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CHRISTMAS to Christians is the year's beautiful reminder of the angels' song as set forth in the Word of God for all the world. ROYAL SERVICE would in this month as in every month proclaim the "good news" reported by missionaries and other faithful witnesses. You can increase the volume of the Heavenly anthem by renewing or subscribing for this magazine personally and for Christmas gifts. This page gives directions for ordering.

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EDITORIAL

"Full Faithed We Pray"

In John Oxenham's poem, "Thy Will Be Done", he built up the thought in recurring lines such as:

"So, day by day
In faith we pray.
So, day by day
In hope we pray.
And day by day
Full faithed we pray.
And so, each day
With joy we pray!"

Certainly Christians who continue to pray with joy and hope and faith become conscious of an increase in their faith, they become "full faithed" as triumphantly expressed by the poet.

Just as Easter always increases our faith in our Risen Lord though every Sunday commemorates the glorious fact of His resurrection, even so does Christmas increase our gratitude for "God's Unspeakable Gift" though as Christians we know that "every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights". Ever since the organization of Woman's Missionary Union in 1888 the coming of Christmas has been marked by an over-and-above gift for foreign missions the resultant \$8,421,397 having been the means of many more people hearing—some for the first time and others with added delight—the Christmas carol.

This year's goal for our Lottie Moon Christmas Offering is again one million dollars. Just as the total last year far exceeded its goal, even so (page 5) does the Foreign Mission Board hope that this December the W.M.U. young people and women will give most generously. There are hindrances however, such as general disappointment that world-wide peace has not yet been attained. Certainly one Christian answer would well be that "perfect peace" is promised to any one "whose mind is stayed on God, because he trusteth in God"; but "How shall they believe in Him whom they have not heard?" must also be asked of any tempting hindrance to most generous giving through the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. From the published list (page 33) of the causes to be helped by the first \$600,000 of the million dollar goal it will be revealingly seen that the salaries of many missionaries and help for many churches and schools and publishing houses and kindred institutions will be provided, thus vastly increasing the opportunity of people's hearing about God and of their coming to trust in Him who in turn bestows perfect peace. Surely the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering is a beautiful way of extending Christ's Kingdom and thus of attaining world-wide peace.

"So in hope we pray" as did the aged Anna and young Mary of the Christmas Story. With them and Paul every Christian knows that "hope putteth not to shame" in efforts for Christ's Kingdom. Therefore, let our prayers be full of hope that all W.M.U. organizations will most faithfully prepare for and present their respective Week of Prayer program, December 2-6 inclusive.

"So in faith we pray" believing that, if the various program-participants present their subjects accurately and enthusiastically and put their hearts into their spoken prayers, the audiences will be deeply impressed and will respond with their prayers and then with their offerings. Many hitherto unenlisted people will come to see that it is a week for prayer and sacrificial giving.

"And so with joy we pray" as we anticipate the enrichment of our members' lives and the enlargement of the world-wide missionary enterprise. Few words

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Cooperating for Christ

Dr. Duke K. McCall, Executive Secretary
Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee

COERCION is a bad word to use in any of life's relations. Cooperation expresses the highest achievement of men as social beings. Baptists have no way of coordinating their efforts except upon the highest level of voluntary cooperation. Not only do we believe "that under God all men are created free and equal" but we must plan our program upon that basis.

The incentive of our cooperation, however, is not mere good-will one toward the other. The motive of our cooperation is not the creation of an efficient organization about which we can boast. We do have an incentive, a motive and a purpose. Our incentive is Christ's death on Calvary's Cross, our motive is to glorify Him, our purpose is to carry out His commission.

The cooperative effort of all southern Baptists in the days immediately ahead involves high and holy objectives. The first takes the form of Every-Member Canvass in which each individual assesses his stewardship of possessions for the year 1947. The Lord's work must not be carried on in haphazard fashion. Only by each individual stating his or her purpose can the churches and agencies chart a program which will close the year within their budget.

The opportunity of the Every-Member Canvass extends beyond the individual providing information to the church. It should be a time of soul-searching inquiry that the question "Am I a good steward?" may be answered in the affirmative. Such an answer cannot be given until the tithe is adopted as the minimum. The Woman's Missionary Union has adopted 333,334 tithers as its part in the goal of southern Baptists to get one million men and women and young people to do at least as much under grace as they would have been required to do under law.

The Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for Foreign Missions has come to be an integral part of the life of southern Baptists. Not only has the Foreign Mission Board come to depend upon this great offering but many individuals have come to look forward to it as an opportunity for an over-and-above investment in the spread of the Gospel around the world. The generous gifts as made this past summer by southern Baptists to the World Relief and Rehabilitation Fund of the Foreign Mission Board must not be allowed to detract from the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering this year, because the money given in these two appeals goes to different purposes. The Woman's Missionary Union has set its goal for \$1,000,000. This calls for sacrificial giving by each member of every missionary society.

There are so many exciting modes of transportation—the plane, the streamlined train, the new automobile—that most of us have ceased to talk about walking. Nevertheless most of us would give up all the other means of moving about rather than lose the power to walk. In the thrill of all the special efforts we Baptists are making these days we must not forget that the Cooperative Program is the life-line of every agency, that it undergirds every special appeal. The Cooperative Program is the big brother of all other efforts to assist our agencies to carry out Christ's commission. As individuals we must make it the major channel of our stewardship. As church members we must see that our church gives an adequate proportion of its income through the Cooperative Program. As Christians we must join our hands through the Cooperative Program to carry out Christ's commission.

The goal of the Cooperative Program for 1947 is to provide \$10,000,000 for southwide agencies. Both the current operating expense and the capital needs of each agency are included in this goal. Because this is a cooperative effort, not only the southwide agencies but the state agencies will prosper as well.

Here then are the next steps in our cooperation:

1. My personal pledge to Christ's work in 1947 made at the time of the Every-Member Canvass
2. Enrol as one of the million southern Baptist tithers
3. An over-and-above gift to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering
4. Use the Cooperative Program as the main channel of my giving and as the basic means of support for southern Baptist work.



Appeal for 1946 Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

Dr. M. Theron Rankin

Executive Secretary of S. B. C. Foreign Mission Board

THE Lottie Moon Christmas Offering meets a permanent need in the long-range program of the Foreign Mission Board—a need which is not supplied by other contributions. The denomination's special offering of \$3,500,000 for World Relief and Rehabilitation does not reduce the need which the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering meets.

The long-range program of the Board must be built on offerings which provide a regular and constant source of income through the years. The Lottie Moon Christmas Offerings and the Cooperative Program are the two sources of such an income.

A large part of these Christmas offerings is used in providing the buildings and equipment which the growth of our current work makes necessary. As a church congregation grows, its plant must be enlarged or rebuilt; as a school grows, its equipment must be expanded to take care of the increase; as the ministry of a hospital reaches farther and farther out into a community, the hospital must have increased facilities for its work; as the output of a publishing house increases, more machinery and equipment must be available.

The Lottie Moon Christmas Offerings help to furnish these things. Without them the current programs, which are largely supported by funds from the Cooperative Program, could not provide for the increase of growth. Thus it is that the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering and the Cooperative Program supplement one another and, together, constitute the source of constant support upon which rests the long-range undertaking of foreign missions.

The denomination's special offering of \$3,500,000 for World Relief and Rehabilitation will spare the Board the necessity of using current receipts for this purpose. The Board will thus be able to enlarge its current program. As that is done, the need for funds from the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering will be increased.

The things which have already been accomplished by the Christmas offerings of past years constitute the strongest appeal that can be made for the 1946 offering. What would Baptists of Latin America, Nigeria, Europe, the Near East, China, Japan and Hawaii have done without these offerings? How could the Foreign Mission Board have met the needs of 1946 without the offering of nearly \$1,200,000 in 1945? How can we hope to meet the calls of 1947 without an equal offering in December 1946?

STEWARDSHIP

Mrs. Clyde V. Hickerson, Virginia
Southwide Stewardship Chairman

The Joy of Thy Lord

THE angel's message to the shepherds was first of all "tidings of great joy". Joy to the world! The world of that day was not a joyous place and now, nineteen centuries after the singing of the angel, sin and sorrow and suffering still darken the lives of humanity. Whether one sees the world through the newspapers or through the kitchen window, the temptation comes as we plod through the sometimes dreary wastes of everyday living to become dreary and drab ourselves. But Jesus said, "Your heart shall rejoice and your joy no man taketh away from you" (John 16:22). Paul lists joy second only to love among the choice fruits of the Spirit. John wrote of fellowship with the Father and His Son Jesus Christ "that your joy may be full". There must be the secret. We keep the joy of our salvation radiant through fellowship with others whose hearts are aglow.

John wrote of fellowship with the Father who "so loved . . . that He gave"—God who is, in Bishop Cushman's phrase, the Eternal Steward who puts His resources at the disposal of His children. It is a humbling and inspiring thought that He invites us to fellowship with Himself and allows us the privilege of being His coworkers. One may also have fellowship with Jesus Christ who set us a perfect example of complete stewardship of His resources. In the time of His childhood by His revealing question—"Wist ye not that I must be about My Father's business?"—He gave evidence of His sense of responsibility. Through all the days of His earthly ministry His powers were employed in service to others and then, as the writer of Hebrews says, "for the joy that was set before Him, He endured the cross, despising the shame and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God".

Jesus promised the Holy Spirit to His sorrowing disciples and to us. Fellowship with the Comforter—the One-called-along-side to sustain, to empower, to direct—gladdens the heart. Those whose lives are dominated by the Spirit have a courage and a power in service far beyond their natural possibilities. With joy they respond to the challenge of difficulties and rise triumphant over hardships.

Fellowship with other Christians intensifies this joy in our hearts. We think back over the pathway of the years and remember that always there have been some who gladly gave themselves, whose lives made their world a better place in which to live. From them we have a glorious heritage; and gratitude for them fans the flame of devotion that inspires to joyous service. Christians of today, living lives of faithfully acknowledged stewardship, challenge us to rededication. One cannot fail to be moved by British Baptists whose own churches have been bombed but who yet give to the rebuilding of continental Europe's churches, by Chinese Christians who are reestablishing their schools and hospitals and churches under terrific handicaps, by the consecrated Christians in our own churches who gladly bring their offerings of service and substance to the Lord. These all even now make the angel's song, "Glad tidings of great joy", ring in our hearts.

What a tragedy, when we have the privilege of such fellowship with God the Father, His Son Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit and of association with Christians whose lives are gladly dedicated to serving the King of kings, that we neglect our opportunities and let our lives become drab and dis-Spirited, barren and desolate, when they might be radiant with Christian joy. The song of the angel is for you and for me. Let us join in the fellowship of others who have heard it and rededicate ourselves and our substance to glorious service. So may we share in the joy of our Lord.

Seinan Jo Gakuin Fukuoka, Japan

1. The Girls' Dormitory has room for forty girls but could not be used last year because of the fuel shortage.



2. Interior view of Rowe Memorial Auditorium. The school plant was used by the Japanese army during the war but had been returned to school authorities when this picture was made on Christmas Day, 1945.



3. Rowe Memorial Auditorium was being restored when this picture was taken. This building was erected by Japanese Christians at a cost of 40,000 yen in 1935.



4. One of the missionary homes at Seinan Jo Gakuin. The buildings are in good condition.



Photos by Harold Menges, USNR, Taken on Christmas Day, 1945

BOOK REVIEW and STUDY SUGGESTIONS

Miss Willie Jean Stewart, Tennessee

Intercessory Prayer

WRITTEN about fifty years ago, this delightful and useful little book by Doctor McClure is still as timely as it ever was. Perhaps it is even more needed, now, than it was before two world wars and the widespread threat of communism. It should be especially stimulating in this month when the hearts and minds of Christians are turned with unusual fervor to appreciation of the blessings of Christianity and the desire to share the knowledge of God's great Gift with others. Clear, simple, brief, deeply devotional it should persuade many to a more vital faith and greater faithfulness in praying for others, as ever against praying for things. The most effective way to study it will be to follow it, chapter by chapter, and learn to pray by praying.

