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Editorial

BAPTIST WOMEN of the WORLD
Mrs. F. W. Armstrong, President W.M.U.

THE meeting of the Baptist World Alliance in Atlanta in 1939 was a memorable experience, especially for southern Baptists. It afforded an opportunity for personal acquaintance with those of like faith in diverse parts of the world, quickening the spirit of fellowship as it brought firsthand knowledge of the life and work of Baptists around the world. As bombs were loosed upon London, long the headquarters city of the Alliance, its treasured records were moved to places of safety and its headquarters were temporarily established in Washington, D. C. Its new secretary, Dr. W. O. Lewis, citizen of the United States of America, with an administrative committee made up of some members from our own country and one from Canada, has carried on with remarkable efficiency considering world conditions.

The anticipated presence of Dr. J. H. Rushbrooke of London, president of the Alliance, justified the calling of a meeting of the Executive Committee in Chicago May 27-28. The representation of at least two continents is essential for such a meeting according to provision of the constitution. Members from Canada, from both the Northern and Southern Baptist Conventions, from the National Baptist Convention (Negro) and the Rumanian member—Rev. Lucian Szeopov, president of the Theological Seminary in Bucharest, now pastor of a Rumanian church in Chicago—together with several missionaries from various fields who served as proxies for absent members—formed the personnel of the committee meeting. Reports of sub-committees and consideration of post-war problems and plans together with such reports of Baptist life as were available combined to make an interesting and helpful meeting. The heroic service of missionaries and native Christians in meeting unprecedented need and in spreading the "Good News" is vastly encouraging, though the suppression and scattering of Baptist congregations in many places is cause for deep concern.

Greetings from Mrs. Ernest Brown, chairman of the Woman's Committee, were received and a heartening report was made of the part the women of England had in the Carey Sesqui-centennial Celebration. The report of the Woman's Committee revealed the following facts: Canadian: Enlisted membership 28,000 with gifts \$157,000; seventy missionaries home and foreign are supported. Missionary education of young people featured. Northern Baptist: Enlisted membership 133,748; gain of 11% in budget receipts with additional gifts \$818,000; readers of missionary books 185,000; books read 780,000. Missionary organizations for young people. 50,953 membership with gifts \$19,667; encouraging reports from both "societies", Home and Foreign.

Negro: Two organizations reporting advancing work though difficult to give accurate figures as to enlisted membership. Both emphasize training of children and young people and both report large increases in gifts and good news from their mission fields in the Bahamas and in Africa. Study classes and institutes for leaders are growing in numbers and efficiency. Southern Baptist: Enlisted membership 748,465; gifts to mission causes \$3,704,755, a gain of over 15%, or more than \$500,000 over previous year. Other facts concerning mission study, prayer-programs and training of young people were presented. Others: Reports from the Mexican women in Texas, from Mexico and from fields in South America were gleaned from letters of missionaries and from reports of presidents. They revealed deep interest in their constituencies and devoted service. From Europe no word can come. Our prayers should support them.

The Woman's Committee has five members: one from Germany; one from England; three from the United States; and, under plans that were developing before war descended upon the world, corresponding members had been secured in twenty-one additional national groups. It is hoped that a wide fellowship of knowledge and prayer may be established with an exchange of information about the work carried on by each group. We ask southern Baptist women to make the work of this committee an object of concerted prayer, while we seek to uphold our sisters around the world in their service for the Kingdom of God.

Ridgecrest Missions Weeks



CONFERENCE PROGRAM for BUSINESS WOMEN'S CIRCLES

AUGUST 4-10, 1943, RIDGECREST, N. C.

THEME: Come Women, Christ Proclaim

Thursday, August 5

9:00-10:00—*The Organization of B.W.C.*

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

Leaders: Miss Hannah Reynolds, La.; Miss Fannie Traylor, Miss.

5:00- 5:55—*Open House*—State-by-State through the Southland

Hostess States: N.C., Ga., D.C., Ky.

Friday, August 6

9:00-10:00—*Through Tithes and Offerings*

"Sisters from many lands teach to adore!"

Leaders: Miss Janice Singleton, Ga.; Miss Vonnie Lance, S.C.

5:00- 5:55—*Open House*—State-by-State through the Southland

Hostess States: Tenn., Fla., La., Mo.

Saturday, August 7

9:00-10:00—*In the Community*

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

Leader: Miss Josephine Jones, Ill.

5:00- 5:55—*Open House*—State-by-State through the Southland

Hostess States: Okla., Ark., Miss., Ala., Tex.

Sunday, August 8

9:00-10:00—*Address: Come Women, Christ Proclaim!* Miss Kathleen Mallory

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**HOME MISSION WEEK to FOCUS
ATTENTION on SPIRITUAL PROBLEMS**

Joe W. Burton
Secretary of Education, Home Mission Board

THE Home Mission Conference at Ridgecrest this summer, August 4-10, will be a thorough consideration of the spiritual problems now confronting Christians in America, according to Dr. J. B. Lawrence. Full consideration of these important matters will be given through conference discussions, open forums, talks by Home Board workers, prepared addresses by men close to these problems, missionary adventures from the fields.

Three conferences will be in session on the grounds during the same period of Home Mission Week, as members of Business Women's Circles under the leadership of Miss Mary Christian and the Brotherhood led by Lawson H. Cooke cooperate with Home Board forces in a tri-conference. The Editorial Conference for lesson writers and editors of the Sunday School Board's staff will also be in session at the same time.

A noon address each day will focus attention upon specific areas of home mission needs as different members of the Home Mission Board speak on the topic, "Home Mission Needs in My State". Each morning session will include an hour and fifteen minutes for conference on special phases of home missions. These phases in the order they are to be considered in the conference are: camp work led by Alfred Carpenter; education, Joe W. Burton; city missions, Solomon F. Dowis; Jewish work, Jacob Gartenhaus; Negro missions, Noble Y. Beall; rural needs, Courts Redford. The program each day will be concluded with the showing of natural color pictures by the Board's secretary of education.

On invitation of Dr. T. L. Holcomb, both sermons at worship services on Sunday, August 8, will be brought by Dr. J. B. Lawrence. Evening addresses have also been arranged by Dr. Holcomb, with Dr. Lawrence scheduled to speak Wednesday, August 4.

All members of the Home Mission Board, both local and state, are expected to attend the conference and to participate in the program. Following is the daily program of the Home Mission Conference:

MORNING

- 8:00 Breakfast
- 9:00 Devotional
- 9:15 Address by a Board member
- 9:45 Recess
- 10:00 Conference
- 11:15 Address by a Missionary
- 11:45 Recess
- 12:00 Address—"Home Mission Needs in My State"

AFTERNOON

- 4:00-5:00 Conference

EVENING

- 6:00 Supper
- 7:00 Missionary Adventures
- 8:00 Address
- 9:00 Pictures

FOREIGN MISSION WEEK at RIDGECREST

George W. Sadler

TO many southern Baptists Ridgecrest has become a synonym of inspiration. Perhaps none of the seasons is more thoroughly fraught with spiritual power than is Foreign Mission Week. This is true because of the nature of the missionary task. The missionary is at home partly to tell what God has wrought—how "the blind receive their sight and the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed and the deaf hear . . . and the poor have the Gospel preached to them".

This year, for example, Dr. M. T. Rankin, who spent five months in Stanley Prison at Hong Kong, will deliver a message from Chinese Christians to southern Baptists. He will make us ashamed of our littleness as we touch his Christ-centered life and as we hear how nobly the Chinese Christians are carrying on in the face of terrific odds. Mrs. Eugene Sallee, Miss Martha Franks, Rev. John A. Abernathy and Rev. C. L. Culpepper will be so effective in their witness that we shall be reassured that the Gospel is God's power unto salvation.

Dr. Everett Gill Jr. will report on opportunity and need in the lands that lie to the south of us. He will be reinforced by the M. G. Whites, Miss Letha Saunders and Missionaries G. A. Bowdler and H. C. McConnell.

Friday will be devoted to the distinctive work of women. On that day several gifted persons will report on their labors in the lands of their adoption. Mrs. W. S. New, a product of our own mission schools, will bring the closing morning message. This gifted Chinese lady has been speaking to the students of many colleges in this country. At the evening hour a pageant, written by Mrs. C. D. Creasman, will be staged.

Dr. Charles E. Maddy will stir our hearts as he portrays current need and as he presents postwar possibilities. Dr. W. O. Lewis will bring us fresh information about Europe. Roy Starmer of Rumania and Mrs. Dewey Moore of Italy will roll the burden of those countries upon our hearts. The W. H. Carsons, B. T. Griffin and Mrs. M. E. Brantley will challenge us as they make us mindful of our duty to the peoples of the Dark Continent.

Dr. Jesse R. Wilson, a native of Texas, formerly a missionary of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society and now the home secretary of that organization, will deliver several addresses. His warm personality and his deep devotion will be a blessing to us.

Dr. W. O. Carver will stimulate our thinking and make fervent our spirits in his vesper messages. Dr. Ellis Fuller of the Southern Seminary, Dr. E. D. Head of the Southwestern and Dr. Duke McCall of the Bible Institute will acquaint us with our duty in the matter of supplying well-educated, spirit-filled men and women for the work of the Kingdom—at home and abroad. Dr. T. J. Watts, who has made all southern Baptists his debtors, will remind us of our blessings and responsibilities in connection with the Relief and Annuity Board.

Dr. E. C. Routh, editor of *The Commission* and Miss Marjorie Moore, its managing editor, also Dr. J. W. Marshall, candidate secretary, will speak concerning their hopes and plans. Miss Mary Hunter will show pictures at the close of each evening service. Mr. and Mrs. J. Frank Cheek will be in charge of the music.

