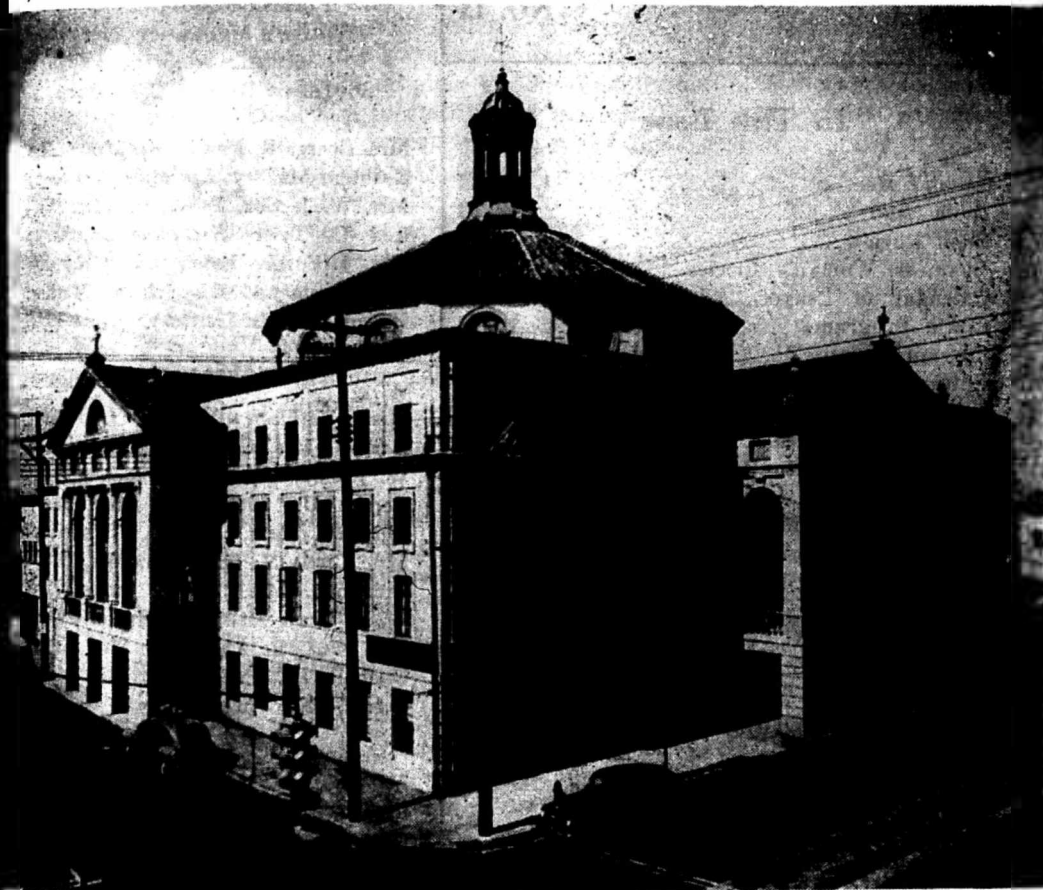


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EDITORIAL

"Like a Spring"

GRAPHIC not only in its original purpose but also in its timeless purport is the 58th chapter of Isaiah. One of its most picturesque and at the same time most practical expressions is set forth in the 11th verse: "Thou shalt be like a spring!"

These are the words of Jehovah, as indeed the entire chapter is. Among the conditions specified in order to be "like a spring" are such virtues as "loosening the bonds of wickedness, letting the oppressed go free, dealing one's bread to the poor, covering the naked, drawing out one's soul to the hungry, satisfying the afflicted soul". If such principles are practised, then "Jehovah will guide thee continually and satisfy thy soul in dry places and make strong thy bones; and thou shalt be like a watered garden and like a spring of water, whose waters fail not".

Believing that meetings held by the various organizations of Woman's Missionary Union have as their chief aim to glorify God through the extension of His Kingdom in home and foreign lands, it seems a proper use of this Scripture to apply it to the state and southwide annual W.M.U. meetings this spring. Last spring grim war prohibited such gatherings but now they can be held. Personally I am the beneficiary of the ones in Alabama, Tennessee, Virginia and Kentucky and am anticipating the general gathering in Miami. As previously announced the southwide committees will be held there on Saturday, May 11; as an added reminder the committees' names and opening hours are given on page 4.

Then on Sunday afternoon, May 12, the opening session of the W.M.U. annual meeting will be held in the Central Baptist Church. The Union's president, Mrs. George R. Martin, is prayerfully planning for this to be a definitely devotional service, inspiring through music, Scripture and testimony. Seven other W.M.U. sessions will be held, the last to be on Tuesday evening, the 14th. (See pages 1, 5-6, 12.)

Among the distinguished speakers whom Mrs. Martin has secured for the Miami program it is particularly gratifying to mention the following:

Dr. B. J. Cauthen—Happy were our hearts in the Union's last meeting in Oklahoma City in 1944 to receive word that Dr. and Mrs. Cauthen had gotten safely back from southwest China. In the meanwhile Dr. Cauthen has been appointed by the Foreign Mission Board as its secretary to the orient. Fortunately his departure for that post of duty was purposely delayed beyond the month of May. Eagerly will he be heard in Miami, his first message being to our Union.

Dr. Alfred Carpenter—Similarly will this be true with reference to the promised participation of Dr. Carpenter of the Home Mission Board. All during the awful war he was responsible for the securing of chaplains from the roster of southern Baptist preachers. The testimony of countless service men and nationals of many lands is an eloquent proof that Dr. Carpenter was guided of God in securing many southern Baptist chaplains. Rather recently Dr. Carpenter was one of an official group to inspect the work of chaplains in many lands; from such a tour Dr. Carpenter will testify how he too "found the church there".

Dr. J. H. Rushbrooke—The speaker for our Tuesday noon hour will be the president of the Baptist World Alliance, Dr. Rushbrooke of London. Perhaps in no era of Baptist history has the challenge to world evangelization seemed clearer even as never before has the appeal for rehabilitating Baptist property in war-wrecked countries been so poignant. Dr. Rushbrooke will speak constructively and comprehensively.

Dr. Frank C. Laubach—Have you read the book of international and definitely Christian import, "The Silent Billion Speak"? Its really great missionary author, Dr. Frank C. Laubach of the Philippines, has agreed to speak at our Union's meeting in Miami. Among his many soul-searching sayings it is gratifying to quote as (Concluded on Page 17)



The McALLISTER HOTEL in MIAMI

In the McAllister Hotel on Saturday, May 11, the following southwide committees will meet in annual session, each meeting to be attended by the respective members or their duly selected substitutes:

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.—

W.M.U. Executive Committee

Word has been received from the W.M.U. Committee in Miami that all the large hotels were booked to capacity before the middle of March. To publish a list of the smaller hotels, each with only a few available rooms, would doubtless mean that they would receive many requests which they could not grant.

Therefore, all requests for hotel reservations should be sent direct to the Reservations Committee

c/o Flagler Street Baptist Church
3501 West Flagler Street
Miami 35, Florida

ANNUAL MEETING

Miami, "America's Playground", Prepares for Baptist Meetings

THE choice of Miami as the convention city for 1946 has been a happy one for both Miamians and their guests-to-be. To many, a visit to the "magic city" is a lifetime dream about to become a reality. We, fortunate residents of Miami, are delighted to share our treasure with you and to make your visit an enjoyable and comfortable one; many committees are busily engaged in making preparations for your arrival. Because you are coming to the extreme point of the convention territory, we know that you will wish to make the most of the splendid opportunity to see as much as possible of this wonderful state.

To enumerate the hundreds of interesting places that are on the "must" list to see would take much space; therefore, I shall briefly mention only a few. Bayfront Park, in which are located the auditorium and amphitheater, in which the sessions of the Southern Baptist Convention are to be held, is located on Biscayne Bay, the charm of which is never ending. In cruising the waters of the bay, nature's masterpiece of marine color, you will observe hues of a thousand rainbows present an enthralling spectacle. This opalescent arm of the shimmering Atlantic, bounded by stately palms and gorgeous flowers, warmly embraces the sister cities of Miami and Miami Beach. The skylines of both cities, with the many man-made islands in between, offer scenic beauty rarely seen anywhere. From the many cruises available one may see vast estates with beautifully landscaped grounds sloping to the water's edge; beautiful homes of Millionaires' Row, including the outstanding estate of the world, the estate of James Deering, called Villa Viscaya—where a dense tropical hammock gave way to a lavish fairyland. The house of Mediterranean architecture was planned to accommodate a remarkable collection of priceless art treasures of the old world, a \$15,000,000 Garden of Eden unsurpassed anywhere; recently offered as a home for the U.N.O.; the causeways from the mainland to the beach, where are located the magnificent homes of the "Gold Coast" of Miami Beach and the beaches of golden sands; old Fort Dallas, original fort of historic fame and a landmark of Miami; the Miami Country Club and Golf Course; the Musa Isle Indian Village, where silent Seminoles work and play in colorful costumes; and the Alligator Farm. Through it all, you will be amazed at the great wealth represented in the areas of Greater Miami.

A trip into South Bay waters and into the keys, known as "the South Seas of America", is one that conveys a vivid picture of Florida in pioneer days, a land that has been through turbulent times under the flags of five nations; a land whose original inhabitants were the Tegesta, Culusa and Seminoles; a land of song, poetry and romance, reminiscent of days of bitter memories and heroic deeds.

The Coconut Grove area was formerly an old Spanish seaport, one of the first settlements on the shores of Biscayne Bay. Its winding streets are graced with many coconut and royal palms and palatial estates of many of our noted and prominent people.

Coral Gables, a beautiful suburban city, is unique among American cities inasmuch as it was already planned before the first construction was started. Its wide boulevards, plazas with seductive Spanish names, entrance gateways constructed of native rock and built of imported Spanish stones, beautiful homes half-hidden by vines and fragrant flowering shrubbery present an enchanting scene.

For those whose hobby is "angling", the days before and after the meetings are over may afford deep sea fishing, plug and fly-casting, surf or reef fishing or fishing in the mysterious waters of the Everglades which drain into the Gulf of Mexico. These waterways are noted for all types of fish that can be caught by trolling or plug casting.

