withal, it shall be measured to you again. Luke 6:38.

Honor the Lord with thy substance and with the first fruits of all thine increase, so shall thy barns be filled with plenty and thy presses shall burst forth with new wine. Prov. 3:9, 10.

If there be first a willing mind, it is accepted according to that a man hath and not according to that he hath not. 2 Cor. 8:12.

Jesus said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive." Acts. 20:35.

Knowing that whatsoever good thing any man doeth, the same shall he receive of the Lord. Eph. 6:8.

Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, but lay up treasures in Heaven, for where your treasure is, there will your heart be also. Matt. 6:19, 20, 21.

Make for yourselves purses which wax not old, a treasure in the heavens that faileth not, where no thief draweth near, neither moth destroyeth. Luke 12:33.

Now concerning the collection. Upon the first day of the week let each one of you lay by him in store as God hath prospered you. 1 Cor. 16:1, 2.

Of all that thou shalt give me I will surely give the tenth unto thee. Gen. 28:22.

Prove all things, hold fast that which is good. 1 Thess. 5:21.

Quench not the spirit. 1 Thess. 5:19.

Render unto God the things that are God's. Matt. 22:21.

See that you abound in this grace also. 2 Cor. 8:7.

The silver is mine and the gold is mine saith Jehovah of Hosts. Hag. 2:8.

Unto whomsoever much is given, of him shall, be much required. Luke 12:48.

Vow, and pay unto Jehovah your God. Psalm 76:11.

Whatsoever we ask, we receive of him because we keep his commandments and do those things that are pleasing in his sight. 1 John 3:22.

Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you. John 15:14.

Zealous for his God. Numbers 25:13.

Arranged by Mrs. Stewart Long,
Stewardship Chairman, Florida W.M.U.

BOOK REVIEWS

Mrs. Julian P. Thomas, Virginia

HIGHWAYS and BYWAYS in JAPAN



One must read "Highways and Byways in Japan" to feel its peculiar charm. The writer, Mrs. Lois Johnson Erickson, of the Southern Presbyterian Church, possesses the unusual gift of making her readers see the people of whom she writes, and their surroundings in this city of the Inland Sea, Takamatsu. Not only so, but we live with them in this atmosphere of blue, blue skies and lovely landscape.

As we take a trip with her in a railway train and spend the night at a native hotel, we see all the disagreeable happenings through the medium of her quaint humor which does not desert her even when she finds a towel as an accompaniment to the many small tubs of hot water provided for guests on the veranda of the first floor.

Accompanying our author as she goes to a wedding, a funeral, a Christmas tree, a Sunday school, a cooking school, a concert, a kindergarten and other interesting places, we see it all through her eyes of understanding love and delicious humor.

We learn with much satisfaction of greatly improved conditions in the cotton factories which Japan introduced in its march of progress some years ago and which, for a time, seemed likely to be the undoing of her young womanhood.

The story of what Japan is doing to help her lepers on an island in the Inland Sea brings tears of joy and sadness to our eyes as we read of the unfortunates. The poems published by the lepers' Poetry Club in their Christian Monthly, translated for us by the author, are gems of their kind and would do credit to our best publications.

It is in vain this page tries to give you some idea of the charm of this lit-

tle volume. It must be read to be appreciated.

Order from the Baptist Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Va. Price \$1.50.

THE ATTITUDE of JESUS TOWARD WOMAN

ON reading "The Attitude of Jesus Toward Woman", one realizes as never before what our Saviour's coming has meant to women. The book was written originally as a master's thesis, by Madeline Southard, an M. A. of Northwestern University, who afterwards decided to publish it.

Going fully into the historic attitude towards women, which still obtains to a large extent, she contrasts the attitude of Jesus towards them, showing how He never once regarded woman as a creature of relationships, valuable only as wife and mother, but always as a distinct personality entirely responsible only to her Creator. The world today is coming slowly to realize the truth of His teaching.

With an insight that seems well-nigh inspired, the author interprets for us each scene where Jesus meets a woman, His talk with her, and all the implications it carries. Whether she tells of His relation to His mother or to the two sisters, Mary and Martha, or describes His differing treatment of the three outcast women, we feel at once that her keenly sympathetic understanding has interpreted the Master aright.

