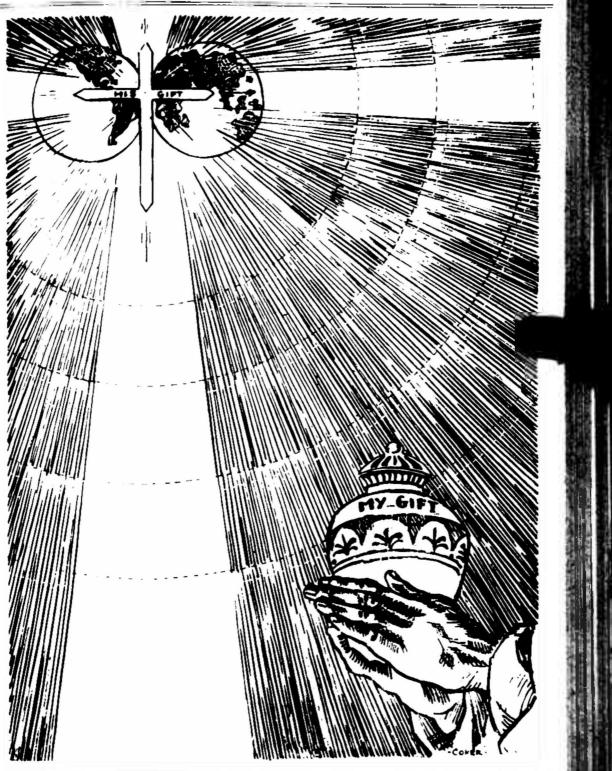
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EDITORIAL



AUXILIARY—PRAYER

Mrs. F. W. Armstrong, President W.M.U.



Re-emphasis upon the word auxiliary as applied to W.M.U. in relation to the S.B.C. will quicken the purpose to be a real helper, assistant, supporter to the Convention in its world encompassing missionary program. The effort to enlist women and young people of the churches an effort which annually reaches its climax in October-is strengthened by the emphasis upon prayer for foreign missions, preparation for which follows immediately. Woman's Missionary Union has exemplified these words-"auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention"-in varied ways through forty-five years of history but through prayer more than all else.

In the very early days-when the churches in America called Baptist were being stirred to interest in foreign missions, when this compelling cause was doing also its work of building these churches into cohesive denominational life, when women could do little in contribution of money-prayer bands were their most effective answer to the world need. They prayed for their sisters in heathen darkness and for open doors. In more recent years realization of the tremendous lifting power of great love offerings-the outpouring of prayer charged hearts—has somewhat blinded our eyes to the answer to prayer which is evident on every mission field. Witness the signal blessing of God in the north China field. Forty-five years ago a special prayer season and gift more abundant were the answer to the appeal of Miss Lottie Moon of north China. Successive years have included such seasons of prayer, and today the revival in that southern Baptist mission is probably the most significant movement in the Christian world. Its depth of significance for us should be that God answers prayer. We would not therefore be weary in well doing.

Careful preparation for the Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions is accordingly the paramount activity of all W.M.U. organizations during November. Certainly careful preparation does have its abundant reward. Emphasis upon the rewards of prayer, with reminders of prayer promises, will belp in preparation of mind and heart for effective praying. Such careful handling of the abundant program material as to keep central the real purpose to stimulate intelligent praying is most important. Due consideration of these vital elements will help all members to consecrate time and talent to a worthy observance of the entire week. Unprecedented needs and opportunities on all S.B.C. foreign fields call for generous and sacrificial giving. Recent years have brought repeated assurance that the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering of the W.M.U. accompanying its seasons of prayer has saved the cause of foreign missions. Faithful S.B.C. missionaries in fields around the world and our Foreign Mission Board rely upon the support, in gift and prayer, of W.M.U. Thus again the opportunity is presented to exemplify this significant word-auxiliary-to enlist the women and young people of the churches in full observance of the Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions, December 4-8 inclusive. Contributions of time, of talent, of money are our expected service and are of value, but our contribution of prayer will be more valuable than all, because God is omnipotent—He is able-and God answers prayer.



STEWARDSHIP SUGGESTIONS



Southwide Stewardship Chairman: Mrs. Carter Wright, Alabama

AB ANNOUNCEMENT

T gives us unusual Joy to announce that Mrs. Carter Wright of Roanoke, Alabarna, has accepted appointment as Southwide Stewardship Chairman for Woman's Missionary Union. It is immediately evident that there are many reasons why the choice is a happy one and her acceptance an assurance of worthy building upon the foundation so well established by her predecessor. Among them is the fact that Mrs. Wright is in the field as W.M.U. representative and the opportunity of contact with the constituency will be mutually helpful. Her signal service to the Union in other capacities, notably as chairman of the Ruby Anniversary, inspires confidence and prepares for ready following of her leadership, Years of study and faithful practice of Christian stewardship are a most important oart of her preparation to lead others in this vital phase of Christian life.

We welcome Mrs. Wright to this important field of service for our Union and beseech for her your constant prayer. Heavy responsibilities she had already assumed led us to agree that her service as Southwide Stewardship Chairman shall not begin until November 15 .- Mrs. F. W. Armstrong

SECURING PLEDGES to BAPTIST 100000 CLUB Mrs. C. G. Carter, Memphis, Tenn.



When my associational W.M.U. elected me as chairman of its effort for the Baptist Hundred Thousand Club, I felt that in this instance the King's business did indeed require baste. At once I called together the county president, vice president and the four district leaders and we considered carefully different plans of procedure. Our association had taken a worthy goal-1000. We divided this, 200 to a district, each of the four districts being composed of eleven churches, thus leaving the remaining 200 for all the W.M.U. young people. An accurate list of the society meetings—date, hour and place—was made. Each

district leader got in touch with her presidents and requested a little time on the next program for a speaker. Either the chairman went or she secured a woman who would speak earnestly, enthusiastically and convincingly. The speaker went supplied with cards and if it accord at all advisable she passed them at the conclusion of her talk and secured signatures while the appeal was fresh.

At our county board meeting we had most of the presidents assembled. As the speaker we secured the splendid services of Mrs. Wm. McMurray to inspire this important group of officers.

In inviting each society I asked the president to appoint a chairman in her church and to give to this woman explicit directions concerning cards, lists to be sent to headquarters etc. I requested for myself a frequent report. As July and August are the months with alim attendance I urged that the same appeal be carried to each circle, never stopping till every woman in the church has had an opportunity to be informed and to contribute.

The young people and Business Women's Circles have had the same appeal made to them. The plan is so disple that even small children readily group it.

My reception has been careful and the insteners sympathetic everywhere. We

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EVERY MEMBER CANVASS



The EVERY MEMBER CANVASS-November 19-December 10



Purpose—To enlist fully every member of every church in the Southern Baptist Convention, as far as possible in the regular, systematic support of all the work southern Baptists are doing everywhere, with the tithe as a minimum basis of Christian stewardship. This is a worthy task, a challenging task, a necessary task if southern Baptists are to measure up fully to their Godgiven responsibilities around the world.

Preparation—A task so stupendous can be accomplished only after the most thorough preparation. In this matter our

W.M.U. organizations can function most effectively. The general diffusion of missionary information and inspiration throughout every church in the land is the great need of the hour. This is the bed rock upon which all of our missionary societies are built. They exist primarily for this very purpose. Their programs and mission study classes throughout the year seek this end and thereby they serve a most valuable purpose in preparing the way for the Every Member Canvass. People will always contribute cheerfully to causes about which they know and in which they are interested.

Immediate results in dollars and cents will be measured by the degree of interest the people have in the different causes. The future of these causes will be determined by the missionary training our young people are receiving today. Herein lies the greatest responsibility of our W.M.U. organizations.

Prayer—The most vital element in all our preparation is prayer. There can be no substitute for it. Our good women have proven themselves most effective in the exercise of this high and holy privilege. This is the very heart of every program. We cannot hope to succeed in any enterprise except as we keep in close touch with the spiritual source of all power.

Plan—We do not stumble by accident upon success in any field of endeavor. To obtain the best results, wise, effective plans must be made and agreed upon not only in the W.M.U. societies but in the whole church. A working organization must be set up. Workers must be trained. Minute details must be worked out. Nothing should be taken for granted.

Prosecution—It is necessary to plan your work but even more necessary to work your plan. A poor plan faithfully worked is far better than a good plan treated indifferently. But why not adopt the best plans possible and prosecute them vigorously for the glory of God? Let every woman and young person connected with your W.M.U. organizations fall in line with the plans adopted by your church for the complete enlistment of every member and be a hundred per cent cooperating Baptist. See to it that every one has an opportunity of cooperating in the Every Member Canvass to be put on throughout the Soutbern Baptist Convention some time during the period between November 19 and December 10.

Possibilities—Think of the far-reaching results the success of this effort will have in tying up your membership with all of our Kingdom-building enterprises. These agencies will be greatly strengthened and financially helped immediately and their future will be more nearly assured. Great also will be the blessing to those who have been thus enlisted and whose lives have been generously enriched thereby.—Walter M. Gilmore, Publicity Director of S.B.C. Executive Committee



SOCIETY METHODS



HOW to BECOME an OUTSTANDING W.M.S.



How strange, but also how true, we call any missionary Baptist church in the south, where every woman in the church contributes to missions, an unusual or an "outstanding" church. On the annual questionaire, sent to all societies in Kentucky last December, we asked for the number of women in the church and the number contributing to missions. Many months before the questionaire was sent out, we had been stressing outstanding churches through letters

to superintendents and societies. The district vice presidents and the state stewardship chairman also put much emphasis on this.

A splendid leaflet, entitled "The Call of the Christ" (explaining the objects included in the Cooperative Program), proved helpful. This leaflet was borrowed from Virginia and was changed to suit Kentucky's plan.

The names of all outstanding churches were published in the state denominational paper. These churches will also be recognized at the annual state meeting.

