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Kathleen Mallory



The Bird That Nearly Starved

by Dr. W. O. Lewis

Associate Secretary, Baptist World Alliance

This bird's song reminds us of thousands of people undernourished, on the border of starvation in Korea, in Jordan, in overcrowded cities of Asia. You can feed them or send them equipment to help themselves by sending relief money to Baptist World Alliance, 1628 16 St., N.W., Washington 9, D. C.

NOT long ago when in Germany, Brother Immanuel Walter, who rendered fine service in our relief work after the war, took me to his home, a few miles out of Stuttgart (*stut-gart*), for an evening meal. When we entered the living room I noticed that a bird by his chirping indicated that he was pleased to see my friend. And thereby hangs a tale.

The bird belonged to the finch family and had been a good singer. He is now about twelve years old. The first four years of his life were spent in a place west of Stuttgart, in what came to be the French Zone after the partition of Germany. Times were very hard there after the fighting stopped. The good woman who owned the bird was so poor she could not spare even a spoonful of food for him. He became so weak he could scarcely fly and seldom sang

a note. Poor undernourished creature!

As there was a little more food in the American Zone, the owner of the bird went to Mrs. Walter, who was living in the area at that time, and begged her to take the bird. About that time food parcels began to arrive, sent by the Relief Committee of the Baptist World Alliance. The Walter family received some of this food, and the bird got his share. In three months he could fly around the room and began to sing for his keep. As I was directing the distribution of relief supplies in Germany then, I felt I had helped to save the bird's life.

I am glad there were people in Germany who took pity on a hungry bird. And I am glad we could help not only to save a bird's life, but could also bring relief to some of our needy brethren.

On June 17 about ten o'clock in the morning

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"passed through glory's morning gate to walk in Paradise."

PINK carnations covered the gray casket in the Selma Baptist church Friday afternoon, June 18. "Miss Mallory loved pink!" commented one woman. "She wore so much pink," added another.

No wonder, for pink is the color of excellence and Miss Kathleen Mallory lived in the succession of those rare souls who excel in a devotion to Christ so compelling that they merit the description "Christ-like." Pink is warm and stimulating and Miss Mallory's zeal for missions continually fired others to new interest in extending the gospel of Christ to the ends of the earth. Her busy mind concentrated on plans to stir women and young people to quicken their mission efforts.

She came into the leadership of Woman's Missionary Union in 1912, from the secretaryship in her native Alabama. She had grown up in Selma, the third child in a home conspicuous for its Christian atmosphere. She had gone to Goucher College, graduating in 1902 when the scholastic demands of an eastern college did not frequently appeal to young women of the

South. Returning with her B.A. degree she taught school. She was elected superintendent of the WMU of Selma Association; she was Sunbeam Band leader in her church, then state YWA leader, and WMU secretary-treasurer of Alabama, experiences which helped prepare her for becoming corresponding secretary of Woman's Missionary Union. Those who recall that 1912 meeting in Oklahoma City remember the charming young woman in a full organdy dress who knelt in humility on the platform during the dedication prayer for the new officers.

She went back to Baltimore where she had enjoyed her college years because it was Woman's Missionary Union headquarters until 1921. When she became secretary there were 6,654 Woman's Missionary Societies and 3,909 young people's organizations. The Lottie Moon Christmas Offering was \$28,943.21 and the Annie Armstrong Offering \$19,180.72 though neither then bore the memorial names. Miss Mallory led Woman's Missionary Union so ably and so co-operatively that when she retired in 1948 there were 14,043 Woman's Missionary Societies and 32,679 young people's organizations. The Lottie Moon Christmas Offering had reached \$1,472,411.04 and the Annie Armstrong Offering was \$654,432.75 at her retirement.

The influence of Kathleen Mallory's life cannot be measured by statistical tables. Who can know the lives she touched for God as she traveled and spoke before state, district and associational meetings, before Young Woman's Auxiliary and Girls' Auxiliary camps, as she taught mission study classes, and led methods conferences? She traveled tirelessly throughout the Southern Baptist Convention home fields and at her own expense into South America and the Orient to come back with more concern for the unsaved everywhere.

Under her administration Woman's Missionary Union became the important aux-

Miss Kathleen Mallory at her desk in the Baltimore office in the early days



iliary, the vital missionary ally to the denomination which it is today.

Her loyalty to her church was seen in her faithful attendance whether she had returned tired from a tour of speaking or was about to set forth for several weeks. Her tithes went into the church regularly and the offering plate never passed at morning or evening worship without receiving a gift from her hand and heart. Love for Christ prompted her to give far beyond the tithes. Whenever particular projects were presented in her church she made a generous gift. To the Lottie Moon offering she carefully brought her first Christmas gift and her largest gift, equal to all she gave to the loved brothers and sisters, the adored nieces and nephews. When it was time for the Annie Armstrong Offering she sought to live up to the name formerly used, "self-denial offering."

After retirement she could and did accept responsibility as teacher of a large Bible class for women, delighting in visiting and enlisting, giving individual comfort and

guidance as she had not been able to do in her busy days as executive secretary.

Her kindness and consideration for others was always shown, "in honor preferring one another," with the gentle firmness of genuine culture. She loved young people and longed that each boy and girl, each young man and young woman, have opportunity to become the finest Christian possible. To that end she dropped a word of encouragement here and of warning there, so sincerely and graciously that her words were appreciated and cherished.

The volumes of *Royal Service* she edited, the year books, the leaflets published under her direction, the development of the Margaret Fund and Training School stand as evidence of her fixed purpose—missions.

Mallory Hall at Seinan Jo Gakuin, our girls' school in Japan, the Kathleen Mallory Good Will Center in Baltimore, the first \$100,000 for the new headquarters in Birmingham, were an effort of Woman's Missionary Union to pay tribute to Kathleen Mallory when she retired in 1948.

Early in 1955 she moved from Birmingham to Selma where she could enjoy the companionship of nieces and nephews. When she became ill they gave her every affectionate care.

At the triumphant funeral service her pastor spoke of her complete devotion to Christ, her love and loyalty to her church, and her generous stewardship. "She lived and talked missions. She believed that every person in the world is a possible child of God, an object of his love, and that we who know Christ should make every effort to see that every person has an opportunity to know Christ. What her life has

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The following letter was written by Miss Mallory to the Selma church in 1932:

My dear Home-Church:

If anyone were to ask me for what I give thanks concerning the more than a quarter-of-a-century that I have lived in Selma I would unhesitatingly answer: "The way in which our church and home trained and established me in my purposes to seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness and to believe that no good gift is denied those who walk uprightly." Joining the church at ten years of age, I was fortunate in having such Bible teachers as Mrs. Law Lamar in the Sunday School, Mrs. Betty Hall Stillwell in the Girl's Missionary Society and my devotedly Christian parents in the home. Eternity will not be long enough for me to thank them and all the other members of the dear home-church for weaving into the very warp and woof of my life the missionary purpose to seek first the Kingdom of God. Only He and I know how often I fall short of this goal but I gratefully acknowledge to Him and to you that I gain renewed strength upon every remembrance of "your fellowship in the furtherance of the Gospel from the first day until now, being confident of this very thing, that He who began a good work in you will perfect it until the day of Jesus Christ even as it is right for me to be thus minded in behalf of you all, because I have you in my heart."

Yours in sincerest gratitude,
Kathleen Mallory

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COVER Because we work on *ROYAL SERVICE* so long in advance, this is our first opportunity since the death of Miss Kathleen Mallory in mid-June to pay tribute to her in our official organ of Woman's Missionary Union. Many will want to keep this cover (and entire magazine) with its signature cut at once so characteristic of both Miss Mallory's firmness and femininity. Other tributes are appearing in the three young people's magazines also. No collection of eulogies, on adding of words can adequately express our gratitude for the life of so rare a woman.

One thinks of the wonderful conversations Miss Mallory will be having with Dr. W. O. Carver, Dr. M. Theron Rankin, Dr. Everett Gill, Jr., and others who would have met her at the heavenly gates, with whom she served so magnificently here.

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Three Women I Love

by Floryne Miller, Missionary to Japan

IF you could meet personally these three women who are most responsible for the plans and work of the Japan WMU, you would love them at once.