That Jesus made no difference between men and women, that He accepted the ministry of women as well as of men, is fully brought out. Women were never counted in Hebrew numbering, and were always omitted in official reports. The fact that our Lord chose to appear first to woman after the resurrection, and that to her it was given to announce the glorious news to "my disciples and Peter", Peter the re-

puted head of the church, made it necessary for women's names to appear in the narrative. If He had appeared first to a mixed company we should probably, according to the custom of the time, have had no record of women being present.

We come from the reading of the book with grateful appreciation for the woman who has given us a fuller understanding of our Lord's attitude toward women.

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SOUTHERN BAPTIST HANDBOOK

THIS page calls attention to the valuable information in the "Southern Baptist Handbook", compiled by

Dr. E. P. Alldredge. The tables of the comparative growth of population and church membership give accurate knowledge of religious advance in this country, and furnish a basis for discussion of enlistment in our society meetings and conferences.

A careful study of the contributions of different denominations especially of their per capita contributions, will demonstrate the need for development of stewardship in our Baptist constituency.

A copy of the book should be available for all W. M. U. organizations, and should be given serious consideration by the officers of our missionary organizations.

Order from the Baptist Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Va. Price, paper, 50c.

BIBLE STUDY

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around us and point them to the Father who is ever ready to welcome the sinner who will come to Him seeking salvation.

Now a word as to the affliction which the prodigal son experienced. Remember that he brought his misery upon himself. God is charged foolishly many times with bringing grief when perhaps the suffering one is responsible. Sometimes willful sinning, sometimes indifference, sometimes even ignorance brings us to woe. Look well to your own way before you say, "God brought this upon me". But there is a ray of hope for the believer in his affliction. There is the same hope for the sinner only when he really repents, turns away from sin and looks to God for salvation through Jesus Christ His Son. And what is this hope? That God is able to work out glory through affliction. Paul in writing to his friends at Corinth (II Cor. 4:17) said, "For our light affliction which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory". May we as Christians pray more to see the things which are eternal, not just those things which are temporal. Then the "coming home" will be happy. The entrance into the kingdom will be abundant.

BUSINESS WOMEN'S CIRCLES

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One B.W.C. of a southern church realized this and marked one of the church entrances "Information Vestibule" by placing upon the walls missionary maps, posters etc.; by exhibiting from a wall-pocket file hundreds of tracts with the inscription: "Take some and read them" and by displaying in a glass case copies of home and foreign mission books.

These tracts etc. were secured (free) from: the state W.M.U. Headquarters; The Baptist Home Mission Board, Atlanta, Ga.; The Baptist Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Va.; and the catalogues and book pamphlets from the State Baptist Book Store. Will you appoint a committee to promote this extension work? Hundreds will be touched, won and blessed to become greater blessings for the Kingdom.

CURRENT MISSIONARY EVENTS

Discussed by Mrs. W. C. James



In answer to the question: "Is the day of foreign missions over?"—the *Watchman Examiner* has the following to say. There are 1,600,000,000 persons on the earth today. Nearly 1,000,000,000 have yet to hear the Gospel. There are 42,000,000 unevangelized in Japan. Chinese Turkestan is practically without a missionary. Tibet is virgin soil. Groups of Christians can be found in only a comparatively few of the cities and villages of China. Millions in Africa are ignorant of the Gospel. There are 14,000,000 human beings in South America who have never heard a missionary, Roman Catholic or protestant. Can we not see the great importance of our state work not for the sake of the state alone but for the sake of the world?

There are 18,000,000 persons ten years and above distributed throughout our southern states who are not connected with any church. The Christians of a state are primarily responsible for those within the bounds of their own state.

We are told that out of every 100 Baptist church members in our states 58 give nothing to any religious cause and only 26 out of every 100 give anything to missions and benevolences.

In all the southern states there are about 15,000,000 alien people that need the Gospel of Jesus Christ. In one of our southern states out of 1140 churches 219 gave nothing to missions and benevolences. Of those giving, 73 gave nothing except to the orphanage. There were 65 that gave nothing except what was given by the W.M.U. What is true of this one state is true of nearly all the states in more or less degree.

Believing that true missionary work can be done and has been done in Good Will Centers work the W.M.U. of Virginia has recently started two Good Will Centers in needy fields and is supporting them with the W.M.U. special offerings for state missions.