While Miami and its environs are alluring, mystifying, enchanting, exotic, relaxing, entertaining, a scenic wonderland, there are many other Florida attractions that you should plan to see while in Florida. Among them are the Oriental Gardens, Jacksonville; Fountain of Youth, Oldest House in U. S., St. Augustine; Silver Springs, nature's underwater fairyland, seen from electric glass-bottom boats, Ocala; Ravine Gardens, Palatka; Cypress Gardens, Winter Haven; Bok Singing Tower, Lake Wales; sugar mill at Clewiston; Ringling Art Museum and Circus Winter Quarters, Sarasota; University of Florida, Gainesville; southernmost city in the United States, Key West; state capitol, state college for Women and Wakulla Springs, Tallahassee; and many others, too numerous to mention.

The Pan American Airways has reduced its round trip cost to Havana, Cuba, to \$34.50, including tax. It may be the best opportunity you will ever have to make the trip by air in one and one-half hours. The story of the Home Mission Board's work in Cuba is most interesting to read but much more interesting to witness first-hand. Reservations for such a trip should be made before coming to Miami for the planes are booked to capacity for several weeks in advance.

Truly, we are supremely joyous over your proposed visit to our vicinity. So come one, come all and we will endeavor to make your visit a long to-be-remembered one.—Mrs. George Q. Holland, Chairman Miami W.M.U. Committee



Chairmen for May 12-14 W.M.U. Meeting
MIAMI, FLORIDA

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Mrs. K. C. Beavers, *Transportation*; Mrs. M. L. Heiss, *Co-Chairman*; Mrs. R. E. Kunkel, *Ushers*; Mrs. Chas. Fishburne, *Special Meals*; Mrs. George Q. Holland, *General Chairman*; Mrs. Ladislau Biro, *Young People's Pageant*; Mrs. Joan O'Brien, *Nursery*; Mrs. H. A. Davidson, *Information*

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Foreign Mission Volunteers Wanted

J. W. Marshall, Secretary
Department of Missionary Personnel
Foreign Mission Board of S.B.C.

A GAIN the Foreign Mission Board has come face to face with an alarming situation—not enough candidates ready for appointment. Not less than fifty new missionaries should be appointed every year but volunteers are not in sight.

It is imperative that fifty be appointed annually. Missionaries on the field are breaking down physically because of over-work. Volunteers must be found at once.

Southern Baptists have no "Selective Service Act" by which missionaries may be drafted to serve where they are needed. Pastors, W.M.U. leaders, Sunday-school teachers, Training Union leaders and Christian parents are commissioned by the Master to keep His needs and claims constantly before our youth.

Some young people were evidently misled into thinking that missions abroad had taken a holiday because of the war. There were very few who volunteered during that period. The number of volunteers since the war is pathetically small. Every pastor, every Christian leader and parent must be led to feel a personal responsibility in presenting to our youth God's call to foreign service.

All of our fields are tragically undermanned. New doors are open. We must not fail.

Strong Gospel Preachers Needed

Mature preachers of the Gospel are in great demand for every field. A minimum of 3 ordained men with wives are needed for evangelistic-educational work in Nigeria: 21 for evangelistic work in Chinese churches; 4 for student evangelism in China; 15 for evangelism in Japan; 2 for Rumania; one for Spain; one for Moslems in Jugoslavia; 3 for Mexico.

A minimum of 9 ordained men with wives must be found for city evangelism in Colombia, Ecuador and Venezuela; 6 for Chile; 3 for Argentina; 2 for Uruguay; 10 for Brazil; one for student evangelism in Brazil; 5 for evangelism in Hawaii; one ordained man and wife for pioneer work in Transjordan; one couple for supervision of orphanage in Palestine. Many other successful young pastors are needed for work abroad.

Teachers—Men and Women

Twenty-one teachers are needed at once for Nigeria where several faithful servants have collapsed recently because of over-work. Ten teachers are needed for secondary schools for girls; 4 teachers for secondary schools for boys; 4 theological teachers; manual arts teacher and wife; and 2 teachers for normal schools must be found.

For middle schools and colleges in China we need 10 educational administrators and 12 teachers; 7 theological teachers are wanted for our seminaries in China. For schools and colleges in Japan 15 teachers will be needed soon.

A theological teacher and wife are needed for both Italy and Jugoslavia. Six educators are wanted for Palestine. The following teachers are needed for Latin America: 2 teachers for woman's training schools in Mexico and Brazil; ordained man and wife for theological school in Colombia; 8 primary teachers with musical ability for Ecuador, Colombia, Venezuela; ordained man and wife for training national workers in Paraguay; 3 women teachers, elementary and secondary schools in Brazil; ordained man and wife for theological school in Brazil; teacher for woman's college in Brazil.

Calling Doctors and Nurses

Nineteen medical doctors, one dentist and nineteen nurses are needed for hospitals and schools in Nigeria, West Africa, China, Paraguay, Mexico, Colombia, Ecuador, Venezuela, Chile, Argentina, Brazil, Palestine and the Arabian Peninsula.

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Our Young People

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

Meaningful May

MAY brings Y.W.A. Focus Week. Centering attention on our young women should be of eternal value for they will be the new women to match or manage the atomic age. Focus Week, May 12-18, 1946, says urgently to young people's directors, Y.W.A. counselors and all W.M.U. leaders: "Wake your young women to today's magic opportunities!" If you have a Young Woman's Auxiliary, make it a week of enthusiastic attention to and appreciation of what they are doing; this will encourage them to do more. If you have no Y.W.A., this is the week to work with your young women and organize by inviting a nearby Y.W.A. to come and show your young women what Y.W.A. is and does.

The *Window of Y.W.A.* and state papers carry detailed suggestions for the week. It should be busy with community missions, mission study, enlistment, packing boxes and bundles for Italy and Yugoslavia and others desperately in need, giving a happy Mother-Daughter affair, presentation of Y.W.A. activities to the church in some mission program on Wednesday or Sunday night or on a selected week night, association or city-wide Y.W.A. Council meetings, all with due publicity in daily or weekly papers and church bulletin.

The W.M.S. will arrange during Focus Week, if it has not previously done so, to help at least one representative Y.W.A. member go to Y.W.A. Camp at Ridgcrest, June 12-20. This 1946 Y.W.A. Camp will be filled with unusual features to keep spiritually abreast of today's swift physical changes; your young women will profit by these glorious days in the "Land of the Sky". Write your state young people's leader about reservations, transportation plans and state delegation activities. Y.W.A. Camp will be an investment with rich dividends in the lives of your Y.W.A's.

May brings out the first number of *Ambassador Life*, the new magazine just for boys. Can you imagine what this dream come true will mean to Royal Ambassador interests? Send your son's, nephew's, grandson's subscription (\$1 a year) promptly to *Ambassador Life*, 1111 Comer Building, Birmingham 3, Alabama. You will want to start with this very first number. You can transfer a boy's subscription from *World Comrades* to *Ambassador Life* by notifying *World Comrades* of such a change. The publication of *Ambassador Life* means that *World Comrades* will become a new magazine for girls and Sunbeams; therefore more subscriptions will come piling in for them also. Girls' Auxiliaries are as happy about *World Comrades* being for them now as Royal Ambassadors are about *Ambassador Life*. Watch for the new girl specialties in it and be sure your daughters, nieces and granddaughters have their own subscription to *World Comrades*.

By now your Sunbeam Band leader is using her new Sunbeam Band Manual. Isn't it a wonderful help? We are so grateful for it in this Sunbeam Anniversary. Have you celebrated this 60th birthday by starting a new Sunbeam Band? That's another way to make May meaningful.

Annual Meeting (Concluded from Page 6)

Signs; Mrs. L. B. Wood, Reservations; Mrs. Nat. Green, Literature and Exhibits; Mrs. C. A. Austin, Treasurer; Mrs. Fred Torbert, Check Room; Mrs. L. W. Haskin, Hospitality

CHAIRMEN NOT SHOWN IN PHOTOGRAPH—

Mrs. Leila Hall, Music; Mrs. E. R. Bonnaville, Missionaries

Training School

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

Home Missions Made Vital

NOT a vague, remote picture of the home missions field and mere "Lord-Thou-knowest-their-needs" prayers but a series of "I saw it—I did it" reports along with prayers for specific individuals, groups and situations constituted the Home Mission Week of Prayer program at the Training School March 5-8. The many Training School girls who have worked with the Home Mission Board in the summer program were eager to tell about their interesting experiences on the field.

The students who had worked with foreign groups in America presented the first of the special programs Tuesday morning. To create an appropriate atmosphere Mary Duke McLeod (South Carolina), who worked with the Chinese in Arizona, quoted "Jesus Loves Me" in the oriental language; Martha Franklin (Texas), who worked with a Mexican mission in McAllen, Texas, read John 3:16-18 in Spanish; and Dorothy Roberts (Missouri) sang "Into My Heart" in French. Nina Belle Holaday (Missouri) spoke on her work among the French in Louisiana, drawing a vivid picture of one of the leading men in the village of Triumph. "Mr. Hingle", who walked defiantly down the church aisle one night—his left hand on his hip and his right hand extended to the preacher—aying earnestly, "I'm accepting Jesus as my Savior". And Mary Flanagan (Missouri), telling of her experiences with the Spanish in New Mexico, related the story of the Catholic priest trying to frighten the children away from Bible School with the idea that there was some ingredient in the Kool-Ade they served which would "make Baptists of the people!"

On Wednesday morning the Training School group made an imaginary visit to New Mexico as Louise Tadlock (Oklahoma), Martha Burnette (Virginia) and Kay Sanderson (Virginia) described their work with the Indians in New Mexico. On this trip the fascinated audience met Mr. Jojola, the first Indian who accepted Christ in the village of Isleta; he has converted his storehouse into a church. At Canyoncita the listeners became acquainted with the Indian girl Lupe, who attended a government school where a Baptist missionary led her to Christ; she returned to her village with that missionary to act as his interpreter. "One of the three people who were converted during our two-weeks' Bible School", said Martha, "was a boy interpreter. When he accepted Christ he said, 'Now I shall be giving this message from my heart'. And at Laguna the Training School audience made a "vicarious visit" with Kay to read from the Bible to an old Indian lady and to hear her repeat with intense emotion: "O thank you. Thank you. Thank you".