Let us avail ourselves of the opportunity of hearing these denominational leaders and let us give ourselves to the task of giving the good news of God to the whole world—beginning in Jerusalem. The dates of the "week" at Ridgecrest are August 11-17 inclusive.

For a Debtless Denomination

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

The MISSIONARY VALUE of the BAPTIST BIBLE INSTITUTE

THE Baptist Bible Institute was born of a missionary passion. Her first president called her a century-plant, because her founding in 1917 marked a hundred years of Baptist struggle and hope for the evangelization of New Orleans.

The twenty-five years of the Institute's life have produced an epic of missionary development. The missionary value of this great school may be estimated in terms of missionary need, missionary methods and missionary results.

Meeting the Need of America's Greatest Mission Field

New Orleans is not merely the largest city of the deep south and the gateway to South America, but it is also a tremendous spiritual problem to every southerner with a missionary vision. That part in which the Institute is located is a beautiful residential district, a long strip which follows the course of St. Charles Avenue out to Tulane University, but in it are multitudes who know little about Jesus as the Savior. Between that strip and the Mississippi River lies a great industrial district filled with wharves, plants, railroads, warehouses and masses of small, ugly homes that constitute a spiritual desert. Oases like the Rachel Sims Mission appear only here and yonder. On the other side is a great Negro population, Baptist inclined, confused by poverty, ignorance and Catholic inducements, crying, crying, crying for such help as the Institute students partially provide at the Union Baptist Seminary.

Around New Orleans lies a great territory whose spiritual need is distressing. When the Institute was founded, there were probably fifteen parishes (counties) in southeast Louisiana without a single Baptist church and with very little evangelical influence of any kind.

Teaching Doctrine and Practice Together

The charter of the Institute says: "This institution shall center around the study of the Bible as the Word of God, and its purpose shall be to provide religious instruction suited to the needs of a constituency varied in its educational equipment; to require courses of religious activity, as well as courses of intellectual development".

Accordingly, Baptist Bible Institute students meet at least two "Practical Activities" assignments each week. A large portion of these are open-air meetings on the streets of New Orleans and nearby places. In 1942 the total of assignments was 14,798, with 8,107 messages delivered and 13,636 people dealt with personally.

Building Baptist Churches

As a result of the "Practical Activities" work last year, 4,446 persons professed conversion, 878 were baptized and 785 were added in other ways to the churches. Since 1917, churches in the New Orleans Association have increased from six with only one self-supporting to thirty-five with all self-supporting. Their membership has risen from 1,242 to 12,143. This year a new association has grown out of the

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Stewardship Suggestions

Southwide Stewardship Chairman, W.M.U. Promoter for a Debtless Denomination
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"REMEMBER HOW SHORT MY TIME IS"—Ps. 89:47

A YOUNG Russian woman, athirst for fame, wrote in her journal in 1877: "Oh, when I think that we have only a single life to live and that every moment that passes brings us nearer death, I am ready to go distracted! I do not fear death, but life is so short that to waste it is infamous".

Would that we too could realize how exceedingly foolish—nay, *tragic*—it is to waste *time* for "time is the stuff that *life* is made of!" and at best we have so little of it. We cannot *buy* time nor store it up. Each day comes as a gift from God—in *trust*. Each morning He hands to us a blank page from our individual "Book of Remembrance", saying: "Write what thou wilt upon it". When day is done the indelibly written page is turned back to God, bound in our record book and by it we will be judged when our stewardship ends.

Now here is Satan's master-stroke: he keeps us so busy *doing other things*—not *wicked* things, not necessarily *useless* things, perhaps *good* things—that we have no time left for the *best* things, *eternal* things, things that promote the Kingdom of God.

"Only one life, 'twill soon be passed,
And only what's done for Christ will last".

Write the psalmist's admonition in capitals and hang it in your bedchamber: "Remember how short my time is".

What says the clock yonder on your shelf? How many more hours will you have *in this day*?

Get busy! DO some of the things you've been "intending" to do for God. Go speak to that unsaved neighbor; she has wondered why you haven't done so. Go to unenlisted women or boys or girls and win them as laborers in God's Kingdom work. The sick, the sorrowing, the sinning need you. "Each day will bring you a chance to do immortal work".

Even scraps of time may be used for His glory. A crown fit for a king can be made out of sweepings of the goldsmith's shop as well as out of the solid bar. Fifteen minutes spent in prayer might "change things". In that time you could write a letter that might result in saving a soul.

Look also at the dial of the year. The hand points to the eighth month. How short is the time that we have as individuals or societies to reach those goals we set for ourselves at the year's beginning.

There is a third dial whose swiftly moving hands solemnly warn us to "remember how short our time is"—the *life* dial. Grant that the average life is sixty years. Are you thirty? Life is half over. Forty-five? Your sun is half way down the western sky. Sixty? Let me "remember how short my time is".

"I must work the works of Him that sent Me, while it is day. The night cometh" (the long night) "when no man can work".

Community Missions

Miss Mary Christian, Southwide Chairman of Community Missions
"FRIENDS of ISRAEL" in DALLAS COUNTY, Texas

BARRING all difficulties in advancing the Kingdom through community missions after God's order, we took for our watchwords: "For a great door and effectual is opened unto me, and there are many adversaries"—*1 Cor. 16:9* (but) "Behold, I have set before thee an open door, and no man can shut it"—*Rev. 3:8*. So many times and in so many places the door to Jewish work having been closed after a good opening, these words have been most assuring for victory attested now by nearly two years.

From the very beginning it has been a joyous undertaking, this special emphasis upon Jewish evangelization, with very few adversaries. Instead, many "Friends of Israel" have lent their whole-hearted support and each program presented in turn by our lovely Woman's Missionary Societies of the Dallas County Baptist churches seemed to "out-do" the others.

For our place of meeting we have been most fortunate in securing the lovely downtown chapel of the Baptist Building in Dallas and have found no difficulty in enlisting the most splendidly talented and ably consecrated people for our program presentations. How to win the Jew and personal experiences in working with them have been given a large place on each program.

The use of a "Manifesto" setting forth a friendly attitude and showing affectionate sympathy for all Jews in the global holocaust of atrocities has brought gratifying results as a point of contact, an approach to definite soul-winning efforts. And as a tangible aid to the work our Little Year Book with its distinctive program announcements, definite Scriptures and arresting quotations, has been of untold value. We wish that we might know of the far-reaching influences set in motion through fresh information, new emphasis and stimulated emotions for Israel which these programs have brought and are destined to bring.

One of the most discouraging things in working with the Jews is the fact that we do not always get immediate results. Granting that the Jew is often rebellious and repellent to appeals we should not make the mistake of Martin Luther and others by giving him over. We must courageously go, gladly return, right determinedly retrace our steps to tell again and again the same old story, for surely the Jew too must hear!

I want to win "one Jew" for Christ.
Don't you?
"Your two" 'twould surely take
To satisfy!
"His three" or else to go
He'd never try!
Then let us start "For Five", "We three",
Say you?

Last but not least, is our prayer group. Surely prayer is the solvent for all antipathies and antagonisms existing between Jew and gentile. It can overcome the spirit to leave the Jew to "boast on his own petard", having aroused the "Furor Americanus" even now to the number of eight hundred anti-Semitism organizations in our own fair country!

Prayer will help us over all discouragements in seeking to win the Jew to the Savior. Plainly has God told us to go and how, with the assurance that He will be with us for the seemingly impossible task, "that through our mercy they may obtain mercy". The Lord be with us all in His great mission program for the salvation of the whole world!—*Mrs. J. W. Bruner, Texas*

Book Reviews

The INFLUENCE of the JEWS upon CIVILIZATION: Jacob Gartenhaus; Zondervan Press, Grand Rapids, 1943; Pages 82; Price 50c

HOW to REACH the JEW for CHRIST: Daniel Fuchs; Zondervan Press, Grand Rapids, 1943; Pages 116; Price \$1

HERE are two books which every program leader will want to use in connection with the excellent material in *Royal Service* for her August program. Those societies, too, which find the matter of winning the Jews to Christ so timely and so imperative that they are not willing to confine themselves to one program on the subject will find these two books well adapted to a mission study class. They supplement each other admirably.

The one by Mr. Gartenhaus, who is well known to most southern Baptists as the long-time field secretary of our Home Mission Board for the evangelism of the Jews, is an inspiring and perhaps a surprising catalogue of the contributions which Jews have made to world life. Deploring the rise and spread of anti-Semitic propaganda, even in democratic countries, the author quotes from Professor Alvin Johnson the startling statement that there are here in our own country eight hundred anti-Semitic organizations. In describing the types and sources of their propaganda, he treats quite frankly some outstanding traits of the Jews and shows that in many cases these traits come out of persecutions rather than cause them.

From this introduction, Mr. Gartenhaus goes on to show what outstanding contributions Jews have made to citizenship, to the fine arts, to philosophy and science, to finance and, most important of all, to religion through the Bible itself. He closes his study with an eye-opening list of those Christian Jews who have made their mark for Christ throughout the world. This contribution he sums up in the following quotation from a Jewish source—Morris Goldberg, "Turncoats and Amazing Historical Record of Church Dignitaries of Jewish Origin", *The American Hebrew*, September 11, 1931—"This brief sketch proves undoubtedly the great weight and power which some Jews have exerted on the Christian churches. If these same Jews had devoted their energies and human qualities for the benefit of their own people, Christianity might never have attained the power she possesses".

The second of these books was prepared under the direction of the "American Board of Missions to the Jews" for use as a correspondence course to teach Christians how to reach the Jews in their own communities. It is simple and practical and is arranged in brief, easy lessons with tests of various kinds at the end of the lessons.