The book is broken into eight short chapters. Each chapter is Bible study dealing with the usefulness and the benefits of intercessory prayer and with the needs of those for whom one should pray. It should be the teacher's aim to teach each chapter in such a way that every member of her class shall feel moved to pray and shall gain some skill in praying with prevailing power. (Order the book for 20c from State Baptist Bookstore.)

Session One—Chapters 1, 2, 3. Introduce the study by assessing the importance of intercessory prayer in all Christian work; contrast with this the folly of those who are "too busy serving the Lord" to pray for those with whom and for whom they work. Use Samuel's promise to pray for Israel and Jesus' prayer for Peter as examples of intercession. Call on a student to tell of Tyndale's prayer for Henry VIII as an example, in modern times, of true intercessory prayer. Prepare five posters showing (1) a ruler on his throne or the president of the United States; (2) a preacher in his pulpit; (3) a teacher surrounded by his class; (4) a business man at his desk; (5) a vast throng of people. Let five class members show these posters as they discuss those who especially need our prayers. Ask members of the group to tell briefly of persons of whom they know who had great talent as intercessors. Bring in the illustrations of the author as they fit into the discussion. Lead the class to discuss how to develop this great gift. Bring the teaching to a close with a brief study of the five groups for whom Christ prayed and for whom He taught us to pray. Assign the discussion of each to some member of the class. Give out booklets on the pages of which will be pictures representing these groups. Ask the class to list on each page the names of those they know, for whom prayers are needed. Pray for these in a season of intercession.

Session Two—Chapters 4, 5, 6. Read John 14:16-19, 25-26; 15:26-27; 16:7-15. Present the author's discussion under the following heads: The Church's Age-Old Prayer; Christ's Gift to His Disciples; The Meaning of Paraclete or Comforter; The Spirit of Truth; To Whom the Spirit Comes: A Call to Action; An Unselfish, Searching Prayer. Ask the group to open their Bibles to Philippians 1:9-11. Assign this chapter to the best teacher in the group and ask her to lead the class in studying this passage to find out what to ask for those we love. Suggest that she invite the group to interrupt from time to time, to show how specific and personal petitions may fit into this general spiritual pattern. Speak of intercession as helplessness seeking God's power on behalf of others, using the author's illustrations. Lead the group to think of reasons why we need to commend others to God. Close with the author's picture of ever-present evil. Discuss the keeping power of the Word of God and its ability to bring the Christian into his "inheritance" if it is faithfully studied and its teachings practiced. Suggest the depth of meaning in the old prayer, "Keep their soul and bring them safe to Heaven". Pray this prayer for those on the prayer list made in the last session.

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"GIVE ATTENTION to READING"

Miss Thelma Brown, Book Consultant, Baptist Sunday School Board

CHRISTMAS is just around the corner! Had you thought about mission books for gifts not only for your family and personal friends but also for the missionary organizations and individuals in your church?

It gives us a thrill to sell the books in our missionary graded series by the fives and tens for members of organizations who otherwise wouldn't know them. For instance: *Just Like You* (Applegarth, 25c) is a perfect gift for children up to nine; *They All Began to Sing* (also by Miss Applegarth, 25c) is right for juniors; *Neighbors Half a World Away* (by Hipps, 25c) or *Carved on Our Hearts* (Carver, 40c) delights intermediates.

But most of all is it a joy to introduce the challenging *Missionary Round Table* books as gifts to pastors, church leaders, relatives and other loved ones. For instance:

A pastor whose outreach is the world would treasure *The Global Christ* (Tawes, \$1) or *Pathfinders of the World Missionary Crusade* (Eddy, \$2.75) or *Citizenship and the New Day* (Womer, \$3) or *The Walking Preacher of the Ozarks* (Howard, \$2.50).

College young people will respond to youth in India in *Brocade of Sari* (Ishvani, \$2.75), in Nigeria in *My Africa* (Ojike, \$3.75), in Venezuela in *Cocks and Bulls in Caracas* (Olgo Briceno, \$2.75) and in Alaska in *Back to the Smoky Sea* (Nutchuk, \$2.75). The lovely poems, *Tibetan Voices* (Ekvall, \$1.50), vie in beauty and heart-appeal with *Secret Voices* (Amtrade, \$2.50) and *Songs from the Slums* (Kagawa, \$1).

Men doctors will enjoy not only *Burma Surgeon* (Seagrave, \$3) but also *Doctors East, Doctors West* (Hume, \$3) and *Doctor in Arabia* (Harrison, \$3.50) or *Wanless of India* (Wanless, \$2.75). To women doctors we wholeheartedly recommend *Doctors in Mexico* (Olive Floyd, \$3.50) and *Doctor's Holiday in Iran* (by Rosalie Morton, \$3).

For the teacher you can't go wrong on *My American Adventure* (Barschak, \$2.75) or *Cloud Walking* (Campbell, \$2.75) or *Days of Ofelia* (Diamant, \$3) or *Anna and the King* (Laudon, \$2.50) or *Isle of a Hundred Harbors* (Gibson, \$2.50) and *Heaven Below* (Clayton, \$2.75). All of these were written by or about teachers.

Homemakers will find *My Indian Family* (Wernher, \$3) and *House of Exile* (Wain, \$3) and *The Peacock Sheds His Tail* (Hobart, \$2.75) illuminating portrayals of family life in other lands.

Very acceptable also for the teen age are the charming books by Rosalee Mills Appleby. The titles you recall are *Flaming Fagots* (\$1.75), *Life Beautiful* (\$1), *Orchids and Edelweiss* (\$1) and *Queenly Quest* (\$1.50). Each of these books is a blend of the missionary's experiences in North and South America.

On and on we could go suggesting just that special person. When you order, better list first and second choice because stock is going rapidly and many titles may be exhausted long before Christmas. Your State Baptist Bookstore manager will be glad to help you—but don't wait too long!

Editorial (Concluded from Page 3)

fully express the truly Christmas spirit as does joy. The announcing angels anticipated this fact and therefore said to Mary and then to the shepherds: "Fear not! . . . Be not afraid, for behold I bring you good tidings of great joy!" We who can scarcely remember when first we heard about Christ can not measure the joy of those who because of the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering will have an opportunity to hear of Christ and "thereafter believe on Him unto eternal life".

"Full faith we pray" therefore that each of us, whether young or mature, will invest largely in this December Week of Prayer by way of preparation and then through further help in the actual program of prayer and "Christmas for Christ" giving.—Kathleen Mallory

BIBLE STUDY

Dr. W. O. Carver, Kentucky

Isa. 9:6-7; Jno. 1:14-18; Luke 2:29-32 (Isa. 49:6); Matt. 2:2

IF Christmas is not for Christ why is Christmas? Pagan Greeks and Romans had a hilarious heathen winter solstice festival to celebrate the earth's turning backward into light and warmth and fertility. In it there was thus an element of hope and joy centering in the idea that life wins in the conflict with death and darkness. So far it was good and had symbolic value for human optimism, courage and progress. And they wove myths concerning the return of a goddess of beauty and life from the realm of darkness and death into which she had been dragged. Among other pagan peoples the same victory of life and light was celebrated in other forms. Naturally, then, it was not long until Christian churches found in the birth of Jesus solid historical fact and divine truth to substantiate the hopes and aspirations of men embodied in these mythical, mystic symbols. For Christians not nature forces but purposeful divine energy was working in man's behalf to bring light and life and joy and growth. Thus they captured the celebrations of winter's turn in the interest of Christian faith and gospel and named them Christ-mas.

But the pagan spirit in unregenerate man holds him back from free and full Christian joy and devotion. Much that we do in the name of Christmas has little reference to Christ; and no small part of it is in another spirit and shames the name of Him who came that we might have life abundant. All too much are Christmas holidays given to indulgent plunges into the unregenerate practices of heathenism, when the season should be all devoted to deeper devotion to the Christ of our salvation. We do well to emphasize in this December month that Christmas is for Christ.

First we direct our thought to that wonderful word in Isaiah 7 as the most specific and beautiful of the Scriptures that bring us face to face with *the Christ of Promise*. It begins where we begin: "Unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given". He is for us, born for us, given to us. He comes to be for us what our humanity needs. He is *Wonderful Counselor*, to give us the leadership of perfect understanding and wisdom. He is equal to all our need and can cope with all our limitations and all our enemies, for He is *Mighty God*. All the weight and dread of transitoriness and the limits which time sets about our hopes lose their dread and inhibitions, for in Him we have the *Father of Eternity*. Before man and time were He is, and time by which we measure fleeting existence is only what He uses in making us for uncalendared eternity. The possibility of triumphant escape from all the contradictions of our finiteness, the strifes of our struggle for existence, the conflicts of our chaotic, self-seeking society comes with him, for He is *Prince of Peace*. Such is *the Christ of Promise*.

We turn to *Christ in Presence*. Two sample Scriptures may stand for all the rest. In his prologue (1:1-18) John tells us how the eternal spiritual Christ, always actually present creatively and persuasively in man's history, at length came out of the mystic shadows of intangible love and winsomeness, "and the Word became flesh and took up His tabernacle to dwell in our midst and we beheld the spectacle of His glory, glory that pertains to the only begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth" and "out of His fulness we all get a share, fresh grace in place of grace that has worked in us". "Grace and truth became concrete in Jesus Christ", for He has brought out into our sight the God whom no man hath seen at any time. Matthew and Luke give beautiful and impressive details of His birth and infant manifestations. Let the story of Simeon's joy at receiving the Babe into his arms from Mary stand for the right reaction to *the Christ Present* with us:

"Now, Lord, Thou art permitting Thy servant to depart in peace according to Thy Word,
For my eyes have seen Thy Salvation which Thou hast prepared in the face of all the peoples,
Light for revelation for the nations
And the glory of Thy people Israel".

The glory of Israel was to produce the Savior of all peoples. The glory of the Church is to proclaim Him effectively to all peoples.

Then we turn to Matthew 2:2 for one of many statements that show the Christ, now come into the world, as the focus of all attention and hope and adoration. Here it is the Magi from the East led by a star of revealing purpose to the cradle of the Christ. To Him they bring gold, frankincense and myrrh, examples and symbols of what is precious to men. "The desirable things of all nations" belong to Him.

Christmas is occasion for stressing all this and the meaning of it all. What a significant thing it was when Woman's Missionary Union inaugurated the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. No one realized then how very meaningful it was nor do we yet have the measure of its power. Not in the million dollars it will yield this Christmas but in all it leads to is its significance. It is one form of many of saying "Christmas for Christ".



Ten million Americans are being asked to unite in prayer for world-wide peace according to the will of God. Please thus unite in daily—aye, constant—prayer, in the assurance that "our future lies in the spirit of Christ and prayer".

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TOPIC: Christmas for Christ

The Gospel says

- 1st Day—Matt. 1:1-17, 22-25; Eph. 3:14-21
 2nd Day—Matt. 2:1-23; 1 Cor. 10:1-10
 3rd Day—Luke 1:1-23; 1 Cor. 11:17-22
 4th Day—Luke 1:24-45; 1 Cor. 10:11-13
 5th Day—Luke 1:46-56; 1 Cor. 10:27-11:1
 6th Day—Luke 2:1-16; Rom. 14:13-21
 7th Day—Luke 2:40-52; Eph. 5:6-14

The Preacher says

- 15th Day—Acts 7:1-29; John 17:9-21
 16th Day—Acts 7:30-60; John 3:16-21
 17th Day—Acts 9:1-31; Mal. 3:1-5
 18th Day—Acts 11:1-18; Micah 4:1-5
 19th Day—Acts 12:1-25; Luke 1:46-55
 20th Day—Acts 14:1-28; Isa. 62:10-12
 21st Day—Acts 17:2-34; Luke 2:1-7

Jesus said

- 22nd Day—John 7:1-24; Luke 2:8-20
 23rd Day—John 7:37-52; 1 Cor. 13:1-13
 24th Day—Matt. 10:32, 33; 2:1-12
 25th Day—Luke 11:1-4 ("Pray ye"); Rom. 10:16-21
 26th Day—Luke 8:1-21; Acts 28:23-31
 27th Day—Luke 14:1-24; John 9:18-25
 28th Day—Luke 14:25-15:10; Rom. 10:11-15
 29th Day—Luke 15:11-32; Rom. 1:13-17
 30th Day—Luke 17:1-37; Prov. 8:22-31
 31st Day—Luke 23:33-56; John 1:1-8

The Prophet says

- 8th Day—Isa. 51:1-8; 53:1-6; Rom. 8:5-11
 9th Day—Isa. 55:1-5; 59:1, 2, 20, 21; 1 John 3:1-8
 10th Day—Mic. 5:2; Psa. 15-20
 11th Day—Zech. 9:9; Luke 4:16-19
 12th Day—Hab. 2:14; Gen. 45:1-5
 13th Day—Psa. 2:1-12; Psa. 130
 14th Day—Psa. 103:1-22; Luke 17:1-4

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"

Give thanks that the Christmas angels proclaimed peace.

