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EDITORIAL

Three Emphases

AT Miami in May the Southern Baptist Convention will doubtless give a prominent place on its program to the report concerning the Centennial Evangelistic Crusade. Unmeasured will be the delight if the goal of a million souls won to Christ is reported attained but even so it will be humbly acknowledged that many, many millions are still lost within the territory of the Southern Baptist Convention. Therefore the Convention and Woman's Missionary Union are obligated to put great emphasis upon the winning of souls by individual and organizational effort as another century of southern Baptist work is inaugurated. Doubtless every earnest-hearted W.M.U. soul-winner is conscious of mistakes made last year in her efforts to lead loved ones and neighbors and casual acquaintances to Christ. Doubtless also there is the confessed consciousness that one's prayer-life was not properly nourished, that one's study of God's Word was not centered on the portions that quicken one's zeal for lost souls and, when quoted by power through the Holy Spirit, convict and convert many whose salvation is being sought. Doubtless too there is the realization that there was not enough study of books on soul-winning whereby the successes and even the failures of others would have been examples to follow or avoid. With some such misgivings many an earnest W.M.U. soul-winner is anticipating the May meeting in Miami, confident that in the books there displayed will be one or more that will intensify the evangelistic fervor of her soul; that in the special "Worship Service" with which Woman's Missionary Union will commence its annual meeting on Sunday afternoon, May 12, and in the devotional periods of the seven other sessions her prayer and Bible study life will be so richly fed that she will generously share with many who are starving in sin; that as the various missionaries and other guest-speakers tell of souls won on home and foreign fields there will come the conviction that methods victorious in such instances can be personally put into practice. *Yes, soul-winning will be emphasized at the Miami meeting!*

Also there will be steadily set forth the appalling need for more missionaries on both the home and foreign fields. For quite some time but particularly since V-J Day the Home and Foreign Mission Boards have been calling for volunteers, have been announcing that more doors are open or opening than can possibly be entered with their very limited number of missionaries. It is believed that a sense of personal responsibility to meet this need will be deepened by including it each month in the W.M.U. Calendar of Prayer. Also it is believed that when the chaplains at the Miami meeting testify as to the far-reaching value of a missionary's life and when the missionary speakers tell of opportunities on their fields many a young woman will be challenged thus to invest her life, many a mother will covenant with God to let His Holy Spirit have the right of way in guiding her children's destinies, many a director of W.M.U. young people's organizations will catch the vision of training world-builders. *Yes, the appalling but also the alluring need for volunteers for missionary service at home and abroad will be emphasized at the Miami meeting!*

Also there will be frankly discussed at the Miami meeting the small percentage of southern Baptists who have the tithe as the minimum scale of their Christian stewardship. In the happy anticipation that the Southern Baptist Convention will in Miami vote to seek to increase the number of southern Baptist tithers by one million, the W.M.U. Executive Committee in joint session last January with the state W.M.U. executive and young people's secretaries enthusiastically voted to undertake to enrol one-third of the coveted one million. For several years W.M.U. records have shown that the averages as to tithers are one among three W.M.S. members and one among eight of the graded young people. Thus it will be realized that the speakers at the Miami meeting will have an excellent opportunity to inspire

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ANNUAL MEETING

Miami, the "Magic City", Bids You Welcome

HAD you been quietly resting in a glider on your front porch, casually glancing over the daily papers and suddenly were startled from semi-consciousness to full realization of the impact of the announcement before your eyes, I dare say that you, too, would have felt as I did the proverbial "bolt out of the blue" especially if that news-item had revealed the fortunate selection of your city for the annual meeting of Woman's Missionary Union, Auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention. But your very next reaction would have been one of overwhelming joy.

Yes, indeed, Miami, the "Magic City" with its tropical glamor blending with modern convenience and breath-taking beauty, is not only known for its tourist trade but also for its gracious hospitality as a convention center. "Magic City"—no truer name could have been given this metropolis of the tropics! Since its incorporation in 1896, fortune has smiled and the magic wand has continuously waved over our city. By 1930 the population had reached 111,637, proving that it was the fastest growing city in the world. The 1940 census gave Greater Miami a population of 315,000. Located in the sub-tropical zone, with sunshine prevailing each day throughout the year, with cool trade-winds from the southeast that keep an average temperature of 80.4 degrees, (heat prostrations are unknown here), Miami's population continues to increase each year. During 1942 it was estimated that two million persons visited here, some staying a few hours, some a few days, some a week or two, some staying through the season and others deciding to make their homes here.

Yes, the citizens of Greater Miami, the Chambers of Commerce and all Baptists of this area join in welcoming the W.M.U. meeting and the Southern Baptist Convention to Miami for the week of May 12. The Central Baptist Church, in which the sessions of the W.M.U. are to be held, is located in downtown Miami. This great missionary church has a magnificent circular auditorium, completely encircled by a foyer which helps to muffle outside noises, and a seating capacity of 2200. Contracts have been let for air conditioning the building and it is hoped that it will be completed by May.

Among the many show-places in this area is Bayfront Park. As one strolls through its 39 acres, one finds it studded with trees, flowers and shrubs from tropical countries around the globe; an amphitheater of Moorish design, with a seating capacity of 6500; and two club-houses which served as gathering places for thousands of servicemen stationed in Miami during the war. These buildings which are located on the north end of the park and the amphitheater which is on the south end will house the sessions of the Southern Baptist Convention. The park is bordered on the east by the sapphire waters of romantic Biscayne Bay, on the west by Biscayne Boulevard, presenting a picture of extreme beauty—three rows of islands supporting royal palms, walkways and ample parking space. It is on this picturesque boulevard, directly across from the park's entrance, that we find the McAllister Hotel, cordial and friendly, headquarters hotel for the W.M.U. meeting. The Columbus Hotel, located in the same block, will serve the S.B.C. as headquarters hotel. There are many other excellent hotels, whose rates are also being published. The Central Baptist Church is only a few blocks from the McAllister Hotel.

"And now I'll be poetic, if you please,
And say the music of our tall palm trees
That ocean breezes wake, the tender notes
That rise from many little feathered throats,
The tropic beauty, bloom and foliage wear
With loveliness resplendent everywhere.

The bluest skies that any sight can reach,
The lovely stretch of wave-kissed ocean-beach
Will all be yours—enjoy them as you choose;
I warn you though, sand may get in your shoes!
And now in one brief sentence, may I say
Let your slogan be, To Miami in May!"

—Mrs. George O. Holland
Chairman Miami W.M.U. Committee

"Strengthening the Churches"

ON our field there are three primary schools in the churches; each is cared for by the pastor or some one under his direction; the enrolment is from 60 to 150 pupils. In addition we have in the interior 18 or 20 day-schools that function rather regularly when we provide teachers. Campos, with an enrolment of 850 last year, had 81 baptisms among the students; some of the teachers for the interior schools are furnished by Campos but usually the high school graduates want to go on to Rio de Janeiro for further study. This year a community with nearly 100 children is without a teacher; most of these children are from Christian homes. At the December commencement exercises at Campos 63 were graduated from the high school, over half of them are Christians; all of them received the seed of the Gospel while in the school.

Five churches were organized on our field last year, making a total of 145; but we have only 66 pastors. Thus you see our difficulties in trying to give the churches proper attention and training. Several evangelists are studying; three men were ordained last year.

With the expense money provided through the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering we have been able to have workers visit new sections and take part in institutes and associations other than their own: thus they have gotten new ideas and inspiration and have been able to distribute literature. The biggest thing has been the placing of 25 seminary or pre-seminary students out among the churches during their summer vacation (December-February) to visit for the churches and otherwise to aid the pastors by holding Vacation Bible Schools, selling Christian literature and teaching courses as desired by the respective church. This we know will prove a blessing to the visitor and the visited. The churches could use twice as many of these students; they are entertained by the church and get to know the people and the workings of the pastor both in his "sunny and cloudy" days. This experience will mean much in after years to these students. They need to know, while yet students, the difficulties as well as the joys of Christian service. It inspires me to see talented young people turning aside from the lures of the world to dedicate their lives to a ministry upon which the Great Teacher put His stamp of approval. We see this happening very frequently now but it took years of toil to give them the vision. We praise God every day for the many who are prepared to carry on the work already begun.

Our Day of Prayer around the World (*Oracão Mundial*) was observed all over our field. It is very satisfying to see how this Day of Prayer has become very dear to our people, having taken root in their hearts. We note the development it brings to their spiritual lives as well as the enlargement of their missionary outlook. Many nationalities are found in all of our churches; thus the interest is lively as we study to know the needs and possibilities of different countries. The response is gratifying. We divide our offering between the work in the interior of Brazil and in Portugal.—
Mrs. A. B. Christie, Petropolis, Brazil



Achieved Victories and Accepted Goals

THE column to the left shows the receipts as of January 21 for the 1945 Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. The column to the right sets forth the goals for the 1946 renewals and new subscriptions to *Royal Service*.