The book begins with six important qualifications of Christians who wish to serve as "missionaries" to the Jews. It goes on to give six brief lessons on the history of the Jews as recorded in the Old Testament. In eight further lessons it traces the history through the inter-Biblical years, through the Christian era and on down to the present. It closes with a valuable chronological chart and a brief bibliography.

The appendix is quite as important as the book itself. In it the author quotes

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

For Studying These Books

HOW to REACH the JEW for CHRIST by Daniel Fuchs

and

The INFLUENCE of the JEWS upon CIVILIZATION by Jacob Gartenhaus

Mrs. J. S. Farmer, president of North Carolina W.M.U., offers the following suggestions:

Daniel Fuchs' book is not for a one-day class but is eminently suited to a real study class composed of earnest, capable women who are willing to spend much time in preparation and in class. To obtain best results, there should be at least six periods of an hour each, either one or two periods a week.

Posters, pictures and curios that are usually helpful in classes do not find a place in this study. Each member should have a good note-book, pencil or pen, a copy of the text-book and her Bible; also, a copy of Jacob Gartenhaus' book, "The Influence of the Jews upon Civilization". Other books are suggested in the bibliography; in addition, *Road of Ages* by Robert Nathan and *Two Peoples* by Gartenhaus will add much interest.

Plan for the class at least a month in advance. Do not endeavor to "drum up" a big crowd; rather quietly invite women who will be interested enough to study diligently and attend regularly.

The teacher will read the text first, rapidly; then, slowly and thoughtfully, with pencil in hand; then again with her class in mind, deciding on assignments, looking up parallel articles, jotting down outlines. She will study the Bible chapters, too, carefully and prayerfully, learning for herself the history of the Jews. The purpose of the study should be clear in her mind. The following aims are suggested:

- (1) To become acquainted with the history of the Jewish race
- (2) To gain a sympathetic understanding of Hebrew characteristics and of the problems of the Jews
- (3) To appreciate the debt that civilization owes to the Jews
- (4) To develop a genuine desire to see the Jews saved; to learn what can be done toward that end; and to create a willingness to sacrificially work, give and pray that they may know the Lord Jesus Christ

Session I

Period of Praise and Prayer

Hymn: "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

Prayer for clear mind, retentive memory, sympathetic heart

Organize the class, getting complete roll, explaining purpose and telling the methods of procedure.

Assign work for Session II. These assignments should be written in note-books at beginning of each session. The special assignments for Session I will have been made individually.

Assignments for Session II—Lessons II, III, IV call attention to Bible reading that will be needed ("sources of information"). Ask one member to report on Chapters III and IV of *The Influence of Jews upon Civilization*. Ask one member to be prepared to read selected portions of Browning's *Saul*. After assignments are made, lead into informal discussion of experiences with Jewish friends and acquaintances. Draw out information concerning Jewish customs. Have report (previously assigned) on Chapter II "Jewish Character" of Mr. Gartenhaus' book. This will blend in with the personal discussion. Have reviewed the account of Jewish excommunication from *A Wandering Jew in Brazil* by Ginsburg (now entitled *A Missionary Adventure*). Lead into a discussion of Lesson I, finding out the qualifications of a missionary to the Jews. In the note-books answer fairly the questions on pages 17 and 18.

Session II

Hymn: "The Lord Is My Shepherd"

Prayer that the study may be conducted reverently, that God will fill all hearts with a genuine love for His chosen people

Assignment for next session: Lessons V, VI, VII with Scripture reading, also Chapter V of Mr. Gartenhaus' book

Have report on Chapters III and IV of the Gartenhaus book.

If possible, have a copy of the Old Testament in Hebrew for inspection. If some one could read some of the psalms in Hebrew, it would be effective. All reports must of necessity be brief.

Study Lessons II, III, IV in detail. At the conclusion of each lesson, discuss the questions for examination, then write answers in note-books. Conclude the session with the selections from Browning's *Saul*.

Session III

Hymn: "As Pants the Hart for Cooling Streams"

Prayer: Ask each member to pray silently for one Jewish friend; then have softly sung "For You I Am Praying".

Assignment: The lessons are very short toward the end of the book and the long Bible readings finished, so Lessons VIII, IX, X, XI may be assigned. Chapter VI of the Gartenhaus book should be assigned to one woman.

Have report on Chapter V of the Gartenhaus book given. This should lead to lively discussion.

Study the three lessons as in previous sessions, using the examination questions as a guide to discussion, with answers set down in note-books. A map of Old Testament lands will be essential; this may be obtained from your Baptist Bookstore.

On a blackboard or large piece of paper make a chart showing the "Divided Kingdom". Dwell on "The Lesson Applied to Jewish Missions".

Conclude the session by listening to the best reader in the group read Isaiah 53.

Session IV

If possible, have played some classic selections composed by a Jew.

Prayer that we may have unprejudiced minds and hearts of love

Assignment: Lessons XII, XIII, XIV; one member to review chapter of Mr. Gartenhaus' book

Ask one member to bring further discussion of the *Crusades* and the *Spanish Inquisition*.

After the report on the "Jew in Literature and Philosophy" from Mr. Gartenhaus' book, the discussion of the lessons for the day will begin. The teacher must be alert, for here the interest is likely to lag. The history between the Old and New Testaments especially is apt to be unfamiliar, but close attention will create interest. The teacher must know these lessons so thoroughly that she can lead the discussion freely. Frequent reference to the chronology on pages 102 and 103 will prove helpful.

Conclude with a discussion of Mohammedanism and the Jews. For a clear discussion of Mohammedanism see Dr. Egbert Smith's *Denise of All Nations* and Mrs. Robertson's *These Things Remain*.

Session V

Hymn: "Faith of Our Fathers"

Prayer of thanksgiving for our faith, for our religious freedom, of confession that we have so poorly shown our gratitude, for more love for Christ and for all for whom He died

Assignment: Lesson XV and addendum. Chapters VIII and IX in Mr. Gartenhaus' book

Call for report on previous assignment.

Study the lessons. Compare the stories of persecution as found on pages 83 and 84 with similar stories coming out of Germany recently.

The Dreyfus Case, Zionism and the life of Herzl will be all the more illuminating if further material is found. *Palestinian Tapestries* will be helpful.

Pay careful attention to pages 84 and 85, "The Use of the Cross in Dealing with the Jews".

Session VI

Hymn: "Nearer, My God, to Thee"

A series of prayers that the knowledge gained, the impulses and impressions experienced in these weeks of study may indeed bear fruit.

The two chapters assigned from Mr. Gartenhaus' book should bring unusually happy discussion, "Jewish Finance" and "The Christian Jew".

The last lesson is very short but vitally important, so it deals with the present time.

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Family Altar

Mrs. W. H. GRAY, Alabama

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

TOPIC: The Christian Witness to the Jew an Obligation —*Lev. 20:24, 26*

"To Testify the Gospel of the Grace of God"

1st Day—Acts 20:18-24; Mark 2:1-12

2nd Day—Rom. 10:1-10; Ex. 13:17-22

3rd Day—Rom. 10:11-21; Ex. 14:10-15

4th Day—Rom. 14:11, 12, 17-19;

Ex. 14:26-31

5th Day—Eph. 6:1-9; Ex. 15:17-22

6th Day—Eph. 6:10-20; Psa. 77:11-20

7th Day—Phil. 1:12-14; Psa. 37:1-7

"Of Thee a Great Nation"

8th Day—Gen. 12:1-9; Psa. 124:1-8

9th Day—Gen. 13:1-18; Ex. 16:11-18

10th Day—Gen. 14:14-24; Ex. 17:1-6

11th Day—Gen. 15:1-21; Psa. 78:12-25

12th Day—Gen. 17:1-9; Deut. 8:11-20

13th Day—Gen. 18:1-19; Psa. 37:16-25

14th Day—Gen. 21:1-3; 22:1-14;

Mark 6:35-44

"In an Acceptable Time"

15th Day—Isa. 48:16-22; John 6:32-40

16th Day—Isa. 49:7-16; Ex. 20:1-11

17th Day—Psa. 69:13, 16-20, 29, 30;

Ex. 20:12-20

18th Day—II Cor. 6:2; Matt. 22:35-40

19th Day—Psa. 119:174; 119:97-104

20th Day—Luke 2:1-11; Psa. 19:7-14

21st Day—Mark 16:15, 16;

Gal. 3:23-28; 5:13, 14

"O Lord, My Strength and My Redeemer"

22nd Day—Psa. 19; Ex. 23:1-9

23rd Day—Acts 4:12; Ex. 32:3-10

24th Day—Heb. 2:3, 4; Ex. 32:29-35

25th Day—Isa. 62:11, 12; Ex. 34:4-10

26th Day—Job 19:25; Ex. 34:27, 28

27th Day—Psa. 78:1-17; Ezech. 18:4

28th Day—Psa. 78:18-41; Isa. 53:4-6

29th Day—Psa. 78:42-72; Rom. 5:6-11

30th Day—Psa. 93:1-5; Lev. 19:1-4

31st Day—Psa. 100:1-5; Lev. 19:11-18

"Pray Ye"

That Christian hearts will increasingly praise God for His Son, the Prince of Peace

That summer meetings in assemblies and camps and associations will strengthen Christian character and deepen the sense of responsibility and devotion for missions near and far

That the Home Mission Week at Ridgecrest, August 4-10, including B.W.C. Conference, will be largely attended and divinely guided; that similar blessings will be granted of God for the Foreign Mission Week also at Ridgecrest, August 11-17 (See pages 1, 5-7.)

That missionaries and other Christians in war-torn lands may be conscious of the watchcare of the Heavenly Father and that southern Baptists will rally loyally to relief and rehabilitation plans of the S.B.C.

Intercede for all missionaries in home and foreign lands. Plead for the peace which Christ gives.



