

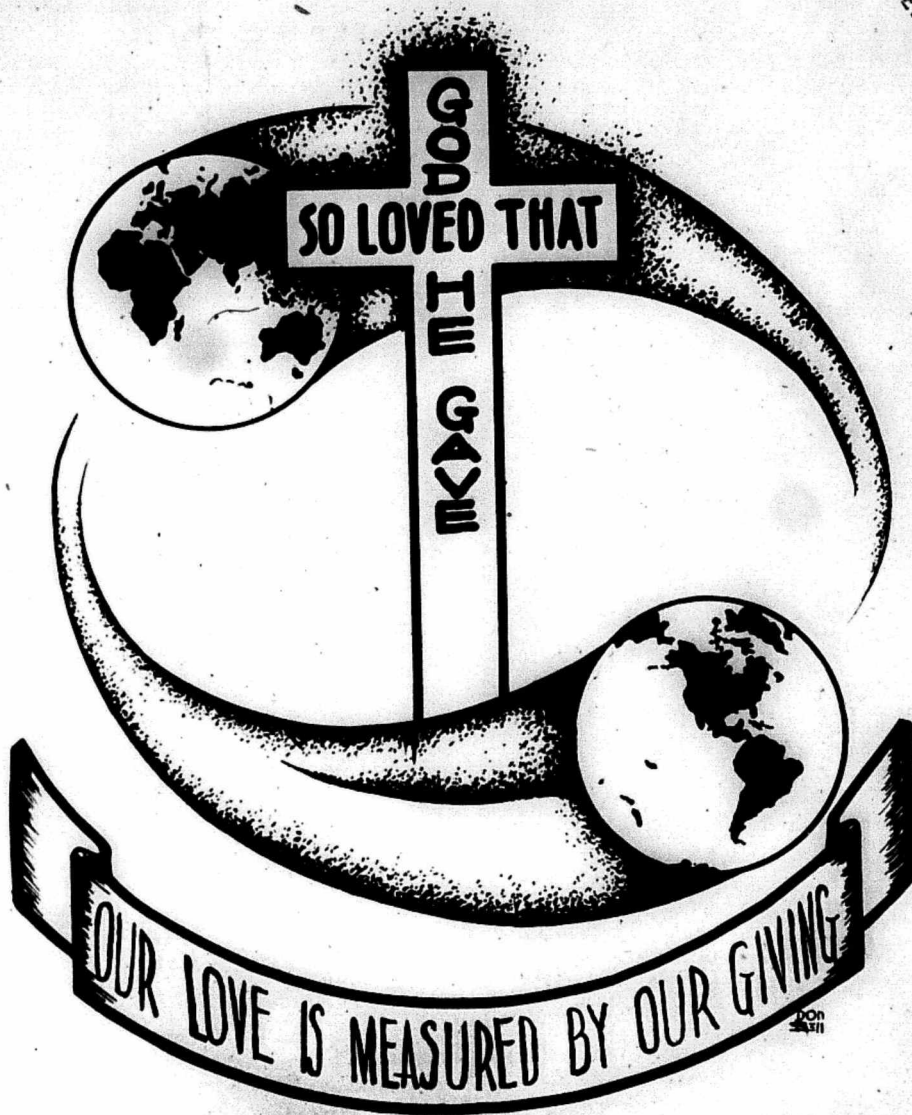
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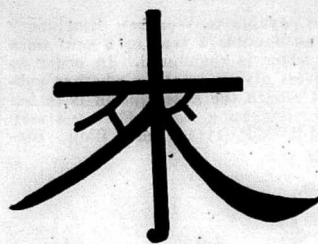
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EDITORIAL

"COME THOU with US"

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



LAI - COME

Observing the Calendar of Prayer on January 30, you helped to bring blessing and efficiency to the important meeting of the Executive Committee and state corresponding secretaries of W.M.U. Held annually in mid-winter in the headquarters city, Birmingham, it brings together the vice presidents and secretaries from nineteen states, the general officers, field representatives, southwide chairmen, Margaret Fund chairman and principal of the W.M.U. Training School, a total of some sixty-four active W.M.U. workers including the Birmingham members of the Executive Committee. These spend several days in conference, planning together how W.M.U. may better perform its function to "stimulate the missionary spirit and the grace of giving among the women and the young people of the churches", with especial thought for the annual meeting in May when decisions as to the next year must be made.

Good news of the progress of the Kingdom is always inspiring. The 1938 Lottie Moon Christmas Offering as reported from the states had reached by January 30 the gratifying total of \$291,348.35. The Golden Jubilee Special Gift had reached \$77,189.77 thus enabling the longed-for surplus to make payment in full on the beautiful new property for the W.M.U. Training School and still hold intact \$50,000 for the Heck Memorial and \$10,000 for aiding Negro women and young people. The additional surplus will be applied on the Maud Reynolds McLure Memorial authorized at the 1938 May meeting; this memorial will take the form of a building on the new site for the W.M.U. Training School. So many loved and appreciated Mrs. McLure who will delight to have a part in this lasting memorial to her. We may begin immediately to seek out gifts and givers for this deeply worthy cause. (See pages 6, 12.)

Reports indicate that members of W.M.U. contributed in 1937 more than 63% of the sum paid to the Hundred Thousand Club. Zealous for a debtless denomination it is urged that every W.M.S. have immediately and steadily in each circle some one charged with the responsibility of getting new members and reminding others of prompt and regular payments.

Sub-committees study carefully various phases of Union life and present plans, to which each member of this largely representative mid-year group makes her best contribution of mind and heart, that at the approaching annual meeting the best possible reports may be presented for your consideration. The watchword and hymn, the Year Book and Plan of Work, program topics, plans for observance of the Weeks of Prayer, suggestions for annual meeting program, matters pertaining to the Margaret Fund and the W.M.U. Training School are given thoughtful, prayerful consideration.

Since the S.B.C. will open in Oklahoma City on Wednesday afternoon, May 17, we feel that it is necessary to close the W.M.U. meeting with the Wednesday (Concluded on Page 12)



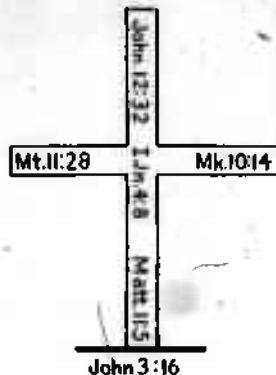
SOUTHWIDE BAPTIST REVIVAL



A MACEDONIAN CALL for a MULTITUDE of SOUL-WINNERS

Roland Q. Leavell

Supt. of Evangelism, Home Mission Board



Objective Two of the Southwide Baptist Revival of 1939—Enlistment of a multitude of soul-winners from the rank and file of the church members, who will present the Gospel message to millions of lost persons, especially those who do not attend Sunday school and church services.

If a pastor and a church full of Christians, who are surrounded by a multitude of unsaved people, cannot win souls to Christ, then there is little hope for great results in evangelism among southern Baptists during 1939. The Macedonian call today is coming from multitudes of unsaved people in the southland to the several millions of Christians in our churches.

Three-elevenths of the south's approximately 45,000,000 are white people who are southern Baptist material by inclination and training.

That is: we are responsible for more than 12,000,000 southern white people, of whom more than 9,000,000 are of conversion age. Only about half of these people belong to our churches. In other words, there is one person awaiting to be won to Christ by each and every individual Christian on our church rolls. Our modern Macedonian call is from a host of about five millions of our own people, right in our own homes, besides the other millions of unsaved people who are inclined toward the other denominations.

PRAYER—When the great evangelist to the gentiles answered the call into Macedonia he immediately sought and found a place where prayer was wont to be made. If southern Baptist church members do their "human best, filled with the Holy Spirit", we must become our best in prayer. That every Christian should pray importunately and unceasingly for those lost individuals whom he knows should require no argument. There has never been a great soul-winner who has not first been a Christian with great power in prayer.

Do you have a prayer list? Paul had a long one (Romans 1:9). Such a list will be a spiritual challenge to you to pray definitely for your lost acquaintances and to seek definitely to introduce them to Jesus. The Home Mission Board (315 Red Rock Bldg., Atlanta, Ga.) will furnish upon request a tract on personal soul-winning, called "Brightening Up Heaven" which has in it a form for a prayer list.

PERSONAL WORK—When Paul answered the Macedonian call it was not long before he was busy with personal work. Lovely Lydia and the conscientious but frightened jailer were among the trophies which he won. Just so must the rank and file of our church members turn their attention toward personally winning others to Christ.

Personal work is more imperative today than ever. Unsaved people are not bearing the pastors preach as they once did. The pastor needs a soul-winning (Concluded on Page 27)

1938 LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING

Reported by States

Name of State	Goal	Total Receipts	For Causes Not in Southwide Goal	Retained for State Expenses	Resilient toward Southwide Goal
Ala.	\$ 12,700.00	\$ 13,645.34	\$ 3,841.78	\$ 177.80	\$ 9,625.76
Ark.	400.00	460.13			460.13
Ariz.	6,000.00	8,440.85	440.00	200.00	7,800.85
D. C.	900.00	1,079.09	279.09		800.00
Fla.	7,000.00	8,000.17		113.22	7,886.95
Ga.		20,228.02			20,228.02
Ill.		3,024.17	500.00	56.65	2,467.52
Ky.	16,000.00	18,501.60		197.00	18,304.60
La.	8,970.23	7,831.95			7,831.95
Md.	2,562.50	2,151.65			2,151.65
Miss.	12,000.00	11,750.45	1,000.00		10,750.45
Mo.	13,450.00	12,355.30		160.29	12,195.01
N. M.		1,128.00			1,128.00
N. C.	35,000.00	37,260.01	2,480.00	271.38	34,508.63
Okla.	13,000.00	12,190.00		190.00	12,000.00
S. C.	21,400.00	21,117.94	1,600.00	155.39	19,362.55
Tenn.	17,000.00	16,531.86		219.30	16,312.56
Tex.	35,000.00	51,711.84	16,361.84	350.00	35,000.00
Va.	41,600.00	43,939.98	22,439.98		21,500.00
Totals	\$242,982.73	\$291,348.35	\$48,942.69	\$2,091.03	\$240,314.63

"Praise God from whom all blessings flow!"

BEYOND-the-GOAL GIFTS of 1938 LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING

To Have Precedence in Order Listed

1. Debt on College at Victoria, Brazil.....	\$ 5,000.00
2. Rehabilitation Work in China.....	10,000.00
3. Emergencies in Nigeria.....	5,000.00
4. Missionary's Home and Chapel, Belgrade, Jugo-Slavia.....	2,000.00
5. Training School-Kindergarten, Kokura, Japan.....	5,000.00
6. Seminary-Training School, Santiago, Chile.....	3,000.00
7. Training School, Recife, Brazil.....	5,000.00
8. Water Supply for Seminary and Training School, El Paso, Tex.....	2,000.00
9. Machinery, Publishing House, Rio, Brazil.....	3,000.00
10. Ann Bagby College, Sao Paulo, Brazil.....	314.63

TOTAL **\$40,314.63**

Missouri has made possible the illustration used on the front cover page of this issue of ROYAL SERVICE. The gifted young artist is Mr. Don Bell, who is a ministerial student at William Jewell College in Liberty. The drawing not only emphasizes Christian stewardship but also our year's watchword and theme, "The Great Commission—Our Mission", with the month's focus on Latin America.