Let one Kentucky church, with a membership of over eight hundred, tell how they secured a contribution from every woman member. The information is furnished by Mrs. George N. Smith on behalf of her church at Georgetown:

"This work of becoming 'outstanding' could in no way be called a campaign. It was planned and carried through very quietly and was dominated by a spirit of prayer and a desire to be helpful, rather than an urgent push toward a scheduled point. In fact, we know of no instance in which a person approached was told that we were trying to reach any special goal. In other words, it was conducted with the desire to bring to each the joy of participating in a great task, rather than to become 100 per cent.

"First, not all people make their missionary gifts through the church treasurer. Some give anonymously, some give in special offerings etc.; consequently the treasurer's record, though thorough and correct, could not answer for all. So

an investigation was necessary to find who were non-contributors.

"Now there are many things to be learned, of interest to all general chairmen of the W.M.S., so a questionaire was formed, bearing a question from each general chairman pertaining to her work. Of course, the Stewardship Chairman asked: 'Have you contributed anything to missions this year?' This questionaire was distributed to all the women, both enlisted and unenlisted. When properly filled out, it was a source of valuable information. The distribution was done by the young people as personal service. Many stories could be told of the mutual helpfulness of this personal contact.

"The returns from this gave part of the list to be canvassed. Of course, some did not fill it out, and these had to be asked personally. Definite prayer preceded each step of the work. Individuals, who would be guided of the Spirit, were chosen for these personal approaches. They were women who were more interested in the giver than the amount of the gift.

"The whole process was one much more of investigation than of canvassing. The tediousness of the task and the careful slowness of the work are revealed in the fact that the questionaire was distributed in July and the entire task was not completed until Dec. 27. Such work, of necessity, takes time.

"May we close with a few suggestions for those attempting to reach the 'outstanding goal Pray few sales in the contract there were contracted, in the contract of the contract



PREPARING for PRAYER WEEK



"BE of GOOD COURAGE!"



"They helped every one his neighbor; and every one said to his brother. be of good courage! So the carpenter encouraged the goldsmith and he that smootheth with the hammer him

that smote the anvil. saying: 'It is ready for the sodering', and he fastened it with nails that it should mot be moved!" Isaiah 41:6, 7. It in heathendom's hour of extremity! Cyrus, "the anointed of the Lord", is making rapid conquests; with more than wonted zeal heathen tribes turn for succor to their gods of wood and silver. How vivid are the prophet's words descriptive of scenes in the factories of the makers of idols! What activity! What cheerful and courageous toil! What promptitude and thoroughness of work! What stimulation of one another! What certitude of hope! And these craftsmen were idol makers and Idol worshippers!!

Women and young people of W.M.U., shall we borrow a lesson from their misguided zeal? We are entering upon the threshold of preparation days for the December Week of Prayer and Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. We, too, are living in an hour of extremity, spiritual confusion, financial upheavals, drastic changesall of these things are making for distraction, preoccupation, neglect of our task. Recall the victories of past Decembers, scan prayer- - Mrs. A. E. Gommage, Fla.

fully the "Suggested Objects for the Christmas Offering", visualize those hundred and three missionaries whose meager salaries are dependent upon it, even now engaged in prayer that southern Baptist women will not fail them. and surely some Deborah will "arise" in every W.M.S. and in every auxiliary to lead to triumph over every hindering cause.

Advance prayerful preparation will prove the key to reaching the goal of large participation in the program of prayer, information, inspiration and giving. Let us help every one her neighbor by personal appeal to attend and pray and give: let every W.M.S. member say to her sister in the work "Be of good courage". Let the president encourage the program chairman, and the circle leader her that hath a part in the program: let the soder be good use of the fine plans and eplendid material already prepared for the observance of the holy season, and let every feature be fastened with the nails of believing prayer.

Armed with the Divine Commission, cheered by the accomplished goals of other years, motivated by love for Christ and the lost of earth, united against a common foe, supported by Divine help, undeterred by obstacles, unmoved by opposition, undismayed by present difficulties, Oh hosts of W.M.U., prepare, pray, participate—and the Lord of Hosts will be with you!

THE Laymen's Missionary Movement has come to life again. Berely its help is needed in this zere hour. A communication from the again, berry in may be needed in this zere hour. A communication from the secretary urges that our members should cooperate in a "Men and Missions Sunday" on Nevember 19th and in men's missionary support to be held during the previous week. Our women are saled to help in securing the attendance of men at the Sunday moving service and also to cooperate by helping to serve a cost-price supper for the weekly meeting.—Mrs. Nicholson, President, Weman's Poreign Missionary Seciety, M. B. Church

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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: The JOY of the LORD-Matt. 25:14-23

(Read Matt. 25:14-23. Quote Gen. 8:22.)



Many times have seed time and harvest passed since God's promise to Noah. His children have lifted up voices of praise and thanksgiving for the fruit of the earth and for the continued mercies of an allwise God. The Spirit of the Lord moved the pilgrim fathers to set apart a day of thanksgiving. As Americans we delight in such a day. Christians thank Him for temporal gifts; and more than all for His inexpressible gift—His Son—who came to bring joy and sal-

vation. How shall we express our joy by thanks-living? "What shall I render

unto the Lord for all His benefits toward me"?

Once in the eighteenth century an eclipse of the sun shut all light from the ball where Connecticut's legislature was in session. Naturally the men were frightened. One cried out that the "Last Day" had come. An old Puritan arose, calmly reminding the people that the Lord, should He come, would like to find His children at work. Order was restored. Business was resumed. (Quote John:

When Philip and Peter, James and John went about their new task of carrying the Word which Jesus had revealed to them, they expected their Lord to come again any day. Therefore and for every other worthy reason they kept busy for His sake and the Gospel's. It was their Teacher who had told many stories to li-

lustrate the nature of the Kingdom of Heaven.

A man traveling into a far country, so one of those stories told, called his own servants and trusted them with his goods. He looked upon each man and gave him a sum in proportion to bis ability. To one he gave five talents; to another, two; and to another, one talent. The man went on a journey which would be prolonged indefinitely. The man who received five talents was faithful in the use of them. When his lord returned he approved this good servant. The man who had used well the two talents received the same commendation. To both the lord said: "Enter thou into the joy of thy lord". The third servant had proved himself slothful in business and unwilling to use what was left in his keeping. He had even hidden his portion of the master's goods and then tried to defend himself for being miserly. The lord was indignant. Instead of approval he expressed disgust at such conduct.

Five talents are too many for some; one is too few for others. Especially must the great class of two talent men and women be faithful if the Kingdom work goes on with haste. Graces and temporal blessings are suited to the power which a man has. Wise was the rabbi who said, "The reward of one duty is an-

other". (Quote Luke 16:10.)

"In His service, as we're growing stronger, The calls to grand achievement still increase".

(Solo, unannounced, "Give of Your Best to the Master")
What came from a sense of God's ownership in the lives of Paul or of Jud(Concluded on Page 30)

Calendar of Prayer November, 1933

Prepared by Mrs. Maud R. McLure, Georgia

HE earth, with all its fullness is the Lord's:
He made it, and 'tis His slone for sye;
Yet in a borrowed bed in Betblehem
They laid Him, when He came to earth one day

Capir: Stewards of the Bord

1-WEDNESDAY Pray for faithful study in November of the booklet—Christ in the Warld—in preparation for "December Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions".

The field is the world,—Max 13 16
2—THURSDAY
For Dr. and Mrs. E. G. Mac-Lean, industrial school work,

Iwo, Nigeria
Thy law is written in my heart
—Pec. 40:8

FRIDAY
For Rev. and Mrs. R. R. Heard,
workers among Indians, Pawnee, Oklahoma

I will call upon Jahorah who is worthy
to be praised.—Pm. 18:3

4—SATURDAY

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

This is the victory—even our faich.

- C John 1-4

5-SUNDAY

Pray that tithing may be the rule of life in every Baptist home.

Of all that Thou shalt give me I will easily give the cithe unto Thee

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-MONDAY

Pray for Rev. and Mrs. Robt. Logan, evangelistic work, Buenos Aires, Argentina; also for Texas W.M.U. annual meeting. Ft. Worth, Nov. 6, 7. He that soweth rightcourses both a same revent—Pray. 11:18

7—TUESDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. C. G. McDaniel, educational and evangelistic work, Soochow, China
Ye dull be My winsener.—Are 1:8

WEDNESDAY
For Rev. and Mrs. J. F. Plainfield, workers among Italians, Tampa, Fla.
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—Pos. 29:11 9—THURSDAY
For Rev. and Mrs. W. B. Glass,
evangelistic work, HwangHaien, China, and Lois and
Eloise Glass, Margaret Fund
students

To the man that pleaseth Him God giveth window — Eccl. 2:26

For Miss Elsie Clor, evangelistic work, Jerusalem, Palestine Lava cavereth ell transgrassions.——Prev. 10:12

11—SATURDAY

For editors of state denominational papers

Give des understanding and I shall keep Thy law.—Pas. 119:14

12-SUNDAY
Pray that the Bapitist Hundred
Thousand Club may surpass its
great aim.

great aim.
Bring an offering and come into His cours -Pas. 96.8

13—MONDAY Pray for Rev. and xxMrs. G. W. Strother (on furlough), evangelistic work, Pochow, China: also for annual session of W.M.U. of Oklahoma at Tulsa, Nov. 13, 14.
Exercise to their service the Lord

14—TUESDAY
For international and inter-racial justice; world peace; patriotism; law observance, Christian Americanization; universal education; Sabbath observance

Be not of speed. Rom. 12:21

15.—WEDNESDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. W. C. Taylor, educational work, Pernambuco, Brazil

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THEA, for our mke, He laid His wealth aside;
H Vet from His poverty such hisming and the That me are That we, the very poorest of the poor, Are rich beyond all counting and all dreams. -Mary Brainerd Smith

Omic: Stewards of the Word

16-THURSDAY

Pray for Dr. and Mrs. P. S. Evans, medical and evangelistic work, Teinan, China, and Harriet Evans, Margaret Fund student. Salies alles

17-FRIDAY

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

18-SATURDAY

For faithful preparation for Every Member Canvass in all S. B. C. churches

19-SINDAY

Pray that southern Bentists may fulfill their responsibility for giving the Word to the home and. homeiano.

