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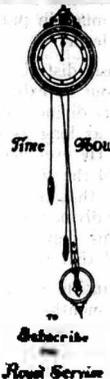
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Dear Members of the W.M.U.:

This space, usually utilized for an editorial, now bears to you, my beloved co-workers, a personal message which is of interest to our entire organization. It concerns a matter about which one feels there should be no silence for as Abe Martin says, "Silence can't be misquoted, but it kin be misinterpreted!"

May 1933 completes the eighth year it has been my privilege to serve as your president. To the recent meeting of the full Executive Committee in Birmingham I expressed the conviction that circumstances and conditions convince me it is best not to be considered for renomination at the annual meeting in Washington. You should have this information in advance in order that as individuals and as organizations you may be much in prayer for the guidance of the Holy Spirit in the selection of our future leader.

Changes do not seriously disturb our organizational life because the Woman's Missionary Union throughout its existence has been definitely conscious of God's sustained guidance and His divine blessings. We have all assurance that these benedictions will continue as long as our organization remains true to the missionary commands, for lo, He ever goeth before us. John Wyclif once said that "God gave the laity to hold the clergy to the truth". In a very real sense, there is a conviction in my heart that God has used the Woman's Missionary Union to help hold our people to the divine essential—missions. Its Heaven born mission is not yet fulfilled. Its future depends upon its obedience to the missionary emphasis. Let us guard well that which is committed to our trust.

It is said when the beautiful and lustrous Persian rug is taken from the homes where the family for long months, even years, has woven its intricate designs in exquisite silken colorings, the entire family gathers around it and weeps as it leaves the home. After eight years of weaving into the life of the W.M.U. one's hopes and dreams and aspirations and plans and prayers and love—even life itself—it is not surprising that there is regret in my heart yet gratitude also for the privilege of service. There is regret in my heart that this happy relationship must terminate but profoundest gratitude that it has been mine and that God, through you, has given me this avenue of service. No words express the love in my heart for the officers of the Union. Their comradeship in the task has been a supreme joy. How good all of you have been, how understanding and sympathetic! You were always more generous, more helpful and loving than I deserved. One could only ask for the new president that she too know such loyal support, such loving favor as you ever give your officers.

In moments like these one is conscious that our Union task is valid throughout the ages. As we press on, Paul's commission rings in our ears: "I charge you to keep your commission free from stain, free from reproach, till the appearance of our Lord Jesus Christ—which will be brought about in due time by that blessed and only Sovereign, King of Kings and Lord of Lords, who alone has immortality, who dwells in light that none can approach, whom no man has ever seen or can see. To Him be honor and eternal dominion—Amen".

Yours sincerely

*Mrs. W. J. Cox*

## EDITORIAL

*NOTE—At the recent mid-year meeting of the W.M.U. Executive Committee there was received from Mrs. W. J. Cox the announcement as explained in the foregoing communication from her. The feelings of the committee are set forth in the following statement, a copy of which has been sent to Mrs. Cox.*

To Mrs. W. J. Cox, honored and beloved president of Woman's Missionary Union: Whereas you have deemed it imperative not to accept the presidency for another year—we, your co-laborers, wish to express our unwavering devotion and our deepest appreciation for your matchless service. It is with profound regret that the Union must consider the thought of severing the relationship that has existed so beautifully during these years. We believe you realize our sorrow because of the like feeling in your own heart.

You have made an enduring impress on every life. Your beauty of face, voice and soul, your rich thought-life and, above all, your clear vision of our wondrous Christ and your consecrated loyalty to the call of His Cross, have lifted us all into a clearer vision and closer fellowship with Him. Truly you have magnified our Lord Christ, our denomination and the world cause of missions—whose ongoing your influence on young women has helped to make sure. May the ever-loving, ever-living Christ enfold you in His love and impart His healing mercies to you and yours.

Signed by the Committee:

HARRIETT LEVERING, Md.  
MRS. W. C. HENDERSON, Aris.  
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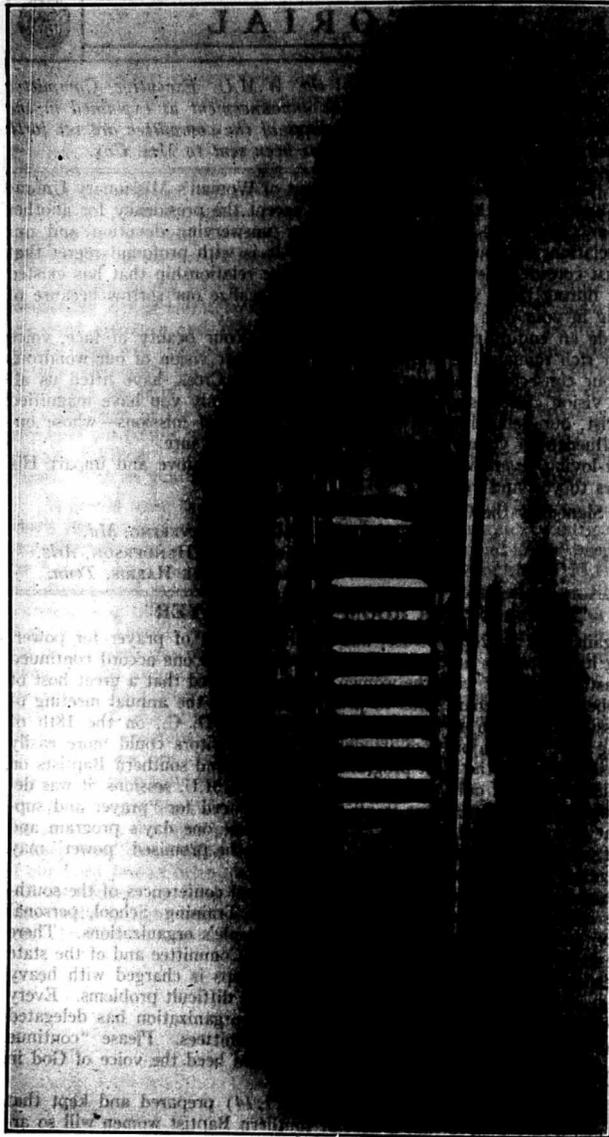
### "Into an UPPER ROOM . . . in PRAYER"

**R**EAD again Acts 1:12-14, please, and catch its spirit of prayer for power. Among its key-words are: "upper—abiding—all with one accord continued steadfastly in prayer with the women". It is believed that a great host of W.M.U. members will covenant thus to pray in behalf of the annual meeting of Woman's Missionary Union to be held in Washington, D. C., on the 18th of May. Feeling that the majority of its delegates and visitors could more easily remain in Washington for the joint program of northern and southern Baptists on the twenty-third of May if only one day was used for W.M.U. sessions, it was decided accordingly. Therefore, there is all the greater need for "prayer and supplication" that every essential may be cared for in that one day's program and that it will be so true to the "Great Commission" that the promised "power" may "fill" all delegates and visitors.

The seventeenth of May will be used for the annual conferences of the south-wide W.M.U. committees: Margaret Fund, W.M.U. Training School, personal service, mission study, stewardship, W.M.U. young people's organizations. There will also be sessions that day of the W.M.U. Executive Committee and of the state W.M.U. corresponding secretaries. Each of these groups is charged with heavy responsibilities; several of them are facing exceptionally difficult problems. Every state is represented on each and thus every W.M.U. organization has delegated much responsibility to each of these south-wide committees. Please "continue steadfastly in prayer" for them that they may hear and heed the voice of God in every decision.

Even as we believe that "the women" (Acts 1:14) prepared and kept that "upper room", so do we believe that a host of southern Baptist women will so ar-

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It is said that "no picture can do justice to this beautiful building, especially interior views". Here Woman's Missionary Union will hold its forty-fifth annual meeting on Thursday, May 18. Constitution Hall is on 18th, C and D Streets N. W. and is thus very near the White House. It is also very near the Powhatan Hotel, which has been chosen as W.M.U. hotel headquarters.

**CONSTITUTION HALL, Washington, D. C.**

**ANNUAL MEETING**

**ATTRACTING to WASHINGTON**

SOMETIME ago a Washington lady laughingly said, "I am never happy out of sight of the Washington Monument!" That may be overemphasizing the place the noble shaft has in the life of the capital city but, as truly as the Washington Monument dominates our parks and avenues, it consciously or unconsciously looms large in the civic, national and religious aspects of life in the nation's capital. Not only as a memorial to the First President but, as a symbol of the noblest in our government, it is a beacon attracting thousands of visitors each year to Washington.

Among the throngs this year will be hosts of Baptists from north and south, east and west to fraternize with each other and with Washington Baptists and to plan in the forward work of God's Kingdom. The unique position of the Baptist constituency of the District of Columbia in being affiliated with both the Northern and Southern Baptist Conventions gives them an interest in the endeavors of both and makes them eager to share the responsibilities of each.

Washington Baptists are looking forward with eager expectancy to May, when they will be hosts to both Conventions. From May 19th through May 22nd will be held the sessions of the Southern Baptist Convention and from May 24th through May 29th the Northern Baptist Convention will hold its meetings, while on May 23rd there will be a joint meeting of both. On Wednesday, May 17, will be held the annual meetings of the W.M.U. south-wide committees and on May 18 Woman's Missionary Union will be in annual session.

Committees are perfecting plans for the entertainment of our first guests, the southern Baptists, and for the sessions of their W.M.U. in Constitution Hall and of their Convention in the Washington Auditorium. Even in days of stress as the present, such gatherings of men and women—sensitive to the needs of the unfortunate, bound together in fellowship by like ideals, attesting by their loyal consecration to the everlasting God—must arouse enthusiasm and yield rich results.—  
*Ann Wingfield Jackson, Chairman W.M.U. Publicity, Washington, D. C.*

**HOTEL HEADQUARTERS for W.M.U. at WASHINGTON**

**F**OR several reasons it was decided that it would be best to select the Powhatan Hotel as W.M.U. headquarters during the May meeting in Washington. Chief among the reasons was the fact that the Powhatan Hotel is only a few blocks from Constitution Hall in which the W.M.U. annual meeting convenes on Thursday, May 18, and it is also only a short distance from the Washington Auditorium where the Southern Baptist Convention will be in session May 19-22.

Rates at the Powhatan Hotel for the May meeting are as follows:

- Single Room with Private Bath, \$3.00 to \$3.50
- Double Room with Private Bath:
  - One Bed, \$5.00
  - Twin Beds, \$6.00 to \$7.00.

Make your reservation early, please. Write for reservation directly to  
Powhatan Hotel, Washington, D. C.