ANNUAL MEETING



OUR GOLDEN SAGA

VERY fitting it is that Woman's Missionary Union should record the victories of her Golden Jubilee in her annual meeting in Oklahoma City, May 15-17, for Oklahoma City will also be celebrating her Fiftieth Anniversary, giving an account of what the white man has wrought in the Indian country in the last half century. On April 22, 1889, one year after Woman's Missionary Union was organized, "the run" was made into the central part of the Indian Territory which henceforth was to be known as Oklahoma.

Oklahoma City began with the firing of a gun that opened two million acres of land for homesteads whose ownership depended on chance and speed of transportation. Hardy, hospitable, adventurous pioneers came by every possible means of transportation to found a new home and new cities. They followed Indian trails or made new paths over trackless prairies where today run ribbons of concrete and steel. By nightfall, every quarter section of land and every city lot had several claimants because the law provided that the individual who arrived first on a piece of land after leaving the borders of the territory at noon, signaled by the firing of a soldier's gun, on that day would have title to it. With little confusion, adjustments were made and the white man was established firmly in the area that fifty years before had been promised by the government to the Indians "so long as grass shall grow and water run".

Twenty-seven years ago, when Woman's Missionary Union last met in Oklahoma City, it had a population of 40,000. Today, we welcome you to a city of 225,000, "a city that has grown from tepees to towers in the span of a lifetime". Oklahoma City's "backyard" oil field, opened in 1928, has contributed much toward its growth. The derricks have marched through the east side of the city, on lots owned by rich and poor alike, even to the grounds of the state capitol and governor's mansion.

There will be much to attract the visitor. There will be ample hotel facilities in new and modern hotels conveniently located near the Convention's place of meeting. The Biltmore Hotel, which will be W.M.U. headquarters, is Oklahoma City's newest and largest hotel and is only four blocks from the place of meeting. (For rates see page 36.)

All sessions of the W.M.U. meeting as well as those of the Southern Baptist Convention will be held in the Municipal Auditorium. It has a seating capacity of 6,000 in its main auditorium with loud speaker equipment, which will assure comfortable accommodations for all visitors as well as delegates.

No doubt you are familiar with the statue of the "Pioneer Woman" that stands at Ponca City, Oklahoma. Typical is she of Woman's Missionary Union with the Bible in one hand leading a child with the other. May the undaunted courage, that led the "Pioneer Woman" to brave the privations of the frontier to stake new claims, be given to Woman's Missionary Union members in this annual meeting as they chart new paths for the telling of the "old, old story" in the next half century.—Mrs. H. B. Wilhoyte, W.M.U. Publicity Chairman for Oklahoma City Meeting (See also pages 4, 36.)



FROM OUR MISSIONARIES



The MAGNIFICAT in CHINA

YOU have doubtless read much these past months about our refugee problem. It seems to be almost the biggest problem connected with the war. To give even a minimum of food and clothing and shelter to the very poor who are out of their homes has been a task that needed the help of all the world. Yet there were many who fled from the cities to their ancestral homes in the country whose sorrow was not so much lack of the essentials for living as the heart break of separation from those who must stay, and the loss of homes left behind. As the tide of war has swept on, many have returned to take up again the broken threads of business and home-making and church life.

Here at Tsingtao in north China those who remained have been able to keep the affairs of church and W.M.S. going, and it is now a pleasure to welcome back those who have been away for months. The W.M.S. meeting this afternoon (June 7) was given almost entirely to the witness of those who were "scattered abroad" and have now returned. It was heartening indeed to see their joyful gratitude to God for all His protecting care, wonderful providences that strengthened their faith and encouraged us all.

The most beautiful testimony, I thought, was that of the wife of our church evangelist. "You all know", she said, "how it was at my husband's home!" We did all know that a hard-hearted mother-in-law had cast her off soon after she married into the family, saying "she was always sick and good-for-nothing". But continuing her story: "When my husband said last August that I must go to his home for protec-

tion I thought I could never do it, but I prayed unceasingly and God showed me that I should do it. Praise be to His name! When I reached my husband's home I kept on praying and tried to do the work the best I could. The thing I found the hardest to do was to grind the meal. I never knew how to handle a donkey and I was so afraid he would kick or bite me! But do you know", she went on, "that donkey was really kind to me and didn't hurt me at all? After about ten days my mother-in-law treated me much better" (*happy tears*); "and now she is saved and my sister-in-law and brother are all saved and we have family prayer together".

Her joyful recital, the first time she had ever ventured a word in meeting, was almost a magnificat, for her voice was soft and low, and with every pause she looked up and said "My soul doth magnify the Lord!"

Today the little woman and her husband were with us to dinner, and afterwards they went out together to visit sick church members. So the husband finds that after all the girl that was "sick and good-for-nothing" has led his whole family to Christ and is to him a real help-meet.

At a recent meeting a plain looking woman, a stranger to us and evidently in frail health, arose and said: "I have no learning at all, and I do not fully understand the doctrine, but I know that *Jesus is light*. When I close the door and window of my small room all inside is dark and black. When I open the door and window the sunshine streams in and all is full of brightness. That is what Jesus is to my heart!"—*Mrs. J. McF. Gaston, Emeritus Missionary from China*

Calendar of Prayer April, 1939

Prepared by Mrs. W. C. Henderson, Arizona

FOR mankind are one in spirit, and an instinct bears along,
Round the earth's electric circle, the swift flash of right or wrong;
Whether conscious or unconscious, yet Humanity's vast frame
Through its ocean-sundered fibers feels the gush of joy or shame—
In the gain or loss of one race all the rest have equal claim.

—James Russell Lowell

Topic: Southern Baptist Response to the Great Commission in Latin America

1—SATURDAY

Mrs. Sears (*Grace Boyd*), Mr. and Mrs. Parker (*Sarah Gayle*), evangelistic workers, Pingtu, China.

He that hath My commandments and keepeth them, he it is that loveth Me.—*John, 14:21*

2—SUNDAY

Faithful support of the Baptist Hundred Thousand Club by W.M.U.

Honor the Lord with thy substance.—*Prov. 3:9*

3—MONDAY

Dr. and Mrs. P. S. Evans (*Mary Leaning*), Dr. and Mrs. J. McF. Gaston (*Annie Gay*), emeritus missionaries from China who can utter the mighty acts of the Lord?—*Psa. 106:2*

4—TUESDAY

W.M.U. annual meetings, April 4-6: Arkansas, Little Rock; Louisiana, Alexandria; Mississippi, Clarksdale.

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom.—*Col. 3:16*

5—WEDNESDAY

Missouri W.M.U. annual meeting, Joplin, April 5-7.

Blessed are they that dwell in Thy house.—*Psa. 84:4*

6—THURSDAY

Kentucky W.M.U. annual meeting, Williamsburg, April 6-7.

The Lord reigneth; He is clothed with majesty.—*Psa. 93:1*

7—FRIDAY

Mr. and Mrs. Rice (*Monica Hamm*), evangelistic workers, Mr. and Mrs. Mela (*Elizabeth Fekkenfeld*), educational and medical workers, Macao, Brazil; also David and William Carey Mela, Margaret Fund students.

I will, therefore, put you in remembrance.—*Jude 5*

8—SATURDAY

Mr. and Mrs. Martin (*Estelle Snyder*), Jeff. Ky., Mr. and Mrs. Cobble (*Lola Fuhrman*), Andersonville, Tenn., evangelistic workers among mountaineers.

Righteousness shall look down from Heaven.—*Psa. 85:11*

9—SUNDAY

Holy Spirit's guidance in planning for the annual meeting of W.M.U., Oklahoma City, May 15-17.

Look upon the fields, for they are white already to harvest.—*John, 4:35*

10—MONDAY

Misses Mary Kelly, Christopher, and Mary Headen, Herrin, Ill., evangelistic workers among foreigners.

Strengthen, O God, that which Thou hast wrought for us.—*Psa. 68:28*

11—TUESDAY

South Carolina W.M.U. annual meeting, Columbia, April 11-13.

Thy will be done in earth as it is in Heaven.—*Matt. 6:10*

12—WEDNESDAY

Mr. and Mrs. Bowdler (*Ruth Nicholson*), educational-evangelistic workers, Cipolletti, Argentina.

Hold up my goings in Thy paths, that my footsteps slip not.—*Psa. 119:3*

13—THURSDAY

Misses Susan Anderson and Ruth Walden, evangelistic-educational workers, Abeokuta, Africa.

In the Lord Jehovah is everlasting strength.—*Isa. 26:4*

14—FRIDAY

Dr. and Mrs. D. G. Whittinghill (*Sadie Taylor*), emeritus missionaries from Italy.

God is a refuge for us.—*Psa. 61:8*

15—SATURDAY

Mr. and Mrs. Smith, Pineville, Mr. and Mrs. DeVillie, Montague, La., evangelistic workers among the French.

Surely His salvation is nigh them that fear Him.—*Psa. 85:9*

Calendar of Prayer for April

16—SUNDAY

*Mrs. Moore (Minnie Foster), evangelistic-educational worker, Chetoo, China; also James Walton Jr. and Marsha Jane Moore, Margaret Fund students

God hath not given us the spirit of fear.
—1 Tim. 1:7

17—MONDAY

Conserving Golden Jubilee victories

Look . . . that ye lose not the things which we have wrought.—1 Jno. 8

18—TUESDAY

Misses Elsie Clor and Eunice Fenderson, evangelistic-educational workers, Jerusalem, Palestine

Lord, Thou wilt obtain peace for us.
—Isa. 26:12

19—WEDNESDAY

*Mr. and *Mrs. Marriott (Cora Burns), Mr. and Mrs. Olive (Nell Fowler), evangelistic-educational workers, Chinkiang, China; also Cora May Marriott and Howard Keith Olive, Margaret Fund students

If thou canst believe, all things are possible to him that believeth.—Mark 9:23

20—THURSDAY

Mrs. and Mrs. Espurva, Wharton, Mr. and Mrs. Garcia, Bloomington, Tex., workers among Mexicans

The Lord knoweth them that are His.
—1 Tim. 2:19

21—FRIDAY

Mr. and Mrs. Hancock, McAlester, Mr. and Mrs. Cooper (Martha J. Perry), Shawnee, Okla., workers among Indians

Be not therefore ashamed of the testimony of our Lord.—1 Tim. 1:8

22—SATURDAY

Misses Elizabeth Hale and Ola Lea, evangelistic-educational workers, Shanghai, China

Behold, God is my salvation.—Isa. 12:2

23—SUNDAY

Growing power of God on soul-winning efforts in the churches of S.B.C.