Our treasurer, Miss Sakae Sugano lives on the Seinan Jo Gakuin campus at Kokura. The executive secretary, Mrs. Kesa Higasa, lives in Tobata only thirty minutes away from WMU headquarters by streetcar, although she comes in less time on her bicycle! Our president, Mrs. Tsugi Fukunaga lives in Fukuoka, two hours distant by train. These three leaders hold weekly meetings to plan the work of WMU. They



Mrs. Fukunaga



Miss Sugano

also hold bi-monthly meetings of all general officers and bi-annual meetings of the district leaders and general officers.

Mrs. Fukunaga has had long experience as a Christian and has held many executive positions. When our Kindergarten Training School in Fukuoka was begun in 1940, Mrs. Fukunaga worked with Mrs. C. K. Dozier there. At the beginning of the war she became its head and has remained so since then. She is now adviser to the Association of Christian Kindergartens in

Japan, and also head of the Social Service Commission of Fukuoka Prefecture.

Ninety years ago Mrs. Fukunaga's father began to study the Bible while a student in the Foreign Language School in Yokohama. Before long his study led him to accept Christ as Saviour, and though his family was at first opposed, he was able later to win them. At the time he was married he was already a minister. The five children became earnest Christians. During a long illness he wrote a book on the spiritual life which is still in print and read widely.

The second daughter, Mrs. Fukunaga, married a young Methodist pastor. After his death she came to Fukuoka. She began work at the Baptist Kindergarten Training School and from conviction came into the Baptist church. She has one son and two daughters with unusual talents, and the fact that they are third generation Christians, with the advantage of a Christian home makes their ability all the more worth while. The youngest, a daughter, has a beautiful voice and is a teacher in a Tokyo kindergarten. The son is a talented musician, always in demand for any concert at Seinan University where he went to school. The older daughter is a writer of unusual ability and is working with her mother in Fukuoka. Mrs. Fukunaga says one of the finest birthdays she ever had was when the older daughter wrote the words of a beautiful poem, dedicated to her; the son set it to music; and the other daughter sang it to her. In deep humility and earnestness Mrs. Fukunaga accepted this unsought responsibility as WMU president and is serving with great diligence.

When the Japan WMU was reorganized in 1948 the Kyushu women immediately thought of Miss Sakae Sugano for the important position of treasurer. She had al-

Japan is one of the eighteen countries which the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering helps in doing WMU work

ready proved her faithfulness and efficiency during her years as teacher at Seinan Jo Gakuin in Kokura. Though her duties were heavy she could not turn down this request.

There is a reason for Sakae Sensei's unusual character. Her father, Honji Sugano,



Mrs. Higasa with the late Mrs. Junko Hara

at twenty-four years of age became the first Baptist in Kyushu. For eighteen years he was pastor in various churches in Kyushu, and he and his wife began one of the first Christian homes in this area. Through daily family prayers the five children soon learned the meaning of the Christian faith and early accepted it for their own.

Sakae Sensei, the eldest daughter, graduated from Seinan Jo Gakuin in Kokura, then from a higher school in Fukuoka. She was asked to come back to Kokura to teach, which is one of the highest compliments that can be paid a graduate. Despite heavy responsibilities she has worked steadily toward an advanced degree in her chosen field of domestic science.

Another officer who was asked to serve along with the late Mrs. Junko Hara and Miss Sugano in 1948 is Mrs. Kesa Higasa, executive secretary. Her name had long

been connected with the Rinkosha Good Will Center in Tobata. Mrs. Higasa was converted at the age of eighteen and soon entered a Northern Baptist seminary in Kobe. When she finished there, she came to Kokura to work with Miss Naomi Schell, then missionary at Seinan. They were together in those early days of annual YWA camps held on the Seinan campus. Then together they began the Rinkosha Good Will Center.

Even after her marriage to the young pastor of the Tobata Baptist Church, she did not leave the work at the Good Will Center. A graduate nurse, she was invaluable in many ways. For twenty-two years she and her husband have served the Tobata church faithfully and well. They have three children, two in college and one in high school.

We are much in prayer for these three who have such heavy duties, and we know women around the world will be remembering them too as they think of Japan Woman's Missionary Union.

Miss Kathleen Mallory

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meant to Foreign Missions, Home Missions and every kind of missions, only eternity can tell."

The pink cherry blossoms of Japan mark the coronation of spring in that land which Miss Mallory loved especially. So the pink carnations lovingly placed gave the assurance of life continuing, unending with Christ, for her who was "the Sweetheart of the South," the pink of perfection. Now that the Lord has gathered her to her reward our hearts sigh our gratitude to the Heavenly Father for her life, exquisite in devotion, expanding in its influence.

You Made Possible Another Happy Birthday

by Betty Headrick

This story of answered prayer in Brazil points up the value of your daily use of the prayer calendar

I slept little that Thursday night, but I woke up rested. As I looked at our one-year-old Debora, sleeping so peacefully, I prayed that God would give me the courage to face whatever was to come that day, September 11; and that I would be able to accept it as his will.

As I prepared Debora's bottle, I began to recall all that had happened that week. I remembered how Harvey had come home on Monday, tired from a long trip. After an early supper he went to sleep, only to awake at eleven o'clock vomiting. It wasn't until three days (and nights) later that the nausea stopped. Tuesday morning I went after the doctor who had operated on a girl from our church the Wednesday before. We had just moved to Maringa (*Ma-reen-ha*) and had had no contact with doctors except this one. He came, diagnosed the case as yellow jaundice, and began treatment immediately to stop the vomiting. I remembered how disappointed Harvey had been when he couldn't go to the airport to meet Pastor Elizeu, from Londrina (*lon-vena*), who came to conduct a revival that week. When I think of the miles I drove between the house and the hospital, I give thanks over and over to God for the First Baptist Church of Homer, my home church, and the wonderful gift of the car, "Homer Messenger," they gave us for our work here in Brazil. In spite of the rain, we held the first service Wednesday night and the Lord blessed us abundantly. Afterwards Pastor Elizeu offered to stay at the hospital that night, as I hadn't slept since Monday. The Lord knew better than I what was in store the following day and gave me a good night's sleep.

At 4:00 A.M. someone knocked at the door and I awoke immediately, praying for strength to face whatever the message was. I knew it must be the doctor. Pastor Elizeu



Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Headrick

spoke first, with, "The doctor thinks you'd better take Harvey to Sao Paulo on the first plane."

As calmly as I could, I asked, "Is he worse?"

"No," came the answer from the doctor, "but he isn't any better."

They went to the agency to reserve places on the plane at 7:00 A.M. I got busy packing and making last minute arrangements for things that had to be done. Debora and I reached the hospital at 6:30 to get Harvey, and then on to the airport to find the plane loaded. That meant we had to take Harvey back to the hospital and wait till noon. Finally we were on our way to Sao Paulo with Harvey unconscious and little Debbie ailsick.

An ambulance awaiting our arrival, took us to the hospital. The doctor, who had delivered Debbie only a year earlier, examined Harvey and ordered tests made immediately to see if his diagnosis of appendicitis was correct. While they were in the operating room that night, I kept repeating the prayer we had prayed together a few minutes before, "Thy will be done." The peace in my heart and mind the next

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These Things I Did

by Mrs. Gerald Riddell

LAST night as I closed my eyes I wondered if the happenings of the day were the fulfillment of my prayer in the early morning when I asked for guidance to accomplish what was most needed.

After breakfast with the family, the boys and I set ourselves to catch up on the garden that had gone without attention in the recent weeks of revivals and reception of a party of eleven women. They were en route to Panama for the organizational meeting of the Baptist women in the northern Latin American countries.

While still in the garden the doorbell rang. My visitor was one of our members whom we call our modern "woman-at-the-well" because of her large family by many husbands and life story before her conversion. She is very dark in color but most devout in her consecration and devotion to Christ, now that she is a Christian. As I tried to counsel with her regarding daily problems, I was reminded of the tremendous effort required to overcome the habits of a lifetime.

Immediately following lunch there was a meeting at the American school where three of our four sons were to begin classes soon. We were to consider the rules and regulations necessary for so many nationalities together in a single institution. At four there was a tea for this group and the school board. The board is made up of the officials of the outstanding oil companies, two prominent Colombians, and a cosmopolitan representation of the people involved.