20-MONDAY

Pray for Rev. J. R. Mashhurn, educational work, Hwang-Haien, 28-TUESDAY

21-TUESDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. L. C. Quarles, evangelistic work, Buence Aires, Argentina

22-WEDNESDAY

For work among the Indians, Albuquarque, New Mexico Pur an the whola armer of Cod Pur and the whola armer of Cod

For William Medling, Margaret Fund student, whose father gave his life for Japan. Pray also for Russian Baptists.

24-FRIDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. L. L. Johnson, evangelistic work, Macelo. Brazil

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For "Miss Lillie Mas Hundley, educational work, Shanghal, China
Trust in Juliaruh with all the bases. N.T.

26-SUNDAY

Pray that southern Baptists may fulfill their responsibility for giving the Word to all the I give some those oversal bile.
—John 19:36

27-MONDAY

Pray for proyerful properation for "Week of Prayer for For-sign Missions", Dec. 4-8 inclu-Frening as all means in the Sparse

For Rev. and *Mrs. E. J. Gregory (on juriough), educational work. Culiacan, Mexico

29-WEDNESDAY

For W.M.U. young people's organizations The art me was from my

30-THURSDAY

Let us thank God for our ac-

Additional of W.H.D. Training Sales "Attended Southwesters Training School



FAMILY ALTAR



Mrs. W. H. Grov. Alabama

Topic: The JOY of the LORD-Matt. 25:14-23

GOD, beneuth Thy guiding hand Our exiled fathers cross'd the see; And when they tred the wintry strand, With pray's and paster they worshipp'd That

"Joyful in the Lord"

1st Day-Pus. 85:9; 40:16

2nd Dar-Pag. 6:11, 12; 9:2; 13:5, 6 2rd Doy-Pus. 64:10; 68:3, 4; 69:32

4th Duy-Pes. 71:25; 85:6

5th Day-Psa. 89:16, 16; 97:11, 12

6th Day-Pus. 100:1-5

7th Day-Pea. 119:1, Z, 14, 16, 165

"Rejoice . . alway"

8th Day-Phil. 1:8-6; 4:4

9th Day-Ephes. 5:18, 19

10th Day-Rom. 5:2-5, 11; 12:12; 14:17

11th Day-Gal 5:22; 6:9, 10

12th Day-1 John 1:3-10

12th Day-I Thesa 1:5, 6; 5:16-18

14th Day-Rom, 16:18

" ND here Thy same, O God of love. Their children's children shall adore, Till these eternal hills remove And spring adorns the earth once more!"

"The Bad of Mirth"

16th Day—Prov. 14:12, 13, 21; 16:21 16th Day—Resian 11:3, 9 17th Day—Job 20:4-11 16th Day—Pas. 25:10, 11 16th Day—Pas. 27:11, 1, 9, 11, 17, 20, 25-28

20th Day-Mark, 10:23, 33; 11:23; 26:24 21st Day-Mark 16:16, 16

"With Exceeding Joy"

22nd Day-I Peter 1:3-0 23rd Day-I Thesa, 1:5-10 24th Day-II Cor. 8:1-7

25th Day-Acts 16:25-82 26th Day-Luke 16:21-24

27th Duy-Matt. 2:10; 21:1-9; 28:21 28th Duy-Mate 24:45-58 29th Day-Luke 24:45-58 29th Day-Jude 24

30th Day-Rev. 21:1-7: 22:5

Thanking God: (1) for Jenny Christ; (2) that an Christians we are Historiahururs and joint heirs; (3) for our country with separation of charch and state; (4) for constant group and counties opportunities to make a living

Intercepting to God: (1) for United States ger ident and his associates that they may ever seek and fellow divine guidance; (2) that Anti-Saleon Longue and Women's Caristian Temperance Union may be given the seal of Jehorah in a renewal of effort to core o sentran in a reserval is street to serve off sentry from the horrors of the salessi (I) that God fearing eithers may be greated wholesome business success: (4) for Red Cross and Auti-Tuberculosis Langue in their efforts to secure funds for their mercifu

God's Guidance: Guidance: (1) for Christians in and in other intolerant countries:



ENLISTMENT



"LAUNCH OUT into the DEEP— LET DOWN YOUR NETS"—Luke 5:4

AUNCH out to the deep, My children", Our Lord is calling to us; "You're playing about in the shallows, And that is not enough".

"Let down your nets, dear children", His call is strong and clear; "Push off from shore to waters deep— Big fish are not so near".

"Launch out—let down—fish deep—draw in", This is our Lord's command, And if we hear—in faith believe— We will not idle stand.

As Peter said—our hearts reply—
"All night we have been fishing,
Discouraged now and weary too—
Through all these hours caught nothing".

And let us say—with Peter's faith—
We dare not now stand still—
"E'en though all night we have not caught,
Nevertheless, at Thy word, we will!"

-Mrs. Charles F. Cater, Ga.

LAUNCHING OUT in ENLISTING BUSINESS WOMEN



RUSSELL H. CONWELL immortalized "acres of diamonds" in his story of a man who searched far places for the treasure which lay in abundance at his very door. In her host of capable business women, Woman's Missionary Union has acres of diamonds. Their potentiality for Kingdom building, with their efficiency, their training and their incomes, cannot be calculated. Perhaps the most important work a W.M.S. president can do in W.M.U. enlistment is to emphasize the organization or strengthening of the Business Women's Circle.

The procedure is simple. It has been said that any institution or organization is the lengthened shadow of some individual. Some person, in the establishment of a Business Women's Circle, must have a vision of what such an organization will mean in the advancement of the Kingdom and must set her hand to the task. Generally it is a loving home woman who takes the initiative. By reason of her employment the business woman has had little if any circle contact and is therefore not likely to visualize the importance of circle work. The idea must be sold her before she will put if on her schedule. Given an interested, enthusiastic, animating spirit, the next step will be to secure a list of prospects. Over and over the writer has suggested the organization of Business Women's Circles to Woman's Missionary Society presidents in cities and towns, and most frequently the response has been: "It would be fine but our church has practically no business women". (Concluded on Page 30)

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BUSINESS WOMEN'S CIRCLES



Misa Inabella Coleman, North Carolina

POSTER or PROGRAM HEADING SUGGESTIONS: Turn poster cardboard crosswise. Draw ten silver dollars across the top. Label thus: p.o.a p.

Topic: STEWARDS of the WORD

Hymn: "On Jordan's Stormy Banks" Bible Study: (See suggestions in following "November Notes".)

Hymn: "Take My Life and Let It Be"

Current News (Page 32) and "November Notes" (Below)

Duet: "Must I Go and Empty-Handed?"

"The Word of the Hour" (Pages 17-18) - "Thinking on Tithing" (Pages 18-20)

"The Tithe! God's Financial Plan!" (Page 20)

"Tithing and Thriving" (Pages 21-22)

More Bible Verses (as Suggested in "November Notes")

"The Stories the Dollars Tell" (Impersonated-Pages 22-24)

"Tithers around the World" (Stories Impersonated by Y.W.A's .- Pages 24-25)

"Stewards of the Word" (Page 26)

Hymn: "A Charge to Keep I Have"

-Prayer

-Prayer

NOVEMBER NOTES

From a school auditorium or elsewhere borrow a small lantern slide machine. Focus it on a plain white or cream wall. Type on white paper Scriptures on tithing listed in this program and others. Paste these on clean glass slides. Throw these on wall for Bible study moments. November Notes (as given below) and Current News (page 32) may also be presented in this way if desired.

Shall Armistice Day this year be a boomerang of militarism, army parades, fireworks and noise or shall it be a stimulating influence for world brotherhood in Christ and a portrayal of "peace on earth, good will to men"? What can this B.W.C. do about it?

Lottie Moon was a Virginia young woman who invested her life in Kingdom work. How much of our life's earnings shall we invest for Christ and in Lottie Moon's memory at this year's Christmas-time? Let's include this investment in our Christmas plans. (See pages 1, 4, 33.)

Because America went off the gold standard, the Foreign Mission Board is facing an additional expense in the foreign fields of at least one-fourth its present appropriations for those fields' bare existence. Shall we not match that immediate emergency by giving at least one-fourth more to foreign missions?

May the extra time afforded business women by the N.R.A. be translated into this significance: New Resources Available for Kingdom Work. Many think that America's greatest benefit that is to come from the N.R.A. plan will be the blessing of niore leisure time for meditation, for prayer, for service for Christ. What has the N.R.A. done for us in a spiritual way?

Is Thankagiving a day of prayers and praises or of sports and excess feast-

ings? Reed and cause to be realized Pasim 100.



PROGRAM PLANS



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



An enthusiastic Program Committee should feel that each subject that comes up for study must surely be the most important topic of the year and should be made into the most inter-

esting program. Certainly "steward-ship" will arouse such feelings. It represents the fuel that runs the great plant of our Christian enterprise. As God, through nature, gives coal and water to run great power plants, so He takes our offerings and turns them into spiritual power of limitless reach. Should fuel be withheld from manufacturing plants, they would have to stand idle. When offerings are kept back, the work of God's people is slowed almost to the stopping point.

This program on "stewardship" should arouse new ardor for giving and should be planned to arouse the indifferent. If there is a Stewardship Chairman in the society she should have charge of the meeting, arranging the program, posters and follow-up plans. She and the Stewardship Committee should study the 1933 W.M.U. minutes, pages 78-79; also the 1933 W.M.U. Year Book, pages 14-15, 46-52; likewise page 5 of this magazine. If there are points she wishes explained she may write to the Stewardship Chairman of her own state, sending the letter in care of the state W.M.U. headquarters as on page 2.

The committee will note that among the recommended books is "Stewardship in the Life of Women" by Wallace. If possible this book should be secured (50c from State Baptist Book Store) and suggestions from it passed on to the society. There are many women who sincerely desire to tithe yet who have no definite income. Possibly a "round

An enthusiastic Program table" discussion would belp these and committee should feel that others to see their way to try tithing for a time.

The Program Committee will find full material for a splendid talk on tithing and stewardship in the program material of this magazine. The fundamental Bible teaching of the giving of tithes, the bringing of offerings, the spirit in which to do these things and their rewards need to be studied and taught over and over if all Christians are to be reached. (See pages 17-26.)