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Calendar of Prayer August, 1943

Mrs. W. C. Henderson, Arizona

EVERY verse of Scripture thoroughly learned in youth is a link forged in the armor for defense for the warfare of life against sin. Happy is he who is thus well equipped before he reaches the age of manhood.—*Fannie E. S. Heck* by Mrs. W. C. James

1—SUNDAY

Mrs. E. H. Graves, Mrs. W. H. Sears, Miss Lillian Thomason, emeritus missionaries from China

I have kept the ways of the Lord and have not wickedly departed from my God.

—II Sam. 22:22

2—MONDAY

Rev. and Mrs. A. N. Potter, evangelistic work, Waco, Miss Amelia Diaz, educational-evangelistic work, San Antonio, Texas. Now therefore fear the Lord and serve Him in sincerity and in truth.

—Jmh. 24:14

3—TUESDAY

Dr. and Mrs. F. T. Woodward, evangelistic work, Canton, China; also Adell Woodward, Margaret Fund student

When the Chief Shepherd shall appear, ye shall receive a crown of glory that fadeeth not away.—I Pet. 5:4

4—WEDNESDAY

Home Missions Week, including conference of Business Women's Circles of Woman's Missionary Union, Aug. 4-10, Ridgecrest, N. C.

Remember His marvelous works that He hath done, His wonders and judgments of His mouth.—Psa. 105:3

5—THURSDAY

Rev. and Mrs. W. C. Harrison, Porto Alegre, Miss Mildred Cox, Recife, Brazil, educational-evangelistic work

Blessed is the man that feareth the Lord, that delighteth greatly in His commandments.—Psa. 133:1

6—FRIDAY

Rev. and Mrs. J. F. deArmas Jacomina, Rev. and Mrs. J. F. Ferraz, San Antonio, Cuba, evangelistic work

The Lord thy God hath chosen thee to be a people for His own possession.—Deut. 7:6

7—SATURDAY

Rev. C. E. McFadden, Rev. N. M. Carter, Selma, Ala., Dr. Roland Smith, Atlanta, Ga., educational-evangelistic work among their own Negro race

I know that Thou canst do everything and no thought can be withholden from Thee.—Job 42:3

8—SUNDAY

Sunbeam Focus Week, Aug. 8-13; also Dr. and Mrs. C. A. Hayes, emeritus missionaries from China

Let your light so shine . . . and glorify your Father which is in Heaven.—Matt. 5:16

9—MONDAY

Rev. and Mrs. C. L. Culpepper, evangelistic work, Miss Wilma Weeks, educational-evangelistic work, Rungghuan, China; also Charles Culpepper, Margaret Food student

That all the people of the earth may know Thee, to let Thy Name.—I Kings 8:43

10—TUESDAY

Mrs. G. B. Johnson, Miss Hazel Robb, evangelistic work, Baltimore, Md. We can do nothing against the truth, but for the truth.—II Cor. 13:8

11—WEDNESDAY

All-China Baptist Woman's Missionary Union; also Foreign Missions Week, Aug. 11-17, Ridgecrest, N. C.

Wisdom and knowledge shall be the stability of thy times, and strength of salvation.—Isa. 33:6

12—THURSDAY

Rev. and Mrs. W. Q. Maer, Miss Marjorie Spence, educational-evangelistic work, Temuco, Chile

Consider all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord.—Phil. 3:8

13—FRIDAY

Rev. and Mrs. P. Hurtis, evangelistic work among Mexicans, El Paso, Texas

He which converteth the sinner from the error of his way shall save a soul from death.—Jas. 5:20

14—SATURDAY

Rev. and Mrs. C. J. Lowe, Miss F. Catherine Bryan, educational-evangelistic work, Shanghai, China; also Ethel and Phyllis Lowe, Margaret Fund students. With good will doing service, as to the Lord and not to men.—Eph. 6:7

Calendar of Prayer for August

15--SUNDAY

Dr. and Mrs. J. F. Ray, Dr. E. O. Mills, emerita missionaries from Japan
Let patience have her perfect work that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing.—Jan. 1:4

16--MONDAY

Rev. and Mrs. R. Hill, Sandy Hook, Ky.,
Rev. P. Ray, Myrtle, Miss., evangelistic work among mountain people
Blessed is he that considereth the poor.
—Psa. 41:1

17--TUESDAY

Rev. and *Mrs. W. L. Cooper, educational-evangelistic work, Buenos Aires, Argentina
He that is of God heareth God's words.
—Jan. 8:47

18--WEDNESDAY

Rev. and Mrs. J. G. Sanchez, Roswell, Rev. and Mrs. B. Villarreal, Albuquerque, N. M., evangelistic work among Mexicans
He that bath clean hands shall be stronger and stronger.—Job 17:9

19--THURSDAY

Rev. and *Mrs. H. H. Sougou, *Miss Mary Alexander, educational-evangelistic work, Shanghai, China
Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on Thee, because he trusteth in Thee.—Isa. 26:3

20--FRIDAY

Dr. A. W. Williams, Natchez, Miss., Rev. R. L. Holley, St. Augustine, Fla., educational-evangelistic work among their own Negro race
Stablish Thy Word unto thy servant, who is devoted to Thy fear.—Psa. 119:38

21--SATURDAY

Rev. and *Mrs. J. R. Allen, evangelistic work, Nileses **Ray Buster and *Pauline White, educational-evangelistic work, Bello Horizonte, Brazil; also Herbert Lewis Allen, Margaret Fund student
He is a rewarder of them that diligently seek Him.—Heb. 11:6

22--SUNDAY

That interest in the Hundred Thousand Club and similar plans may increase until all S.N.C. debts are paid
Offer unto God thanksgiving; and pay thy vows unto the Most High.—Psa. 50:14

23--MONDAY

Woman's Missionary Union of South China
I know that the Lord will maintain the cause of the afflicted.—Psa. 140:12

24--TUESDAY

Rev. and Mrs. B. Molina, Portville, Rev. D. Caprio, Remedios, Cuba, evangelistic work
Mine eyes shall be upon the faithful of the land that they may dwell with Me.
—Psa. 101:6

25--WEDNESDAY

**Rev. and *Mrs. J. A. Abernathy, **Miss Jessie Alderman, evangelistic work, **Miss Mary Crawford, educational-evangelistic work, Takau, China
Thou shalt thou call and the Lord shall answer.—Isa. 58:9

26--THURSDAY

Rev. and Mrs. D. Castro, Taylor, Texas, evangelistic work among Mexicans
If we be dead with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with Him.
—Rom. 6:8

27--FRIDAY

**Rev. and Mrs. W. H. H. Congdon, evangelistic work, Rev. and Mrs. H. R. Littleton, educational-evangelistic work, Iwo, Nigeria
Both he that soweth and he that reapeth may rejoice together.—Jan. 4:36

28--SATURDAY

**Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Humphrey, medical evangelistic work, *Miss Katie Murray, evangelistic work, Cheongchow, China
Be strong, for your work shall be rewarded.—11 Chron. 15:7

29--SUNDAY

Mrs. Pascal Arpalo, Mrs. A. O. Wilson, emerita missionaries of the Home Mission Board, *Miss Fannie Taylor, first Home Board missionary to the Italians at Tampa, Fla., now living in McAllen, Tex.
The righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance.—Psa. 112:6

30--MONDAY

Dr. W. R. Strasser, Marshall, Tex., Rev. J. L. S. Holloman, Washington, D. C., educational-evangelistic work among their own Negro race
There remaineth yet very much land to be possessed.—Job. 13:1

31--TUESDAY

Rev. and *Mrs. C. D. Hardy, evangelistic work, Manson, **Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Tumbles, educational-evangelistic work, Nasai, Bashi
Be strengthened in the grace that is in Christ Jesus.—11 Tim. 2:1

†Attended W. M. U. Training School
*Attended Southwestern Training School
‡Attended Baptist Bible Institute
§On Furlough

Bible Study

Ella Broadus Robertson, Kentucky

TOPIC: MOSES—Heb. 11:23-25, 27; Psa. 106:19-23; Deut. 34:7, 10

TO Moses God was as real as any earthly man. He knew Him in His mighty works, His providential leadings and the giving of the law. In all these Moses himself had a large part; and deepest of all was his own personal experience of God, for with him "Jehovah spake face to face, as a man speaketh with his friend". At the burning bush Moses found it hard to believe that for him life was to begin at eighty. His birth, his education, his loyalty, all seemed to him nullified by his rejection when he offered to help his people. Nor was he a ready speaker. God's promise, "I will be with thy mouth", did not convince him but Aaron's coming to see him did.

He grew as a leader. "He endured as seeing Him who is invisible"—and he longed to see Him more and more clearly. He loved Israel, and he loved God still more and grew in courageous prayer. In that terrible hour when Israel, fresh from receiving the Ten Commandments, made a calf of gold and worshiped it, God's anger was just; but Moses pleaded for His loving forgiveness, crying: "If not, blot me, I pray Thee, out of Thy book!"

Called to the top of the mount more than once, he grew familiar with special revelations of God. Once with Aaron, Nadab and Abihu and seventy elders a vision of God was given as real as the stars of Heaven as they sat at meat—they "ate and drank and saw God also". None of this turned his head. "The man Moses was very meek, above all the men that were on the face of the earth" so that, when Aaron and Miriam criticized him arrogantly, God had to interfere to give Moses the preeminence he would not claim.

Then what a heart-breaking thing it is to find Moses at the end falling into violent anger and pride (Num. 20:10). The people had complained as of old that they had better have stayed in Egypt than die of thirst in this wilderness. "Speak to the rock, that it give forth water", said God. But Moses cried: "Hear now, ye rebels, must we bring you forth water out of this rock?"—and furiously smote the rock twice. The water came, but Moses had disqualified himself as leader. "Pride makes a man useless because it creates a spiritual short-circuit".