I had to make excuses from the tea since that was the hour of our Woman's Missionary Union program from the *Ventana*. This is our magazine which is similar to your *ROYAL SERVICE*. The subject was "Baptist Women of Europe" and our women were talking in a most animated manner when I entered. They were comparing their experiences with those of women on another continent. For a moment I contrasted the group I had just left with this group of eleven women with their humble status, but great in spirit.

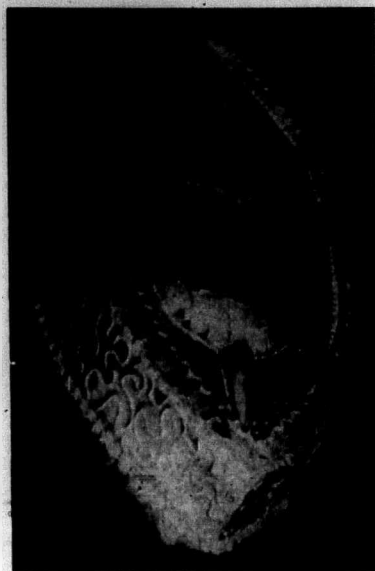
In an adjoining room there were twenty-one Sunbeams meeting.

Gerald, my husband, met me at the church for I had the car. From there we went by the new Pan American hotel, Tequendama, extremely modern in every respect. We met an American woman who had come up from one of the oil camps for a few days in the city. She had recently invited one of our members, a girl of nineteen who is working as secretary in the camp, to live in her home. We were grateful for this shelter given this young lady in that adverse environment and wanted to tell her so. It pleased us that in the hotel lobby Gerald was listed as the Baptist pastor in Bogota.

On the way home, we stopped at a pastry shop for which this country is famous, and picked up some little cakes for tea.

A very dear friend of ours, actually a member of the royal family of Austria, is married to an Anglo-Colombian. She had given birth to her second son the week before and I had visited her only once so we went to see her in the early evening to congratulate her properly. Her husband is a certified accountant and reviews our station "books" biannually in his free time. We took along the books that I had finished the night before to be checked. He is also our Spanish teacher. He attends our services and checks our Spanish mistakes in public speaking, then calls them to our attention later. His wife is still strongly Catholic. As I kissed her cheek in European fashion, bidding her good night, I recalled my embrace of the "woman-at-the-well" in Colombian fashion earlier in the day. I was amazed at the contrast of the people I had met during that day.

Because this one night we had no service at the church, we took advantage of the evening to go to bed early and read. This is our favorite pastime but one in which we have so little time to indulge. As I thought of the things that I had done this one day, I wondered if I might help answer the question asked so often, "But, as a missionary, what do you do?"



Brazil WMU seal in delicious frosting decorates cake for Miss Landrum

THE WMU watchword for 1954 was the theme that ran through the training school pageant in Rio de Janeiro on June 19. Indescribably beautiful and equally as moving in its spiritual impact on our hearts, this original presentation was written and directed by Dorine Hawkins. It depicted the key events in the life of our Lord and lifted us all to such heights that we spontaneously felt like Peter: "Lord, it is good for us to be here." One of our Brazilian women spoke for many when referring to the beauty of the last scene portraying the New Jerusalem she exclaimed, "Now I'm ready to die. How beautiful heaven must be!" The artistic work of the girls and their unusually beautiful music throughout the entire pageant made us all more aware of the glory of Christ and of our responsibility to declare his glory among all the nations everywhere.

As a part of this special program in commemoration of the forty-sixth anniversary of the WMU of Brazil, Miss Minnie Landrum, who for twenty-seven years was its executive secretary, was given special recognition in many ways. First, Dona Esther Dias, the charming WMU president, spoke of how Miss Landrum has declared the glory of God through the thirty-two years that she has been a missionary to Brazil. As a gesture of their appreciation, the Brazilian WMU presented her an album containing pictures and messages from the two chief officers of each state convention. In addition, the WMU had voted to perpetuate the name of Miss Landrum by giving to the South Brazil WMU Training School building the name, "Edificio Minnie Landrum."

Immediately after the pageant, hundreds of interested and appreciative admirers walked a few blocks to the school to watch the unveiling of the bronze plaque which was appropriately covered with the flags of Brazil and of the United States. Mrs. F. F. Soren, one of the pioneers in the WMU work in Brazil, pulled the ribbons bearing the colors of the two flags. This disclosed the beautiful bronze plaque bearing not only the name "Edificio Minnie Landrum" but also an appropriate tribute to her thirty years of fruitful service in the WMU.

Following this delightful surprise, Miss Landrum went to her apartment and found there a huge cake, patterned after the WMU emblem with its torch, open Bible and world globe. This cake was made by

"Declaring His Glory Among the Nations"

by Sophia Nichols

Photos by Minnie Lou Lanier



Miss Dorine Hawkins, Dona Esther Dias, Miss Minnie Landrum — a lovely trio

one of the members of the Tijuca (tag-joo-ka) Baptist Church in Rio and given in behalf of the WMU societies of the district of Rio.

The surprise came to Miss Landrum on June 23, the official date of the organiza-

tion of the WMU in Brazil, when the woman's page in "O Jornal Batista" (Jornal Ba-tees-ta), the national Baptist paper, published her picture and many messages of appreciation written by those who have worked with her through the years. On the day following this last surprise, Miss Landrum said to me, "I'm speechless." The simplicity of these words characterizes the simplicity of Miss Landrum in her life and service, making her an example of genuine Christian living in her missionary career in this land of the Southern Cross.

Our hearts rejoice when we see that the people with whom we work are eager to express their appreciation to one who has truly served them. Miss Landrum continues to serve as she dedicates the remaining years of her missionary life to personal visitation and soul-winning. May God call forth more young women who are willing to give up all to "declare his glory among all nations."



The tablet naming the building in tribute to Miss Landrum

Quick! See Your 1954 Year Book

We are not offering a prize, but a big mistake was discovered in the 1954 year book after forty thousand copies had been printed. Did you get one of the forty thousand?

Look on the inside back cover. Does it read, WMU Annual Meeting and Southern Baptist Convention in Miami, Fla? If it does, all is well. Your year book was corrected. If it says, Washington, D.C., please take your pencil and change that city to Miami. The convention changed its 1955 date and meeting place by vote in St. Louis. The correct date is May 15 to 21 for these two meetings and the place is Miami, Fla.

Order your year book at once to see the changes in Plan of Work and Standard of Excellence. (Order from Woman's Missionary Union, 600 North 20th Street, Birmingham 3, Ala. for 15c each.) Every WMS officer, committee chairman, committee member, WMU young people's director, counselor and WMS member needs her own 1954-55 WMU Year Book. States distribute copies free to certain WMU leaders: every member will want her own copy.

Hints to Committee Chairmen

To Mission Study Chairmen

September brings to a close the WMU year. Are you sure each organization has studied at least two books? And that 2/3 of the members enrolled in the WMS, YWA, GA, RA and Sunbeam Band have read a missionary book? If you have used the Achievement Chart as a program of work you checked off the young people's organizations as soon as they completed their books and you have the record before you. The same thing is true for the society.

Let's look at the chart for a few minutes. If your church has an Executive Committee, Cabinet or Council check yes and write 10 at the end of the column in the space labeled totals. Perhaps you did not carry out every plan that the mission study committee made, but it did function throughout the year. Check yes and record 15 points in the designated place. Suppose you record first for each organization everything that relates to the mission study requirement on the Standard. No doubt your society studied *Let's Listen* last fall. The teacher and class spent three hours together in a one-day class or at different times. Then check the square under Lecture 8 Hours opposite the month the book was studied and write 15 points at the end of the column. Check in the same way if your society studied *In Evangeline's Country* in the spring but used a different method—one of the other three listed under Category II. Remember if the second book was taught by lecture in class periods totaling three hours, just as was the first, you do not count it on the Achievement Chart, but only on the Standard of Excellence. An activity is counted once.