Since November is set as the month when all the church is asked to work together in an Every Member Canvass. it would be most appropriate to ask the pastor to preach on "Stewardship". Your Woman's Missionary Society should supply him with literature on the subject and do all possible to get a large attendance that Sunday. Ask the pastor to study with the Program Committee the suggestions given by Dr. C. E. Maddry for the Every Member Canvass (page 52 of 1933 W.M.U. Year Book). See also the article by Rev. Walter Gilmore on page 6 of this issue. Other material, will appear in the Baptist state papers and should be given careful reading. Get all plans for the Every Member Canvass faithfully arranged and go into it with enthusiasm.

If the suggested sermon is preached the Sunday before the society meets, it may be counted almost as the opening of the meeting. It may be reviewed in outline to fix it in the minds of the women and then have the greater part of the meeting given to a "round table" discussion. A list of questions may be read aloud by the leader and each one present asked to give a silent answer. These questions in the following order may be read: I—Do I believe the Bible teaches tithing? 2—Do I tithe? 3—

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PROGRAM for NOVEMBER



The list of reference material contact at close of this program is the chief source med in the preparation of this program, and credit is hereby given for facts and majority derived theorem as well as for matter quoted in whole or in part. Further interesting material and halp may be found in this listed material and in loafiets suggested in this number which may be obtained for a few cents from W.M.U. Liberasure Department, 1111 Comer Bidg., Birmingham, Alo. See list of leaflets on page 3.

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Topic: STEWARDS of the WORD

Hymn—We're Marching to Zion
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Prayer that southern Baptists may be good stewards of their possessions
Tithers around the World

Hymn—1s Your Life a Channel of Blessing?

Stewards of the Word

Hymn—1 Gave My Life for Thee

Prayer that we may all be faithful stewards of the Word

The WORD of the HOUR "I have a stewardship entrusted to me".



It has been said that each generation makes some startling discovery in the Word of God and that, if this is true, stewardship is the discovery of this generation. Stewardship is the word of the hour for Christians. We are teaching it and preaching it. It is often on our lips in conversation. It appears often on the pages of our denominational literature. It is discussed often in our associations and conventions. We have stewardship addresses, stewardship programs, stewardship classes, stewardship campaigns.

STEWARDSHIP! It is the word of the hour. And yet, have we learned its full meaning? Are we practicing the principles of stewardship? Are all of our churches stewardship churches? Are all southern Baptists good stewards? Alas! We know that they are not. A vast majority of our people have not learned the first lesson in Christian stewardship. All of those people in our churches, who are inactive, who use not time, talents, possessions or personality for the advancement of the Kindom, are not good stewards and need to learn the meaning of this word of the hour. All of the six thousand churches of the Southern Baptist Convention which are non-cooperating and non-missionary need to get up close to this word of the hour and become stewardship churches.

But let us not think of far-away churches and people, but let us look into our own lives and ask cornelves the question: "Do we know the full meaning

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of this word stewardship? Are we practicing it in our daily living?" If we are honest, we will acknowledge need of more thinking about atewardship and will welcome this additional program on the word of the hour. What then is stewardship? Sailing on this "ship" we find ourselves in a convoy with three other "ships".

Ownership. The basis of stewardship is God's ownership. He owns everything, therefore we owe everything. The Bible teaches us that we ourselves belong to God. "Ye are not your own". We are His by right of creation: "Male and semale created He them". We are His by right of preservation: "Kept by the power of God". If we are Christians we are His by right of regeneration: "Ye are bought with a price", the price of the blood of His only Son. If He owns us, all that we are (mind and body) and all that we have (of talents, ability and personality) belong to Him. Moreover, the world in which we live is His: "The earth is Jehovah's and the fullness thereof". All of our material possessions, then, come to us from God. Even those possessions for which we labor could not be ours without His belp, for "It is He that giveth thee the power to get wealth". Since He owns everything and is permitting us to use His possessions, we are His stewards. A steward is one who is entrusted with the property of another. God has committed all things to us-time, talent and material possessions-with the command, "Occupy till I come". This, then, is stewardship. God owns, we only possess His property. He has committed it to our care and expects us not only to keep it safely but also to use it for His glory and for the advancement of His Kingdom. Some day He will ask us to give an account of our stewardship. "It is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful"-I Cor. 4:2.

Partnership—Another ship in this convoy is partnership: "We are laborers together with God". He has commanded us to do His work and has furnished us all the means by which we are to do it. As we busy ourselves with His business we are partners with Him. The thought is too marvelous for comprehension, too sublime for realization. How can it be that mere human beings can be in partnership with the creator of the universe? How can it be that God has placed in our unreliable hands all the marvelous resources of the world, the gift of personality and life itself, to be used for His divine purpose? Is it too wonderful to be true? And yet it is true! It is taught in His Word.

Worship—Perhaps we have not realized that stewardship is an important part of worship. Only the faithful steward can really worship; stewardship, faithfully executed, is the sublimest expression of worship. Along with our praise and our prayers must go our gifts, not only of money but also of self. He who gives most sacrificially worships most devoutly.

Stewardship.— It is difficult to find words to describe all of its meaning. In this word is summed up our entire duty to God and His Kingdom. In this word is found God's plan for doing His work. In this word is found the solution to every problem in our Christian lives. This word connects Heaven and earth. It connects the owner of the universe with the men that He made and redeemed Stewardship! It is a wonderful word! It is a Biblical word! It is God's word for our relationship with Him and His Kingdom. It is the word of the hour! Let us study it! Let us learn its meaning! Let us live its message!

THINKING on TITHING

"The tithe in Jehovah's",

ANOTHER word of the hour, used quite as often as stewardship, is the word tithe. Indeed we cannot think of stewardship without associating it with the tithe. Tithing is not all of stewardship, but it is a very important part of it.

One cannot be a faithful steward without being a faithful tither, and it is doubtful if one is ever a faithful tither without also being faithful to the requirements of the larger stewardship. Tithing is the first requirement in the stewardship of material possessions.

The Law of It- While tithe is a word of the hour and much used today, it is not a new word. Indeed, it is one of the oldest words in human language and is found early on the pages of the Bible. The tithe is one of the fundamental laws of God and, like the law of the Sabbath, was understood and practiced long before there was a written code. The law of the tithe and the law of the Sabbath have been called "God's twin laws". Both are eternal, immutable and unchangeable. In the beginning God gave man the gift of time to be used for his own benefit, but He required that we should give back to Him one-seventh of it: "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy". In like manner He committed to man all the earth on which he was to live and from which he was to obtain wealth, but He retained a portion for Himself, saying: "The tithe is Mine". Abraham and lacob evidently knew of this law, for they both paid tithes to Jebovah. Surely it was not just a coincidence that they both paid the same proportion of their income—a tenth. There was no written law to guide them, so unmistakably they were following the teachings of tradition and, more than that, the audible voice of God, for of Abraham God said: "Abraham obeyed My voice and kept My charge. My commandments. My statutes and My laws". The tithe was not confined to God's chosen people but was universal with the race. "Clay tablets found in the ruins of ancient cities show that the nations of the earth to the east as far as Babylon and to the south as far as Egypt were tithing in the days of Abraham. Almost all the nations of the earth gave one-tenth for religious use". When God gave the written law to the children of Israel through Moses, the tithe was a definite part of it: "And all the tithe of the land, whether it be of the seed of the land or the fruit of the tree is the Lord's. It is boly unto the Lord; and concerning the tithe of the herds or the flocks, even of whatsoever passes under the rod, the tenth shall be holy unto the Lord"-(Leviticus 27:30-32). There is no declaration in all the Bible that is more positive or less doubtful in meaning than this one. Never were the tithes spoken of as gifts. Always they were to be paid, as a debt. A thousand years after the law was given, toward the end of Old Testament times, God scathingly arraigned Israel for her sins and said: "Ye have robbed Me in tithes and offerings". Then He reiterated the command to tithe, promising wonderful blessings to those who kept it: "Bring ye the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in My house, and prove Me now herewith, saith Jehovah of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of Heaven and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it"-(Malachi 3:10). Thus we see that the tithe is a fundamental law of God, taught both by precept and practice throughout the pages of the Old Testament.

The Love of It—There are those who try to believe that, while this is a law of the Old Testament, it is not binding on the Christian today; so we turn from thinking of the law of the tithe to think a bit of the love of it. Is is possible that we would do less for love than for law? "Why should the Christian, with greater blessings than the Jew, give less for the sake of the world than he gave for the sake of Palestine? If the Jew did all of this under a loveless law what should a Christian do under the law of love?" We need to remember that while legalism, the ritual, ceremonial and sacrificial laws were annulled by Christ's coming, no fundamental law of God was changed. The titbe, like all fundamental laws of God, both physical and moral, is unchangeable. Jesus said, "I came not to destroy the law but to fulfill it". We believe that Jesus tithed. We know that He observed other requirements of Jewish law, and surely it is neither unreasonable nor illogical to claim that He observed the law of the tithe also. We believe

that, if He had not tithed, the Pharinees-who so perniclously criticised Him for violating their observance of the Sabbath, for eating with unwashed bands and dining with publicans and sinners-would certainly have known about it and would have eagerly abused Him for this neglect also. Then Jesus said in plain words regarding the paying of the tithes: "This ought ye to have done". Again He said, "Render unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's and unto God the things that are God's". If we render unto God the things which are God's we will surely tithe, for "the tithe is Jehovah's". While nowhere is the law of the tithe reiterated in the writings of the apostles, the principle of systematic and proportionate giving is again and again expounded. Surely the apostles believed that no one would think of giving less as a Christian under the law of love than as a Jew under the law of Moses, so they doubtless considered it unnecessary to repeal the law of the tithe but rather suggested the joy of being cheerful givers. However, Paul definitely said (Acts 24:14): "So serve I the God of our fathers. believing all things which are according to the law and which are according to the prophets".

The Plan of It— Tithing is God's financial plan for the support of His Kingdom. It is unthinkable that God would send His Son into the world to die to aave men, that He would command His followers to carry the Gospel to all people and then provide no financial method by which the stupendous task was to be done. Surely He did not mean that the greatest work ever given to men to do should depend on spasmodic gifts. Surely He did not mean that His Kingdom should be supported by bazaars, ice cream festivals and rummage sales. No! He gave us in His Word His plan—tithes and offerings". It is definitely stated and definitely commanded. It is just as much a part of His plan for the spread of His Kingdom as is faith, repentance and baptism.