The Louisiana State Board of Missions is helping in the support of twenty workers among the French-speaking people of Louisiana.

Of the 40 district associations of Oklahoma 6 are Indian associations. In New Mexico a number of the students of Montezuma College do state mission work without pay. The State Board provides their traveling expenses.

Each state convention having the privilege of saying what proportion of undesignated funds given to the causes of missions, education and benevolence shall be used for state objects and what proportion for south-wide objects vary greatly in their division of gifts. A number divide 50-50. Some give less than 10% to southwide causes. The District of Columbia keeps 40c of every dollar undesignated for work in the District and divides the other 60c evenly between southern Baptist work and northern Baptist work. The average for all the states is about 60c for state work and 40c for southwide.

Those women who have studied "Western Women in Eastern Lands", "The Bible and Missions", "Prayer and Missions" and "From Jerusalem to Jerusalem" by Helen Barrett Montgomery will be sorry to learn that Mrs. Montgomery has been greatly bereaved in the loss of her husband who died in July.

W.M.U. MONTHLY MISSIONARY TOPICS for 1931

JANUARY—The Challenge of Unfinished Tasks

Home and foreign missions
A survey of specific tasks on mission fields
Buildings and enterprises on mission fields handicapped by arrested development where the reduction of force and work has hurt most

FEBRUARY—Measuring the Home Task

A survey of the whole home mission task, the fields and the force

MARCH—Forgotten Americans

A study of Jews, Indians, mountain people
Problems and mission work among them

APRIL—"They That Turn Many to Righteousness"

Stewardship of the Gospel
Evangelism on mission fields
Results

MAY—Our Force—Our Field

Southern Baptist Convention agencies and work
Missions at the center of Baptist life

JUNE—Youth and Christ's Program

The attractiveness of missions to youth
The need of missions for youth
How W.M.U. serves in missionary education of youth

JULY—Around the Gulf of Mexico with the Gospel

Study of mission fields around the Gulf of Mexico
Latin-America at home; Italian, French, Spanish; Cuba, Mexico, Panama

AUGUST—Adventuring with the Gospel in South America

The Word of God opening the way
Our missionaries and their work

SEPTEMBER—Christ for Africa

New developments of our work in Africa

OCTOBER—The Challenge of My State

The mission fields in the states
Agencies at work
Results

NOVEMBER—The Crucible of World Destiny

Recent developments in Europe and Palestine
Growing Baptist leadership in Europe
Baptist seminaries in Europe

DECEMBER—The Star Again in the East

Our missionary work in the orient
Growing native leadership in China
A decade of W.M.U. work in Japan
Present situation among depleted forces on these fields

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Second Quarterly Report, April 1, 1930 to July 1, 1930

Mrs. W. C. Lowndes, Treasurer

States	Reported by State Treasurers as Having Been Remitted by Them to the Respective Boards						Received by W. M. U. Treasurer			Cash Total
	Co-operative Program Undivided	Foreign	Home	Ministerial Relief	Christian Education	State and Other Objects in S.B.C. Program	W. M. U. Specials	Training School Scholarship Fund	Executive Committee S. B. C.	
Ala.	\$	\$ 4,462.56	\$ 2,794.66	\$ 772.32	\$ 6,870.24	\$ 8,995.83	\$ 550.00	\$	\$ 85.31	\$ 24,530.92
Ariz.		27.80	14.30	4.77	27.80	115.78			.50	190.95
Ark.		10,637.60	1,647.45		527.77	11,881.72	802.00		21.19	25,754.28
D. C.		2,050.01	2,050.00			2,733.34			29.30	** 6,862.65
Fla.		2,953.83	1,419.85	420.10	1,602.29	6,590.32	8.00		65.62	13,060.01
Ga.							825.00		77.58	51,891.50
Ill.		436.53	367.85	91.16	104.69	2,530.72				3,530.95
Ky.		9,352.84	7,606.71	1,142.66	7,333.85	13,184.33	781.00	276.00	203.35	39,879.74
La.									26.27	12,284.00
Md.		726.45	140.60	140.60	199.19	1,632.73				2,839.57
Miss.		3,774.63	1,859.95	158.91	4,608.34	4,304.72			114.41	14,820.96
Mo.		3,464.83	4,063.96	459.01	2,817.76	3,822.87	570.00		63.57	15,262.00
N. M.			140.72			2,335.26	50.00		1.83	2,658.34
N. C.		2,706.23	362.80		4,761.01	4,529.60			128.83	50,145.87
Okla.		2,056.40	968.80	376.66	2,262.06	8,211.99	* 500.00		56.36	14,432.27
S. C.		6,654.03	4,280.03	918.31	4,624.69	14,933.01	800.00		140.34	32,350.41
Tenn.		7,625.56	3,705.00	1,042.35	7,602.74	13,902.66	700.00		175.29	34,753.60
Tex.		7,439.61	3,107.93	1,461.73	21,573.20	60,919.81			438.73	94,941.01
Va.		15,970.44	9,245.76	1,908.77	12,933.63	20,095.73			270.46	60,424.79
Special Gifts							* 2.00		7.55	5,088.70
Totals		\$80,339.35	\$43,776.37	\$ 8,897.35	\$82,928.41	\$180,220.42	\$5,588.00	\$276.00	\$1,905.49	\$505,702.52