## "Beyond the Silver Sea"

**T**HITHER in February went the immortal souls of Mrs. W. P. McAdory and of the mother of Mrs. Taul B. White. Tenderest sympathy on the part of Woman's Missionary Union is extended to Mrs. White and to Mrs. McAdory's mother and sisters. "As an anchor of the soul" they have the hope "both sure and steadfast" of eternity with these loved ones in the "land of pure delight" where there are no tears, no night, no sea.

Over many seas Mrs. McAdory traveled at her own expense a few years ago in order to see mission work in Hawaii, Japan, China, the Philippines, India, Palestine, Italy and Spain. Upon her return she spared no effort to arouse larger interest in foreign missions, speaking on many programs in the north, west and south and stimulating the desire for more effective mission study. Among the many positions held by her, perhaps none was more on her heart and mind than that of Mission Study Chairman for the Western District of the Alabama W.M.U. Through the years she used her radiant personality, her original mind and her consecrated heart as W.M.S. president, associational W.M.U. superintendent, trustee of Howard College, charter member of the Birmingham Good Will Center, chairman of the Union's annual meeting program committee in 1932 and as a member of its Executive Committee for four years. Throughout the south she is perhaps best known as chairman of the committee which framed the W.M.U. Installation Service and as the Spirit of Missions during the Union's annual meeting in Birmingham in 1931. Into the soft white robe that she wore on that inspiring occasion they put the beautiful body of her who had already joined the "great multitude . . . out of every nation . . . standing before the throne and before the Lamb, arrayed in white robes".



### CHIEF AIMS of WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

- 1—Prayer: *Individual and United*
- 2—Enlistment: (1) *Membership* (2) *Activity*
- 3—Study: (1) *Missionary Message of the Bible*  
(2) *World Missions*
- 4—Personal Service: *Directed and Individual*  
(1) *Soul-Winning*  
(2) *Manifesting Christian Fellowship*  
(3) *Development in Christian Service*
- 5—Tithes and Offerings: (1) *Study and Plans*
- 6—Missionary Education of Young People

## FROM OUR MISSIONARIES

### HOW ALFRED'S PRAYER WAS ANSWERED



Alfred is just a little boy eight years old but his faith in God and in prayer is as great as if he had been a Christian many years. He is not a Cuban. His parents were English but Alfred was born here and has never been out of Cuba. His father died last year and his mother teaches English to support herself and her three boys. Ivor, the oldest boy, works in a cleaning and pressing shop and makes a very small salary. The mother taught her boys at home but this year she applied for a scholarship for her second boy. She is away from home most of the day teaching private classes in English and gets very little for her work. Although our school is also feeling the depression, the teachers agreed to give tuition free to five children and so her second son was granted one of those scholarships.

Of course Donald and his mother were happy that he could go to school just like other boys did, but what about little Alfred? Poor little fellow, he was almost heart-broken. Why couldn't he go to school if Donald did? He said: "Mother, when is my time coming? When can I go to school?" His mother said: "Why don't you pray about it?" Alfred replied, "I have already prayed".

But God did not answer his prayer at once, just as He does not answer our prayers always at once. The days went by. So much of the time little Alfred was at home alone while his mother was away, busy with her English classes. He kept busy reading and studying at home, too much his mother said, for he was beginning to look pale and thin and needed to get out and get more exercise and play like other boys. But where could he play? There was no place to play in one small room in a tenement house.

Sometimes he and his mother were discouraged about the situation but they kept praying, and just a little while ago Alfred's prayers were answered! A good Christian woman in the United States sent the missionary a check for \$23 and said, "Use it as you think best". That was just enough to pay Alfred's tuition for the rest of the school year and to buy his books. Does God answer prayer? Alfred is sure that He does. Oh, women of the southland, you too can have a part in answered prayers with your gifts and your prayers.—*Mildred Matthews, Havana, Cuba*

### "IN ROME ALSO"

A FEW years ago, a peasant, who is employed during the winter in the royal household for the central heating, entered by chance our chapel and was deeply impressed. He continued to frequent and later asked to be baptized and is a faithful member of our church. In the beginning he used to tell us of the opposition he met with in his family and especially from his wife, on account of his coming to the protestant services. The wife, urged to do so by the priest, used to destroy all the protestant magazines and tracts he took home. The pastor was obliged to write to him to another address because his wife destroyed his letters. Some time after, he told us he was having a quieter time because his wife did not trouble him so much. But the surprising thing was that one day the pastor received a visit from the man's wife, who said she felt it was her duty to thank him because her husband, who had been a blasphemer, swore no longer since he had read the Word of God, he had been a drunkard but now was sober, in former times he had beaten his wife and now he beat her no longer. In fact everything in their home went well now that he had

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## MISSION STUDY DEPARTMENT



### MISSION STUDY in HAVANA, CUBA



Recently we had "Mission Study Week" for our societies in Havana. All of the members of all of the societies studied a book on missions. At the close we gave 46 diplomas and seals to R. A's., G.A's. and Sunbeams. How I would like to tell you something about their classes, the interest the children showed and their testimonies as to the benefits that they received in the classes. But that is another story. I want to tell more about the women's class.

We had the women and the young ladies together. It is not so easy to select a book for mission study for we have very few mission study books in Spanish from which to choose. This year we studied the "Autobiography of J. Hudson Taylor". At the close of the study I asked each one to tell some benefit they had gotten from the study and I am sending the translation of some of the answers.

The first comes from a young woman, Raquel Mellado. She wants to prepare herself to be a missionary but with no secondary Baptist schools in Cuba and no Seminary and Training School we have nothing to offer her. How we would love to see Raquel in training somewhere! This is what she says: "When Jesus came into my heart the only thing that I thought about at that moment was that I was very happy, but now I am unhappy and I will not be happy until I can dedicate all my life to the Lord. After studying this book I see the need for more workers. Here am I, Lord, send me".

Another comes from a bride, Mrs. Nemesio Garcia. Her husband has felt

called to preach and wants more preparation but we have no school to offer him here. Oh, that he and his young wife might have an opportunity to prepare themselves for the Master's work! This is what the young wife says: "This study has taught me to trust more in the Lord, taking as an example the utmost confidence that Hudson Taylor had and the answers that he received to his prayers. I have also learned that we should be more faithful each day".

Here is one from Nemesio's mother. She cannot read or write but her G.A. daughter came each night to the class with her and the mother dictated the answers to the questions and her daughter wrote them for her. She says: "This study shows us that all we do for the work of the Lord is very little and that these Christian heroes should serve as an example to us to be more faithful".

This comes from a woman who has suffered a lot: she has had four children but God has taken them all and she is left childless. She says: "I shall ask the Lord to help me dedicate the rest of my life to His service, imitating the life of this faithful servant of the Lord".

Josefina Silva says: "I have learned to have more faith in the Master and to work for Him in whatever He calls me to do. Oh, that I might with the help of the Lord be an imitator of Taylor as a Christian!"

There were other interesting testimonies but these were the most appealing ones to me. I am so glad that I had the pleasure of teaching missions to such a responsive class and I feel sure that I received as great a blessing from teaching the book as they did from studying it. We felt the presence of God near each night as we met to study.

—Mildred Matthews, Havana, Cuba

See committee announcements on page 13.



## BOOK REVIEWS



Mrs. Julian P. Thomas, Virginia

Any of the books reviewed in this magazine may be ordered from Baptist Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Va., or from State Baptist Bookstore. The price of each is quoted with its review.

### W. EUGENE SALLEE—CHRIST'S AMBASSADOR



In this life of one of our best loved missionaries, written by his wife, one follows with ever-increasing interest the story of the change from a youth determined to succeed financially, to the young Christian who "must be about his Father's business", to the decision in young manhood that God had called him to the foreign field, to the going to China and finding there the outlet for the brilliant gifts bestowed upon him. These gifts of mind, heart and soul were wholeheartedly used in the building up of one of our outstanding mission fields, until Eugene Sallee was called back to his native land as home secretary and, after a short time, to his Father's Home above.

Mrs. Sallee has so written the story as to inspire her readers with a longing for the higher life and the desire to advance in some way—through means or life—the great cause to which Dr. Sallee's life was dedicated. The proceeds from the sale of the book go to the work of foreign missions. Price: cloth \$1.50

### HUDSON TAYLOR'S SPIRITUAL SECRET

A WONDERFUL story of spiritual power through dependence on God is "Hudson Taylor's Spiritual Secret" by his son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Taylor. The book consists largely of letters of Hudson Taylor and extracts from his note books, which he found time to write daily in a life filled with arduous tasks.

From the time when at sixteen he gave himself to a life of service, he was guided entirely by God's will. Convinced that God had a work for him to do in China, he took every step depending on prayer for financial support. Never did he ask for human help for men or money but always expected and received both through prayer, even when the enterprise grew to thousands of workers and many thousands of pounds. It is a most inspiring book. Price: \$1

### AS PROTESTANT LATIN AMERICA SEES IT

"As Protestant Latin-America Sees It" consists of seven papers by South American authors. These papers were assembled and edited by Milton Stauffer.

The story of the domination of all Latin-American countries by Roman Catholicism and of the consequences of this suppression of thought gives a revealing vision of what these countries have had to combat in the struggle for liberty of thought. In chapter IV the writer takes the ground that the work of the protestant missionary is more difficult in Latin lands than in pagan countries, but just as necessary, since few of the inhabitants have ever heard the real Gospel. He deplores the fact that many people in the United States feel it is unnecessary to send missionaries to Roman Catholic countries. The last chapter is a stirring appeal to the youth of the U. S. for sympathy. Price: 75c

 **ENLISTMENT** 

**"For a DRAUGHT" of NEW MEMBERS "LAUNCH OUT into the DEEP and LET DOWN YOUR NETS"**

**WHY ENLIST?**



only accompanied Jesus on this missionary tour but gave of their substance that missions might go forward; they were with the church, for the twelve were there. If Jesus needed such a band when He was here in person, how much more does He need women enlisted in His work today, when He is depending on us to carry out the commission He gave Mary at the open tomb! The Master is calling for leaders—for followers in the greatest work in which a woman can engage.

**THE ADVANTAGES of BEING ENLISTED**

1—The W.M.U. is organized effort. We learned during the World War that organization under skilled leadership is the only way to succeed. Just as they then needed men who were fit, so we now need women of talents who will give their best to this soul-saving task.

