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Program of B. W. C. Conference

AUGUST 4-10, RIDGECREST, N. C.

THEME: COME WOMEN, CHRIST PROCLAIM!

Thursday, August 5—The Organization of B.W.C.

"Come women, sing evermore! Christ who
crowns you with light, praise and adore!"

Friday, August 6—Through Tithes and Offerings

"Sisters from many lands teach to adore!"

Saturday, August 7—In the Community

"For the sin-sick and worn, all who in dark-
ness mourn, pray, work yet more!"

Sunday, August 8—Address

Come women, Christ proclaim!

Monday, August 9—Learn through Study

"Work with your courage high, sing of
the daybreak nigh, your love outpour!"

Tuesday, August 10—Proclaim through Better Programs

"Christ, hope of all the meek,
Christ whom all earth shall seek,
Christ your reward shall speak!"

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Editorial

"DEBT-FREE in '43"—IF

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

SOUTHERN Baptist women and young people, who have loyally supported the debt-paying plans of the Southern Baptist Convention through the past ten years, will join in the thanksgiving and joy of the denomination in the announcement that the two great mission boards are now free of debt. On March 12 of this year the Foreign Mission Board was able to say that it was debt-free. On May 12 the Home Mission Board was able to say that it too was debt-free. The fact that these two once heavy debts are cleared so early in 1943 lends hope to the ideal expressed in the slogan coined by Dr. J. E. Dillard as he has led the denomination in this great effort: "Debt-free in '43—Count on me!"

The S.B.C. Executive Committee, according to the plan followed through recent years of making adjustment according to debt needs, set at its May meeting the percentages of distribution of receipts from the Hundred Thousand Club and other debt paying plans as follows: to the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, 35%; to the Southwestern Theological Seminary, 35%; to Baptist Bible Institute, 20%; to the Southern Baptist Hospital, 10%. In May the indebtedness of the Southern and Southwestern Seminaries each was approximately \$120,000, while the Baptist Bible Institute owed about \$39,000. The Southern Baptist Hospital is doing a large amount of real missionary work but its receipts are sufficient to justify the hope that the 10% allotted to it will enable it to clear in 1943 all its obligations.

The denomination must depend upon these seminaries to train and develop its missionaries and missionary-minded pastors; for the ministry of healing the hospital is strategically important in the ongoing service of southern Baptists to the advancing Kingdom. The work of the mission boards is near to our hearts, but we know that the seminaries are basic in training a leadership that assures recruits for missions and pastors who will stimulate the missionary spirit in members of our churches. That they and the hospital shall be debt-free is just as vital as that the mission boards shall be unbampered by debts.

Members of Woman's Missionary Union have been loyal through these ten years in supporting the debt paying plans. They have responded to appeals graphically presented in annual meetings and through the W.M.U. magazines. They have had a large part in the victories thus far achieved, going far beyond the goals set annually to reach the million dollars anticipated when 1945 seemed the earliest possible date for freedom from debts. The loyalty of W.M.U. organizations and the persistent emphasis upon the importance of debt-payment have been large factors in stirring others to recognition of responsibility.

IF there is no abatement in efforts to enlist new debt-payers, IF members and organizations continue to emphasize that there are still debts that should and must be paid, IF those who have paid consistently through all the years keep on paying through this year, IF we faint not in this hour when victory is in sight, IF we pray and pay, then we believe that every southwide agency will be "debt-free in '43". Shall we in a great chorus—748,465 members of Woman's Missionary Union—say unitedly: "Count on me"? Praise the Lord for the victories won and continue to pray and pay!

For a Debtless Denomination

Southwide Stewardship Chairman, W.M.U. Promoter for a Debtless Denomination
Mrs. Carter Wright, Alabama

The MISSIONARY VALUE of SOUTHWESTERN SEMINARY
E. D. Head, President

THE real justification for the existence of any seminary is its contribution of trained, consecrated young men and women for world-girdling ministry. When measured by this standard, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, presents an epic record of achievement.

This can be accounted for, first of all, by the spirit so implicit in the very beginning of this Seminary. Dr. B. H. Carroll, its founder and first president, gave himself to its founding because of the recognized need for more trained workers to gather the abundant harvest, so ready for reapers, in the great southwest. Pursuant to the full realization of this dream, he established at the heart of the Seminary "the chair of fire". This was his own apt designation for a chair of evangelism, to be occupied by a capable teacher skilled in the finest of the fine arts, the winning of the lost to Christ. Such a teacher Dr. Carroll discovered in Dr. L. R. Scarborough, who through the first thirty-five years of Southwestern's history served as professor of evangelism. Twenty-seven of the thirty-five years he was also the Seminary's president. The gift from this class of a mighty host of men and women dedicated to the quest of souls is incalculable. The class of the present scholastic year enrolled over three hundred.

We see also the missionary potentiality of Southwestern Seminary in its organizational set-up, a set-up designed to meet the growing demand for a trained leadership in the several spheres of Kingdom promotion. This accounts for the three schools—the School of Theology, the School of Religious Education, the School of Sacred Music. Through this set-up the Seminary finds a capacity for a manifold ministry in giving the Gospel to the whole world. It is through these three media that the Seminary provides trained preachers, God's key-men in extending His Kingdom and, along with them, laymen and young women to serve as educational directors and leaders of the music program of the churches. While great numbers from these three schools are found in the churches in the homeland, many have gone to the lands afar, the mission fields around the world.

Further proof of the missionary value of Southwestern Seminary emerges when we contemplate the present student body. For the present scholastic year the total of students in residence reached 734—442 being men, 410 of them being ministerial students, while the thirty-two others are studying mainly to equip themselves for the work of religious education and sacred music. Add to this the 292 composing the grand total, all of whom are committed to the program of Christ, giving the Gospel to the whole world. When we remember that these students are active as pastors, pastors' assistants, educational directors, Gospel singers, church secretaries and in numerous other capacities, we realize the inestimable contribution made by them to the cause of missions.

Outstanding in the mission activity of the present Seminary family is the "Downtown Mission Work" directed by one of our faithful students, ably assisted

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Ridgecrest Missions Weeks

B. W. C. CONFERENCE at RIDGECREST, N. C.

AUGUST 4-10, 1943

Director of Conference: Miss Mary Christian

GREETINGS to

SOUTHWIDE CONFERENCE for BUSINESS WOMEN'S CIRCLES, AUGUST 4-10

From Executive Secretary, Home Mission Board, Atlanta, Ga.

We are indeed very happy to have the Business Women's Circles meet in conference with the Home Mission Board at Ridgecrest, August 4-10 inclusive. We extend to this splendid group of women a hearty welcome and shall do everything in our power to make their meetings stimulating and inspiring. We hope also to receive inspiration from their presence, for there is nothing that inspires anyone in mission work like the enthusiasm and interest of our women. We are indeed "laborers together with God". Hand in hand we work for the coming of the Kingdom of our Lord Jesus. May our meeting together in Ridgecrest this August be an inspiration to all of us!—*J. B. Lawrence*

From Florida

Headlines towered when President Roosevelt attended the conference at Casablanca, traveling half-way across the world. Yet B.W.C. members of the south attended a similarly important conference last summer, traveling around the world! Their purpose, too, was noble; results were, as at Casablanca, significant. From southwide leaders and members of the other B.W.C.'s, there came a clearer conception of our missionary task and suggestions for performing it effectively, with renewed consecration to faithful witnessing. It is possible to travel around the world "in times like these". At Ridgecrest, N. C., our guides were missionaries from southern Baptists' foreign mission fields, introducing us to the many nations to whom they witness for Christ. We're planning a trip to Ridgecrest again this summer (August 4-10) for another significant B.W.C. Conference and, this time, a tour of the southland conducted by our missionaries on the home fields.—*Jo Withauer, Jacksonville*

From Arkansas

How refreshing is a vacation at Ridgecrest! Each hour of the first Southwide Business Women's Conference held last summer proved a blessing to those of us who had the privilege of attending. The leaders so led the discussions that we had much useful information and inspiration to take back to our own circles. In addition we had the joy of meeting and hearing many of our foreign missionaries. We came away with our bodies and minds refreshed, our souls refilled and with the aim of "Building Better Business Women's Circles".—*Annie Hubbard, Little Rock*

From Alabama

The B.W.C. Southwide Conference at Ridgecrest in August of 1942 was full of inspiration and information. It was a joy to realize that we are a part of the W.M.U. in helping to carry the Gospel to a lost world. I am happy that Alabama

and Birmingham were represented and hope they will be this summer.—*Alma Murdoch, Birmingham*

From Tennessee

To be at Ridgecrest any time is a treat but to have attended the first B.W.C. Conference was a rare privilege. Just to meet and mingle with our southwide W.M.U. leaders and about one hundred eighty other business women gave one the inspiration needed to attempt greater things for missions in her own individual circle. Many of the "Findings" have proven practical helps. Every southern Baptist business woman would profit by attending one of these conferences.—*Emma Lea, Memphis*

From Virginia

The B.W.C. Conference at Ridgecrest, scheduled at 8:45 each morning, found "B.W.C'ers" eager and interested in the very helpful programs brought daily. Also feasting on the missionary messages brought by our missionaries of the world and witnessing the appointment of new missionaries filled us with a greater zeal for our missionary work. As the sun slowly sank into the west we gathered for prayer and meditation at the lake, adjourning only to hear heart-stirring messages and encouraging notes of the days to come in the field of foreign missions. Returning to my work and to my B.W.C., I have been striving to emulate the efforts and suggestions at Ridgecrest. It did something to me!—*Mrs. Estelle M. Malcolm, Roanoke*



The placard being held up in this group, that attended the B.W.C. Conference last summer, proudly carries the name "Virginia", thus showing that these business women were from that honored state. There really were 46 Virginia B.W.C. members at the Ridgecrest conference last August. Virginia doubtless plans to have the largest delegation again this August!

Training School

Miss Carrie U. Littlejohn, Principal, 2801 Lexington Road, Louisville, Ky.

TRAINING SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT



The thirty-sixth annual commencement exercises of Woman's Missionary Union Training School were held on Thursday evening, May 6, at 8 o'clock in Fannie E. S. Heck Memorial Chapel. Dr. Ellis A. Fuller, new president of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, delivered

the commencement address, the subject of which was "The Supreme Values of Life." President Fuller centered his address around the words: "He that findeth his life shall lose it; and he that loseth his life for My sake shall find it" (*Matthew 11:39, King James Version*).

The Training School chorus sang Mendelssohn's "Lift Thine Eyes" and "The Silent Sea" by Neidlinger-Marzo. The invocation and benediction were given by two professors of the Seminary, Dr. H. C. Goerner and Dr. J. Leo Green.

Miss Carrie U. Littlejohn, principal of the school, presented the certificates and diplomas and conferred the degrees on the forty-six members of the graduating class. In her charge to the class Miss Littlejohn told the graduates that this is a time of tension when poise is needed, a time of difficulty when op-

timism is needed, a time of uncertainty when confidence is needed, a time of fear when faith is needed. Paul's victorious affirmation, "I can do anything through Him who gives me strength" (*Phil. 4:13, Goodspeed*), was given as the never failing answer to the challenge of our times. The degree of Master of Religious Education was conferred upon thirty graduates, Bachelor of Religious Education upon nine graduates and certificates were awarded seven graduates.

Among members of the graduating class, representing thirteen states, are: Miss Fay Taylor and Mrs. Stockwell Sears, recently appointed missionaries to China; Mrs. Kermit Schmidt, who was recently appointed as a missionary to Brazil; and Miss Bette Ishibashi, who will go to a Japanese Relocation Center in Arkansas to help her pastor in missionary work among her own Japanese-American people. Others of the graduates will serve as educational directors and secretaries of churches, student secretaries on college campuses, Bible teachers in public schools, social workers, city mission workers, associational and state field workers.