The TITHEL GOD'S FINANCIAL PLANT

It is a reasonable plan. The tenth is little enough for God to ask of us since He made us, redeemed us and gives us all that we have.

It is a fair plan. Nobody is left out; but all, rich and poor alike, may have an equal share in His work.

It is an adequate plan. Tithes, faithfully paid, would provide all needed funds for the support of every Kingdom enterprise.

It is a wonder/ul plan, for it is God's plan. How dare we substitute any plans of our own! How dare we selfishly to withhold our tithes and so impede the progress of His Kingdom! If we love Him and desire to serve Him we must tithe. There is no alternative! "If ye love Me ye will keep My commandments".

BRING YE the TITHES

(Tune-"Stepping in the Light")

"BRING ye the tithes", saith the Lord, "to the store house".

Thus in His Word He has told us the way.

Christians may pay Him the tenth that they owe Him,

Happy, so happy, are all who obey.

Chorus

How beautiful to bring all the tithes to the store house, Trusting in the Lord, trusting in the Lord! How beautiful to bring all the tithes to the store house, Trusting God to bless. "Windows of Heaven I surely will open, Pouring such blessings that none can receive". This is the promise to all faithful tithers, Happy, so happy, are those who believe.

See how the Kingdom of Jesus is lagging,
Needing the money which Christians should pay.
Hasten to bring all the tithes to the store house,
Bring them, oh bring them to Jesus today.

TITHING and THRIVING "Preve Me now herewith", saith Jehavah of hosts.

WE are all so constituted that we like to know that the results of what we do it justify the action. "Does it pay?" is the oft repeated question. Let us apply this test to tithing as we prove that it does pay—that tithing and thriving go together.

The Tither Thrives-First, we believe that the tither himself thrives. "Tithing is for the tither". Jesus said, "The Sabbath was made for man". We believe it can just as truly be said, "The tithe was made for man". "God never established any law or any principle for the race—that was not primarily for the benefit of the individual man, woman or child who obeyed it. We have no right to suppose that the law of the tithe is the one single exception to this rule in all God's universe". God promises blessings to the tither! "Prove Me now herewith", said Jehovah of hosts, "if I will not open you the windows of Heaven and pour you out a blessing that there shall not be room enough to receive it". That material blessings are meant is assured by the following verse: "And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, and he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground; neither shall your vine cast its fruit before the time in the field". The experiences of tithers prove that God keeps this promise. Abraham tithed and became rich. Jacob promised to tithe in one of the darkest hours of his life, and a score of years thereafter he was a very rich man. A study of the history of the children of Israel shows that both their piety and their prosperity could always be measured by their observance of the law of the tithe. The experiences of tithers today are just as convincing as those of Bible times. The stories of Rockefeller, Colgate, Welch, Kraft, Duke and others who began tithing when they were poor and became famously rich are too familiar to need to be repeated. But even more convincing is the testimony of thousands of tithers who, though they have not become famously rich, have enjoyed both material and spiritual blessings. A few of these testimonies will prove the point.

"I have been more prosperous since I began tithing than before. It deepens our spirituality and makes us feel interested in the Lord's work". "Five years ago I first became a tither. I tithed for two years. The next year I gave one-inth. The next year I gave one-eighth. Last year I gave one-seventh. This year I am giving one-seventh. If my life be spared next year I want to give one-sixth. As a result I can truthfully say that I am more happy, more generous and more financially prosperous". "I have been tithing for about twenty-five years and have also done all I could to get others to do the same. I have never known any one who was not happier or more blessed than if he had not been a tither".

It will be noted that in practically all these testimonies the joy of tithing is mentioned. Tithing not only brings material blessings but it brings joy and peace and every spiritual blessing. Tithing helps the Christian to love more unselfishly, to worship more sincerely, to pray more effectively and to live more abundantly. Tithe, and you will thrive—materially and spiritually. There is no question about it. Try it and see!

The Church Thrives—A church thrives as its members tithe. With every member who pays the tithe the church becomes stronger financially and spiritually. If our tithes are brought weekly to the store house our interest, our prayers, our service, we ourselves will be there also, and the church will thereby thrive. Tithes build church buildings, provide splendid Sunday school equipment, buy pipe organs, care for the poor and increase the benevolent and missionary service of the church. Pastors give the following testimonies to the benefits of tithing to their churches: "Since our tithing campaign there has been marked improvement in spirituality and work".—"Prayer meetings larger and better. Great gain in Bible study and family prayer".—"I have three churches in my charge. The church that practices tithing to the fullest extent is the most spiritual, receives the most members, has the most conversions, has the best prayer meetings and is easiest to get along with in all things".

The church that tithes thrives! There is no question about it! Try it in your church and see.

The Kingdom Thrives-As Christians tithe the Kingdom of God thrives. While the Kingdom is spiritual, God has decreed that it must be financed with money. They who believe in Jesus are saved, but they can't believe unless they read the Word of God or hear it, they can't hear without a preacher, the preacher can't preach unless he be sent and he can't be sent without money (Romans 10: 14:15). So the wheels of the chariot of Zion move rapidly or slowly according to the amount of money that is placed in the treasury of the Lord. A tithe paid may mean souls eternally saved. A tithe unpaid may mean souls eternally lost. God has given us sufficient money to finance His Kingdom and an adequate plan for using it. If all southern Baptists tithed, it is estimated that there would be at least one hundred and fifty million dollars in the Lord's treasury each year. And oh how the Kingdom would thrive! Use your imagination a hit and picture the debts that would be paid, the orphan children that would be cared for, the old ministers whose last days would be made joyful, the sick who would be treated in Baptist bospitals, the young people who would be trained in Baptist schools. the souls who would hear and receive the Gospel on state, home and foreign mission fields if southern Baptists would pay their tithes.

Yes, tithing means thriving. Then let us tithe and strive to win others to tithe that we, our church and the Kingdom may thrive.

The STORIES the DOLLARS TELL. "It is more blessed to give than to receive".

(Let each of the two women telling the following stories hold a dollar in her hand and tell the story as if the dollar were speaking.)

The Story of the Tithing Dollar

AM a dollar, but I am a very fortunate dollar because I am a part of a tithe that was paid into the Lord's treasury. The woman who placed me there seemed to be doing a very small thing, but really she was placing a part of berself, a part of her life on the altar of service. She had used her time—which is life—and the strength of her body, mind and personality—which is berself—in earning me, and all of this she gave to God. And though she staid at home, through me she journeyed to far-away places and served many people in many lands. It is about the work which we together did that I want to tell you.

You must remember that I am one of \$27,341,488 given by southern Baptists for all causes last year. Of these \$22,390,477 were spent on local church expenses. You probably know more about what was done with that money than I do for I was among the fortunate dollars that went to the support of all benevolent, educational and missionary causes of southern Baptists. There were

\$4,951,000 of us last year. Part of us came in through the Cooperative Program and others through designated gifts. But even when we all got together we were only 18.11 per cent of the total gift, which meant that southern Baptists spent 81.89 per cent of their gifts right where they lived thus in a sense, on themselves. Nevertheless we were able to do wonderful things for seven wonderful causes and I, as one of the cooperative dollars, had my share in all of this work. I helped to support the orphanage in the state where my donor lived. This is one of the 19 Baptist orphanages in the different states. In these last year 4,729 children were cared for. If my donor could see the good food those children eat, the good clothes they wear, the good times they enjoy and the good training they receive she would rejoice because through me she has a part in this good work. I helped with the support of the Ministerial Relief and Annuity Board, which is not only caring for hundreds of old preachers now but is also providing an ample plan for the care of the old ministers of the future. I also helped maintain the five southwide seminaries and training schools and the Baptist colleges of my donor's own state: these are a part of the 67 Baptist schools and colleges owned by southern Baptists. That means that through me and other Co-operative Program dollars thousands of students are being trained under Christian influence and being prepared for Christian service. I also helped support the 25 Baptist hospitals in the south where last year 80,000 patients were treated. I am sure the woman who gave me is glad to know that I helped take the Gospel to the unsaved of her own state, for a part of me went to state missions. Another per cent went to home missions through which the Gospel was preached to Indians. lews, foreigners, Negroes and other needy groups of the southland as well as in Cuba and Panama. Last and greatest of all I joined with other dollars and helped to carry on the great foreign mission work of southern Baptists. I wish I could help you understand all that our dollars are doing in foreign lands. We support about four hundred missionaries in fourteen lands, and last year we helped to make possible the baptism of 17,284 people. Through our work 277 schools provided Christian education for 18,780 students, and 14,714 patients were treated in our mission hospitals. You speak of us as "cold cash", and yet we have warmed the hearts of thousands with the story of Jesus' love.

And while I am helping to do all this wonderful work my donor is blessed. Her soul expands with the grace of liberality, and she rejoices because through me she has sowed beside many waters and will some day share in the harvest of souls gathered from the ends of the earth. Isn't it great to be a cooperative dollar, and isn't it great to be one who pays such a dollar by tithing?