Pray that all disputes between nations may be settled by conferences, thus avoiding wars.

Intercede that "the peace of God which passeth all understanding shall guard the hearts and thoughts" of Christians throughout the world.

Pray for Christians in any of the armed forces of the world as they observe Christmas.

Pray that Christians may be successful in teaching that "the Kingdom of God is righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit" and that "the mind of the Spirit is life and peace".

Intercede that Christians may "be at peace one with another, giving diligence to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace".

Pray that all Christian missionaries, giving thanks that each of them "publisheth peace".

Pray that the December 2-6 Season of Prayer for Foreign Missions will be faithfully observed and that its million-dollar goal will be far surpassed so that the feet of countless people may be guided "into the way of peace".

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CALENDAR of PRAYER

December, 1946

Mrs. W. C. Henderson, Arizona

HE prayeth best who leaves unguessed
 The mystery of another's breast—
 Why cheeks grow pale, why eyes o'erflow
 Or beads are white thou needst not know.
 Enough to note by many a sign
 That every heart hath needs like mine!
 —John G. Whittier

1—SUNDAY

Rev. and Mrs. J. D. Hughey, *Miss Margaret Collins, appointees of the Foreign Missions Board. Rev. and *Mrs. W. L. Jester, Ogbomoso, Nigeria, evangelistic work, also David L. Jester, Margaret Ford student. Work of Prayer for Foreign Missions and Little Miss Christmas Offering, Dec. 1-6. The Almighty shall be thy defense. —Job 17:75

2—MONDAY

That the realization of a great spiritual awakening may lead Christians of all lands to surrender for missionary service at home and abroad. The grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared unto all men. —Titus 2:11

3—TUESDAY

Rev. and Mrs. R. L. Lantry, Miss Fannie Henderson, Jerusalem. *Mrs. J. H. Hagrod, *Miss Rebecca Venter Long, Nazareth, Palestine, educational-evangelistic work. Dr. and Mrs. W. D. Moore, Rome, Italy, evangelistic work. Keep and seek for all the commandments of the Lord your God that ye may possess this good land. —1 Chron. 28:8

4—WEDNESDAY

Rev. and Mrs. F. M. Cassidy, Denton, N. M. Mrs. Lee Diaz, McAllen, Texas, educational-evangelistic work among Mexicans. Thou hast also given me the shield of Thy salvation. —Psa. 18:35

5—THURSDAY

Dr. and Mrs. H. D. McCarney, Dr. and Mrs. W. J. Williams, Ogbomoso. *Miss Annie Ribes, Iwo, Nigeria, medical-evangelistic work. The Lord is thy keeper; the Lord is thy shade upon thy right hand. —Psa. 121:5

6—FRIDAY

That prevailing prayer may encompass the globe on this Day of Prayer among the World. Rev. and Mrs. E. Leon, Santa Isabel de Las Lajas. Rev. and Mrs. R. Pareo, Buenos Vista, Rev. and Mrs. P. Rodriguez, Malanzan, Cebu, evangelistic work. Lord, hear my voice: let Thine ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications. —Psa. 130:2

7—SATURDAY

Dr. and Mrs. W. J. Kilgore, Buenos Aires. *Mrs. Anne Sowell Marrett, Rosario, Ar-

gentina, Miss Estelle Couselman, Awechem, Paraguay, educational-evangelistic work. Be not slothful but followers of them who through faith and patience inherit the promise. —Heb. 6:12

8—SUNDAY

*Miss Martha Thomas Ellis, among Mexicans, Albuquerque. Rev. and Mrs. G. Wilcox, Miss Doris Christianow, among Indians, Santa Fe, N. M., evangelistic work, Rev. E. H. Brock, general-evangelistic work, Clayton, N. M.

A friend loveth at all times, and a brother is born for adversity. —Prov. 17:17

9—MONDAY

Miss Silvia Silva, *Miss Jewel Smith, educational-evangelistic work, Havana, Cuba. Among whom ye shine as lights in the world. —Phil. 2:15

10—TUESDAY

Rev. and *Mrs. T. N. Chickleson, London. Rev. and *Mrs. J. A. Lunford, Jamaica, Rev. and *Mrs. K. Schmidt, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, educational-evangelistic work. God giveth to a man that is good to Him sight wisdom and knowledge and joy. —Ecc. 2:26

11—WEDNESDAY

Rev. A. J. Silva, among Cubans, Tampa. Mrs. Elsie Guine, among Indians, Dania, Fla., evangelistic work. The Word of our God shall stand forever. —Isa. 40:8

12—THURSDAY

Mrs. C. A. Todd, among Italians, Birmingham, Ala. Rev. L. H. Gunn, among deaf, Oklahoma City, Okla., evangelistic work. Ye, that make mention of the Lord, keep out silence. —Isa. 62:6

13—FRIDAY

Rev. and Mrs. Hannab Plowden, *Mrs. S. G. Rankin, *Miss Grace Wells, educational-evangelistic work, Chilo, Dr. and Mrs. J. D. Belote, Canton, Chilo, evangelistic work. There shall be showers of blessing. —Ezek. 34:26

14—SATURDAY

Rev. J. T. Davis, Mrs. L. O. Carter, New Orleans. Rev. M. Brown, Morgan City, La., evangelistic work. Only fear the Lord and serve Him in truth with all your heart. —1 Sam. 12:14

Calendar of Prayer for December

- 15—SUNDAY**
Rev. and Mrs. V. Kasubbe, Oklahoma City.
Rev. and Mrs. T. Wade Farris, Rev. S. Kent, Perkins, Okla., evangelistic work among Indians
And now, I beseech Thee, let the power of my Lord be great. —Num. 14:17
- 16—MONDAY**
That Christian hearts may become burdened with sorrow for the un saved and seek diligently to win them to Jesus Christ
Would God that all the Lord's people were prophets and that the Lord would put His Spirit upon them? —Num. 11:29
- 17—TUESDAY**
*Dr. Jeannette Beall, Luchow Fu, *Miss Aldo Grayson, Laiyang, medical-evangelistic work. *Miss Jennie Alderman, Tsinan, *Miss Wilma Weeks, Tsingtan, China, educational-evangelistic work
To be spiritually minded is life and peace —Rom. 8:6
- 18—WEDNESDAY**
Rev. J. A. Chambers, Montgomery, Ala., Rev. J. F. McLelland, Shreveport, La., Rev. B. Maples, Crane, Mo., Rev. W. D. Baker, Ft. Worth, Tex., Rev. J. G. Heard, Woodward, Rev. M. W. J. Richardson, Tallhina, Rev. D. W. Tabb, Tipton, Okla., rural-evangelistic work
Go, and the Lord be with thee. —I Sam. 17:32
- 19—THURSDAY**
Rev. J. W. Coleman, Langston, Okla., Rev. J. Conley, Louisville, Ky., Rev. H. Bradford Jr., Baker, La., Rev. L. L. Worlds, Little Rock, Ark., Rev. C. A. Pugh, Kansas City, Mo., educational-evangelistic work among their own Negro race
It is God that justifieth —Rom. 8:31
- 20—FRIDAY**
Rev. and *Mrs. J. D. Adair, Ligon, *Miss Edith A. Chaney, Ire, Rev. and Mrs. C. Roberson, Iwo, educational-evangelistic work, *Miss Fannie George Hurtl, medical-evangelistic work, Joinkrama Village, Nigeria
Your Father knoweth what things ye have need of before ye ask Him. —Matt. 6:8
- 21—SATURDAY**
Rev. J. Anguiano, Sebastian, Rev. and *Mrs. P. A. Hernandez, Houston, Rev. and Mrs. P. Molina, Fearall, Rev. and Mrs. F. Becerra, Weslaco, Tex., evangelistic work among Mexicans
We preach Christ crucified. —I Cor. 1:23
- 22—SUNDAY**
Rev. F. Melendez, Rev. L. Quilo, Quatemala City, Rev. C. Quilo, Escuincla, Guatemala, evangelistic work; also Esther and Paul C. Bell Jr., Margaret Fund students
That through your mercy they also may obtain mercy —Rom. 11:30
- 23—MONDAY**
Dr. and Mrs. F. W. Patterson, publicational-evangelistic work, Miss Viola Campbell, educational-evangelistic work, El Paso, Tex. (Foreign Mission Board), Rev. and Mrs.
- A. P. Pierson, Chihuahua, Mexico, evangelistic work
Let a man so account of us as of the ministers of Christ. —I Cor. 4:1
- 24—TUESDAY**
Rev. E. Chavez, Piacetas, Rev. A. Espinosa, Jovellanos, Rev. M. Quintana, Mariel, Rev. and Mrs. E. Vasquez, Pinar del Rio, Cuba, evangelistic work; also Eleazer Quintana, Margaret Fund student
That ye might be filled with the fulness of —Eph. 3:19
- 25—WEDNESDAY**
That this day may be observed in manner and spirit befitting the commemoration of the birthday of the Saviour of the world, even Christ Jesus
Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honor and power, for Thou hast created all things. —Rev. 4:11
- 26—THURSDAY**
Rev. E. A. Ingram, Beaumont, Tex., Rev. G. Bellamy, Oklawaha City, Rev. A. L. Luther, Tulsa, Okla., Rev. E. E. Steele, Atlanta, Ga., city-evangelistic work
Be gentle unto all men, apt to teach. —I Tim. 2:24
- 27—FRIDAY**
Rev. and *Mrs. G. Riddell, Cartagena, Rev. and *Mrs. C. W. McCullough, San Andres Island, *Miss Darline Elliott, Barranquilla, Colombia, *Miss Sarah Rebecca Sadiaga, Temuco, Chile, evangelistic work
Thou Redeemer is strong: the Lord of Hosts is His name. —Jer. 50:34
- 28—SATURDAY**
Rev. E. R. Hammock, Espanola, Rev. and Mrs. E. Rubio, Clovis, N. M., (Rev. and Mrs. W. J. Blair, Ft. Worth, Tex., evangelistic work among Spanish-speaking people
Go thou and preach the Kingdom of God. —Luke 9:1
- 29—SUNDAY**
Rev. and Mrs. M. Wesley, Red Oak, Rev. and Mrs. B. Wind, Okemah, Okla., *Miss Thelma Nardis, Taos, N. M., evangelistic work among Indians
He whom God hath sent speaketh the words of God. —John 1:34
- 30—MONDAY**
Rev. and Mrs. L. E. Cuesta, El Paso, Rev. F. Ortega, Wichita Falls, Rev. J. Lejos, Charlotte, Texas, evangelistic work among Mexicans
He that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting. —Gal. 6:8
- 31—TUESDAY**
Baptist believers in Palestine-Syria; Rev. and Mrs. S. Y. Lee, evangelistic work among Chinese, Norfolk, Va.; also Margaret and Ting Chung Lee, Margaret Fund students
Blessed are they that hear the Word of God and keep it. —Luke 11:28

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Circle Program



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Topic: Our Work Is Not in Vain

Devotional Theme: A Woman Rejoices to Keep Christmas—*Luke 1:46-55*

Carols from the Hometown (See article in December issue of *World Comrades*.)

Elizabeth Lee, Nurse in Palestine (See article in December issue of *The Window of Y.W.A.*)

A Christmas Letter (See December issue of *Southern Baptist Home Missions*.)

Re-establishing the Home Base (See article in December issue of *Southern Baptist Home Missions*.)

Cooperating for Christ (See page 4 of this magazine.)

Seinan Jo Gakuin (See page 7 of this magazine.)