O that men would praise the Lord for His goodness!—Psa. 107:8

24—MONDAY

*Dr. and *Mrs. Maclean (Annie Briggs), evangelistic and medical workers, Iwo, Africa

Fight the good fight of faith.—1 Tim. 6:12

25—TUESDAY

Mr. and Mrs. Day, Mr. and Mrs. Silva, evangelistic workers among foreigners, Tampa, Fla.; also Dorothy Day, Margaret Fund student

The way of the just is uprightness.
—Isa. 16:7

26—WEDNESDAY

Dr. and *Mrs. Mewshaw (Dell Spencer), medical-evangelistic workers, Mr. and Mrs. Herring (Nan Trammell), evangelistic workers, Kweilin, China

Endure hardship, as a good soldier of Jesus Christ.—1 Tim. 2:3

27—THURSDAY

Mr. and Mrs. Craighead (Hazel Thompson), evangelistic workers, Cernauli, Rumania, Dr. Moore, evangelistic-educational worker, Belgrade, Yugoslavia

Blessed be the Lord God of Israel from everlasting to everlasting.—Psa. 106:48

28—FRIDAY

Misses *Genevieve Trainham and *Thelma Williams, medical workers, Chengchow, China

I give myself unto prayer.—Psa. 109:4

29—SATURDAY

Misses *Bernice Neel, *May Bell Taylor, *Letha Saunders and *Pearl Dunstan, educational workers, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

O Lord, to Thee will I cry.—Joni 1:19

30—SUNDAY

Annual meeting of W.M.U. in Oklahoma City, May 15-17

Be Thou exalted, O God.—Psa. 108:5

*Attended W.M.U. Training School

*Former Margaret Fund Student

*Attended Southwestern Training School

xxAttended Baptist Bible Institute

**At Present on Furlough



FAMILY ALTAR



Mrs. W. H. Gray, Alabama

Note: The references in italics are furnished by the "Committee on Improved Uniform Lessons of the International Sunday School Lessons". The references in heavy type are in keeping with the month's missionary topic and with the denomination's emphasis on soul-winning in 1939.

TOPIC: Southern Baptist Response to the Great Commission in Latin America

Go and try to save a soul, and you will see how well it is worth saving, how capable it is of the most complete salvation. Not by pondering about it, nor by talking of it, but by saving it, you learn its preciousness.—Phillips Brooks

Of What Value Is a Soul?

- 1st Day—Matt. 16:26; John 3:1-11
- 2nd Day—Luke 15:7; 11 Cor. 5:11-19
- 3rd Day—Jas. 5:19, 20; Matt. 28:1-8
- 4th Day—Matt. 10:28-31; Acts 13:23-31
- 5th Day—Heb. 10:38, 39; 1 Cor. 15:1-11
- 6th Day—Ezek. 18:4, 5, 9; Phil. 3:7-14
- 7th Day—Prov. 16:1-3; Acts 17:16-18

Who Should Tell of This Kingdom?

- 15th Day—Acts 1:1-14; Jonah 3:1-10
- 16th Day—Acts 2:1-21; Psa. 72:7-17
- 17th Day—Psa. 145:1-21; Acts 10:9-16
- 18th Day—Luke 24:44-53; Acts 15:6-11
- 19th Day—Acts 5:29-32, 42; Acts 13:44-49
- 20th Day—Mark 1:14-21; 2:18, 14; Acts 15:13-21
- 21st Day—Matt. 28:1-20; Gal. 2:1-10

What Place Give the Kingdom?

- 8th Day—Matt. 6:33; 1 Cor. 15:12-20
- 9th Day—1 Chron. 29:9-13; Rom. 6:1-11
- 10th Day—John 18:33-38; Acts 14:1-7
- 11th Day—Psa. 22:27-31; Acts 14:8-18
- 12th Day—Rom. 14:8-13, 17-19; Acts 14:10-28
- 13th Day—John 3:1-17; 1 Cor. 3:10-15
- 14th Day—Matt. 25:31-40; Isa. 55:1-5

For Whom Is the Kingdom Prepared?

- 22nd Day—John 3:35, 36; 5:22-24; Gal. 2:11-21
- 23rd Day—John 4:1-26; Rev. 22:16, 17
- 24th Day—John 6:32-40; Acts 16:6-10
- 25th Day—John 6:45-51; Acts 16:11-15
- 26th Day—Mark 4:1-12; Acts 16:16-28
- 27th Day—Mark 4:18-23; Acts 16:19-25
- 28th Day—Mark 4:24-35; Acts 16:26-34
- 29th Day—Mark 6:1-13; Acts 17:10-12
- 30th Day—Mark 13:10; Psa. 67:1-7

"Pray Ye"

Humbly give thanks for the atonement through Jesus Christ.

Ask forgiveness for sin that "crucifies the Son of God afresh".

Give thanks for the hope set before Christians because "Christ is risen from the dead".

Praise God that Jesus "ever liveth to make intercession".

Pray that every circle and society will glean and glean in behalf of the Annie W. Armstrong Offering for Home Missions.

Intercede for those in charge of the plans and programs for the S.B.C. and W.M.U. annual meetings in Oklahoma City in May.



Ask God's guidance for all missionaries—state, home and foreign—and for all mission secretaries. Pray also for persecuted races and sects.
Pray for Southwide Baptist Revival and for W.M.U. participation by organizations and individuals.

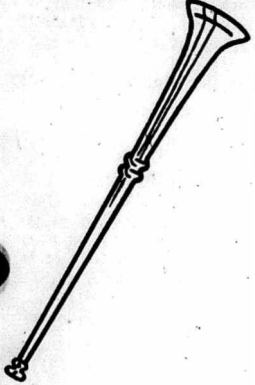
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morning session. It was therefore determined to open our meeting on Monday evening, May 15, that our program may be as adequate as possible under the circumstances. Certain great hours are already assured. Dr. Scarborough will warm our hearts and prepare us for our part in the southwide revival effort. Dr. Maddy will bring us news of Madras and his latest visit to S.B.C. mission fields. Mrs. J. B. Boatwright and Mrs. R. L. Harris, who have recently visited Africa and South America, will tell of our work in those lands. Dr. Truett will bring our closing message on Wednesday. A pageant presentation of our work in the missionary education of young people, combined with Jubilee accomplishments, will also be a prominent feature. Proximity to certain home mission fields will assure attractive presentation of the Indian mission work. May issue of *Royal Service* will carry the more detailed program.

This May meeting has no other purpose than to present missions and to inspire us to devoted service in this beloved cause. Plan now to have your key women share this fifty-first annual meeting of W.M.U., May 15-17, in Oklahoma City, which promises high hours of inspiration joined with practical help for going forward in missions. "Come thou with us!"

SPECIAL GOLDEN JUBILEE GIFT

One of the chief delights of the Golden Jubilee Celebration was the privilege of contributing to its special gift of \$50,000 in memory of Miss Fannie E. S. Heck and \$10,000 for work in behalf of southern Baptist Negro women and young people. The following report shows that the desired \$60,000 was raised and that there is an additional \$17,189.77. At the southwide W.M.U. committee meeting in Birmingham in February it was voted to use \$14,000 of the \$17,189.77 to complete the payment on the new property of the W.M.U. Training School and to apply the remainder on the McLure Memorial, which will be a building on the School's new property. Words are inadequate to express the praise to God and the gratitude to every donor that made possible the following victorious report:



State	Goal	Gifts	State	Goal	Gifts
Alabama	\$ 4,200.00	\$ 4,700.00	Missouri	5,000.00	6,000.00
Arizona	100.00	192.00	New Mexico	200.00	910.53
Arkansas	2,000.00	2,000.00	North Carolina	5,200.00	7,000.00
District of Columbia	400.00	400.00	Oklahoma	3,200.00	4,500.00
Florida	1,100.00	1,500.00	South Carolina	3,200.00	5,254.16
Georgia	6,200.00	9,657.48	Tennessee	4,200.00	6,500.00
Illinois	1,100.00	1,100.00	Texas	6,200.00	6,200.00
Kentucky	6,200.00	7,253.04	Virginia	6,000.00	6,000.00
Louisiana	800.00	800.00	Ridgecrest Y.W.A.		
Maryland	500.00	744.24	Camp		50.00
Mississippi	4,200.00	6,428.32	Total	\$60,000.00	\$77,189.77

BIBLE STUDY

Ella Broadus Robertson, Kentucky

The ONE WAY of SALVATION

Acts 4:12; Matt. 15:7-9; John 14:4-10

A DISTINGUISHED English minister, Dr. Dale, was writing an Easter sermon and found it heavy going. Suddenly a thought flooded his heart: "Jesus Christ is alive today!" It changed not only the sermon but his whole life. It was this transforming fact that made life glorious for the disciples of Christ, grief-stricken by His death. He ascended to Heaven, but the Spirit made them realize anew His living presence, powerful to heal and to save. "In none other is there salvation", they cried to the Sanhedrin; "neither is there any other name under Heaven given among men, wherein we must be saved". Their boldness and the radiant face and nimbleness of the man that was healed confounded the judges. So Peter at Pentecost, when his sermon pricked the hearts of his hearers and brought the earnest question—"What shall we do?"—proclaimed repentance and baptism in the name of Jesus. So Paul said to the jailer in Philippi, in terror of his life: "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved". John the Beloved preserved the Master's own words in the Upper Room, "I am the way and the truth and the life: no man cometh unto the Father but by Me". In the paragraph from Matthew the Pharisees and scribes are heckling Jesus: "Why do Thy disciples transgress the traditions of the elders?" To which Jesus replied, "Why do ye transgress the commandments of God because of your tradition?" Then He quotes from Isaiah: "This people honoreth Me with their lips, but their heart is far from Me. In vain do they worship Me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men".

No denomination has a monopoly of this sin—stressing as supremely important a point they have made themselves, though it contradicts the simplicity and power of the Gospel. (*Even Baptist churches sometimes split over trifles!*) This month, when our South American neighbors and the missionaries who labor among them are specially upon our hearts, we may well state clearly to ourselves the fundamental error of the Roman Catholic Church, which in those countries, as in Italy, teaches gross idolatry. It *puts other things in place of Christ*. (a) The adoration of Mary makes her practically the mediator between God and man, instead of Jesus who "ever liveth to make intercession for us". So with saints and guardian angels. (b) The church takes the place of Christ in authority and changes both ordinances. Baptism is made the means of salvation. The Lord's Supper becomes the Mass, declared to be a repeated offering of Christ as a sacrifice on the altar; the bread blessed by the priest, Christ's actual body, kept there insuring His constant presence. (c) The priest usurps the place of Christ in the Christian life, the confessional and penance giving a mental relief but little spiritual blessing. Finally, (d) the counting of good works towards salvation takes the thoughts away from faith in Christ and loving obedience as expressing that faith.

(Read Paul's Gospel as stated in his great chapter on the resurrection, I Cor. 15:3-7.)

CIRCLE PLANS

WHEN YOUR CIRCLE STUDIES "Heaven Knows"

written by Margaret H. Brown, a missionary who was an eyewitness to these facts, may it visualize to the circle the great needs of China, especially of the peasants. The book is to be purchased for \$1 from your State Baptist Bookstore. The suggestions on this page are finely contributed by Mrs. A. H. Blakeslee, District of Columbia W.M.U. mission study chairman. She says:

May I suggest that the book be read and studied, so as to grasp the author's meaning of its title, "Heaven Knows"? Assign the various chapters in advance. Use the talents of the members in sketches, posters, maps, pictures and chalk talks.

Chapter 1—Dramatize with a Chinese wedding.

Chapter 2—Stress here the disillusion of these people. Use a picture or model of a shrine. Quote Bible reference, Psalm 115:4-7.

Chapters 3 and 4—Use a map of China and travel with this simple peasant from his rural home to Shanghai. Note the characteristic of endurance. Apply Matthew 24:13.

Chapters 5 and 6—Picture in these two chapters the insanitary conditions in which these peasants must live, because of being so poor. Use stereopticon slides showing these conditions. Pray that their lives may be transformed, thus making conditions better.

Chapter 7—Discuss the chapter, stressing the Chinese love for their children, using pictures cut from magazines. Also use the picture of Jesus blessing little children (Matt. 19:13-15).