Of the above total \$464,722.35 was given by W. M. S.; \$20,679.05 by Y. W. A.; \$8,445.71 by G. A.; \$4,997.39 by R. A.; and \$6,868.02 by Sunbeams.
The "W. M. U. Specials" comprise gifts to the S. S. Board Bible Fund, the W. M. U. Training School at Louisville, Kentucky, and the Margaret Scholarship Fund.
*This amount has been received through the Executive Committee, S. B. C.
**Report for two quarters
†This includes \$10.00 for the "Margaret" Memorial
‡Special Gifts to Chair of Missions at Baptist Bible Institute
Value of Boxes to Missionaries \$10,729.07

CHALLENGE of CLOSING QUARTER to BE A-1 in 1930

- 1—No W.M.U. organization, whether of women or young people, can be A-1 in this calendar year of 1930 unless it reaches every point of its respective Standard of Excellence
(See pages 14-17 of 1930 W.M.U. Year Book.)
- 2—Every W.M.U. organization connected with a church has in the first clause of its Standard of Excellence that, in reaching that clause, it must have as an organization a definitely missionary program each month of the calendar year. Thus no W.M.U. organization can be counted A-1 by "making up meetings".
- 3—For a church to have a Standard A-1 Full Graded W.M.U. this calendar year it must maintain every month each of the five required organizations, each of which must reach during the calendar year every point of its respective Standard of Excellence. The five required organizations are: Sunbeam Band, Girls' Auxiliary, Royal Ambassador Chapter, Young Woman's Auxiliary, Woman's Missionary Society.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

SIX MONTHS' REPORT

January 1, 1930 to July 1, 1930

	W. M. U. Specials		S. B. C. Program Objects	
	Apportionment for Year	Amount Paid	Apportionment for Year	Amount Paid Including Weeks of Prayer Offerings
Alabama.....	\$ 2,200	\$ 1,100.00	\$ 100,800	\$ 51,256.53
Arizona.....				* 187.77
Arkansas.....	1,600	800.00	88,400	44,751.81
District of Columbia.....	200		21,250	7,567.86
Florida.....	500		74,500	26,396.29
Georgia.....	3,000	1,925.00	223,000	87,894.53
Illinois.....	550		16,500	8,462.29
Kentucky.....	3,124	3,124.00	145,965	76,495.27
Louisiana.....	500		70,000	31,929.95
Maryland.....	400	400.00	30,000	12,037.18
Mississippi.....	2,020	505.00	94,800	39,723.94
Missouri.....	2,280	1,330.00	67,720	33,333.45
New Mexico.....	100	50.00	7,000	5,117.47
North Carolina.....	2,000	800.00	250,000	115,922.16
Oklahoma.....	1,500	875.00	100,000	35,686.16
South Carolina.....	2,860	1,064.10	147,140	57,021.48
Tennessee.....	2,000	1,000.00	130,000	79,362.92
Texas.....	3,600	1,200.00	596,400	209,572.93
Virginia.....	3,760	940.00	272,240	131,172.37
Totals.....	\$32,194	\$15,113.10	\$2,435,715	\$1,053,892.36

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