Missionary Journey by Muleback (See article in December issue of *The Commission*.)

Committed to Your Care (See article in December issue of *The Commission*.)

The Joy of Thy Lord (See page 6 of this magazine.)

"Full Faithd We Pray" (See page 3 of this magazine.)



Business Woman's Circles

Miss Mary Christian
W.M.U. Representative

Aim—

Let us use for the subject of our B. W. C. program this month "Rebuilding for Peace in Palestine, Europe and Africa" instead of the topic for the month as given on the program material (pages 18-26). Our aim then will be to help each member realize more fully the need to rebuild for peace and the opportunities she has to help in this great endeavor.

Preparation—

As we consider the preparation necessary for the program presentation, we think:

First, of the place of meeting (and of the table if it is a supper meeting), which must be appropriately and attractively decorated. At this season of the year available Christmas greens and other decorations will be lovely.

Next, of the program covers. Again many lovely ideas are suggested by the Christmas season—colorful Christmas seals used on covers of red or green; programs in the shape of Christmas bells or of a candle in an old-fashioned candle-holder, with the candle of red paper and the holder of dark green, brown or black; most beautiful and appropriate of all for covers of this program of peace at this Christmas season, folders with scenes of Bethlehem or of the Wise Men following the Star, which can be secured from the State Baptist Bookstores (price \$1.50 per one hundred).

Finally, of the preparation that must be made by members participating on the program—those who sing, those who enter in the discussion, who lead the devotion, lead the prayers. Each should be familiar with the whole plan of presentation and realize her responsibility to help enlist the others in rebuilding for peace.

Presentation—

Choose three members who will be willing to read, study and assimilate material assigned them. Thus they will be able to give their discussion in an interesting and impressive manner in not more than five minutes each.

The first speaker will discuss "Rebuilding for Peace in Palestine", using the subject matter under that heading. As she stresses the fact that the foundation of rebuilding for peace must be Christ Jesus and as she emphasizes ways we can help to present Him through sending missionaries and providing buildings and equipment, she will surely tell the names of the seven missionaries there and will tell of the equipment needed by them.

The second speaker will discuss the topic, "Rebuilding for Peace in Europe". If she will help each one to know the five countries in Europe where southern Baptists have had missionaries and will then give a statement of the condition of Baptists today in these countries, she will do well.

The third speaker will have as her topic, "Building for Peace in Africa". She can only sum up the work there, telling of the need for more schools, more medical work, more literature and more evangelism.

As a conclusion, the program chairman might tell in not more than five minutes some ways that Christmas is observed in these countries using the topics, "Christmas in Africa", "Christmas in Europe", "Christmas in Palestine", "Christmas for Christ". She would have to choose carefully from this material only a few items.

This program should be good preparation for the December 2-6 Season of Prayer and Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. Announcement should be made at this meeting about that season's program.

Program Plans

Prepared by Miss Frances Sparkman, Florida
W.M.U. Training School, Louisville, Ky.

THE purpose of this program is to give us a clearer understanding of how we can help in rebuilding for peace as we seek to devote this Christmas to Him who is the Prince of Peace. The program must be carefully planned and prepared in order that it may be most effective in presenting the needs of countries all over the world at this special season of the year. An effective poster may be made by cutting out pictures representing various nations (preferably those being studied) and pasting these pictures on the poster. Draw large question marks over the face of each picture; then print these words underneath: "What will Christmas bring to these nations this year? You are the answer to this question". Give also the date, place and time of meeting. Individual invitations may also be used which carry out this same idea—that Christmas for these nations will be what we make it. The atmosphere of the room is very important in the presentation of this program. A small tree, beautifully decorated, will add much to the spirit of the program. Place several packages under the tree and label them with name of each country being studied. The labels should be large enough that they may be seen easily. (For program material see pages 18-26.)

Each person who is to take part on the program should be given her material far enough in advance so that she will have adequate time to prepare her part well. The effectiveness of this program depends upon careful preparation. The packages under the tree will of course signify what Christmas will bring to each nation being studied. The last part, "Christmas for Christ", will be the climax of the program and will emphasize the place of Christ in our Christmas festivities. The one who gives that part may place a cross in the top of the tree, signifying that Christ must be central in all of our activities if we would devote this Christmas to Him. The program should present the needs of these other lands in such a way that it will impress upon us more than ever before our missionary responsibility.

We cannot ever place too much emphasis on world need and especially at this time when people in so many nations are suffering for lack of the physical necessities of life. As we enjoy the peace and beauty of this Christmas season, let us not forget that there are those less fortunate who are looking to us for relief of their suffering. In the true spirit of Christmas, which is the spirit of Christ, we cannot turn our backs on suffering humanity. "The love of Christ constraineth us" to reach out across the waters and feed His sheep. (See shipping notice on page 26.)

As we present this program, we need to keep these thoughts in mind, realizing that this is a real opportunity to renew within ourselves and in others the realization that we cannot be complacent with regard to world need if we would be truly Christian in our daily lives. Let's prepare and present this program, not with the idea that it's just another program but with the idea that it is a real opportunity of emphasizing the necessity of being Christian in our relationship with other countries. Especially, at this season of the year, we are conscious of the many ways in which God has blessed us as a nation and as individuals. As we enter into the spirit of Christmas this year let's remember also that, in addition to our many blessings, God has given us a commission: "Be thou a blessing!"

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From the *American Bible Society Bulletin* we quote the following: "Granted that the motives are mixed, it is nevertheless true that the Japanese people are accessible to the Christian message in an unprecedented way. That this is realized by the small but eager Christian forces in Japan is indicated by the request brought by the Commission of American Churchmen from the Japanese Bible Society for two million New Testaments in the next eighteen months".

PROGRAM MATERIAL

Mrs. C. D. Crossman, Tennessee

THEME for YEAR: Let Us Now Prepare to Build

TOPIC for MONTH: Christmas for Christ

Hymn for Year—"We've a Story to Tell"

Watchword for Year—Isaiah 45:22

Bible Study—Isa. 9:6, 7; Jno. 1:14-18; Luke 2:29-32 (*Isa. 49:6*); Matt. 2:2 (*See page 10.*)

Prayer that this program may help us to devote this Christmas to Christ

Hymn—"O Little Town of Bethlehem"

Rebuilding for Peace in Palestine

Christmas in Palestine

Prayer for our Baptist work in the Near East

Hymn—"It Came upon the Midnight Clear" —Rebuilding for Peace in Europe

Christmas in Europe

Prayer that we may build for peace in Europe by demonstrating our Christian love in gifts for relief and rehabilitation

Hymn—"Silent Night"

Building for Peace in Africa

—Christmas in Africa

Prayer that we may build largely and wisely in Nigeria

Christmas for Christ

Hymn—"Joy to the World"

Prayer that, by sharing the Christmas story with people around the world, we may keep Christ first in our Christmas

REBUILDING for PEACE in PALESTINE

"Pray for the peace of Jerusalem".

IN this Christmas month our thoughts turn naturally to the land of the first Christmas. We sit with shepherds on a Judæan hillside, listening to the angels' song of glory to God and good-will to men. We see a star shining in an eastern sky and, with the wise men, journey to Jerusalem asking: "Where is He that is born King of the Jews?" We sing of the little town of Bethlehem where so silently the wondrous gift was given.

Our Christmas meditations on Palestine this year are disturbed by a realization that a terrible conflict is raging in the Holy Land. Instead of a song of peace there are shouts of strife. Instead of the glory of angels there are bursting bombs. The peace of Jerusalem is disturbed by riot and bloodshed. Nowhere in the world is there as much strife as in this land to which angels brought a message of good-will.

Recently Dr. George W. Sadler, the Foreign Mission Board's secretary for Africa and Europe and the Near East, visited Palestine. He said that on Saturday morning, after his arrival in Jerusalem the night before, he and a missionary walked through the streets and he remarked that there seemed to be no evidence of conflict. But that very night, as he sat with the missionaries in the mission house, there was "the sound of an explosion, followed by the noise of scores of sirens, and there was the rat-tat-tat of rifle and Bren-gun fire. The fires of ancient hatred between Jewish and Arab sections of the community were burning again." Dr. Sadler and the missionaries were confined to the mission quarters by curfew until ten o'clock Monday morning.

Dr. Sadler explains the cause of the trouble in Palestine in one sentence: "Two kindred peoples are trying to occupy the same small place at the same time". It cannot be denied that both Jews and Arabs have their rights in Palestine. To both it is a "Holy Land", for it gave to both groups their religions. To both it is the "land of their fathers", for the ancestors of Arabs and Jews have lived there since ancient times. In recent years to both groups Palestine has been a "Promised Land": Lord Balfour promised that the land should be a national home for Jews; the Arabs were promised a national state by Colonel McMahon. Of course both of these promises cannot be fulfilled. Dr. Sadler thinks that, so long as the national home for Jews is persisted in, there is no solution for the Palestinian problem.

In this land to which Christ came on that first Christmas there is today very little Christianity. What Palestine and the other lands of the Near East need is Jesus. The Jews need to accept Him as their Messiah. The Arabs need to see that not Mohammed but Jesus is the true Prophet of God. The Catholics, who have taken possession of many sacred spots in the Holy Land, need to have a vital experience of faith in Jesus as a living Lord. The Prince of Peace in the hearts of the people of Palestine will bring peace to the land.

Since 1921 southern Baptists have had missionaries in Palestine. Early in the years of the late war all missionaries were compelled to leave and the work which they had started suffered greatly. In 1944 Kate Ellen Gruver returned and for over a year she was there alone. Last year three new couples joined her: Rev. and Mrs. Henry Hagood, Rev. and Mrs. M. P. Callaway and Rev. and Mrs. Robert L. Lindsey. Early in this year Miss Violet Long went out, thus adding another new missionary to the Near East.

All the new missionaries went first to Jerusalem for language study. We remember that we have there a church building and a mission house which has provided living quarters for these missionaries. The Lindseys and Violet Long are still there, making contacts and laying foundations for their future work, while busily engaged in language study. They plan to devote their energies to Jewish work. Dr. Sadler says, "Bob has a vision of establishing a colony in which Christian Jews may find not only a haven but a congenial atmosphere and a means of livelihood".

At the last report the Callaways were still in Jerusalem studying Arabic in the language school. They plan to work in Beirut, Syria. It will be a happy day when they can be on this field because the veteran Syrian Baptist leader, Rev. Said Jureidial, is very old and someone is needed to carry on his work.

Rev. and Mrs. Hagood went out with their faces set toward the ancient city of Damascus. While in Jerusalem studying the language Mr. Hagood went by bus each week to hold services in Nazareth. So great were the needs there that the Hagoods decided to work there until other missionaries should come and then go on to Damascus. So, on the day after Christmas last year, they moved to Nazareth. Then, on January 7, Mr. Hagood died. How tragic it seemed that one who had spent ten years getting ready for his work should be taken away before he even reached the land of his choice!

Among the needs which had appealed to Mr. Hagood was that for an orphanage in the Moslem area of Palestine. Already he had taken steps toward the establishment of such a home; so after his death Mrs. Hagood determined to stay on the field and carry on this work of which her husband had dreamed. Kate Ellen Gruver moved to Nazareth and the two women, along with their evangelistic work, are conducting this home which has been named the George W. Truett Orphanage.

At present this institution is housed in the mission property at Nazareth, but it is far from adequate. Adjustments have made it possible to care for about a dozen children, while since the opening of the home applications have been made for from thirty to forty. Besides a Roman Catholic institution in Bethlehem, there is no other

orphanage in Palestine admitting children under four years of age. In a letter written on June 20, Miss Gruver gives a delightful glimpse of this home. She speaks of her happiness and then says: "And bappy? Who wouldn't be with tiny feet running to you, infant hands caressing you, baby lips and eyes smiling at you? You should see our babies. There are seven of them now, ranging from twenty-two months down to three weeks—no, one month, for Aida was a month old yesterday! I wish I could tell you about them, for there's a story behind each one. Julia and I were talking the other night about the mission study book that could be written about our babes; each one emphasizes a different aspect of social, moral, religious or political custom or practice among the Arab people of Palestine".