Now for Missionary Reading. The first activity listed is the second part of Point 8. 1/2-2/3 of your WMS enrollment read a mission book check the month the society reached this figure and record 35 points at the end of the column. Skip over to Category V. If all the young people's organizations have met the Standard of Excellence requirements (point 8 for YWA; point 7

for RA, GA and Sunbeam Band) check the months in which each organization completed the requirement and give each one credit for 30 points. You will see that by meeting the Standard of Excellence requirement for all five WMU organizations the least you could have earned is 170 points; the maximum 240. If you chose two different ways of teaching the WMS books the points varied from 15 to 50 points depending on which method you chose.

Did your church have a School of Missions? If it did and all the WMU organizations you have in your church (you take credit regardless of the number) participated you have earned another 25 points. Did the Sunday school or the Training Union have a study course week? Was a home or foreign mission study book taught in any of the classes? If any WMU organization enrolled in the class or classes where the mission book was taught you have earned another 20 points.

Maybe you have a Missionary Round Table and the YWA Book Club in your WMU. It could be that you do not, but surely there is one girl or one boy who has read a book not studied in class in fulfillment of a Forward Step in GA or a Rank in the RA chapter. Either one counts 15 points. Did you and one other teacher attend the associational mission study institute?

What about projects? Perhaps you prepared a bulletin board display for a month in connection with one of the books taught. The materials were changed weekly. Be sure these displays featured a mission study book and not some other part of the work of Woman's Missionary Union. It is quite possible that you arranged a missionary exhibit. This also should have been related to a book studied in one of the WMU organizations. Were missionary birthday cards sent to each member of a circle or to the members of one of the young people's organizations? Have you forgotten about that missionary play which was given several months ago? If you do not recall the specifications for this project look them

up in the leaflet *Explaining the WMU Achievement Chart*. You may want to keep on reading to refresh your memory about a study of the community. Do not lose sight of the fact that projects 1, 2 and 4 are a part or an outgrowth of a mission study class; the third may be.

Start right on the Achievement Chart for 1954-55 by featuring on a bulletin board in October the new foreign mission books. The possibilities for splendid exhibits on Brazil are many. Be smart and use the Achievement Chart throughout the year.

Wm. Williams McPherson
MISSION STUDY DIRECTOR

To Stewardship Chairmen

September abounds in opportunities for promoting stewardship. It is the last month in the WMU year which means that both quarterly and yearly reports are due. You will study the year's record to see if worthy stewardship advance has been made. You will rejoice if there has been a ten per cent increase in the number of tithers but will not be satisfied until every member of every WMU organization is a tither. You will do your best to obtain accurate figures on the number of WMU members giving through the Cooperative Program. You will call attention to the gifts of the three Seasons of Prayer, rejoicing if they are larger than before.

September is a fitting month for the observance of Church Night of Stewardship. Of course, you, the Young People's Director and Counselors have been planning for this all through the year. But, now is the time to bring those plans to a successful culmination. While the program is a review of what the young people have learned in their stewardship education plans for the year, it should be carefully rehearsed and every detail of the night's activities planned with the greatest care. Attractive programs, either printed or mimeographed; reserved seats for members of organizations, marked with their colors; orderly manner in the way the children move on and off the platform—such things as these add greatly to the charm and effectiveness of the program. Of course, those participating must know

what they are to do and be prepared to do it in an assured and interesting manner.

In most states, September is the month for the season of prayer and gifts for State Missions. You will be alert in promoting the offerings; set a worthy goal and see that envelopes are distributed and gathered in.

Since September ushers in the autumn season, you will be thinking about the Stewardship Revival planned by the Southern Baptist Convention for a week during the fall months. Doubtless your church is already using the A-B-C slogan: ASK-BELIEVE-COMMIT and is getting ready for the A-B-C days in October or November, when stewardship will be the special church emphasis. You will acquaint yourself with the denominational plans for this stewardship revival and do all you can to promote them in your church. An article in the WMU Year Book, "A-B-C in Stewardship" explains these plans. Your pastor will doubtless have promotional literature for the Stewardship Revival which is supplied through your state convention executive office.

Why not prepare a stewardship devotional message on the A-B-C slogan? You could use the following outline:

ASK GOD—Matthew 7:7; Psalm 2:8

BELIEVE HIM—Mark 9:23; Malachi 3:10

COMMIT THY WAY—Psalm 37:5; I Corinthians 9:17

Mrs. C. D. Chesser

To Community Missions Chairmen

As you have watched a child at play have you ever thought "If I had that much energy, how much I could do!" Energy and enthusiasm are in the very make-up of young people. The girls and boys in your church are no exception. They are always looking for something to do, somewhere to go.

Why not capture that energy for service to others in the name of Christ? Community missions should offer "something to do and somewhere to go" that bring a lasting thrill to your Frances and Mary, Jim and Bob, as well as build in them strong Chris-

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Carver School of Missions and Social Work



William Owen Carver

BY EMILY LANSDELL

Dr. William Owen Carver passed away on May 24, 1954, at the Kentucky Baptist Hospital, Louisville, after an illness of several weeks. He became ill on the eve of his eighty-sixth birthday.

The funeral was held in the Alumni Memorial Chapel of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. Dr. Carver's pastor, Dr. W. R. Pettigrew of Walnut Street Baptist Church, conducted the service, assisted by Dr. Hugh A. Blinn of the Carver School of Missions, Dr. Duke K. McCall of Southern Seminary, and Dr. Norman C. Cox of the Southern Baptist Historical Commission. Dr. J. B. Weatherspoon of the seminary faculty led the prayer at the graveside in the Cave Hill cemetery of Louisville.

It was fitting that the funeral service be held at the seminary where Dr. Carver had been on the faculty since 1896. In 1899 he

established the chair of Comparative Religion and Missions, the first such course in any theological school in the nation. Dr. Carver served under five of the seminary's seven presidents and knew all but four of the men who have been on the faculty since the establishment of the school in 1859.

Dr. Carver had a large part in the founding of the Woman's Missionary Union Training School. Miss Willie Jean Stewart, historian of the school, says Dr. Carver's "name runs like a golden thread through all the history of the training school."

In 1904 four young women came to Louisville from Virginia, Georgia, Tennessee, and Oklahoma, hoping to secure training for Christian service. Dr. Carver advised three of these young women before they came to Louisville and after their arrival continued to give encouragement and guidance. One of them, who went to China as a missionary, tells this story:

"My money gave out—no money to go home on, and no money to stay on. Dr. Carver sent for me. He pulled \$25 out of his pocket and gave it to me."

"Dr. Carver, I will take this money and go home and see if I can't get a school-teaching job and return it to you!"

"No," he said, "I don't want you to go home. We believe in you." He will never know until he gets to heaven what that has meant to me."

Another of the "Big Four" reported that Dr. Carver talked with them one afternoon and "suggested the possibility of a group of Louisville women offering a home with large advantages and a better place to live." At first they were reluctant to move until he "explained to us that perhaps if we didn't take advantage of this opportunity, we would stand in the way of other girls in the future who might want to come for study. This might be the beginning of a larger school, of a larger plan whereby other young women might come and study. We moved. Others have come and studied." So the Baptist Woman's Missionary Train-

ing Home was started in 1904, the forerunner of the WMU Training School, officially launched in 1907.

Dr. Carver was the first professor of the training school for women, and taught until his retirement in 1943. After he became professor emeritus, Dr. Carver continued as a member of the school's advisory board and served until his death.

When the school was ready for a new name, the faculty, the trustees, and Woman's Missionary Union chose to honor the school by naming it for William Owen Carver.

Dr. Carver was a long-time friend and counselor of Woman's Missionary Union and often championed the cause of women in missions. Up until 1913 the WMU did not report directly to the Southern Baptist Convention. Reports were made to the two mission boards who incorporated the activities of Woman's Missionary Union in their reports to the Southern Baptist Convention. For the twenty-fifth anniversary of Woman's Missionary Union in 1913, Dr. Carver advised the preparation of a direct report, and he succeeded in persuading the convention to hear it.

Mrs. Carver said of her husband: "Very early in his boyhood he began to get a deep reverence for womanhood, a firm belief in her mental ability, an assurance of her ability to meet her responsibilities with courage and determination, a faith that she would do her work well."

It was gracious of the Carver family to allow Woman's Missionary Union and Carver School the privilege of presenting the floral piece on the casket of their friend and counselor.