\$ 42,355.07	Alabama	12,160
1,725.20	Arizona	325
33,819.32	Arkansas	4,550
3,260.11	California	750
1,864.29	District of Columbia	395
30,634.05	Florida	7,460
65,851.46	Georgia	16,950
13,793.08	Illinois	2,985
41,572.32	Kentucky	11,165
30,667.71	Louisiana	7,380
4,576.89	Maryland	1,280
35,179.93	Mississippi	9,690
31,746.11	Missouri	10,000
6,335.91	New Mexico	1,105
100,395.91	North Carolina	21,160
49,280.89	Oklahoma	6,555
55,288.77	South Carolina	12,835
41,584.00	Tennessee	13,205
326,229.82	Texas	19,180
119,186.53	Virginia	15,935
3,379.58	Miscellaneous	
\$1,038,726.95	TOTAL	175,065

JUST as there is the deepest gratitude for past victories, even so is it believed that each state is eager in this new year to give added proof of zeal for missions around the world, beginning at home. The marvelous total of the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering, which "The Giver of Every Good Gift" constrained W.M.U. women and young people to contribute last December, will enable the Foreign Mission Board to publish more widely the Gospel of the Prince of Peace. In turn a wider circulation of the Union's monthly, *Royal Service*, will remind W.M.U. members of their obligation and opportunity "to tell to the nations the story of peace and light"

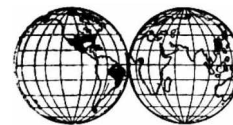
A Distinction with a Difference



This monogram cut in large or small size may be freely used by W.M.U. organizations and by any southern Baptist church in the promotion of W.M.U. work. Such use is genuinely appreciated but requests for similar use of the Union's pin design in the shape of the double fish-head (as at top of this page) must be denied. It is necessary to reserve the use of this official design exclusively to Woman's Missionary Union.

Memorial Tribute

WHEN word came in February that Mr. Robert Coleman of Dallas, Texas, had entered "The Promised Land", my mind was flooded with grateful memories of Mr. Coleman as he led Southern Baptist Convention audiences inspiringly to sing "On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand". Among the many ways in which Woman's Missionary Union was and will ever be indebted to Mr. Coleman two are unique: first for enthusiastically serving on the committee in 1918 which effected the change of the word "brethren" to "messengers" in article III of the S.B.C. constitution, thereby making it possible for women to be messengers to the Convention; second for securing the right to publish in the W.M.U. Year Book the music of certain hymns as used by the Union. Always he was a friend to Woman's Missionary Union and will be borne in grateful memory.—Kathleen Maltory, W.M.U. Executive Secretary



Preparing for Seasons of Prayer Offerings

WHEN the time approaches for a season of prayer, we set a goal for the amount of our offering and pray that we may reach the goal. Next we get the names from our church roll of all women in reach of our W.M.S. When the literature with envelopes arrives, we number each envelope and write on each the name of a woman on our list.

One time we made a poster, drawing on it a wheel having as many spokes as we had names on the list, with the wording: "Do not break one of my spokes". Another time we drew a chain, with as many links as we had names and put these in the links. On this poster we wrote: "Would you break one of my links?" These posters and information as to the Week of Prayer dates and other plans were put up in our W.M.S. room.

After this work was done, the next step was to deliver *in person* each envelope. It is easy to give the envelopes to those present at the business meeting; the harder task is to deliver by personal visits all envelopes left over. With each call goes the explanation of the meaning of the particular season of prayer and how the offering is used. Of course an invitation is given to attend the program each day and return the envelope with an offering so as not to break a spoke or link. The committee distributing the envelopes is asked to have a word of prayer at every place visited. This very thing often enlists new members.

During the war, when tires and gas were scarce, we sometimes tried putting stamps on the envelopes and mailing them. But this did not work like the personal contacts, especially if the women were not W.M.S. members and had no understanding of the meaning of the envelopes.

After the season of prayer is over, all envelopes with numbers and names are checked. Each missing one *must* be personally contacted again by the same one who delivered it. In almost every case the missing ones are brought back. Often the women thank the committee for returning to get their offerings.

Our W.M.S. has only about twenty members but we usually find about twice our number with whom this personal contact must be made. By dividing the responsibility among the circles, it would be relatively easy for a large W.M.S. to work this plan. Remember the plan will not work itself. It *must* have hands, feet, prayer and often gasoline and tires.—Mrs. Guy Waldrop, Mississippi

BIBLE STUDY

Dr. W. O. Carver, Kentucky

Isaiah 43:8-13; II Timothy 4:1-8

BY "the evangelical witness" we mean the Gospel of the redeeming Christ as the truth is in Jesus. (See Eph. 4:20-24; I Cor. 15:1-4; II Tim. 2:1-2; John 20:22f.) This evangelical witness needs to be borne to all the world in universal evangelism so that "the grace of God bringing salvation to all men" may reach all men (Titus 3:11) and that all may know the way of life which is revealed from God in Christ Jesus and His Kingdom of righteousness. This evangelical witness needs to be borne to all forms of organized Christianity that "the truth of the Gospel may continue with" all who have it and that the simplicity and freedom of the Gospel may be restored to all who have lost it or corrupted it. For the new world order the genuine Gospel is the supreme need. This Gospel needs expression in churches that embody and proclaim the freedom and fulness of the Christian faith so that in all the saints the Body of Christ may attain unto the measure of His full realization in humanity (Eph. 1:23, 4:13-16).

Isaiah 43:8-13 is one of the completest summaries of the teaching which is central in all the Bible: that God has planned to reach all the world by means of the witness to all nations by the people whom He has redeemed and prepared for this very purpose. God calls for an assemblage of all the nations to compare their religions and their cultures. The religiously "blind" and ethically "deaf" are to be brought into conference. Each people through its spokesmen will "declare" and "show" from the outcome what its way of life can produce among men. Thus they will "justify" their religion and ethics or else, when they cannot justify them, "let them give heed" to God's witnesses to His truth and its power and "let them respond: 'It is the truth'"—this Gospel which God's witnesses proclaim and explain.

Of course no such actual physical conference of all the peoples of the world can be held. In effect such a conference is now actual in the universal interchange of knowledge and culture and life patterns, which in our generation has come about. And actual physical meetings in conferences of representations of all nations are increasingly held. The San Francisco Conference for world security is in session as I write. By the time this is read there will have been held many conferences of representatives to consider, compare and devise forms of education, industry, commerce, culture, religion. In these conferences the welfare, the faith, the hope of all the peoples will somehow be represented and, on decisions reached, the good of all men will in greater or less measure be determined. In all these conferences Christian men and women will share—members of Christian churches at least. Will they see in these conferences the divinely appointed call to represent Jesus Christ? Many others by speech and writings are continuously sharing in the world's life and thought. In it all Christians should be witnessing to Christ.

Before this is published there will have been held representative conferences concerning the Gospel and the church in the new order of the world. Here then will have been strategical, all-important occasions for "the evangelical witness" in the face of spokesmen for all sorts of sacramentarian, sacerdotal and hierarchical systems of Christianity and in view of all superficial and merely emotional Christian movements. It is a time of fearsome opportunity. Quite apart from all such world conferences and grand occasions each of us, simple Christians, has now a golden opportunity and an urgent call to bear his evangelical witness.

In our passage God goes on (10-13) to say that it is for this purpose He has declared His Word to us, has saved us, has thereby demonstrated the truth and the power of His Word. It is no new message but a proven Gospel of which we are witnesses. He—the everlasting, the only, the saving God—will be with us and make our witness effective.

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COMMUNITY MISSIONS

Mrs. Edgar Godhold, Southwide Chairman

"Call upon Me"

175,000 more lost people in Southern Baptist Convention territory than a year ago; a total of 17,000,000 unsaved! Should not southern Baptist women be on their knees praying: "God, give us these millions for Thee or we die"? Do you believe God's promise: "Call unto Me, and I will answer thee and show thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest not"? If so, we can rise with faith that, ere the summer is over and the harvest ended, the number of lost people can be greatly decreased.

Soul-winning and prayer are interlocked. Therefore, as a major portion of community missions work, let us stress the importance of prayer.

1. *By establishment of family altars.* Too little emphasis has been laid on daily worship in the home. How the atmosphere is changed when love, kindness, patience and "preferring one another"—gained only at the Throne of Grace—replace bickering and strife. Rather pathetically a girl of sixteen writes in the current issue of a popular woman's magazine: "If we look back in history not many years ago we find a family sitting around an old round table, reading or chatting or singing hymns. Today mother is at Red Cross meeting, father at lodge, sister at a school dance and brother gone to the show. What is happening to our home life? Everyone has something to do every night . . . Homes are the background of our nation". All parents can leave their children a priceless heritage—the memory of a Godly father and mother reading God's Word daily and lifting their voices in prayer. Those who hesitate to pledge that they will conduct an altar in the home for a year may be urged to try it for a month or quarter. As in the case of tithing, such blessings will ensue, such peace in the heart, so many answered prayers, that many will wish to continue the custom of inviting Christ to be the Unseen Guest in the home.

2. *By cottage prayer-meetings.* Only after much purification and supplication may we win to Christ. There is a small church nearby which had fourth time preaching. When a survey of the community was made, the members were amazed at the long list of lost people in their midst. Cottage prayer-meetings were planned for each night in different sections and to these those, who had never professed a saving faith in Christ, were invited. A month went by and many of the guests accepted Christ in the homes. It was then decided to have a two weeks' revival at the church: thus many were added to the membership. But the revival did not stop, for the people did not want it to, as on and on they gave their personal witness. They met every night for a year and that fourth time church went to full time, with a pastor and educational director! "As soon as Zion travailed, she brought forth her children"—Isaiah 66:8.

3. *By special prayer and soul-winning efforts.* Month by month southern Baptist women are setting aside days on which to visit the unsaved and give their personal witness. This work may be supplemented by special prayer for zeal in soul-winning. Recently we worked in a church where no souls were being saved. But there was a small group of men and women who really cared. The Brotherhood joined with the W.M.U. in a Soul-winning Crusade. Every day that week they met at the church and on their knees asked God to bless the visits they were to make. God heard and answered prayer!

If your W.M.U. desires to do this, the following suggestions may prove helpful. Plan well in advance, selecting a season when the weather and most considerations are favorable. Create an atmosphere by private prayer and announcements of long-ing for conversions. Take a survey, listing the unsaved, unaffiliated Baptists and

inactive-resident church members. Secure tracts and Gospels for distribution. Meet daily for necessary instruction, prayer and the giving out of names. Be careful that most of your time is spent in contacts and not at the church. Saturate your work with prayer. Have reports of accomplishments and more prayer.