The Thursday program, featuring rural work, was presented by Ann Byrd Atkins (Virginia), Lucille Riner (Virginia) and Rachel Thompson (North Carolina). They showed the conditions of those mountain sections which have eagerly received the message of Christianity and are begging for trained workers to help them—and those sections which are still indifferent to the Gospel so that their desperate need cries for Christian missionaries.

On Friday morning the chapel assembly heard talks by Martha Knox (Arkansas) who worked with the Good Will Center in Birmingham, Ala., Margaret McKinney (Tennessee) who spent last summer with the mission board in Los Angeles, California, and Eunice Hayes (Missouri) who led a camp for Negro boys and girls in Louisville, Ky. Martha, one of the several workers who were confronted with much Catholic opposition, told about the little Italian children coming to Bible School through back alleys so that they would not be seen by the priests.

Every speaker commented on the inevitable question and plea: "Are you coming back next summer? If not, will you please send someone else?" In answer to this plea, the Training School students, faculty and servants contributed more than \$100 to the Annie Armstrong Offering and several girls have decided to give themselves to this great work of home missions.—Ann Huguley, Alabama

BOOK REVIEW and STUDY SUGGESTIONS

Miss Willie Jean Stewart, Tennessee

Talks on Soul-Winning

THERE is something limped and live and timeless about the work of Dr. E. Y. Mullins that keeps it living on and on. This book is no exception. For twenty-five years it has remained unsurpassed in its field—simple, practical, effective in method but without intimation that man's part is all there is to soul-winning.

This is very important. Conversion is not mere intellectual assent to the individual's need and Christ's sufficiency. It is a changed relationship between the individual and Jesus. And changes of relationship are not volitional. Those who seek to win souls should remember this.

Those who teach the book will want the members of their classes to become soul-winners rather than merely to learn about soul-winning. Those who join their classes should take it as their firm purpose to become effective soul-winners. Such an objective will lead both teachers and classes not only to study the text but also to study the Bible and to pray without ceasing.

Session One—Chapters 10, 9. Begin, as the Chinese might, with the last rather than the first chapter of the book. Ask someone to tell the story recorded in chapter 10. Lead the students to tell something of their own conversion experiences. Call attention to the wide variety of experience even in so small a class. Make three points clear: the same method will not work for everyone; all will not respond in the same way and have the same experience; each individual must decide for himself whether or not he has had a real change of heart—if he has he will know it.

Because conversion comes in so many different ways, the class will need a fairly comprehensive knowledge of what the Bible really teaches about being saved. Make an outline of the headings in chapter 9 and lead the class in a careful study of the Scriptures under each point. Ask each student to memorize one verse under each head.

Close with a session of united prayer that all present may become real soul-winners.

Session Two—Chapters 9 (Continued). 2. Open the session with a consideration of the verses selected for memorization, why each was chosen, when another might serve better. Give at least half the session to this, then take up chapter 2. Discuss, thoroughly, the "central message" as discussed on page 151. Then take up the four aspects of this message discussed in the rest of the chapter, with especial emphasis on the four universal needs of men.

Spend some moments in silent meditation, asking each class member to search her own heart and see if these are her own needs and if she truly has found them satisfied in Jesus Christ. Close with prayer.

Session Three—Chapters 1, 4. We come now to consider the individual who is to win souls. Lead the class to discuss the five qualifications in chapter 1 and ask each member to test herself by them. Put especial emphasis on qualification three, page 11. Note that only through prayer and a serious effort to empty oneself and receive the Spirit can this requirement be met. Without it so-called soul-winning is very superficial. Spend some time in united prayer at this point and urge continued prayer at home.

In chapter 4 study the methods of Jesus, as a guide and standard. Place each emphasis on the blackboard as it is discussed. Ask for illustrations in each case, from life of today.

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"GIVE ATTENTION to READING"

Miss Thelma Brown, Book Consultant, Baptist Sunday School Board

LAST month we discussed the three reading and study programs planned and promoted by Woman's Missionary Union. The years have tested the interest in and success of circle and society mission study. Women everywhere seem to appreciate the annual themes and try to plan their study programs so that they use the new books while they are new. For example, the State Baptist Bookstores are selling literally thousands of the new *Of One* by Dr. Maston (50c) and the other titles in the "race relation" series just published by the Home Mission Board. This is the time right now to use these urgently important books. Then in a few weeks information about the 1946 Foreign Mission Board series will be ready, and plans for fall study of foreign missions can be made. In the meantime, watch this magazine for news about other books for circle study. In this issue (page 10) note the announcement that Dr. Mullins' wonderful little book, *Talks on Soul-Winning* (Broadman, 30c), is again available. A new book on stewardship, *Christus Emptor* (Augsburg, paper 50c), has been approved for mission study. Let all of us stress the wisdom of using new books while they are fresh and easily available.

Also, we remind you that spring is a good time to set up a *Missionary Round Table*. If you don't begin now, it may be hard to get a new project started before next fall.

However, we especially suggest the Reading Circle plan for societies where one of the following conditions exist:

1. Where the members have not taken much interest in mission study due to limited time or opportunity or lack of stimulation
2. Where mission courses have become a routine limited to getting through by "book reviews" rather than full time study
3. Among women whose interest in Kingdom work falls short of the "nearest neighbor" as well as "the uttermost parts of the world"
4. Where members are widely scattered or live a distance from the church or are house-bound or work during regular meeting time or are prevented in one way or another from attending the circle study in *Missionary Round Table* meetings
5. When there has been a keen interest in mission study and also in *Missionary Round Table* titles and where members are eager to read more than the prescribed text or background book.

In other words, the Reading Circle may be used as an incentive to a beginning of mission study, as a stimulation to further study and reading, to increase interest already developed and to supplement other forms of missionary reading. It is hard to think of a church in our entire territory where a Reading Circle could not be made a practical and effective plan regardless of other mission study programs.

As we reminded you last month, the detailed procedure for this plan is to be found on page 59 of the 1946 W.M.U. Year Book (price 10c from W.M.U. Literature Dept., 1111 Comer Bldg., Birmingham 3, Ala.) Then by all means order the free booklet, *The World in Books*, from your State Baptist Bookstore.

Perhaps ten members of your circle would like to read books to supplement the study of Dr. Maston's *Of One*. In that case you might decide to order the following titles (listed in *World in Books*) from the bookstore serving your state. Where possible, use cloth bindings and afterwards present these books to your church library. The page references are to *World in Books*.

1. *Blind Spots*, Leiper, cloth \$1, paper 60c, page 4
2. *What about Our Japanese Americans?* McWilliams, 10c, page 7
3. *Christianity and the Race Problem*, Carmago, paper 25c, page 4
4. *Strangers No Longer*, Kerr, cloth \$1, paper 60c, page 5
5. *My Country*, Davenport \$1.50, page 4
6. *The Influence of Jesus upon Civilization*, Gartenhaus, paper 50c, page 5
7. *The Jews Today*, Hoffman, paper 25c, page 5
8. *American Negroes*, Embree, \$1, page 6
9. *Rising above Color*, Lott, \$1.50, page 6
10. *This Is the Indian*, Dexter, paper 25c, page 7

Remember any approved study course book not completed for study and any book marked RC in *World in Books* may be used. We hope one thousand women a week will begin this program and eventually all of us, more and more, will "give attention to reading."

From MISSIONARIES

"And a Little Child Shall Lead Them"

WE were having our program for the Week of Prayer for Home Missions in March. One of the women who had part on the program is a kindergarten teacher who has been a member of our church for a good many years and a very faithful member. She is not old but has been a Christian since just a young girl. She married a man who was not a Christian but she felt that she had won a great victory when her sweetheart consented to be married in the Baptist church by a Baptist minister. After they were married they moved to a town where there was no evangelical church of any kind. Evangelina had been named by the public school system to teach in the kindergarten there and since her husband is a tailor and could work there just the same as here they found it more convenient to live where she was teaching.

During the time that they lived in this small town two little girls came into the home. When these were still just babies Evangelina would take them to school every day and keep them in their crib or play-pen while she taught. During those years of their infancy she never forgot about her faith in Christ and even though there was no place for her to attend the services she read her Bible and taught her children to pray. But she was never able to interest her husband any more than just to win his sympathy in such a way that he was at least friendly towards her religion and did not oppose her in any way.

Then when the little girls were old enough to go to school they moved back to Havana so that Evangelina could put the children in a Christian school. That meant that Evangelina would have to make the long trip back to the town every day to teach in the kindergarten and that during the hours that the children were not in school they would have to be left with a servant. But it was worth it just to have the children in Colegio Bautista and for them to be able to attend Sunday-school on Sunday.

Because of the fact, I suppose, that Evangelina is a kindergarten teacher she was given a part on the Week of Prayer program about the Mexican kindergarten in San Antonio and other kindergartens on home mission fields. When she finished her part she folded up the paper that she had in her hand and said: "I know from experience that it is true that 'a little child shall lead them'. My children have done what I could not do". And then she began to tell this story. She said: "I have been married eleven years and, even though my husband has never opposed me and has let me have my religion, he never attended the services in our church nor manifested any interest in his own soul. He would bring the little girls and me to the church door and then say: 'You all can go on in, I am going to sit in the park until you come out or will walk around for awhile'. But one night when we got to the church door and he said that, the smaller one of my little girls said: 'Daddy, you are going with the devil; the devil is in that park; God is in this temple'. According to the story which Evangelina told he looked guilty but did not go in that night. However the next Sunday night he went in and sat on the back seat. But that did not satisfy the two little girls and so one of them said: 'What do you want to sit on the back seat for? Why don't you sit up near the front where we sit?'"