Luke 8:1-3 is a record of a Woman's Missionary Society. These women not

- 2—The W.M.U. works intelligently, for it studies the needs of mission fields.
- 3—It works prayerfully, as it has special seasons of prayer for our missions.
- 4—The W.M.U. assists the mother: it organizes young people and leads them into paths of righteousness.
- 5—Personal advantages are fellowship, joy of service and growth.

**HOW ENLIST?**

Select "fishers of women" and send this small group out to bring in others. This was the way Christ enlisted. Personal work, by visit or telephone, is the most effective way. Study the interest of each woman and reach her with this net: select the woman with the rose-garden to furnish and deliver flowers to the sick; the house-wife, who does her own canning, and the Dorcas to feed the hungry and clothe the poor; the artist to make posters; young women for youth.

Begin on time. Have an inspiring program. Quit on time.—Mrs. Lon V. Smith, Texas



Again the big umbrella and the steady steppers would remind you, your home, your circle, your society, please, to renew or subscribe—at 50 cents a year —for

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 **TITHING** 

Mrs. G. R. Martin, Southwide Stewardship Chairman, Va.

**HONEST as CHRISTIAN WOMEN**



A radio speaker made the statement that business men consider women better risks than men. It is gratifying to know that women are, as a rule, meeting their obligations honestly and promptly. Certainly this should be true of the Christian woman. She ought to be honorable and just in her dealings with her fellow-man, paying as comes due each debt to the doctor, the merchant, the banker and the tax collector.

Even then the Christian woman does not deserve to be called honest or trustworthy if she is not just as prompt in the payment of the debt to God. In fact, this debt should have first consideration because He, who furnishes all the power to make money, commands that the first fruits be brought to Him. The tithe is God's: just plain

honesty demands that it not be used to pay any other obligation.

How hard it seems for even members of the Woman's Missionary Union to acknowledge and to pay their debt to God. So little gratitude is shown to Him who has done so much for His people.

A little Chinese boy teaches a much needed lesson. His arm had been badly injured and only the most careful treatment by the nurse prevented amputation. Realizing his debt to her Ah-sing said as he left the hospital: "Never will I drop out of my mind that this (*touching his right arm*) all belongs to Sister Gold and is always at her service anywhere at any time".

The gratitude of this Chinese child puts to shame many Christians. How fine it would be if all the readers of this page would declare: "Never again will I forget that all I have belongs to my Master and always it is at His service. As a proof that I recognize His ownership, I will faithfully set aside for Him one-tenth of that with which He entrusts me".—Mrs. Ida M. Stallworth, Ala.

Beginning at 9 o'clock on Wednesday morning, May 17, there will be held the annual session of each of the following southwide W.M.U. committees. The meetings will be at the Powhatan Hotel in Washington, the chairman of each committee being named as follows:

- STEWARDSHIP—Mrs. G. R. Martin, Va.
- MISSION STUDY—Mrs. Una R. Lawrence, Mo.
- PERSONAL SERVICE—Mrs. P. B. Lowrance, Tenn.
- YOUNG PEOPLE—Miss Juliette Mather
- MARGARET FUND—Mrs. Frank Burney
- W.M.U. TRAINING SCHOOL—Mrs. W. J. Cox

Every member of each committee is earnestly urged to be present.

# FAMILY ALTAR

Mrs. W. H. Gray, Alabama

Topic: **THIS BEGINNING of MIRACLES: John 2:1-11**

"Thine arm, O Lord, in days of old  
Was strong to heal and save;  
It triumphed o'er disease and death,  
O'er darkness and the grave.

"To Thee they went, the blind, the dumb,  
The palsied and the lame,  
The leper with his tainted life,  
The sick with fevered frame".

All Power . . . unto Me

1st Day—John 2:1-11  
2nd Day—John 4:46-54  
3rd Day—John 5:1-9  
4th Day—John 6:5-12, 16-22  
5th Day—John 9:5-7; 11:39-44  
6th Day—John 18:4-9  
7th Day—John 21:1-12

The Compassionate Saviour

8th Day—Luke 7:11-17  
9th Day—Luke 8:40-42, 49-56  
10th Day—Luke 8:45-48  
11th Day—Luke 9:37-45  
12th Day—Luke 18:41-43; 22-51  
13th Day—Luke 13:15, 16; 14:3-5  
14th Day—Luke 17:11-19

The Son of God

15th Day—Matt. 8:23-27; 9:28-30  
16th Day—Matt. 17:24-27  
17th Day—Matt. 15:21-28, 32-37  
18th Day—Matt. 21:18-20  
19th Day—Matt. 8:23-34  
20th Day—Matt. 9:23-30  
21st Day—Matt. 14:14-18

The Son of Man

22nd Day—Mark 1:41-44  
23rd Day—Mark 2:1-12  
24th Day—Mark 3:1-5  
25th Day—Mark 3:19-30  
26th Day—Mark 6:38-42  
27th Day—Mark 7:34, 35  
28th Day—Mark 8:22-25  
29th Day—Mark 10:49-52  
30th Day—Matt. 1:21; 20:28

The following drawing presents fine suggestions for an "extension" poster. It was designed by Mrs. J. W. Gillon Jr. of Birmingham, Ala., when she was a student at Hillman College, Clinton, Miss.



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At the mid-year meeting of the W.M.U. Executive Committee and of the state W.M.U. corresponding secretaries the Union's recording secretary, Mrs. H. M. Wharton, called attention to the many appeals for prayer which were set forth in the program of the "Day of Prayer around the World" as observed last December. Mrs. Wharton deplored the fact that even a day was not long enough to "pray through" those many petitions which had come from Christians in many lands, whose faith in God's power to answer prayer and in W.M.U. faithfulness in praying led them to submit the petitions. Therefore, it was decided to use this department of the magazine from month to month as a call to prayer for many if not all of these yearnings. Keep this page and keep on praying its petitions, please. Our missionaries are asked to let the magazine know when God answers any of these prayers.

## "Pray Ye"

*In praying for Nigeria in west Africa remember:*

1. The goodness, mercy and blessing of the Lord that have rested upon the united efforts of the African Mission and Nigerian Baptist Convention.
2. Need for missionary family at Sapele with its rapidly growing district work
3. Need for at least two missionary families to train pastors, evangelists and teachers in Niger Delta district
4. Need of training school for the six tribes in Niger Delta and Oweri Province
5. Need for missionary in Ibadan, the largest native town in Africa
6. Need of larger church and school buildings to accommodate people attending

*Remembering Argentina pray:*

1. For a new consecration to God for service
2. That the Lord give us the means to carry His work forward
3. For a native itinerant missionary and his salary for Santa Fe (San-to Fay) —Cordoba (Cór-do-ba) District
4. For consecration among the church members
5. For more responsibility felt toward the unsaved
6. For trained leadership with vision

*Concerning Japan pray:*

1. That the prayers of Japanese Christians in behalf of their country may be answered
2. That the authority of God's Word may be recognized in our seventeen churches and various preaching places
3. That God's workers may be united in the great fundamentals of our faith
4. For a revival in the preaching of the Gospel, that there may be an outpouring of His Spirit on our churches
5. For the establishment of Christian homes
6. For young Christians who graduate in our Christian schools and must go back into heathen surroundings; for those who cannot get permission to attend Sunday school and church

*Pray also for:* meetings of northern and southern Baptists in Washington, May 18-20; God's guidance in behalf of enforcement and preservation of the 18th Amendment; world peace; distraught mission boards; furloughed missionaries.

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## 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: **THIS BEGINNING of MIRACLES**; John 2:1-11

"And lo, Thy touch brought life and health,  
Gave speech and strength and sight;  
And youth renewed and frenzy calmed  
Owned Thee, the Lord of light:  
And now, O Lord, be near to bless,  
Almighty as of yore,  
In crowded street, by restless couch,  
As by Gennesaret's shore.

"Be Thou our great Deliverer still,  
Thou Lord of life and death;  
Restore and quicken, soothe and bless  
With Thine almighty breath.  
To hands that work and eyes that see  
Give wisdom's heavenly lore  
That whole and sick, and weak and strong,  
May praise Thee evermore".

"And the Egyptians shall know that I am the Lord, when I stretch forth Mine hand upon Egypt and bring out the children of Israel from among them".

"And Moses said, Hereby ye shall know that the Lord hath sent me to do all these works; for I have not done them of mine own mind".

"And Joshua said, Hereby ye shall know that the living God is among you and that He will without fail drive out from before you the Canaanites".

"Now when John had heard in the prison the works of Christ, he sent two of his disciples and said unto Him, Art Thou He that should come or do we look for another? Jesus answered and said unto them, Go and shew John again those things which ye do hear and see: the blind receive their sight and the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up and the poor have the Gospel preached to them".

"This beginning of miracles did Jesus in Cana of Galilee and manifested forth His glory; and His disciples believed on Him".

"Now Peter and John went up together into the temple at the hour of prayer, being the ninth hour. And a certain lame man from his mother's womb was carried, whom they laid daily at the gate of the temple which is called Beautiful, to ask alms of them that entered into the temple; who seeing Peter and John about to go into the temple asked an alms. And Peter, fastening his eyes upon him with John, said, Look on us. And he gave heed unto them, expecting to receive something of them. Then Peter said, Silver and gold have I none; but such as I have give I thee: in the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk. . . . Many of them that heard the Word believed; and the number of the men was about five thousand".



The purpose of the miracle was gained. Peter was glad to help the man; but he would never have stopped with physical healing. Jesus was compassionate in His dealings with suffering humanity. The glory of the Father however was much more important to Him than any single cure could be. Healings must not be an end in themselves if true Christianity is to be shown forth. Every service performed in the Master's name offers an opportunity to introduce the Saviour. Our hospitals, our schools, our orphanages, our relief agencies find much to do in a material way. God grant that Christians today may see the opportunities offered and respond in the greatest service of all—the winning of a soul.

"For the Jews require a sign, and the Greeks seek after wisdom: but we preach Christ . . . unto them which are called. Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God".