Southern Baptists hold the fate of many of these 17,000,000 in their hands. Shall we act upon it: "Call upon Me, and I will answer thee and show thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest not"?—Mrs. Edgar Godbold



It Can Be Done

FACED with the fact that we were only meeting the needs of our community that were easy and pleasant to do and were merely scratching the surface in community missions and further realizing the challenging opportunities that were all about us, the members of the Woman's Missionary Society of Cynthiana, Kentucky, determined to do something about it. Our first necessity in trying to start and maintain the work greatly needed seemed to be the guidance of a trained worker. Therefore after very definite prayer, we recommended to our church that a young woman from the W.M.U. Training School be employed for the summer months to work with groups of underprivileged women and young people in four unreached sections of our town. The church in business session consented so to do and gave us the "Go" sign.

A few of our women drove to the Training School and after conference with Dr. Carrie U. Littlejohn, the principal, interviewed several young women and found one to whom our type of work appealed. A junior in the School, Miss Shirley Taylor of Owensboro, Kentucky, agreed to come to us.

After taking religious census in these above-mentioned sections the homes were visited and clubs organized among the boys and girls. These clubs met out-of-doors on a nearby vacant lot or on the lawn of a W.M.S. member or in the basement of our church.

"Miss Shirley" worked with the pastor and with the W.M.S. community missions chairman. She instituted a program of week-day religious instruction, recreation, hand-work, stories and songs. In all the work Christian principles and ideals were stressed, teaching what Christ would mean in their lives and in the lives of others—an evangelistic and missionary program.

We were not working primarily for tangible results but hoped to have work started that our circles could carry on the year around. Rather soon boys and girls from the above-mentioned sections enrolled in our Sunday-school. They have learned to respect God and His house. They love His Word and keep cleaner bodies and lives. The summer's work opened new channels for practical service; thus shoes and clothing were given and employment secured as needed.

The future of the work rests with us. Our W.M.S. members cooperated with the census taking, visited in the homes, attended the club meetings and furnished treats. Leaders have been appointed to carry on. As Miss Mary Northington, executive secretary of the Tennessee W.M.U., has said: "Success comes in CANS". We have learned that community missions can be done.—Mrs. Eureka Whiteker, Kentucky

Bible Study (Concluded from Page 8)

In His resurrection-day appearance Jesus drew on this very passage to say to His disciples: "Ye are My witnesses... behold I send forth the promise of My Father" to clothe you with power in the witnessing. In our Timothy passage the apostle foresees the inducements to weaken and adjust this evangelical witness and makes a most solemn charge to bold, uncompromising, faithful speaking of the Word. That is God's challenge to us in this time.

"GIVE ATTENTION to READING"

Miss Thelma Brown, Book Consultant, Baptist Sunday School Board

INTEREST in books has increased amazingly in the past two decades. Do you realize that our Baptist bookstores are just twenty-one years old this year? In the past five years several city stores have opened so that now, including the summer store at Ridgecrest, twenty-eight bookstores serve southern Baptists. No other denomination in America provides so adequately for the reading needs of its constituency. Those of us who work in and plan for our stores are delighted with our developing service and appreciate the fine cooperation of all our organizations and the loyalty of individual Baptists who patronize and promote these stores.

However we are more concerned with "what" our people read than "how much". How grateful we are for the concern and careful study of Woman's Missionary Union that through its mission study committee gives emphasis and direction to three very far-reaching reading and study programs.

First, the *Certificate Courses* are now used by a very large per cent of the societies. Demand for the textbooks in these splendid courses has mounted steadily during the twenty years I have worked with our stores. The cry through these war-time, paper-scarcity years has been for more and more and still more books! How deeply we deplore the fact that every order could not be filled promptly and properly. Things are some brighter now, so you should be able to secure more titles this spring and summer than last. However, paper is still difficult to obtain in large quantities, so it is well to place orders as far in advance as possible.

Second, the wide-spread response to the new *Missionary Round Table* reading plan has been very gratifying. Although not yet one year old, inquiries from every state have exhausted one large printing and gone deep into another of the free leaflets describing this plan, and about 3000 booklists have been distributed.

In one state, Virginia, there is a fast-moving effort to set up two hundred *Missionary Round Tables* within the quarter. Arizona, where there are comparatively few organizations, reports over twenty. Alabama, Arkansas, South Carolina, Georgia, in fact nearly all the states have entered enthusiastically into this appealing program. One church in Texas boasts of ten *Missionary Round Tables*!

The mission study committee of W.M.U. has not stopped with these two plans for Christ-centered, world-wide reading. The third consists of an even more flexible individual *Reading Course*. This plan is adequately discussed on page 59 of the 1946 W.M.U. Yearbook by Mrs. Una Roberts Lawrence. It is realized that many women for various reasons cannot participate in either a circle study or *Missionary Round Table* meeting, also that many other members have time and desire to read more than are involved in class study or group reading. Mrs. Lawrence reminds us that there are three types of books on this course: (1) missionary devotional books not written for group study, (2) easy-to-read factual books on mission subjects or information helpful to better understanding of missions around the world, (3) all text books not completed in classes.

It is suggested that the mission study chairman order the *World in Books* from her Baptist bookstore and study it very carefully. All books marked by the symbol *RC* are appropriate. Then make a list of the titles that would appeal to the society or circle. After the preferences of the members are consulted, these books are ordered and circulated among small groups, one to each member. Attractive reading cards, with embossed stamps for five books each, may be secured from the office of your state W.M.U. secretary. There are no tests, no reports, no assignments, no requirements except an earnest, eager desire to know more of Christ and to spread His saving grace to every person in our "One World".

Next month we will point to several very special titles in this *Reading Course*. We hope within a year every member of W.M.U. will complete at least one reading card.

Our Young People

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

New Beginnings for Our Young People

A YOUNG boy woke up one April morning and, looking out the window, discovered that spring was coming. He could see green grass growing, flowers bursting into bloom. He exclaimed: "Grandma, Grandma, wake up! The world is just beginning!"

So it is this year. A new world of peace is beginning. Are your young people getting ready for it by learning all they can about it and Christ's plan for it?

Have you gathered mothers of children of Sunbeam ages (4-9 years) to study the new *Manual for Leaders of Sunbeam Bands*? Buy a copy for each one, price 10c from W.M.U. Literature Dept., 1111 Comer Bldg., Birmingham 3, Ala. This would arouse the interest of mothers in sending children to the meetings, in fostering, in helping the Sunbeam Band leader, in being ready to become leaders when needed. This new Sunbeam material makes all Sunbeam leadership easier yet more valuable. In this sixtieth year with this new manual, there should be many new Sunbeam Bands. Do you have a Sunbeam Band? Now is the time to start—now, when the world is beginning.

Have you heard about the beginning of the Royal Ambassador magazine which will be like opening a new world of mission opportunity before our boys? *Ambassador Life*, Volume 1, Number 1, is expected to appear in May at the annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Union and Southern Baptist Convention. Copies will be sent out then to original subscribers and to R. A. subscribers transferring from *World Comrades*. It is not going to be easy to do this transferring, so we must count on your careful help. Knowing how eager you are for the boys to grow in missionary zeal, please do these things:

1. If you know a boy who is taking *World Comrades*, tell him about *Ambassador Life* and ask him to write a postal card to *World Comrades* giving his name and address clearly and asking that his subscription be transferred with the first issue of *Ambassador Life*. The subscription will expire at the same time his *World Comrades* subscription would have expired.

2. If you know a boy who wants *Ambassador Life*, ask him to send in his \$1 with name and address for subscription so we can count him in from the very beginning.

3. If your Royal Ambassador Chapter receives several copies of *World Comrades*, notify *World Comrades* to make this transfer: be sure to tell the name and address under which the subscriptions to *World Comrades* were entered and the name and address to which *Ambassador Life* subscriptions are to be sent. For example: your Woman's Missionary Society subscribed to 14 copies of *World Comrades* and now you want to change five to *Ambassador Life* to start the counselor and program embassy on the new magazines; you must be sure to tell the name and address to which the fourteen copies have been going and the name and address to which you wish the five copies of *Ambassador Life* sent. We believe you will watch these details carefully to help us at the Birmingham office as much as possible. Thank you!

Remember that *World Comrades* will now be for Girls' Auxiliary and Sunbeam Band members, and what delightful plans are in the making for features of girl and child interest! Enlarge the number of *World Comrades* subscribers when you write to transfer a subscription by sending a new one for *World Comrades* also.

April means camp time is almost here too. Camp is a magic word in all it makes possible for our young people. Y.W.A. Camp at Ridgcrest will begin at the vesper

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CALENDAR of PRAYER

April, 1946

Mrs. W. C. Henderson, Arizona

THE longer on this earth we live and weigh various qualities of men, the more we feel the high stern-faced beauty of plain devotedness to duty. Steadfast and still, not paid with mortal praise but finding amplest recompense for life's ungarlanded expense in work done squarely and unwasted days.—James Russell Lowell

1—MONDAY

Rev. P. Cuevas, Brownwood, Rev. A. G. Ortiz, Hondo, Rev. D. M. Regalado, Rio Grande City, Rev. S. Rivera, Mission, Texas, evangelistic work among Mexicans; also "pray ye the Lord of the harvest that He send forth laborers into His harvest".