That was the beginning of this interesting story. He began to read the Bible in his home and to come to Sunday-school and church with the family. During one of our revival meetings he was converted and gave his testimony of his faith in Christ. He joined the men's Sunday-school class and the Baptist Brotherhood. Not long ago he said to his little daughters: "I want you all to teach me to pray aloud. I am so afraid they are going to call on me to pray in the Sunday-school class or in the Brotherhood meeting and I would be so embarrassed I would not know what to

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BIBLE STUDY

Dr. W. O. Carver, Kentucky

Galatians 3:26-4:7; Acts 10:28, 34

PETER made a great discovery in connection with his mission to Cornelius (Acts 10:1-11:18). The incident is related at great length because it reveals in a concrete example a principle which is unique in Christianity and which Christianity alone can make effective in human life. The principle is that God is no respecter of persons and that race distinctions must be no barrier to the work of the Gospel or to fellowship in the Church of Jesus Christ. It was a turning point in Christianity when Peter perceived that (verse 34).

The truth had been taught very clearly by Jesus and was involved in all His conduct and His plan for His religion. But His disciples had not grasped it and made it a part of their working program. It was an amazing-discovery for Peter that God makes no distinction between a Jew and a Roman. The discovery was revolutionary for Peter and he found it very difficult to adjust his feeling and his behavior to what God had made him see. We feel his struggle in his announcement (verse 28): "To me God has shown that no one who is a human being shall I call 'common' or 'unclean'". Peter had fully accepted the rule that "it is not permissible for a Jew man to associate with or visit socially a man of another race". He did not always have the courage and grace to live up to what God had made clear to him (see Gal. 2:11ff).

A young preacher from the south last year heard this truth expounded in the Seminary chapel in Louisville. As he went out he said: "I know I have race prejudice, but I am not going to do anything about it". Is he Christian?

Paul makes this Christian transcendence of racial distinctions, pride and prejudices very emphatic. In our Galatians passage he says that "in Christ Jesus" such a distinction simply cannot exist. All who are baptized into the Christ are "all one" in Him. God sends the Spirit of His One Son in all our hearts causing us all to address the One God as Father. We may not call the Father of Jesus Christ our Father unless we have the attitude, the spirit of Jesus in us and hence regard all as brothers in the one family of God.

In Acts 17, verses 26-28, Paul says that God's intent in creation is that all peoples on all the earth shall constitute a unity. They will realize their one humanity and kinship in their common experience of God. In Ephesians 2, verses 11-22, he says that the function and the goal of the cross of the Christ is to break down the walls that make fragments of God's one human race. In the blood of Christ all are made nigh to God and are wrought into one new humanity ("man" in the more common versions).

This great Christian principle is of the utmost importance at this juncture of human history. Men are seeking to construct "a just and durable peace". That is possible only if the nations and races treat each other—and all—with justice and righteousness. And they will never do that except through the Christian motive. Christians must proclaim the truth, adopt the principles and exemplify the practice of fellowship in spirit and unprejudiced cooperation in practice.

The southern people glory in their claim to be the most Christian section of the world. The claim may have in it more of pride than of truth, more of conceit than of Christ. The claim puts on us a fearful obligation. Here we have our own concentrated "race problem". Both the major races share the problem. Both create the problem. Together they must solve the problem or repudiate the call of the Spirit of Christ to solve it by the discovery and the practice of justice and cooperation.

The world looks on our country at a time when race is a major issue in all world problems. From all lands have come criticism of the abuses that obtain among us

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FAMILY ALTAR

Mrs. W. H. Gray, Alabama

TOPIC: The World Significance of Justice and Cooperation among the Races of the World

Pattern for Justice

1st Day—Ex. 18:1-12; John 4:4-15
2nd Day—Ex. 18:13-26; John 9:35-41
3rd Day—Deut. 1:15-25; Luke 9:49-56
4th Day—Ruth 4:1-9; 1 John 4:7-21
5th Day—1 Sam. 7:15-17; Phil. 2:1-11
6th Day—Matt. 5:43-47; 18:15-20
7th Day—Prov. 14:33, 34; Matt. 18:21-33

"Of One Blood"

8th Day—Gen. 3:20; Mark 10:35-45
9th Day—Acts 17:26-28; John 13:1-16
10th Day—Psa. 82:1-4, 8; Phil. 4-21
11th Day—Psa. 86:3-11; John 3:1-15
12th Day—Psa. 67:1-7; Rom. 12:3-20
13th Day—Psa. 72:1-4; Matt. 5:1-12
14th Day—Psa. 113:1-9; Job 42:1-6

Note: The above 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.

"Pray Ye"

In thanksgiving for the goodness of God
In eager yearning for the salvation of lost souls
In petition for the indifferent and unenlisted
In sympathy for the sick and sorrowing
For missionaries and other Christians in every land
Plead for the preservation of world-wide peace according to the will of God.

Pray that young people may dedicate themselves for definitely Christian service and may steadily train thereto and that their parents will sympathetically encourage them.

Intercede for the S.B.C. meeting commencing May 13 in Miami, asking God's guidance for its president and program committee, for Miami pastors and committees in preparatory activities. Pray too most earnestly for southside W.M.U. meeting also in Miami, May 12-14.

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"To the Jew . . . to the Gentile"

15th Day—Deut. 4:5-8; Psa. 27:1-6
16th Day—Rom. 1:1-12, 14-16; John 11:7-16
17th Day—Rom. 2:12-16, 28, 29; John 20:19-29
18th Day—Rom. 3:1-4; 4:1-8; 1 Cor. 15:31-40
19th Day—Rom. 16:25-27; Matt. 25:19-30
20th Day—Rom. 11:1-10; Luke 12:16-21
21st Day—Rev. 13:7-9; Luke 12:31-34

"Love thy neighbor."

22nd Day—Ex. 20:16; Luke 18:24-30
23rd Day—Matt. 19:16, 19; 13:44-46
24th Day—Zech. 8:16, 17; 11 Cor. 6:14-18
25th Day—Rom. 13:10; 1 Pet. 4:1-6
26th Day—Psa. 15:1-5; Matt. 6:19-24
27th Day—Gal. 6:7-10; John 12:3
28th Day—Rom. 5:1-8; 111 John 2-3
29th Day—Jas. 2:8-13; Matt. 25:34-40
30th Day—John 14:23, 24; Col. 5:13-15
31st Day—1 John 5:1-3; 5:1-12

CALENDAR of PRAYER

May, 1946

Mrs. W. C. Henderson, Arizona

MARCH on, my soul, nor like a laggard stay!
March swiftly on. Yet err not from the way
Where all the nobly wise of old have trod—
The path of faith made by the sons of God.
Follow the marks that they have set beside
The narrow, cloud-swept track, to be thy guide;
Follow and honor what the past has gained
And forward still, that more may be attained!
—Henry Van Dyke

1—WEDNESDAY

Dr. and Mrs. W. M. Garrett, Miss Cecile Lancaster, Hawaii, educational-evangelistic work
As the Lord hath said unto thy servants, so will we do. —Num. 32:31

2—THURSDAY

Rev. L. Belcher, Carbondale, Rev. B. Starweil, Charleston, S.C., racial-evangelistic work
Being now justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him. —Rom. 5:9

3—FRIDAY

Dr. and Mrs. A. S. Patterson, educational-evangelistic work, Lagos, Africa; and Mrs. I. N. Patterson, evangelistic work, Abakuta, Nigeria
I will walk among you and will be your God, and ye shall be My people. —Lev. 26:12

4—SATURDAY

Rev. and Mrs. A. Jaquin, Ft. Worth, Rev. and Mrs. D. Espurro, Brownwood, Texas, evangelistic work among Mexicans
Let us run with patience the race that is set before us. —Heb. 12:1

5—SUNDAY

That southern Baptists may strive to promote justice and cooperation among races in the south
Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons. —Acts 10:34

6—MONDAY

That many young people graduating from colleges and universities this year will willingly hear the call of the Holy Spirit for special missionary service at home and abroad
Prepare your hearts unto the Lord and serve Him only. —1 Sam. 7:3

7—TUESDAY

Baptist believers in Hungary
Holding forth the Word of Life. —Phi. 2:16

8—WEDNESDAY

Dr. and Mrs. R. A. Machado, Ylmar, Rev.

and Mrs. J. Mederos, Melena del Sur, Cuba, evangelistic work, also Moises, Esther and Ruben Machado, Margaret Fund students
O give thanks unto the Lord: call upon His name: make known His deeds among the people! —Psa. 105:1

9—THURSDAY

Dr. and Mrs. W. C. Taylor, Rev. and Mrs. J. J. Cowart, evangelistic work, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil; also Betty Taylor and George Cowart, Margaret Fund students
O how I love Thy law! It is my meditation all the day. —Psa. 119:97

10—FRIDAY

Rev. A. B. Cash, Columbus, Ga., Rev. A. L. Smith, Washington, D. C., Rev. L. Waters, Richmond, Va., city-evangelistic work
The Lord is our defense and the Holy One of Israel is our King. —Psa. 89:18

11—SATURDAY

Southside W.M.U. committee meetings in Miami; Rev. and Mrs. G. A. Bowdler, Cipolletti, Rev. and Mrs. V. L. David, Cordoba, Argentina, evangelistic work; also Betty Bowdler, Margaret Fund student
The Lord will go before you and the God of Israel will be your reward. —Isa. 52:12

12—SUNDAY

Annual meeting of Woman's Missionary Union, May 12-14; Young Woman's Auxiliary Focus Week, May 12-18; also that the ministry in Baptist hospitals may glorify Christ
Thou wilt show me the path of life. —Psa. 16:15

13—MONDAY

Soul-winning by W.M.U. members
Happy is that people whose God is the Lord. —Psa. 144:15

14—TUESDAY

Rev. and Mrs. D. D. Cooper, Rev. and Mrs. V. J. Zouiga, Shawnee, Mrs. Homer Gilmott, Anadarko, Okla., evangelistic work among Indians
Hide not Thy face from me in the day of trouble: when I am in trouble, call thou. —Psa. 34:15

Calendar of Prayer for May

15—WEDNESDAY

Southern Baptist Convention, Miami, Fla.; Dr. and Mrs. H. H. Muirhead, Rev. and Mrs. J. W. McGavock, educational-evangelistic work, Mexican Baptist Seminary, El Paso, Texas (F.M.B.).

Execute true judgment and show mercy and compassion every man to his brother —Zech. 7:9

16—THURSDAY

Rev. and Mrs. A. Pucciarelli, Miss Tenette Lavender, Miss Blanche Rutherford, evangelistic work among Italians, Birmingham, Alabama; also Rosa Lee Pucciarelli, Margaret Fund student.