The Southern Baptist Historical Society was organized by Dr. Carver in 1938. After it became a commission of the convention he continued as its chairman until 1952 and then as an active member of the commission until his death.

Dr. Carver was born in Wilson county, Tennessee, April 10, 1868. He studied at Doyle College in Tennessee and Richmond College in Virginia. After receiving his M.A. from Richmond College in 1891, he entered the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. At the end of his second year at the seminary, he left to teach philosophy

and ancient languages at Boscobel College, Nashville. Another member of the faculty then was Miss Alice Shepard, daughter of the Rev. S. C. Shepard of Gladestown, Tennessee. They were married three years later.

Dr. Carver returned to the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in 1895. Upon completion of his graduate study the next year, he joined the faculty, first as professor of New Testament Interpretation and later as professor of Comparative Religion and Missions.

Dr. Carver traveled widely in the Far East, Europe, and South America.

He was author of numerous books and articles. One of his first books was *Missions in the Plan of the Ages*, published in 1909 and revised in 1951. His *Course of Christian Missions*, published in 1932, is widely used as a textbook for classes in the history of the Christian missionary undertaking. His latest book, a study of Ephesians, *The Glory of God in the Christian Calling*, was published after his eightieth birthday. For many years Dr. Carver was managing editor of the *Review and Expositor*.

The honorary degree of doctor of divinity was bestowed upon Dr. Carver by Bethel, Georgetown, and Carson-Newman colleges. The degree of Doctor of Laws was conferred by the University of Richmond and Furman University.

Besides his wife, Dr. Carver is survived by three sons, William Owen Carver, Jr., assistant city editor of the *Louisville Times*, Dr. James E. Carver, head of the English department at William Jewell College, Liberty, Missouri, and Prof. George A. Carver of the Carver School of Missions and Social Work; two daughters, Mrs. W. Maxfield Garrett, a missionary in Japan, and Mrs. M. B. Cramer, Chicago, a graduate of Mount Holyoke College and a writer; twelve grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

Dr. Carver continues to live through his children and grandchildren, through his books, through the some 5,500 men and 2,000 women who sat in his classes and are now scattered around the world as missionaries, or serving as mission-minded pastors and as Christian workers in many capacities in the states. His influence will never end.

It's Happening Now!

by Marjorie Moore Armstrong

Latest addition to the staff of the American Bible Society is Dr. Ivan L. Bennett, until recently chief of chaplains of the United States Army. On June 9 he was "inducted" into service as field secretary of the Society and executive secretary of the Washington City Bible Society.

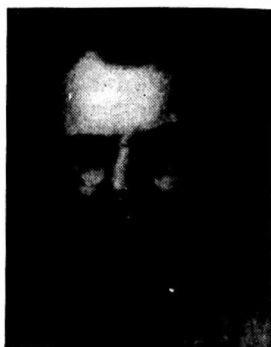
This is the second successive chief of chaplains to retire from the Army and enter the ranks of Christian education. Dr. Bennett's predecessor, Roy L. Parker, whose wife is Bráziia Giusburg of Brazil and Missouri, shed his uniform in 1952 and became professor of history at William Jewell College.

Dr. Bennett is a North Carolinian, graduate of Wake Forest College. He has doctor of divinity degrees from Payne Theological Seminary, Zenia, Ohio, and from Wake Forest. He entered the chaplaincy in 1918. In 1943 he was appointed chief of chaplains of the United States Army Forces in the Far East, and nine years later was promoted to rank of Major General and to the post of chief of chaplains of the Army.

General Matthew B. Ridgway, chief of staff of the U. S. Army, as guest speaker at the luncheon honoring former Chaplain Bennett, paid tribute to the chaplain and his work with the Bible Society. "I have seen at first hand," he said, "the operations of (the Society's) program in Japan and Korea. . . . The 15 million volumes of the Scriptures in Japanese which the Society has distributed since the end of World War II, and the volumes in Korean which are being distributed have already done much and will do more to forward the great task of achieving human understanding in which we are all united."

The installation service for the new secretary was impressive:

"Do you conscientiously believe and declare, as far as you know in your own heart, that, in taking upon you this task you are influenced by a sincere desire to promote the glory of God and the building of his kingdom?"



Dr. Ivan L. Bennett

Answer: "I do so believe and declare."

"Do you solemnly promise that, by the assistance of the grace of God, you will make paramount in all your work the achieving and making possible the translation, publication, distribution, and encouragement of use of the Holy Bible and that to this end you will endeavor to work in harmony and understanding with all Christians and will be careful to maintain deportment in all respects becoming a minister of the gospel of Jesus Christ, agreeable to your ordination commitments?"

Answer: "I do."

In his response Dr. Bennett said: "When I was chaplain of the United Nations Command in Korea, the American Bible Society provided New Testaments in the twenty-one languages spoken under that command. From no other single source could I obtain literature of any kind in all these languages."

"This nation has commitments in many countries. Wherever the personnel of the State Department and the Defense Department are on duty, and whatever the language barriers they encounter, the Word is available to them in the language of the people among whom they live and serve. It

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Our Young People

by Margaret Bruce

Choose Wisely

"The first thing I noticed about her was her smile. She entered into the work with joy and enthusiasm. She turned once boring mission study classes into gay, happy buffet dinners with exciting stories of missionaries and other lands; she made Forward Steps into a challenge of learning and community mission projects became opportunities of putting into practice what is learned in Forward Steps." These sentences were written by an Illinois GA member to describe her counselor. She also wrote, "It was she who got me interested enough to become a Maiden, encouraged and inspired me until I became a Queen in Service. It was through Girls' Auxiliary that I felt

Christ calling me into special service and I dedicated my life to him. It is my earnest prayer that all of the young people's workers will get on fire and make GAs and RAs live as my counselor has made GA live for me."

What do the young people in your church think of their leaders?

Nominating committees have been praying and working to find officers for missionary societies and counselors for young people's organizations. Serious consideration should be given to the selection of young people's leaders, since the success of the organizations depend so largely upon the counselors. The work must not be minimized by the committee but the prospective leaders must be made to realize that it is a great responsibility which requires much time, thought and preparation.

Young people are so greatly influenced by their church leaders, that only those with the highest moral and spiritual ideals should be nominated and elected. Counselors of WMU young people's organizations must also have a vision of the world and a real understanding of need for the gospel. There is no place for prejudice and intolerance in the minds and hearts of youth leaders.

Edwin Markham once said, "There is a destiny that makes us brothers; no one goes his way alone; all that we send into the lives of others comes back into our own."

Many young people's counselors have sent into the lives of the members of their organizations a missionary spirit which has inspired them to give their lives to missionary service at home and abroad.

The GA counselor in Illinois surely feels real satisfaction because of what she has meant to this GA member who writes so enthusiastically of her.

Nominating committees must seek God's guidance as they choose those who will guide their youth.

It's Happening Now

constitutes for them a way of passing on to others the charter of our freedom, the source book of our faith in the dignity of man and the sovereignty of God."

At sixty-one, vigorous, forceful Dr. Bennett enters a new career, continuing a phase of the ministry he has found most compatible—the distribution of the Bible. The American Bible Society has been interested in the spiritual welfare of the armed forces of our country for 133 years. It has provided 38 million volumes of the Scriptures to our servicemen alone. Dr. Bennett, who has served in the Philippines, Australia and Korea, has seen for himself the power of the Word of God as antidote to false propaganda.

"I hope," Dr. Bennett concluded in his comments after the installation, "that I can in some way register in this relationship my deep appreciation for what the Bible Society has done to give effectiveness to my ministry as an Army chaplain. I am happy to be associated with those who hold such vital relationship to the present and the future."



ABOVE LEFT: The Junior RAs of Palmetto, Florida enjoyed a study of the book, "Chatting with the Chews." They planned a play to summarize their mission study, made puppets, and designed properties. Their mission study was fascinating.

ABOVE RIGHT: During Focus Week YWAs of Grove Avenue Baptist Church, Richmond, Virginia went to the Crippled Children's Hospital. It is plainly evident that everyone is enjoying the visit. Such visits spread joy two ways at least.



East, West, North, South

Young people are busy in WMU organizations.
There are many ways of developing interest in missions
as these pictures show by their varied activities.