Other events of interest for commencement week included the traditional vigil service for graduates on Tuesday evening, the commencement luncheon on Thursday in the Training School dining hall and the vesper service Wednesday afternoon. The speaker for the vesper service was Miss Helen Falk, newly elected W.M.U. young people's secretary of Kentucky.—*Ruth Boone, Teacher of Journalism, W.M.U. Training School*

Stewardship Suggestions

Southwide Stewardship Chairman, W.M.U. Promoter for a Debtless Denomination
Mrs. Carter Wright, Alabama

"I HAVE a STEWARDSHIP ENTRUSTED to Me"—I Cor. 9:17 (A.R.V.)

I HIS is Paul speaking and what he is saying is to the effect that, whether he likes it or not, he is God's steward, entrusted with the Gospel. Says he: "Necessity is laid upon me; yea, woe is me if I preach not the Gospel; for if I do this thing willingly I have a reward but, if against my will, nevertheless I have a stewardship entrusted to me".

Would that every Christian could come to the acute realization, as Paul did, that stewardship is not optional. It is the constant and inescapable obligation laid upon every redeemed person by the Redeemer; but it is also the glorious opportunity given us by His grace.

Let us, in memory, climb again the ascending steps in the plan of God's amazing grace by which we came from our "first estate" to this "high calling of God in Christ Jesus". It is the costliest stairway ever built in all God's universe.

First: Sinners Condemned to Eternal Death—John 3:18; Romans 6:23. May we pause here a moment? So prone are we to utterly forget that we were once lost "without God and without hope!"

Second: Blood-bought Slaves—I Cor. 6:19, 20; I Peter 1:18, 19. How we need to linger here—on our knees—as we take a backward look at Calvary. 'Twere enough if there had been no higher step than this—to have been delivered from bondage to one whose "wages is death" and to have become the bond-slaves of One whose name is Love.

"Love so amazing, so divine
Demands my soul, my life, my all!"

Third: Sons of God, Joint Heirs with Christ—John 1:12; Romans 8:16, 17. A place higher than the angels! "Forget not—O, my soul!"

Fourth: Stewards of the Gospel—Matt. 28:19, 20; John 20:21. Not only loved, redeemed, adopted, but also trusted—entrusted with that which is dearest to the heart of God and of His Christ—the carrying out of His "Plan of the Ages", the extension of the Kingdom of God. And this was to be done by one means only, teaching and preaching "the glorious Gospel of the blessed God" in all the world.

This is the meaning of stewardship. This is why you and I must say, even as Paul did: "Necessity is laid upon me". It is the "necessity" of grateful love. It is the compulsion of the cross.

But we can ignore our obligations as stewards; and, alas, the majority of church members seem to do so. And, because we are trusted stewards and not driven slaves, Christ will not coerce us—though He no doubt weeps over His unfaithful stewards, who block the progress of His Kingdom and bring woe upon their own souls.

A few years ago a great preacher said: "The churches of America deeply need a revival of Christian stewardship, if for no other reason than to awaken millions of inactive members". Such a revival seems imperative now. Let us pray and work for it.

Family Altar

Mrs. W. H. Gray, Alabama

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TOPIC: The Witness of the Lifted Lamp—Phil. 2:15, 16

"The truth shall make you free".

1st Day—Jno. 8:30-36; Ex. 2:23-25
2nd Day—Rom. 6:1-11; 6:15-23
3rd Day—Rom. 6:12-23; Isa. 26:1-12
4th Day—Rom. 8:1-14; Psa. 107:1-9
5th Day—I Cor. 9:1, 2, 18-23; Ex. 2:1-10
6th Day—Gal. 5:1-13; Ex. 3:1-12
7th Day—Gal. 5:14-26; Heb. 11:23-27

"A Lamp unto My Feet"

15th Day—Psa. 119:105, 130; Acts 18:5-11
16th Day—Prov. 6:23; John 16:25-33
17th Day—Eccl. 2:13; Psa. 27:1-14
18th Day—Isa. 8:20; Matt. 28:16-20
19th Day—Isa. 60:1-3, 20, 21;
Deut. 21:18-21
20th Day—Luke 2:25-32; Prov. 23:20, 21
21st Day—Jno. 8:12; I Cor. 6:9-11

"Children of Light"

22nd Day—I Thess. 5:1-14; Prov. 21:29-33
23rd Day—I Thess. 5:15-28; Prov. 31:4-9
24th Day—II Pet. 1:1-9; Isa. 5:11-24
25th Day—II Pet. 1:10-21; Prov. 4:10-18
26th Day—II Pet. 2:1-22; Ex. 5:22-6:6
27th Day—II Pet. 3:1-10; Ex. 12:50, 51
28th Day—II Pet. 3:11-18;
I Sam. 17:37, 45-47
29th Day—I Jno. 2:1-3; Dan. 6:16-23
30th Day—I Jno. 3:1-11; Luke 13:10-16
31st Day—Rev. 21:23; Acts 16:22-32

"To Proclaim Liberty to the Captives"

8th Day—Isa. 6:1-3; Josh. 1:1-9
9th Day—I Cor. 8:6-13; Judg. 6:11-24
10th Day—II Cor. 3:17; Acts 9:10-20
11th Day—Jas. 1:22-27; Psa. 72:7-17
12th Day—I Pet. 2:1-12; Ex. 3:13-17
13th Day—I Pet. 2:13-25; Ex. 4:1-9
14th Day—I Jno. 5:17-21; Ex. 4:10-17

"Pray Ye"

Praise Christ that "He is our peace".—Ephes. 2:14
Thank God that His Word admonishes: "Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts".—Col. 3:15

Rejoice that "the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace for them that make peace".—James 3:18

Intercede that those who attend the various conferences this summer at Ridgcrest may covenant to "follow after things which make for peace".—Rom. 14:19

Pray that Christians in every land will let "the peace of God which passeth all understanding guard their hearts and their thoughts in Christ Jesus".—Phil. 4:7

Rejoice that all Christians may have the assurance that Christ included them when He said: "My peace I give unto you".—John 14:27

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Calendar of Prayer July, 1943

Mrs. W. C. Henderson, Arizona

ARE we who lead others led by the Master? Are we, who point the way, walking in His blood-stained footprints? Do we, who say "So our Master sacrificed", sacrifice anything for Him? Who does not know, who has not felt it easier to work for God than to keep ever near Him, so close to His side that His voice shuts out the loudest worldly thunder?—Fannie E. S. Heck by Mrs. W. C. James

1—THURSDAY

Dr. and Mrs. F. H. Connely, (1) Miss Olive Lawton, evangelistic work, (2) Miss Bertha Smith, educational - evangelistic work, Tainingschow, China
The Lord God is my strength and He will make my feet like hind's feet.—Hab. 3:19

Antonio, Texas, evangelistic work in special city missions
I will go in the strength of the Lord.—Psa. 71:16

8—THURSDAY

Women's Missionary Union of Chile
The labor of the righteous tends to life.—Prov. 10:16

9—FRIDAY

Rev. and Mrs. L. R. Brothers, educational-evangelistic work, (2) Miss Amanda Tinkle, medical-evangelistic work, Shaki, Nigeria
God is my witness, whom I serve with my spirit in the Gospel of His Son.—Rom. 1:9

10—SATURDAY

Rev. and Mrs. B. Contreras, Waelder, Texas, evangelistic work, (2) Miss Amanda Tinkle, medical-evangelistic work, Shaki, Nigeria
Do the work of an evangelist.—II Tim. 4:5

11—SUNDAY

Mrs. R. M. Logan, Argentina, Miss Kathryn Sewell, Cuba, Miss Mary D. Willford, China, emeritus missionaries
Great peace have they that love Thy law.—Psa. 119:165

12—MONDAY

Rev. and Mrs. J. L. Galloway, Misses Lora Clement and Lenora Scarlett, evangelistic work, Mamo, China
Surely I know that it shall be well with them that fear God.—Eccl. 8:12

13—TUESDAY

Mrs. J. W. Laughlin, Rev. E. Saviole, Acadia Academy, Church Point, Miss Jeanie Parmelee, Montegut, La., evangelistic work among French
Be strong and of good courage.—Josh. 1:6

14—WEDNESDAY

Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Moore, Belgrade, Jugoslavia, (2) Miss Ruby Daniel, Budapest, Hungary, educational-evangelistic work
I thank my God through Jesus Christ for you all.—Rom. 1:8

2—FRIDAY

Rev. and Mrs. I. Negrie, Cruces, Rev. and Mrs. E. Gomez, Guaymas, Cuba, evangelistic work; also Ismael Negrie Jr., Margaret Fund student
Go, stand and speak.—Acts 5:20

3—SATURDAY

Rev. and Mrs. L. E. Blackman, Rev. and Mrs. M. W. Stuart, evangelistic work, Honolulu, T. H.; also Mildred F. Blackman, Margaret Fund student
Grant unto Thy servants that with all boldness they may speak Thy Word.—Acts 4:29

4—SUNDAY

That great spiritual strength may be received by young people in summer camps and assemblies
Speak of the glorious honor of Thy majesty and of Thy wondrous works.—Psa. 145:5

5—MONDAY

Rev. and Mrs. R. M. Averitt, Calvert, Alabama, Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Fitzgerald, Cherokee, North Carolina, evangelistic work among Indians
The Kingdom of God is not in word but in power.—I Cor. 4:20

6—TUESDAY

Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Harrington, Mrs. D. P. Appleby, educational-evangelistic work, Bello Horizonte, Brazil, also David Appleby, Margaret Fund student
The desire of our soul is to Thy name and to the remembrance of Thee.—Isa. 26:8

7—WEDNESDAY

Rev. and Mrs. G. R. Brooks, Baltimore, Md., Rev. and Mrs. L. Corder, Houston, Rev. and Mrs. J. Gregory, San

Calendar of Prayer for July

15—THURSDAY

Rev. and Mrs. C. F. Frazier, Coolidge, Arizona, evangelistic work among Indians. The Lord thy God in the midst of thee is mighty.—Zeph. 3:17

16—FRIDAY

Baptist believers in Rumania. The Lord be with you all.—11 Thess. 3:16

17—SATURDAY

Rev. and Mrs. D. M. Lawton, 1818a Doris Knight, educational-evangelistic work. ex-Miss Ora Elizabeth Gray, medical-evangelistic work, Laichow-fu, China. He will speak peace unto His people and to His saints.—Psa. 85:8

18—SUNDAY

Misses Willie Kelly, "Mollie" McMillan, Elizabeth Rea and Edna Earl Teal, emerites missionaries from China. Thy Word was unto me the joy and rejoicing of mine heart.—Jer. 15:16

19—MONDAY

Rev. and Mrs. C. Lima, Lajas, Rev. and Mrs. F. Hernandez, Ranchuelo, Cuba, evangelistic work; also Elipso and Moises Hernandez, Margaret Fund students. How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of Him that bringeth good tidings! —Isa. 52:7

20—TUESDAY

Miss Mattie Baker, Sao Paulo, ex-Miss Blanche Simpson, Moncao, educational-evangelistic work. Miss Alma Jackson, medical-evangelistic work, Sao Paulo, Brazil. The Lord hath appeared of old, saying: "Vex, I have loved thee with an everlasting love."—Jer. 31:3

21—WEDNESDAY

Rev. and Mrs. G. L. Stanley, San Antonio, Texas, Rev. S. Y. Lee, Norfolk, Virginia, evangelistic work among Chinese, also Hung Chung Lee, Margaret Fund student. He that abideth in Me and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit. —Jno. 15:5