To seek a right way for us and for our little ones —Ezra 8:21

2—TUESDAY

State W.M.U. annual meetings—Louisiana, Alexandria, Mississippi, Jackson, South Carolina, Greenville, April 2-4

Thou shalt prosper in all that thou dost and whithersoever thou turnest thyself —I Kings 2:3

3—WEDNESDAY

State W.M.U. annual meetings—Kentucky, Bowling Green, April 3-4, Missouri, Joplin, April 3-5, Illinois, East St. Louis, April 4-5 That all the people of the earth might know the head of the Lord, that it is mighty —Josh 4:24

4—THURSDAY

Dr. and Mrs. R. E. L. Mewshaw, medical-evangelistic work, Rev. and Mrs. R. L. Haussum, educational-evangelistic work, Kweilin, China; also Dorothy Mewshaw, Margaret Fund student The Word of our God shall stand forever —Isa 40:8

5—FRIDAY

Miss Sarah Frances Diaz, Miss Maryona Puccarelli, Tampa, Miss Elizabeth Taylor, Key West, Florida, educational-evangelistic work God hath showed me that I should not call any man common or unclean. —Acts 10:28

6—SATURDAY

Dr. and Mrs. A. B. Oliver, evangelistic work, Curitiba, Miss Mattle Baker, educational-evangelistic work, Sao Paulo, Brazil; also Bennie May and Bruce Oliver, Margaret Fund students A great number believed and turned unto the Lord. —Acts 11:21

7—SUNDAY

Dr. and Mrs. E. M. Bostick, Dr. J. V. Dawes, Mrs. C. C. Marriott, emeritus missionaries from China That our care for you in the sight of God might appear to you —II Cor 1:12

8—MONDAY

Rev. and Mrs. R. Gonzales, Luyano, Rev. and Mrs. P. Santana, Cotorro, Cuba, evangelistic work Ye have been called unto liberty. —Gal. 5:13

9—TUESDAY

State W.M.U. annual meeting—Arkansas, Little Rock, April 9-11 Bless ye the Lord, all ye His hosts, ye ministers of His tabernacle His pleasure. —Psa 103:21

10—WEDNESDAY

Rev. and Mrs. D. F. Askew, educational-evangelistic work, Parana, Rev. and Mrs. E. S. Swenson, evangelistic work, Bahia Blanca, Argentina Great is our God and of great power: His understanding is infinite. —Psa 147:5

11—THURSDAY

Rev. R. Falcon, Brownwood, Rev. L. L. Lowry, Beaumont, Rev. and Mrs. C. Paredes, Austin, Texas, evangelistic work among Mexicans He that trusteth in the Lord, mercy shall compass him about. —Psa 32:10

12—FRIDAY

Dr. M. T. Rankin, executive secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, all secretaries and state board members working with him That they might observe His statutes and keep His laws —Psa 103:45

13—SATURDAY

Miss Anne Laeter, Miss Marjorie Spence, Temuco, Rev. and Mrs. H. C. McConnell, Miss Ethel Singleton, Santiago, Chile, educational-evangelistic work All things come of Thee and of Thine own have we given Thee. —I Chron 29:14

14—SUNDAY

Mrs. J. H. Rowe, Mrs. E. N. Walser, Dr. F. O. Mills, emeritus missionaries from Japan I will pray for you unto the Lord. —I Sam 7:9

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Calendar of Prayer for April

15—MONDAY

Pray that W.M.U. members will be earnest soul-winners; pray also for Rev. M. Lopez, Fort Worth, Rev. and Mrs. E. L. Kelley, Alice, Texas, evangelistic work among Mexicans.
The Lord thy God. He will go over before thee —Deut. 31:3

16—TUESDAY

Annual meeting of Women's Missionary Union of Cuba, April 16
Thou in Thy mercy hast led forth the people which Thou hast redeemed —Ex. 15:13

17—WEDNESDAY

Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Moore, educational-evangelistic work, Belgrade, Jugoslavia, Mrs. N. J. Bengtson, evangelistic work, Barcelona, Spain
That every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, in the glory of God the Father —Phil. 2:11

18—THURSDAY

Women's Missionary Union of Chile
Christ is preached; and I here do rejoice, yes, and will rejoice —Phil. 1:18

19—FRIDAY

Rev. and Mrs. A. W. Hancock, McAlester, Rev. and Mrs. W. Iron, Pawnee, Oklahoma, evangelistic work among Indians
He hath made Him to be sin for us, who knew no sin —II Cor. 5:21

20—SATURDAY

Dr. and Mrs. A. R. Crabtree, educational-evangelistic work, Rev. and Mrs. E. F. Hallock, evangelistic work, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
He that closeth, let him glory in the Lord. —I Cor. 1:31

21—SUNDAY

Mrs. F. J. Fowler, Mrs. R. L. Logan, emeritus missionaries from Argentina
Being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ —Rom. 5:1

22—MONDAY

Rev. and Mrs. E. Delgado, Harlingen, Rev. and Mrs. G. B. Misim, Brownsville, Mrs. Ora Covington, San Angelo, Texas, evangelistic work among Mexicans
Pray for them which despitefully use you and persecute you —Matt. 5:44

23—TUESDAY

Annual meeting of Women's Missionary Union of Mexico, April 23-24
To give unto them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning —Isa. 61:3

24—WEDNESDAY

Rev. and Mrs. J. P. O'Neal, Rev. and Mrs. R. G. Walker, medical-evangelistic work, Oshosombo, Nigeria
They departed and went through the towns preaching the Gospel and healing everywhere. —Luke 9:6

25—THURSDAY

Rev. and Mrs. E. Becerra, Sancti Spiritus, Rev. and Mrs. J. Narasjo, Aguacate, Rev. E. Ocaso, Santa Domingo, Cuba, evangelistic work
Whoever will be great among you let him be your minister. —Matt. 20:26

26—FRIDAY

Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Herring, Rev. O. J. Quick, evangelistic work, Mrs. Hattie Stallings, educational-evangelistic work, Kweilin, China
Teach . . . the good and right way. —I Sam. 12:8

27—SATURDAY

Rev. F. E. Beldain, Waco, Mrs. Leonor Rocha, Moline, Mrs. Ann Swindle, Pharr, Texas, educational-evangelistic work among Mexicans
Salvation belongs unto the Lord. —Psa. 124

28—SUNDAY

That the Holy Spirit may lead to preparation for the annual meeting of Women's Missionary Union, Miami, Florida, May 13-14
Commit thy works unto the Lord and thy thoughts shall be established. —Prov. 16:3

29—MONDAY

Annual meeting of Women's Missionary Union of Nigeria, April 29-30
Make me to understand the way of Thy precepts: so shall I talk of Thy wondrous works. —Psa. 119:27

30—TUESDAY

Women's Missionary Union of Italy
Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of Thy Name. —Psa. 124

*Attended W.M.U. Training School
*Attended Southwestern Training School
*Former Margaret Ford Student
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FAMILY ALTAR

Mrs. W. H. Gray, Alabama

TOPIC: Evangelical Witness to the World

"Ye are witnesses".

1st Day—Luke 24:1-37; Mark 16:1-7
2nd Day—Luke 24:38-53; John 1:38-45
3rd Day—Isa. 61:1-3; Luke 6:12-16
4th Day—Isa. 52:7-10; Luke 8:1-3
5th Day—Luke 9:2, 6, 10-17; Matt. 9:9-13
6th Day—Rom. 10:12-17; John 15:12-21
7th Day—John 1:85-42; Luke 10:38-42

"I am".

8th Day—John 6:35-40; Mark 1:16-20
9th Day—John 8:12-20, 38; Luke 5:27-39
10th Day—Ex. 3:13-20; John 3:22-30
11th Day—John 12:20-23; Matt. 5:1-12
12th Day—Isa. 44:6-8, 21-23; Mark 10:46-52
13th Day—Matt. 18:10, 20; Acts 26:9-20
14th Day—Rev. 1:18; John 21:15-23

"And Some, Evangelists"

15th Day—Eph. 4:11-16; Luke 24:1-7
16th Day—II Tim. 4:1-8; John 20:1-8
17th Day—Acts 8:26-40; John 20:11-18
18th Day—Ex. 4:10-12; Mark 16:9-14
19th Day—Acts 13:1-15; Luke 24:13-27
20th Day—Acts 13:16-41; Luke 24:28-35
21st Day—Acts 13:42-52; I Cor. 15:50-58

"Blessed"

22nd Day—Matt. 5:1-11; John 6:60-69
23rd Day—Matt. 6:1-15; Mark 8:27-37
24th Day—Matt. 7:1-14; Luke 22:24-34
25th Day—Matt. 7:15-29; Luke 22:54-62
26th Day—Matt. 20:1-16; Acts 5:25-29
27th Day—Matt. 20:17-28; II Pet. 1:17-21
28th Day—Matt. 25:1-13; Psa. 25:1-14
29th Day—Matt. 25:31-46; 4:18-22
30th Day—II Cor. 6:2; Mark 3:13-19

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

"Pray Ye"

In thanksgiving for Christ and what His death and resurrection mean to Christians and may come to mean to all who will "repent and believe"

In behalf of lost souls everywhere

Pray that the Lord will call many southern Baptist young people for definite missionary service at home and abroad and that these young people and their parents will accede.

Pray for missionaries already on home and foreign fields and for the safety of any enroute to such work.