The Story of the Withheld Dollar

AM a dollar—but a very unfortunate one—because I should have been placed in the Lord's treasury but was withheld. The woman who kept me knew that I belonged in the Lord's treasury because I was a part of her tithe. But her selfish desires made her keep me to spend on her own pleasure instead of giving me to the Lord as she should have done. I am not sure whether I was spent for a new automobile, a fur coat, a permanent wave or just for picture shows and ice cream sodas, because she spent money for all these things about the time I should have gone into the Lord's treasury; and yet I heard her say, "I just can't afford to tithe". By failing to pay me to the Lord she failed to have a part in the great work of spreading His Kingdom. I wish I were the only withheld dollar among southern Baptists, but alas there are millions of us. They tell me (and they say this is a very conservative estimate) that last year southern Baptists withheld at least one hundred million dollars of tithe money. That much money would support about 130,000 missionaries, which would be three hundred and twenty-five times as many as they have now. That much money would build 20,000 chapels costing \$5,000 each, which would be about ten times the number

they have in all foreign lands now. But because of the withheld dollars the Foreign Board has a debt of over a million dollars, the Home Board a debt of over a million and a half, while every institution and almost every church have debts which greatly impede the work. Largely because of withheld dollars southern Baptists have lost 147 foreign missionaries in the last seven years. Because of withheld dollars thirty-two missionaries who were on furlough could not return to their fields last year, and 32 others whose furloughs were due had to stay on their fields, though worn out and needing rest. Because of withheld dollars the appropriation for native work on foreign fields has been cut to one-half of what it was in 1932. Because of withheld dollars salaries of home missionaries have been cut until it is almost impossible for them to live. Because of withheld dollars schools, hospitals and churches on home and foreign fields are closed, and thousands of people who might have been eternally saved will be eternally lost. In the meantime the soul of the woman who withheld me is growing smaller every day, shrivelled up in its selfishness. She gets little joy from the things that she buys with the withheld dollars, and she often complains of being unhappy and dissatisfied with life. Isn't it tragic to be a withheld dollar? And isn't it tragic to be the woman who withholds one of God's dollars?

TITHERS around the WORLD "I will surely give the tenth auto Thee".

How Mrs. Cheer Does It—Mrs. Cheer is a member of Twin Dragon Church in Kaifeng, China. Miss Blanche Rose Walker, who writes of her, says that she is rightly named, for her personality radiates cheer. She, herself, says: "I enjoy the Lord every day". Since her conversion her husband, who is not a Christian, sees such a change in her that he is willing to listen while she talks to him of Jesus. He is much better educated than she is, so when he sees her trying to read the Bible, he often takes pity on her and reads it to her. She says: "I pray while he reads and know that Jesus moves his heart". Mrs. Cheen has one problem in common with many other women: she believes in the tithe, but her husband refuses to give her the money with which to tithe. Does she use that for an excuse and think that it is impossible for her to tithe? Not so! She says: "When my husband tells me to buy one dollar's worth of grain for food I buy only ninety cents' worth and the Lord gets His part". There is always a way to be a cheerful tither if one has the spirit of Mrs, Cheer.

Just say you will tithe—and then stick to it—You'll always find a way to do it.

A Tither in Africa.— A member of the African W.M.S. who is a faithful tither expresses her joy in tithing as follows: "Tithing makes me glad because if I did not tithe I could not be happy". She has great faith in her American Christian friends and in exhorting her African sisters to follow their example, she says: "Because our friends in America are not selfish Christians they gather one-tenth of all they have and send their sons and daughters to tell us the best tidings of Jesus Christ. Let us pray for them that God may bless them in their ways. Let us start from now, we who are in Nigeria, to give one-tenth of all we have to God for the work of His Kingdom that we may not be selfish Christian women". Sometimes distance is in our favor. This dear sister across the sea actually thinks that all American Christian women are unselfish and pay the tithe!

What would her opinion be
If she lived close to you and me?
(Adapted from "Speed the Message" by Jessie Ruth Ford)

Where There's a Will-Some women think it is impossible for them to give anything to the Lord's work. They are "just too poor", they have "no money".

By such excuses they convince themselves that they cannot give. But where there's a will there is always a way. The members of a certain missionary society in Brazil were very poor, oh far poorer than any of us even after five years of depression. They really had no money. Is that true of many of us? But they had the will to give and they found the way. Lacking money, they just brought what they had. The gifts brought to one meeting were as follows: 3 eggs, 6 bananas, 2 yards crochet, one baby cap and dress, one hand-made toy street-cat, one sofa pillow, 1 cup and saucer, 1 apron and cookies. These things, sold, brought a cash gift into the Lord's treasury.

Who has a will can find a way Her gifts to give, her tithes to pay.

More than the Tithe— Do foreign missionaries tithe? You are probably thinking: "Surely they do not feel the urge to tithe when they are giving themselves wholly to the Lord and when their salaries are so small, too". But there come to us from the many lands, to which our missionaries have gone, stories not only of tithing but also of sacrificial giving that we can hardly believe possible. It was in the beginning of 1932 and word had gone from the Foreign Board to the Argentine Mission that there could be no appropriation for native work that year. Their hearts were sorely distressed, for they knew what that meant to the many little churches not strong enough to support themselves and what it meant to many native workers who could not continue their work without help. What could they do? With one consent the 23 missionaries agreed that they must support the native work out of their own salaries. They agreed to give not just one-tenth, but one-fourth of their meager salaries that the loved work might go on-them. Have you dared to think even the tithe too much to give Him?

A tithe is surely much too small To offer Him who gave us all.

An Indian Tither- Out on the plains of Oklahoma is a little house where lives a faithful Indian tither. One could not see Maggie Ladue without knowing at once that she is a Christian, because the light of Jesus' love shines in her face. One could not hear Maggie Ladue pray without knowing that she lives close to God, for her prayers are like a conversation with a familiar friend. One time in the little Ponce Indian mission, of which Maggie is a member, an offering was taken for missions. This offering was unusually large. They wondered how it could be so, for usually only pennies, nickels and dimes found their way into their collection basket. But this time there was, besides the change, a five dollar bill! Who among that group of poor Indians, oh so poor! could have had so much money for missions? It developed that the gift came from sweet faced Maggie Ladue. How had she done it? Have you read in Mrs. Lawrence's "Word of Their Testimony" of how Maggie and her husband were found sitting in their house in the evening with the lamp unlit and of bow, when asked why they sat in the dark, they answered: "We want to save the oil money for Jesus". They were willing to do without a light in order that they might tithe. And this is the reason Maggie was able to place the five dollar bill in the missionary offering.

> What sacrifices have you made In order that your tithe be paid?

A Depression Tithe—The women of a certain missionary society had met to take the Home Mission Offering. There sat in their midst a sweet faced, plainly dressed woman whose hands showed that she had done much toil. As the others looked at her they thought, "Of course she can't make an offering", for they knew that her husband had had little work for many months, that there were five chil-

dren in the home to be fed and that the woman herself washed when she could to help pay the family expenses. Some of them knew also that for that week the husband had had no work and that she had had only one washing. Of course she could not give anything. But she did! When the offering was taken her envelope went in with the others. And in it was five cents—the tithe of the washing money! Sometime after, when the husband had regular work, she was heard to say: "We have had a hard time, but we have always managed to feed our children. Just when we would think that we were at the end of our resources something would turn up". Something always turns up for the tither, for God has promised:

Bring your tithe and prove that I Will pour you blessings from on high.

STEWARDS of the WORD

"Render the account of thy stewardship".

THE Lord was going into another country, and He called His servants to Him and delivered unto them His Word, saying: "Go ye into all the world and preach this Word to every creature". And after a long time the Lord of these servants returned and made a reckoning with them, saying: "What did you do with the Word which I committed to your care?" One said: "I went to Japan and preached that Word, and many heard and believed". Another said: "I went from house to house through many villages in China, carrying copies of the Word to lost people". Another said: "I taught in a school in Africa, and thus many boys and girls heard Thy Word from my lips". Another said: "In a publishing house in Brazil I printed copies of Thy Word which were carried by colporters to thousands of homes". Another said: "In a seminary in Europe I trained young men to preach Thy Word". Still others said: "We were home missionaries and gave Thy Word to many needy people in our own land". To all of these the Lord gave the commendation: "Well done, good and faithful servants. You have been good stewards of the Word".

Then came one saying: "I fear that I have not been a good steward as ave these others, for I have not carried Thy Word to home or foreign mission leds". Then said the Lord: "Did you use your time, talents and personality or Me?" And she answered: "Yes, I taught a Sunday school class faithfully, have been the leader of an R.A. Chapter and have gone to many homes reading Thy Word and praying for people". Then said the Lord: "And have you paid your tithes faithfully?" And the servant answered: "Yes, I have brought my tithes into the store house and have added to them my gifts of love". Then the Master said: "Well done, good and faithful servant. You, too, have been a good steward of My Word. Without your faithful stewardship the work of these others would have been impossible".

And all entered together into the Joy of their Lord!

(Much use has been made of material found in a package of literature sent out by the Layman Company, of Chicago, Ill. Students of stewardship will find this literature most helpful. It can be ordered from the Layman Company, 730 Rush St., Chicago, Ill., for the price of 65c.)

QUESTIONS for REVIEW and DISCUSSION

- 1. Define the word "steward".
- 2. Give Scripture to prove God's ownership.
- 3. How may we be partners with God?
- 4. Discuss stewardship as worship.

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OUR YOUNG PEOPLE



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COLLEGE Y.W. A.



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

THANKSGIVING PREPARATIONS for DECEMBER



Out of the spirit of gratitude released in November a bounteous attitude of giving should be developed in behalf of the December Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. Since each of our young people's organizations has but its one program for both its prayer service and offering, the real preparation for the offering must be made before that one special prayer meeting. As the literature is received counselors will see the suggestion that at a November meeting the needs and objectives be stated appealingly. Our national Thanksgiving Day is set apart as a time of expressing gratitude to God for His unnumbered blessings but chief among

them all is that one we can all as Christians name, the gift of Christ Jesus. Remembering the multitudes who have no knowledge of this wondrous gift, Thanksgiving Day leads us immediately into the grace of sharing our dear knowledge. Lay heavily on the hearts of young women awake in Y.W.A., of earnest Royal Ambassadors, of eager G.A's. and Sunbeams that want to shine, the privilege of turning their thank you words into thank you coin.

The need for reaching the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering goal of \$135,000—and more—is so strategically imperative that it cannot be overstated, yet if our giving could be out of our devoted love it would more than cover these and other needs. Can your heart overflow into minted coin and prove contagious to lead others to give? During November present the needs, urge the outpouring expression of love. Do not wait until just before your prayer program to distribute the envelopes. Read the suggestions on the special prayer program literature and follow them long in advance.

Help your College Y.W.A. especially to feel its happy share in this season of prayer and giving. It is often exceedingly difficult to persuade College Y.W.A's. that they really can make regular pledges—but this is no pledge, it is an opportunity to give sacrificially. Let them feel so deeply the need and the calling love that they will answer generously and prayerfully.