22—THURSDAY

Rev. and Mrs. K. A. Dyer, Rev. and Mrs. R. F. Gray, Language School Baguio, Philippine Islands. Lord, it is nothing with Thee to help, whither with many or with them that have no power.—II Chron. 14:11

23—FRIDAY

Rev. and Mrs. H. Devilla, Montegut, Rev. and Mrs. L. Thibodeaux, Thibodaux, La., evangelistic work among French. The earth is full of the goodness of the Lord.—Psa. 33:5

24—SATURDAY

ex-Misses Clifford Barratt and Attie Bonstick, evangelistic work, Pochow, ex-Miss Irene Jeffers, educational-evangelistic work, Yangchow, China. O Lord, Thou art our God; let not man prevail against Thee.—II Chron. 14:11

25—SUNDAY

That southern Baptists may praise God with their money and speedily remove all debts from their agendas. They that deal truly are His delight. —Prov. 17:22

26—MONDAY

Rev. and Mrs. G. Aidape, evangelistic work, Crystal City, Miss Raquel Guerra, educational-evangelistic work among Mexicans, McAllen, Texas. They helped everyone in neighbor. —Isa. 41:6

27—TUESDAY

ex-Rev. and Mrs. M. Hall, ex-Miss Mary Demarest, evangelistic work, Yangchow, China. We know that all things work together for good to them that love God. —Rom. 8:28

28—WEDNESDAY

Rev. and Mrs. T. H. York, evangelistic work among Italians, Mrs. Austella Bacz, educational-evangelistic work among Spanish, Tampa, Florida. Watch ye therefore and pray always. —Luke 21:36

29—THURSDAY

ex-Rev. and Mrs. B. T. Griffin, ex-Miss Elizabeth Truly, educational-evangelistic work, Abeokuta, Nigeria. I have put my trust in the Lord, that I may declare all Thy works.—Psa. 73:28

30—FRIDAY

Rev. and Mrs. M. Millan, Cartagena, Rev. and Mrs. E. Planas, Guanabacoa, Cuba, evangelistic work. As the body without the Spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead.—Jas. 2:26

31—SATURDAY

ex-Rev. and Mrs. M. C. Brittain, Seochow, Rev. and Mrs. J. R. Saunders, Shichow, China, evangelistic work. Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith.—Heb. 10:22

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Bible Study

Ellis Broadus Robertson, Kentucky

A ROYAL FRIENDSHIP—I Samuel 20:12-15, 17, 35-42

PERHAPS this is the most famous friendship in the world. The Greeks had a Damon and Pythias who risked their lives each for the other. Many writers have described the joys of friendship and discussed its principles. For David and Jonathan, a wonderful saying is this: "A friend loveth to be indebted." David, the young David, must have been one of the most attractive youths God ever made. Handsome, graceful, eager, with glowing color and beautiful eyes (perhaps red hair), he delighted every heart. He was courageous, he was kind*, he was gifted, modest, ready to serve. Playing on his harp to soothe the distracted king, he went cheerfully back and forth between the king's camp and the sheep in his father's pasture. Quick to use his skilful sling, he bore Goliath's head to the king, nor was his own head turned when the women sang, "Saul hath slain his thousands and David his ten thousands". His faith in God kept him brave and thankful. When Saul's jealousy turned him against his young helper, he was distressed but not resentful.

All this Jonathan saw and loved in David. And what of Jonathan himself? He too was no mean warrior. Daring in strategy, he would seize an unexpected opportunity and achieve a sudden victory. Full of common sense, he wondered at his father's rashness in making the people fast all day when facing the Philistines. Soldiers must be fed well to fight well. The trees dripped with honey, and the men afraid of Saul's vow! Jonathan had eaten before he heard of the prohibition and, when Saul said he must die, the army clamored for him to be spared. He was quieter than David but not less lovable. Alike in tastes and interests but different in temperament—a good basis for friendship. Nor were these two without the bond of love to God. Jonathan knew that David was to be king, not he himself. But "he loved him as his own soul". Once he coaxed his father to trust David; again he tried and failed.

The vow of never-changing love between the friends included their children after them. When it was David's privilege to fulfil this, notice what he said: "Is there yet any of Saul's household, that I may show him kindness for Jonathan's sake?" Saul's household—no bitterness! And it turned out to be a son of Jonathan himself, lame from that day when the news came of the death of Saul and his sons in battle, and the little boy of five years was dropped by his nurse as she tried to run with him. In David's grief over the tidings, how generous he was to the memory of his friend's father! (II Sam. 1:17-27)

Friends of God? Yes! David, the "man after God's own heart", took every experience of life as from God's hand—patient in hope, submissive under discipline—and desired above all things to honor God. Once he grieved him, falling into great sin. But he was great in repentance, uttering words we do well to study (Psalm 51).

*F. E. Killian in *The Teacher*

Circle†Program



EXPLANATORY NOTE: The following program is submitted for use by the circles. Its explanatory material will be found in the following monthly missionary magazines: *Royal Service*, 50c a year from 1111 Comer Bldg., Birmingham 3, Ala.; *The Window of Y.W.A.*, \$1 a year from the same Birmingham address; *World Comrades*, \$1 a year from the same Birmingham address; *The Commission*, 50c a year from Baptist Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Virginia; *Southern Baptist Home Missions*, 25c a year from Baptist Home Mission Board, Atlanta, Ga. Each one participating in the following program should have access at least to the magazine in which her article appears. (See also page 41 of 1943 W.M.U. Year Book and page 15 of this magazine.)

CIRCLE PROGRAM TOPIC:

BUILDING for CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

TRAINING SCHOOLS and SEMINARIES

Devotional Theme: "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom"—*Prov. 1:7*, "I will instruct thee and teach thee in the way thou shalt go"—*Psa. 32:8*.

The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary (See page 6 of May issue of this magazine.)

W.M.U. Training School Commencement (See page 8 of this magazine.)

Southwestern Theological Seminary (See page 5 of this magazine.)

Havana Training School (See July issue of *Southern Baptist Home Missions*.)

Enlightening Faith (See July issue of *The Window of Y.W.A.*)

Courage for Christ (See July issue of *World Comrades*.)

Our Faith and Our Age (See July issue of *The Commission*.)

Europe Needs Bibles (See July issue of *The Commission*.)

A Call, a Vision, an Opportunity (See July issue of *Southern Baptist Home Missions*.)

Business†Women's Circles

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POSTER: "The Witness of the Lifted Lamp"

What is the message that the light
in the hand of the Statue of Liberty
gives to all who near our shores?

To Be Answered at Business Women's Circle

Place.....Date.....Time.....

INVITATIONS: Butcher? Baker? Candlestick-maker?

Whatever your business may be
There's a problem for you;
And it's challenging too
At our meeting of B. W. C.

Date.....Place.....Time.....

PRAYER REMINDERS: Make a collection of sales-slips, sheets from a first grader's tablet, leaves from a stenographer's note-book and any other types representative of the occupations of the members. Write on each one: "I will pray once a day for at least a week for the family. That's the least I can do." Distribute one to each person present and have her choose some foreign-speaking family, if possible one connected with her business, and insert that name in the blank.

ROOM ARRANGEMENT: As illustrative of the sordid and unhappy lives of so many of our foreign-speaking neighbors have the room as bare as possible. In an adjoining room have the objects placed so that they may not be seen, yet may be easily gotten by each speaker. These objects should include a bowl of flowers, an attractive Bible, a picture, several beautifully bound books and candles in holders. Use any other attractive things which will add to the decorative scheme and serve as symbols.

AIM of the PROGRAM: To so present the need that no one will be willing to close the meeting until plans have been made for definite action.

PROGRAM SUGGESTIONS: Those giving the parts might present their parts in a way typical of their professions. A school-teacher might conclude hers with a brief, easy oral test. A stenographer might rework her part into the form of a letter. A worker with children might introduce her part with a game.

As each speaker finishes she should bring one of the objects into the room, stating that it is a symbol of one of the things which are the rights of every American. These might be: happiness (flowers), love and truth (Bible), beauty (picture), opportunities (books), peace (music), light (lighted candles). The objects assigned to each speaker might be ones suggestive of her particular position: the educational director of the church might bring in the Bible; the school-teacher, the books, etc. Since the theme is "The Witness of the Lifted Lamp" have the candles placed last.

Each speaker should know where to place each object so that harmony and beauty will result. She should have in mind the whole theme and should stress the fact that the lifted lamp symbolizes for Americans certain rights and privileges. Thus the whole program will be bound together by this cord of "the witness of the lifted lamp". The goal stated at the beginning should have been reached through the program presentation and the concluding open forum discussion should result in some practical plans wherein each member could have a definite part in bringing light and love to some foreign-speaking family, one connected with her business if possible. (For program material see pages 17-26.)

Program Plans

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ANNOUNCING the PROGRAM

Poster—In the center of white poster-paper paste or draw the picture of the Statue of Liberty with these words printed under it: "America—a Nation of Light". Let two rays of golden light extend from the torch with "The Light of Religion" written on one and "The Light of Liberty" on the other, these being the two lights out-shining all other lights that shine in American life. At the bottom right-hand corner give time, place and date of meeting.

If personal announcement is desired, simply sketch at the top of a postal card a lamp being lifted up. Written underneath are these words: "The Witness of the Lifted Lamp". Give details as to meeting. Announce in bulletin of church.

PREPARATION

Room Arrangement—In keeping with the theme for the year, also for this month and this program have the American and Christian flags in the room. On the table have copies of *Southern Baptist Home Missions* and any other material giving information concerning the work and need of the foreign-speaking people in this country. Especially helpful in preparing this program would be the reading of Dr. J. B. Lawrence's book, *Home Missions in the New World*. This should be available to all members.

On a table in front place a large map of the United States in the center of which may be placed a globe of the world, with a sign at the base of the globe carrying these words: "Will our

country enlighten the world?" Placed over the map around the globe may be dolls dressed to represent the foreign-speaking people in our country. Let each doll hold in her hand a small unlighted candle to be used in the "Meditation" at the close of the program.

Programs—Cut from yellow construction-paper miniature doors, representing the Golden Door. On the back paste a piece of white paper. On it may be sketched, as on the personal announcement, a lifted lamp. Underneath is written: "The Witness of the Lifted Lamp". Names of those participating and their parts are listed.

PROGRAM

Follow the program as suggested on pages 17-26. Assign the discussions if possible to those who have had some contact or experience working with the foreign-speaking people in our country or in other countries. Because we should all be vitally interested in those with whom we live, the program could perhaps be made more personal and meaningful by simply making it an informal "Round Table Discussion", each one knowing when her part comes and giving it without being announced. As the "Meditation—Enlightening the World" is given, "Let the Lower Lights Be Burning" may be played softly as an accompaniment. While this part is being given let some one dressed in white walk in bearing a lighted candle. With her lighted candle she lights those in the hands of the dolls, thus signifying the enlightening of the entire world. The program closes with prayer that, as good stewards of our American citizenship, we may be faithful as witnesses of the lifted lamp to the lost within our own land and unto the uttermost parts of the world.

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Program Material

Mrs. C. D. Cressman, Tennessee

THEME for YEAR: The Christian Witness in Today's World

—Isa. 43:10, 11

TOPIC for MONTH: The Witness of the Lifted Lamp—Phl. 2:15, 16

Hymn for Year

—Watchword for Year

Bible Study—A Royal Friendship—I Sam. 20:12-15, 17, 35-42 (Page 13)

Prayer that we may be good stewards of our friendships

Hymn—My Country 'Tis of Thee

—The Statue with the Lifted Lamp

Prayer for rulers of the nations of the world, for rulers of our land

Lights within America

—Hymn—America the Beautiful

The Lifted Lamp

—The Golden Door

Prayer that all foreign-speaking people in America may find the message of the lifted lamp

Glimpses of the Light

A Mexican Center of Light

A Chinese Center of Light

A Lifted Lamp for the Chinese

Meditation—Enlightening the World

Hymn—Let the Lower Lights Be Burning

Prayer that as good stewards of American citizenship we may be faithful in giving the message of the lifted lamp to the lost of all nations both within our land and unto the uttermost parts of the world

The STATUE with the LAMP

On Bedloe's Island in New York Harbor stands the statue with the lifted lamp—the Statue of Liberty.