Such things do not happen all at once. When we fail at our strongest point is it not because we set no guard there? The long years of successful leadership had involved a danger for Moses. He now dared work a miracle without honoring God. The punishment seemed more than he could bear and he pleaded against it till God had to say, "Speak to Me no more of this matter". But repentance must have taken away bitterness. At last, as he stood on Mount Pisgah, and God Himself showed him the land he was not to enter, his complete submission to God's will brought the deepest joy of his life.

*Compare Paul—Rom. 9:3

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 13, Virginia; *Southern Baptist Home Missions*, 25c a year from Baptist Home Mission Board, Atlanta 3, 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 19 of this magazine.)

CIRCLE PROGRAM TOPIC:

BUILDING a FIRM FOUNDATION for YOUTH

RIDGECREST, STATE, DISTRICT and ASSOCIATIONAL CAMPS

Devotional Theme: "Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth"—*Eccles. 12:1*. "Rejoice, O young man, in thy youth"—*Eccles. 11:9*.

Our Young People (See pages 31-33 of this magazine.)

Youth, Home Missions and the Future (See August issue of *Southern Baptist Home Missions*.)

Mexican Youth, a Potential Power (See August issue of *Southern Baptist Home Missions*.)

The Hope (See August issue of *The Window of Y.W.A.*)

David and the Second Lafayette (See August issue of *World Comrades*.)

Missionaries in Uniform (See July-August issue of *The Commission*.)

The Postwar World and Southern Baptists (See July-August issue of *The Commission*.)

Business Women's Circles

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POSTER SUGGESTIONS: Near the top and to one side of a piece of yellow poster-board write in large letters, *The Jew*, and about halfway down on the other side the words, *World Affairs*. Between the two write, *and*. Below write: B.W.C. Time. Place. Date. Near the bottom put these words: "In hours of world darkness keep your eyes on the treatment of the Jew".

INVITATIONS: a. Draw picture of the world, using single or on fold. Inside or on back write: Hear about the Jew's place in today's world at B.W.C. Time. Place. Date. b. Paste picture of world on post-card with message as above.

ROOM ARRANGEMENT: Place chairs in circle as for discussion. This program should be one in which all may participate. Have on bulletin-board or mounted on construction paper clippings from newspapers and magazines about Jewish persecutions and suffering throughout the world. Elsewhere have listed the names of Jews who have made telling contributions to civilization. Use their pictures if possible. Have on display copies of *Southern Baptist Home Missions* open at Rev. Jacob Gartenhaus' articles about the Jews. It will also be well to have copies of *The Commission* in the same display. Encourage the members to read the books mentioned in the program if they are available; have them on display. Have on hand for distribution copies of the pamphlet, "How to Win the Jews to Christ", also copies of *The Mediator*. (Order the free pamphlet and *The Mediator* from Rev. Jacob Gartenhaus, 315 Red Rock Bldg., Atlanta 3, Ga.; the price of *The Mediator* is 25c.)

PROGRAM SUGGESTIONS: The part, "The Jews and God", should be presented effectively by one dressed in oriental costume. "The Jew in Today's World" may be given as if a Jew were speaking; she may supplement this information with newspaper items. A good story-teller should give the section, "Refugees—Jews and Others"; surely this should be told by one of the "refugees"; again the newspaper will provide extra information. The prayer at this time may well be a chain of prayer; the program chairman will decide this under the direction of the Holy Spirit. "The Jews and Christianity" could have as a subtitle, "A Jew Looks at Christianity"; it may be told from that viewpoint; a friendly non-Christian Jew may be invited to give his impressions of Christianity. Someone should impersonate Mr. Gartenhaus in giving "The Jews and the Christian Witness". A copy of *The Mediator* may be introduced and information as to its purpose and method of circulation given. During the meditation all heads should be bowed, the musician playing softly. At the close of the program the "Questions for Review and Discussion" may be used as a basis for general discussion, having been given out before the program. Christian Jews in the community may be invited to share their testimony with you. Certainly, you will want to have the names of all Jews in your community on hand—for prayer and to give to the members for personal witnessing. At least, the society or its circles will want to send *The Mediator* to all these homes. (For program material see pages 21-29.)

Program Plans

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ANNOUNCEMENT

Poster: On a piece of poster-paper paste or sketch a global representation of the world. Beneath the globes print: "The Jews—A People without a Country". Above the globes and in smaller letters print Leviticus 20:26: "And ye shall be holy unto Me; for I the Lord . . . have severed you from other people, that ye should be Mine". Time, place and date of the meeting may be placed at the bottom of the poster.

Personal Announcements: Across the top of a postal card or a piece of manila paper draw a series of small footprints as if wandering across a desert. On this announcement may be printed: "The Tribe of the Wandering Foot". Details of meeting may be added. Further public announcement may be made according to the custom of the church.

PREPARATION

At the front left side of the room arrange a table bearing copies of available literature on the Jews and work with them. Publications—such as *The Mediator*; Gartenhaus, *The Influence of the Jews upon Civilization*; Gartenhaus, *The Rebirth of a Nation*; Porter, *If I Were a Jew*—and pamphlet material might be used. Continued effort should be made to encourage the members to read these materials and to contribute to the spread of *The Mediator* to Jewish families (price 25c a year from Rev. Jacob Gartenhaus, 315 Red Rock Bldg., Atlanta 3, Ga.)

On the front right side of the room

place a display of things which represent the contribution of the Jews to the world of today such as: a sheet of Mendelssohn's music, a work of Einstein, a test-tube representing the work of Wassermann and many other Jewish doctors and scientists, money to represent financial assistance, books of Jewish authors that can be secured easily. A brief study of Jewish contributions to civilization will reveal a great mass of material from which to choose articles. In keeping with the theme for the year, the American and Christian flags will be at the front of the room.

Programs: A globe will also make a suitable program front. This time, overshadow the world with a cross and write across the front, "Ye shall be My people" and "God so loved the world". Print the program on the back of this globe.

PROGRAM PRESENTATION

Program material is given on pages 21-29. If there is a Christian Jew who could be invited to talk about her people, the program should by all means be turned over to her. Otherwise, it would be well to choose those people who are best informed on the subject and those who are most well-known for a sincere interest in the problem of race prejudice. Every effort should be made to emphasize the importance of remaining unprejudiced and of realizing individual responsibility to these people who live in our midst and need our Savior.

Program Material

Mrs. C. D. Creasman, Tennessee

THEME for YEAR: The Christian Witness in Today's World—
Isa. 43:10, 11

TOPIC for MONTH: The Christian Witness to the Jew an Obligation—
Lev. 20:24, 26

Hymn for Year

—Watchword for Year

Bible Study—Moses: Heb. 11:23-25, 27; Psa. 106:19-21; Deut. 34:7, 10 (*Page 17*)

Prayer that lessons learned from the life of Moses may bless our lives

Hymn—Zion Stands with Hills Surrounded

The Jews and God

—Refugees—Jews and Others

The Jew in Today's World

Prayer that we may do our utmost for all relief work and that the suffering of refugees may be lessened

The Jews and Christianity

—Hymn—Jesus Saves

The Jews and the Christian Witness

Meditation—That Jewish Neighbor of Mine

Hymn—O Zion, Hasten

Prayer for God's blessing upon all missionary work among Jews and that we may each feel our obligation of being a Christian witness to the Jews

The JEWS and GOD

“In hours of world darkness keep your eye on the Jew” is the significant admonition of a student of world history. Anyone interested in world events of this hour would do well to keep his eye on the Jew. “The Jews have played the leading role of the centuries” and are without question the most interesting, the most important and the most influential race on the earth. This is because they are in a peculiar sense God's people and, in His inscrutable and unimpeachable sovereignty, He has ordained that on Israel's destiny there also hangs world destiny. Called and Chosen—The history of the Jews begins with the call of Abraham. When this patriarch obeyed the

divine summons and came out of Ur of the Chaldees, God entered into a covenant with him, promising to make of him a great nation, to give to him and his posterity the land of Palestine and to make him a blessing to the world. This covenant was confirmed to Isaac and to Jacob and when Moses had brought the Children of Israel out of Egypt and had led them as far as Mt. Sinai God again declared His purpose, saying to them: “Now therefore, if ye will obey My voice indeed and keep My covenant, then ye shall be Mine own possession from among all peoples: for all the earth is Mine: and ye shall be unto Me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation” (*Ex. 19:5, 6*). Again He said: “Ye shall be holy unto Me: for I, Jehovah, am holy and have set you apart from the

peoples, that ye should be Mine" (Lev. 20:26).

Thus did God choose Israel for His own special people. It must be remembered that God never chose individuals or nations as recipients of His special favor but for the benefit of others. He chose Israel as His special people and called them for His special service. God's purpose in Israel was universal. He blessed the Jews that the Jews might bless the world. They were to be a nation of priests to reveal God to all people. They were to be the interpreters of His grace, the bearers of truth, the instruments of His redemption. Through the Jews God gave to the world His Word, written and incarnate. For this purpose and for this purpose only was Israel called and chosen by the Heavenly Father.

Kept through the Ages—The tragedy of Jewish history is the fact that God's chosen people were not true to Him and did not keep their part of His covenant. First, by idolatry and then by rejecting His Son, they lost their material and spiritual heritage and became a people without a country, a nation without a home, "The Tribe of the Wandering Foot", a "biss and a byword" among the nations of the world. Only through one-fourth of their history have they had a national life of their own. For the last nineteen centuries they have been scattered over all the earth. "The figure of the Wandering Jew seems a type of this deathless race. Any imaginative soul if it listens can hear the tramping of the weary feet of

the Jewish people as they wander through the centuries, leaving a trail of blood and tears behind them" (Dr. Henry Alford Porter in *If I Were a Jew*).