The needs of the orphanage are many, including an electrical refrigerator, washer, drier and ironer and other items such as beds, chairs, tables, cabinets and clothing. The greatest need is a new building. It is thought that Safed, which has the highest altitude in Palestine, will be the location for the new building.

Other needs for the work in the Near East are a day-school for Nazareth, boarding schools for central Palestine, Lebanon and Damascus, medical work for Palestine, evangelistic workers for Haifa and for the Jewish colonies. If all these needs could be met then could we hope for the peace of Jerusalem—for the peace of the land to which the Prince of Peace came on the first Christmas.

CHRISTMAS in PALESTINE

IN Christmas, 1943, shortly before Kate Ellen Gruver returned to Palestine, she visited a small church where a special young people's service was being held as a part of the Christmas season of prayer and gifts for foreign missions. Everything in the little building was "Christmasy", with Christmas garlands hanging around, a miniature Bethlehem scene and a small Christmas tree all alight. But to the children the most Christmasy part of the occasion was the presence of a missionary from the very land where Jesus was born.

They listened with wonder in their wide open eyes as Kate Ellen told of going one Christmas to Bethlehem to visit the cave which is the reputed spot of the manger birth. But their wonder changed to distress when she told them of the Catholic church built over the spot and described the superstitious and idolatrous ceremonies conducted there on Christmas Eve. And the children were still more distressed when she told them that very few of the children of Palestine know and worship the Christ Child. How could it be that in the very land where Jesus was born the children did not know of the angels, the song and the shepherds, of the wise men, the star and the gifts, of Mary and Joseph and the babe lying in the manger?

This Christmas, in at least one place in Palestine, there will be a Christmas much like children enjoy in the Christian homes of America. In the George W. Truett Home at Nazareth there will be Christmas decorations in the rooms; there will be a tree shining with candles; there will be on the breeze odors of Christmas cooking; there will be the sound of Christmas carols on the air. We know there will be gifts, for in September they were sent from Nashville, Tennessee, to Palestine with the tots in the orphanage in mind. Little children's eyes will glisten with joy, little hands will hold toys in a loving embrace and little hearts will be tender as they hear the story of the Christ Child.

Among the children who will participate in this Christmas in Palestine will be Mrs. Hagood's own little two-year-old son. As she sees him enjoying Christmas along with the little waifs rescued from broken Moslem homes and as Kate Ellen thinks of her own little two-year-old nephew enjoying in far-away Tennessee the same kind of Christmas the orphans of Palestine are enjoying, they will rejoice that angels brought the good tidings of the coming of the Christ Child to all people—in Palestine.

in America, in the whole world. And the little children of the church who listened to Miss Gruver three years ago will be glad when they learn that some of the children of Palestine are having this year a real Christian Christmas.

REBUILDING for PEACE in EUROPE

"Come over into Macedonia and help us".

AT this Christmas there is peace in Europe. And yet the question rises, "Is there really peace in Europe?" Surely it is a very uncertain, a very precarious peace, with so many international questions still unsettled and so much hatred and distrust still existing among European peoples. And there is not much peace in the hearts of people—so many of them with their homes destroyed, their children lost, their hopes blasted; so many of them sick, hungry and cold, helpless and hopeless.

Europe needs to be rebuilt. Not only do her cities, buildings, institutions etc. so utterly destroyed by war need to be rebuilt but also the people need to be rebuilt—physically, mentally and spiritually. Europe needs to be rebuilt for peace. Europe needs to be rebuilt on the firm foundation of Jesus Christ. The trouble with Europe through all the centuries has been that people have trusted in state churches with their priesthood, forms, ceremonies, images and icons but have not known the saving power of Jesus.

In the years between the First and Second World Wars southern Baptists have builded for peace in five different European countries: Italy, Spain, Rumania, Hungary and Jugoslavia. At the opening of the last war there was a growing work in all these lands with a substantial Baptist constituency and, in all except Spain, theological schools for the training of nationals as leaders. During the war much of this structure of Kingdom building was torn down. The beautiful seminary building in Budapest was bombed, destroying most of the building and killing four people, among them Mrs. Udvarnoki who was the wife of the president of the seminary. In Jugoslavia, Lydia Kalmikov, lovingly called "Sister Lydia", founder and president of the Jugoslav W.M.U., was killed by a bomb in 1944; but the Baptist property in Belgrade was undamaged. In all European countries Baptists shared in the ravages of the war, losing their property, their sons and other loved ones. Many times church buildings were damaged and congregations were scattered. And of course our Baptist people are among Europe's suffering millions today. One pastor in Jugoslavia sold his clothes in order to buy food for his family.

It is time to rebuild our work in Europe. We have a good foundation on which to build, for even through the ravages of war most of the Baptists were faithful and kept the work going in a remarkable way. And now that the war is over they are going on, in spite of their destitution and distress. Recently Dr. Sadler visited Europe to ascertain the condition of our Baptist work and brought back many encouraging reports.

In Italy Dr. Sadler found the Baptists poverty-stricken but going on bravely with their orphans' home and their evangelistic work. He says: "Perhaps no group of nationals related to our Board has been characterized by more vigorous growth during the war years than the Baptists of Italy. They have grown in self-support and self-respect and in their sense of mission". The orphans' home is open and it is hoped that the theological seminary can be opened soon.

Dr. Sadler was not allowed to visit Spain but had encouraging news of the work there. All of the Baptist churches are open now with no one opposing their public worship. About 150 were baptized last year. We have there only six pastors and one missionary, Mrs. Bengtson. But soon two new ones, Rev. and Mrs. John D. Hughey Jr., will be among those rebuilding for peace in Spain.

Dr. Sadler had an encouraging visit in Jugoslavia. He found that the ten active native pastors had carried on the work nobly during the war and that there had been about 200 baptisms per year. He says: "Never in all my life have I seen more hungry-hearted persons. They poured into our little places of worship on Friday night, Saturday night and Monday night as well as Sunday morning and night. They literally drank in every word the visiting secretary had to say. The only bright spot I saw in the ugly, dark picture was the burning of revival fires".

Dr. Sadler was not permitted to enter Rumania or Hungary. The best news from Rumania is that Baptists have been granted freedom of worship. In October, 1945, the Rumanian Baptists held a convention with 500 delegates present and with about 3500 persons present at the closing service. Some of these were officials of the government.

Hungary suffered perhaps more from the war than any of our European Baptist mission lands. Messages from Hungarian Baptists disclosed the pitiable condition of the people. The Foreign Mission Board has managed to get \$10,000 to them and letters of gratitude have been received. Even in the midst of their distress they go on with their work. At last report they were expecting to reopen the seminary at a location near Budapest this past fall.

We had hoped to be able to send missionaries to Russia when the war was over. Dr. Sadler says that there is no possibility of doing that any time soon. It is encouraging to know that there are from four to six million evangelical Christians there and that Baptists constitute the overwhelming majority of the group.

A splendid way to rebuild for peace in Europe is to relieve the suffering of the people. Already we have done this on a large scale. Thousands of kits have been sent to Russia and hundreds of parcels to Italy, Hungary and the Balkans. Millions of dollars have poured into our foreign mission treasury for relief and rehabilitation. This expression of our loving compassion will not only rebuild the bodies and morale of the people but will also prepare their hearts to receive the Gospel which is the only power that can rebuild Europe for peace.

CHRISTMAS in EUROPE

It is easy to associate Christmas with Europe, for most of our Christmas customs have come to us from European lands. If this were a usual Christmas, such as they enjoyed before the war, we would find interesting celebrations in every European country.

In Germany there would be beautifully decorated and gayly lighted Christmas trees in every town and village. Many times would the people sing "Stille Nacht! Heilige Nacht!"

In Belgium there would be a Christmas parade through the streets. Many scenes in Belgium history, Biblical scenes and a tableau would thus be portrayed.

In France the children in each home would build a Creche, which is a replica of the manger scene. And they would place at the door wooden shoes to receive the gifts from Pere Noel (*Father Christmas*).

In Italy the children would find their gifts in a large urn. This would be placed in the courtyard and is called the "Urn of Fate".

In Hungary there would be beautifully decorated trees with gifts underneath supposed to be left by an angel. The children would have written letters to the angel expressing their desires.

In Rumania the housewife in each home would prepare what is known as the "Priest's Table", filled with especially prepared food with a bottle of wine in the center. Then the family would wait for the priest to come to bless the food, carrying away with him the wine, part of the food and a gift in money.

Of course among our Baptist people and other evangelicals in Europe some of the Christmas customs would be different and the celebration would center around the worship of the Christ, with pageants and carol-singing such as we enjoy in our churches. Before the war the students of our seminary and training school in Rumania spent the Christmas holidays doing field work in the villages. So, early in the month of December before they started out, there would be a Christmas pageant, a Christmas message from some preacher, then a candle-lighting service with an exchange of gifts.

But this year is not a usual Christmas in Europe. With so many people still hungry, so many people still homeless, so many people still sorrowful because of the wreckage of war, there cannot be the usual Christmas rejoicing. Can we celebrate with the usual rejoicing unless we have done something for these starving and sorrowful people? We can do something through our gifts to relief and rehabilitation and to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. Let us give and give generously, remembering

It is the gifts we give away
That make a happy Christmas day.

BUILDING for PEACE in AFRICA

"Preaching Good Tidings of Peace by Jesus"

OUR work in Africa was not greatly interrupted by war, so we do not need to rebuild there. But we do need to keep building better and stronger that work which we started in Nigeria almost a century ago. We have 250 churches with a membership of about 25,000. The work is conducted from ten mission stations. "From these centers work is carried to remote areas, the missionaries and native pastors traveling by auto or on foot, by canoe or motor-launch. Holding services in the crude mud churches, teaching in the schools, conducting classes among the women, treating the sick at a roadside clinic—thus our earnest and consecrated southern Baptist missionaries carry on their three-fold ministry of preaching, teaching and healing".

A new educational work is the building of a girls' school in the Niger Delta region. This school was planned and the erection of the building is being directed by Ruth Walden. A missionary who visited that section before the building started wrote: "The plot for the school is perfect. I've never seen such a lovely place. Ruth has planned wisely and well. We're going to have a school here some day soon that we shall be proud of".

Nowhere in the world is medical work more needed and more fruitful than in Africa. Our one hospital and the nine dispensaries located in towns and villages are reaching thousands of people with the Gospel, for "great numbers of patients, who would not go to church or street meeting, hear the Gospel for the first time while sitting in the small chapel of a dispensary or the hospital chapel". Sometime ago Missionary Nurse Kathleen Manley visited a section of the country where there is no medical work. From a letter we quote the following: "In the mornings we (*other missionaries helping*) had dispensary. I could never, never tell you all that I saw. I am sure we had over three hundred patients every day. Twenty-eight large canoes were tied up there at one time and many people walked. Such terrible things were wrong, most of which had started simply and had gotten worse because no one knew what to do. We worked as I have never worked, straight through until 3 P.M. each

day. We saw improvements during the short time we could carry on the work. It almost broke my heart to leave them. There were at least seventy people whom I longed to see get well and probably I would have seen it if I could have stayed long enough. I know I'll never again be happy until someone comes to this section of Nigeria to do medical work".

With the rapid increase in the number of literate people in Nigeria, it is becoming necessary to provide our Baptist people with more literature. So a publishing plant is planned; a plot of ground suitable for this type of work has been secured at Ibadan and the building will be erected as soon as possible.

The Nigerian Baptists are very evangelistic. People are constantly being added to the membership of the churches. "Before this steady advance of Christianity idol-worship is breaking down". Many more missionaries are needed. Dr. Sadler says that there should be three doctors and at least eight nurses for our medical work, ten highly trained women teachers and four trained men for our educational work and three trained men for the seminary. We must continue to build for peace in Nigeria by sending more missionaries to tell the story of the Prince of Peace.

CHRISTMAS in AFRICA

THE Biblical Christmas story reaches into Africa. To be sure, some time passed after the manger birth before the message came to Joseph to flee from Bethlehem with the baby and His mother, because the child's life was in danger. But certainly the story of the Baby Jesus does not end until after the flight into Egypt. We would like to know if anybody in Africa realized that in that little child the continent received the most wonderful guest it would ever receive. Perhaps not, but it is good to know that many of Africa's people of today have received the Christ into their hearts and so share in the joys of Christmas.