## Calendar of Prayer April, 1933

Prepared by Mrs. Maud R. McClure

Some sayings of those who gave the Word to other lands:

"I will go down, but remember that you must hold the ropes"—William Carey  
"Now let me burn out for God"—Henry Martyn, upon Landing in India  
"Let us advance on our knees"—Joseph Hardy Neesima

### Topic: Miracles of the Word in Other Lands

#### 1—SATURDAY

Pray for Dr. I. J. VanNess, corresponding secretary of the Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn., and for Mrs. VanNess. Jehovah hath set apart for Himself him that is godly.—Psa. 4:3

#### 2—SUNDAY

For native Christians in China and Japan. Also for May meeting in Washington, D. C. My covenant will I not break.—Psa. 89:24

#### 3—MONDAY

For Mrs. G. W. Greene, educational work, Canton, China. Jehovah is the portion of my inheritance and my cup.—Psa. 16:5

#### 4—TUESDAY

For annual sessions of W.M.U. of Mississippi, Brookhaven, and of Louisiana, Baton Rouge, April 4-6. Ask of Me and I will give thee the nations for thine inheritance.—Psa. 2:8

#### 5—WEDNESDAY

For annual sessions of W.M.U. of Missouri, Springfield, April 5-7, and South Carolina, Columbia, April 11-13. He that soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully.—II Cor. 9:6

#### 6—THURSDAY

For Miss Cornelia Brower, Colegio Bautista, Temuco, Chile. Lay up His words in thy heart.—Job 22:22

#### 7—FRIDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. John Mein, educational work, Pernambuco, Brazil, and for John and Robert Mein, Margaret Fund students. Whoso walketh wisely shall be delivered.—Prov. 22:26

#### 8—SATURDAY

For Miss Margie Shumate, evangelistic work, Shiu Hing, China. Commit thy works unto Jehovah and thy purposes shall be established.—Prov. 16:3

#### 9—SUNDAY

For native Christians in Africa. Also for May meeting in Washington, D. C. Ye were anointed with the Holy Spirit of promise.—Eph. 1:13

#### 10—MONDAY

For W.M.U. of Central and Interior China. I thank my God upon all my remembrance of you.—Phil. 1:3

#### 11—TUESDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Quarles (on furlough), literary and evangelistic work, Buenos Aires, Argentina, and Mary Wallace, John and William Quarles, Margaret Fund students. In all these things we are more than conquerors.—Rom. 8:37

#### 12—WEDNESDAY

For Misses Pearl Caldwell and Bonnie Ray, evangelistic work, Pingtu, China. He that hath the Son hath the life.—I John 5:12

#### 13—THURSDAY

For Miss Minnie Landrum, W.M.U. worker, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Let them that love Him be as the sun when he goeth forth in his might.—Judges 8:11

#### 14—FRIDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. C. W. Pruitt, educational and evangelistic work, Chefoo, China. Because I live ye shall live also.—John 14:19

#### 15—SATURDAY

For Mrs. R. E. Chambers, publication work, Shanghai, China. Thou shalt be steadfast and shalt not fear.—Job. 11:13

†Attended W.M.U. Training School  
\*Attended Southwestern Training School

## Calendar of Prayer April, 1933

"I have seen in the morning sun the smoke of a thousand villages where no missionary has ever been".—Robert Moffatt  
 "Oh that I could dedicate my all to God! This is all the return I can make to Him".  
 —David Brainerd  
 "The word 'discouragement' is not in the dictionary of the Kingdom of Heaven".  
 —Melinda Rankin

### Topic: Miracles of the Word in Other Lands

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| <p><b>16—SUNDAY</b><br/>                 For native Christians in South America. Also for May meeting in Washington, D. C.<br/> <i>Jehovah preserve all them that love Him.—Ps. 145:20</i></p> <p><b>17—MONDAY</b><br/>                 For Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Lowe, evangelistic work, Tsingtao, China, and Florence and Mary Dee Lowe, Margaret Fund students<br/> <i>Faithful is He that calleth you.—1 Thess. 5:24</i></p> <p><b>18—TUESDAY</b><br/>                 For the Nigerian W.M.U. Whom He justified, them He also glorified.—Rom. 8:30</p> <p><b>19—WEDNESDAY</b><br/>                 For Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Turnbull, evangelistic work, Jaguquara, Brazil<br/> <i>The Father Himself loveth you.—John 16:27</i></p> <p><b>20—THURSDAY</b><br/>                 For Misses Lora Clement, E. E. Rea (on furlough) and Sarah Funderburk (on furlough), evangelistic work, Kong Moon, China<br/> <i>I am thy shield and thy exceeding great reward.—Gen. 15:1</i></p> <p><b>21—FRIDAY</b><br/>                 For Rev. and Mrs. J. Franklin Ray, evangelistic work, Hiroshima, Japan, and Mary Elizabeth Ray, Margaret Fund student<br/> <i>Cast thy burden upon Jehovah and He will sustain thee.—Ps. 55:22</i></p> <p><b>22—SATURDAY</b><br/>                 For Rev. and Mrs. T. Neill Johnson (on furlough), Shanghai University, Shanghai, China<br/> <i>Light shall shine upon thy ways.—Job 22:29</i></p> <p><b>23—SUNDAY</b><br/>                 For all native Christians in Mexico and Cuba. Also for May meeting in Washington, D. C.<br/> <i>By this shall all men know that ye are My disciples if ye have love one to another.—John 13:35</i></p> | <p><b>24—MONDAY</b><br/>                 For all evangelical missionaries in every land. Also for all sick or otherwise furloughed missionaries<br/> <i>Yet shall the righteous hold on his way.—Job 17:9</i></p> <p><b>25—TUESDAY</b><br/>                 For Miss Rose Marlowe, educational work, Shanghai, China<br/> <i>As the sufferings of Christ abound unto me, even so our comfort also aboundeth.—11 Cor. 1:5</i></p> <p><b>26—WEDNESDAY</b><br/>                 For Rev. and Mrs. O. P. Maddox, evangelistic work, Bello Horizonte, Brazil, and Otis and Samuel Maddox, Margaret Fund students<br/> <i>As the Father hath loved Me, I also have loved you.—John 15:9</i></p> <p><b>27—THURSDAY</b><br/>                 For Miss Reba Stewart, educational work, Kwailin, China<br/> <i>But He giveth more grace.—Jas. 4:6</i></p> <p><b>28—FRIDAY</b><br/>                 For Mrs. Dan Hurley, educational work, Bucharest, Roumania<br/> <i>The Lord Jehovah will help me.—Isa. 50:7</i></p> <p><b>29—SATURDAY</b><br/>                 For Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Benson, Mexican Baptist Publishing House, El Paso, Texas, and Horace Benson, Margaret Fund student<br/> <i>A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches.—Prov. 22:1</i></p> <p><b>30—SUNDAY</b><br/>                 Pray that foreigners in our country may learn the Word.<br/> <i>The Lord giveth the Word.—Ps. 68:11</i></p> |
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## BUSINESS WOMEN'S CIRCLES

Miss Inabelle Coleman, North Carolina

POSTER SUGGESTION: Campfire or open fire; around fire sketch or paste picture of people of every land. Underneath print: Story-Hour around the Fire

.....B.W.C.....Time.....Place.....

### Topic: MIRACLES of the WORD in OTHER LANDS

Sing: "Thy Word Is a Lamp to My Feet"

Scripture: Psalm 119:105

Some News from the Front (Page 35)

Sing: "Holy Bible, Book Divine"

Symposium: "The Miracle Book" (Pages 21-22)

Six Stories (Have 6 good story-tellers relate the stories on pages 22-27.)

Several Instances of "the Word Producing Leaders" (Pages 27-28)

Sadly "the Word Tarrys" (Pages 28-29)

Silent Moments of Meditation and Prayer

—Silent Prayer

MAY-TIME in Washington is cherry-blossom-time. And this year it is also Baptist-Convention-time. Both the W.M.U. (on May 18) and the S.B.C. (commencing May 19) will meet in our capital city during the week of May 14. Often business women like to spend their vacations in Washington, but this year there is an additional interest, and many business women will want to arrange their vacation-time right now, so that they can be sure that they will be free to go to the S.B.C. this year and, also, to get a glimpse of the Northern Baptist Convention. There will be a joint session of northern and southern Baptists on May 23.

RETROSPECT and PROSPECT—Looking backward across the years and, with the eyes of one's soul, beholding again Gethsemane, Calvary and the resurrection dawn, one experiences a medley of emotions: sympathy, heartaches, love, devotion, gratitude, humility, faith. Looking backward to early youth, one recalls festive spring bonnets, new frocks, fragrance of flowers and rare emotions of ecstasy and elation. Other bits of sacred pageantry float by in memory's parade. But these shifting Easter-scenes quickly recross the years and reveal the present's challenging prospects of this Easter-time of 1933: a world in turmoil, confusion, fear, uncertainty, suffering. Yet, the lights of retrospect, the truth of Calvary, the certainty of resurrection, the victory of faith, the love of God, all shed their radiance across the years with such steadfastness that one rises out of one's moments of meditation eager to go about doing good, to serve some one in need of Him, to tell again the Christian's story of Easter, to win some soul to Him as an Easter-gift, fragrant with that love that will also constrain, urge and lead the soul-winner forward with the Master's compassion and readiness to respond to human need in a heavenly way. May this be our Easter prospect!

Early in February the Foreign Mission Board forwarded to the various fields the \$16,000.00 given in the 1932 Lottie Neon Christmas Offering for W.M.U. work on foreign fields.

**PROGRAM PLANS**

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

**B**EHOLD, the days come, saith the Lord God, that I will send a famine in the land, not a famine of bread nor a thirst for water but of hearing the words of the Lord. And they shall wander from sea to sea and from the north even to the east, they shall run to and fro to seek the word of the Lord and shall not find it. In that day shall the fair virgins and young men faint for thirst.—Amos 8:11-13

Is this an age when there is a "famine of hearing the Word of the Lord"? We have heard of people who starved in the midst of plenty because they could not or would not eat the food offered them. If there is starvation for God's Word, it is not because it is not within the reach of most of us. Has the "appetite" of the people failed? Is this the reason "the fair virgins and young men faint for thirst"?

The chief purpose of the Program Committee in preparing for the April meeting should be to stimulate an appetite for God's Word. The instances given in the program material (pages 21 to 30) prove the Bible to be "The Miracle Book". Should not each woman in the society long to have more of the power of this Book in her own life?

Several years ago Dr. Hight C. Moore of the Sunday School Board prepared an outline of Bible readings that would cover the whole Bible in twelve months. He called it "Through the Two Testaments in a Year". So popular was this outline that it has been put into leaflet form and may be had for the asking.

The Program Committee will do well to consult the president of the society and circle leaders as to the advisability of securing a package of these leaflets to distribute at the close of the program. Though the leaflet is free, it should be given only to those who will promise to try to follow the suggested readings. Orders for the leaflet—Through the Parallel Testaments in a Year—should be sent to the State Baptist Bookstore. It would be courteous to send postage.