Chapters 8 and 9—Have a poster with the open Bible. Consider John 8:32.

Chapters 10, 11 and 12—These chapters depict the tragic results of war, the heroic effort of the doctors, nurses and missionaries. Suggest a radio dramatization: "Please Stand By".

Chapters 13 and 14 and 15—Climax with a chalk talk, picturing the Christian camp, with the Cross of Christ in the center, the Chinese people marching toward the cross. Apply John 12:32.

Epilogue—May our hearts be stirred to self searching and prayer. May we determine to rally to the great needs of these suffering, bewildered millions of China and may we be willing to sacrifice that His Kingdom may come in their hearts, because we realize that Jesus gave His all for this race, too.

The Mission Study Institute is a definite part of our work, not only a part of the yearly program in our states but also in the thinking of our women, increasingly, as they realize more and more its value and as they desire the help from real normal training in the teaching of missions. We must now implement the program we have established.

The Pioneer Class also during the Jubilee Year became a definite part of our program as never before. It brings its problems with which we hope to deal in patience, recognizing them for what they truly are, "growing pains", the price of our success. But the Pioneer Class is our one effective means of having an ever-enlarging mission study constituency.—Mrs. Una R. Lawrence

BUSINESS WOMEN'S CIRCLES

Miss Inabelle Coleman, Virginia
SUGGESTIONS

It is imperative that every program chairman read *Argentina, Brasil, Chile, Uruguay* sections of current copy of *The World Almanac* (60c from State Baptist Book Store); current congressional bulletin of Lima Conference; Pan-American bulletins surveying international trade relations between North and South America. From the Pan-American Union of Washington, D. C., secure illustrated booklets (5c each) of chief cities, ports, industries, farming etc. of South America. Books adding valuable missionary, supplemental material are: *Sharing with Neighbor America*, Taylor; *Christ in the Silver Lands*, Quarles. Wall map of South America may be secured for 60c (State Baptist Book Store); gold stars, Easter or other significant stickers may be pasted on southern Baptist stations to identify scope of southern Baptist work and also to show the unoccupied opportunities. Miniature maps of North and South America will serve as interesting and informational place cards or program folders. On opposite side paste Easter sticker.

TOPIC: Response to the Great Commission in Latin America

Time of Easter Music, Meditation and Prayer

Hymn for the Year

Easter Story from God's Word (See also Bible study on page 13.)

Silent Prayers of Gratitude for the Empty Cross

Our Visitors, New Members Welcomed

Unfinished and New Business

The Lord is Risen (Quartette)

Heeding "The Great Commission" in Latin America (Page 17)

Explaining "The Need of the Gospel in Latin America" (Page 18)

Responding to the Great Commission (Page 19)

Near the Cross (Hymn)

Christ—"The Bread of Life" (Page 23)

Recognizing "Fruits of the Word" (Page 24)

Our Challenge—"Unreached Millions" (Page 24)

Saviour, Lord—"Inasmuch" (Page 25)

Sentence Prayers

Neighbor Nations—During the past several months every intelligent, internationally minded Christian has been rethinking South America, both in the light of governmental relations and religious responsibility. The Lima Conference brought our minds to this focus and revealed pertinent facts, too numerous for this space but significant enough for reviewing as we study again Latin America. During the past half dozen years big business, like oil and tobacco companies, have multiplied from nine to fifteen times their investments in South America. The reciprocal family fellowship previously unequalled in the world. In addition them together in a commercial family fellowship previously unequalled in the world. In addition to these details of exports and imports, Pan-American policies have been drafted to insure the safety and security internally and externally of both Americas. Moreover the leaders of the rest of the world have not been oblivious or silent about these facts and plans for program. Brown shirts marching, red posters and other inroads of influences from lands afar were the first impressions received by Secretary Cordell Hull when he arrived in Lima.

Briefly, the conclusion of all this and more is, that southern Baptist missions must be on the alert to seize this greatest of all previous opportunities to evangelize the peoples of South America. "Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty" (II Cor. 3:17).



PROGRAM PLANS



Mrs. T. M. Pittman, North Carolina

With the PROGRAM COMMITTEE

"Help for Chile—The United States super-bomber B-15 arrived today with 3300 pounds of medical supplies sent by the American Red Cross for victims of southern Chile's disastrous January 24th earthquake". This is front page news as this department is being prepared early in February. When the societies use the program in April, few will be remembering this act of mercy toward our South American neighbors. But in other years, similar helps to other countries have opened paths of friendship and we trust it may be true in this case.

In planning our April program on Latin America, suppose we try it Chinese fashion and take it backward, beginning with Chile. The leader for the afternoon may introduce the subject by telling of the help sent Chile, as noted in the above paragraph, and following it with our Baptist help (pages 22-23).

Our "Baptist Mercy Bomber" may then cross to Argentina and the next one on the program may tell of work there. Following in backward order will come Brazil, Panama, Cuba and Mexico. Returning to the home base, the "Baptist Mercy Bomber" may distribute information folded in white papers like powders from the drug store. These should be opened and read by those who receive them—items such as: "Among Brazil's forty-four millions there are only forty-four thousand Baptists" etc. These figures are not going to stay in the women's minds but it is one way of getting a number to take part in the meeting and

of training timid women to grow accustomed to the sound of their own voices. (See pages 19-22.)

Some stories from our Latin American work will prove far more interesting and easy to remember. These will be found in the program material and may be told by several women or by one woman who is supposed to have made the trip on the "Bomber". (See pages 23-26.)

The leader may close the program by giving reasons for sending missionaries to these South American countries. However individuals may feel about missions to Roman Catholics, there are two arguments we may always offer: 1—Roman Catholics consider protestant countries missionary territory; 2—All the world should be given the opportunity to accept or reject the Gospel as represented by Baptists. Whether these and other arguments should be presented at the beginning or the close of the meeting is for the Program Committee to decide. (See pages 17-19, 34.)

Should the above suggestions not be suited to your society, use the program material in regular order as given by Mrs. Creasman. A recent cartoon showed South America as a great ear, listening to—what? A poster of this kind might be made and used very effectively in connection with the program. What shall be our message to that ear? Shall it be munitions, manufactures, mining, commerce? Certainly these are being spoken in loud voices. Shall missions be but a whisper?

RELIEF for CHILEAN BAPTISTS

Write to your state W.M.U. headquarters, please, to see how your society may help to relieve the distress caused among Chilean Baptists because of the January earthquake. The Chilean Baptist Mission has requested \$5,000 from the Foreign Mission Board in order to repair and rebuild chapels. Dr. Maddy said (Feb. 17): "We are compelled to do something for our stricken Baptist churches in Chile. It is the most pressing and immediate need now before us".



PROGRAM for APRIL



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

Prepared by Mrs. C. D. Creasman, Tennessee

THEME for YEAR: The GREAT COMMISSION—OUR MISSION

TOPIC for MONTH: SOUTHERN BAPTIST RESPONSE to the GREAT COMMISSION in LATIN AMERICA

W.M.U. Hymn for Year

—W.M.U. Watchword for Year

Bible Study—The One Way of Salvation—Acts 4:12; Matt. 15:7-9; John 14:4-10 (Page 13)

Prayer that we may help "all nations" to know the one way

Hymn—Nothing but the Blood of Jesus

The Great Commission and Latin America

The Need of the Gospel in Latin America

Hymn—When I Survey the Wondrous Cross —Responding to the Great Commission

Prayer for southern Baptist work in all Latin American countries

Giving the Bread of Life

Fruits of the Word

—Unreached Millions

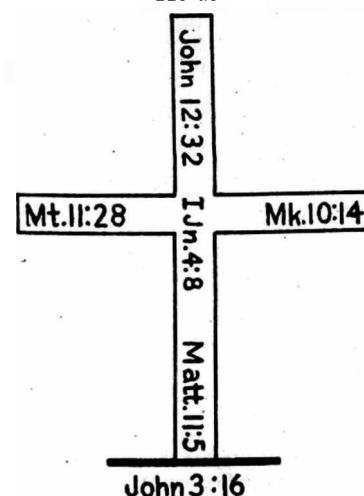
Prayer that we may be faithful in sending the Gospel to the unreached millions of Latin America

—Inasmuch

Hymn—Make Me a Channel of Blessing

—Benediction (Page 26)

The GREAT COMMISSION and LATIN AMERICA



When Jesus gave the Great Commission there was no Latin America. The world knew nothing of this vast western hemisphere with its mountains and lakes and rivers and forests and plains and its tribes of red people living in isolation from the rest of earth's population. But surely Jesus knew of the existence of these wonderful western continents. He knew that in God's appointed time they would be discovered, enriching the world with their vast resources and furnishing habitation for millions of people of many races.

Yes, we can believe that when Jesus said, "Go ye therefore and make disciples of all nations", His thoughts flew across the ocean and across the centuries to include the countries of Latin America in the "all nations" of His Great Commission. He knew that fourteen centuries later Columbus would sail

this small fleet across the Atlantic Ocean to find a new world. He knew that following the path made by Columbus, other explorers would cross the ocean to discover wonderful lands inhabited by strange peoples. He knew that throngs of Europeans would come to subdue these aborigines and to take possession of their lands. He knew that these conquerors would bring to these new lands a form of Christianity but not a spiritual power to save souls and bless lives. He knew that by 1939 there would be in these lands teeming millions of people lost and without a knowledge of the way of salvation. He knew that in the northern part of this new world would be people more fortunate, people who had inherited from their forefathers a true knowledge of God and of His Son, Jesus Christ, people who had been saved and not cursed by a misrepresentation of the cross. So, speaking across the centuries, He said: "Go ye"—all you Christians of North America—"and make disciples of all nations", including all the nations of Latin America.

In this good year of 1939 these words of the Great Commission of our Lord command us to give the Gospel to our closest neighbor nations. May they ring in our hearts with a call and a challenge as we go into the study of "Southern Baptist Response to the Great Commission in Latin America".

The NEED of the GOSPEL in LATIN AMERICA

All Latin American countries are alike in many respects. All were originally inhabited by various tribes of those whom we call Indians. All were explored and conquered by European nations—mostly by Spain and Portugal. In all these lands the native people were subjugated and became practically slaves of the conquerors. In all, the conquerors were Roman Catholics and forced the native people to accept their religion but permitted them to bring over into their new faith beliefs and ceremonies from their own pagan religions. Consequently in all these lands we find Roman Catholicism in its worst form—fanatical, intolerant, despotic, superstitious, ignorant, immoral and degrading. These nations, which are almost unanimously religious and that too with a form of Christianity, know little or nothing of the spiritual power of Christianity. Here where practically everybody has been what they call "baptized" they have little if any conception of the meaning of real baptism. Here where crosses are seen everywhere—in the churches, in public buildings, in the homes, around the necks of the people—the spiritual significance of the cross is practically unknown.

Dr. W. C. Taylor, in "Sharing with Neighbor America", says: "The two infinite boons of the Christian life, salvation of the lost and religious devotion of the saved, have been almost unanimously unknown among the very religious people of our neighbor continent in spite of their outer religiosity, such as Paul noted in Athens". In answer to the belief of some that the Catholic yoke is broken, Dr. Taylor says: "The Roman Catholic yoke on Latin America has not been shattered, not even seriously loosed, except to some extent in the political sphere and in education. Womanhood, the bulwark of any faith, while aware in its educated groups of world attitudes of liberty, is still true to its priests *en masse*. South America is the pope's fairest domain".