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Certainly we in America can find much cause for gratitude to American Jewry. From the Jew who financed the American Revolution to the loyal Jews in the armed forces of today, American Jews have proved themselves to be loyal citizens and have made their contributions to every phase of American life. We are told that following the declaration of the present war many American Jews in Palestine flocked to the United States Consulate in Jerusalem to offer their services in the war against the Axis. The American-born president of the Hebrew University offered his services and those of his three sons to President Roosevelt. Mr. Gartenhaus says: "The 600,000 Jews in the south today are patriotic. Loyalty to the land of his father or to the land of his adoption is an inherent trait of the Jew".

No, the Jews do not merit the abuse which they receive from the nations of the world. Moreover, it should be remembered that the Children of Israel are still God's people and that He has said: "I will bless them that bless thee, and him that curseth thee I will curse" (*Gen. 12:3*). And again: "All they that devour thee shall be devoured; and all thine adversaries, every one of them, shall go into captivity; and they that spoil thee shall be a spoil, and all that

prey upon thee will I give for a prey" (*Jer. 30:16*). The Bible and the history of the nations prove that "no country which has dealt justly with the Jews has ever had cause to regret its justice. On the other hand, every country which has dealt unjustly with the Jews has always regretted its injustice". The nations of the world, including our own, would do well to remember that God's promises to Israel are eternally true and that every nation will bring blessings or curses on itself according to the way it treats God's chosen people.

REFUGEES—JEWS and OTHERS

WE cannot think of the Jews today without remembering that millions of them are refugees. And the sad fact about the situation is that they are refugees without a place of refuge. In the past when one door was shut to them another was opened, but today practically all doors are shut. The ghastly claw of their enemy reaches out to snatch them wherever they go.

Mr. Gartenhaus tells of a horrible tragedy which befell one of the ships carrying some eight hundred Jewish refugees to Palestine. Fleeing from Rumania to the Black Sea they traveled on a small and by no means seaworthy boat, the "Struma", until they reached the shores of Palestine. "The Turkish government would not permit them to land unless it was assured that the Palestine administration would allow them to enter Palestine. But the Palestine administration refused to grant such permission despite the repeated warning of the Jewish Agency for Palestine that their rejection meant death by drowning or surrender to the nazis for those aboard ship. On February 24, 1942, the Turkish authorities ordered that the 'Struma' be towed out of port despite the captain's insistence that it was in no condition to put to sea. On reaching the open sea the ship went to pieces and only one of the refugees on board survived the disaster".

In 1941 a Jewish Christian and his

wife carried a group of refugee children by train from Marseille, France, to Lisbon, Portugal, where they took a ship to America. All of the children but five were Jewish, with every country scourged by the nazi terror represented by at least one child. "Direct victims of Hitlerism, some of them had already been driven from three or four lands, their parents imprisoned in German concentration camps".

The description of this journey of child refugees as written in a Christian Jewish magazine, *The Chosen People*, would break a heart of stone. The most pathetic part of the story tells of the stopping of the train for three minutes at a point near a concentration camp where many of the children's parents and other relatives were interned. These knew of the passing of the train-load of children, and arrangements had been made for them to be at the station as the train passed through. Listen to the description of this meeting:

"The train is approaching the station of Oloron. All the children rush to the windows in anticipation. 'They are here', they shout as they bend forward. With a screeching of brakes the train comes to an abrupt halt. A loud cry more piercing than any mechanical noise suddenly rends the air. From the train comes the answering call of over a hundred shrill voices. Mothers, fathers and kin with the last few ounces of strength in their frail bodies suddenly tear through the cordon and gendarmes and dash to the doors of the train. Their scrawny hands quivering with excitement are raised to greet the young ones. As the children pour out from the train their parents and relatives hug them tightly. The train is scheduled to leave in three minutes. These moments will never again return. Something happens that at first puzzles us. As if from nowhere, the children draw forth slices of bread and offer them to their parents. 'Father, take this—take this, Mamma—please take! Bewildered, the parents look at the bread and then at the children. Their eyes seem to ask many questions. They also tell a tale of hun-

ger. They refuse to take this bread but the children continue to cry, 'Please take . . . please take'.

"My wife and I realized that these children of eight and ten, themselves terribly hungry, had saved this bread from their meager ration of three slices a day that they might give it to their parents. We join the children in pleading with the parents to take the bread. At last their hands grope for it. They tear off little pieces, bringing them to their quivering lips. But the bread will go no further. It remains stuck in their teeth. As the realization of the children's sacrifice begins to dawn on them a heartrending wail bursts from their throats—a cry of mingled shame and despair.

"Permission is obtained for the train to linger a little longer. Five minutes, ten minutes pass. The train begins to move, the clatter of wheels drowning out the cries of farewell. Through the doors and windows the children wave their hands to the group of living dead. The shriveled faces slowly grow less distinct and are seen no more—perhaps forever!"

Today those youngsters are safe in American homes, free from the terror of persecution and starvation. But oh, think of the millions of children left behind for whom there is no hope! And think of the parents who probably will never see their children again!

And our hearts turn to other refugees—Poles, Greeks, French, Belgians, Chinese, millions of them made homeless by the ravages of war. At least fifty million people in China have lost their homes, their means of livelihood, their loved ones. Hundreds of thousands of children in Europe and China are separated from parents, undernourished and ill. Surely the heart of Jesus, as He looks upon these multitudes of refugees, is moved with compassion because they are as sheep having no shepherd. And if we have any of the love of Jesus in our hearts we too must be moved with compassion and the desire to do all we can to relieve their suffering.

The JEWS and CHRISTIANITY

44 **S**ALVATION is of the Jews", said Jesus. How true that is, because the race chosen, called and kept by God for the purpose of giving salvation to the world, was the Jewish race; the Christ who brought salvation was a Jew; the Bible which tells about the salvation is a Jewish book; the first to accept this salvation were Jews; the first missionaries to share this salvation were Jews!

"He came unto His own, and His own received Him not". Alas! such was the indictment of the Savior of the world against His own people. While a few Jews received Jesus, followed Him, loved Him, made up the first Christian church and became the first Christian missionaries, the great mass of Jews "received Him not" but reviled Him, aided in crucifying Him and became the first persecutors of the Christian church. Therein lies the tragedy of Israel.

However, the tragedy of Christianity lies in the fact that most of the persecution of the Jews through the middle ages was perpetrated by people who called themselves Christians and excused their cruelty on the ground that they were doing it for the sake of Christianity. It is little wonder that Jews have despised the name of Christ and have looked upon His followers as their greatest enemies. Of course their mistake has been in failing to distinguish between real Christians and those who just call themselves Christians, between the spirit of Christianity and organized Christianity which had little of Christ in it.

Mr. Eddleman tells how once, when he was trying to disseminate the Gospel truth among a Jewish colony in Palestine, a young man cried out saying: "If your Christ has anything of love and mercy to offer us, why don't you go tell it to Hitler, Stalin and Mussolini? They are your brothers in Christ". Quickly the missionary responded: "Brothers in Christ? What do you mean? We have no connection with those fellows". "Oh, yes you do", came the answer: "Stalin

was immersed thrice in infancy into the Greek Orthodox Church, Hitler was christened a protestant when a baby and Mussolini was christened into the Roman Catholic Church while yet an infant. They are your brothers, for they were baptized into the same faith and religion". When Jews have such a mistaken conception of Christianity we cannot wonder that they will not accept Jesus as their Messiah.

However, not all Jews even since apostolic times have "received Him not". In every century some of the most noble and cultured Jews have accepted Christ as their Savior and Lord. Since the beginning of the 19th century a much larger number of them have become Christians. After a most careful calculation a writer, discussing Jewish converts in the 19th century, estimates that there has been one convert to every 156 of the Jewish people, while from all other non-Christian religions there has been one convert to every 525. At least 204,500 Jews were converted during the past century.

Mr. Gartenhaus says, "In our own times the number of Christian Jews increases at an astonishing speed. The Jewish papers almost daily bring reports of conversions from all over the world. They call it an 'epidemic'. A certain Jewish daily estimates the number of Jewish conversions since World War I to be 100,000".

There are a number of reasons why the Jews are responding to the Gospel today as never before. Their sufferings are making them realize that there is something wrong with their race and, seeking a solution to the problem, they are more willing to study the claims of Christianity than they have been in the past. Moreover, "one aspect of the present titanic world struggle has been to free the minds of Jews from the notion that Christ and Christianity are on the side of the forces that persecute them. When Niemoeller and many others are willing to face prison and concentration camp rather than condone the teachings and practices of an anti-Semitic government and when thousands defy pub-

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We must remember that all Christians belong to "Spiritual Israel". Paul wrote to the Galatians, "If ye be Christ's then are ye Abraham's seed and heirs according to the promise". This can but mean that we, who accept Israel's Savior, share in Israel's spiritual heritage. We too are called to give God's salvation to a lost world. We too are chosen as instruments of His grace. We too are a part of God's purpose of world redemption.

Then, since Jews and Christians are thus connected in God's eternal plans for saving a world, how eager should Christians be to win Jews to Christianity that they should belong not only to Israel, God's chosen people of the Old Testament, but to "Spiritual Israel" inheriting through Jesus all the promises made to Abraham's seed. "To the Jew first" is the order given in the Bible for Gospel preference. "To the Jew first" should be our missionary preference as we go into all the world to preach the Gospel to every creature.

The JEWS and the CHRISTIAN WITNESS

SLOW indeed have Christian people been to include the Jews in their witnessing program. The Southern Baptist Convention was more than seventy-five years old before it made any effort to evangelize the

Jews. However, since 1921 our Home Mission Board has had a missionary, Rev. Jacob Gartenhaus, giving all his time to Jewish evangelism.