ABOVE: Sunbeams of McElwain Church, Birmingham, Alabama are listening to the story, "The Little Boat Family," about missions in Louisiana. Sunbeams love mission stories.



LEFT: Dr. H. E. Henderson, pastor of the Second Baptist Church, Petersburg, Virginia, is proud of his four Queen Regents. The Forward Steps and Ranking System give him opportunity to guide his young people.



from Mrs. H. R. Littleton
Kumasi, Gold Coast, West Africa

When we returned from furlough we set out to visit the sections of the Gold Coast where we have Baptist members. We spent more time in the Northern Territories than in any other area for that has been our most neglected area. This is true not only for our mission but for others also. Until less than ten years ago this entire part had hardly been touched by any Protestant denomination. But it is really one half the area and one fourth the population of all the Gold Coast.

The little church in Diari was built by one man, his two sons and their wives, long before a missionary ever visited them. By living faithfully as Christians they have made favorable impressions upon the people. They have secured land for a new and better location near the highway and hope to start building a larger church next year.

We have a larger group at Walewale but no trained leader. Still they have services weekly and midweek prayer meetings. They say that they have thirteen candidates who have been waiting almost two years for baptism, but there has been no ordained pastor to come to examine and baptize them.

At another place called Bolgatanga they laid the foundation for a new church building almost two years ago. But they have not done very much on it since then. Several of their members have moved away. They need someone to encourage them. They have weekly services in a rented room and the women meet each week for WMS, but because none of them can write, they have to depend on one of the men to keep their records and call the roll.

The town of Bawku has grown a great deal since I was last there in 1948. And our church has grown with it. Last year a trained pastor came over from Nigeria to be

their pastor. He and his wife have worked hard. The people have started a good stone and cement church building. The walls are straight and well built. They are now about ready for the roof. But they say that their money "is finished," and that they will have to wait until they can get some more.

Our newest group is at Nandom where they have fifteen baptized members and several others who have made a profession of faith. We arrived before our letter sent a week in advance reached there. But they seemed most happy to see us, and arranged for a meeting within two hours after our arrival. They are most eager to learn whatever they can to be better church members.

We have had a pastor at Tamale for just over two years. During this time the church has grown in many ways. The membership of sixty-five is not much larger, because some who were formerly on the rolls were not living according to Baptist principles and their names have been dropped. A number of the women and some of the young girls have been going to night school and can now read their Bibles. A large number are tithing and they are now self-supporting. They have just about finished a small home for their pastor and have some money on hand to begin a new and large church building.

When we turned west from Bolgatanga we were in territory completely new to us. This road is not very far from the Sahara Desert. Guarded old trees, stunted by many years of bush fires, broken branches and scant rainfall, dot the countryside. We saw baboons playing by the roadside. Some were so large and had such long manes that we at first thought they were lions. Later we learned that two lions were killed by motorists on this same road the week before.

The people of this area have had little contact with the outside world. Leather cords or narrow strips of cloth wrapped around their loins usually make up their wardrobe. Some prefer a bunch of leaves instead of the cloth. This also furnishes a swish for insects. A very few of the women have protruding lips. This practice is a carry-over from the days of intertribal warfare. The story goes that the men wanted to make their wives so ugly no other men

would want them.

We have six associations in our area and everywhere our need is for more trained, consecrated workers. Everywhere we go we find people quite responsive to God's message of love. They beg us to come again and again. Each of the forty-seven congregations needs a pastor and we have only six. In each place where a pastor has been sent the church becomes self-supporting within a year's time. Pray with us that God will call more trained African workers willing to come to the Gold Coast and more couples from America to help us teach and train these people.

from Mrs. Mary King (wife of a Major stationed in Japan)

Our WMU-WMS (World's Most Unusual Woman's Missionary Society) is still functioning in a great way. Even with the constant change in personnel here in the Far East we are able to locate Southern Baptist women who are interested in learning more about missions, meeting the missionaries, and have a part in financing the various projects that our society undertakes from time to time. At present we have twenty military wives and eleven missionaries in our group. This summer there will be a great turnover in our WMS in that so many of the missionary couples are finishing their language study and moving on from Tokyo to their fields of service and many military are being transferred.

I feel like I had a great honor bestowed on me when I was elected president. It is always an honor and privilege to be president of any WMS but it is especially so here with this Tokyo WMS. Last spring we finished our winter project which was a \$500 fund for Mrs. Fukunaga, president of Japan WMU, who will begin evangelistic work among the Japanese women in May. Mrs. Fukunaga has long had a desire to travel over Japan winning women to Christ through special services for them; then they can go back to their homes spreading the light of Christ there. We are praying that the Lord will use this servant of his in a great way.

Our present project is a fund of \$185 to buy sheets for the beds at our "Little Ridgecrest" here in Japan. We hope to have all

these sheets purchased and ready for use by Mission Meeting time. This will be appreciated by the missionaries as they will not have to bring their own sheets and that will cut down on baggage weight quite a lot.

from Mary Brooner
Gatooma, Southern Rhodesia, Africa

This morning as I awakened, I heard the singing of birds. I looked out my window and saw two pretty bluebirds perched on a nearby tree. I was aware that "this is my Father's world."

About 9:30 I heard the mission bell (a piece of iron tied to a tree) calling people to Sunday school and church. I thought of the bells that would be sounding throughout the world—calling people to turn from the cares of the world to Christ.

After lunch I rode my bicycle out to a village about five miles away. My bicycle trips mean much to me as I hear many, many children's voices calling out to me. "Mhoroyi, Mufundisi" (greetings, teacher).

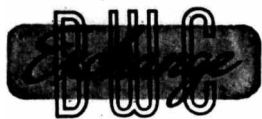
As a few African Christian women met together for their WMS meeting, the sounds I heard stirred my heart. In our service was the sound of voices lifted in praise to God and in prayer for those in the village who are lost in the darkness of sin. From nearby were coming the sounds of the beating of drums and yelling at a heathen beer-drink (as they are called here). I thought of sin, superstition and Satan as contrasted with salvation and the Saviour.

This evening as I am writing this, I hear the voices of our boarding school girls singing hymns, some in Shona and some in English. I realize anew that my Master sent me here to serve—and from these sounds I know that it is not in vain.

Among so many, can he care?
Can special love be everywhere?
A myriad homes,—a myriad ways,—
And God's eye over every place?

I asked: my soul bethought of this;—
In just that very place of his
Where he hath put and keepeth you,
God hath no other thing to do!

—A. D. T. Whitney



South Carolina

The Saluda Federation of Business Woman's Circles held its third annual meeting in the social hall of the First Baptist Church of Anderson after a dinner given by the church.

Mrs. Belt Boyce, superintendent of the Saluda Association WMU, spoke on "Leadership." She listed humility, dependability, wisdom and truth as good leadership traits. Mrs. Dewey Wellborn, president of the federation, gave the welcome address.

During the business hour Miss Sara Burton, Belton, read the minutes of the last meeting; Miss Pauline Kay, Belton, gave the treasurer's report; Mrs. Edith Little, Anderson, chairman of the Nominating Committee, presented the following names of new officers who were elected and installed: Mrs. Lloyd Dinkard, New Prospect Baptist Church, president; Miss Martha Mahaffey, First Baptist Church, vice-president; Mrs. Herbert Elrod, New Prospect Baptist Church, secretary; and Mrs. Gene Altman, First Baptist Church, treasurer.

A roll call of each circle in the federation was taken and a report on unusual aspects was given about each one.

Mrs. F. C. McConnell of the First Baptist Church pronounced the benediction.

North Carolina

Five hundred and one business women and guests from North Carolina's fifteen Business Woman's Federations attended the annual banquet at the First Baptist Church in Greensboro.

The welcome address was given by Miss Morelle Causey, chairman of the Greensboro Federation. Miss Callie Bryant, chairman of the New Hanover Federation, responded.

Mrs. Hugh W. Page, state federation chairman, expressed her appreciation for the co-operation of state officers and federations during her term in office. Miss Ruth Provence, state WMU executive secretary,

praised Mrs. Page for her service and leadership.

Mrs. Page, Mrs. Chester Walsh, and Miss Mamie Faucette had served the full three year terms as state officers.