A worthy goal for the gifts of the auxiliary helps to lift this offering from an habitual casual dime. Remembering that it is sixty years since Miss Lottie Moon sailed to China could not—will not—your auxiliary set a \$60 goal or far more, could not—will not—some of your members each give \$67 Could your Royal Ambassador Chapter give \$25 or more in this, its silver anniversary, year? Rise above the customary and above the half hearted giving to a really "Thanksgiving"-prompted love offering that will be a biessed joy. Young people need such exercise for their Christian development; the W.M.S. must stimulate by helpful fostering through counselor and leader and by real prayer that the young people may understand the privilege of giving money after "Thanksgiving" words.



TRAINING SCHOOL



Miss Carrie U. Littielche, Principal, 334 E. Breadway, Louisville, Ky. OPENING DAYS at the SCHOOL



day, September 20, with forty - six boarding students and ten day students. Fifteen states, the District of Columbia and China and Japan are represented in this

group. Many more day students and possibly other boarding students will be registering soon. The following account was written by a member of the school's board, Mrs. J. B. Weatherspoon of Louisville.

Instead of the usual opening day program a memorial service for Mrs. Geo. B. Eager and Mrs. S. E. Woody was held in the Training School chapel that Wednesday afternoon. These saintly women, who had labored together all through the years that the Training School might be a "House Beautiful" where lives might be made "beautiful", passed to their reward during the summer months. The school thus took the very first opportunity to pay loving tribute to their memory.

Miss Littleiohn stated that the service would be different from the one ordinarily held but not sad. Mrs. Trevor H. Whayne, chairman of the local Board of Managers, presided. She welcomed the students and other friends and snoke tenderly of the welcome accorded Mrs. Eager and Mrs. Woody in that other Home. Mrs. Whayne's words of appreciation of both these lives were born of years of close friendship and fellowship in the administration of Training School affairs.

During the service there were three beautiful musical numbers. Mrs. Melva Husak Vick sang "Hark, Hark, My Soul"; a mixed quartette sang "Lead, Kindly Light"; and Mr. R. Inman Johnson sang "For All the Saints Who from Their Labors Rest". Dr. J. B. Weatherspoon, who for a number of years was Mrs. Eager's pastor, read the twelfth led in the closing prayer.

School opened on Wednes- chapter of Romans. Dr. H. D. Johnson. Mrs. Woody's pastor at the time of her death, offered prayer,

Dr. John R. Sampey gave an appreciation of Mrs. Eager. He spoke of her brilliant mind, splendid cultural advantages, her literary and social graces, her good judgment and how all these were consecrated to the Master's use. He mentioned her penchant for beloing others, dwelling on her faithful, successful service for and in the Training School. For eighteen successive years she was chairman of the local Board. When physical strength began to fail and she had to give up active leadership, she refused to lose interest in the school and the Kingdom. "Death doesn't conquer a spirit like that".

Mr. Albert Woody, a son of Mrs. Woody, presented to the school a portrait of his mother in behalf of himself and her other children. Miss Elizabeth Woody of New York and Dr. McIver Woody of New Jersey. In Dr. W. O. Carver's tribute to Mrs. Woody, one saw a "life rich in service, leaving behind a trail of glory". What a gallant figure she was with culture, initiative, foresight, faith that comes from bone, intelligence beaming in her eyes and shining in her face, going on her capable way bringing things to pass! She had what might be called a "presence" with her dignity of bearing and charm of manner. All her gifts and graces were brought into the service of the Master and it was easy to follow her leadership. Mrs. Woody held a large place in the affections and admiration of others. The Training School always had ber deep devotion and the benefit of all her fine talents.

The school is (orever enriched by the priceless beritage of ideals and accomplishments of these two consecrated Christian women. Dr. C. L. McGinty



MARGARET FUND



Chairman: Mrs. Prank Burney, Waynesbore, Go.

As cold waters to a thirsty soul, so is good news from a far country.-Properbs 25:25

NEWSY NOTES from FORMER MARGARET FUND STUDENTS



Truman McCrea, one of the first Margaret Fund students, is an executive officer and treasurer of the Asia Realty Company in Shanghai, China.

Charles McDaniel is now working for the Shanghai Evening Post and Mercury, the only American newspaper being published in Shanghai, China.

-0-Kathleen Roe Maddox, a volunteer. is teaching and doing church work in Brazil.

Dorcas Meadows is now Mrs. DeWitt Claunch. When her husband finishes his medical course, they desire to go to a foreign field as medical missionaries.

Edith Grant Newton, now Mrs. B. Y. Eakes, offered berself in 1924 as a missionary to China. No new missionaries were appointed. After waiting for several years for an opening in mission work, she went out to teach in the American School in Tsingtao, China. She married a Baptist business man of Tsingtao.

Rachel Steeves Newton served eight years in our Foreign Board's school for girls in Chefoo, China. Then she married a physician under the Northern Presbyterian Board and is doing full work.

Herman S. Ray, a volunteer for foreign service, is at present the assistant to Dr. Oscar Johnson, who is paster of the Third Baptist Church in St. Louis and who was recently president of the Northern Baptist Convention.

Carrie Reno is chief nurse at the Anna Nery Hospital in Rio de Janeiro, Bra-

Etta Fern and Margaret Reno are both teaching in our Baptist school at Victoria, Brazil, with their missionary

Faith Snuggs is a regular S.B.C. missionary, located at Lui Chau in far south China as is her father, also a missionary of the Foreign Board.

Marjorie Taylor is now Mrs. R. B. Stanton. She and her husband labored for four years in the interior of the state of Sao Paulo, Brazil, but had to leave on account of broken health.

Dorothy Witt is a medical missionary to Africa, working under the Northern Baptist Board. She offered to go as a missionary of our Foreign Mussion Board but for lack of funds the Board refused to send her.

S. Emmett Ayers went to China in 1921 as a missionary soon after graduation. In 1925 be returned to the United States to study medicine and is ready and waiting to be sent back to China. -0-

Harvey Clarke is now doing newspaper work in Tokyo, Japan.

Edwin Dogier has recently been appointed by the Foreign Mission Board, his work being at Fukuoka, Japan. His father, who died in Japan last summer, worked for many years at Fukuoka.

Edgar Dunstan is medical disactor of Baylor University Hospital in Del-

themselves to the Foreign Mission Board for service in South America.

Grace Dunstan after graduation went to Brazil and taught in the S.B.C. school as conducted there by her father. The foreign Mission Board was unable to pay her traveling expenses or salary.

las, Texas. He and his wife offered She is now Mrs. L. W. McLain of Florida.

> Pearl Dunstan is a regular S.B.C. missionary, located at Pelotas, Brazil, with her missionary parents.

> Margaret Fowler is teaching in the British School in Mendoza, Argentina, and is beloing her parents in their mission work there.

BIBLE STUDY (Concluded from Page 10)

son? Did not Livingstone feel that. "All that I am is God's"? How many Christians live as though "All that I have is God's"? The calling in which you find yourself is your opportunity. Mental ability, business efficiency, time used in soul winning, enlisting to service, comforting the lonely, ministering to the sick or the time spent wisely in your home work may be and should all be for the glory of the Son of Righteousness.

> "What shall I give Him, poor as I am? If I were a shepherd, I'd give Him a lamb. If I were a wise man I would do my part. What shall I give Him?-Give Him my heart!"

(Song: "I Gave My Life for Thee")

ENLISTMENT (Concluded from Page 14)

A check-up always reveals an astonishing number. One circle, signally successful, recognizes the Enlistment Chairman as a major officer. She carries a list of prospects and her work does not cease with enrollment of a member but contipues until the individual is placed where she can render most effective service in circle work.

Much depends upon the development of a well rounded program for the circle meeting. A Circle Chairman of long experience stresses a schedule which features fellowship, activity and missionary information. A dinner period served about six o'clock, at a minimum price, provides the social and fellowship bour during which the members get acquainted and are refreshed mentally and physically. Many Women's Missionary Societies aid in serving this meal to their business women. Thirty minutes for business furnish action in circle functioning that stimulates enthusiasm Thirty minutes for a program supply live, glowing information of the work and workers on home and foreign fields. Prompt adjournment is an appreciated feature. A spirit of cordiality to new members and visitors, a fine fellowship evidenced among the members and a spirit of deep concern for the ill or sorrowing forge a chain that binds the circle members close in their work for the Master.

A current issue of a popular magazine carries the statement: "Nothing really worth while is accomplished by accident". In the work of the Business Women's Circle love for God and fellowman, vision and enthusiasm must go hand in hand with prayer and pains .- Mrs. D. A. Howard, Louisville, Ky.

Directions for marking the W.M.S. Standard of Excellence are given on pages 71-72 of the 1933 W.M.U. Year Book. Following them makes standard marking easy for the calendar year which is now almost over.

FIELD of S. B. C. FOREIGN MISSIONS

Countries	Total Population	Beptists Affiliating with S.B.C.	Total Beptisus	Evangelicol Christians (Baptinta Included)	All Catholics (Eastern and Roman)	Them Not Christian in Any School
China	482,800,000	35,241	72,951	980,000	2,234,000	479,586,000
lapan	62,938,000	2,803	7,235	172,000	167,000	62,599,000
Nigeria	18,810,000	28,193	28,366	307,444	None	18,502,55
Hungary	8,662,000	14,20L	12,172	1,655,479	5,322,966	1,683,55
Italy	41,508,000	3,475	3,612	82,659	41,061,963	363,37
Spain	22,603,000	1,040	1,308	14,000	22,000,000	589,00
Rumania	18,172,000	52,477	52,477	1,344,970	2,940,000	13,887,030
Jugo-Slavia	13,500,000	1,596	1,596	235,169	10,302,000	2,962,83
Mexico	16,404,000	5,593	7,784	110,000	14,000,000	2,294,000
Argentina*	11,193,000	4,703	4,703	55,000	6,100,000	5,038,00
Brazil	39,104,000		41,665	156,941	20,670,000	18,277,05
Uruguay	1,850,000		204	12,500	456,000	1,381,50
Chile	4.364.000		2,807	64,000	3,517,889	782,11
Palestine**	900,000	105	105	47,000	43,000	810,00
Syria-Lebanon.	2,832,000		None	180	80,000	2,751,820
			.03%	.70%	17.29%	82.019
Totals	745,640,000	192,078	236,985	5,237,342	128,894,818	611,507,84

^{*}Including Uranuay in statistics of Reptists officiating with S.B.C.