This statue, the largest in the world, expresses perhaps more than any other material object what our nation is and what she has meant to the world. And yet this emblem of American liberty was not an American thought, neither was it the work of American hands nor was it paid for by American money. A French sculptor, Bartholdi, conceived the idea of erecting this statue in commemoration of the hundredth anniversary of American independence; the money for the project was contributed by the French people. Not only the rich gave to the fund, but peasants and workmen "plucked sous and francs out of their hiding places in old sugar-bowls and stocking toes" that they too might have a part in this expression of appreciation of American liberty.

For ten years Bartholdi, assisted by other skilled sculptors, worked on the mammoth statue. In a special workshop built for the purpose as many as sixty workmen were busy all the time handling the thin sheets of metal and fitting the finished sections



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together, boring holes for the rivets. On July 4, 1884, to the American ambassador in France was presented the nation's gift to the United States. The next year it was transported across the ocean. The American people built the base on which the French gift was to rest and in 1886 the Statue of Liberty stood in its place in New York Harbor and was dedicated.

The statue is a female figure made of bronze. On one arm she holds tablets inscribed with the date of our first Independence Day. With the other hand she holds aloft a torch. The total structure, including the pedestal on which the statue stands, rises over three hundred feet above the water level. Forty people can stand in the head and eight in the torch. Always there has been an electric light in the torch and during the time of Woodrow Wilson the custom started of having the whole statue flooded with a brilliant light thrown upward upon it from the base. So, those aboard ships approaching the shores of America through New York Harbor, whether they came in the day or in the night, have been able to behold the mammoth statue bidding them welcome to this land of liberty. Thousands of American tourists, returning home after a period spent abroad, have rejoiced to see the statue outlined against the sky telling them that they are nearing the best homeland in the world. Thousands of immigrants, weary and worn and well-nigh hopeless, have looked on that statue, emblematic of American liberty, while rays of hope flashed light into their hearts.

It is significant that a Jewish poetess—Emma Lazarus, a philanthropist among Russian Jewish immigrants in New York City—should have furnished the poem placed at the base of the Statue of Liberty.

"Give me your tired, your poor,
Your huddled masses longing to
breathe free,
The wretched refuse of your teeming
shore;
Send these, the homeless, tempest
toss'd to me,
I lift my lamp beside the Golden
Door".

In this poem is found the real message of the Statue of Liberty, the real message of America to the world. And it is this message that we will take to our hearts in this July month of patriotism as we enter into the discussion of our program topic: "The Witness of the Lifted Lamp".

LIGHTS within AMERICA

A LAMP is a fitting emblem of America, for ours is a nation of light. We could mention many lights that shine in American life—the light of law, light of justice, the light of education, the light of industry, the light of prosperity. But there are two lights outshining all others. Indeed it is these two lights that feed all others and make America the most enlightened land in the world. These two are the light of religion and the light of liberty. They are companion lights, shining side by side. The religion of America is Christianity, which is the religion that makes men free. "Where the spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty".

The lights of religion and liberty shine through all the history of our nation. Those who first came to these shores were men who believed in God and loved liberty more than life. How brightly did these two lights shine in that little group on the Mayflower, daring to sail unknown seas to an unknown land that they might have liberty to worship God. Among their treasures were two precious copies of the Holy Scriptures. Before they disembarked on the soil of a new

world the heads of all families signed the Mayflower Compact which began with the words, "In the name of God, Amen", and stated clearly that the voyage had been undertaken for "the glory of God, the advancement of the Christian faith and the honor of king and country". So did these first settlers come to our shores with the two American lights of religion and liberty burning in their souls.

"O God, beneath Thy guiding hand
Our exiled fathers crossed the sea;
And, when they trod the wintry strand,
With prayer and psalm they worshiped Thee.

"Thou heard'st well-pleased the song, the prayer;
Thy blessing came; and still its power
Shall onward, through all ages,
Bear the memory of that holy hour".

The government established on this shore kept the two lights of liberty and religion shining. Our forefathers realized that the liberty they sought for the new nation would come only through the power of God, so "they were not afraid to write God's name, to voice their reliance on Divine Providence, to declare their faith and utter their prayers in great documents of state". The Declaration of Independence, the Constitution, the Bill of Rights, all shine with the two lights of religion and liberty. Washington, Lincoln, Woodrow Wilson and other great American statesmen expressed their belief in American liberty through American Christianity. "Surely God has walked among us and talked with us and worked with us through all the days of our history. Surely the presence and power of Christ have been here and there and everywhere along our way. Surely His Word has been 'a lamp unto our feet and a light unto our path'".

The lights of religion and liberty are our American heritage, passed down to us by our God-fearing, liberty-loving forefathers. It is these two lights that produce what we call the "American way of life", a way so precious, so wonderful, so blessed that we are willing to make any sacrifice to maintain it. Let us lift high the American lamp which shines with the lights of Christian love and liberty.

THE LIFTED LAMP

THE message of the lifted lamp, as expressed in the poem at the base of the Statue of Liberty, is a message of hope for the oppressed of all nations.

It is an invitation to the tired, the poor, the homeless, the distressed, the enslaved, the wretched to come to a land that shines with the lights of Christian love and liberty. The lamp is lifted high that those in darkness may see its light and be guided to a place of refuge.

Isn't that a picture of what America has been to the downtrodden of the world from the very beginning of her history? This land has been a lifted lamp inviting those desiring liberty to come to her shores. The very first settlers followed the gleam of that lamp to find a place where they could worship God as they desired. And ever since that time America has been a haven of hope for the friendless and the oppressed of all nations.

Answering the invitation of the lifted lamp the people have come—millions and still more millions have come to this land of opportunity, this land of liberty. Indeed so many came that it became necessary to limit the invitation with very strict immigration laws. But the foreign-speaking people are here—millions of them. It is estimated that there are from fourteen to sixteen million foreign-born people in the United States with from twenty to twenty-six million of second and third generation foreigners. That means that less than two-thirds of the total white population in American is native born. Approximately one-fourth of all the children in the United States live in homes of foreign-born parents.

One writing of America as a melting pot says: "The tradition of the United States as a refuge for the oppressed, the frustrated and the poor of all lands is inextricably woven into the pattern of American life. The Pilgrims, the Puritans, the Quakers, the Huguenots, the Scotch-Irish, the Irish, Jews, Germans, Italians, Russians—what a conglomeration of race, languages and nationality is involved in this thing we call America! America is an amalgam of everything that is good and, perhaps I should say, everything that is bad from every country in the world."

Truly all kinds of people are included among these foreign-speaking people in our land. There are some who are highly intellectual and, given an opportunity, rise to places of prominence and influence in our national life. Others, while having no unusual abilities, come to this country honestly seeking the better things of life and, given a fair chance, become honorable and hard-working citizens making valuable contributions to the agricultural and industrial welfare of the nation. Then, still others belong to the very lowest classes in the lands from which they come and in America propagate ideals which are anything but American and so do they become a menace to our national life. Some immigrants adjust themselves to our American way of thinking and living and cease to be foreigners, while others cling to the language, customs and religions of their native lands and refuse to be amalgamated in the melting pot of American life.

What the immigrant becomes in this land depends largely on the attitude of Christian America. With the lamp held high we invited them to this land of light to share with us our liberty and our Christianity. But here many of them have found not light but darkness, not liberty but slavery, not love but hatred. Dr. J. F. Plainfield, in "The Stranger within Our Gates", describes what the foreigners found in America as follows: "Higher wages they found but also higher cost of living, heartless treatment that amounted almost to abject slavery. Add to this an unfamiliar language with no means or time for acquiring it. They were shoved into dark, wretched, unwholesome living quarters, into swarming slums, near vicious smelly, filthy, foul saloons, in questionable playhouses and in contaminated clubs; hardest of all they met with general dislike and ostracism, unconcealed contempt and deliberate insults by the people of America."

What right have we in America to assume such a superior attitude toward those we term as "foreigners"? Are we not all immigrants or the descendants of immigrants to this land? We must remember that this nation of which we are so proud was built by immigrants—our forefathers—who came here to escape poverty, oppression, social restrictions and lack of opportunity in their homelands. Why not believe that the immigrants who have come to our shores in the last half a century can also catch the gleam of the American lamp and make their contribution to the building of a greater and better America?

This they can do and will do if we share with them the lights of our American heritage. We must give them liberty—equal rights with ourselves to labor, to achieve, to live in the happy American way and to play their parts in American life. We must give them our Christianity, expressed in love, consideration and unselfishness. We must teach them to live the American way. We must teach them to live the Christian way. Dennis A. McCarthy has voiced it thus:

"This is the land where hate should die—
No feuds of faith, no spleen of race,
No darkly brooding fear should try
Beneath our flag to find a place
Lo! every people here has sent
Its sons to answer freedom's call:
Their life-blood is a strong cement
That builds and binds the nation's wall.

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"This is the land where hate should die—
This is the land where strife should cease,
Where foul, suspicious fear should fly
Before our flag of light and peace.
Then let us purge from poison thought
That service to the state we give,
And so be worthy as we ought
Of this great land in which we live!"

The GOLDEN DOOR

"LIFT my lamp beside the golden door". Jesus is the Golden Door of America. All the lights of the lifted lamp in America shine from Jesus lifted on Calvary's cross. He is the light. He is the way. He is the door. The great task of Christian America is to give Jesus to the millions of foreign-speaking people who have answered the invitation of the lifted lamp of the Statue of Liberty and have come to our shores seeking light but have not entered the golden door which leads to life eternal. Only Christ can give to the immigrant the best things of American life. Only Christ can make the native-born Americans absolutely fair to the foreign-born Americans. Only Christ can save America from the menace of her foreign population.

Dr. Plainfield says: "Foreigners without Christ are a people groping through fog and darkness made more dense and tragic by racial misunderstandings. Consequently they are not given to discretion. Their ideals of life in the home, in business, in politics are distorted, twisted and lopsided; their narrow judgment blinds them to honesty, sincerity and truth. When a man rejects the true God and chooses fake gods, he is ready to clamor for the Hitlers, the Mussolinis—Would to God that Americans could realize the danger of permitting the foreigners in their midst to go much longer without the Gospel and the vision of Christ only, before they can undermine the foundations of our government, the liberties of our people and the sacred heritage of the Gospel".

Most foreign-speaking people are either pagan or Catholic. Practically all of them know nothing of Christ as a personal Savior. What a wonderful evangelistic opportunity do these present to Christian America! This is foreign missions at home. This is preaching the Gospel to all nations within our own nation. This is using the very best method to overcome racial antagonisms and strife. This is lifting the lamp of America's best light to all who have chosen America as their home. This is opening the golden door of faith in Christ that all who will may enter in.

Southern Baptists have not been neglectful of their opportunity to give the Gospel to the foreign-speaking people. A large part of our home mission work is among different foreign groups within our territory. Among the Spanish-speaking people we have 127 missionaries who won to Christ over 2000 last year. Of these missionaries 109 work among the Mexicans of the southwest. The spirit of the Mexican Baptists of the southwest is expressed by their threefold goal of last year: 1. "Onward with Christ in training our young people and winning the lost; 2. Onward in erecting adequate houses of worship; 3. Onward with a worthy program of work". The Mexican W.M.U. of Texas celebrated last year its silver anniversary.