Rev. Rex Ray, missionary to Korea, highlighted the meeting describing his trips through Korea delivering Baptist-donated relief packages to the physically and spiritually hungry people. He spoke warmly of the clothing and medical supplies sent in Korea from North Carolina.

Tennessee

In 1953 the BWC Federation set a goal for the organization of sixty-five new circles. We surpassed that by two. New goals for 1954 are seventy new circles and four new federations.

Gifts to all mission causes were reported as \$32,995.02. Many fine contributions have been made by circles and federations through offerings during the seasons of prayer, to the needy and the shut-ins. The BWCs have helped support three beds for business women in the TB hospital; given equipment for Tennessee camps; cared for children in Baptist orphans' home; sent some supplies, medicines and equipment to missionaries at home and on the foreign fields. All support the Cooperative Program and are found working in their churches.

Tennessee BWCs provided the two state camps with sound projectors and screens. Our continuing project is White Cross contributions to Africa where so many from Tennessee are serving.

The Tennessee BWC Federation officers seated, left to right, are: Mrs. Bernard Stiles, adviser; Miss Sarah E. Green, secretary; Mrs. Fifie Haynes, president. Standing are: Miss Katherine Gaines, treasurer; Miss Mamie Tucker, first vice-president; Mrs. Tully Daniel, second vice-president; Mrs. M. K. Cobble, state WMU president is standing at extreme right.



Hints To Committee Chairmen, (Continued from page 11)

tian traits of helpfulness and concern for others.

By now, each of your young people's organizations should be completing its study of its very own community missions book. Your Sunbeams should be doing the things that David and Jane did; the Junior GAs and RAs thinking about what they read in *The Secret Next Door*; the Intermediaries exploring for people whom they can help; and the YWAs seeing the opportunities within their reach.

As community missions chairman it is your responsibility to see that the enthusiasm and interest aroused by this study is converted into meaningful activity. Work closely with the counselors and committees in the young people's organizations in planning community missions and knightly deeds. From your own study of the community make several suggestions to each organization as to specific needs that its members could meet.

Give the Sunbeams and the Junior boys and girls names of children their age from unloved families or new families in the neighborhood. Not only could they visit in the home, but they could also look for the children at school, make friends, invite them to the various church activities. Or if there is a Negro or Mexican Baptist church where you live, the boys and girls could start planning now for an exchange of programs with their youth organizations, having committees from both churches working on program, decorations, refreshments, etc.

If the Intermediate GAs and RAs did some real exploring during their community missions study of *Let's Go Exploring*, they should have the names of other young people who are not Christians, older people who need young friends. Help them to plan definite visitation. Or they may have discovered an underprivileged area where they can lead a story hour, or help teach in a mission Sunday school. Or for several months they may want to adopt the children's ward at the hospital and provide tray cards, sunshine bags, games and toys, as well as visit from time to time.

With their eyes opened by *Within Our*

Reach, YWAs should be ready to do definite soul-winning visitation. Lead them, too, in a search for young people of other nationalities at school, at work, in the neighborhood. Follow through these discoveries with invitations to good times with the crowd, a ride to church, a sharing of the gospel of Christ.

With understanding and patient leadership, you can help to develop young people who are real missionaries for Christ in your community.

Edith Stokely
COMMUNITY MISSIONS DIRECTOR

You Made Possible Another Happy Birthday

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hour was such as I had never before experienced in my life.

Talking with the doctor in the room later, he told me he was more puzzled than before. He still hadn't gotten to the root of the trouble. We were to find out, after more extensive tests, that my husband's blood was almost completely dehydrated from excessive vomiting, in addition to a virus infection and appendicitis.

Friday Dr. Plinio and Dr. Warren began calling in other doctors to study the case. When Debbie and I left for Campinas (kam-pee-nas), that morning, Harvey was still sleeping, but had not passed a very good night.

Returning the same night, I knew in my heart that I would find Harvey better. It was his birthday and I knew that friends and loved ones around the world were praying, though they could not realize how much depended upon their prayers. I thanked him who is our Comforter and Healer, when I encountered the doctor at the hospital and he said, "Mr. Headrick has passed the crisis, but it was certainly a miracle—at least none of us can explain it." Miracle? We know it was nothing short of the power of God. We thank you from our hearts for your unfailing prayers.

Information For 1954-55

Watchword: "And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up"—John 3:14

Hymn: "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

Important Dates:

November 7-13	Royal Ambassador Focus Week
November 29—	WMU Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions
December 3	and Lottie Moon Christmas Offering
January 16-21	WMS Focus Week
February 13-19	YWA Focus Week
February 28—	WMU Week of Prayer for Home Missions
March 4	and Annie Armstrong Offering
May 15-17	WMU Annual Meeting
May 18-21	Southern Baptist Convention
June 2-8	YWA Conference, Glorieta, N. M.
June 16-22	YWA Conference, Ridgecrest, N. C.
June 23-29	WMU Conference, Ridgecrest, N. C.
August 4-10	WMU Conference, Glorieta, N. M.
August 14-20	Sunbeam Focus Week

Circle Program

BWCs use program material on page 23

This will be our last circle meeting of the 1953-1954 year. Wind up your mission study enthusiastically. It should have stirred the women to real zeal in Christian citizenship and new resolution to guard against use of alcoholic beverages.

The circle theme article in *Southern Baptist Home Missions* for retelling at your meeting is *Babylon America Needs a Daniel* by Paul S. James. If you did not follow the suggestion of studying the book, *Alcohol and Christian Responsibility*, the discussion will still be profitable.

If you have not had opportunity to have reports about their WMU camp experiences from your GAs, RAs, or YWAs, hear them at this circle meeting.

Then gather your final reports and rejoice in your accomplishments for the Lord—or must you be embarrassed at little achieved?

Close with a social hour and be ready to enter your new circle in October.

Your program may well proceed like this:

Hymn

Prayer for the Holy Spirit's presence in the meeting

Scripture lesson: Psalm 24

Hymn: "Break Thou the Bread of Life"

Completion of mission study

Plans presented by community missions chairman for follow-up activities regarding alcohol education and soul-winning.

Chairman will see *Community Missions* Hints in recent numbers of *Royal Service*

Talk: *Babylon America Needs a Daniel*

Hymn: "Dare to Be a Daniel"

Reports from circle chairmen

Announcements

Closing Prayer

Social Hour

THEME: A Sinful World—A Sufficient Saviour

A Saviour Sufficient for Leaders of Youth

Program

Planned by
Mrs. Jesse C. Green



Program Plans

This program is intended to stir within the hearts of our women a desire truly to "foster" our young people. This cannot be done by simply reading the words. Real conviction and consecration in presentation are needed to accomplish this purpose.

Decorate your meeting room attractively by using the paraphernalia of your young people's organizations. For your interest center, use either a flannel-graph or poster of a large tree trunk, representing your WMS. Make a branch for each young people's organization, even if you do not have them all. Branches may be in natural colors or organization colors—lavender for the trunk and the organization's for each branch. Make these as pretty and attractive as you please, with leaves of organization seals, or facts about the organization on paper leaves cut from covers of our magazines, or "whatever." Branches may be put on poster with cellophane tape.

Be sure your young people's director is responsible for the section of the program on "We Have Organizations to Help." Ask each of your young people's counselors to present the facts about her particular organization, having a member put up that organization's branch on the tree, as the counselor talks about it. Display copies of the magazines as they are mentioned. Use young people to tell about their organization activities: camps, Forward Steps and Ranking System, community missions projects, delightful mission study courses, etc.

Pass out slips of paper for names of help-

ers willing to serve in a given auxiliary or as counselors for to-be-organized groups.

At the close of the program have an informal reception, honoring your young people's director and counselors. The refreshments need not be elaborate, but the fellowship will help them to know they are appreciated.

This last meeting of the WMU year should be something "special" to help you start in the new year with renewed dedication and a spirit of co-operation in the work.

Program Outline

Scripture Reading—Psalm 1
Trees and You

Solo—"Trees"

Prayer—that God may help us to be "steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord"

Youth Feels Frustrated

We Have Organizations to Help

Hymn—"Here Am I, Send Me"

Are We Afraid of Ourselves?