The program for April may be easily arranged from the fine material given. First let there be a brief statement by the leader, "Wondrous Things Out of Thy Law". Then six women may be called on to tell briefly of "Miracles of the Word": (1) Pastor Li; (2) A Scrap of Paper; (3) How a Leader Was Won; (4) A Dream That Came True; (5) Seed Sown in the Heart of a Child; (6) From Darkness to Light. The closing talk by the leader should give briefly other items in the last sections of the program material. See also page 9.

A short talk may then be made by the chairman of the Program Committee, laying before the society the plan of using the leaflet—Through the Parallel Testaments in a Year. She should explain that it has the endorsement of the society's Executive Committee and should ask that as many as possible volunteer to take this course of Bible reading. The program might close by having many members quote Scripture that has been especially helpful to them.

**AFTERNOON PROGRAM** by NORTHERN and SOUTHERN WOMEN  
Tuesday afternoon, May 23, at Constitution Hall in Washington there will be presented a joint program portraying work being done by northern Baptist women and by Woman's Missionary Union, S.B.C. By all means plan to remain in Washington in order to enjoy this program as well as the morning and evening sessions of that Tuesday when the Northern and Southern Baptist Conventions will present a joint program for the first time in 89 years.

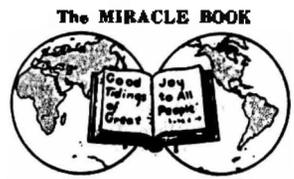
**PROGRAM for APRIL**

The list of reference material given at close of this program is the chief source 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 this listed material and in 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. C. D. Creasman, Tennessee

**Topic: MIRACLES of the WORD in OTHER LANDS**

- Hymn—What a Wonderful Savior
- Bible Study—This Beginning of Miracles: John 2:1-11 (See page 16.)
- Prayer of thanksgiving for the miracle-working power of Jesus and His Word
- Duet—His Word Was with Power —The Miracle Book
- Hymn—Wonderful Words of Life
- Miracles of the Word
  - The Miracle of Pastor Li —A Scrap of Paper
  - How a Leader Was Won —A Dream That Came True
  - Seed Sown in the Heart of a Child —From Darkness to Light
- Hymn—Jesus Saves —The Word Producing Leaders
- Prayer for all native workers on foreign mission fields
- The Word Tarries —Hymn—O Zion Haste
- Prayer that we may haste to send the Word to all people



*"Wondrous things out of thy law"*

The Bible is a miracle book. It is a miracle in its production. A book of many books, written by many authors living in different places and in different times, yet is it one book, with one theme, one message, one purpose. Only the mind of God could have produced such a book.

It is a miracle in its preservation. Men have tried to destroy it, but it is indestructible. Fire cannot burn it, floods cannot overwhelm it, knives cannot mutilate it, critics cannot tear it from the hearts of men. "Heaven and earth shall pass away, but My Word shall not pass away". Only the hand of God could have wrought such a preservation.

It is a miracle in its propagation. Those who have this book must needs pass it on to others. Hundreds of the world's most brilliant minds have devoted themselves to its translation. Written in two languages it has been translated into at least six hundred forms of human speech. Most of earth's millions can read its precious words in their own tongue. It was the first full book ever printed. Its words were the first to be passed over the electric wires by telegram and cablegram. Its words, more than those from any other book, fly through the air and are caught by millions of radios the world over. Only a miracle book could inspire such widespread propagation.

Again it is a miracle in its popularity. This old book is always new and always popular. Every year it outsells the year's best seller. The annual sale of Bibles in America averages 35 million. Only a book which gives soul satisfaction could maintain such popularity through passing centuries.

Last, and most important of all, it is a miracle in its power. It is a miracle book because it has the power to work miracles in human lives. Through its message souls are saved, lives are transformed. This book touches the hearts of men and drunkards become sober, liars become truthful, thieves become honest, adulterers become pure—those whose sins are like scarlet become as white as snow. Given its chance, it never fails to work its miracles in the hearts of men. No man can fall so low in the degradation and misery of his sin that the words of this book cannot reach his soul to lift and to save. No man can climb to such heights of earthly success and fame that he does not need this book to complete his success and to enrich his life. People of all races and all places, of every clime, color and condition, may share in the miracle of grace disclosed in this book. Only the omnipotence of God could endue a book with such power.

Yes, the Bible is a miracle book because it is God's book. He inspired it. He protects it. He uses it. He gives it power to work miracles. Let us thank Him for the miracle of this book in our own lives.

#### MIRACLES of the WORD

*"My Word shall not return unto Me void"*

**Leader**—The topic for this program is "Miracles of the Word in Other Lands". We are going to hear stories of how the Word of God has worked and is even now working miracles on our foreign mission fields. Sometimes it has been the spoken Word, falling from the lips of missionaries or native workers; sometimes it has been the written Word, a Bible or Testament; sometimes it has been only a bit of the Word on a leaflet or torn page of the Testament, and again it has been not so much the spoken word or the written Word as the *lived* Word, daily demonstrated by consistent Christians; but in every story the Word shows its miracle working power. All of these stories come from our missionaries. These are things which they

have seen happen. These are about people whom they know. Wonderful stories they are, but they are true, and they just prove again that the Bible is the miracle book.

#### The Miracle of Pastor Li

*"Have tested the good Word of God"*

**T**HE life of Pastor Li (*Lee*), of China, is one of the miracles of modern missionary work. During the years of his ministry he has baptized over six thousand people. We wonder if many southern Baptist pastors could claim such a harvest of souls.

Some time ago a missionary colporteur was displaying before a group of workers his supply of booklets and tracts, trying to sell some. Among them was a booklet bearing this title, "Piao Tsei Chan Tao", which means to the Chinese "The Truth Manifested". Pastor Li was present, and when he saw this booklet a wonderful light came to his face and he exclaimed: "Ah Iah! Ah Iah!" (*Eye Yaw!*) This is the Chinese exclamation of great joy. The missionary was surprised at this unexpected expression of pleasure, so turned to Pastor Li and asked, "What is the matter?" To this Pastor Li replied, "Oh the sight of the booklet, 'Piao Tsei Chan Tao', fills my soul with joy, for that booklet led me to Christ". "Tell us about it", requested the missionary. Then Pastor Li told the remarkable story of how a colporteur had sold him the tract, how he had read it and had desired to know more of this "Truth Manifested" and how he had kept searching until he had found the Word and had found God and had accepted His Son as his Savior.

Rev. C. J. Lowe, who gives us this story, adds: "This little tract costs only a few pennies, but it has meant the conversion of Pastor Li and of thousands of others. Suppose he had never received this tract. Suppose it had never been printed! Pastor Li is still in the harness, so the work of that booklet goes on in his life and in the lives of many others won to Christ through his ministry".

#### A Scrap of Paper

*"No word of God shall be void of power"*

The "I" in the following story is Rev. John Lake of Canton, China, for it is one of the rich experiences of his long life as a missionary. We give it just as he tells it.

**I** WAS talking with a Chinese preacher once on a boat in far-away China. I had known him for a long time and was deeply impressed by the wonderful work he had done as pastor and evangelist. I asked him how he first came to know Christianity and this is what he said:

"I was a boy utterly ignorant of Christianity but had a little education. One day I picked up a scrap of paper on the street of my native village and on it was printed in Chinese characters these words: ' . . . . . so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth on Him should not perish but have everlasting life'. I wondered who in the world it was who so loved the world and who gave his only begotten son. I had not the slightest idea to whom this referred. It was from a Christian tract that some one had torn up, and I made diligent search throughout the village until I found the rest of the page. Putting the two pieces together, I learned that 'God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth on Him should not perish but have everlasting life'".

And so, in a far-away village, where I have preached and where there is now a church, this Chinese pastor friend of mine in this strange way had his first lesson about God. I wonder who printed that tract; I wonder who gave the money to have it printed; I wonder who wrote that tract and who took it to that Chinese village. Who can tell what a fragment from a page of a Christian tract may do and who can guess what blessings may come from so simple a thing as writing and distributing these tracts about God and His Son Jesus Christ?

#### How a Leader Was Won

*"Blessed are they that hear the Word of God and keep it"*

**SENORITA CLEMENTINA OBELISCO** (*O-day-lees-co*, accent on third syllable) was an Italian immigrant girl. In her native country she had been nurse maid for a cultured Italian matron from whom she received many practical lessons. She came to Montevideo along with a younger sister to join her father and brother who had come over some years before. In the course of events she was employed as a maid in the home of our missionaries, Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Quarles. She proved to be a good servant, refined in her manner and a sincere Catholic though not a fanatic. Our missionaries decided that to attempt any direct evangelizing of the girl would not win her, that they must go slowly and let her take her time to think through just whatever she observed about them.

In that missionary home the Catholic girl came in contact for the first time with the Word. First, she saw that Word lived in the daily lives of the missionaries. In a former position with a rigorous Catholic lady, she had been unkindly treated, but here she was finding every consideration and kindness. Here she saw love demonstrated in daily life. Here she heard prayers made, not to Mary and the saints, but to Jesus. After some months she began to ask questions about the beliefs and practices of Baptists. In answering those questions Rev. and Mrs. Quarles were always careful to give brief answers in a simple, kindly way, so as not to appear too anxious to influence her thinking. Then they began to use just a bit of astuteness in order to teach her what she should know and at the same time to check up on how she was really progressing. When they went out at nights to attend various preaching stations they would leave her to look after the children. The children were sleeping next to the study and they suggested that she sit in the study so as to hear them when they needed anything.

Each night on the study table they would leave some book opened carefully at a particular place as if they had been studying and had left the book right there to continue reading when they got back. But as a matter of fact the particular pages were selected for her benefit. They soon began to see that when they returned the books would have been moved, the pages turned etc., so they knew that she had been reading the lesson they had selected for her. Then after awhile she began to ask questions about the very things they had prepared for her to read. She never went to confession after that.

Then it was that the missionaries felt that they could invite her to go with them to church and could undertake her direct personal evangelization. It was not long before she was openly taking deep interest in everything that went on in the church. The Word read, preached and lived in that missionary home worked its miracle and Miss Obelisco was gloriously converted and baptized into the Baptist Church of Montevideo. This happened in 1915, and since then she has made splendid progress. From nurse maid she has risen to the position of a trained nurse. She was one of the first nurses to be trained in the new nurse's school of Montevideo. Today she is considered the best nurse for children in the hospitals at Montevideo.

Besides her ministry in the public hospitals she takes an active part in the work of the First Baptist Church of Montevideo. She is now president of the Woman's Society and a valued member of the church in every sense of the word. Her financial contribution to the work is worthy of mention.