Be strong all ye people of the land and work for I am with thee, with the Lord of hosts. —Hugot 2:4

17—FRIDAY

Rev. and Mrs. D. M. Lawson, Miss Doris Knight, Miss Lois Glass, educational-evangelistic work, Miss Elizabeth Gray, medical evangelistic work, Laichow-Fu, China.

In all places where I record My name I will come unto thee and bless thee. —Ex. 20:24

18—SATURDAY

Rev. and Mrs. J. S. Flores, evangelistic work, San Marcos, Mrs. Alicia Laurel, Laredo, Mrs. Aurora de Morales, San Benito, Tex., educational-evangelistic work among Mexicans; also Elvia, Emma and Gloria Laurel, Margaret Fund students.

Draw nigh to God and He will draw nigh to you. —Jas. 4:8

19—SUNDAY

Dr. and Mrs. E. L. Morgan, Dr. and Mrs. J. Lake, emeritus missionaries from China, also Constance Morgan, Margaret Fund student.

As for us, the Lord is our God, and we have not forsaken Him. —II Chron. 13:10

20—MONDAY

That fathers and mothers may so feel their responsibility to the spread of the Kingdom they shall want their sons and daughters to be called of the Lord as missionaries. He that loveth son or daughter more than Me is not worthy of Me. —Matt. 10:12

21—TUESDAY

Misses Susan Anderson, Willie Kate Baldwin, May Perry and Elizabeth Truly, educational-evangelistic work, Abeokuta, Nigeria.

Of Him and through Him and to Him are all things: to whom be glory forever. —Rom. 11:36

22—WEDNESDAY

Rev. and Mrs. M. A. Gonzales, Santa Clara, Rev. and Mrs. F. J. Rodriguez, Calabazar, Cuba, evangelistic work.

That ye may be sincere and without offense all the day of Christ. —Phil. 1:10

23—THURSDAY

Dr. and Mrs. C. A. Leonard, Hilo, Hawaii, and Mrs. E. B. Dozier, Mrs. C. K. Dozier, Honolulu, Hawaii, evangelistic work. The Lord make you to increase and abound in love one toward another and toward all men! —I Thess. 3:12

24—FRIDAY

Rev. D. B. South, San Antonio, Rev. M. A. Marshall, Houston, Rev. C. G. Carter, El Paso, Texas, city-evangelistic work. Fear not, neither be discouraged. —Deut. 1:21

25—SATURDAY

Dr. and Mrs. J. T. Williams, publication-evangelistic work, Miss Isabelle Coleman, educational-evangelistic work, Shanghai, China.

The Father Himself loveth you because ye have loved Me. —John 16:22

26—SUNDAY

Misses Anna B. Hartwell, Florence Jones, Edna Eael Teal, Lillian Thomason, emeritus missionaries from China.

Ye shine as lights in the world. —Phil. 2:15

27—MONDAY

Rev. and Mrs. G. L. Stanley, Miss Ollie Lowellyn, San Antonio, Misses Mary Etheridge and Lois Jordan, El Paso, Texas, evangelistic work among Chinese.

This is eternal life that they might know Thee, the only God, and Jesus Christ. —John 17:3

28—TUESDAY

Rev. and Mrs. V. L. Sears, educational-evangelistic work, Laredo, Dr. R. U. Northrup, medical-evangelistic work, Ogbomoso, Nigeria.

We pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God. —II Cor. 5:20

29—WEDNESDAY

Rev. J. P. Carter, Louisville, Ky., Rev. W. Tabbutt (to his own Negro race), Baltimore, Md., city-evangelistic work.

This commandment have we from Him: That he who loveth God love his brother also. —I John 4:21

30—THURSDAY

Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Berry, Bellu Horizonte, Rev. and Mrs. A. I. Bagby, Porto Alegre, Brazil, also Bailey Berry, Margaret Fund student.

Is anything too hard for the Lord? —Gen. 18:14

31—FRIDAY

Mrs. E. T. Martinez, educational-evangelistic work among Mexicans, Albuquerque, N. M. Many of them which heard the Word believed. —Acts 4:4

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Circle Program Topic: Wanted—Missionaries!

Devotional Theme: Love Defined—John 3:16

Home Mission Fields (See article in May issue of *Southern Baptist Home Missions*.)

Wanted: Missionaries (See article in May issue of *Southern Baptist Home Missions*.)

Long Robes Cut Short (See article in May issue of *The Window of Y.W.A.*)

Wanted: 300 Missionaries (See chart in May issue of *The Commission*.)

For the One God (See article in May issue of *World Comrades*.)

How Many Missionaries Shall We Send? (See article in May issue of *The Commission*.)

Need for Volunteers (See second paragraph of article on page 3 of *April* issue of this magazine.)

Foreign Mission Volunteers Wanted (See article on page 7 of this magazine.)

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follows: "To desire to put one's shoulder under all the world's hunger and need and to carry it all to God, is not this the highest longing one can ever feel?"

Such is surely the teaching of the 58th chapter of Isaiah. Surely the May meeting in Miami will so fill the hearts and minds of W.M.U. delegates and visitors that they will increasingly seek to serve "like a spring of water whose waters fail not" in giving the Water of Life to those who should be led to "thirst after righteousness."—Kathleen Mallory, W.M.U. Executive Secretary

Business Woman's Circles

Miss Mary Christian
W.M.U. Representative

To the Program Chairman: The problem of race relations in the south which is discussed in the program material (pages 20-27) is vitally related to each individual and undergirds world peace. Read all the subject-matter carefully and prayerfully, then decide how it can best be presented in your circle. Choose members to participate on the program who will discuss it with as much fairness and lack of bias as possible.

Program Covers: It is always helpful to have attractive programs typed or mimeographed and to have the place of meeting appropriately decorated. Enlist the help of the poster chairman and the social chairman in these activities. For the cover of the program use the cut at the beginning of the Sunbeam program in the May issue of *World Comrades*. This picture, representing the races of the south, could easily be copied down the outer edge of the B.W.C. program cover; it would not take long to color with crayons or water-colors. At the top of the cover page write the program title, "The World Significance of Justice and Cooperation among the Races of the South"; underneath this put the name of the circle, of the church and the town, then the date. At the bottom of the page write the name of the circle chairman and the adviser.

Preparing and Presenting the Program: Every one has some information about this subject and usually some intense feelings both right and wrong. Business women, accustomed to taking responsibility and thinking things through, often have come to logical conclusions about current topics but, when they happen to be wrong, are as difficult to change as any one else. Because in their everyday experiences they come in contact with people of all races their reaction sometimes is: "I know what I know, besides I'm too busy to bother about that and what can I do anyway?" So, much prayer should go into this program preparation and presentation that we shall all have open minds and have a desire to know and take the Christian attitude in race reactions. The following is a suggestion for carrying out the program and arranging it on the inside of the typed programs for distribution:

??? Some Questions about Justice and Cooperation among ???
?????? Races of the South ??????

Hymn for the Year: We've a Story to Tell

Watchword for Year (Repeated in Unison): Isaiah 45:22

Prayer for those on Prayer Calendar for day

Bible Study: Acts 10:28-35 (See page 13.)

Prayer that this program may lead us to clear thinking concerning the races of the south

Question 1: What keeps us from respecting all races alike?

Answer by a Member (See first topic in program material, *This Matter of Race*.)

Question 2: Does 1 black man plus 1 white man equal 2 men in a democracy?

Answer by a Member (Refer to second topic in program material, *Race and American Democracy*. Tell the striking illustrations given in this.)

Question 3: How does the way America settles her race problem affect world peace?

Answer by a Member (See discussion in program material, *Race and World Peace*.)

Question 4: What place does prejudice have in Christianity?

Answer by a Member (Refer to topic, *Race and Christianity*, in program material.)

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Program Plans

Prepared by Miss Alys Jeanne Allen, Texas
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Purpose: To lead each person to examine her heart to determine if there be any trace of prejudice there, to learn anew that God created man (red, yellow, black and white) "in His own image"—that He "is no respecter of persons" but is "Lord of all". To determine what ways we as individuals discriminate against other races and to purpose in our hearts that, God helping us, we will not "make common" that which He hath created but will treat it with just dignity and love.

Publicity: For each member of the Woman's Missionary Society cut out from construction paper or white paper question-marks, large enough on which to write. On each question-mark write the following: "The question is of vital concern to you. Date..... Time..... Place..... The following may be used as a suggestion for the announcement on Sunday preceding the meeting. Prepare a globe from heavy cardboard or corrugated paper. Paint the countries on with colors in order to add attractiveness. One of the W.M.S. members should make the announcement. As she does so let her thumbtack on the globe a question-mark large enough to reach from the top to the bottom of the world. In making the announcement, do not outright tell the women what the program is about but present it as being a subject vital and important to each one as an individual and as a Christian. (For program material, see pages 20-27.)

Presentation: One of the most effective ways of presenting a program of this type is by round table discussion. If you have available a round table, large enough for all members to be seated around it, that is best. If you do not have a large enough table, place the chairs in a circle. This in itself can be significant, for a circle does not involve a "first" and "last" but is balanced and equal if it is a perfect circle. We, too, must discuss this matter of race relationships not with the attitude of any race being "superior to", "better than" or "first" in relation to other races. In the center of the table place a globe. If the chairs are placed in a circle, put the globe on a small table in the middle of the circle. Paste or pin a white band around the globe: the band should be two or three inches wide, depending on the size of the globe. On this white band write the following Scripture in letters large enough to be read around the circle, "In His Own Image". At the foot of the globe have an open Bible. As each woman gives her discussion it would be better not to stand but to remain seated and discuss the topic with other members. This program could be used to great advantage in putting into practice those things which will be talked about and studied. If your local Negro women have a W.M.S. one of the finest and most convincing ways to show that you love and appreciate them would be to invite them to your meeting. If they do not have a Negro W.M.S. there must be some women who are taking leading parts in their church life who would appreciate the invitation of studying with you this problem concerning race relationship. The person who closes the program should emphasize the Scripture, "In His Own Image". Too often we find ourselves thinking that only the white man has the image of God. We need to be reminded that God made all things; our black brother is made in the image of God just as surely as the white man. We need to learn the lesson and be able to say with genuine sincerity that "of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons . . . but is Lord of all".