A new Christmas story of Africa is found in a letter written by a new missionary Mrs. Ralph L. West, soon after Christmas last year. She gives us a picture of two kinds of celebrations in Africa—the Christian and the heathen. "Our first Christmas in the Dark Continent! How fitting that we should arrive in the land to which the Lord has called us on His birthday. As our plane stopped before the Lagos airport we were greeted by an African official who climbed into the plane shouting, 'A Merry Christmas to you all'. Grouped about the plane were twenty young natives dressed in spotless white uniforms, singing 'O Come All Ye Faithful'. As we descended from the plane carolers handed each of us a large bouquet of gorgeous flowers and extended a real Christian greeting to us.

"Upon entering the Adairs' home, Lagos missionaries, we realized that it was Christmas Day. Immediately we felt at home as J. B., Desser and Keuny, their two-year-old son, greeted us. In a prominent place in the living room stood a well-lighted cedar Christmas tree. Our dinner reminded us of a Christmas dinner in our own home.

"The African celebration of this great day was not the type that we have at any time before witnessed. As is true everywhere, there were many Christians here who went to the Lord's house worshiping and praising Him for His great gift to all mankind. The Moslems and heathen, however, went about the streets and countryside beating drums, rattling gourds and clanking cymbals. These mobs of folk were led by witch-doctors (called *juju men*) who were disguised by false faces and the most ghastly and colorful costumes imaginable. All their followers swayed their bodies rhythmically in a mad-like but artful fashion. There were such groups of these merry-makers that it was almost impossible to drive down any of the streets of Lagos".

There it is—the Christmas contrast which prevails around the world! Christmas so beautiful, sacred and rich in spiritual meaning for those who know Jesus but so riotous, bombastic and meaningless to those who know not the significance of the birth in Bethlehem!

CHRISTMAS for CHRIST

"Unto you is born . . . a Savior".

ONCE the members of a class in college were asked to write down the very first word which came to them with the thought of Christmas. When the words were collected and read there was no mention of Jesus. There were such words as tree, candles, holly, gifts etc., but nobody used any word connected with the birth of the Christ Child. Several of the students said that they thought of that second but not first. This didn't happen in Africa or Europe or Asia but in America. Doesn't that tell the story of the way many Americans, even Christian Americans, celebrate Christmas? In all of the bustle and bustle, the frolic and merrymaking, they forget whose birthday it is they celebrate. Are we guilty of making Christ second or third or away down the line in our Christmas thinking?

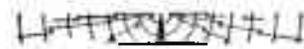
The best slogan for the season is **Christmas for Christ**. In our joyous celebration we must give Him first place. We can do that best by sharing with others around the world the good tidings that Jesus came to bring salvation to all people.

As now we celebrate His birth,
The coming of the Christ to earth,
May we, amid our joyous mirth,
Keep Jesus first in Christmas!

As chiming bells ring out their lay,
And hearts are merry, light and gay,
Remember it is His birthday—
Keep Jesus first in Christmas!

Let's sing of Him in carols sweet,
Let's lay our best gifts at His feet
And make the season's joy complete—
With Jesus first in Christmas!

As Christmas joys we gladly share,
As Christmas tidings we declare
And tell the story everywhere—
We keep Christ first in Christmas!



QUESTIONS for REVIEW and DISCUSSION

1. Tell of present day strife in Palestine.
2. For how long have southern Baptists had missionaries in the Near East?
3. Name our present missionaries in the Near East.
4. Tell of the George W. Truett Orphanage.
5. Mention some present needs in the Near East.
6. Discuss the need of rebuilding for peace in Europe.
7. In what countries do southern Baptists have mission work?
8. Tell of the results of war on our work in Europe.
9. Describe conditions as Dr. Sadler found them on his recent trip to Europe.

10. Tell something of the strength of our work in Nigeria.
11. Tell of a new educational institution in Nigeria.
12. Discuss the need and value of medical work in Nigeria.
13. Why is a publishing plant becoming a necessity in Nigeria?
14. How can we make Christ first in our Christmas?



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 below.

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| The Window of Y.W.A. | —World Comrades |
| Ambassador Life | —State Denominational Papers |
| The Commission | —Southern Baptist Home Missions |
| Last Report of the Foreign Mission Board | |
| Now Is the Day..... | Foreign Board Secretaries |
| The Gospel of Christmas..... | J. Harold Gwynne |



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

How the Williamsses Celebrated Uncle Eb's Birthday.....	3c
The Best for Christ (<i>Poem</i>).....	2c
The Unexpected Christmas Guest.....	4c
Tidings Too Joyful to Keep.....	3c
Zung's First Christmas.....	3c

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W.M.U. LITERATURE DEPARTMENT
 1111 Comer Bldg., Birmingham 3, Ala.

If interested in Christmas plays and pageants, please ask for our list.



Southern Baptist World Service Center

Packages of clothing or food can now be sent in any desired quantity to the recently opened Baptist warehouse in New Orleans for shipment to war-impooverished Baptists in Europe and China. Of course all such clothing should be immediately usable, therefore perfectly clean and mended; food should be concentrates or otherwise capable of shipment overseas. Postage, expressage or freight charges must be fully prepaid. The address is: *Southern Baptist World Service Center, c/o Rev. Clovis A. Brantley, 740 Esplanade Avenue, New Orleans 16, La.*

Our Young People

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

Christmas?

Christmas? Now? In this confused frightened world? When we thought the end of war would bring peace and instead we have friction, tension, inflation, nation pitted against nation?

How can we keep Christmas in a world so full of want, of hunger, of sorrowful ones barely existing?

Remember Christmas began in a little oppressed land, dominated by militarism and imperialism but that Roman Empire is gone and Christ and Christmas live.

Important at once, in thinking of Christmas, is the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering accompanying the observance of the Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions. Last year many young people's organizations missed the blessing of praying and giving in this gracious opportunity. This year let every W.M.U. young people's director be sure that every young people's organization in her church shares in this earnest praying and glad giving. Our missionaries depend on our prayers; the Foreign Mission Board counts on our gifts; let us faithfully supply both until all the missionaries feel unusually blessed and the \$1,000,000 goal is far overreached.

Start another box to Europe or send more supplies as indicated on page 26. In the merry package wrapping of home Christmas gifts do not forget those to whom Christmas joy must come through our hands.

Take stock of the achievements of 1946 so that 1947 will profit by both successes and near-failures of the passing year. Is your Sunbeam Band ready to move forward in the year following the Sixtieth Anniversary of Sunbeam Bands, well established with an adequate force of leaders, with available children all enlisted? Is your W.M.S. fostering in every possible way of helpfulness so your counselors are not discouraged or feeling that they bear their burdens alone? Do you have a Full Graded Woman's Missionary Union aiming at A-1?

Make a campaign for gift subscriptions to the three young people's magazines. Each is for a specific age group: each is interesting, attractive, enthusiastically received. *World Comrades*, *The Window of Y.W.A.* and *Ambassador Life* are top Christmas gifts for the children and G.A.'s, for Y.W.A.'s. or for R.A.'s. this Christmas and every Christmas.

Ask home-from-college students to share new missionary attitudes, adventures, acquaintances with your young people's missionary organizations by telling about missionaries or denominational leaders or fellow-students from other countries whom they have met. Pass on all sorts of suggestions—recreational songs, program ideas, information about missionary movies.

Show your young people how to have a real "Christmas for Christ" in their hearts and habits by their prayers and gifts and generous plans for others who are waiting to hear the glorious announcement: "Unto you is born this day a Savior!"



Training School

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

The Founders Found

THEIR pictures are displayed to splendid advantage in the beautiful setting of the Woman's Missionary Union Training School; their stories—parts of them, at least—are told in books familiar to every student at 2801 Lexington Road. Yet it was not until Wednesday evening, October 2nd, that most of the Training School girls felt they had really "found" Miss Eliza Broadus, Mrs. S. E. Woody, Mrs. George B. Eager, Miss Fannie E. S. Heck and Mrs. Maud R. McLure; for it was then that Miss Willie Jean Stewart made us see them with our hearts as well as with our eyes and minds.

The occasion was Founders' Day, honoring those whose dreams, work and prayers were the means God used to bring this School into being. Classes went on as usual, but it was a special day. The Monday dinner, provided by South Carolina W.M.U., was a feast long to be remembered. But the real celebration came that evening in Fannie E. S. Heck Memorial Chapel, in the service at which Miss Littlejohn introduced Miss Stewart of Nashville as the speaker.

"There isn't anything more interesting than people, is there?" began Miss Stewart. "I don't suppose it would be possible ever to name all the people who helped found the Training School", she continued. "Away back in China a man had a dream. I have a notion he went to a class one day, heard a woman missionary try to teach the Bible and was appalled at what he heard! When he got back to the United States, the first thing he did was to ask that young woman be trained". After the glimpse at Dr. Simmons' vision, Miss Stewart told how God worked through people to make that dream come true.

Master of characterization and of story-telling, she chose a few incidents, revealing and warmly human, to make the "five founders" live for us. Their portraits had been brought to the chapel for the occasion. As each one's turn came, her picture, placed on an easel, was spotlighted. Then the speaker told some of the things she remembered from acquaintance or close friendship with her.

Of Miss Broadus, the considered judgment was: "She was the most guileless person I have ever known. She was clear-thinking and very selfless. If I could describe her in just one word, it would be 'steadfast'". Next, Mrs. Woody was characterized as "one of the half-dozen women I have ever known who deserved the word 'queenly'". Miss Stewart spoke of Mrs. Eager as "a born strategist" and summed up: "We should not have had the Training School when we did, had it not been for her".

The tribute to Miss Heck was this: "In her we came as near to seeing what a life wholly dedicated to God could do as we ever have with any member of a Baptist church. She had probably the most marvelous mind that any southern Baptist woman ever had. She was a dreamer and the architect of her dreams".

Then, as the spotlight illumined the portrait of Mrs. McLure, we heard personal reminiscences of the first principal of the Training School. Memorable were these: "She was fun first of all—a joy to be with. She had no patience with any smugness or show of religion. She wanted every girl who came to the Training School to look and act like a daughter of the King. She was wise-hearted".

In closing, Miss Stewart turned our thoughts to Christ, the Founder, as she said: "He who has seen this School through the years has a purpose for it now. It is ours to find it and to say, 'Lead on, O King Eternal. We'll follow in Your train'". —Miss Virginia Wingo, Teacher of Missionary Education at School

Current Missionary Events

Discussed by Mrs. W. C. James, Virginia

"Be not afraid; for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which shall be to all the people: for there is born to you this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord"—*Luke 2:10, 11.*

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Signor M. Garrido Aldama, who as a radio evangelist has brought the Gospel of Christ to more Spanish-speaking people than perhaps any other man today, says in an article, "Gospel Broadcasting", in *World Dominion*: "Never was our Lord so emphatic in His speeches as when He spoke on the need of reaching the *whole world* with the Gospel", calling our attention to significant passages in the Bible, some emphasizing that fact and others suggesting to those of this present age the possibilities and opportunities in the use of the radio in seeking to preach the Gospel to *every creature*. Of these latter Signor Aldama says: "It was the psalmist (19:3) who was first given to see the vision of an era in which the voice of those who proclaim the glory of God would be heard in every speech and language, and that era is becoming history in our time. The 'Voice of the Andes' is already transmitting the Gospel in fourteen languages". He also quotes Paul in this connection: "Their sound went out into all the earth and their words unto the end of the world"—(*Romans 10:18*).

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More than seven thousand letters received in the offices of the "Voice of the Andes", Quito, Ecuador, during 1945, we are told, bear witness to the thousands who "listen in" to the message of the Gospel. Many of these letters testify to the spiritual help that the messages have been to many a believer and to the "conversions they have brought to many a sinner". Many of these letters were from men in battleships and planes, on night-watch duty or crossing the seas, in the quietness of their homes, in the stillness of the jungles, on lonely prairies and in hospital beds.

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In addition to the one full-time and few leased-time missionary broadcasting stations on the mission fields we learn of eight new missionary radio stations being planned and developed in different parts of the world. The greatest difficulty encountered in teaching the masses with the Gospel by radio on mission fields, we are told, has been the lack of receivers, but a new type of radio receiver which is very small and designed to fit the pocket or purse is expected to increase astonishingly the world radio audience.