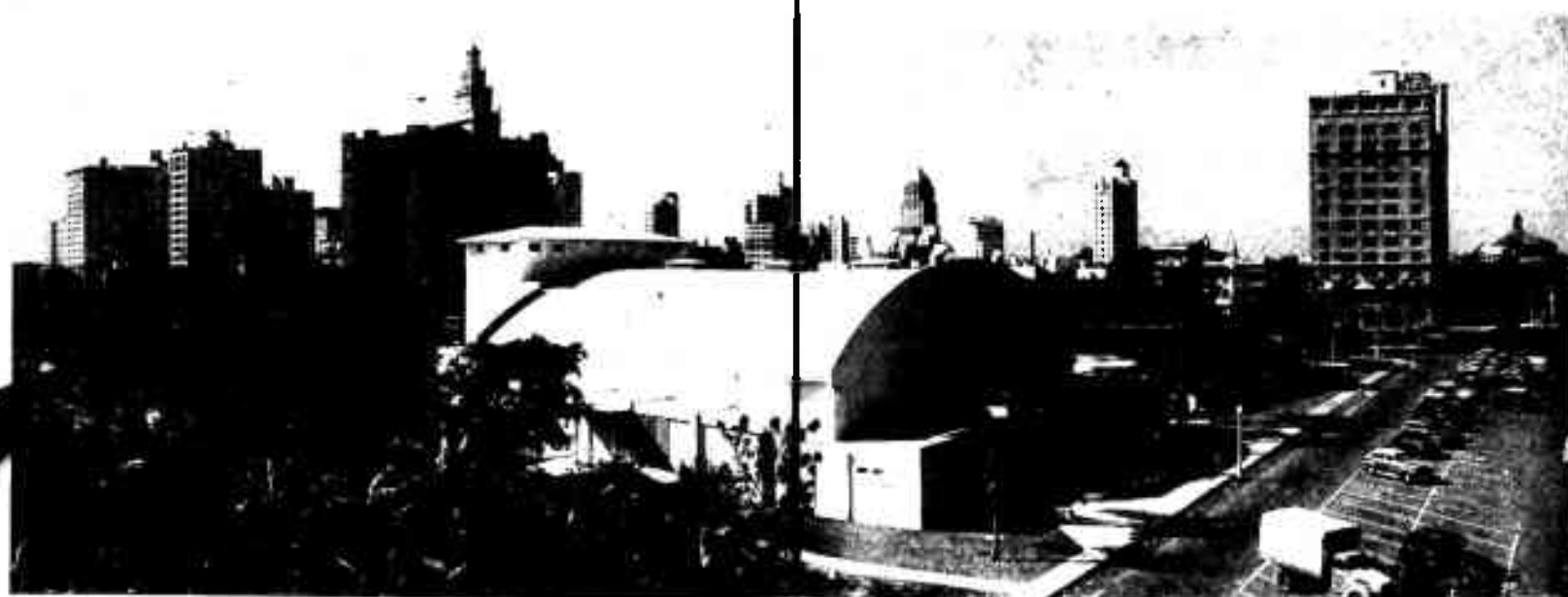
Intercede for freedom from racial prejudice, jealousy, pride and callousness to world-wide suffering and sin.

Pray for faithful gleaming in behalf of the Annie Armstrong Offering for Home Missions.

Ask God's guidance upon the committees and all others planning for the annual W.M.U. meeting in Miami, Florida, May 12-14, and for the Southern Baptist Convention commencing there on May 15.



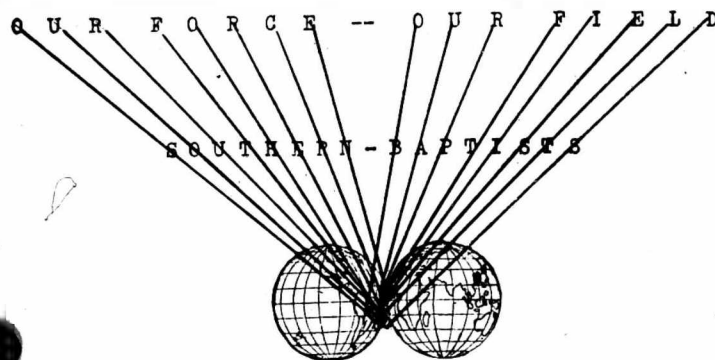
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The building in the foreground is the Miami Auditorium where the Southern Baptist Convention will open its sessions on Wednesday morning, May 15. The steeple seen at the extreme right is on the Central Baptist Church where Woman's Missionary Union will commence its sessions on Sunday afternoon, May 12.

Circle Program

EXPLANATORY NOTE: The following program is submitted for use by the circles this month. Its suggested articles 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 20, 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 43 of 1946 W.M.U. Year Book and page 19 of this magazine.)



Circle Program Topic: The Cooperative Program at Work around the World

Devotional Theme: Divine Companionship—*Matthew 28:20*

The Cooperative Program in the Promotion of Home Missions (See article in April issue of *Southern Baptist Home Missions*.)

The Plan Designed to Conquer a World (See article in April issue of *The Commission*.)

Rememberings—Some Sad, Some Glad (See article in April issue of *The Window of Y.W.A.*.)

Cargo for the Argentines (See article in April issue of *World Comrades*.)

Bande, the Girl with the High Ideals (See article in April issue of *The Window of Y.W.A.*.)

Ilori (See article in April issue of *World Comrades*.)

Chile Knows the Cooperative Program (See article in April issue of *The Commission*.)

The Cooperative Program at Work (See article in April issue of *Southern Baptist Home Missions*.)

Three Emphases (See page 3 of this magazine.)

Business Woman's Circles

Miss Mary Christian
W.M.U. Representative

Read and Study Program Material

The program material for this month can well be adapted for presentation by B.W.C. members because of the many interesting stories so easy to tell. The program chairman will need of course to read all of it carefully and to study it in relation to her members whom she wishes to participate. For program material see pages 21-28. Adapt Topics to B.W.C. Needs

The first topic, "They Found the Fruits", might be used by the program chairman as her introduction to the program, calling it "Fruits of World Missions as Seen by Armed Forces around the World". On the typed or mimeographed programs she has for distribution at the meeting it would help to outline the "five fruits" as given in the discussion. See program outline at bottom of page.

The next topic, "What They Say", might be put on the program as "What Men in the Armed Forces Say about Mission Work". This is one time when members could "read their parts". The program chairman clips each brief testimony and pastes it on a sheet of paper to represent a letter and distributes these to the members. Then each reads her letter of one sentence when the program chairman asks for these testimonies.

The third topic, "Stories They Tell", would fit best under our discussion if called "Stories Men in Armed Forces Tell of Native Christians in Islands of Pacific". These three short but interesting stories could be given easily and impressively by three members.

The rather long discussion under the topic, "Other Witnesses", lends itself to a brief and interesting map-talk by one member who is a student of world geography and missions. The theme of her discussion might be "Looking at Places Where Southern Baptists Have No Missionaries". She would want to indicate what other evangelical work is being done in these places perhaps.

As a closing message the program chairman would use the last topic, "The Fellowship of Christian Missions". She might have a poster of a large heart with a cross drawn in it to put up at the close when she tells the story of the chapel.

Arrange Appropriate Program Cover and Program Outline

The program cover could most appropriately be in the shape of two hemispheres since the theme is "Evangelical Witness to the World". Be sure to put on it the name of your B.W.C. of your church and of your town.

Since this meeting is in April when one usually thinks of April showers and spring flowers, the programs might be in the shape of an open umbrella with the program theme written on it. "The Christian Message Brings Showers of Blessings around the World". Perhaps the only topic on the program that would need to be changed to fit this theme would be the first which might read, "Blessings from Christian Missions as Seen by Men in Armed Forces around the World". Spring flowers could be used to decorate supper-table and place of meeting.

The Program

Hymn We've a Story to Tell

Watchword for Year . . . in Unison . . . Isaiah 45:22

Bible Study . . . Isaiah 43:8-13; II Timothy 4:1-8

Prayer

Introduction by Program Chairman . . . Fruits of Mission Work as Seen by Armed Forces around the World:

1. Changed Character of Native Converts
2. Changed Villages
3. Helpful Worship Services
4. Friendliness to Armed Forces

Discussion by B.W.C. Members . . . What Men in Armed Forces Say about Mission Work

Brief Talks by Three Members . . . Stories Men in Armed Forces Tell of Native Christians in Islands of Pacific:

1. Paged in a Bush
2. After Thirty Years
3. Reassured by a Song

Map Talk by a Member . . . Looking at Places Where Southern Baptists Have No Missionaries:

1. India
2. Burma
3. Indo-China
4. Malaya
5. Philippines

Closing Talk by Program Chairman . . . The Fellowship of Christian Missions

Prayer of thanks for Christian witnesses around the world, for contacts of armed forces with fruits of missions; prayer that more young people will hear and answer the call to witness around the world

PROGRAM PLANS

Prepared by Miss Ollie Frances Wilson, Ky.
Student in Missions 151-B
W.M.U. Training School, Louisville, Ky.

THE purpose of this program is to make us aware of the work that has been done by all evangelical denominations in their witness to the world and to open our eyes to and impress upon our hearts the need and possibilities for more extensive service to our neighbors around the world.

For a reminder of the meeting, find a picture of our soldiers among some friendly natives or showing them attending church services in some of the battle areas. Some such picture can be found in war-period issues of secular magazines or of our religious periodicals such as *The Commission*. Mount the picture on poster paper. If the picture is a black and white print, it would be attractive on a colored background. If the picture is colored, mount it on a white background. Underneath the picture print these words in bold type: "They found the fruits. Hear their story". Give date, time and place of meeting.

For individual invitations write to the members postal cards bearing this message: "Our boys have been and have seen and are praising the work of all evangelical witnesses to the world. Come hear their story". Give date, time and place of meeting.

For the program, arrange the room so that the members may be seated in a semicircle before a table. On the table arrange miniature flags of all of the countries mentioned in the program material: China, Japan, Africa, India, Malaya and the islands of the sea. These flags may be painted on poster paper, cloth or old light colored window-shades and then stapled to sucker-sticks. On the wall behind the table place a large map showing all of the war areas. For program material see pages 21-28.

The effectiveness of this program will depend upon the preparation made by those on the program and the interest they show as they speak. The best way to arouse interest if it isn't already present is through knowledge and prayer. Each member who is to be on the program should not only be prepared to give the information in the program material assigned to her but should also find out as much as possible about the place and people of whom she is speaking. This will give her confidence and enthusiasm which cannot help but be shown as she talks. The people on the program and other members should be in earnest prayer that the purpose of the program will be accomplished.