In "Gospel Triumphs in Argentina and Chile" Dr. Hart gives the following description of idolatry in Chile. "Mary is their goddess. Her image has always a prominent place in every home and in every church. The city of Santiago surrounds the beautiful mountain of San Cristobal. On the top of this mountain is a large statue of Mary. Lighted up by strong electric reflectors at night it is a beautiful sight and can be seen for miles away. Come with me if you will on the

eighth day of December (the date of the declaration of the dogma of Immaculate Conception) and you will see many men, women, boys and girls going up that hill, many on their knees and everyone with a candle. Once they reach the statue all fall on their knees before it and light their candles. So many candles have been burned in front of this statue that there is a stream of melted wax from the top far down the hill".

Mrs. Rosalee Mills Appleby has described some of the religious celebrations in Brazil as follows:

"The gayest season of all the year is the National Carnival coming on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday before Lent. Not even Christmas can be compared with the hilarity of this event. The whole world seems turned into a mad house during the three days with confetti throwing, street dancing, masquerades, balls and automobile frolics. The streets are impassable with its mad throngs in costumes or masks. Then Ash Wednesday follows with its penitent throngs going to the churches to have an ash cross put on their foreheads. Lent closes with its so-called Holy Week—seven days of street processions when idols are borne through the streets in a sort of drama to represent events of Palm Sunday, Good Friday and the Resurrection Sunday. These are gruesome affairs with the most devout kneeling in the street as the images are borne past.

"The next season is a great favorite with the children and young people—fifteen days' freedom from school to enjoy St. Peter's and St. John's days. This comes the last of June. The poor saints are almost forgotten in the excitement of bonfires, kite flying and the sailing of paper balloons borne on the air. It is a common sight to see two or three hundred people on the corner all excited over an immense tissue paper balloon in the shape of man or beast that is being lighted to soar upward".

In all Latin American lands are millions of people who have no better religion than this pictured by our missionaries. How great is their need of the Gospel! They need to know the Christ of the cross they worship. They need to know that not Mary but Mary's Son is the one worthy of their adoration. They need to have a power to save their souls and to transform their lives.

Mrs. M. G. White, writing a letter to American friends during the carnival season last year, described the sadness of her heart, as for the 24th time she witnessed the madness of the people during this festival, hearing the silly songs, "blasted out of brazen radios and screamed out by shrill voices all day and night". In the midst of all this confusion someone turned on her radio, opening it to a North American broadcasting station, and there came stealing over the air the lovely tones of "Love Divine, All Love Excelling". She said that the sweet message of that sacred song brought quiet to her shattered nerves and balm to her soul. How wonderful it would be if from North America to South America there could increasingly go the story of that "Love Divine" which sent Jesus to the earth to save people until all of the people of these lands could substitute for their riotous celebration the peace of Christ and for their turmoil of soul the balm of divine love!

RESPONDING to the GREAT COMMISSION

In Cuba—For about a third of a century southern Baptists have been responding to the Great Commission by giving the Gospel to Cuba. When our work in Cuba began it was thought that Cuba would one day be a part of the United States, so the work was put under the Home instead of the Foreign Mission Board. Today, through our Home Mission Board we support a noble band of missionaries and native workers who are giving the Gospel to Cuba's lost millions.

The headquarters of our Cuban work is the Baptist Temple, located in the center of Cuba's great capital city, Havana. This building furnishes space for Calvary Baptist Church, our Baptist College and Seminary, the Baptist Printery, living quarters for missionaries and general headquarters of all our Baptist work. Recently a third story was added to the Temple, making possible the addition of five classrooms, a chapel and gymnasium and additional space for workers, students and for the medical dispensary. This improvement, together with the building of six new chapels in different places in Cuba, was made possible by the income from the Bottoms Trust Fund.

Under the direction of Miss Mildred Matthews splendid W.M.U. work is done in Cuba. There are over 100 Cuban missionary societies carrying on their work very much as we do in the southland. Miss Matthews furnishes the literature for the missionary societies and the junior W.M.U. organizations, translating into the Spanish, which is the language of Cuba, much of the program material found in *Royal Service*, *The Window of Y.W.A.* and *World Comrades*. The editor of the programs in *Royal Service* has among her prized possessions a copy of the Cuban W.M.U. magazine, containing the translation of one of her programs—a gift from Miss Matthews. The editor cannot read a word of the magazine but it gives her joy to know that the Cuban women, each month, read and study something that she has written.

The Baptist Printery publishes the W.M.U. magazine, the denominational paper, tracts and other literature for purposes of evangelism. When the last report was made 340,000 tracts had been printed in one year, most of them distributed on the Cuban field.

The West Cuban Baptist Sunday School Association emphasizes teacher training and organization. In the new chapels which have been built the needs of the Sunday school have been considered.

The Federation of Baptist Training Unions has been active in trying to improve the work of the local unions. Splendid work of evangelism is done by both Sunday schools and Training Unions. A congress of Baptist young people was held last August, the young people of our Cuban Baptist Convention meeting in joint conference with the young people from the Baptist Convention of Eastern Cuba which works under the direction of northern Baptists.

Altogether, the work in Cuba goes well. Dr. McCall depicting the challenge of the Cuban task says: "When we consider their needs, the centuries of priestcraft, superstition and lack of opportunity, truly the task is great beyond anything we have imagined. Our victories thus far make us confident that if we will enlarge our work, still greater blessings are in store for Cuba and for us".

In Panama—While the great Panama Canal was in process of construction our Home Mission Board began work in the Canal Zone. The Balboa Heights Baptist Church was organized and a house of worship and a pastor's home were built. The membership of this church is composed largely of white government employees and for nine years has been self-supporting. The pastor of this church serves without salary as superintendent of S.B.C. home mission work in Panama. This work now is done among the West Indians who were brought to the Isthmus during the construction of the Panama Canal and the Panama Railroad; they now number about 60,000. They speak English and have a protestant background. "The Home Mission Board assists in supporting seven churches among them: three in the Canal Zone, two in Panama City and two mission stations in outlying districts. Two churches maintain self-supporting day schools since there are no English language schools in the Republic of Panama".

In Mexico—For almost sixty years southern Baptists have been respond-

ing to the Great Commission in Mexico. Since the Mexican Revolution of 1910 the work has been operated under great difficulties. Year by year the workers have hoped that soon conditions will become normal, but now that hope has been almost lost, they are confident that it will be many years before American missionaries can return to Mexico to do mission work, or that the Mexican pastors and people will have any great amount of freedom in their work. However the Mexican Baptist leaders are trying to adjust themselves to the situation, determined to go on in the midst of the difficulties and in spite of all opposition. One writing of the situation says: "In some of the churches, a few of the members have become connected with the communistic group, and these members have become the informers and the leaders of persecutions against the pastors and members of the churches. The results are that in many places apparently very little or nothing is being accomplished along Christian lines. Faith, prayer and patience must be exercised in all such places until the Lord opens the door for a forward move on the part of His people. In the midst of these difficulties many of the faithful members and their pastors are carrying on in a marvelous way. God must and will crown their zeal and sacrifices with the abundance of His grace in the salvation of thousands of these people and in the change of the attitude of the government so that the Gospel may have free course and be glorified".

Much missionary work for Mexico is done from across the border. In El Paso, Texas, is the Seminary where Mexican preachers from both sides of the border receive their theological training. Connected with the Seminary is a Training School for young women, enrolling nine students last year. Also in El Paso is the Mexican Baptist Publishing House which publishes literature for all Spanish-speaking Baptists. The great need of the Mexican work is for more workers—more pastors for the churches and more American missionaries to help with the work in the Seminary, Training School and Publishing House.

In Brazil—For more than half a century southern Baptists have responded to the Great Commission in Brazil, and in no country have the results of our work been more satisfactory than in this Land of the Southern Cross. A territory larger than the forty-eight states of our Union is included in the Brazilian National Baptist Convention. In that vast territory we have some churches as large and powerful as many of our leading churches, schools that would compare favorably with any denominational school in this country, and Baptists whose influence is felt in all the affairs of the nation.

There are four national Baptist institutions in Brazil: the Carroll Memorial Publishing House, the Woman's Missionary Union and the Home and Foreign Mission Boards. From the Publishing House go every year thousands of pages of literature for all the organizations of the churches. The Woman's Missionary Union numbers over 900 societies with a membership of almost 17,000. The Home Mission Board is doing a splendid work among the Indians, while the Foreign Board supports work in Brazil's mother country, Portugal.

A splendid plan of work in Brazil is the Daily Vacation Bible School, which is growing in popularity and usefulness. Several thousand pupils attend these schools each year, and a missionary tells us that half of them come from homes which could not be reached with the Gospel by any other means.

In all the Brazilian Baptist churches much emphasis is laid on evangelism. The three churches in one city recently united in an open air evangelistic campaign with splendid results. "Each night the believers assembled at the church in whose district the meeting was to be held. Only the pastor knew the location selected. It was kept secret so that all might assemble at the church. After praise and prayer all walked in an orderly manner to the place. By so doing they attracted

a crowd on the way and were able to scatter tracts on 'The Baptists': these tracts were prepared especially for the campaign. The crowds were large, attentive and responsive. The effect of the campaign on the churches was wonderful. Differences were forgotten and all were reunited in the bonds of Christian love".

The eagerness of the people to hear the Gospel is demonstrated by the story of some in an interior section who in order to attend an evangelistic service left home at 2 A.M. and rowed their canoes all the way, then after staying over for the evening service they rowed home that night. When hearts are so eager to hear, surely we should be equally as eager to send missionaries to tell these people about Jesus whose cross they worship but whose love they do not know.

In Argentina—Southern Baptists are not failing to obey the Great Commission in Argentina. Our missionaries there are using every possible means of reaching the people with the Gospel. It is said that in every church personal work goes on all the time. In prayer meetings the Christians pray unitedly for the salvation of souls and people are being saved every week. However, the Catholic church makes it a sin to enter evangelical churches, therefore it is a problem to get lost people to come to the churches. So by every possible means Argentine Baptists are trying to reach those who would never enter a church building.

Gospel tents are used most effectively for revival services. Great crowds come to hear and many find peace for their souls in these tent meetings.

Another means of reaching those who will not go to church is holding services in the homes. Some believer opens his home for such a service and invites the neighbors to come in. Often these are saved and then they offer their homes for similar services. "Most of the pastors are unable to accept all the invitations that come to hold cottage services".

A most effective way of reaching the lost is through open air services. Loud speakers are used with splendid effects in the parks and on the streets. Crowds that gather can hear well, as do many who listen from behind closed doors and drawn curtains. Tracts, Gospels and portions of Scriptures are always given away and accepted by scores of people.

House-to-house visitation is another most useful method of evangelism. "Personal visitation is practiced not only by the missionary and pastor, but also by the humblest believer who proves to be a splendid personal worker. Many, who would tremble with fear at attempting a public address, wax eloquent in the home of a friend; Bibles are brought forth and read; prayers are offered and personal testimony given; pure and simple Biblical interpretation is expounded; and souls are 'born into the Kingdom'".

The radio is also being used for evangelism. As a result of "The Word on the Air" many write asking for Bibles, others telling what the radio service has meant to them. Some after receiving the radio message have hunted up Baptist churches to profess their faith in Jesus Christ and be baptized.