This is the story of one whom Rev. J. C. Quarles acclaims as Uruguay's most outstanding Baptist leader. (Adapted from story by Rev. J. C. Quarles)

A Dream That Came True  
"Mightily grew the Word of God and prevailed".

LONG before there were any southern Baptist missionaries in Chile, Juan

Gatica (*Wan Gar-tee-car*) was born on a large Chilean farm. As a boy Gatica played around the cabin of his parents and moved with them from farm to farm as they sought work. Early in life he acquired the Chilean custom of getting drunk. At the early age of fifteen he left home and wandered from farm to farm, from sawmill to sawmill seeking work. Quite early he married and moved to the southern part of the country which the government was at that time homesteading. But before he moved a wonderful thing happened in his life: he heard for the first time the Word of God from the lips of some German Baptists who were holding services near his old home. He accepted Jesus and from that time on was a different man.

As he went south he took with him his ox cart, ax and young wife but, best of all, Jesus went with him and, as his most priceless treasure, he carried a newly acquired Bible. It was a difficult task to hew out a home in the Chilean forest, but Gatica's strong arm wielded the ax each day, trees began to fall, an opening was cleared, a little shanty was built and home began. The most interesting thing about that home was that it was the only place in all that section of the country where there was a Bible. Gatica had never gone to school; but his mother had taught him to read, so he gathered the people of the community in his home, read his Bible to them and told them about Jesus. As the people believed, a little church was formed in the home, and then this faithful Christian began dreaming a dream. He dreamed of the time when someone, prepared to preach, would come into that section of the country where he lived, build a school house and a church and carry on the work that was so dear to his heart. The years passed by. Gatica now had a nice farm and a good home, and every week he did the best he could to preach the Gospel to his neighbors and continued to dream his dream.

God was preparing, for the fulfillment of that dream, a French boy. This boy

was brought to Chile by his parents who hoped to make a fortune in the new land. Soon after their arrival, both parents died. The orphaned boy wandered from place to place and acquired about all the bad habits a boy could possibly acquire. For several years he lived a most degraded life with some fishermen. Finally in his wanderings he came to the farm of Gatica. There he heard the Word and the miracle of conversion happened in his heart.

In the meantime southern Baptists had sent missionaries to Chile. One of these, Rev. J. L. Hart, had visited the home of Gatica and knew about his dream. At Temuco was a Baptist school. One day Gatica went to Temuco and entered Mr. Hart's office with a wonderful expression of satisfaction on his face. He said: "Brother Hart, I've got my man". Mr. Hart cried, "That is fine. Where is he?" Then the door opened and in walked the young Frenchman. Gatica said: "Here he is, and his name is Ishmael Neveu. I have brought Ishmael to you. You take and teach him. He is going to take my place".

Ishmael stayed in school for three years, then went home to begin the work of fulfilling the dream of Gatica. He, with other men, cut down trees, sawed logs and built the building which was the first evangelical school building in that part of Chile. It served as a combined school building and chapel. Soon after the school was opened Mr. Hart visited them and witnessed what he describes as one of the most touching scenes he ever beheld. Brother Gatica came in, bent with age and work, and said to the people to whom he had been preaching for thirty years: "Here is the man of whom I have dreamed and for whom I have prayed these thirty years. He is to be your pastor now. You must all support and love him and daily I shall pray that he may be God's man among you". Since then Gatica has gone to be with Jesus, but his work goes on through the dream that came true. (Retold from story by Mr. Hart)

Seed Sown in the Heart of a Child

"The seed is the Word of God".

ADELAIDA RIVAS and her two sons were moving to Concepcion, Chile, to find work. On the train they heard a missionary read a portion of Scripture and preach briefly. It reminded Adelaida of the little book which she had found as a child and had read so often. Some one had stolen her precious book and she had never been able to find another or even know that those beautiful stories were part of the Word of God.

She was a good Catholic and on arriving in Concepcion her first task in arranging her new home was the preparation of the altar for her "Virgin" which she had brought with her. She built a shelf in the corner of her bedroom and adorned it with bright papers, pictures and flowers and placed her beloved goddess in the center. Every day she lit candles and begged the "Virgin" to help her sons find work. One afternoon she was preparing the evening meal when her house caught on fire from sparks blowing from her open fire. She could not put it out so she ran to her "Virgin" and prayed to her to save her home. After counting her beads awhile she noticed that the flames advanced and entered her bedroom where all of her possessions were. Hastily she began carrying her beds and trunk, table and chairs out of the little house. Her neighbors ran to help her and called to her from outside: "Don't forget to save your 'Virgin'".

Adelaida stopped a bit to think and then said: "If the 'Virgin' can't save herself, how can she save me? I will just leave her and see if she can save herself". Of course her "Virgin", made of wood, perished in the flames and Adelaida's faith perished also but she mourned the loss of her "Virgin" for weeks.

Her sons had found work and many evenings they were out late. She asked them again and again where they went so many nights in the week. Finally they confessed that they were attending

a Baptist church and had promised to follow the Lord Jesus Christ. They invited her to go with them that night because the pastor had just returned from a long trip and would preach. "Since I have lost my 'Virgin'", thought she, "it will not hurt for me to commit this sin too, so I will go".

To her surprise the same missionary whom she had heard so gladly on the train preached that night and read again from the precious little book. She never missed a service after that and soon put her faith in the Lord Jesus whom she serves with all her heart. Only three of her fifteen sons and daughters have confessed Christ but she earnestly prays for them and her many grandchildren. (*This story is the gift of Mrs. R. Cecil Moore of Concepcion, Chile.*)

#### From Darkness to Light

*"The entrance of Thy Word giveth light"*

**R**APHAEL MARTINS (*Mar-teens*) was a devoted Catholic priest in Sao Paulo, Brazil. In the Catholic seminary he memorized the cut and dried dogma put before him and thought it was a sin to question it or to reason about it. However, he was a young man with unusual intelligence so, in spite of his loyalty to his church, doubts began to rise in his mind. His intimacy with the other priests revealed the corruptness of their lives. He became convinced that 95 per cent of them were immoral. He learned that to most of them the religious exercises of their office were a bore. One said to him that he came to Brazil from Italy not to save souls but to get rich. This revelation of the hypocrisy and immorality of his brother priests shocked his sincere soul. The confessional brought doubts also, and he ceased to believe in it, avoiding when possible having the people confess to him.

Then he began to have doubts about the eucharist. He had been taught that the bread and wine used in this sacrament became the actual blood and body of Christ. He found it increasingly difficult to believe that such a change took

place. Then he had this experience: he was sent to take the work in a town where a priest had escaped with a large sum of money. When he opened the church he found some of the bread, which had been left from the communion, rotten and covered with bugs. He was horrified to find the sacred bread in this condition. He could believe no longer that it was the body of Jesus. He confessed this doubt to his confessor who said: "It is a sin to doubt. Kneel down before the bread and say, 'I believe the real presence of Christ is in the eucharist'". This Mr. Martins did several times, trying to believe as he said, but all the time he was having visions of the decayed bread.

In spite of his doubts he continued to perform his duties as a priest, being in charge of a church in an important city for five years. Then he fell in love! Yes, this Catholic priest, sworn to celibacy, fell in love with a beautiful girl who lived next door and who with her family had showed great kindness at the time of his mother's death. Since he no longer believed in what he was doing he laid aside his role of priesthood, followed the leading of his heart and married the lovely girl. However, he went on maintaining a deep devotion for Mary and the patron saint of his family, Terézim.

Then he came in touch with the Word for the first time. This Catholic priest had known the dogmas of the Catholic church but not the sacred Scriptures. But now an old Methodist preacher began a meeting near his home and he was invited. Never before had he entered a protestant church, and it seemed a terrible thing to do. So he sat on the back seat close to the door where he could get out easily. That night he went home furious because the preacher spoke against the saints and called in question the power of Mary and Terézim. He challenged the aged preacher to a public debate, but the answer came back: "No. If you want any explanation in private I will give it, but a public debate is not best".

Something drew Raphael Martins and his wife back to the church, and again he came under the miraculous power of the Word. The sermon was on "Jesus, Our High Priest Forever". The book of Hebrews was explained. The Word worked its miracle. Light found its way into his heart! Then followed weeks and months of most earnest Scripture searching day and night to see if these things were true. Although Mr. Martins heard the Word first from an aged Methodist, after his search of the Scriptures he said: "Only the Baptist church can satisfy one who leaves Romanism. Its organization is exactly opposite to that of the Catholic—no pope, no bishops, no councils. Its doctrine is entirely apostolic, having as its only rule of faith the New Testament. The final question is not one of little water or much in baptism, but of obedience, and only by obedience is promised the songs of victory".

So by the miracle of the Word Raphael Martins became a Christian and a Baptist. Today he is one of Brazil's most powerful evangelists. A real gift of oratory, together with earnestness and consecration, makes him a mighty force for winning the lost. Brazil is richer and the Kingdom of God goes forward with greater strides because of the miracle of the Word in the life of Dr. Raphael Martins. (*Adapted from accounts written by Mrs. Rosalie Mills Appleby and Miss Ruth Randall*)

#### The WORD PRODUCING LEADERS

*"Those who labor in the Word"*

**T**HE Word of God, working its miracles of grace, has produced in every land leaders of remarkable consecration and power. More and more the native Christians are pastoring their own churches and taking charge of their own schools, hospitals and other institutions. More and more of our foreign mission churches are becoming self-supporting. In 1931 more than half (1910) of our 2651 churches in foreign lands were self-supporting. In 1931 our churches abroad gave \$145,000 more than southern Baptists

gave for the support of foreign missions twenty-five years ago.

In one district in Africa there are ten churches, all of them self-sustaining, self-directing and missionary in spirit. In another district a large native self-sustaining, self-directing Baptist constituency operates twenty-seven churches and a number of day-schools. In still another district we are told of a splendid native leader, Rev. W. A. Amakri (*Ar-mar-kree*), who was educated at Lagos and then trained in our theological seminary and is today leading his own people in the ways of the Lord.

Eighteen of Argentine's churches do not receive help from the Board. In the Cordova District are two outstanding leaders: Brother Leon Moreau (*Moro*), a pensioned employee of the Central Cordova Railroad, who gives most of his time to the work of his church; and Pastor Pablo Broda, who preaches regularly in four churches and carries on the work throughout a large territory.

Over half of Brazil's churches are self-sustaining. Recently three priests have been converted and are rapidly developing into wonderful leaders of evangelistic work.