So that the program will move along smoothly without having each part announced, print the order of the program on small sheets of white paper. If this is not possible the program chairman should at least write the order of the program out for each person who has a part so she will know when her time comes. During the time allotted for review and discussion, if it is possible, have a talk by a returned service man who has had similar experiences to those discussed in the program. Also, read parts of letters that have been received from sons and other boys, telling about their contacts with the fruits of foreign missions. If the people on the program have presented their parts in an interesting manner, the group will be stimulated to ask questions. The program chairman should lead in this discussion and encourage the women to participate.

The program chairman and those taking part on the program must realize that this is not just another program but that here are facts and dynamite that is already lighted. Our boys, many of whom have had no interest in the Christian religion, have been so impressed with the visible results of the power of God that they are saying: "Herein lies the secret of peace on all the earth". We teach this and preach it but the time has come that we must believe it. Through our belief we should be willing to help bring it about. That is the purpose of this program and we as Christians with His help can bring it to pass.

PROGRAM MATERIAL

Mrs. C. D. Cressman, Tennessee

THEME for YEAR: Let Us Now Prepare to Build

TOPIC for MONTH: Evangelical Witness to the World

Hymn for Year—We've a Story to Tell

Watchword for Year—"Look unto Me and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth; for I am God and there is none else"—*Isaiah 45:22*.

Bible Study—*Isaiah 43:8-13; II Timothy 4:1-8* (See page 8.)

Prayer that this program may give us a new appreciation of the value of all evangelical witnesses to the world

Hymn—Christ for the World We Sing

They Found the Fruits

—What They Say

Stories They Tell

Paged in a Bush

After Thirty Years

Reassured by a Song

Prayer thanking God for all contacts of our armed forces with the fruits of foreign missions

Hymn—The Morning Light Is Breaking

Other Witnesses

In India

In Burma

In Southeast Asia

In the Philippines

Prayer for God's blessings on the witnessing of all evangelical denominations in foreign lands

The Fellowship of Christian Missions

Hymn—Onward Christian Soldiers

Prayer thanking God for the fellowship of Christian missions, unbroken and strengthened by the war

THEY FOUND the FRUITS

A GOOD result of the recent bad war is that the men and women of our armed forces have discovered the value of foreign missions. Having a chance to see at close hand the fruits of world-wide missions they pronounce them good. In China, in Japan, in Africa, in India, in Malaya, in the islands of the sea American armed forces have seen missionaries and mission stations, churches, schools and hospitals and have come to know people who were won to Christ by missionary work and so have learned that the foreign mission enterprise is workable and worthwhile.

The fruits of missions have been found in the character of the converts. All during the war, not just religious publications but also the leading magazines of our country were constantly telling stories of how soldiers, sailors, marines and aviators had discovered groups of Christians in unexpected places, always finding them sweet in spirit and eager to administer aid even at the risk of their own safety. We must remember that much of the fighting has been done in parts of the world where live or once lived pagan peoples, many of whom have been savage cannibals; and yet, because of the work of missionaries, everywhere our armed forces have found loyal Christians who have fed, nursed, protected and helped them in many ways. As one

boy wrote to his mother, "Because of missions I was feasted and not feasted upon when I fell from the sky into this village".

The power of Christ to transform is seen in the way Christian people live, contrasted with pagan ways of life. More than once our boys have found a village filthy and unkept, with the people dirty, diseased and immoral, while in another village the people were clean, healthy and happy—the difference being that one was a heathen and the other a Christian village.

In *They Found the Church There*, by Henry P. Van Dusen, we are told of a small island in the Pacific, Kusaia by name, which was once dreaded for its savagery and brutality but which is now "an unbelievable isle of twelve hundred angels". Today in all that island there is no smoking, no drinking, no divorces, no house of ill fame, very little disease and no jail because none is needed. All of this transformation came about because the Gospel was preached on that island.

Our boys have been impressed with the worship services held by simple native Christians in different parts of the world. A Texas marine wrote his Methodist pastor of a pleasant experience of dropping by a native village on a Sunday morning when a church service was in progress. There, where a short time before human flesh was considered a tasty dish, a service was being held similar to that conducted by the pastor at home each Sunday. A soldier, stationed in the north Solomons, wrote of a Methodist church built of thatch which had a splendid colored minister and a fine choir of natives perfectly trained in the singing of Gospel hymns. All of this was the result of missionary work.

Many armed men have met missionaries personally and have great respect and admiration for them. In north Africa, the Congo, China, India, Burma, Iran, the south Pacific—everywhere—service men have been entertained in the homes of missionaries. "I never supposed missionaries were like this", exclaimed one American soldier after enjoying the hospitality of a missionary home. He and others learned not only that missionaries are hospitable, gracious and entertaining but also that they are above the average in intelligence and culture, efficient in their work and sacrificial in their service, forgetting their own safety and welfare in their devotion to the people among whom they work. The fact that many missionaries have stayed at their posts beyond the hour of safety and have chosen the risk of imprisonment and death rather than leave has made its impression on the armed forces. They have found that the missionaries are loved and honored by the people whom they serve. They have found even as did Wendell Willkie, in his world-wide travels, that "missionaries are not resented but respected and admired".

Wonderful it is that more than once boys from Christian lands have found Christ through contact with native Christians in foreign mission lands. A story is told of seven navy airmen who were shipwrecked on an island. Instead of falling into the hands of savages, as they feared, they found themselves in the midst of a group of Christians who not only fed them and cared for them but who also gave them a Bible and invited them to join their worship services, with the result that these men from a Christian America found the Lord in a land that would have been pagan except for the work of the missionaries.

A bishop of New Guinea, himself an Australian, wrote of the effect of the native Christians on the Australian soldiers, saying that they had shown Christ to Australians. He said that the opposite might have been expected: that these brown people, only recently saved from savagery, should have seen Christ in the Australians. "But the fact is many Australian soldiers, who perhaps had never seen the likeness of Christ in their own home life, have seen Him in the faces and lives of these brown Fuzzy Wuzzy Angels".

"Fuzzy Wuzzy Angels" they have been called—these islanders who might have been cannibals but who, because of the work of missionaries, have been the good angels of hundreds of wrecked and wounded aviators, sailors and marines. Their skin is black and their hair is fuzzy-wuzzy, but they are angels in their hearts because they know of Jesus and His love. They and others on many spots of

the earth's surface have been discovered by our armed forces as fruits of foreign missions.

WHAT THEY SAY

From many expressions of appreciation of foreign mission work, given by members of our armed forces, we quote a few:

A chaplain writes: "The experience of men of this division in the south Pacific in active contact with the natives who have been Christianized is a revelation of the value of foreign missions more potent and powerful than any of my services and lectures on the subject. We are in daily contact with people who are fruits of missionary labors, not single individuals but almost the entire population; and their kindness, integrity, intelligence and especially their singing of Christian hymns make us realize that a great, good work has been done for them".

An officer in the Congo says: "When at home they used to ask in my church for an offering for missions, I usually searched in my pocket for the smallest coin I could find. But never again will that be the case; I shall tell them what I have seen here".

A service man in New Guinea writes: "As far as I'm concerned every nickel ever spent on a missionary has been justified. And many others share this thought with me".

A navy officer wrote his pastor: "I don't believe anybody will come back from this war without being one hundred per cent for foreign missions".

A medical man in India wrote: "These men came knowing little about mission work. They left ardent fans. They said, 'If anyone talks against missions we have in answer now'".

One boy wrote to his mother: "More miracles have happened than seemed possible. In all fairness I must say that the missionaries have done marvelous work among the natives of these islands".

Another writes: "I have had to abolish from my mind the ideas I had picked up about mission work when at home".

Another says: "The missionaries have proven their worth many, many times since we came overseas".

Still another says: "Now that I know what missions really is I'll give freely".

Another writes: "The best cure I can think of for atheism would be a few days spent with the missionaries here".

STORIES THEY TELL

Paged in a Bush

Captain Charles S. Brown, pilot of a bomber, was shot down and compelled to make a crash landing in the sea. Rough surf forced him to paddle his rubber dinghy to shore. On landing he plunged into the bush to hide himself from the Japanese who were near by. Exhausted, he fell asleep. As dawn broke he was awakened by a voice calling softly: "Mr. Brown! Mr. Brown!" Peering through the bush he saw a Papuan native smiling at him in a friendly manner. "Are the Japanese near?" he asked. The native reassured him with a friendly pat on the back, then led him to a mission station where his injured head was bandaged and he was given food. He found out that his benefactor was Jacob, a native teacher in an out-station of the Anglican Mission, and that he could speak, read and write good English.

"How did you know my name?" he asked Jacob who answered: "I found your life-belt with your name on it and knew that the owner must be near. So I called your name to find you and to help you".

With the aid of his benefactors Captain Brown made contact with his unit and was soon picked up by an Australian plane. But he is not likely ever to forget the morning when he was "paged in a bush".

After Thirty Years

Thirty years ago a Methodist missionary passed through Okinawa on his way to Japan. He remained for only a few days, so his missionary labors were not extensive. He just told the story of Jesus to a few listeners, won two or three converts, left a Japanese Bible with them and departed.

After thirty years war came to Okinawa and American soldiers landed where the Methodist missionary had planted the seed of Christianity. Along with the soldiers went a war-correspondent who wrote in *Christian Herald* the story of what they found—a group of earnest Christians reading and believing the Word of God which had been left with them thirty years before. The leaders of this group approached the American soldiers, not to ask about the war, not to protest the screaming shells and bursting bombs, which were bringing destruction and death to their village, but to make two requests. First, they wanted a picture of Jesus to replace the one in their Bible which had long ago worn out; second, they wanted to ask questions about some perplexing things which they had found in the Word of God.