As a result of these and other evangelistic methods, over 400 were baptized last year. Every department of the work in the Argentine churches goes well. New Women's Missionary Societies are being organized and old ones strengthened by the organization of W.M.U. auxiliaries. "Almost every church has one or more active B.T.U. groups. The young men are especially useful in helping in the open air meetings, giving their personal testimony on the street corner or helping the pastors in personal work. Many of the out-stations depend on the B.T.U. to supply leaders and Sunday school teachers for them. The hope of Argentina is in the young people".

In Chile—Southern Baptists are including Chile among the "all nations"

of the Great Commission. Our faithful missionaries in this "Splinter Republic" are doing splendid work. The thirty-eight churches reported last year 304 baptisms and a worthy increase in contributions over the previous year. The women's work is growing, both in the number of members and in the amount of gifts. The W.M.U. young people's work too is going forward with increasing enthusiasm. Last year the first young people's encampment was held. "A sympathetic farmer loaned a fine bit of woodland on his farm near Temuco, and here for ten days a representative group from different parts of Chile enjoyed sports, games and spiritual and social development. This experimental encampment was counted a great success by those participating in it".

One of the most encouraging features of the work in Chile is the number of laymen who are giving themselves with personal sacrifice to the preaching of the Gospel. "Their cooperation makes it possible for a pastor to cover several times as much territory as he would be able to cover without their aid. More than 100 of these workers are constantly preaching in the byways and at the outposts as well as in their own churches".

This brief review of southern Baptists' response to the Great Commission in Latin American countries is most encouraging and most challenging. Surely we should rejoice over all victories won and should do our part that southern Baptists may respond to the Great Commission by giving more money and sending more missionaries to Latin America.

GIVING the BREAD of LIFE

THERE was a certain field in Cuba with many problems. One of the oldest Baptist churches on the island was there but the work was not going well. Some of its members had drifted in by families and were not showing the fruits of regeneration. Dr. McCall spoke of the needs of this field several times to his co-workers, and finally Miss Christine Garnett asked him if he would like for her to take over that work. Evidently that was his desire, for her offer was accepted and just after Christmas in 1937 she left the two churches which she had been serving as missionary and went to this new and difficult field of labor.

Miss Garnett tells of the beginning of this new work as follows: "I have had to start at the very beginning. No, I could not start there, for it would have been Bibles, and I could not get them on credit, so my flock will have to go without for sometime yet. I did the next best thing, started with a weekly Bible class, and yet that is hard when only a half dozen have Bibles. Then I held the first business meeting (*I am having to do a pastor's work too*) and we agreed to start a Sunday school. Then my task was to get some teachers. How I visited and called some young women to come to see me. I urged and prayed and taught them, and at last I found four who were willing to give up the world and work for Christ".

When Miss Garnett left the two churches whose missionary she had been for sometime they gave her a most impressive farewell service. She describes it as follows: "The farewell was almost more than I could bear. A long table was placed in the yard, and my two churches met together. After discourses etc. two boys started a dialogue speaking of their being so hungry, and if there were someone who would bring them just some bread and water. I went out and brought a large box of crackers. They were distributed five to each person. Then the explanation of how that hunger represented the spiritual hunger of the two towns years ago, and how I came and gave to all equally the Bread of Life. I had no idea what they were going to do, and it got right hold of my heart".

What a beautiful picture of missionary service—the people spiritually hungry, the missionary giving them the Bread of Life. This is a picture also of what

we are doing when we obey the Great Commission in Latin America—we are giving to these people, who have fed on the husks of an empty religion all their lives, the Living Bread of Jesus' love.

FRUITS of the WORD

RECENTLY there attended a Brazilian Convention a woman who was seventy-two years old, the mother of three Baptist preachers. Back of her lies a most interesting story.

Many years ago she was the average Brazilian mother—a Catholic, ignorant of the Bible, hungry for spiritual food but not knowing where to find it. Then something wonderful happened. One of her children came home with a new book. He began reading that book and found that it was wonderfully different from any other book he had ever read. It told the story of the cross which all the family worshiped, but it was a different story from any they had ever heard. It said that Jesus, who died on the cross, also arose from the dead and was still living. It said that people ought to worship not the cross—or Mary or the saints—but the living Christ. It said that those who believed on Him would have everlasting life. The boy believed the words of the wonderful Book and was saved.

Following the example of the boy other members of the family read the Book and were saved. Friends came in to listen to the words of the strange Book and also found the way of life. The day came when our missionary, Dr. E. A. Nelson, received a message from this group of believers asking him to come and baptize them. He went, held a few days' meeting and baptized twenty-eight.

All of this happened many years ago, but it was less than two years ago that Brazilian Baptists were reminded of this story by the presence of the elderly woman in one of their meetings. What a benediction was the presence of one who had been reached by the Word of God in such a wonderful way and who had given three sons to preach the Gospel! And what an inspiration to us to send the Word to Latin American peoples—the Word that saves and blesses all who receive and believe it!

UNREACHED MILLIONS

WE have seen how southern Baptists have responded to the Great Commission in Latin America. We have seen how God is blessing our work, how the truth of His Word is finding its way into thousands of Catholic blinded lives and how the spiritual influence of evangelical Christianity is gradually making itself felt in these strongholds of Roman power. However, we need to realize that the task is only begun. With all of our wonderful work we have scarcely touched these great fields. A few thousands have been won to Christ while many millions are still unreached. In Cuba there are over four million people with only 20,000 evangelical Christians, about 4100 of whom are Baptists. In Mexico, with its sixteen million people, there are 39,000 evangelical Christians, about 8,000 of whom are Baptists. Among Brazil's forty-four millions there are only 44,000 Baptists in a total of less than 400,000 evangelical Christians. In Argentina, where live twelve million people, there are less than five thousand Baptists and a total of only 45,000 evangelical Christians. Among Chile's four million people are about 55,000 evangelical Christians, of whom 2,800 are Baptists.

Dr. McCall, writing of the needs of Cuba, says: "Cuba is a new mission field, encouraging but as yet hardly touched by the Gospel influence. . . . The total evangelical constituency of the entire country is about half that of the Baptists of the Atlanta (Georgia) Association".

Southern Baptists have established work in only seven of Argentina's fourteen provinces and in only three of Uruguay's states. There are thousands of

towns in these countries where there is not a single believer in Jesus Christ, and hundreds of cities where Christ is not preached.

In Brazil, "the best civilized land on the continent, 99 per cent of the population is outside the evangelical fold". In a recent issue of "The Commission", Dr. W. C. Taylor gives a list of the capitals of Brazilian states in which there are no Baptist missionaries. We counted seven with two others that have just recently been occupied. Dr. Taylor says that these capitals range between 100,000 and 200,000 in population and are centers of accessible towns and villages. When we realize that it is not only the capitals but whole states that have no missionaries, we can see how vast is the unoccupied territory in Brazil.

Dr. Truett, Dr. Dodd, Dr. Scarborough, Mrs. Una Roberts Lawrence, Mrs. R. L. Harris and others, who have traveled in South America, tell marvelous stories of the ripeness of these fields for evangelism. They say that it is the world's greatest Gospel opportunity. True the yoke of Rome is still on the people, but they are tiring of an empty religion and their hearts are hungering for a better way. So, when they hear the Gospel, they respond and eagerly accept the peace and joy which it offers to their sin-cursed lives. Truly the harvest is great, but the laborers are few. Let us therefore pray the Lord of the harvest to send forth laborers to this wonderfully ripe harvest field. And while we are praying let us try to help answer our prayers by making our gifts to the Cooperative Program as large as possible.

How can they go except they be sent,
How can they be sent except there be money to send them;
How can there be money except the people give?
How can the people give enough except you and I do our part?

INASMUCH

THE church at Bello Horizonte, Brazil, is located only three blocks from the state penitentiary. Realizing the opportunity thus placed at their very door, this church has done some most effective work among the prisoners. One, writing of this work, says: "We had an idea that the prisoners might not care for our visits, indeed that they would scoff at the religion we had come to bring to them. But we were happily surprised. From the first they were very grateful for our songs, our prayers and talks, either private or public. They soon came to look forward to our going from Sunday to Sunday".

We are reminded that some day the King will say, "I was in prison and ye visited Me". And when those on the right hand shall say, "When did we visit Thee?" He shall answer, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these, My brethren, ye have done it unto Me". We do not have to live in Brazil, or some other mission land, to have opportunities to minister to those in prisons, in reform schools, in county homes for the poor, in homes for the aged and in other institutions. Practically every community has its places where the unfortunate are—places to which we can go in Jesus' name to tell others about His love. Work among prisoners is needed in this country just as much as in Brazil and can be done just as effectively as in Brazil.

We are thinking now of one who walks through a certain state penitentiary like an angel of light because she has done so much to give the light of Jesus' love to the prisoners there. She teaches a Sunday school class each Sunday. She prepares special programs of entertainment to bring a little joy into their drab lives. She visits the hospital, carrying gifts of fruit and flowers to those who lie on sick beds. She writes to the sorrowing mothers, wives and daughters of the prisoners who ask her thus to comfort their loved ones. She is present when new inmates enter the prison walls to hand them a copy of the Word of God and to

make them feel that they have a friend. Surely such service for poor unfortunate prisoners is rendered to Him who said, "Inasmuch".

One day a young man in the Brazilian penitentiary, where the Bello Horizonte Church is doing such splendid work, remarked to one of the visitors: "Perhaps I should never have been here, should never have lived as I have had I known the Bible early in my life". Surely there is a truth, there is a challenge in these words, not only to people in Brazil but to us. It is important to minister to those who are in prison, but it is even more important to keep people from going there. And the only sure preventive is the love of Jesus in hearts, and that comes only through knowing His Word. How zealous we should be in teaching the Word of God to our children! Surely we should be faithful in doing that in our own church Sunday school. But we should not stop there! We should establish and maintain Mission Sunday Schools where there are groups of people not being reached by any church. Everywhere possible we should be teaching the Word, for in Brazil, in Cuba, in our own communities—everywhere—His Word rightly taught will save souls and fortify lives against temptation.

BENEDICTION

Leader—With our thoughts on the Latin American people, so religious and yet so needful of a religion that satisfies, so sated with ceremonialism and yet so hungry for spiritual food, realizing that Jesus included these countries in the "all nations" of His missionary command, let us repeat together our benediction:

"And Jesus came to them and spake upon them saying, All authority hath been given unto Me in Heaven and on earth. Go ye, therefore, and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world".—*Matt. 28:18-20*

Obedience to this final command of the crucified and risen Christ is the love test that He gave to His church and will be the basis of our future reward or condemnation. To carry out this Great Commission is the main business of every blood-bought disciple.

I am one of those blood-bought disciples. I must obey.

QUESTIONS for REVIEW and DISCUSSION

1. Discuss the size of the world when Jesus gave the Great Commission.
2. Why do Catholic countries need the Gospel?
3. Tell something of our Baptist work in Cuba.
4. Among whom is our missionary work done in Panama?
5. Why is missionary work especially difficult in Mexico?
6. Where are located the Mexican Baptist Seminary and Publishing House?
7. Tell something of the growth of Baptist work in Brazil.
8. Discuss some methods of evangelism used in Argentina.
9. Tell of southern Baptist work in Chile.
10. Discuss the unreached multitudes in these Latin American lands.
11. Tell of their readiness to receive the Gospel.
12. Discuss the importance of holding services in institutions.