Among the French we have 27 missionaries, and these won 133 to Christ last year. The French work is divided into two sections: (1) direct mission work in caring for churches in mission fields; (2) school work. There are two schools: Acadia Academy, which is a training school for French workers; and an elementary school in a section of Louisiana which is educationally much neglected.

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Our 11 workers among Italians won 45 to Christ last year. From the North Boulevard Church of Tampa, Florida, through the years have gone young Italians, both men and women, to denominational colleges to train themselves for leadership. These became imbued not only with the principles of the Gospel but with ideals of American democracy. These are today occupying important positions in religious, social and educational circles.

Our 5 workers among Chinese reported 79 conversions. On January 4 of last year a new chapel for the Chinese church at San Antonio, Texas, was dedicated.

Other missionaries work among many language groups in foreign centers. Miss Helen Lambert, who works among many foreign-speaking people in East St. Louis, tells how at a state W.M.U. convention in Illinois 8 nationalities participated in a demonstration of Christian Americanism. A group of 24 products of home mission work were representatives of these nationalities: Hungarian, Bulgarian, Macedonian, Slav, Czech, Armenian, Mexican and American. She describes the demonstration as follows:

"As our pianist played 'The Light of the World Is Jesus', the men, women and children marched to the platform and stood by the American and Christian flags. Each person carried a poster telling where he was saved. The posters were white, lettered in blue, and the word 'saved' was in red. Some were saved at preaching service; some at Sunday-school; some at Vacation Bible School; a few at prayer meeting; several in their homes. Boys and girls of the group carried posters with John 3:16, Psa. 43:3, Matt. 28:19, 20, Deut. 10:19 lettered on them.

"Then a Mexican boy came out with the poster, 'We are all Americans. We love America', and the group sang 'America'. An Armenian boy came to the platform next with the poster, 'We are Christians. We love Christ'. And they sang, 'Every Day with Jesus Is Sweeter than the Day before'.

"An Armenian girl thanked the people present for their part in giving the Gospel to the many nationalities in Granite City. At the close of the demonstration a girl, whose mother is Czech and father is Mexican, joined the group with a large red, white and blue 'V'. She voiced the desire of the different nationalities, who attend the Mission, to help give *the Light and the Truth* to others and then quoted I Cor. 15:57—'Thanks be to God which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ'. The group left the platform as the pianist played 'Onward Christian Soldiers'."

We believe that these home missionaries of ours are doing the best possible work in Americanization. When foreign-speaking people become Christian Americans they become Americans of the very highest type. Moreover, when Americans give Christ to the foreign-speaking people they are giving them the best gift that America has to offer. How much better for every reason it is to Christianize rather than persecute these strangers within our gates!

We must remember that our home missionaries cannot reach all the foreign-speaking people in the southland. Each of us must be a missionary to those foreign-speaking people in our own communities. We must look them up. We must be friendly in our contacts with them. We must go to their homes and invite them to ours. We must lead them to attend our churches. We must witness to them of our Christ. We must help them to enter the golden door of Christianity. We must lift for them the lamp of Christian love and liberty.

GLIMPSES of the LIGHT

THE writer of this program had last summer the privilege of seeing some of our home mission work among the foreign-speaking people in Texas and Arizona. If you will use your imagination while she uses her memory, you too may catch a glimpse of how the witness of the Christian lamp lifted by our home missionaries is reaching the hearts of these strangers within our gates.

A Mexican Center of Light

Come, and we will go first to a Mexican Baptist Church in El Paso, Texas. Our guide is a young Mexican, Saul Parades, whose grandfather was one of the first deacons of that church. The young man is now a Sunday-school teacher and the Training Union director in the church. We learn that this church is fifty-two years old and that it was started as a Methodist Mission. The first pastor was an ex-priest who through the influence of a Negro preacher became a Baptist and on July 18, 1893, along with thirty other members of this Methodist Mission, was baptized in the Rio Grande. Of course it then became a Baptist Mission. Rev. C. D. Daniel, who was connected with the early history of our mission in Brazil, served as missionary pastor of this church for twenty years.

All of these interesting facts about the history of the church our young guide gives us as he carries us over the building. We find it to be a substantial brick structure providing not only a place for church services and Sunday-school rooms but an apartment for the pastor. We are glad to meet the pastor, Rev. Pascual Hurtiz, and to have a visit in his homey basement apartment while he and Mr. Parades tell us about the work of the church. We learn that there is a good Woman's Missionary Union, Training Union and Sunday-school and that the church had just adopted a budget about half of which is to be given to missions. With pride they tell us of some of the products of this church. A brother of our guide, Carlos Parades, is a student at Baylor and has a wonderful voice. He has won real distinction with his interpretation of the "Holy City". He is also pastor of the First Mexican Baptist Church at Austin. A cousin of the Parades boys, also a product of this church, is at the head of Baptist work among the Spanish-speaking people of California.

Just back of this church is the attractive new building of the Anglo-Mexican Institute where our missionary, Prof. A. Velez, and his helpers conduct a school for Mexican children. We leave this center of Mexican mission work rejoicing because the light of Christianity shines brightly here in the midst of one of the south's densest foreign-speaking populations.

A Chinese Center of Light

While we are in El Paso we go also to visit our Chinese Baptist Center where Miss Mary Etheridge is lifting the lamp of Christ to shed its light on many Chinese hearts. As we enter a large building we are guided first to the Chinese Soldier Center. A most attractive room is this, designed to make any soldier who enters feel at home. There are comfortable chairs, a piano, some attractive pictures, good books and magazines, a quotation from Benjamin Franklin and a large American flag. Yes, this room speaks to the Chinese Americans of patriotism, but it also speaks to them of the Christ of America.

We are told that in this room is held on every Wednesday night a Bible class and a prayer meeting to which the Chinese soldiers come, sometimes as many as twenty-five or thirty. On other evenings they come just to read or to enjoy a social hour. The missionaries say that they love to gather around the piano to sing popular songs and hymns. About a year ago a banquet was given for the soldiers, to which came a man from New York who had never visited the Center before. Mixed with the social fun enjoyed around the banquet table was a Christian atmosphere and talk about the Christian life. When the festivities were over the visitor from New York thanked the missionaries for their hospitality saying: "I never saw anything like this before. I never heard such talk as I have heard here tonight."

We are led across the hall from the Soldiers' Center to the apartment of the language teacher, a young Chinese woman whose husband is in the army. It has been found that one way to attract the children to the Center is to offer lessons in their own language, for parents are most anxious that their American-born children shall be able to speak the Chinese language. They send them to the Center for this purpose and often the children and their parents are thereby won to the Sunday-school and the clubs where they learn about Jesus.

On up the stairs we go to find the comfortable living quarters of the missionaries and a large hall where the clubs meet and other activities of the Center are conducted. We are charmed to see on the walls of the hall lovely mottoes written in the Chinese language and are told that these are Bible verses. We find also in the building a neat and attractive chapel where church services are conducted. We are told that the missionaries conduct a Chinese Sunday-school with an average attendance of about sixty and each summer there is held a Vacation Bible School which the Chinese children attend in goodly numbers. Altogether we are pleased with what we see here and rejoice because from this Center Christian light is shining into many Chinese hearts.

A Lifted Lamp for the Chinese

Now to another Chinese Mission we go, this time in Phoenix, Arizona. We find here not a large building, as in El Paso, but a neat six-room cottage just across the street from the home of Mrs. W. C. Henderson, the good friend of the Phoenix Chinese and the promoter of the mission work among them. At the time of our visit the cottage had just been rented and was unfurnished but the lovely Chinese missionary, Miss Margaret Jung, tells us with sparkling eyes just how each room is to be furnished and used, talking of G.A. and Sunbeam meetings and mothers' clubs to be held there and how sometimes whole families will gather for meetings of different kinds and happy social hours together. Somehow we feel that the light of Jesus will shine from this cottage to many Chinese homes.

This Center is too small to accommodate the Chinese Sunday-school which has been held for sometime in the Central Baptist Church of Phoenix. We go with Mrs. Henderson on a Sunday afternoon to pick up children for the Sunday-school. Other Baptist cars too are visiting Chinese homes to get the children and, when all are gathered at the church, we find that there are more than fifty present. Such attractive children they are—clean, well dressed with their black hair shining like silk—so bright and so happy to be in Sunday-school! We could easily imagine any one of them becoming a Madame Chiang Kai-shek. We are told that these children come from homes of well-to-do Chinese merchants, but some of the homes are as heathen as any home in China and in others the parents are indifferent to religion. Except for the light of the Sunday-school most of these children would be growing up in pagan darkness.

Not all of the Chinese members of the Sunday-school are children. There are a few adults who have found Jesus and rejoice to aid in the work of the Sunday-school. We are told of a service a few Sundays before when there were eight conversions, all of them junior and intermediate boys and girls from non-Christian homes.

The parents of these Chinese children accepted the invitation of the lifted lamp to enter the doors of business opportunity offered in America. Through our home mission work their children are receiving the deeper message of the lifted lamp as the light of Jesus enters their hearts.

MEDITATION—ENLIGHTENING the WORLD

("Let the Lower Lights Be Burning" should be played as an accompaniment while the following is given.)

The full significance of the name given to the Statue of Liberty is **Liberty Enlightening the World**. That name expresses the mission of America—her liberty is to enlighten not just her own citizens but the whole world. The lamp is to be lifted beside the golden door that all the world's tired and poor and weary and wretched may see the light of America's Christian blessings and enter the golden door of Christianity to find the Savior who is intended not just for America but for the whole world.

As American citizens we are custodians of the lifted lamp. It is our responsibility to help keep the lights of Christian love and liberty shining in American life. It is our responsibility to lift high the lamp that those lights may reach to earth's darkest places. This is the stewardship of our American citizenship. We cannot be true to that stewardship while we harbor feelings of superiority, antipathy and hatred toward those of other nations. Only as we love those of all races, whether they live in our own land or in far-away places, and share with them the love of God are we true to our stewardship as American citizens and as Christians.

Paul, writing to the Philippians, expressed the hope "that ye may become blameless and harmless, children of God without blemish in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom ye are seen as lights in the world, holding forth the Word of Life". May we, as Christian citizens of America, living in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, be seen as lights in the world—and, as the Statue of Liberty holds forth her lamp, may we hold forth the Word of Life as a lamp of hope to a world in darkness!



QUESTIONS for REVIEW and DISCUSSION

1. Tell something of the erection of the Statue of Liberty.
2. Repeat the poem on the base of the Statue of Liberty.
3. Tell of the two lights which shine in American history.
4. Discuss the Christian heritage of American citizens.
5. How many foreign-speaking people in our country?
6. Discuss the contribution of foreign-speaking people to American civilization.
7. Discuss foreign-speaking people as a menace to our American ideals.
8. Discuss the foreign-speaking people's need of Christ.
9. Tell something of southern Baptist home mission work among foreign-speaking people.
10. How can we aid in the Christian Americanization of foreign-speaking people?
11. Describe a Mexican center of light in El Paso.
12. Tell something of our Chinese work in El Paso and Phoenix.

REFERENCE MATERIAL

The following list of reference material is the chief source used in the preparation of foregoing 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 3, Ala. See list of leaflets on page 3.

The Window of Y.W.A.
The Commission
State Denominational Papers

Last Reports of Home and Foreign Mission Boards

Signs of the Times..... Edited by Una Roberts Lawrence

The Stranger within Our Gates..... Dr. J. F. Plainfield

—World Comrades
—Southern Baptist Home Missions

Summer Assemblies

MARYLAND
MARYLAND Baptists, in spite of prevailing conditions, have as usual made plans for their summer assembly. The dates are July 6-12, and the place is historic Braddock Heights in the lovely Blue Ridge Mountains. Every department of church life is included in the well-rounded program of activities. The hours for conference and study are so arranged that there will be no conflict: first, Sunday-school hour, then Woman's Missionary Union and Pastors' Conferences, with the mission study periods preceding the Baptist Training Union hour.