A chaplain was summoned who supplied the desired picture and who answered to the best of his ability their questions. He found the group to be "amazingly intelligent, serious and dignified in the conduct of their worship and in 'living like Jesus' among their neighbors". Since the work had been started by a Methodist missionary, the chaplain who was a Baptist called in a Methodist chaplain who organized them into a Methodist church. The American Bible Society has been approached with the request for enough Bibles to supply each member of the church with one. The grateful little group say that when these Bibles arrive they will prepare a special shrine for the original Bible the Methodist missionary left—the Bible which had wrought its wonders of grace for thirty years.

Reassured by a Song

Honorable Starr Stuart, chief justice on the Friendly Islands, and his wife were traveling to British Guiana when their boat was shelled and sunk by a German raider. They, with 645 others, were left with only little food and less water on what they feared was a cannibal island. The judge and his wife set out to find help for the group. They expected at every turn to hear the shouts of cannibals. Instead, to their great surprise, they heard music, sweet mellow voices singing "Jesus loves me, this I know, for the Bible tells me so". With great joy they followed the sound of the voices and came to a village where a Christian service was being held. The leader was not a white man but a native, the son of cannibal parents. English Wesleyan missionaries had brought the Gospel to this island and now their countrymen were to reap its benefits.

The natives gave to the Stuarts food and water and continued to care for them until a rescue-ship arrived. When the judge and his wife offered to repay their benefactors for their kindness the black men shook their heads while the head man spoke for them in his scanty English. "We give you some? Yes? You want to give us some? Yes? There is no need. We are Christians. We gave to you because you had so little. We no take from you".

OTHER WITNESSES

So accustomed are we to think of foreign missions in terms of our southern Baptist fields and forces that we may forget that ours is only a part of the great Christian program of world-wide missions. While of course our first interest is in our own missionary work we can rejoice in the fact that other Baptist groups and other denominations, too, are doing much to give the Gospel to a lost world. All that all denominations are doing is not enough to reach all the world's lost people. In the lands where southern Baptists have missions live only about half the world's population. Even in these lands southern Baptists are reaching only a small per cent of the people. So, we are glad that there are other witnesses, sheep not of our denominational fold, who are helping us to tell the world about Jesus. A brief view

of some missionary fields where other Baptist boards and other denominations are at work will encourage us and inspire us.

In India

The first modern missionary, William Carey, chose India as his field, which makes India the oldest of modern mission fields. We remember that our first American missionaries, the Judsons, and others were sent to India and turned to Burma only because they were not permitted to enter India. However, India did later become a mission field of the Triennial Convention and when the separation came between northern and southern Baptists it was agreed that northern Baptists would keep India as a mission field while southern Baptists turned their efforts toward China, Africa and other lands.

Through these years northern Baptists have conducted a large and prosperous work in this land which is second in size only to China and in need second to no other nation in the world. Other denominations too have entered India—the American Methodists, the English Wesleyans and American, Scotch, Canadian, Irish and English Presbyterians. Indeed India "has been the most extensively occupied of all countries of the modern era in the number and variety of organizations undertaking work within its borders and the number of lives devoted to its evangelization by protestants. It affords the greatest number of converts to the Christian faith and the largest Christian census population to be found in any non-Christian country". (Dr. W. O. Carver)

Some of the most illustrious names in missionary history are associated with India: Dr. John Scudder, the first medical missionary to any land; Dr. Clara Swain, the first woman medical missionary in history; Dr. Alexander Duff; Dr. E. Stanley Jones; and others. As we know, India was an important area in war activities and is one of the problem nations of this post-war period. We can be glad there is in the land a strong Christian constituency with many Christian denominations working for the evangelization of her millions of suffering and needy people.

In Burma

To Burma went American Baptists' first missionaries, the Judsons. Well known is the story of their struggle to make a beginning of Christianity in that great heathen land, of Mr. Judson's long imprisonment, of Mrs. Judson's heroic efforts to release him, of his translation of the Scriptures, of the precious manuscript being saved in a pillow and those other experiences which are classics in missionary literature. What we are glad to know now is that Christianity is a strong, vital force in Burma today. In 1940 Christian influence was strong in the government, with five senators and six representatives being members of Christian churches.

Judson College, founded by the Northern Baptist Convention in 1872, is a great force for Christianity in Burma. Another influential Baptist institution is the Harper Memorial Hospital. The story of the work of the staff of this hospital on behalf of wounded soldiers in ambulance units located up and down the Burma Road is told in one of the best sellers among war books, *Burma Diary*.

While American Baptists have carried the larger part of the Christian work in Burma, they have not labored alone. Methodists, English Wesleyans, Anglicans, Salvation Army and others have helped to build up a total of nearly half a million Christians.

In the southeastern part of Burma live the Karens who when Christian work first started in Burma were described by the Burmese as "wild cattle of the jungle". These people had a tradition that they had lost a precious book which would some day be brought back to them by a white brother on a bird with white wings. When the missionaries came on the white-sailed vessels and brought them the Bible they felt that the long waited for book had arrived and gladly received its message. Today one-fifth of all the Karens are Christian and "men of the Karen tongue are among those guiding the development of modern Burma in politics and professional life".

In Southeast Asia

South and east of India and Burma are other lands in which missionaries of various denominations have labored with more or less success. We mention a few:

Indo-China has long been ruled by France and, during the 19th century while France was officially a Roman Catholic country, there was little protestant work done there. When the church and state were separated in the motherland, protestant missionaries were allowed to enter Indo-China. Missionaries and national Christians have taught and baptized people from twenty-five of the many tribes that make up the population of Indo-China. When the Japanese entered the land there were at least 15,000 members of protestant churches.

Thailand, once known as Siam, has been a field for American Presbyterians. They began work in 1840 among the Chinese but a decade later turned their attention to the Thai people. The widely scattered stations of this mission cover almost two-thirds of Thailand inhabited by one-third of the nation's population. When the Japanese invasion started, the governor of the northern province of the land urged the missionaries to leave. While some did, over forty stayed to suffer internment in a Japanese camp.

Then there is Malaya, that long, slender peninsula that reaches down from the mainland of Asia and is really a land bridge between Asia and the islands of the Pacific. We remember that Singapore in Malaya was the scene of one of the bitterest struggles of the late war. Christianity in Malaya is about four hundred years old, carried there first by the Roman Catholics in 1557. A little later Syrian and Armenian Christians settled on the peninsula. The Bible was translated into Malayan by Dutch missionaries in 1733. When the war began, there were in the country sixteen missionary organizations with about two hundred protestant missionaries. The American Methodists have the strongest work. In 1920 there were twenty thousand boys and girls in Methodist schools. There is a vigorous Malayan Home Mission Society, not a project of foreign missions but a responsibility undertaken by the Christians of the country.

In the Philippines

The Philippines have been called "The Seven Thousand Emeralds". There are over seven thousand islands in the group and on these live over sixty million people. As we know, since 1898 these islands have been an American possession.

Evangelical missionary effort began in the Philippines at the beginning of this century. The first to enter were the Presbyterians and they were soon followed by Methodists, Baptists, Episcopalians, Congregationalists and other denominations. By mutual agreement each denomination chose one part of the islands and centered its work there, with Manila shared by all.

In the division of territory, to the northern Baptists fell Panay, the third largest island. Their work has expanded to include two other islands. Since 1935 there has been an autonomous convention of Philippine Baptists, in cooperation with which the missionaries have worked.

Two leading missionary educational institutions in the islands are Central Philippine College, of the Baptist Mission, and Silliman University, of the Presbyterian. The Episcopalians have built a chain of mission stations among mountain tribes with schools, hospitals, industrial work and churches. The Mary Johnson Hospital, founded by the Methodists, has grown to be one of the best hospitals for women and children in the far east.

The FELLOWSHIP of CHRISTIAN MISSIONS

FOREIGN missions binds the Christians of the world together in beautiful Christian fellowship. Christian love is a great unifying force—a force which crosses all barriers of race, class, color and nationality. Not even war can break the fellowship of Christian missions. Kagawa's expression of regret over his country's

invasion of China, Chiang Kai-shek's prayers on behalf of his Japanese enemies, our own gifts for mission work in Japan even while our sons were falling before Japanese guns—these are some of the evidences of Christian fellowship unbroken even by the ravages of war.

This Christian fellowship has been demonstrated many times in contacts of our armed forces with native Christians around the world. Beautiful has been the experience when a white Christian soldier has been shot down on some unknown island to be welcomed by a brown, black or yellow man with the words, "Me Christian too". Wonderful has been the fellowship when those speaking several languages have joined in singing the same Christian hymns. Americans, Australians and others have many times joined native Christians in worship services. An American artillery officer describes such a service: "Just as the sun was setting I heard singing coming from a native chapel, built of bamboo and thatched palms. I thought our chaplain was holding services there for some of the men and went over to join them. Looking through the door I saw twelve of the grass-skirted men and boys squatting on the floor, singing 'Onward Christian Soldiers' in their native tongue in the most beautiful voices and with basses, tenors and altos making beautiful harmony. Our chaplain was conducting service for them—the first service they had had in their own church in a year and a half since the Japanese drove them out. . . . After they were through with their service they wandered over to where we next held service for our boys and joined in the singing with us". A chaplain, writing of Christian fellowship between service men and natives, says: "Out here we find the Christian religion the closest tie we have with our strange neighbors. People of various races find that they are one with us in the same loyalty to Christ and the great human ideals which rest on Christian truth".

In the midst of the military cemetery on Guadalcanal, when sixteen hundred American men lie buried, the Solomon Islands residents erected a Memorial Chapel as a token of their gratitude to the American fighting men who drove the Japanese from their land. For more than two months four thousand natives worked on the construction of this building which is described as "the finest known example of Solomon Islands artistry and craftsmanship". Viewed from the air it resembles a huge heart with a cross in the center.