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because of our racial pride and prejudice. Christianity alone can solve all the problems of race relations. All the world eagerly waits for some solution. Our willingness and ability and our achievement in the matter of justice and fellowship here truly has world significance today. The south is God's great laboratory for testing the power of Christ in this matter. Will we allow Him to make us truly Christian in race relations or will we fail Him? We are a city set upon a hill. Our light cannot be hid; nor can our darkness be ignored.

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PROGRAM MATERIAL

Mrs. C. D. Crenshaw, Tennessee

THEME for YEAR: Let Us Now Prepare to Build

TOPIC for MONTH: The World Significance of Justice and Cooperation among the Races of the South

Hymn for Year—We've a Story to Tell to the Nations

Watchword for Year—Isaiah 45:22

Bible Study: Galatians 3:26-4:7; Acts 10:28, 34 (See page 13.)

Prayer that this program may lead us to clear thinking concerning the problem of race

Hymn—Throw Out the Lifeline

This Matter of Race

Race and American Democracy

Prayer that we in America may realize the importance of making our democracy a practical living force

Race and World Peace

—Race and Christianity

Hymn—Let Others See Jesus in You

Race and Southern Baptists

—Race and Myself

Hymn—Make Me a Channel of Blessing

Prayer that we may, in the spirit of Christ, do all in our power to help solve the race problems of America and the world

THIS MATTER OF RACE

RACE relationship is the most acute world problem of today. Underneath all the causes producing the late world war was this problem of race. The war is over but the problem of race still remains. Whether or not there shall be another world war depends on the solution of this race problem.

Race prejudice is not a new thing. To the ancient Jew all not of his own race were "gentile dogs", degraded and despised. To the Greeks all others were "barbarians". To the Romans all others were plebeians to be conquered and enslaved. The Britons, Celts and other peoples of northern Europe were looked upon as inferior physically and intellectually and morally incapable of ever reaching to heights of Roman attainments.

While race prejudice is almost as old as humanity, never in the history of mankind has there been as much race consciousness and as bitter interracial antagonism as there is today. And never before has there been as much discussion of the problem or as keen a realization on the part of world thinkers that the situation is acute and that, unless something is done to bring a better understanding, a better cooperation and a better spirit among the races of the world, humanity will destroy itself.

Race prejudice, leading to racial injustice, is based upon the idea of race superiority. The Japanese considered themselves superior to the Chinese and therefore felt that they had a right to conquer and rule them. The Germans, thinking themselves to be supermen, felt that they had a right to conquer all other people and make them their slaves. The white nations of Europe, considering themselves superior to black people, felt that they had a right to take possession of the continent of Africa and to use black labor for their own enrichment. The white people of America, feeling that they belong to a superior race, think they have a right to claim all the blessings of democracy for themselves while denying it to the Indians, Mexicans, Negroes, orientals and other minority groups in America's population.

This idea of racial differentiations is the cause of all racial troubles. As long as peoples considered inferior are satisfied with that status of life and are willing to endure injustice and to serve the people who dominate them, all goes well. But, when they begin to question this idea of superiority among races, when they become conscious of their own racial dignity and begin to demand their own rights as human beings on an equality with all others, then the trouble begins.

That is just the situation in which the world finds itself today. A great war has been fought against the idea of supermen and super-races. A great victory has been won for ideals of human equality and liberty. Downtrodden and depressed people of the world are looking up, hoping that their redemption is near. People of colored races are questioning the idea of white superiority and are demanding for themselves the liberty won by the war. India, Indonesia, the Philippines and other lands are demanding self-rule. China asks why Britain should continue to occupy Chinese lands. Depressed people are asking questions: "Why are some rich and prosperous and free while others are poor, downtrodden and enslaved? Why are some granted the rights of citizens who plan and run their own government while others are ruled and exploited by foreign powers?"

This matter of race! Yes, it is the most acute, the most problematic, the most dangerous and the most important matter engaging the attention of the world today. To face it squarely, honestly and without prejudice is the duty of every Christian. On the solution of the race problem rests the destiny of the world and the safety of humanity.

RACE and AMERICAN DEMOCRACY

DEMOCRACY is an ideal of government based on the fundamental principle of the equality of all people. Quoting Dr. T. B. Maston in his new book, *Of One*: "Democracies are built on the idea of human dignity and are truly democratic only to the extent that all men are treated as equals". Judged by this ideal, is there a true democracy in all the world? The answer is "No". Among the democratic nations of the world there is not a one which does not have among its citizens minority racial groups who are not granted full rights of citizenship.

Our own nation is the most democratic nation in the world. It was founded on democratic principles. Its constitution is prefaced with the statement that all men are created free and equal. Its laws are made to give justice and liberty to all. And yet we must face the undeniable fact that in democratic America today all people do not have equal rights and there is not liberty and justice for all. The treatment of minority groups raises a big question mark after America's democracy. The Indians, Jews, Mexicans, Japanese, Filipinos, Negroes and other racial groups in the United States have suffered and are suffering discriminations and injustices which make us question our right to call our nation a democracy.

A Cherokee Indian, holding an M.A. degree from the University of North Carolina, when trying to prove his qualifications to register that he might vote, was told by an election judge: "You couldn't read or write to my satisfaction if you stay here all day". Is that true democracy?

A Negro in Mississippi, a graduate of Harvard University, applied for registration. At the request of the officer he read the Bible, the constitution of the United States, a Latin book and a Greek text. Then he was handed a laundry slip with Chinese characters printed on it and asked, "What does that mean?" After looking at it carefully the Negro replied, "It means that you are not going to let me vote". Is that true democracy?

A Negro boy stole a bicycle and was given five years at hard labor. A white boy tried on the same day by the same court was given two years for stealing \$1900. Is that true democracy?

In the nation as a whole there is one hospital bed for every 150 of the white population and one for every 2000 of the Negro population. Is that true democracy?

As long as Indians are kept on reservations and not allowed to develop into independent and self-respecting citizens, as long as the labor of Mexicans and other foreigners is exploited for the gain of white employers, as long as Japanese and Philippine citizens of our country are treated as social outcasts, as long as Negroes are discriminated against in the distribution of public funds and are not accorded justice in the courts, are denied the privilege of their vote in many states, are not paid fair prices for their labor and are not treated fairly as neighbors and American citizens, we cannot claim that our country is truly democratic.

The United States is the best place in the world for a demonstration of true democracy. Here those of many races—Teuton, Serb, Slav, Celt, Anglo-Saxon, Latin, Greek, Chinese, Japanese, Indian, Negro—live under one flag. Here "the blood of all nations cries for brotherhood and good-will". Here those of every race have a right to expect fair treatment, for America has been proclaimed through all the world as a land of equal rights and equal opportunity for all people.

Our racial problem has an international significance. The whole world expects America to prove her democracy by her treatment of minority groups. "The stirring among the Negroes and other racial groups of the United States is a part of a world-changing people's revolution. The peoples of the world are on the march. The colored people and minority groups of the United States are in the line of march. We had better seek to understand the movement of the masses and guide it, if possible, into constructive channels . . . Is the United States to continue to be the symbol of democracy, the moral leader of the nations, the hope of the masses? What we do about race relations within the next few years may largely determine our place in the world for the indefinite future". (Maston)

Every part of the United States is involved in this matter of race. On the western coast are the orientals; in the southwest are the Mexicans; in the north are many Jews and foreigners. But, without doubt, the presence of the largest racial group (eleven million Negroes) in the southern states places here the most acute race problem and the greatest responsibility for a demonstration of true democracy. We have to face the fact that the old fashioned Negro, who was willing to stay in a place of inferiority and serve the white man with patience and humility, is gone. The Negro is changing. The new Negro is making demands that shock and frighten us. The new Negro is claiming and even demanding his right as an American citizen. On the way the southern white race meets this changed attitude of the Negro race, on the way American democracy becomes a practical, vital force in solving the Negro problem of the south, depends the safety of the south, the nation and the world.

RACE and WORLD PEACE

WHAT the whole world wants is lasting peace. There can be no lasting peace unless the races learn to live together in harmony and mutual trust. As long as there are racial prejudices, racial injustices, racial hatreds and unrighteous racial ambitions there can be no permanent peace.

America is the land where the battle against racial prejudice must be fought and won. As has already been said, all the world is watching the United States, seeing if her citizens are willing to practice the democracy for which they have fought. Unless America proves by practical living her theory of freedom for all people, unless this greatest of all democracies practices her own principles of democracy, her own and other downtrodden peoples of the world will arise once more to fight the battles for freedom and justice.

We are told that there have been during the past three hundred years ten treaties made in Europe alone, all calling for Christian peace. But not a one of them has produced this Christian peace because they were not based on Christian brotherhood. Quoting Pearl Buck: "Any treaty which is not based upon human equality and implemented on human equality will bring the world no peace".

The charter of the United Nations is a wonderful expression of human freedom and equality and is an effort to bring about peaceful relationships among all nations

and all races. But the test will come in the actions of the nations, especially of those that have superior powers and so will be responsible for seeing that smaller commonwealths share in the blessings promised by the charter. We who live in the southern part of the United States can help make the principles of this charter a living reality throughout the world by practicing those principles in our own racial situations. If we love peace, if we want peace for our own land and for all nations, we must show to the world that those of many races can live together in peace and harmony, each believing in and working for the welfare of all.

RACE and CHRISTIANITY

THERE is no place in Christianity for race prejudices or race hatreds. The Fatherhood of God through faith in Jesus Christ and the brotherhood of man are fundamental principles in Christian teaching. Those who study the relationship of God to human beings come to the conclusion, as did Peter, that "God is no respecter of persons" and, with Paul, that "God hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth".

God created all people. He planned a way of redemption for all people. None of His blessings are limited to any race or class. To be sure, He chose the Jews as His special people but only that through them all the nations of the world should be blessed.