REFERENCE MATERIAL

World Comrades	—The Window of Y.W.A.
Southern Baptist Home Missions	—The Commission
State Denominational Papers	
Last Reports of Home and Foreign Mission Boards	
Christ in the Silver Lands	James C. Quarles
Sharing with Neighbor America	W. C. Taylor
Gospel Triumphs in Argentina and Chile	Joseph L. Hart

SOUTHWIDE REVIVAL (Concluded from Page 5)

group about him who will work with him in presenting Jesus Christ to those who do not attend Sunday school and church services. Will you volunteer to the pastor?

PREACHING—Preaching the Gospel has been a dominant factor in every great revival. No pastor can develop into a mighty evangelistic preacher if his people do not support him in the preaching services. It is certainly true that church members should be faithful in attendance at the preaching services. The church members are as responsible for inviting the unsaved to the preaching services as the pastor is for preaching to them.

PAYING the PRICE—It costs to save a soul. Redemption cost Christ His life. And it costs to win a soul to Christ. Are you willing, dear friend, to pay the price?

AMENDMENTS to W.M.U. BY-LAW 8

AT the W.M.U. annual meeting in Oklahoma City, May 15-17, the following amendments will be voted upon, pertaining to By-Law 8 of the W.M.U. Constitution:

Insert in item one, after Executive Committee, the following phrase: also the seven members of the Board of Managers of Woman's Missionary Union.

Insert as item two the following: The nominating committee shall also submit for election by acclamation the names of those previously nominated in their respective states as chairmen and trustees of the Margaret Fund Committee and Board of Trustees of W.M.U. Training School.

Insert in item four, after vice president, the following phrase: or a new Margaret Fund chairman or a new trustee of W.M.U. Training School, said nominee (or nominees).

By-Law 8 would then read:

Elections—The general officers and the resident members of the Executive Committee, also the seven members of the Board of Managers of Woman's Missionary Union, shall be nominated by the nominating committee and shall be elected by acclamation, unless there are other nominations, in which case the voting shall be by ballot. The nominating committee shall also submit for election by acclamation the names of those previously nominated in their respective states as chairmen and trustees of the Margaret Fund Committee and Board of Trustees of W.M.U. Training School. Each vice president shall be nominated by the delegates from her own state and shall be elected by acclamation. If in the interim of be at the closing business session of the annual meeting. All elections shall be at the closing business session of the annual meeting. If in the interim of annual meetings of Woman's Missionary Union a state nominates a new vice president or a new Margaret Fund chairman or a new trustee of W.M.U. Training School, said nominee (or nominees) shall be elected by Executive Committee of Woman's Missionary Union upon notification by the state.

OUR YOUNG PEOPLE

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

SECOND QUARTER CHECK-UP

THIS year is one-fourth gone as March slips away and April splashes "reports" with her first shower. Counselors and W.M.U. young people's directors will be sure to see that all reports go in promptly according to state plans. Read the report blanks carefully, fill them out completely, address them to the proper person and mail early. Associations are priding themselves on 100% reports in on time these days; don't let any report from your W.M.U. spoil a perfect record.

As you report, you will notice your progress on that minimum guide or measuring rod, the Standard of Excellence for your organization. It is merely a reminder of all the activities which make up the life of your activity, the reason for your existence. Have you enlisted all the young people of your church of the given ages in your W.M.U. organizations? Don't be clannish, don't deprive others of the blessings of missionary education. Be sure that mothers understand what boys and girls who are non-attendants are missing.

What are the young people of your church reading? This is a question of grave importance. *World Comrades* should be in every Baptist home where there are children under sixteen years of age. *The Window of Y.W.A.* should go to every Baptist young woman. Magazines of sex and confessional type—giving gross, exotic ideas of life—flood our magazine stands and are bought and read by our youth. Guard young minds and hearts for which you are responsible by seeing that they have our excellent, interesting W.M.U. magazines to read. One dollar a year subscription price is less than many magazines on your table now. Can up-to-date fash-

ions be more valuable than up-to-date mission news? Solicit and send subscriptions. (See page 35.)

Are you wondering about what books to use for mission study classes this spring? You have delightful and fascinating answers to your query. For Sunbeams and younger juniors, *Five Times Ten* by Myrle Anderson Lane, price 25c, the attractively bound story of Woman's Missionary Union's first fifty years with especial emphasis on biographical stories of her peerless leaders. Children love the book and will treasure it. *To Be Continued* by Lonnie Benson Thomas, price 25c, the conversational history of Woman's Missionary Union for older juniors and intermediates, told in the life of two children who grew up with W.M.U., Aileen and Robert. Boys and girls have been delighted with their study of *To Be Continued* and want their own copies to keep. Twenty-five years or fifty years hence today's children will recall with dewy eyes that their mothers bought these books for them just after they were published during the Golden Jubilee Year. Study *Five Times Ten* and *To Be Continued*; give each as a gift book, too. (Order from *State Baptist Book Store*.)

Many new organizations came into being during 1938. It is the particular responsibility of W.M.U. young people's directors and counselors to keep these organizations growing enthusiastically. Sometimes we speak of organizations "dying"—the children do not die, the fault is most frequently with the leadership. This year keep leaders constant by prayerful encouragement, by vigorous fostering; see that the G.A. and R.A. counselors have the guides prepared for each of them, price 25c from W.M.U. Literature Dept., 1111 Comer Bldg., Birmingham, Ala. Don't try to work without tools but in April sow missionary seed in every W.M.U. young people's group in your church, organizing and fostering well.

COLLEGE Y.W.A.

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

FIRST CALL to CAMP

April-May-June and it will be camp time. How quickly the year has rolled around. "The days go by so fast", you say. And so they do, and you must be ready for summer soon. Mothers, counselors, W.M.U. young people's directors, will all be eager to make this summer most helpful to our young people. These are difficult days for them. The weary clamor of this confused world beats upon young hearts, clouds their thinking and befuddles their faith. By careful spiritual nurture youth must be kept strong in Christian courage and conviction. The atmosphere of state camps for G.A.'s and R.A.'s and of our southwide Y.W.A. Camp at Ridgecrest, N. C., will be a very real help to Baptist youth in this summer of 1939. Many wonderfully fine meetings invite attendance but which ones will be planned with young people in mind? Which ones will offer opportunity for mental growth, physical rest and spiritual development, along with the friendly contacts with great personalities that are so valuable to girls and boys and young women? Such questions prayerfully answered lead you to state camps under the auspices of Woman's Missionary Union and send young women to Y.W.A. Camp at Ridgecrest, N. C., June 20-30, 1939.

Enthusiastic letters are still written by young women who were privileged to be among the 1,013 at Ridgecrest during Y.W.A. Camp last summer. "I can never put into words all that those ten days meant to me". "I shall always be grateful for those high days at

Y.W.A. Camp". "Surely nowhere else could girls have such happy fellowship with other girls and with leaders a step ahead in Christian graces, glad to help us in every way". "There is no other place like Ridgecrest, no other ten days like those of Y.W.A. Camp". Yes, the girls love Y.W.A. Camp and speak of it almost extravagantly because it has contributed to their love of Christ and their zeal for world missions.

Again this coming summer there will be choicest W.M.U. leaders at the Y.W.A. Camp—Mrs. Armstrong, Miss Mallory, Mrs. Cox, Miss Littlejohn, Mrs. Carter Wright, Mrs. Redwine, state young people's leaders; representatives from our Boards—Dr. Maddry, Dr. Lawrence, Dr. Holcomb, Miss Coleman, Miss Weeks, Miss Hunter, Mrs. Lawrence, Miss Bucy; missionaries—Miss Vena Aguillard, Miss Martha Franks and others; friends from other countries, among them Miss Alice Wong of China. Dr. W. O. Carver will speak each day at the Bible hour. Dr. Scarborough will be present.

Can you see what the touch of all these cultured Christian personalities will mean in the life of your daughter, of your Y.W.A., of your church? To mention cost seems trite; such gifts of "Friendship, Fellowship, Frolic and His Spirit over All" are priceless; but enrollment fee for camp is \$1, for Ridgecrest privileges \$1, board and room at hotel \$2 a day. Write to your state W.M.U. young people's secretary for travel plans. **ANSWER THIS FIRST CALL to CAMP** by sending your state leader the reservations now.

Plan now, please, for the best possible Y.W.A. representation at Southwide Y.W.A. Camp, Ridgecrest, N. C., June 20-30.



HOW glorious it is that He *shall* direct our paths! Truly, the Margaret Fund has been led of the Lord these many years. He, I am sure, it was who put it into the heart of Mrs. Chambers to give that initial gift for the comfort and in the interest of our missionaries. And how better could it now be invested than toward the training and care of the most valuable jewels in the world belonging to these missionary parents—their children?

"Margaret Fund" has been greatly blessed throughout the year. There has been little illness among our students this year. The gifts, having come from the "Weeks of Prayer" offerings, have been sufficient to care for the scholarships. We thank our Heavenly Father for His precious guidance and provision.

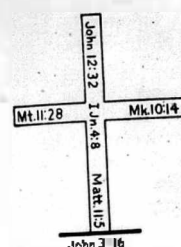
Many of the students have done very splendid work, of which we are proud. We hope that all will realize the spirit in which this service is given—that of helping "lift the load" from the missionaries and "for the love of Christ".

Just now I am anxious to know the summer address of each Margaret Fund student. Please aid in this effort. My address is given below.

May all that is done through the Margaret Fund be "directed" by Him who knows "the end from the beginning"!—Mrs. H. M. Rhodes, 269 Kenilworth Place, Memphis, Tenn.



With the ALUMNAE



Five of the "Seminary wives" among the graduates continue living at the Seminary while their husbands complete their work. Four of the group have married since graduation. One young woman has reentered college to complete her work for an A.B. degree, while another is working toward a Doctor's degree. The following are employed in the church field: Miss Louise Carter is educational director at Greenville, N. C.; Miss Helen Dixon is in charge of young people's work in Loyall, Ky., where there is a great missionary opportunity. Miss Sue Latimer is helping her pastor-father in the First Baptist Church in Greenville, S. C.; Miss Frances Lippincott is church secretary in the First Baptist Church, Norfolk, Va.; Mrs. M. O. Owens is church secretary in the Virginia Avenue Church, Louisville, Ky.; Miss Ida Shirley is church secretary in the Hunter Street Church in Birmingham, Ala.; Miss Sarah Simpson is church secretary in the First Baptist Church, Ensley, Ala.; Miss Pauline Willingham is educational director in Tifton, Georgia.

Two of the group are doing W.M.U. field work: Miss Theo Thomas in Florida and Miss Wilda Tilghman in Kentucky. Miss Nancy Barton is the assistant in the Good Will Center in Nashville, Tenn., while Miss Rebecca Tarry is doing similar service in the newly opened Good Will Center in Tampa, Florida.

Miss Elizabeth Ellison is teaching voice in Mars Hill College in North Carolina. Miss Hester Seale is teaching in the Mississippi Synodical College for Women, a Presbyterian school. Miss Nellie Mae Rousman is associate secretary of the Illinois Church Council, an interdenominational agency. Miss Miriam Thomas is teaching in Weekday Schools of Religious Education in Virginia.

To W.M.U. work: Miss Elma Curtis ('37) was elected young people's secretary for Missouri; Misses Louise Beale ('37) and Ruth Cleveland ('37), regional field workers in Kentucky; Miss Clara Lane ('32) field worker for S. C.