This chapel, built by brown hands in gratitude for the service of white men, with its emblematic shape of a cross in the center of a heart, is a beautiful picture of Christian fellowship. The cross of Christ in the center of the hearts of men makes brothers even though they differ in the color of their skin. Foreign missions aims to place the cross in the hearts of all the people of the world. In such a purpose is the only hope for world fellowship, world brotherhood and world peace.

QUESTIONS for REVIEW and DISCUSSION

1. Discuss how the war has revealed the fruits of foreign missions.
2. Tell some experiences of our armed forces with Christians in foreign mission lands.
3. Tell how they have been affected by personal contacts with missionaries.
4. Quote some opinions of service men regarding the fruits of foreign missions.
5. Tell of mission work in India.
6. Who began mission work in Burma?
7. Tell of the beginning of Christianity among the Karens.
8. Why was protestant work slow in getting a start in Indo-China?
9. What denomination has led in Christianizing Thailand?
10. Tell of the development of Christianity in Malaya.
11. Discuss mission work in the Philippines.
12. Discuss the fellowship of Christian missions.

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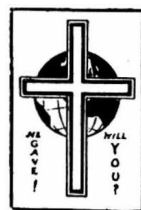
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service on Wednesday, June 12, and the glorious days will close with the candle lighting service on June 20. Your Y.W.A. daughter, your Y.W.A. friend, girls from your Y.W.A. organization should attend Y.W.A. Camp this summer. What can you do to assure their presence? Do it by all means. Investing in Y.W.A. or other W.M.U. camps is investing for time and eternity for no one is quite the same after missionary camp experiences. They make a world of new beginnings for thousands of young people. Send the name of your Y.W.A. representative to your state young people's leader for her to make reservation and travel plans; do it as early as possible for assurance of room at Ridgcrest.

Our world needs the new beginning that your April missionary activities can give it. "If any man be in Christ, he is a new creature".

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Practical Activities of the Training School Y.W.A.

MISSIONS is practical. Many in our Y.W.A. had not realized its tremendous implications until war ended leaving its scars of cold, starvation and homelessness on the people of the world. One by one the pleas from Italy, China and Japan have rung in our ears until we have been compelled to do what we could if we would live with ourselves. It started with boxes of clothes to Italy and then, towels to Japan. "Finally", as Mary Lee Ernest (N. C.), chairman of mission study, reports, "each of the eight circles adopted a plan of monthly mission projects as a supplement to our regular mission study. They were designed to promote a sustained and tangible interest in mission activities, to keep the members informed about the needs of the world and to provide some ways of helping to meet the problems of reconstruction".

One circle chose to make a layette; another, to save pennies for lepers. Several responded to the call for boxes of food and clothing to be sent monthly for Italian relief and, when an urgent request came recently for specific Italian ministers, the circles more than willingly accepted the opportunity. These projects have been entered into with the feeling that the most we can do is not too much in the struggle for the permanent alleviation of suffering. Southern Baptists cannot fail to take Christ's way of hope to the millions of beaten and downtrodden people in their most crucial hour of need.

Not only have the numerous calls been answered by individual circles but also by the organization as a whole. Through cooperation with the Religious Drama Class in presenting "Chinese Gold", the Y.W.A. was able to send the Foreign Mission Board a check amounting to \$114.25 received as a free-will offering for China relief.

For missions to be completely practical, however, it must start at home. Carolyn Moseley (S. C.), community missions chairman, reports that the program has been built around the policy of rotating from circle to circle each month the eight institutions in which we work. The purpose in this plan is to afford each girl experience and understanding in meeting a variety of needs. The work has included such things as visiting members in missions, making tray-cards for patients at Kentucky Baptist Hospital and Waverly Hills Tuberculosis Sanatorium, in providing Bibles for an intermediate girls' Sunday-school class, in giving a party at Boyce Mission, presenting programs for the aged ladies at Parr's Rest and in sending Thanksgiving baskets. Another project which gave the girls tremendous joy at Christmas time was sponsoring a visit from Santa for each of the Negroes working at the Training School.

The romance of a hundred years of S.B.C. history climaxed our Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions. Under the direction of Miss Miriam Robinson, speech teacher, members of the Religious Drama Class presented the radio narration, "Faithful unto Death", the story of Lottie Moon as arranged by Miss Robinson. The Training School's contribution to this offering was \$478.62.

Because a personal touch also makes missions seem more practical, each circle has worked out some plan whereby it can keep in touch with the missionary for whom the circle is named. Kathleen Sanderson (Va.), leader of the Kitty Anderson Circle, reports that some of their most delightful hours together were spent in packing a Christmas box for Kitty Anderson's baby son in Hawaii.

The leader of the Ruth Walden Circle, Anna Gene Norris (Ala.), reports: "There seems to be a real spirit of missions prevailing in our circle that has impressed each one of us. We have never known it quite like this before. Several of the girls are mission volunteers and the others share in a very sensitive missionary vision. All that we do—every program, devotional period or project—increases our missionary determination".—Doris Davis of Virginia, President of Y.W.A.

Current Missionary Events

Discussed by Mrs. W. C. Jamen, Virginia

When Syria was Christian a great church was erected in the city of Damascus on the site where once had stood a temple to Jupiter. When the Moslems conquered the country the church was turned into a mosque. But cut deep into the stone in Greek lettering are the words: "Thy Kingdom, O Christ, is an everlasting Kingdom, and Thy dominion endureth unto all ages." Writes the Lord Bishop of Worcester in *World Dominion*: "Some years ago I was visiting Damascus and climbed onto the roofs of some shops that are built against the outside wall of the famous mosque. Here I discovered I could actually touch the inscription. With my fingers I could trace out the lettering. It will be noticed that the text of the Scripture was altered and the additional words, 'O Christ', were inscribed (Psalm 145:13)". The bishop does not know when the stone carving was done nor why but certainly by someone who believed in the world dominion of Christ. But he comments: "Is it not a wonderful thing that, in this day of such momentous happenings, the Church of God is really world-wide and that in the midst of chaos we are thinking of the world dominion of Jesus Christ as never before?"



At the mid-year meeting in December of the General Council and of the Council on Finance and Promotion of the Northern Baptist Convention the report on arrangements and program for the convention in May was submitted. The convention theme will be "The Whole Gospel for the Whole World". The evening sessions will feature world missions. One evening of special significance will be built around the discovery of missions in distant foreign lands by men in the armed services. The theme for that evening will be three-fold: 1. We put the church there. 2. We found the church there. 3. We will keep the church there.



Paul H. Conrad, Northern Baptist Convention stewardship secretary, wrote after spending a week visiting churches in Canada with Dr. Denzil G. Ridout of the United Church of Canada, who is president of the United Stewardship Council of the United States and Canada, and after a conference with one hundred church leaders, including Baptists and members of other denominations, wrote: "As I turned my steps homeward after this richly rewarding week, I felt more strongly than ever before the conviction that Christian stewardship is a tie which can become one of the greatest unifying forces among denominations and continents. We were intent upon capturing the of our Master for sharing the gifts of His Father and ours with all mankind!"



On the home front there are evidences in every part of the country that the evangelical churches are seeking to bring the lost of our own land into the Kingdom. From Philadelphia comes the news that "evangelism will be given the right of way". More than 500 ministers of all denominations attended a one-day conference on evangelism. The United Presbyterian Church, through its "World-wide Christian Advance" movement, has announced a church-wide program of evangelism to last throughout 1946. From Des Moines, Iowa, comes the information that "evangelistic programs are gathering momentum in this section with Methodists and Baptists leading". An editor of the *Watchman-Examiner*, commenting on the tremendous gains of Baptist churches in the United States, attributes it to the fact that "Baptist churches as a rule are warmly evangelistic".



The Home Mission Council of North America at its annual meeting in 1945 unanimously affirmed the conviction that the Gospel of Jesus Christ is intended for the Jew as well as for all other peoples and it is the responsibility of every Christian church to have an evangelistic program that will include the Jew as well as the gentile. Says a writer in the *Presbyterian Survey*: "Whether we succeed in this work or not, a special blessing is promised to rest on those who make the attempt". Quoting God's words to Jacob: "Cursed be every one that curseth thee, and blessed be he that blesseth thee", the writer reminds us of what Frederick of Prussia said long ago, "I have learned by the experience of ages that no man ever touched that people but he smarted for it".

Miami Meetings of Southwide W.M.U. Committees

IN the McAllister Hotel in Miami each of the following W.M.U. southwide committees is scheduled to meet on Saturday, May 11. Eagerly is it hoped and earnestly is it requested that each state member make an especial effort to reach Miami in ample time to attend the respective committee meeting. If attendance is now known to be impossible, it will be an immeasurable help if the state W.M.U. executive secretary is immediately notified so that the best qualified substitute may be secured and in turn may undergo thorough preparation for the important discussions of the respective committee. Please be constantly in prayer for these definitely vital meetings in Miami on Saturday, May 11, as follows:

9 A. M. to Noon—

Margaret Fund Committee
Executive Secretaries' Conference
Committee on Missionary Education of Young People
Mission Study Committee
Community Missions Committee
Stewardship Committee

2 P. M. to 4:30 P. M.—

Joint Session of W.M.U. Executive Committee and State W.M.U. Executive and Young People's Secretaries

7:30 P. M. to 9:30 P. M.—

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the W.M.U. delegates and visitors, who are already tithers, with zeal to win others for the sheer satisfaction the new tithers will experience and for the financial support it will guarantee in sending forth the new volunteers, in rebuilding properties in the war-torn mission fields and in otherwise promoting the Kingdom at home and abroad. *Yes, tithing will be emphasized at the Miami meeting!—Kathleen Mallory, W.M.U. Executive Secretary*

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