Jesus came as a Savior for all—"That *whosoever* believeth on Him should not perish but have everlasting life". While on earth He crossed the barriers of race. He, a Jew, talked with a woman of the hated Samaritan race. He told the story of the Good Samaritan as an example of Christian neighborliness. When Greeks came seeking an audience with Him He granted it. His invitations and promises were for all who would meet the conditions. He said, "Him that cometh to Me I will in no wise cast out". By word and deed, by preaching and practice He showed His high regard for human personality and for the rights and dignity of the individual.

Since Christianity places all races on the same level, since Christianity promotes principles of justice, freedom and brotherly love, then in Christianity is found the solution of the race problem. If all the Christians of all races would practice the teachings of Christ in their contact with each other all race problems would soon be solved. If white Christians of the south would live up to Christian ideals of justice, kindness and unselfishness there would soon be no racial problems in the south.

We cannot escape the fact that the racial situation in the south is complex, difficult and dangerous—"a threatening volcano". Negro agitators and certain white people of the north who are radical in their thinking are making demands on behalf of the Negro race which are revolutionary and unreasonable but these demands have power because they grow out of situations fundamentally unjust. We believe that if all injustices toward the Negroes could be removed, then all demands necessary for the happiness and welfare of the Negro race would be thereby granted.

In a recent article in *The Quarterly Review* Dr. E. P. Alldredge who is chairman of the Southern Baptist Commission on the American Baptist Theological Seminary for Negroes, having made extended study of the Negro question, calls our attention to the danger in the demands of many Negro leaders for the abolition of segregation of races. He says that it is discrimination and not segregation which constitutes the real crime of this nation against the Negroes. Dr. Alldredge thinks that the removal of all segregation would eventually mean integration and amalgamation of black and white people and that such is not according to the teachings of the Bible or according to God's will for the races.

Dr. Alldredge's arguments for segregation are so convincing that we quote them here: "Segregation is the simple and natural right of the individual or the group or the race to separate its homes and schools and churches and business enterprises and professions and its social life from other individuals or groups or races as it may choose. This policy may be unwise in some cases, but it is no crime. The Jews have practiced it for centuries and continue to do so. It is not even an injustice or an

injury to any-one. For, in separating one race from another, both races must fare alike; and both races alike are then forced to go on alone. On the contrary, if the Bible has any authority in our lives, we must believe its teachings from Genesis to Revelation, that God is calling on us to maintain separate homes, separate possessions (*private property*), separate callings, separate business enterprises and professions, separate schools, separate churches, separate social life and separate races (*Genesis 22:18; Deut. 4:27, Matt. 28:19, Luke 24:47, Rev. 11:9, 13:7, 21:24*). We see by these Scriptures that from Genesis to Revelation God makes His promises to people by nations, tribes and tongues. Even at the last judgment people will be divided into nations. Surely this means that God does not intend that men shall be amalgamated into one race, here in America or anywhere else.

We cannot but believe that there is nothing unfair to the Negro in our southern policy of segregation. But discrimination is another thing. It is certainly not Christian that one group of people in a nation should enjoy rights, privileges and opportunities denied to others. It is not Christian that one race should mistreat, exploit and degrade others just because the color of their skin is different. And here is where our Christianity must take a clear and firm stand on the race question. We must grant to those of all nations who live in our midst all the privileges of American citizenship that we claim for ourselves. All must be allowed to vote in free elections. All must be paid fair wages for their labors. All must have justice in the courts. All must have good schools, parks, playgrounds and other utilities provided by public funds. All must have an opportunity to build for themselves comfortable homes, good hospitals, standard colleges and other institutions for the development of the people. All races must have every opportunity for health, happiness, prosperity and development within the bounds of their own race. This is the fair, just, humane, American, Christian way to solve the race problem of the south. The same principles applied to international relations will solve race problems everywhere.

RACE and SOUTHERN BAPTISTS

Southern Baptists are not indifferent to or neglectful of their obligation to the races of the south.

Home Missions—We realize that the best way to solve the race problem in the south is to win those of all races to Christ. Through home missions we are working toward that end. Our Home Mission Board is doing extensive work among the many races that make up the population of the south. About four hundred missionaries among Mexicans, Chinese, French, Italians and other foreign groups are winning thousands to Christ every year. Every time a member of one of these minority groups is won to Christ, every time a Baptist church is established by converts of any of these races, we are helping to solve the south's racial problem.

While the Negroes comprise by far the largest racial minority group in the south, our home mission work among them is comparatively small. There is a large Negro Baptist constituency in the southern states. In fact there are about the same number of Negro churches as there are churches in the Southern Baptist Convention, with only about a million and a half fewer members. Sixty-five per cent of all Negro church members are Baptists. For that reason the Negro problem is largely a Baptist problem and could be solved by the Baptists of the two races if they would work together with mutual understanding and helpfulness to evangelize those of both races in the south.

The problem of Negro churches is the lack of trained leadership. Less than ten per cent of the pastors have as much as high school education, while multiplied thousands of local church leaders have even less training for their tasks. As the mass of Negroes becomes better educated the church leaders must be better trained if their leadership is to be effective. Negro preachers and other workers can evangelize their own people far better than white missionaries but they must be prepared for their work. So most of our home mission work for Negroes is in the realm of education. We have 22 teacher-missionaries, in 22 Negro Baptist schools in the south and eight workers in six Negro centers.

A helpful plan is the holding of institutes for the training of Negro preachers and other workers. Some of these are held in Negro colleges for the benefit of the students. Others are held in cities and towns for the training of those who are not in school, many of whom have never had the privilege of much schooling. All of this work is done in cooperation with the National Baptist Convention of Negroes and has helped in producing a good spirit of fellowship between the Baptists of both conventions. Over 7500 Negroes were enrolled in these institutes last year.

American Baptist Theological Seminary—Southern Baptists have one seminary for Negroes, American Baptist Theological Seminary which is located at Nashville, Tennessee, and owned jointly by the Southern Baptist Convention and the National Baptist Convention. While this institution is now in the twenty-second year of its history it has never become as strong as it should be. It has had an average attendance of only forty-three students a year. One reason for the small attendance is lack of buildings and equipment. There is only one dormitory and many of its rooms have been converted into offices, classrooms and library space, while four rooms have been thrown together into a small makeshift chapel accommodating only one hundred people. Plans are on foot for the erection of nine additional buildings on the fifty acre campus. Some of the necessary funds are already on hand and the work of building will progress as rapidly as conditions will permit. The Sunday School Board recently made a gift of \$12,000 on the building of a chapel and the Home Mission Board has given \$60,000 for a classroom building. The Home Mission Board has also made an annual appropriation for the seminary of \$4,800—\$2,400 for operating expenses and \$200 each to take care of all necessary expenses of twelve college trained students in the seminary.

Recently there has come to the presidency of this seminary a very able Negro leader, Dr. R. W. Riley. In January of this year, with elaborate and fitting ceremonies, Dr. Riley was inaugurated into this new position. Representatives from about twenty leading Negro educational institutions of both north and south, together with denominational representatives of the Southern Baptist and the National Baptist Conventions, marched in the academic procession. Dr. Riley's inaugural address was a scholarly and forceful pronouncement on "The Meaning of an Educated Ministry". With such a competent leader and with the addition of new buildings and equipment, the American Baptist Theological Seminary should come into its own as a great institution for the training of Negro preachers and other Christian leaders.

W.M.U. Racial Work—Woman's Missionary Union includes among its activities in community missions racial work, encouraging members of organizations to be alert to their opportunities for serving foreigners, Negroes and other racial groups in their communities. In thousands of communities over the southland Good Will Centers, Vacation Bible Schools, Friends of Israel Groups, clubs of various kinds, projects in adult education and other activities on behalf of racial groups are being conducted by members of Woman's Missionary Union under the direction of community missions committees as well as by associational Woman's Missionary Unions.

A southwide racial work has been the Negro institutes in many of our states. The ten thousand dollars of our Golden Jubilee Gift designated for work for Negro women has been supplemented by annual gifts through the Annie Armstrong Offering to pay the expenses of these institutes for Negro women. W.M.U. state and southwide leaders cooperate with leaders among Negro Baptist women in conducting these institutes, usually held in Negro college buildings. These institutes have been of untold benefit not only in the training of leaders to work among the Negro Baptist women and young people but also in promoting good fellowship and Christian cooperation between the white and colored Baptist women of the south.

RACE and MYSELF

THE most important factor in the solution of the race problem is the individual. Each individual must have the right attitude toward individuals of other races. The conduct of each individual in his relations with individuals of other races must express this right racial attitude. It is all just as simple as that.

Here is, where you and I come in. We must individually examine our own racial attitudes and conduct. Do we feel that the race to which we belong is superior in all points to all others? Are we willing to recognize points of superiority in all peoples? Are we willing to grant to every race the rights of citizenship, the rights of humanity which we demand for ourselves? Do we demonstrate a Christian spirit in our daily contact with those of other races? Are we training our children in right attitudes toward those whose names are strange and whose skin is of a different color? Such questions honestly faced and answered will doubtless reveal in the hearts of many of us racial feelings and attitudes which are not Christian and are helping to make the total of racial troubles, threatening our nation and the world. Each of us should pray, "Lord solve the world's race problems and begin in my own heart".

A beautiful story comes to us out of the late world war. Two hundred and fifty American soldiers were prisoners of war in a German camp. Seventy-five of them were Jewish boys but all alike were strong, brave and fighting for the ideals of American democracy. One night the word spread that at dawn the Jewish prisoners were to be separated from the rest to be detailed to hard labor and further privation. The boys talked it over, "Why this discrimination? Aren't we all Americans? What can we do?" The Jewish boys urged the others to "forget it"—"It's not your fault. There's nothing you can do". At dawn the command came: "All prisoners of Jewish blood advance one pace from the ranks". They did—not just seventy-five but every one of the 250.

Such a spirit won the war! Such a spirit will win the war against race prejudice throughout the world! Is that spirit in our hearts? It should be, for it is the spirit of our Christ who came "to all people"—Jew and gentile, red and yellow, black and white.