China is making rapid strides in developing native leadership. Many of her Baptist schools and hospitals are directed by the Chinese and fifteen of her churches are self-supporting. Rev. John Lake's work for lepers, on Tai Kam (*Ty Karm*) Island, is under the direction of a board composed entirely of Chinese.

Rev. Tsao Su-kwang of Shanghai is a young Christian leader of great promise. Though only 28 years of age he is already doing an outstanding work. One of our missionaries writes of him: "I have never seen a better illustration of grace, of what God can accomplish in a life fully surrendered to Him. With him, following Christ means persecution from those nearest and dearest to him, yet he is more than conqueror through Christ his Lord. He has a special gift and love for singing, so he lives,

preaches and sings the Gospel. He appeals especially to those young people who are facing life seriously".

Among the notable women leaders of China is Mrs. Edward Chow, of Yang Chow. She is president of her W.M.S. and last year led in a series of evangelistic meetings which were most productive in spiritual results.

Missionary Englemann, writing of the work in Mexico, says: "We must note the fine spirit that is being shown by our native workers and the churches in meeting without complaint these times of depression. At their convention last year the pastors expressed their intention to go on with their work, to continue to preach and care for the churches even though their salaries stopped altogether".

Perhaps some might think that since there is such splendid native leadership there is no longer need of missionaries in foreign lands. This is far from true. These native leaders themselves are pleading all the time for more help from southern Baptists. On this point we quote from the last report of the Foreign Mission Board: "The growth and stability of our work abroad are not excuses for us to withdraw but provocations for us to do more. The child when it was toddling needed very watchful care and support. He has grown up to manhood. Now he needs aid and counsel in getting established in life. We could not desert the baby in his weakness. We must not now desert the boy as he begins to measure his strength in the life struggle. Besides this let us not forget the other frontiers. There are vast unoccupied fields in the regions beyond. We have done well so far but—we have not gone far enough. We must press on to other fields whose ripeness appeals for harvesters".

#### The WORD TARRIES

*"How shall they hear without a preacher? and how shall they preach except they be sent?"*

**T**HE Word tarries! There is no question about that fact! Missionaries who have given their

lives to take the Word to other lands are held at home on forced furloughs. Young people who have heard the call to go and give the Word to those who know it not have grown weary with waiting for a chance to go. A stupendous debt hangs like a dreadful pall over our Foreign Mission Board, making it impossible adequately to carry on the work committed to them. Uncounted millions of the world's Christless ones wait for the Word which is long in coming.

Yes, the Word tarries—and whose fault is it? Surely it is not the fault of the missionaries, for they are eager to be at their posts of duty. It is not the fault of the volunteers, for their hearts are broken because they cannot fulfill the purpose of their lives. It is not the fault of the mission fields, for the doors of every land are open wide to the Gospel. Whose fault is it? We must acknowledge with shame that it is the fault of southern Baptists. It is your fault and mine, unless we have done our full duty in the matter of gifts—and few of us have.

*While the Word tarries* southern Baptists withhold their tithes. Less than one-fourth of our tithes found their way into the Lord's treasury last year.

*While the Word tarries* southern Baptists spend thirty times as much on the work at home as they send to foreign fields.

*While the Word tarries* southern Baptists spend \$16.50 per capita for tobacco and give to all missionary causes only \$1.47 per capita.

*While the Word tarries* southern Baptist women spend more each year in beauty parlors than all southern Baptists give to all causes, local and missionary.

*While the Word tarries* southern Baptists spend on joy rides each week as much as they give to foreign missions in a whole year.

And, *while the Word tarries*, millions of people live in degradation of sin too horrible to comprehend; millions of people die and go into a Christless eternity. There is enough power in the Word to

work its miracle in the lives of all these millions. "Even so, it is not the will of the Father that one of these little ones should perish". And yet because the Word tarries these perish, and the Word tarries because of the unfaithfulness of southern Baptists. This is the terrible, disgraceful, heart-breaking situation.

One day while Dr. John G. Paton was at work on the printing of a New Testament in the Anivan language, an old chief stood by watching. "Does it speak?" inquired the old man, referring to the Book. "Yes", said Paton. "It can talk now in your own language". "Let it speak to me", said the chief. "Let me hear it speak". Paton read a few lines. "It does speak!" cried the old man, in an exclamation of joy. "Oh, give it to me!" He grasped the book, turned it over and over and cried, "Make it speak to me again!"

The world's Christless millions cry to us: "Let the Word of God speak! Let it speak its message of love and peace and hope and joy to our hearts! Let it speak its word of eternal salvation to our souls! Oh, let the Word speak!"

How shall we respond? Shall we let the Word tarry, silent, while we take

our joy rides, visit the beauty parlors, wear our jewels—while we continue to spend money lavishly on ourselves and then claim to be too poor to give to missions? Nay! rather let us speed the Word with our consecrated prayers and sacrificial gifts, until it shall speak to every lost man in his own language, until it shall work its miracle of transforming grace in every life.

Send to men the living Word,  
Let it speak!  
Millions yet have never heard,  
Let it speak!

Oh let it speak in every place,  
That those of every tongue and race  
May know its miracle of grace,  
Let it speak!

Haste to send it on its way,  
Let it speak!  
Let not your selfishness delay,  
Let it speak!

Speed it with your gifts of gold,  
Let it tell to young and old  
The sweetest story ever told,  
Let it speak!

#### QUESTIONS for REVIEW and DISCUSSION

1. Discuss the Bible as a miracle book.
2. Tell something of Bible translations.
3. Which of these stories of miracles of the Word impresses you the most?
4. Discuss the development of Raphael Martins' doubts about his Catholic beliefs. 5. Why did he become a Baptist?
6. Mention some noted native leaders on the foreign field.
7. How many self-supporting churches have we in foreign lands? How many in Argentine? In Brazil? In China?
8. Why do you think it is that we have so many more self-supporting churches in Brazil than in China?
9. Give some reasons why we still need to send missionaries to foreign fields.
10. Discuss the condition of our foreign mission work.
11. Give some figures to prove that southern Baptists are not supporting foreign missions as they should.
12. How may we help to speed the Word to all lands?

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## YOUNG WOMAN'S AUXILIARY



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

### THERE'S MUSIC in the AIR



Spring is a prelude. It opens nature's opera season with an overture in silver and gold, for the snowdrops and daffodils nod in unison as they lift their voices to proclaim the good news of Ridgecrest Y.W.A. Camp, June 27-July 7. So many of the spring flowers assume the shape of bells: it would seem as if nature adopted this method of ringing out the glad news.

Ring on, little bells! Yours is but the prelude to summer, when the crescendo movement will peal forth the melodies. It is what we would expect in the summer—the glorious march of Y.W.A.'s to Ridgecrest.

Perhaps this year counselors will march with the girls. Some counselors may follow the example of Mrs. Ware of Arkansas and others who brought a car full of girls to last year's camp. There are good highways leading in the direction of Ridgecrest from practically all points. If you cannot come and bring a group no doubt you can be instrumental in having your Woman's Missionary Society, your church or your association send representatives. Those who have in former years invested in young women in this manner have not questioned the value of the investment on such an investment.

There are many new plans brewing for the 1933 camp but only a few can be mentioned here. You will want to hear first that the camp will be built around a theme which relates to life

in all its phases—"Discipleship: a new life to be lived, a new life to be shared". Dr. Louie Newton, Mrs. W. J. Cox, Miss Kathleen Mallory, Miss Juliette Mather, Mrs. Una Roberts Lawrence, Miss Emma Leachman, foreign missionaries and others are planning to tell us of the great adventures of disciples in the near and far places, of opportunities of true discipleship for everyone.

Then for the first time in the history of our camp the young women will be at Ridgecrest for the Fourth of July. Our college women will have charge of a very unusual World Peace Program on this day.

A World's Fair Exposition will be another attractive feature. This will be both educational and inspirational.

On the first evening of our camp we will have the Southwide Y.W.A. Stewardship Declaration Contest. It is hoped that each state will see to it that its representative is present. The southwide award given by ROYAL SERVICE will be presented at camp. Heretofore this has been a trip to the annual meeting of Woman's Missionary Union but now it will be fifty dollars in gold which may be used for such a trip or in whatever way the southwide Y.W.A. winner wishes. We all appreciate this gift from ROYAL SERVICE.

You are naturally wondering what it would cost to have your daughters or some of your church young women present for the ten days so filled with

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**SOUTHWIDE Y.W.A. CAMP**  
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## OUR YOUNG PEOPLE



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### APRIL'S SPIRIT of YOUTH



"Who is this but April coming down the lane?" Down the pathway of the months steps, blithely, winsome April, the month whose greatest appeal is probably in its spirit of youth. New tides of life are flowing, fresh rains make all things bright, flowers blossom beguilingly—nature is young again. Every young people's director and every missionary education organization counselor surely feel a new vigor, a refreshingly powerful urge to more fruitful and zestful leadership. April brings assurance that the invested hours of planting missionary information will inevitably bear fruit in expanding Kingdom interests as swift time turns youth into maturity and adulthood. This invigorating realization causes more faithful prayer and buoyant planning.

Even the Standard of Excellence, old and established, takes on new appeal in the achievement of A-1 goals, under the charm of April. Three months have passed in 1933 but other months are ahead and purpose in service is the sprightly gift of the standard. In the spirit of April brush out the cobwebs of musty "we have never been A-1", "we have always done it this way" and burn them with a pile of lackadaisical ways, then turn to charming new attempts. Every good housewife will have her spring house-cleaning; it is befitting directors and counselors, then, to sweep out past discouragements, refurbish and redecorate foundation principles. Check up the standard.

Are your programs interesting? With all the suggestions in WORLD COMRADES every leader has wealth of possible plans from which to choose. To be sure, attractiveness takes time but

spring promises results. When you order seeds from the catalogue you select with care, picturing the flowers of coming days. In planning programs with your Intermediate R.A.'s and G.A.'s or for your Junior R.A.'s and G.A.'s and Sunbeams, let your heart picture that hitherto indifferent girl as alert because this effort has stirred her interest, that diffident boy as aroused by the enchantment of missions—then planning and preparation are not arduous.

Sweep out old thoughts of a too small sum fulfilling the third point. While a missionary organization is not a mercenary organization, our Co-operative Program gifts should be as large as possible. If our boys and girls today fail to learn lessons of stewardship and tithing how shall the Kingdom advance tomorrow? Only a worthy amount should satisfy here. The Stewardship Declaration Contest should be progressing with high enthusiasm by now. Your interest will be contagious with the entrants. Young people's director especially can coordinate plans for taking the competitors to the necessary association, district or state meetings. A spirit of good sportsmanship should develop as some learn to be good losers and others win first place modestly. Apart from the stewardship value of the contest the by-product of bearing disappointment can grow in April showers.