Dr. B. P. Alidredge generously gave of his time and accurate skill for the assembling of the above statistics concerning the religious status of the peoples is the fourteen countries in which the S.B.C. Foreign Mission Beard maintains work. Every Wessan's Missionary Society will find it prefitable not put a study and preserve these statistics but also to display all or the most appealing of these challenging figures on poster or blackboard in preparation for and in observance of the December Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions.

PROGRAM (Concluded from Page 26)

- 5. Discuss the tithe as a fundamental law of God.
- 6. What does the law of Moses say regarding the tithe?
- 7. What promise does God make to those who tithe?
- 8. Give reasons for believing that Jesus was a tither.
- 9. What are the New Testament teachings in regard to tithing and giving?
- 10. Tell of the blessings of tithing to the tither and to the Kingdom.
- 11. How has tithing blessed your life?
- 12. Tell something of how Southern Baptist Co-operative Program money is spent.
- 13. Discuss the present need of money for our missionary causes. 14. How many tithers have we in our Woman's Missionary Society?
- 15. What can we do to enlist more women as tithers?

DECEDENCE MATERIAL

"The Window of Y.W.A."	-"World Comrades"
"Home and Foreign Fields"	-State Denominational Paper
Minutes Southern Baptist Convention 1933	
Stewardship Literature	The Layman Company
Stewardship Literature	Pabtiat Plotnermoon
Stewardship and Missions	The second secon
The Larger Stewardship	Charles A. Cook

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CURRENT MISSIONARY EVENTS



Discussed by Mrs. W. C. James, Virginia

with "Did you know?" This question is followed by home mission items that Baptist. Following this example, the editor of this page is asking "Did you know?" certain things of general missionary interest and value.

Did you know that in 1845 when the Southern Baptist Convention was organized there were 225,000 white Baptists in the south and that today there Did you know that in one year's time are over 4,000,000?

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Did you know that, out of 25 evangelical denominations in the United States and Canada, southern Baptists stand at the bottom of the list in per capita gifts an average of \$1.47 per southern Baptist? In local church expenses we are 24th and 25th in gifts to all purposes. We average for all purposes \$8.27 per

Did you know that from May first of this year to July there were 445 baptisms reported from our various home mission fields and that in 1932 the misbaptized 17,284 converts?

Did you know that Mr. A. A. Hyde of Wichits, Kansas, who began the manufacture of mentholatum in 1890. at that time consecrated his life and his business to God? Before that he had failed in business and was in debt. Since then, counting himself only a and has given largely of his time, in evangelistic work in his own city and state and has given hundreds of

In the bulletin issued by the Home at home and in other lands. Mr. Hyde Mission Board in July there is a col- is now 84 years of age and is still active umn, each paragraph of which begins in his own church and in all the work of his Lord.

should be of interest to each southern Did you know that last year in Scotland was the darkest financially in the memory of most people, yet the foreign mission income went up by many thousands of pounds in the church of Scotland? This giving was in resoonse to an appeal to prevent cuts in missionsries' salaries and curtailment of work.

the offerings of one Chinese church in the mission field amounted to \$3.600 which was an average of \$300 per month? Not only were the local expenses fully met but more than \$1400 was sent away to flood sufferers, to to missions and benevolences; that is Jews, to Borneo and to their own home mission work.

Did you know that the spread of the "God's Acre" movement is infusing new life into hundreds of country churches? Many people in our Baptist churches in the south have adopted this plan for raising money. We learn from the Missionary Review of the World that mission churches in the Philipsionaries of our Foreign Mission Board pines, Burma, Siam, India and South Africa have gone into this movement. Different names are applied in different places as: "God's Acre", the "Lord's Acre", the "Lord's Plot", "Planting for the Lord" and the "Lord's Portion".

Do we not all know that we have the promise that if we bring into God's storehouse all the tithes and the offersteward, he has prospered, paid his debts ings we shall receive a blessing and that if we "seek first the Kingdom of strength and money to belp spread the God" all material blessings will be Gospel. He has been a potent factor added unto us? Do we believe that these promises are out of date or do we believe that they have current value thousands of dollars to missionary work and, if so, what are we doing about it?



BOOK REVIEWS



Mrs. Julian P. Thomas, Virginia

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

CHRIST in the WORLD



"Christ in the World" is the title of the small book of sixty-six pages written by Mrs. Ruth Carver Gardner (Mrs. E. N. Gardner of Dunn, N. C.) for mission study preliminary to

the December Week of Prayer. It opens with "Greetings" from Dr. Charles E. Maddry, executive secretary of the S. B.C. Foreign Mission Board, to the women and young people of the Southern Bantist Convention; he recalls gratefully their help to foreign missions in the past and is relying on them in their immediate effort through the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.

In the first chapter Mrs. Gardner most graphically depicts the world at the time of Christ's coming, showing it to have been small, united, peaceful, prosperous, wicked and soul-hungry. Small maps of the known world at that time and now make the picture more vivid.

As the story goes on to show how Christ began His work and how the disciples carried it on, leaving it to others as time passed, the author makes it very plain that through the ages this work has been done only through the Spirit of God. She tells of the begintrings of modern missions and dwells especially on missions in Japan, China and India.

The last chapters touch us of America more pearly. Here she brings the question of Christian living to each one of us personally, in the searching questions she puts. We must ask ourselves in what ways are we responsible for the fact that our country is Christian only in part.

pose as preparatory study at this time and can be thus used to great advantage before the December Week of Prayer.-Price, paper, 25c

MONRY POWER

THOSE who have read previous books on stewardship by Charles A. Cook will be glad to have his recent study on Christian stewardship, "Money Power". The subject-the making and use of money—is there treated especially with regard to its effect on character. The author holds that the manner in which money is made and the nurpose for which it is made will be all-powerful in its use. He stresses the perils of riches and the many temptations that come in both the making and the spending of money.

On the other hand, he takes the ground that making money may be just as much a Christian activity as preaching when under stewardship control. Examples are given of those who have so used it .- Price, cloth, \$1

The AMBASSADOR SUPREME

THE story of the missionary—his ancestry, his life, his work, his reward, his home church—as given by Edward D. Grant in "The Ambassador Supreme" is an all-sufficient answer to critics of foreign missions and missionaries. Dr. Egbert W. Smith, the foreign mission executive secretary of the Presbyterian Church of the South, tells in a sympathetic foreword how admirably fitted the author is for writing such a volume, since he is educational secretary and director of deputation work and has been in almost daily contact with missionaries from many lands. He has visited a number of mission fields and brings to us an account of the The book is well adapted to its pur-work and workers.-Price, paper, 35c

(Concluded from Page 16) Have I received any blessing from tithing?

After these three questions have been answered silently they may be read again and answered by different members. Bible verses on tithing may be distributed and read in answer to the first question. The second two may be read from written but unsigned answers. Because tithing is often thought of as a personal matter, many of us besitate to proclaim ourselves tithers. So if the leader can secure written statements ought to have more. from some tithers in the society, she may have these testimonials read without giving names. Another very helpful thing would be to secure some statements of "How I titbe without an income."-"Is it right for me to take my household expense money and tithe

it when it is for the use of the fam-

One woman solved this latter question quite simply. There were five in the family with ten dollars a week market money. She counted that two dollars was her share. Twenty cents was ber tenth. She told this to the assembled family and asked if they were willing for her to take out her tenth since she did the marketing for all and often did the cooking. They readily agreed that, she was asking a very small thing and

Many suggestions will doubtless be made to help those who sincerely seek a way to tithe. The meeting should close with earnest prayer for guidance in solving this question and with a special prayer for the indifferent.

For MY COUNTRYMEN'S SALVATION

Right up-to-date has this home mission booklet been brought by its talented and equally consecrated author, Miss Inabelle Coleman of North Carolina. Writs to your state W.M.U. corresponding secretary (address on page 2) for advice as to its being used in a class studying home missions. The price is 25c from State Baptist.

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THANKS be to God, a gracious God, For the infinite gift of His saving Son. The ail lovely Prince, compassionate One, Who lifts our lives from the sordid sod: Thanks! Thanks be to God!

THANKS be to God, our Father God. For the sonship of men, made heirs through His grace, And the glory of life from the smile of His face-For the clear call to tread where He has long trod: Thanks! Thanks be to God!

-Gwynn McLendon, Ky.

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HELPS for DECEMBER WEEK of PRAYER



The drawing on the front cover page, the president's editorial, (page 4), the booklet by Mrs. Gardner (reviewed on page 33) and practically everything in this issue will greatly help in preparing for and in observing the December Week of Prayer and Lottle Moon Christmas Offering. Appropriate and apply these helps, please.



NE fall, more than a quarter of a century ago, Woman's Missionary Union began to publish its own magazine which has grown into this monthly—ROYAL SERVICE. Therefore in the fall of each year it is doubly appropriate and decidedly acceptable for W.M.I. members and organizations to promote in behalf of the magazine a "HARVEST HOME CELEBRATION of RENEWALS and NEW SUBSCRIPTIONS for ROYAL SERVICE". Please enter promptly and enthusiastically into this happy and decidedly helpful "celebration by sending in renewals and new subscriptions—each 50c a year—for

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This drawing is the generous gift of Miss Walton Coker of Birmingham, Ala., esteemed also as the designer of the Y.W.A. Silver Anniversary poster and as the daughter of the lamented Mrs. J. A. Coker, who gave marked service as a resident member of the W.M.U. Executive Committee. Use this drawing, please, for one of your posters in preparation for and during the Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions, December 4-8 inclusive. Even as the drawing shows Bethlehem's Star forming Calvary's Cross, just as the drawing lifts up'the alabaster box in praying hands, so may every W.M.U. member lovingly meditate upon "God's unspeakable gift" and then in prayer give in sacrificial gratitude.