Mr. Gartenhaus by many methods tries to reach the Jews of our southland with the Gospel. He makes much use of the printed page. Through a number of tracts, books and a quarterly magazine, *The Mediator*, he is trying to get the Gospel message through Jewish eyes into Jewish hearts. Mr. Gartenhaus says: "Through our literature, and I say it humbly, we have almost encircled the globe. Jews in hundreds of communities, whose names have been furnished by Christian friends, are regularly receiving *The Mediator* which has literally revolutionized Jewish thinking. It has opened doors long shut, softened hearts that were once like stone, and it has been the means of winning many of my people to their long looked-for Messiah". We can aid the Jewish work by subscribing for *The Mediator* in the name of Jews whom we know. (Order for 25c a year from Rev. Jacob Gartenhaus, 315 Red Rock Bldg., Atlanta 3, Ga.)

Mr. Gartenhaus is sending thousands of tracts and Testaments to the soldiers in the camps. One of the chaplains reported: "Those Jewish boys are eating up everything we have given them and are asking for more".

Mr. Gartenhaus uses every possible opportunity for personal interviews with Jews. Almost every issue of our home mission magazine contains thrilling stories of how God has given to this missionary—on the trains and in railroad stations, in Jewish homes and in places of business—opportunities to talk to Jews about his Savior. Once while on a train he opened up a conversation with a Jewish traveling companion whom he found to be a Polish refugee, who had been editor of one of the Jewish dailies widely known, a man who had escaped from Poland and traveled almost around the world before reaching these friendly shores. At that time he was connected with one of the Jewish

dailies in New York and was on a special mission to Miami. He counted among his personal friends some of the leading Jewish people both here in America and in other lands. Our missionary, realizing that he was talking to one of today's leaders in Israel, made the most of the hundred-mile journey to present to him Jesus as the only hope of the Jews and of the world. As the two parted, the Jewish refugee from Poland promised to give most serious thought to the things said by the Jewish home missionary.

Mr. Gartenhaus' work includes also enlisting the interest of Baptists in their Jewish neighbors. To conventions and assemblies and meetings of many kinds he goes, telling about the Jewish work and laying upon the hearts of southern Baptists their obligation to witness to the house of Israel. He says: "Thank God, today we are witnessing a growing concern for suffering Israel. At the present time in many of our cities one will find Friends of Israel groups which are meeting regularly for prayer and study and who are engaged in making personal contacts with their Jewish friends". (See article on page 10 of this magazine.)

Through the Foreign Mission Board southern Baptists have tried to witness to the Jews in Palestine. Due to war conditions there are no S.B.C. missionaries in Palestine today, but there are

MEDITATION—THAT JEWISH NEIGHBOR OF MINE

("O Zion, Haste" may be played as a musical accompaniment while the following is given.)

I have a Jewish neighbor. He is one of the seventeen million Jews in the world today, one of the six hundred thousand who live in my southland. He lives near me—perhaps on my own street or perhaps in some neighborhood not as choicé as mine. But he lives near enough to me to be my neighbor both because of his propinquity and because of his need of something precious which I have and which he has not. He is a Jew, belonging to the same race of people who gave me my religion. Without his race I would have no Bible, no Christ, no church, no Christian joys, no hope of Heaven. He does not have many of these blessings which are contributions of his race to mine because he does not accept my Savior as his Messiah.

What is my attitude toward this Jewish neighbor of mine? Do I feel superior to him? Do I regret that he lives so near to me? Do I speak of him in disrespectful terms? Do I consider social contacts with him undesirable? Do I encourage

those who are preparing and waiting for the opportunity of witnessing to the Lord's own people in the Lord's own land. As many Jews as can get there are going to Palestine today and doubtless after the war thousands of others with Zionistic dreams will return to the land of their fathers. Southern Baptists must be ready to send those who will give the Gospel message to these Jews.

As we win Jews to Christ we are helping them to fulfil the purpose for which God called and chose Israel. Jews won to Christ make wonderful Christian witnesses. We think of our own missionary, Jacob Gartenhaus, influencing the whole southland and almost encircling the globe with the powerful witness of his pen, his speech and his personality. We think of Dr. Hyman Appleman, the Jewish evangelist, powerful in his witness not only to his own race but to thousands of the south's unevangelized people who attend his revivals. We think of Mrs. Irene Hanly, the Jewish missionary of the Illinois Woman's Missionary Union, charming in her personality and dynamic in her appeals to Jews and Christians alike on behalf of the salvation of Israel. As we win Jews to Jesus we are winning other Peters and Pauls and Johns and Mary Magdalenes who will with great power witness of Israel's Messiah who came to save a lost world. (See also pages 11-13 of this magazine.)

my children to shun his children? Have I ever shown myself friendly with him in any way? Have I ever spoken to him of Jesus? Have I ever tried to find out anything about him—his background, his family, his work, his opinions, his hopes, his thoughts about Christianity?

I must remember that by my actions my Jewish neighbor is judging my Christ. He cannot think much of my love for Jesus if I fail to show any love for my neighbor of the same race. He cannot think much of the influence of Jesus in my life if it seems to have made me an unfriendly snob toward any neighbor of mine. He cannot believe much in my missionary zeal if I apparently have no interest in winning him to Christ.

O Lord, forgive me if I have neglected my Jewish neighbor. Help me to see in him a matchless opportunity for Christian witnessing. Help me to remember that salvation is of the Jews and for the Jews. May I realize that the Bible plan is that the Gospel shall be given "to the Jew first" and may I not be guilty of placing the Jew last in my missionary thinking. Help me to merit Thy blessing by being a blessing to that Jewish neighbor of mine.



QUESTIONS for REVIEW and DISCUSSION

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3. Tell something of present day persecution of the Jews.
4. Are Jews ever persecuted in America?
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6. Discuss the patriotism of American Jews.
7. Tell something of the condition of Jewish and other present day refugees.
8. Tell of the attitude of Jews toward Christianity both in the past and today.
9. Give some reasons for Jewish response to the Gospel today.
10. How are Jews and Christians linked together in God's plan of redemption?
11. Tell of the work of our Home Board missionary to the Jews.
12. Discuss the power of the Jew as a Christian witness.
13. What should be our attitude toward our Jewish neighbors?



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.

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| State Denominational Papers | |
| Last Report of the Foreign Mission Board | |
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| The Rebirth of a Nation | Jacob Gartenhaus |

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POST-OFFICE authorities are notifying or have notified city residents as to the mail delivery unit to be affixed to their respective addresses so that mail may be delivered more promptly to them. Accordingly the W.M.U. headquarters office in Birmingham has been duly notified that its mail delivery unit is 3. The July issue of this magazine called attention to this fact on its pages 2, 3 and 25. See also pages 2 and 3 of this issue. Thus it will be realized that all communications as to this magazine for subscriptions, renewals etc. should have the unit 3 after Birmingham. This is also true concerning the young people's magazines—*World Comrades* and *The Window of Y.W.A.*—and as to orders etc. to the W.M.U. Literature Department and as to letters etc. to any who receive their mail at the Birmingham headquarters office. Therefore, for the three magazines, the Literature Department and the workers at the office please use respectively the following address:

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SUMMER'S the TIME

THIS summer will be quite different—little gas, thin tires, train and bus travel for pleasure discouraged. Families will be at home more this summer. What does that mean? More chance for mission study?

And mission study was never more important. People need to know about life in South America, Africa, China, Japan, Europe, other sections of America—for our own sons and brothers, husbands and nephews live around the world; the walls of home are elastic. Our learning by reading and study must match their journeying. They give lives to build a new world; we at home must give our minds to know how to build that brand-new world. Mission study steps in with fascinating books and with delightfully stimulating teaching plans to help us know and understand our shrunken world; and here are families staying at home instead of going on vacation trips.

Find your teachers, select the books, gather the young people and use the summer days for mission study. Which way will you turn for a teacher? Any young women home from college? They would gladly put their education courses into practice. Any teacher on a bit of vacation? She would gladly try out new theories of teaching in mission study. Any young wives at home for the duration? Any mothers relieved of home duties because their sons and husbands are away? This is the summer to look around for a new personnel in your teaching: use the individual you have never thought of asking before because she went on a trip or was busy with home duties or even wasn't interested before.

Select the book—provide collateral books for the teacher. See the mission study list from your state W.M.U. headquarters, the *World in Books* catalogue from your state Baptist Bookstore, the reviews in this and other missionary magazines. There are so many fine books we cannot list them all here. Help gather the necessary materials for making the teaching live—cardboard, crayon, wall-paper, scissors, cloth—hand-work should be brought into every mission study class, not tacked on but an integral part of it.

Morning hours are inviting on a cool porch; twilight time is beguiling on a pleasant lawn. Use these hours for your study.

Neighborhood classes will be popular this summer if the church is too far for walking or roller skating or bicycling and if street-cars or buses do not help. People have a way of going when they really want to and if the mission study class is interesting and worth-while they will arrive. Read the accounts of mission study classes in *World Comrades* to see what others have done; you can too.

A girl remarked one day about mission study: "The only trouble about these diplomas is you know you get one whether you work or not". Lift your mission study to a level of actual study; boys and girls will like it better and respect it and their church and all its work more. The free time of this summer should mean much to the Kingdom tomorrow because your society and the auxiliaries used it for splendid mission study.

Training School

Miss Carrie U. Littlejohn, Principal, 2801 Lexington Road, Louisville 6, Ky.

WANTED: YOUNG WOMEN

AMONG the classified advertisements in my daily paper recently has appeared a new section entitled, "Help Wanted—Women (Critical)". This employment listed as critical must clear through the United States Employment Service by order of the War Manpower Commission. Consequently only really essential needs can be presented.