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Rev. Gerald L. Stover of Kitchener, Canada, who has a strong record in Christian ministry to the Jews, has accepted the call of the American Association for Jewish Evangelism to become general secretary and will begin his new duties in January 1947.

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According to the American Bible Society one million Bibles will soon start rolling off printing presses in Germany. Production and distribution of the Bibles will be handled through the cooperation of the Council of the Evangelical Church, German Bible Societies and local churches. The postwar program of "The Gideons" calls for giving a New Testament to every youth in America between the ages of ten and thirteen who wants one.

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"Less than one-half of one per cent of the 465 million people of China are Christians", said Dr. Francis C. M. Wei of Central China College. "Come over and help us, for the task is too great, the responsibility too heavy, the Christians too few" was the appeal Dr. Wei made to American churchmen. And Bishop William J. King, American Negro bishop of the Methodist Church in charge of work in Liberia, Africa, is urging Negro youth to volunteer for missionary service in Africa.

Lottie Moon Christmas Offering by Our W.M.S.

AS long as I can remember, the W.M.S. of our little white country church among the cedars and oaks has observed the Season of Prayer for Foreign Missions. Our church of 120 members, long pastored by Seminary students, has no wealthy people, only country folk striving to make ends meet.

Early every autumn, the twenty or twenty-five members of the W.M.S. begin saving egg money, especially from eggs laid on Sunday. Other "corners are cut" and proceeds from cream checks and the sale of chickens are put aside. All this is brought to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. A sense of stewardship has been developed among the women of the church and many tithers have come from the W.M.S.—in fact, most of the members tithe now. The W.M.S. annually gives several hundred dollars to all its causes.

The programs that are for this season of prayer have been eagerly read. And prayer—I think the observance of the Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions has done more in our church to develop intelligent understanding and prayer for world missions among the women than anything else. Familiar fields around simple country homes no longer are bound by the same narrow horizons but stretch and reach to world neighbors with needs that W.M.U. members can share in relieving.

Scenes always to be cherished by me are those of my mother and other women kneeling by their chairs in prayer for the far-away places and peoples of the earth. Racial prejudice scarcely exists in the community now due to the realization that "Christ is Lord of all" and that "there is no difference between the Jew and the Greek".

The women have sponsored "Missionary Days" at the church with Seminary students (*foreign and Margaret Fund*) and furloughed missionaries as speakers. This is a result of a world missionary view, gained largely through observance of the Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions.

Besides stewardship, prayer, knowledge of missions, abolition of racial prejudice, reading of mission magazines, the W.M.S. has provided leaders for youth organizations in the church. Through these organizations some of their children have felt the call to full-time Christian service and have gone out. Observance of the Season of Prayer for Foreign Missions with its Lottie Moon Christmas Offering has been the greatest source of all these blessings among the women and young people of our church.—Miss Mabel Summers of Kentucky, Student at W.M.U. Training School

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Book Review (Concluded from Page 8)

Session Three—Chapters 7, 8. Ask the class to turn to II Thessalonians 1:11-12 and follow as you develop it after the author's suggestions. Wherever possible draw the group into the discussion. Note that this is a prayer for saved people, best people. Suggest that even the best fall far short of God's ideal for them. Ask that the names of some of the best people known to the class members be added to their intercessory lists. Pause for silent prayer for these. Note that when we speak of "intercessory" we usually think of prayer for the unsaved, but the author states that there is not a prayer for the unsaved in the Bible. Ask why. Illustrate the importance of such intercession. List on the blackboard the four prayers for the unsaved which the author suggests. Leave room under "sin" for the three subheads: guilt, power, corruption. Add these as you discuss them. As you go along note the importance of the order of these prayers. In closing try to help the group to feel the happiness of salvation and the woe of being lost. Ask that each woman add to her list the names of the lost persons for whom she will intercede. Close with a period of intercession for these.

Margaret Fund

Applications for scholarships should be sent to the treasurer, Mrs. W. J. Cox, 235 Patterson, Memphis 11, Tenn. 3

Margaret Fund Students, 1946-47

THE 117 Margaret Fund students listed below have matriculated in the schools and colleges indicated. There are thirty-four new students receiving scholarships for the first time and eighty-three renewals. Twenty-five of the new students are sons and daughters of foreign missionaries and nine of home missionaries. Applications are in hand for several additional students who plan to enter college next quarter. These earnest young people preparing for lives of service are a challenge to prayerful, loving interest in their welfare.

ALABAMA

Berklin, Luina _____ (Argentina) Judson College, Marion
Berklin, Mary Jo _____ (Argentina) Judson College, Marion
Berklin, Amie Vary _____ (Argentina) Judson College, Marion
Woodward, Glenn _____ (China) Judson College, Marion
Packard, Rosa Lee _____ (Alabama) Howard College, Birmingham

ARKANSAS

Berry, Bailey _____ (Brazil) Ouachita College, Arkadelphia

FLORIDA

More, Reb _____ (Chile) Stetson University, DeLand

GEORGIA

Watson, Mary _____ (Nigeria) Toccoa Falls Institute, Toccoa

KENTUCKY

Berklin, Edward _____ (Brazil) Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville
Craghead, Albert _____ (Germany) Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville
McMillan, Arthur _____ (China) Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville
Reaper, John _____ (Brazil) Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville
Packard, Maryann _____ (Alabama) W. M. U. Training School, Louisville
Stora, Linda _____ (Brazil) Georgetown College, Georgetown
Fisher, Henry Lee _____ (China) Georgetown College, Georgetown
Taylor, Harry _____ (Brazil) Georgetown College, Georgetown
Jeter, David _____ (Nigeria) High School, Louisville

LOUISIANA

Predarrell, Lucille _____ (Alabama) New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, New Orleans
Patterson, Martha _____ (Nigeria) Louisiana College, Pineville
Sweater, Miriam _____ (China) Louisiana College, Pineville
Sprecher, Wallace _____ (China) Louisiana College, Pineville
Moore, Robert _____ (Chile) Tulane University, New Orleans

MISSISSIPPI

Camp, Mary Beth _____ (Argentina) Blue Mountain College, Blue Mountain
Owen, Lovella _____ (Philippines) Blue Mountain College, Blue Mountain
Owen, Rosalind _____ (Philippines) Blue Mountain College, Blue Mountain
McCormick, Kathleen _____ (Nigeria) High School, Brookhaven

NORTH CAROLINA

Gallimore, Richard _____ (China) Wake Forest College, Wake Forest
Johnson, Eugenia _____ (China) Wake Forest College, Wake Forest
McMillan, Mary Frances _____ (China) Wake Forest College, Wake Forest
McMillan, Campbell _____ (China) Wake Forest College, Wake Forest
Sherwood, William _____ (Brazil) Wake Forest College, Wake Forest
Hagan, George _____ (China) Wake Forest College, Wake Forest
Tambie, John _____ (Brazil) Wake Forest College, Wake Forest
Lake, Betty _____ (China) Bowman Gray Medical, Winston-Salem
Woodward, Betty _____ (China) Bowman Gray Medical, Winston-Salem
Paul, Emily _____ (China) Meredith College, Raleigh
Wise, Geneva Jo _____ (China) Meredith College, Raleigh
Lake, Robert _____ (China) University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
Cowan, George _____ (Brazil) Wingate Junior College, Wingate
Rogers, Ann _____ (Chile) Wingate Junior College, Wingate
Tambie, Ann _____ (Brazil) Campbell College, Buie's Creek

OKLAHOMA

Aspin, Charlotte (Oklahoma) Oklahoma Baptist University, Shawnee
 Richardson, Lois (Oklahoma) Oklahoma Baptist University, Shawnee
 Cristobal, Eugene (Rumana) Oklahoma Baptist University, Shawnee

SOUTH CAROLINA

Allan, Herbert (Brazil) Furman University, Greenville
 Morgan, Constance (China) Furman University, Greenville
 Suggs, Harold (China) Furman University, Greenville

TENNESSEE

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TEXAS

Anderson, Henry (China) Baylor University, Waco
 Bell, Esther (Cenoz Zone) Baylor University, Waco
 Bell, Paul (Cenoz Zone) Baylor University, Waco
 Bice, James R. (Brazil) Baylor University, Waco
 Blackman, Mildred (Hawaii) Baylor University, Waco
 Blair, Martin (Argentina) Baylor University, Waco
 Bulfinch, Martha (Texas) Baylor University, Waco
 Caveason, Nelson (Texas) Baylor University, Waco
 Culpepper, Mary (China) Baylor University, Waco
 Ehret, William (Brazil) Baylor University, Waco
 Esprit, Noble (Brazil) Baylor University, Waco
 Fielder, Corah (China) Baylor University, Waco
 Martinez David (Brazil) Baylor University, Waco
 Mosses, F. A. R. Jr. (Brazil) Baylor University, Waco
 Oliver, Bonnie May (Brazil) Baylor University, Waco
 Oliver, Bruce (Brazil) Baylor University, Waco
 Ray, Daniel (China) Baylor University, Waco
 Ray, Lois (China) Baylor University, Waco
 Porter, Margaret (Brazil) Southwestern Theological Seminary, Seminary Hill
 Wright, Lucille (Illinois) Southwestern Theological Seminary, Seminary Hill
 Lauri, Gloria (Texas) Mary Hardin Baylor, Belton
 Mullis, Flora (Mexico) Mary Hardin Baylor, Belton
 Parker, Wendell (Texas) Hardin Simmons University, Abilene
 Rice, Helen (Brazil) San Marcos Academy, San Marcos
 Crouch, Edward (Brazil) San Marcos Academy, San Marcos
 Jackson, Everett (China) Howard Payne College, Brownwood
 Jackson, Richard (China) Howard Payne College, Brownwood
 Wilcox, Trudie (Brazil) Howard Payne College, Brownwood
 Muller, Benjamin (Mexico) Texas College of Mines, El Paso
 Muller, Samuel (Mexico) Texas College of Mines, El Paso
 Jackson, Edward (Texas) Texas Technological College, Lubbock
 Rodriguez, Eliaz (Texas) Schreiner Institute, Kerrville
 Appleby, David (Brazil) Southern Methodist University, Dallas
 Hardy, Jo Ann (Brazil) High School, Waco
 Flores, Rebecca (Texas) Southwest Teachers College, San Marcos
 Blake, Orville (Cenoz Zone) Bishop College, Marshall
 Yearwood, Ursula (Panama) Bishop College, Marshall
 Yearwood, Vernon (Panama) Bishop College, Marshall

VIRGINIA

Crabtree, George (Brazil) University of Richmond, Richmond
 Wiley, Dudley (China) University of Richmond, Richmond
 Wiley, Douglas (China) University of Richmond, Richmond
 Lee, Margaret (Virginia) Medical College of Virginia, Richmond
 Hawkins, Joseph (Argentina) Haverave Military Academy, Chatham
 Washbrook, Carl (China) Virginia Intermont, Bristol
 Washbrook, Mary (China) Virginia Intermont, Bristol

CUBA

Calleno, Abner (Cuba) Baptist Temple, Havana
 Cardenas, Raquel (Cuba) Baptist Temple, Havana
 Fraguela, Rafael (Cuba) Baptist Temple, Havana
 Gomez, Filardo (Cuba) Baptist Temple, Havana
 Prado, Raquel (Cuba) Baptist Temple, Havana
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 Ferrer, Eusebio (Cuba) Iglesia Bautista, Matanzas
 Lima, Samuel (Cuba) Iglesia Bautista, Remedios
 Quintana, Fieasar (Cuba) Iglesia Bautista, Mariel
 Rodriguez, Moses (Cuba) Iglesia Bautista, Arriete
 Machado, Father (Cuba) Serrano 556, Havana
 Machado, Milton (Cuba) Serrano 556, Havana
 Machado, Ruben (Cuba) Serrano 556, Havana
 Martinez, Daniel (Cuba) University of Havana, Havana