As bountifully as April "spills the violets" so generously can moments and hours be given to personal service. Counselors and directors will bear in mind that many missionary activities suggested in connection with programs—such as letters to a missionary's child, supplies for a Good Will Center in another city or for work among the Indians in another place—are not per-

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## MARGARET FUND



Chairman: Mrs. Frank Burney, Waynesboro, Ga.

### LO! CHILDREN ARE AN HERITAGE of the LORD—Ps. 127:3



Perhaps no other department of Woman's Missionary Union is brought in closer contact with missionaries and their children than is our Margaret Fund. Rich heritage is ours in being privileged to live and pray for and assist these. Certainly the Margaret Fund has been rightly called a "Love Chain" for it binds us with golden links of prayer, interest and love as we meet these students here and there in our journeys. Interesting are the following words from Tennessee's W.M.U. president, Mrs. R. L. Harris, as she traveled abroad last summer:

Samuel Johnson said "the use of traveling is to regulate imagination by reality and, instead of thinking how things may be, to see them as they are". Thus in August I was privileged to travel to "Bonnie Scotland" and "regulate my imagination by reality and, instead of thinking" how our Tennessee Margaret Fund students—Mary and John Crocker—looked, "to see them as they are". Perhaps it would be well to introduce you to our friends—no doubt many are wondering how we have Margaret Fund students in Edinburgh, Scotland. Their father was one of our foreign missionaries from North Carolina, who went to far-away China. There he married a "bonnie lass from Scotland". To this union three children were born—Margaret, Mary and John. Margaret was sent to South Carolina and was educated there. Their father was "called up higher" and his body lies buried on a hillside in far-away China. Then Mrs. Crocker returned to her Scotch home to educate Mary and John, Margaret joining her there.

Margaret Fund Committee will meet in annual session at 8 a. m. on Wednesday, May 17, at Powhatan Hotel, Washington, D. C.

They are such an interesting family. I wish you knew them. Mrs. Crocker has the sweetest, kindest face and the most quiet, gentle manner; Mary has inherited all these traits. You fall in love with them at once. You might imagine an only son, with two sisters and a widowed mother, would be effeminate—but not John Crocker! He is every inch a man: jolly, wholesome, quite as attractive as his mother and sisters. We formed a little circle and many were the questions they asked about Mrs. Burney and the work. O! how deeply grateful they were for what we are doing and have done. Margaret was busy planning her wedding for October 4th. Since, she has in a tiny tin box sent me some wedding cake decorated with silver bells. I gave it to our Y.W.A. to dream on! Could you imagine a greater thrill than dreaming on Scotch wedding cake of one of our Margaret Fund daughters?

On the day of my departure, when our touring party reached the station, to my amazement the Crockers were there to see me off, bringing a box of Scotch candy in "Hunting Stewart" plaid, an address book in "Royal Stewart" and two tin boxes of "Peti Coat Tail Shortbread"—one for me and one for Miss Laura Powers, Tennessee's Margaret Fund chairman. Oh! it was so good! How I did appreciate it!

So many times I have thought what a blessed privilege it is to have even a small share in such fine young people. I trust our Margaret Fund will grow nearer and dearer to each of us and that this year, when our missionaries are so discouraged, we can at least cheer their hearts by loving their children entrusted to our care.—Emma Byrne Harris



## TRAINING SCHOOL



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### THEY, TOO, PREACHED the WORD

(The following stories come to us from a Training School graduate who was recently returned to her field by members of a Louisville church.)



In the P'ooi Ling Baptist Kindergarten, Canton, China, we have many instances of how the power of the Word is manifested in the heart and life of the little child. Among the more than two hundred little ones, who come to us daily, there are many who have never before had any contact with the Christian life, some who have never before heard the name of Jesus. In the kindergarten they learn to know and love and serve Jesus, and they go back into their homes taking the story of the One who loves and saves.

I-Man was a bright, attractive little girl of four years when she entered the kindergarten. There the story of Jesus made a profound impression on her little heart, and she always seemed more interested in the songs and stories of Jesus than in any other part of the day's program. Her mother, who was not a Christian, tells the following story of how her little girl taught her about the Saviour: "I-Man was the joy of our home, our favorite of all the children, although we have sons. In the kindergarten she learned about Jesus, and she never seemed satisfied unless she was telling someone else about Him. Every day when she came from school she would call me to come and hear the Bible story that she had heard that day. When she had finished telling the story, she would insist that I must learn the memory verse, too, and then she would say, 'And now, Mamma, let's pray'". After a few months of happiness in the kindergarten, little I-Man was stricken with a dread disease and soon she went to be with Jesus whom she loved and

served. Only a few hours before she left us she was talking about Jesus, and over and over she repeated the last memory verse that she had learned: "I will be with thee whither-so-ever thou goest". Still witnessing for Him she sang, "Jesus loves me, this I know", and went to be with Him who said: "Suffer the little children to come unto Me and forbid them not, for of such is the Kingdom of Heaven".

A little boy from a heathen home came to our kindergarten. He had never heard the story of Jesus. The first day that he was with us, the memory verse was: "I am the Door; by Me if any man enter in, he shall be saved". Little Wing Kwong listened intently as the children repeated the verse over and over and as the meaning was carefully explained by the teacher. Since it was all so new to him, he was not urged to take any part in the devotional for the day. The following day when his mother accompanied him to the kindergarten, she did not leave him and return home as is the custom. Instead, she eagerly sought the teacher, asking: "What was it that you taught my little boy yesterday? It was something that I have never heard before, and I must know about it. Last night, when I put Wing Kwong to bed, he would not go to sleep. He kept saying over and over:

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'I am the Door; I am the Door. What is the rest of it, Mamma?' I couldn't tell him, for I didn't know. Please tell

**Y.W.A.**  
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worthwhile things. Railroads and busses give greatly reduced rates to Ridgecrest. Room and board in the hotel is \$2 a day. For large groups there are special rates in butts which may be had upon inquiry. The registration fee is \$2. Room, board and the registration fee are all the actual expenses of camp. There are some delightful trips to Mt. Mitchell, Chimney Rock, the Vanderbilt Estate and other famed sight-seeing points,

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sonal service because done beyond the reach of individual personality, outside the local community. Let us do these things but let us keep clearly in mind that personal service is really a personal matter, the actual service done by the child or boy or girl in the name and spirit of Jesus.

Whimsical April will not object to a  
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become an evangelical. Some of the brethren of our church were present

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range their countless duties that they will each day have a quiet place and uninterrupted time to pray for the following gatherings in Washington:

Wednesday, May 17—Southwide W.M.U. Committee  
Thursday, May 18—W.M.U. Annual Meeting  
May 19-22 Inclusive—Southern Baptist Convention  
Tuesday, May 23—Joint Program by Northern and Southern Baptists  
May 24-29 Inclusive—Northern Baptist Convention

me about it". Thus, through a little child came the opportunity to tell the Gospel story. Truly, "a little child shall lead them".—Lydia E. Greene, Canton, China

which are planned at special rates for the young women who desire these trips.  
This year's camp will stand in the lives of those present not only for mountains, lakes, Pritchelle Hall, hikes and fun but also for Christian friendships and the unfolding of spiritual life. Thoughts of Christ can be linked with all the beauty and gladness and realness of life and our Y.W.A.'s be greatly blessed by attendance at Ridgecrest Y.W.A. Camp.—Pearle Bourne

breath of March news in her ROYAL SERVICE pages. Perhaps you will look at your magazine just in time to be reminded to tune in at 8:45 p. m. (C. S.T.) on Station KWKH, Shreveport, La., for the Royal Ambassador program of March 10. Listening will help Royal Ambassador work as April "weeps in the sunshine and laughs in the rain" but urges missionary education forward, treasuring every gain.

when she made this testimony and were deeply touched. May God be praised for the miracles He accomplishes!—Signora Adelaide Fasulo, Rome, Italy

## CURRENT MISSIONARY EVENTS

Discussed by Mrs. W. C. James, Virginia

In an article in the *Christian Century*, "What Matters in Missions" by George E. Sokolsky, a Jew and the widely known correspondent and adviser of the New York Times in far eastern affairs, we read: "China requires leadership and the Christian missions has done more than its share in the reorientation of the Chinese mind from Confucian selfishness as evidenced by the family system to a social consciousness as evidenced by the effort of an increasingly large number of Chinese men and women to serve China".

Mr. Sokolsky further says he "could cite examples all over China of the value of mere contact with simple Christian life, the simple Christianity of the southern Methodist or southern Baptist whose personality enriches those whom it influences".

Questions of missionary methods are questions of detail that Mr. Sokolsky thinks can be adjusted from time to time according to the demands but he insists that the missionary should still come to China. "He should come just to be there. He should come as a living example of the selfless life. He should come as a spectacle of self-sacrifice". Remember Mr. Sokolsky is a Jew and not a Christian, yet he recognizes in the missionary "the drawing power of the life of Christ and those who are quietly living on a higher level because of it".

The following items gathered from the wealth of missionary information found in this editor's own state paper for January serve as illustrations to prove the selflessness of the lives of our missionaries and their influence on the lives

of others not only in China but also on all our fields.

Extract from a letter written by Margie Shumate, a lone missionary in a vast field in China: "I hope the campaign to raise \$300,000 (the *Emergency Offering of last summer*) was a glorious victory. If it failed, the Board said our salaries would have to be cut. That would make it hard for me, not that I could not live on less, but I need the money so much for the work, since funds for native workers have been reduced until I do not have much to go on except my salary".

C. J. Lowe and his wife were among those missionaries on furlough whom the Foreign Mission Board said must be kept at home indefinitely and without pay for lack of funds. They are returning, however, because of the generosity of a missionary-hearted layman who will pay traveling expenses and support on the field. Mr. Lowe writing of this said: "In China when the Board forced us to dismiss workers we had to keep them even with our own funds. We spent all our own savings for this very thing".

Olive Lawton in a letter from Chengchow writes: "The Woman's Missionary Society Executive Committee opened a Bible class last month. The officers volunteered their time to teach their sisters how to read. Then all worked together on one of the books of the Bible and some hymns. This seems a great forward step, as some of these same leaders were—some secretly and others openly—against us in all Kingdom work just a year ago".

If your society reached its goals for the past quarter it has that added urge finely to succeed this quarter. If incompleting tasks were brought over, use them as "stepping stones" to higher and even highest achievements.



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