The Royal Ambassador Camp will be in charge of Rev. H. Oliver Walters, pastor of Mardela Baptist Church. The Girl's Auxiliary and Young Woman's Auxiliary members will have Fairmount Cottage for headquarters with Mrs. H. Otis Mayhew in charge.

Outstanding teachers and lecturers will include Dr. William G. Spencer, Franklin College, Indiana; Dr. Edward A. McDowell, Louisville, Kentucky; Dr. W. O. Lewis, secretary of Baptist World Alliance; Dr. Harry Clark, University of South Carolina; Mrs. W. B. Johnson, China. Trained local leaders will complete the program personnel.

The afternoons will be given over to rest and, for those who want it, a well planned program of recreation and sightseeing under supervised leadership. Not the least of the many attractive features is the "Sunset Hour" held each evening out on the hillside overlooking the lovely Frederick Valley, with the lecture course in the auditorium concluding each evening's service. Inspiration and good times, coupled with profitable study, provide a wholesome time for every member of the family. It is hoped they will all make their plans to be present.—Mrs. Samuel R. Barnes.



LAKE at RIDGECREST, N. C.

Society & Methods

CHURCHES HAVING A-1 FULL GRADED W.M.U.

EW if any features of W.M.U. work are as comprehensive as are the possibilities wrapped up in each organization's Standard of Excellence, the reaching of which is not only encouraged but urged because of the well-nigh inevitable local and world-wide benefits. Last year 6173 W.M.U. organizations for young people and women each attained A-1 on their respective standards, at least 1340 of these standard organizations being in the 268 southern Baptist churches each of which maintained an A-1 Woman's Missionary Society and at least one each of the graded W.M.U. young people's organizations. To the pastors and W.M.U. leaders and members of these 268 churches there is extended hearty thanks and congratulations. The names of these churches follow. Among them are 46 that were also distinguished for extra stewardship activity among the women, a star (*) being shown by the name of any such church. The figure by the name of each church indicates the number of years that the church has maintained an A-1 Full Graded W.M.U. (For the list of churches distinguished as to stewardship see pages 30-34.)

Alabama	Florida	4 Rome, Tubize
1 Bessemer, First	*2 Leesburg, Main St.	*2 Sardis (Hebron Assn.)
5 Birmingham, Bush Hills, Parkview	Georgia	5 Savannah, Bull St.
6 Birmingham, Ensley, Pike Ave.	*15 Atley	1 Savannah, Morning Side
4 Birmingham, South Avondale	2 Americus, Central	7 Summerville
1 County Line	2 Athens, Prince Ave.	18 Sylvania
1 Lanett	1 Atlanta, College Park	1 Turkey Branch
3 Northport	1 Atlanta, East Point	*9 Wades
*3 Phenix City, West Side	4 Atlanta, Grove Park	Illinois
1 Selma, First	6 Atlanta, Kirkwood	1 East St. Louis, Winstanley
8 Sylacauga, Mignon	1 Augusta, Second	2 Marion, Second
*11 Tolbert	2 Bainbridge, First	1 Mounds
Arizona	6 Bay Branch	Kentucky
1 Buckeye, First Southern	*4 Bowman	2 Adairville
*4 Coolidge, First	1 Chamblee	1 Buffalo Lick
*3 Sacaton, First Pima Indian	7 Corinth (Middle Assn.)	1 Corbin, Central
Arkansas	2 Covington, First	1 Cumberland
4 Dumas	*18 Double Heads	1 Danville, Lexington Ave.
1 Earle	8 Dry Branch	6 Erlanger, Elumers
2 Little Rock, Immanuel	1 Elam	18 Lebanon Junction, First
2 Little Rock, Pulaski Heights	1 Green Fork	2 Lexington, Calvary
10 Pine Bluff, First	5 Green Hill	1 Louisville, Deer Park
	1 Live Oak Gardens	2 Louisville, St. Matthews
	1 Macon, Cherokee Heights	3 Midway
	2 Manchester, North Side	3 Perryville
	17 Millen	1 Pine Creek
	*10 New Providence (Middle Assn.)	
	2 North Newington	
	9 Rome, Maple St.	
	2 Rome, North Broad	

Louisiana

- 1 Coushatta
- 1 Kinder, First
- 0 Lake Charles, Trinity
- 11 New Orleans, Central
- 5 New Orleans, First
- 0 New Orleans, Valence St.
- 0 Shreveport, Parkview
- 4 Sulphur, First
- 1 Taylor

Mississippi

- 5 Clarksdale
- 6 Indianola
- 11 Jackson, First
- 1 Jackson, Parkway
- 1 Laurel, First
- 1 Louisville
- 2 Liberty
- *5 Morgan City
- 1 Natchez, First
- 7 Tupelo, Calvary
- 6 Tupelo, First
- *1 Weir

Missouri

- 5 Flat River
- 8 Houston
- 4 Kennett
- 2 Kirksville
- *2 Mountain Grove
- 1 Point Breeze
- 4 Sedalia, First
- 1 Springfield, First
- 10 Springfield, Immanuel

North Carolina

- 1 Asheboro, First
- 1 Badin
- 1 Brush Creek
- 1 Cashie
- 1 Colerain
- *2 Conway
- 10 Creekville
- 2 Dunn
- 1 East Flat Rock
- 1 Elizabeth City, First
- 2 Fountain
- 1 Harris Chapel
- 1 Leaksville
- 1 Lexington
- 6 Madison
- 0 New Friendship
- 2 Salisbury, First
- 2 Sanford
- 1 Shady Grove
- 1 Spencer, First
- 3 Winston-Salem, North
- 1 Winston-Salem, Waughtown

Oklahoma

- 2 Ponca City, First
- *1 Bellevue
- 1 Columbia, Park St
- 3 Doctor's Creek
- 1 Easley, First
- 1 Ebenezer
- 12 Gaffney, First
- 3 Greenville, Calvary
- 2 Greenville, Judson
- *4 Greenville
- 2 Morgan Memorial
- 2 Greenville, Park Place
- 4 Greenville, Pediton St
- 1 Greenville, Sans Souci
- 2 Greenville, Second
- 1 Greenville, Washington Ave
- 2 Greenwood, South Main
- 1 Lamar
- 5 Laurens, First
- 4 Lawtonville
- 1 McCormick
- 18 Mt. Elon
- 1 Olanta
- *4 Reedy Fork
- 1 Rock Hill, First
- 1 Sardis (Florence Assn.)
- 7 Simpsonville, First
- 1 Spartanburg, Southside
- 1 Sumter, Grace
- 6 Swift Creek

- 1 Taylor
- 1 Victor
- 3 Walterboro
- 1 Woodruff, First

Tennessee

- 13 Alamo
- 4 Athens, First
- 5 Bolivar
- 1 Bristol, Virginia Ave
- 1 Centerville
- 6 Chattanooga, Calvary
- 0 Chattanooga, Chamberlain Ave
- 1 Chattanooga, First
- 18 Chattanooga, Tabernacle
- 1 Chattanooga, Woodland Park
- 5 Cleveland, First
- 1 Elizabethton, Immanuel
- 1 Humboldt
- 1 Jackson, Poplar Heights
- 1 Knoxville, Bell Ave

- *5 Knoxville, Calvary
- 5 Lewisburg
- 1 Maryville, First
- 0 Memphis, Bellevue
- 1 Memphis, Berclair
- 2 Memphis, Central Ave
- *1 Milan
- 7 Nashville, Eastland
- 5 Nashville, Lockland
- 1 Powell Chapel
- 1 Whiteville

Texas

- 1 Cleveland, First
- 1 Dimmitt, First
- 2 Fairplay
- 1 Henderson, First
- 12 Houston, United Temple
- 2 Houston, West End
- 4 San Angelo, First

Virginia

- 2 Alexandria, Temple
- 1 Antioch
- 1 Ash Camp
- 2 Astor
- 2 Bassett, Pocahontas
- *2 Battery Park
- 1 Bedford
- 2 Beulah (Herman Assn.)
- 2 Black Creek
- 1 Brookneal
- 1 Buchanan
- 4 Buena Vista
- *1 Central
- 1 Central Hill
- 2 Chase City
- 3 Chatham
- 5 Courtland
- 3 Crystal Hill
- 1 Danville, West Main
- 4 Dundas (Concord Assn.)
- 1 Falling River
- *7 Fieldale
- 2 Fluvanna
- 1 Forest Grove
- 1 George Braxton Taylor
- 1 Good Will Center
- 1 Gosben
- 2 Hampton, Memorial
- 1 Ivor
- *3 Jerusalem
- 2 Laurel Grove

- 1 Laurel Hill
- 2 London Bridge
- 1 Lynchburg, First
- *6 Mountain View
- 1 Mt. Lebanon
- 4 Mt. Vernon
- 1 New Chapel
- 1 New Hope
- 1 New Prospect
- 2 Norfolk
- 5 Olivet
- 1 Orange (Goshen Assn.)
- 1 Petersburg
- *9 Pocahontas
- *7 Portsmouth, Jackson Memorial

- *3 Portsmouth
- 1 Princeton, W. Va.
- 1 Pulaaki
- 1 Red Bank
- 1 Republican Grove
- *3 Richmond, Boulevard
- 1 Richmond, Fairmont Ave.
- 1 Roanoke, Mehrose
- 1 Roanoke, Villa Heights
- *4 Round Oak
- 1 St. Stephens
- 1 Salem (Herman Assn.)
- *1 Samaria (Dover Assn.)
- 1 Sedley
- 1 Sharon (Augusta Assn.)
- 1 South Hill
- 2 South Richmond, Woodland Heights

- *14 Spring Hill
- 2 Stuart
- 2 Suffolk, First
- 6 Suffolk, West End
- *1 Sumerduck
- 1 Sycamore
- *12 Thornton
- *1 Thompson's Settlement
- *3 Troutville (Valley Assn.)
- *4 Tsena-Commoche
- *4 Tucker Swamp
- 2 Union (Peninsula Assn.)
- *4 Union Hill
- 1 Urbanna
- 1 Western Branch
- *2 Winn's (Dover Assn.)
- 3 Winn's Creek
- 1 Wise

For a DEBTLESS DENOMINATION (Concluded from Page 5)

by numbers of volunteers. Their activities include visitation for personal soul-winning in the Trinity River bottom, Fort Worth. In the course of this visitation the people are invited to the Trinity Mission, which is manned by some ten students and one professor, who do the teaching and preaching carried on here. On Friday nights there is also preaching at the Trinity Mission, on the streets of Fort Worth and in the Union Gospel Mission. Saturday morning the students go to the Children's Free Hospital, conduct a Bible School at Mount Gilead Negro Baptist Church and do visitation for the Presidio Mexican Mission. On Sunday, in addition to further services of teaching and preaching in the locations named above, there are at least three services in the county jail. Some fifty-seven conversions resulted during one semester of this session, from the effective mission work of these students.

When we remember that 204 students of Southwestern have gone as missionaries to foreign fields with 8 others already under appointment and awaiting the time of their departure, that 48 are serving as home missionaries and that we have the names and addresses of 274 of our men who are now chaplains, we give thanks unto God for the far-reaching ministry of our beloved Seminary in heralding the glorious news of redemption at home and abroad.