If I could get the eye of our Christian young women and their leaders and friendly counselors, I would like to feature a "Help Wanted—Women (Critical)" column for the challenging and necessary Christian tasks waiting to be done in today's world. I would like to tell them of the needs to which my attention has been called through letters, conferences (personal and group), addresses and articles by Christian leaders and news-items in newspapers and broadcasts.

Take world missions, for instance. There never was a greater need nor a greater opportunity for the foreign missionary. The work of reconstruction following the war will be tremendous—food must be provided for the hungry, medical treatment for the ill, churches, schools and hospitals repaired or rebuilt, families reunited and homes reestablished, morale strengthened, and even the desire for living infused into the crushed millions of the world. But above and in all these necessary services must be what someone has called "an undergirding spiritual motive". We must not lose sight of our basic Christian mission: "For we have all sinned and come short of the glory of God". . . . "Thou shalt call His name Jesus for He shall save His people from their sins". The suffering people of the world need many things, but they—and we—need first of all a Savior, a Redeemer. The "new order" that is needed will never come except through Him.

We are seeing our own country now in a new light. For example: city and associational missions, so long neglected, are getting attention today. The churches in our cities and larger towns, especially those adjacent to army camps and defense industries, are looking for women who can help to solve the problems that are confronting them. New families, that have moved into these towns, are living in crowded rooming houses; young girls away from home for the first time in many cases are employed in war plants and living in unwholesome surroundings; mothers are working and their children are becoming the community's problems.

In the letters that come to my desk for information about workers are found such expressions as these: "For this important work we need a college and Training School graduate, a mature person with platform ability". "This is a textile center . . . We need one who can do welfare work . . . also a good personal worker . . . one who understands organizing new work". "We need a consecrated young woman with some experience and an attractive personality . . . an excellent stenographer . . . with executive ability".

From such expressions as these one can get an idea of the kind of worker that is in demand today and the qualities and skills that are needed: consecration, ability, good personality, maturity for leadership and guidance of young people, a thorough education. The Training School covets the privilege of training young women with such possibilities for the open doors of service.

A VAST VICTORY

BY May 8 the Foreign Mission Board had received from the listed states the following amounts for the 1942 Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. Scarcely had the Board reported these gifts when it received additional contributions. No mere words can express even partially the gratitude that overflows because God graciously granted this unprecedented victory when world-wide missions are so fearfully disrupted. In addition to the causes previously published as beneficiaries of the offering it has been possible to make other appropriations as follows:

New Seminary Building, Recife, Brazil.....	\$5,000
Publishing House, Rio, Brazil.....	5,000
Seminary Building, Rio, Brazil.....	5,000
Chapels throughout Mexico.....	6,000

Because of the need for such additional help and for every other reason there is limitless joy that the Foreign Board reports the following receipts:

Ala.	\$23,066.57	Miss.	28,167.77
Ariz.	768.10	Mo.	19,639.59
Ark.	17,982.36	N. M.	3,534.56
Calif.	273.92	N. C.	59,462.15
D. C.	1,352.10	Okla.	22,450.35
Fla.	14,254.45	S. C.	37,283.64
Ga.	35,042.49	Tenn.	31,808.38
Ill.	6,263.38	Tex.	143,518.71
Ky.	27,686.46	Va.	64,823.51
La.	20,172.15	Misc.	1,821.55
Md.	3,237.11		
		TOTAL	\$562,609.30

BOOK REVIEWS (Concluded from Page 11)

from Dr. Leopold Cohn seven suggestions for personal work with the Jews. These suggestions go right to the heart of the matter of method—it would be hard to find anything more practical.



CONFERENCE at RIDGECREST (Concluded from Page 5)

Monday, August 9

9:00-10:00—*Learn through Study to*
"Work with your courage high, sing of the daybreak night,
your love outpour!"

Leader: Mrs. Una R. Lawrence

5:00- 5:55—*Open House*—State-by-State through the Southland
Hostess States: Va., Ariz., S.C., Md., N.M., Ill.

Tuesday, August 10

9:00-10:00—*Proclaim through Better Programs*
"Christ hope of all the meek, Christ whom all earth shall seek!"

Leader: Miss Blanche S. White, Va.

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Current Missionary Events

Discussed by Mrs. W. C. James, Virginia

It is indeed interesting in this day, when the sad plight of the Jews on the continent of Europe is so much on the hearts and minds of many American Christians, to have it brought to mind through the question and answer column of a daily paper that the first Jew to set foot on American soil was a Christian. According to the *Encyclopedia Americana* Louis de Torres, a convert to Christianity, came over with Columbus on his first voyage as an interpreter because of his knowledge of Arabic. It will be remembered that Columbus was seeking a new route to the lands of the East. It is known that de Torres settled somewhere in America before 1500 but just where we do not know, probably somewhere in what is now known as Latin America. It is not only interesting but a great joy to be reminded also that one of our most effective southern Baptist missionaries to Latin America was a convert to Christianity, Solomon Ginsburg who came to America from Europe.

of New York City for the Christian Day of Compassion observed recently in churches throughout the city. Bishop Henry St. George Tucker, presiding bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in America, in a statement in connection with this observance said that "we are in danger of assuming that what is happening to the Jews on the continent of Europe is exaggerated" but added that a recent survey "shows that the actual facts are more rather than less terrible"

In a suburb of Sydney, Australia, recently some fifty members of a Presbyterian congregation accompanied by their minister were present by invitation at a Sunday afternoon service in the Jewish synagogue, Temple Immanuel. As a gift of good-will, they took with them and gave to their Jewish friends a pulpit Bible which at the rabbi's request contained the New Testament as well as the Old

"In the Bible and in Biblical guidance I find the bridge that carries me across this age of madness. Of course times have changed much but humanity has changed only slightly", says George E. Sokolsky, an eminent Jewish journalist

We are told that in proportion to their numbers more Jews are accepting Christ than any other one race of people and we know that many of these Christians are most faithful in the face of discouragements. If by chance the reader overlooked the article "Jewish Refugee in Havana Helped by Jacob Gartenhaus" look up your copy of the May issue of *Southern Baptist Home Missions* and read it, also the explanatory paragraph by Dr. M. N. McCall. See also pages 10-13 of this magazine.

Gratitude was expressed in all the synagogues

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION, AUXILIARY to the SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION
FIRST QUARTERLY REPORT—January 1 to April 1, 1943
 COMPILED by W. M. U. TREASURER

STATES	Reported by State Treasurers as Having Been Contributed by W.M.U. Members						Received by W.M.U. Treasurer			TOTAL
	Southwide Debt-Paying Campaign	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Ministerial Relief	Christian Education	State and Other Objects in S.B.C. Program	W.M.U. Training School		Special Gifts	
							State App't Training School	Scholarship Fund		
Alabama	\$ 10,524.68	\$ 6,757.72	\$ 15,553.50	\$ 880.16	\$ 8,584.85	\$ 8,466.18	\$ 300.00	\$ 200.00	\$	\$ 51,267.00
Arizona		820.81	123.65	16.92	41.40	796.44			19.75	1,819.06
Arkansas	3,522.66	6,473.58	3,827.38	473.31	2,872.50	8,580.67	172.12		12.29	25,934.51
Dist. of Ccl.	395.76	321.94	772.67		15.00	237.00				1,742.37†
Florida	4,439.03	11,428.73	6,021.49	786.30	3,346.03	12,792.43	125.02		44.45	38,983.48
Georgia	14,562.53	5,369.77	16,761.29	8.50	157.45	50,201.18	646.26		400.00	88,106.98
Illinois	1,211.31	1,416.17	4,785.64	575.30	1,193.05	3,837.87	92.60		6.87	13,118.90
Kentucky	8,089.81	22,936.02	15,957.18	2,228.24	11,251.21	26,065.39		155.00	163.06	86,845.91
Louisiana	3,104.62	2,757.18	16,838.55	569.74	3,081.38	17,466.90			15.70	43,834.07
Maryland	1,463.94	1,537.39	2,816.54	194.83	389.66	2,923.74	175.00		14.00	9,515.10
Mississippi	6,527.03	4,941.40	8,867.74	655.02	4,897.59	17,413.40	350.00	400.00	9.00	44,061.18
Missouri	10,982.20	16,019.57	8,128.08	727.17	5,124.79	12,566.25	390.00	242.50	58.47	54,239.03
New Mexico	1,945.98	526.56	1,614.15		240.00	995.82	75.00		159.25	5,556.76
North Carolina	9,497.66	16,626.69	31,282.21	2,445.81	25,787.36	25,506.08		100.00		111,245.81
Oklahoma	8,300.50	15,347.17	7,930.46	349.40	1,896.34	11,929.38		100.00		45,853.25
South Carolina	4,087.60	8,176.57	13,851.60	1,580.73	7,760.87	13,937.61	500.00			49,894.98
Tennessee	6,004.21	15,368.46	25,115.03	2,339.45	15,204.49	19,146.89	1,500.00	500.00	15.45	85,193.98
Texas	12,157.84	16,844.33	61,695.48	3,028.10	26,149.43	57,916.66			60.10	177,851.94
Virginia	9,956.52	23,075.04	27,781.39	3,344.02	16,288.54	31,700.27	500.00	200.00		112,845.78
Miscellaneous	112.00	383.12								495.12
TOTAL	\$116,885.88	\$177,128.22	\$269,724.03	\$20,203.00	\$134,282.01	\$322,480.16*	\$4,826.09	\$1,897.50	\$978.39	\$1,048,405.30

*This amount includes \$49,073.13 paid toward state debts of the following states: Fla. \$2,156.07; Ky. \$7,598.56; La. \$3,104.01; Miss. \$10,817.10; N. C. \$9,497.67; Tenn. \$6,076.24; Va. \$9,822.88

†The District of Columbia also contributed a duplicate amount through the Northern Baptist Convention