QUESTIONS for REVIEW and DISCUSSION

1. Discuss the imminence of the race problem today.
2. Tell how ideas of superiority produce racial prejudice.
3. How does the racial situation imperil American democracy?
4. Give illustrations of racial discrimination in the United States.
5. Discuss the international significance of America's racial problem.
6. Discuss race and world peace.
7. How does Christianity solve the race problem?
8. Mention some discriminations against Negroes which should be stopped.
9. How is home missions helping to solve the race problem?
10. Tell of the institutes for training Negro Baptist leaders.
11. Tell something of the value of the American Baptist Theological Seminary and discuss its needs.
12. Tell something of W.M.U. racial work.

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 help may be found in this listed material and in leaflets as suggested on page 27.

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Suggested Leaflets—Supplemental Helps for W.M.S. Program

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Thanksgiving in Tribute

AT the W.M.U. Training School in Louisville, in the educational and Good Will Center work in Japan, at meetings and in personal contacts during regular furloughs and then as the victim of creeping paralysis Miss Naomi Schell devoted her many talents with marked success—talents as a writer, public speaker, organizer and personal soul-winner. In 1921 she went forth to Japan by appointment of the Foreign Mission Board. On the last Sunday of February she entered Heaven, truly ready for eternal worship and work. From Baptists in Japan and in North Carolina where she was reared and in the entire southland there will ever be thanksgiving for Miss Schell's missionary life.

Foreign Mission Volunteers Wanted

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Writers and Printers

Men and women with creative writing ability are needed for every one of our foreign mission fields. Two theologically trained journalists with wives are needed for editorial work in Nigeria; printer-journalist and wife for Nigeria; 2 journalists and wives for publication work in China; journalist and wife for editorial and publication work in Italy; journalist and wife for Mexican publishing house. Two trained, single women can be used in any of these fields.

Architects and Business People

Wanted: an architect and wife for work in Nigeria; business man and wife for book distribution in Nigeria; 4 women with business training and experience in church work for Chile, Brazil and Argentina. Several women are needed for Good Will Centers and for evangelistic work.

This is only a sample of the needs of your Foreign Mission Board!

Basic Requirements

Basic requirements for appointment to strategic foreign mission service in 20 countries of the world are: **Maturity**—Not less than twenty-four and not more than thirty-two years of age, unless delayed by military service; younger volunteers should notify the personnel secretary of the Foreign Mission Board of desire to be appointed at a later date. **Health**—Sound mental, physical and emotional habits. **Training**—Liberal arts education and specialization, evidenced as a rule by bachelor's degree, graduate degree and a formal or informal internship in the chosen field. **Dedication**—A personal Christian experience and growing Christian personality, finding expression in daily purpose to serve. **Divine Call**

The Foreign Mission Board is anxious to have the name and address of every southern Baptist foreign mission volunteer. You are invited to confer by correspondence or by personal interview with the secretary of Department of Missionary Personnel of the Foreign Mission Board of Southern Baptist Convention, P. O. Box 5148, Richmond 20, Virginia.

From Missionaries (Concluded from Page 12)

do". The older of the little girls said: "Daddy, that is easy; you just talk to God. Do you want to pray now?" and so they both bowed their heads and she repeated a line and her father repeated it after her and so on. Just as we teach children to pray by having them repeat what we say, the little daughters have taught their father to pray in public by having him repeat phrases after them.

And so Evangelina concluded her story. She said: "We have a Christian home now because my children have won their father to Christ". She resumed her seat and then others continued the program but I could not forget her story. All of the time that the others were talking I was thinking of Isaiah 11:6: "And a little child shall lead them".—Miss Mildred Matthews, Havana, Cuba

Business Woman's Circles (Concluded from Page 18)

Question 5: How are we as Baptists trying to help solve this problem?

Answer by a Member (See topics in program material: *Race and Southern Baptists, Race and Myself*.)

Closing Meditation: Silent prayer remaining with bowed heads praying as someone sings *My Prayer or Savior Again to Thy Dear Name*

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Don't fail to include on the back cover page of the programs a striking announcement about our B.W.C. Conference at Ridgcrest, N. C., August 8-14, with urgent invitation to all to attend (See page 30.)

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Book Review (Concluded from Page 10)

Session Four—Chapters 3, 7, 8. Consider the four methods of approach developed by Doctor Mullins in chapter 3 and lead the students to give any experiences of their own which have succeeded or failed. Go on to consider the difficulties listed in chapter 7, also any others with which the students have been confronted. Emphasize the uselessness of argument and reemphasize the power of the Word of God, augmented by the power of prayer in these cases. Insist that in every case soul-winners need to do more praying than talking.

Consider especially the delicate task of winning children (chapter 8) and the importance of safeguarding their right to a real and vital experience of conversion. Insist that soul-winning efforts for children be almost wholly individual work for individuals and that the soul-winner follow the child's lead rather than urge him to assent to any questionings.

Close with a period of intercessory prayer for individuals in whom the class is interested. Ask that all, who feel themselves led to any individual, make some approach to him before the next session.

Session Five—Chapters 5, 6. Open with reports from those who have tried to win a soul since the last session. Raise the question of evidences of conversion. Take up the four types of conversion discussed in chapter 5, then go on to the three facts to be borne in mind, on pages 38-39f. Skip over to the middle of page 42 and consider the evidences and Scriptures with which the chapter closes. Go back, then, to the four rules for the guidance of soul-winners on page 40ff.

In closing, present a chart or blackboard on which you have summed up the most important items for the soul-winners to remember. Let the group copy them on the fly-leaf of their Bibles. Close with a season of united prayer.

Any book reviewed or otherwise recommended in this magazine may be purchased from your State Baptist Bookstore. The price of the recent reprint of "Talks on Soul-Winning" is 30c; please duly enter on page 67 of 1946 W.M.U. Year Book and in the "World in Books".



Reserve Now for Ridgecrest W.M.U. Conference

RESERVATIONS are now being received for the many conferences and camps which will be held at Ridgecrest, N. C., this summer. You will want therefore to get your reservation promptly made for the W.M.U. Conference there, commencing on the evening of August 8 and closing on the evening of August 14. This conference for W.M.S. members naturally and most enthusiastically includes the B.W.C. Conference under the direction of Miss Mary Christian; the minimum goal for B.W.C. attendance being 500 in a total W.M.S. minimum goal of 1400. The following specific information will definitely guide as to

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For information, write Mr. Perry Morgan, Manager, Ridgecrest, North Carolina.

Current Missionary Events

Discussed by Mrs. W. C. James, Virginia

"Home Missions Begin a New Era" was the theme at the annual meeting in January of the *Home Missions Council of North America*, an inter-church agency of the home mission boards of twenty-three denominations with a total church membership of 28,000,000. We are told that an atmosphere of deep seriousness prevailed throughout the meeting due to the fact that the two hundred delegates realized that the "epoch shaping events of 1945 made obsolete many methods of the churches in the effort to win the North American peoples for Christ" and that the home mission agencies were face to face with new tests of their resourcefulness.

Miss Edith A. Lowry, executive secretary of the *Home Missions Council*, writing in the *Methodist Woman* says: "The ability of the United States to play her full role in international affairs will depend in great measure on her ability to solve her internal problems"; she quotes the following from the *National Study Conference on the Churches and a Just and Durable Peace*: "Only if our domestic order is born again with fresh vision and determination to meet the needs of men can America fulfil her new mission and bring hope and encouragement to a broken world". Miss Lowry insists that in this the church has an overwhelming responsibility and, says she, "How well the church meets its responsibility depends on dedication to this task by every member".

On December 28, 1945, in Urbana, Illinois, the *National Methodist Student Conference* met with 1513 Methodist students and their leaders from forty-two states in attendance. A roll-call revealed that there were present missionaries and nationals from seventeen countries; among them were Dr. T. Z. Koo, Chinese Christian leader and secretary of the *World Christian Student Movement*, and Dr. Eddy Asirvatham, political science professor of Madras University in India. Dr. Asirvatham in his talk declared: "As long as you have racial discrimination in your country, you are a hindrance to Christianity in my country". The theme of the conference was "Christianity Meeting the Crisis of Our Time".

Early in March of this year there met in the Second Presbyterian Church of Richmond, Virginia, the "Fellowship of Southern Churchmen" which announces itself as an "interdenominational and interracial movement of men and women across the south who are concerned to apply the resources of the Christian faith to the critical and complex problems affecting the welfare of our land and people". White and Negro religious and civic leaders were present and took part in panel discussions. Among the speakers were college and theological seminary presidents both white and Negro, preachers and leaders from other walks of life.

Dr. J. W. Dicker, secretary of the *International Missionary Council*, who has recently visited many countries writes: "One of the outstanding impressions and heartening convictions which I brought back from my seven months' journey was of a widening and deepening world Christian fellowship . . . Especially where minority groups of Christians despised by their neighbors were concerned, there was a new sense of dignity and power in their membership in a fellowship wide as the world as they faced a disdainful or hostile environment".—*World Dominion*



Registration and Kindred Matters for W.M.U. Delegates and Visitors to Miami May Meeting

REGISTRATION for W.M.U. delegates and visitors to the W.M.U. meeting in Miami will open at 8:30 on Saturday morning, May 11, and will keep open until 9 that evening in the lobby of the McAllister Hotel and on ground floor of Central Baptist Church. There will not be any registration whatsoever on Sunday. Registration will reopen at 8 on Monday morning, the 13th, will continue until 10 that evening, will reopen at 8 on Tuesday morning and will close finally at 2 o'clock that afternoon. All of the registering on Monday and Tuesday will be made on the ground floor of Central Baptist Church.

At that church on Sunday afternoon the opening session of the W.M.U. annual meeting will be held, commencing at 3 o'clock. No attempt will be made to seat the delegates by states but until 2:45

that afternoon a section will be reserved for those who indicate to the ushers that they are W.M.U. delegates or are S.B.C. home or foreign missionaries; after 2:45 there will be no reserved section. A similar plan will be followed for the Sunday evening session which will be in the Bayfront Park, the service that evening to commence at 8 o'clock; there will be no reserved section after 7:45.

At each of the six sessions on Monday and Tuesday (May 13-14) the delegates will be seated by states. There will be a reserved section for S.B.C. home and foreign missionaries. Visitors are apt to get excellent seats also and are urged to attend every session, including the two on Sunday; they are also requested to register in order to secure a program and the other informational material as provided for every one who registers. It is a primary duty of each delegate to register as promptly as possible after arrival in Miami.