What shall we do about the Hundred Thousand Club and other debt-clearance plans? Support them, reinforce them, expand them that our seminaries—the institutions dedicated to training the leadership for a mighty mission-forward-march—may be unencumbered to employ their full strength in this mighty task of world missions! On May 12 Southwestern Seminary's debt stood at \$99,500. If the Hundred Thousand Club keeps the average it has attained for the first three months of this calendar year, we shall be "debt-free in '43".



CHURCHES 100% RESIDENT WOMEN MEMBERS— MISSIONARY GIVERS

HIGHLY gratifying is the emphasis which many southern Baptist churches place on gifts to missions, one expression of this emphasis being the effort to get every resident woman member of the church to give something to missions during the calendar year. In 1942 there were 670 S.B.C. churches that reported success in this effort, such gifts being made either through the Cooperative Program (designated or undesignated) or through offerings of W.M.U. These 670 churches are herewith listed, sincerest appreciation being felt toward the pastor and Woman's Missionary Society of each church. The numeral by the church's name indicates the number of years that the church has been successful in this effort. A star (*) by the name of a church points to the fact that the church was also A-1 during the past calendar year, 46 churches each having attained the twofold distinction. (For A-1 list see pages 27-29.)

Alabama			Florida		
4 Aldrich	7 Ramer	3 Strong	1 Alford		
2 Bayview	2 Sardis (Bullock-Cent. Assn.)	3 Wilmet	1 Anthony		
2 Benton	1 Shiloh (Bethel Assn.)		2 Bushnell		
2 Bessemer, Second	6 Shiloh (Selma Assn.)		1 Canal Point		
8 Bethel	1 Tallahassee		1 Carrabelle, First		
2 Carlowville	*4 Tolbert		2 Chipley, First		
9 Catherine	2 Trussville		1 Clear Springs		
6 Chatham	1 Wetumpka, First		1 Cottondale		
1 Cusseta			1 Delray Beach		
2 Dolomite			1 Eilers		
1 Eclectic			2 Eustis		
1 Eutaw			1 Ft. Lauderdale, First		
1 Fairfield, First			2 Gretna		
10 Fitzpatrick			1 Haines City, First		
1 Foley			1 Highland City		
3 Friendship			1 Holly Hill		
1 Frisco City			1 Ridgewood Ave.		
1 Harpersville			1 Jacksonville, Grand Park		
7 Hebron			1 Jacksonville, Hogan		
1 Hickory Grove			*2 Leesburg, Main St.		
1 Hillwood			1 Madison, First		
2 Liberty			1 Miami, Coconut Grove		
2 Mt. Signal			2 Miami, Riverside		
6 Myrtlewood			1 Miami, Stanton Memorial		
1 Nicholasville			1 Moore Haven, First		
1 Oak Grove			1 Mount Olive		
4 Orrville			(Northeast Fla. Assn.)		
*2 Phenix City, Westside					
1 Philadelphia					
2 Pickensville					

Georgia			Kentucky		
2 New Hope	1 Central City		1 Ashland, Central		
2 North Pleasant Grove (New River Assn.)	1 Centra, Tabernacle		1 Belleview		
1 Orlando, Holden Heights	1 Chandlerville		1 Bethel		
1 Orlando, North Park	1 Charleston, First		1 Cedar Grove		
2 Oviedo	1 Christopher		2 Clear Fork		
1 Palatka, First	1 Crossville		1 Cloverport		
1 Peniel	1 Cutler		1 Dover		
1 Port St. Joe, First	1 Dixon Springs		2 Eastwood		
1 Sarasota, Second	1 Dutch Ridge		1 Gilead		
2 Tallahassee, Lakeview	1 E. St. Louis, Roselawn		1 Hardinsburg		
1 Tampa, Northside	3 E. St. Louis, Sterling		2 Jenkins, First		
1 Tampa, Orient Park	1 Fairfield		1 Louisville, Ninth St.		
1 Vernon	1 Golconda		1 Louisville, W. Broadway		
1 Warrington	1 Granite City, First		1 Macedonia		
1 Whitney	1 Liberty		2 Meadow Home		
1 Wimsams, First	1 Mound City		1 Middleton		
	1 Mt. Pleasant		1 Middletown		
	5 Mt. Vernon, Second		1 Morehead		
	1 New Harmony		1 Mt. Pleasant		
	5 New Hope		1 New Zion		
	3 Old DuQuoin		1 Toombsboro		
	1 Pleasant Hill		1 River View		
	1 Raymond		2 Turner's Station		
	3 Shawneetown				
	1 Steelville				
	2 Stonefort				
	1 Sunfield				
	1 Wamac				
	2 Wisetown				

1 Fish Creek
 1 Green Mound
 (Franklin Co. Assn.)
 1 Harmony
 (Benton Co. Assn.)
 1 Henrietta
 1 Hopewell
 1 Kansas City, Centropolis
 1 Kansas City,
 Independence Ave.
 1 Kansas City, Linwood
 1 Kansas City,
 Michigan Ave.
 1 Kansas City, Tabernacle
 1 Kearney
 1 Lebanon
 1 Leeton
 1 Liberty Union
 (No. Central Assn.)
 1 Licking
 1 Luray
 1 Mexico
 1 Mountain Grove
 1 Mt. Hermon
 (Lamine Assn.)
 1 Mt. Zion
 (Salt River Assn.)
 1 Neosho, First
 1 New London
 1 Newtonia
 1 North Kansas City
 1 Oak Grove
 1 Oak Ridge
 1 Oakton (Barton
 County Assn.)
 1 Pioneer
 1 Poplar Bluff, Second
 1 Providence
 (Clay-Platte Assn.)
 1 Purdy
 1 Rising Sun
 (Callaway Assn.)
 1 Rock Port
 1 Russellville
 1 St. Louis, Kirkwood,
 Meramec Heights
 1 St. Louis, Maplewood
 1 Shelbyna
 1 Short Creek
 1 Splitlog
 (Shoal Creek Assn.)
 1 Springfield, East Ave.
 1 Steele
 1 Sullivan
 1 Summit
 1 Versailles

 North Carolina
 1 Antioch
 (Little River Assn.)
 1 Bethany
 1 Burnell
 1 Canton, First
 1 Conway

1 Crabtree
 1 Earleys
 1 Greensboro,
 Webster Memorial
 1 Kannapolis,
 Whites Memorial
 1 Mills Home
 1 Mocksville
 2 Piney Forest
 1 Pittsboro
 1 Reidsville,
 Baptist Temple
 1 Riverside
 1 Roper
 2 Seaboard
 1 Shady Brook
 1 Troy, First
 1 Vandemere
 5 Winton

Oklahoma

1 Amber
 1 Beulah
 1 Blanchard
 1 Broken Arrow
 2 Coffeyville, Kansas
 1 Hillcrest
 1 Hopewell
 1 Irving
 1 Muskogee, Central
 1 New Hope
 1 Nicoma Park
 1 Oakhurst
 1 Oklahoma City,
 Downtown
 1 Oklahoma City,
 Fortieth St.
 1 Oklahoma City,
 Lawrence Ave.
 1 Oklahoma City,
 South Memorial
 1 Oklahoma City,
 Washington Ave.
 1 Oklahoma City,
 Putnam City
 1 Tulsa, Immanuel
 1 Tulsa, Nogales Ave.

South Carolina

1 Ariel
 1 Beaver Creek
 (Moriah Assn.)
 *1 Bellview
 (Spartan Assn.)
 2 Bethlehem
 (Colleton Assn.)
 6 Beulah (Florence Assn.)
 1 Charleston, First
 1 Cheraw
 1 Chestnut Ridge
 (Laurens Assn.)
 2 Collins Creek
 (Waccamon Assn.)

1 Columbia, Fairwood
 2 Concord (Saluda Assn.)
 1 Conway, First
 1 Darlington, First
 4 Due West
 1 Elko
 2 Fingerville
 3 First Creek (Saluda Assn.)
 3 Flint Hill (York Assn.)
 1 Franklin
 (Greenville Assn.)
 4 Good Hope (Saluda Assn.)

*2 Greenville,
 Morgan Memorial
 1 Hartsville, First
 2 High Hill
 (Welsh Neck Assn.)
 4 Horeb (Abbeville Assn.)
 5 Horeb (Santee Assn.)
 2 Jamestown
 1 Kellytown
 1 Kingsburg
 2 Lake Swamp
 3 Lanford
 2 Liberty Hill
 1 Little Bethel
 (Marion Assn.)

2 Loris
 2 Lowrys
 1 Mechanicsville
 1 Middle River
 (Greenville Assn.)
 1 Mt. Calvary
 (Barnwell Assn.)
 1 Mt. Olive (Laurens Assn.)
 1 Mt. Pleasant
 (Ridge Assn.)
 1 Mt. Springs
 (Piedmont Assn.)
 1 Murrells Inlet
 4 New Hope (Santee Assn.)
 1 North Pacolet
 (N. Spartan Assn.)
 2 Pamplico
 5 Pee Dee (Marion Assn.)
 1 Pleasant Grove
 1 Pleasant Hill
 (Moriah Assn.)

1 Pleasant Hill
 (Pee Dee Assn.)
 1 Pleasant Hill
 (Southeast Assn.)
 1 Pleasant Hill
 (Southeast Assn.)
 2 Pruspect (Laurens Assn.)
 *2 Reedy Fork
 (Greenville Assn.)
 3 Reevesville
 1 Rocky Creek
 (Ridge Assn.)
 1 Rosemont
 1 Salem
 1 Spring Branch
 (Barnwell Assn.)

1 Springdell (Moriah Assn.)
 2 Spring Hill
 (Chesterfield Assn.)
 *2 Taylors
 1 Tyger
 1 Union (York Assn.)
 1 Varnville
 1 Walnut Grove
 (N. Greenville Assn.)
 2 Waterloo
 1 White Oak
 2 Woodward

Tennessee

1 Brown Springs
 2 Chattanooga
 1 Rossville Tabernacle
 2 Elizabethton
 1 Grace Tabernacle
 1 Knoxville, Calvary
 *2 Milan
 1 Morristown First
 2 Mt. Juliet
 1 Wayneboro

Texas

1 Abilene, First
 1 Alpine
 4 Austin, Hyde Park
 1 Bandera
 1 Baytown
 1 Beaufort Gardens
 1 Bellmead
 1 Benavides
 1 Benjamin
 1 Roerne
 1 Broadus
 1 Calallen
 1 Camilla
 1 Chandler
 1 Channing
 1 Chilton
 1 Clawson
 1 Comfort
 1 Corpus Christi, First
 1 Corpus Christi,
 Meadow Park
 1 Dallas, Arcadia
 1 Dallas, Belknap
 1 Dallas, Clarendon Drive
 1 Dallas, Edgemont
 1 Dallas, Emmanuel
 1 Dallas, Erway St.
 1 Dallas, Fernwood
 1 Dallas, Hillcrest
 1 Dallas, Memorial
 1 Dallas, Ross Ave.
 1 Dallas, Skyline Heights
 1 Dawson
 1 DeBerry
 2 Dilley
 1 Dixie
 1 Ebenezer
 1 El Paso, Highland Park

1 Eola
 1 Eustace
 1 Fargo
 4 Ferris
 5 Flatonia
 1 Florey
 1 Fluvanna
 1 Ft. Worth,
 Arlington Heights
 1 Ft. Worth, Broadway
 1 Ft. Worth,
 Diamond Hill
 1 Ft. Worth, Forest Hill
 1 Ft. Worth, Harmony
 1 Ft. Worth, Layton Ave
 5 Friendship
 1 Garland
 1 Gem
 1 Gilliland
 1 Golinda
 1 Gorman
 5 Grandfalls
 1 Grand Saline, Main St
 1 Haile
 2 Hodges