MISCELLANEOUS

Carver, George A. Jr. (China) Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut
 Chambers, Lois (China) Ohio Wesleyan University, Delaware, Ohio
 Lee, Ting Chung (Brazil) Canton University, Canton, China
 Stover, T. B. Jr. (Brazil) University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado
 Bowdler, Betty (Argentina) Graduated at Summer School
 McCormick, William (Nigeria) Graduated at Summer School
 Rankin, Whitfield (China) Graduated at Summer School
 Moore, Charles (China) Attended Summer School Only
 Moye, John (Texas) Attended Summer School Only

**Allocations for \$600,000 of
 1946 Lottie Moon Christmas Offering
 \$1,000,000 Goal**

(To Have Precedence in Order Listed)

1. Missionaries' Salaries	\$112,500
2. Education of Missionaries' Sons and Daughters (Margaret Fund)	16,000
3. Fannie E. S. Heck Memorial	28,800
(1) Pool in Bible Training School, Kweilin, China	\$10,000
(2) Woman's and Girls' Department in North China Baptist Seminary and Bible School, Hwanghsien	1,000
(3) Bible School, Hawaii	1,300
(4) Woman's Bible Training School, Budapest, Hungary	2,500
(5) Current Expenses, Woman's Training School, Rio, Brazil	4,000
(6) Current Expenses, Woman's Training School, Recife, Brazil	2,500
(7) Woman's Training School, Rosario, Argentina	3,200
(8) Woman's Missionary Union Training School, Santiago, Chile	1,800
(9) Mexican Woman's Training School	1,000
(10) W.M.U. Training School, Kaileng, China	500
(11) W.M.U. Training School, Japan	1,000
4. Mrs. W. C. James Memorial Training School, Bucharest, Rumania	4,000
5. Mrs. W. J. Cox Fund for W.M.U. Work on Foreign Fields	22,200
(1) China	\$3,000
(2) Africa	2,800
(3) Argentina-Uruguay	3,000
(4) Brazil	3,400
(5) Chile	2,800
(6) Italy	500
(7) Mexico	1,000
(8) Palestine-Syria	\$2,000
(9) Rumania	2,800
(10) Hungary	1,200+
(11) Jugoslavia	2,000
(12) Japan	2,000
(13) Hawaii	500
6. Whilden-Graves Memorial Mo Kwong Endowment Fund, Macao, China	2,000
Current Expenses, Mo Kwong, Macao, China	2,000
8. Kwong To Bible School, Sun Hing, China	500
9. Evangelistic and Woman's Work, Waichow, China	500
10. Shih Yu Institute, Kaifeng, China (Annie Jenkins Sallee School)	1,000
11. Girls' School, Abeokuta, Nigeria	3,500
12. Bible School, Wuchow, China	500
13. Seiman Jo Gakuin, Japan	2,000
14. Evangelistic Work, State of Rio, Brazil	600
15. Operating Expenses of Launch, Amazon River, Brazil	300
16. Operating Expenses, Two Launches, Nigeria	1,400
17. Mexican Baptist Publishing House, El Paso, Texas	3,000
18. Stout Memorial Hospital, Wuchow, China	2,500
19. Traveling Expenses, Secretary of Brazilian Home Mission Board	600
20. Publications and Literature	2,500
Africa	\$350
Chile	400
Argentina-Uruguay	350
Japan	400
21. Colegio Bautista, Temuco, Chile, Current Expenses	2,000
22. Church and Good Will Center, Jerusalem, Palestine	2,000
23. Good Will Center, Mendoza, Argentina	150
24. Publishing Work, Buenos Aires, Argentina	1,000

†(10) of 5 includes \$200 for W.M.U. Literature in Jugoslavia.

25. Equipment, Baptist Academy and Primary School, Lagos, Nigeria.....	1,000
26. Elam Memorial Bride's School, Building and Current Expenses, Shaki, Nigeria.....	2,000
27. Church and School Site, Wusib, China.....	5,000
28. Expenses for Institute, Curitiba, Brazil.....	800
29. Mission at Hawaii.....	3,500
30. Bible Press, Rio, Brazil.....	7,000
31. Rent and Student Employment Fund, Seminary, Buenos Aires, Argentina.....	300
32. Expenses, Industrial Institute, Corrente, Brazil.....	800
33. New Mission in West China.....	5,000
34. Current Expenses, Seminary, Hwanghsien, China.....	1,000
35. Current Expenses, Seminary, Ogbomosho, Nigeria.....	1,500
36. American Bible Society.....	5,000
37. Literacy Literature for China.....	3,000
38. Nurses' Home, Rosario, Argentina.....	1,300
39. Good Will Center and Medical Activities, Antofagasta, Chile.....	600
40. Reagan Memorial Property, Lagos, Nigeria.....	5,600
41. Christian Service Center, Rio, Brazil.....	350
42. Secondary School, Oyo, Nigeria.....	7,500
43. China Baptist Publication Society.....	10,000
44. Launch, Home Board of Brazil.....	1,000
45. John Lake Leper Work, China.....	5,000
46. Missionary Residence, Hawaii.....	9,000
47. Rebuilding Church, Nagasaki, Japan.....	10,000
48. Seminary, Buenos Aires, Argentina.....	10,000
49. Corrente Church, Piaui, North Brazil.....	2,000
50. Amapa School, Amazon Valley (New Territory).....	1,000
51. Chapel Soledad, Barranquilla, Colombia.....	2,000
52. Assembly Hall and Gymnasium, Colegio Bautista, Temuco, Chile.....	5,000
53. South District Church, Rosario, Argentina.....	2,000
54. Don Pablo Besson (Central) Church, Buenos Aires, Argentina.....	10,000
55. Punta Alta, Argentina, Church.....	1,000
56. Radio Contract, Barranquilla, Colombia.....	5,500
57. First Church, Temuco, Chile.....	5,000
58. Chapels in Mexico (West Coast \$1,000, South Coast \$1,000, North Field \$4,000).....	6,000
59. Interest-free Loans to Small Churches, Brazil.....	5,000
60. Quilmes Church, South Buenos Aires, Argentina.....	3,000
61. Woman's Training School, Rosario, Argentina, Building.....	10,000
62. Church Building, Valparaiso, Chile.....	5,000
63. Administration Building, Colegio Batista, Recife, Brazil.....	6,000
64. Apartments for Single Women Missionaries, South Brazil.....	8,000
65. Girls' Dormitory, Maceio, North Brazil.....	7,500
66. La Quinta Church, Cartagena, Colombia.....	15,200
67. Building, Second Church, Santiago, Chile.....	5,000
68. Publishing House Machinery, Rio, Brazil.....	10,000
69. Automobile, Field Missionary, Londrina, South Brazil.....	2,000
70. Asuncion, Paraguay, Church Building.....	5,000
71. Primary School, Belem, North Brazil.....	5,000
72. Artesian Well, Maceio School, North Brazil.....	2,000
73. Primary School Building, Jaguaruara, North Brazil.....	6,000
74. Primary School, Cartagena, Colombia.....	10,000
75. Truck, Colegio Bautista, Temuco, Chile.....	2,500
76. Safety Deposit Vault, Seminary, Santiago, Chile.....	400
77. Student Home Improvements, Guadalajara, Mexico.....	2,500
78. Publishing House Indebtedness, Rio, South Brazil.....	5,000

79. Church Building, Fortaleza, Brazil.....	5,000
80. Clinic, Barranquilla, Colombia.....	5,000
81. Baptist Children's Home, Chile.....	5,000
82. New Student Home, Chihuahua, Mexico.....	7,500
83. Building Program, Corrente School, Piaui, North Brazil.....	7,000
84. Seminary and Training School, Cali, Colombia.....	7,500
85. Enlargement Rebozo Church, Barranquilla, Colombia.....	5,000
86. School Dormitory, Victoria, South Brazil.....	6,500
87. Publishing House*Building, Buenos Aires, Argentina.....	5,000
88. Memorial in Europe to Mrs. F. W. Armstrong.....	25,000
89. Warren-Ayers Hospital, Hwanghsien, China.....	14,100
90. Japan (To Be Itemized Later).....	50,000
91. La Voz Bautista, National Publication, Chile.....	1,000
92. Publication of Books, Chile.....	1,000

Total Allocated.....\$600,000

Safeguarding December 2-6

"Earnest effort by the W.M.S. to guard against the holding of study courses or other activities during the Seasons of Prayer"—*This is set forth an established policy and purpose of Woman's Missionary Union.* If your church or association is planning to use December 2-6 for emphasis other than that of the W.M.U. Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions, please promptly endeavor to get all such plans changed so as not to divert attendance upon and earnest interest in this immediate Season of Prayer.

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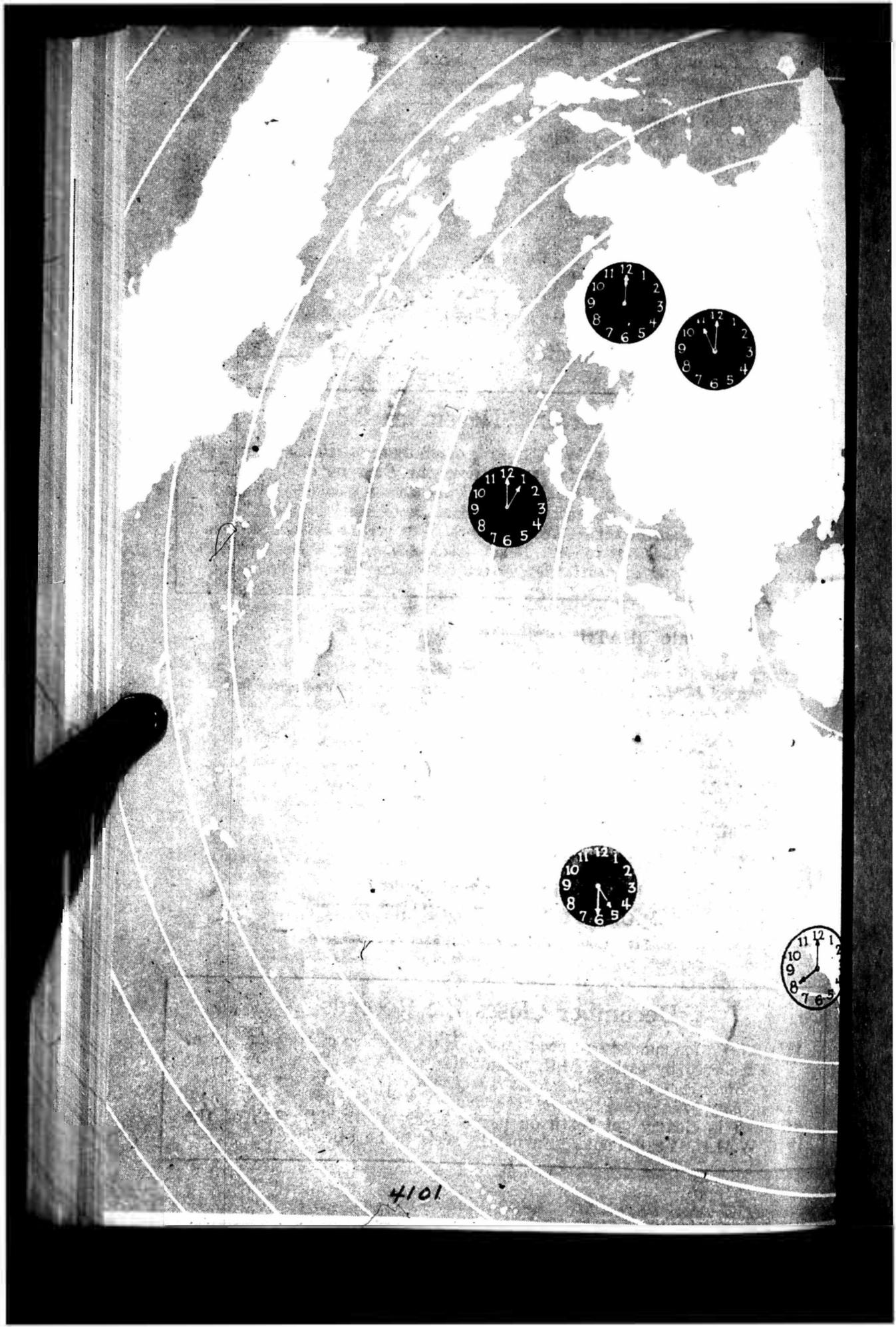
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