To the church field: Miss Mary Louise Coakley ('37), church secretary in Morgan, N. C.; Miss Lois Blankenship ('36), educational director in Wichita, Kansas; Miss Edna Eaves ('36), church secretary, Ashland, Ky.; Miss Vivian Grant ('37), church secretary, Wilmington, N. C.; Miss Mary Lucile Saunders ('37), educational director, Durham, N. C.

To home mission schools: Miss Virginia Gannaway ('37), teacher, Acadia Academy, Church Point, La.; Miss Sadie Greene ('35), teacher, Eldridge Academy, Eldridge, Ala.

Miss Frances Curb ('34) has become director of the Gold Will Center in Tampa, Florida; Miss Ruth Holloway ('32), case worker, State Hospital, Wichita Falls, Texas. Miss Naomi Nelson ('37) is director of religious activities for the Missouri Baptist Hospital in St. Louis. Miss Ada Williams ('37) has been elected elementary worker by the Tennessee Sunday School Department.—*Carrie U. Littlejohn*

WORK with the CHINESE

LOUISVILLE has never had a large number of Chinese people. At present there are not more than five or six families living here, all of whom are engaged in restaurant and laundry work. No organized attempt to work with this group was made until the fall of 1937, when it was incorporated in the practice work department of our Training School. Miss Margaret Jung, a Chinese student who has lived in Virginia since early childhood, and Miss Mary Herring, daughter of former missionaries to China and now in China herself, were appointed to undertake the work. Fortunately Miss Jung could speak the dialect of the group, thus bridging a gulf that had formerly existed with reference to the adults. During this year Miss Alice Giffin, daughter of former northern Baptist missionaries to China, is working with Miss Jung.

Prior to our beginning the work the children had already been enlisted in various Sunday schools, and one junior age girl had become a Christian. Last year a second little girl became a Christian and joined Walnut Street Baptist Church with her sister.

During these two years the children have been meeting once a week in the Happy Hour Club in the home of Mrs. Woo, who appreciates the work because of what it means to her own children. Nevertheless, this is not the best solution since her home is rather far removed from the other homes. We are hoping to work out a better plan next year. The Walnut Street Woman's Missionary Society has helped by providing tables and materials for handwork.

At present twelve children are enrolled in the group. There are others

who have not yet been enlisted. The club program opens with a worship service after which they divide into two groups. The younger children have a story and related handwork followed by a play period, while the older ones have a Bible study period, followed by handwork growing out of their particular interests.

In this group as in any average group of children there are the usual problems. One boy in particular has been a discipline problem. Doubtless he is suffering from an abnormal home situation. He and his father live with his married sister while his mother remains in China. At first he was the typical bad boy, but gradually he has developed a better attitude. Misses Jung and Giffin are particularly grateful that he has shown an interest in Christ.

Another contact has been made in one of the homes recently with a young man, who desires to learn English. Miss Jung gives him two lessons a week. Through such contacts and the weekly visits to the homes the girls hope to reach the adults as well as the children. For the most part they have been friendly and appreciative. Some were indifferent at the beginning but have become more responsive.

Because of our interest in these new Americans; because we believe the Great Commission is our mission in all the world; because we want these Chinese to believe there is a Christian America even as we desire that all foreign people shall make this discovery, we are trying to give them the best we have—understanding, sympathy, friendship, a knowledge of Him whom to know aright is life.—*Carrie U. Littlejohn*

Alumnae and other friends of W.M.U. Training School will want to contribute and to ask others to contribute toward the Maud Reynolds McLure Memorial. See page 4.

BOOK REVIEWS

Miss Willie Jean Stewart, Tennessee

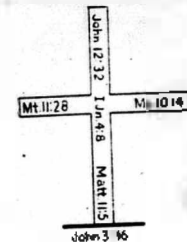
Any books reviewed in this magazine may be ordered from State Baptist Bookstore. The price of each book is quoted with its review.

HIGHWAYS and HEDGES: Compiled by Dr. W. W. Hamilton; Broadman Press, Nashville, 1939; Pages 116; Price \$1

There is something very naive and sweet about this little book—as naive and sweet as the high purpose and glowing faith of youth itself. For in the main this is a book by young people, and

pressed them most as they have gone about their work—holding open air services, singing, praying, preaching, giving out Gospels and tracts, talking with the unconverted in the markets and squares and on the street corners of what has been described as America's most glamorous and at the same time most wicked city.

There is little attempt at style and no straining for effect. The accounts are simple, straightforward and remarkably revealing of youth's shrinking courage in attempting a task so foreign to its natural instincts, yet its high joy in the evidences of success with which its work is rewarded. It reminds one, inevitably, of the gladness of those disciples who went out two and two in Galilee and came back rejoicing that even the demons were subject to them in their Master's name. To read it with seeing eyes is a heart-warming experience we could wish for all our women.



to be appreciated it must be read with sympathy and understanding. It tells the story of the evangelistic work of the students of the Baptist Bible Institute in their Tuesday night preaching assignments on the streets of New Orleans. It is made up of something like a hundred brief reports, most of which were written by the students themselves to describe the experiences which have im-

W.M.U. MISSIONARY PROGRAM TOPICS for 1940

THEME: Steadfast Purpose in a Changing World

- January—The Eternal Purpose of God
- February—The Commission to Carry On
- March—Steadfast in the Homeland
- April—Unchanging Moral Standards
- May—Youth Steadfast for Christ
- June—Holding Fast in Africa
- July—Cementing Bonds of Friendship with Neighbors
Cuba, Mexico, South America
- August—Firm Foundations for the Future
W. M. U. Training School and Margaret Fund
- September—"To the Jew First"
- October—God's Unchanging Plan of Stewardship
- November—Faithful amid Persecutions—Europe
- December—Pressing on through Difficulties—Orient

CURRENT MISSIONARY EVENTS

Discussed by Mrs. W. C. James, Virginia

The Foreign Mission Board at its regular monthly meeting in February appointed seven new missionaries—Albert Bagby and his wife, the latter having really been appointed sometime ago as Miss Thelma Frith of Arkansas, will work in Brazil; Mr. Bagby was born in Brazil and is the youngest son of our veteran missionaries, Dr. and Mrs. W. B. Bagby who are still in that country. Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Cooper of Mississippi were appointed to service in Argentina. Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Patterson of Oklahoma will serve in Mexico. The only ones of the seven who will not serve in Latin American countries are Mr. and Mrs. B. T. Griffin of Texas who will go to Nigeria in Africa.

In Havana, Cuba, the Baptist Temple, rebuilt into a beautiful and comfortable structure, was rededicated in December. The rebuilding and redecoration were made possible through the income of the Fund given to the Home Mission Board by Mrs. Ida M. Bottoms. The services were attended by great throngs that overflowed the large auditorium at each service.

One of these services at the rededication of the Baptist Temple consisted of a pageant, "Cuba for Christ", which was given by the young people of the church, the main purpose of which was to express the appreciation of the Baptists of Havana for all Mrs. Bottoms has done for the cause of Christ in Cuba. The high point in the pageant was the unveiling of Mrs. Bottoms' portrait, which exercise was greeted with an ovation.

The Baptist church in Havana is now in its thirty-seventh year and has grown from a membership of seventeen to 1,005. "Each member of the church", says Dr. McCall, "is called to be a missionary. In fulfilling our mission of evangelizing the largest number possible, regular and frequent services are held in the Temple and in missions in various parts of the city".

From all reports the outlook in Cuba is most encouraging, particularly along evangelistic lines. Preaching by radio is now one of the features of the work both from Havana and Cruces in the Santa Clara Province. The next session of the West Cuban Baptist Convention will meet in Havana in April. Our president, Mrs. F. W. Armstrong, has been invited to attend this meeting and is planning to make the trip. The Convention opens on April 3.

From a news note in the *Missionary Review of the World* it appears that Cuba has done more in the way of leadership training than most of the other Latin American countries. There is evidence of a broader and deeper understanding of essential Christianity and its relevance to individual life.

The Presbyterian church of Brazil reported at the annual General Assembly held this year that there are now 266 organized churches and 140 other Presbyterian groups, exclusive of 1522 places where the Gospel is regularly preached. There are 43,100 church members and a Sunday school membership of 4800, according to a report in the *Watchman-Examiner*. The Presbyterians are also making fine use of the radio. How grateful we should be that we are not working alone in Brazil to bring that great country to Christ.

Rev. Bancroft Reifsnyder, who has had opportunity to observe conditions in Mexico, says that many Americans remark: "Well, you really can't do any religious work in Mexico today, can you?" His reply is that, while there are indeed restrictions, there was never greater opportunity for Christian service in Mexico than there is today.

All hearts rejoiced when the message reached Richmond that all our missionaries in Chile were safe in the January earthquake disaster. It is so often the case that in times of disaster the way is clearer for the Gospel message than at other times. Let us pray that it may be so in Chile.



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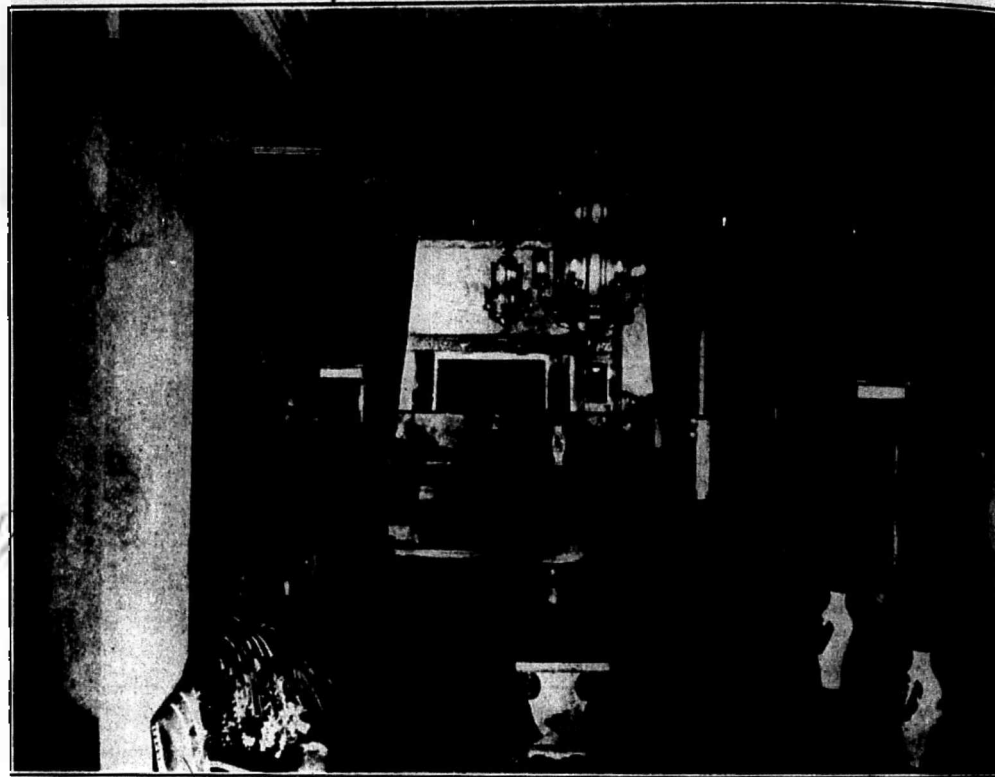
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