1 Houston, Airline Drive
 1 Houston, Alta Vista
 1 Houston, Clover Leaf
 4 Houston, Golden Acres
 1 Houston, Humble Rd
 1 Houston, Larkin St
 1 Houston, Rice Temple
 1 Houston, Tabernacle
 1 Houston, Tidwell
 2 Huntsville
 1 Hutto
 2 Kamey
 1 Kingsville, First
 1 Klondyke
 1 Kress
 5 Kyle
 1 Lakeview
 1 La Rue
 1 League City
 1 Lelia Lake
 1 Liberty Hill
 1 Lockney
 6 Longview, Emmanuel
 1 Longview, South Side
 1 Los Fresnos
 1 Lubbock, East Side
 1 Lubbock, Slide
 1 Lufkin, Second
 1 McAllen
 1 McKinney,
 King Memorial

1 Madisonville
 1 Magnolia
 1 Midlothian
 1 Mt. Blanco
 1 Myra
 1 Odessa, Immanuel
 1 Palacios
 1 Pampa, Amarada

1 Peacock
 1 Pecan Grove
 1 Penelope, Emmanuel
 1 Pine Forest
 1 Port Acres
 1 Prairie Lea
 1 Presidio
 2 Quemado
 1 Red Springs
 1 Rock Island
 1 Rotan, Highland Home
 1 Rural Shade
 1 San Antonio, Eastview
 1 San Antonio,
 Harlandale
 1 San Antonio, Lakeview
 1 San Antonio,
 Mitchell Terrace
 1 San Antonio,
 Palm Heights
 1 Shiro
 1 Sodville
 1 Smyer
 1 Snyder
 1 Spofford
 1 Stepps Creek
 1 Talco, Calvary
 3 Tatum
 1 Terrell Wells
 2 Texarkana, West
 1 Tilden
 1 Tyler, East
 1 Tyler, Queen St.
 1 Valley View
 1 Vega
 2 Waco, Emmanuel
 1 Weinert
 1 Whitarral
 1 Wichita Falls,
 Lory Memorial
 1 Wilmett
 1 Woodbury

Virginia

1 Aaron's Creek
 (Dan River Assn.)
 1 Adam's Grove
 (Petersburg Assn.)
 6 Altavista
 1 Alton (Dan River Assn.)
 2 Arbor (Dan River Assn.)
 *1 Ash Camp
 (Appomattox Assn.)
 1 Ballston (Potomac Assn.)
 *2 Battery Park
 1 Berea (Dover Assn.)
 7 Bethel (Portsmouth Assn.)
 1 Bethlehem (Dover Assn.)
 10 Bethlehem
 (James River Assn.)
 1 Beulah (Goshen Assn.)
 1 Blair

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| 1 Blue Run (Shiloh Assn.) | 1 Liberty Grove (Blue Ridge Assn.) | 2 Rappahannock (Rappahannock Assn.) |
| 4 Brandy (Shiloh Assn.) | 1 Manassas | *1 Richmond, Boulevard |
| 1 Buffalo (Augusta Assn.) | 1 Manly Memorial (Augusta Assn.) | 2 Ridge (Dover Assn.) |
| 9 Burdette (Blackwater Assn.) | 1 Marlbrook (Augusta Assn.) | 2 Roanoke, East End |
| 2 Calvary (Potomac Assn.) | 1 Marshall | 2 Rock Hill (Potomac Assn.) |
| 2 C. & O. (James River Assn.) | 1 Martinsville, Starling Ave. | *1 Round Oak (Heron Assn.) |
| *1 Central (Strawberry Assn.) | 8 Massaponax (Goshen Assn.) | 1 Royall Chapel (Strawberry Assn.) |
| *1 Central Hill (Blackwater Assn.) | 1 Mathews (Rappahannock Assn.) | 1 Rustburg (Appomattox Assn.) |
| 1 Ceres (New Lebanon Assn.) | 1 Mattaponi (Rappahannock Assn.) | 1 Salem (Middle District) |
| 2 Chestnut Level (Pittsylvania Assn.) | 1 Mendota | *4 Samaria (Dover Assn.) |
| 5 Cool Spring (Dover Assn.) | 2 Midway (Appomattox Assn.) | 2 Sharon (Dover Assn.) |
| 1 Cullen | 2 Milkstone (Don River Assn.) | 1 Slovak (Dover Assn.) |
| 1 Damascus | 1 Mineral (Goshen Assn.) | 2 Spring Creek (Appomattox Assn.) |
| 1 Elk Hill (James River Assn.) | 9 Mooreland (Rappahannock Assn.) | 5 Spring Hill (Rappahannock Assn.) |
| 1 Enon (Valley Assn.) | 1 Moore's Swamp (Blackwater Assn.) | *3 Spring Hill (Shiloh Assn.) |
| 7 Ephesus (Rappahannock Assn.) | *5 Mountain View (Lebanon Assn.) | 4 Stanardsville (Shiloh Assn.) |
| 1 Fairfield (Rappahannock Assn.) | 1 Mt. Vernon (Concord Assn.) | *3 Sumerduck (Potomac Assn.) |
| 1 Farnham | *1 Mt. Vernon (Dover Assn.) | 1 Summit Point (Shenandoah Assn.) |
| *5 Fieldale | 1 Mt. Zion (Pittsylvania Assn.) | 1 Tar Waret (James River Assn.) |
| 1 Fountain Grove (Petersburg Assn.) | 4 Mt. Zion (Shiloh Assn.) | 3 Tazewell |
| 1 Friendship (Lebanon Assn.) | 1 Neriah (Augusta Assn.) | *3 Thaxton |
| 4 Glenn Memorial (Appomattox Assn.) | *2 New Hope (Blue Ridge Assn.) | *3 Thompson's Settlement (Powell River Assn.) |
| 1 Grafton (Peninsula Assn.) | 1 New Hope (Concord Assn.) | 1 Trinity (Blue Ridge Assn.) |
| 1 Grundy (Accomac Assn.) | 1 New Hope (Goshen Assn.) | *2 Troutville (Valley Assn.) |
| 3 Hall's Chapel (Accomac Assn.) | 1 Newsome (Rappahannock Assn.) | *10 Tsena-Commocks |
| 2 Hanover (Rappahannock Assn.) | 2 Norwood | *1 Tucker Swamp (Blackwater Assn.) |
| 1 Hebron (Appomattox Assn.) | 8 Pamunkey (Dover Assn.) | 2 Union (Accomac Assn.) |
| 2 Honaker (Rappahannock Assn.) | 1 Petersburg, Monumental | 2 Union (Middle District) |
| 1 Horeb (Augusta Assn.) | *3 Po-rabontas | *2 Union Hill (Appomattox Assn.) |
| 1 Irvington (Rappahannock Assn.) | 1 Poraporone (Rappahannock Assn.) | 4 Wakefield (Petersburg Assn.) |
| *3 Jerusalem (Piedmont Assn.) | *5 Portsmouth, Jackson Memorial | 1 Walnut Grove (Piedmont Assn.) |
| 1 Jonesboro (Rappahannock Assn.) | *8 Portsmouth, Park View | 5 Waverly |
| 1 Kemperville (Portsmouth Assn.) | 4 Purcellville | 1 West Point |
| 1 Kerr's Creek (Augusta Assn.) | 4 Ragland Memorial (Dover Assn.) | *2 Winn's (Dover Assn.) |
| 1 Liberty (Concord Assn.) | 2 Ramoth (Potomac Assn.) | *4 Winn's Creek (Dan River Assn.) |
| 1 Liberty Chapel (James River Assn.) | | 1 Woodbridge (Potomac Assn.) |
| | | 2 Zion Hill (Valley Assn.) |



Current Missionary Events

Discussed by Mrs. W. C. James, Virginia

Each year for the past five years the American Bible Society has printed little stamps or seals, the use of which it is hoped as Dr. William Lyon Phelps says "will serve the double purpose of calling America's attention to America's own need for the Bible and of providing funds for distributing it all over the world". The design of the seal for this year illustrates on a white background the open Bible surrounded by the national colors and with an honor guard of a soldier, a sailor and a marine featuring the slogan: "Stand by the Bible—the Christian, the American way".

It is estimated that tens of thousands of men in our armed forces are now in possession of the first New Testament they ever owned. Of course many of these are from the homes of foreign-speaking people who have come to the land of the "Lighted Lamp". From personal knowledge we know that many men in the service do read their New Testaments daily; may we not all pray that these may be used of God to lead those who do not, to read theirs also?

The Chinese Baptist Church on Pell Street in New York's Chinatown has sixty of its young men in the American armed forces who write most interesting letters to the director of the Christian Center maintained by the church, revealing their devotion to their church. This is largely a young people's church with large numbers in its congregation who are not yet Christian, but they are nevertheless deeply interested. The latest activity of the church's Christian Center is a class in English for Chinese mothers.

It is interesting at times to note items published in journals of other lands concerning us and our problems here. *World Dominion*, published in London, England, in an item headed "An American Problem" says: "The center of the race issue in America is the

American Negro. The 'colored' people of the world are keenly interested spectators of the attitude of America towards the black people in the country. The way in which the matter is handled will vitally affect the black and yellow peoples in other quarters of the globe".

Washington University in St. Louis, Missouri, has seventy Japanese-American students, the second largest number of these students on any campus in the United States. The university reports that they have been cordially accepted by the other students and that the churches have cooperated with the university in helping to get them employment and scholarships when needed. The Oberlin College Student Council attracted attention recently when it elected a Japanese American student evacuee as its president.

The secretary of the department of evangelism of the Federal Council of Churches has announced a series of missions to be held in each of the ten relocation centers where Japanese-Americans are interned. We are told that about sixty-four per cent of the population of the Arkansas centers are Buddhist, thirty-five per cent protestant or evangelical and one per cent Catholic.

From the *United Presbyterian* we have the following information: "After purchasing \$4000 worth of war bonds the Acoma Indians of New Mexico wired the government asking that none of the money be used to buy liquor for the soldiers". "So far as we know", the item continues, "these 'savages' lead the temperance procession in this field of activity".

Dr. Ralph W. Sockman, pastor of Christ Methodist Church, New York City, declared at a meeting in Town Hall recently that "the church is betraying its trust if it merely tries to convert youth in the Sunday-school and then does not try to change the economic conditions which pervert their ideals and the war system which butchers their bodies".

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State	State Goal	Total Receipts	State Designations	State Expenses	Per Goal of \$170,000
Ala.....	\$ 9,900	\$10,012.20	\$	\$ 150.00	\$15,862.20
Ariz.....		485.70			485.70
Ark.....	5,000	3,725.61	350.00	250.00	8,125.61
D. C.* ..	500	738.09			738.09
Fla.....	7,500	9,374.92		95.00	9,279.92
Ga.....		19,485.85			19,485.85
Ill.....		3,661.04	1,591.04	35.00	2,035.00
Ky.....	10,000	16,303.08		209.44	16,093.64
La.....	9,000	13,799.07	720.00	55.95	13,023.12
Md.....	1,800	2,181.35			2,181.35
Miss.....		18,644.33			18,644.33
Mo.....	9,000	13,079.69		161.40	12,918.29
N. M.....	1,250	1,588.89	250.00		1,338.89
N. C.....	21,000	28,190.71		194.86	27,995.85
Okla.....	8,000	9,756.46		80.00	8,676.46
S. C.....	12,000	16,766.39		133.22	16,633.17
Tenn.....	13,000	17,446.51		60.00	17,386.51
Tex.....	25,000	55,124.21	37,249.21	375.00	17,500.00
Va.....	\$25,100	30,350.16	12,110.16		18,240.00
TOTAL.....		\$280,714.26	\$52,270.41	\$1,709.87	\$226,643.98

*D. C. contributed the same amount to the work of the Northern Baptist Convention.