Such Excuses As We Make!

Let Us Determine That We Can Lead

Hymn—"Our Best"

Leaders of Youth

Hearing His Call

Prayer—of dedication, that we may be willing to serve in helping our youth find God's plan for their lives

Hymn—"Wherever He Leads I'll Go"

Trees and You

In choosing the metaphor of the tree, the Psalmist chose a subject familiar to all, regardless of age. Even the youngest child can recognize a tree. A Christian and a tree have many similar characteristics.

A tree has deep roots, which make it stable, permanent and steadfast, in contrast to the chaff, which the wind can so easily drive away. Similarly, Paul urged the early Christians to "be steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord."

Trees stand as symbols of beauty. What can be more breath-taking than a bower of dogwood blossoms or the many brilliant colors of leaves in autumn? And what can be more sadly ugly and bleak than a forest ravaged by fire? So, the Christlike life should show beauty in every act. But how ugliness in manners and conduct, inhumanity in the lives of men can mar the beauty of God's creation!

Even the sturdy oak with its majestic spreading branches, can be destroyed, once it becomes infested with life-sapping insects, leaving the trunk standing as an empty shell. Followers of Jesus Christ should be sturdy, with hearts of love, compassion, sympathy. And yet, how often greed, jealousy, anger, selfishness, indifference eat out the very heart of the Christian life, leaving only a hollow shell of mockery.

A tree is known for its usefulness. The floor under our feet, the roof over our heads, the furniture in our homes, in our churches, in our schools, the paper and pencils which we use every day—all were once parts of stately trees. God also has a purpose for every life, a plan for service to be rendered in his kingdom. Quite honestly, how would your life be scored—as stable, beautiful, useful, with a heart of compassion, or as useless, worthless wind-driven chaff.



Youth Feels Frustrated

Never has there been a time in the history of the world when it was more imperative for every Christian—man, woman and child—to declare his allegiance to the Lord Jesus Christ not by word alone, but in deed and fact. This is a time of fears and anxieties. Every news report cries out in unmistakable language the horror of world conditions. In many places there are wars; there is death and starvation, disease and ignorance. In our own nation there are forces of distrust and greed that would destroy the very foundations of our government. Such conditions breed seeds of sin which will poison the very civilization we know and love.

Our boys and girls are growing up in indecision and frustration. No boy knows how to plan his life for he faces a probable period of training in the armed services. Should he be a conscientious objector? Should military service come after high school, after college, or instead of formal education? The restlessness in the boys resulting from such questioning is reflected in the restive lives of the girls.

As a consequence, many young people turn to things which should never have a place in the lives of teenagers. What is wrong when boys of seventeen are convicted for a series of robberies, when a high school boy is sentenced to ninety-nine years for murder, when everything and everywhere is more attractive than the church? What can our boys and girls do when the whiskey bottle is passed down row after row at practically every football game, and when week after week come beer and cocktail parties? As much as we dislike to admit it, we have to believe the recent surveys which show that nearly three-fourths of all college students are drinking intoxicating beverages. Who has failed them? Evidence points to neglect somewhere. We can heartily wish that adult men and women yet better exemplify! If we could know something of the searching eyes that watch us, as Christian women, looking for goodness, faith and strength to help young people on their way, would we not be more careful about the things we do, the words we say, and the places we go?

We Have Organizations to Help

Our church has many organizations—the Sunday school for teaching God's Word, the Training Union to prepare for church membership and service, and the Woman's Missionary Union with graded organizations for missionary education. When its program is properly carried out each organization fills a definite need.

When the women of the Woman's Missionary Societies live dedicated Christian lives, being "steadfast, unmovable, always



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a bounding in the work of the Lord," then the WMTU becomes like the trunk of a sturdy tree, nurturing and sustaining its branches, the young people's auxiliaries. We know how the Sunbeam Bands train the young children, the preschool children, four to six, and the school aged children six to nine years. Here the children are introduced to missionary stories, missionary songs and missionary giving. *Sunbeam Activities* is the quarterly that furnishes Sunbeam Band leaders with plans and programs. Watching Sunbeams grow in their new found knowledge is an inspiration in itself.

The Girls' Auxiliary helps Junior girls, nine to thirteen, and Intermediate girls, thirteen to sixteen years, grow up as mission-minded Christians, preparing them for worthy service. In *Tell*, the new mission magazine for girls, besides stories and features, the materials needed for meetings and activities are found. The GAs climb the Forward Steps from Maiden to Queen Regent, each step increasing their knowledge of the Bible and the Southern Baptist missionary program. All this will mean much to them now and as they grow older.

The Order of Royal Ambassadors is the comparable organization for boys. It serves the same ages as those of Girls' Auxiliaries. Some churches are beginning to promote

Senior chapters for the older boys. *Ambassador Life* presents in real he-man fashion Christian principles and missionary information necessary to develop true Ambassadors for Christ. The RA Ranking System leads the boys from Page to Ambassador Plenipotentiary in their knowledge of the Bible and missions.

Young unmarried women, between the ages of sixteen and twenty-five, in our churches, in college dormitories and schools of nursing are eligible for membership in Young Woman's Auxiliary. After their training in Girls' Auxiliaries, they go on in their projects to discover what it means to be missionary wherever they are. If they have not had Girls' Auxiliary experience, the Young Woman's Auxiliary is all the more necessary. Through their own magazine, *The Window of YW*, with all its attractiveness to young women, they catch a vision of the Southern Baptist program to "make disciples of all nations."

Too much cannot be said for the influence exerted by our Woman's Missionary Union summer camps. Many of us know firsthand what the experiences there have meant to our own boys and girls. Morning watch and vesper services, the privilege of meeting real missionaries, counselors, camp pastors bring values of inestimable worth in the growth of any boy or girl.

As we have a place for every age group in our program, so surely the charge of neglecting our youth cannot be upon our WMU shoulders. Yet in our Southern Baptist Convention, there are 19,207 Woman's Missionary Societies, but only 4,300 full-graded unions! (Put on blackboard and subtract or hold up poster showing figures.) There are 12,882 Sunbeam Bands, 19,288 Girls' Auxiliaries, 6,486 Young Woman's Auxiliaries and 12,856 Royal Ambassador Chapters.

In a few cases, there may not be enough young people for organization, but in most churches there are at least three of each age group and these should not be neglected. The crying need is for consecrated counselors, backed by a WMS that is really "abounding in the work of the Lord." This combination produces a program that will challenge boys and girls of any age. Fostering means more than furnishing transportation, entertainment and refreshments, as

important as these are. Fostering also means providing a truly missionary atmosphere, with a program crammed full of inspiration and information, that will help our boys and girls both to love God's people and to understand his plan for their salvation.

Many, many years ago, Paul cried, "I beseech you, therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service." Certainly, in this generation, Paul would include women in this urgent plea. We know that the future of our nation, of our churches, even of our very civilization will rest with our young people. If they are rightly related to God's will, properly trained and guided, they will build a nation strong and righteous. One generation can change the world. Are we making young people ready for world changing service in Christ's name? They are in our hands to be molded for Christ's use or neglected and lost to his kingdom work.

(Use young people as suggested in program helps.)

Are We Afraid of Ourselves?

In Paul's second letter to Timothy, we read, "I call to remembrance the unfeigned faith that is in thee, which dwelt first in thy grandmother Lois, and thy mother Eunice; and I am persuaded in thee also. Wherefore I put thee in remembrance, that thou stir up the gift of God, which is in thee by the putting on of my hands. For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind."

Few of our young people seem to have faith to believe they have any gift within themselves. Could it be because their elders have shown little evidence of faith or gifts? Paul has told us that whatever sacrifice it takes for us to work in Christ's kingdom is only reasonable service. He further reminds us that God has not given us the spirit of fear, but of power and of love. Yet too often we are afraid to venture in his name. David, the Psalmist, tells us, "Thy people shall be willing in the day of Thy power." We are God's people. His power is available to us, we know; surely, we should be willing to

offer ourselves to be channels of his grace to his needy world as we build within the young people of our churches a willingness to serve him too. Too often we do not seem to be willing! When the call comes for us to serve the Lord, we spend most of our time making excuses.

Such Excuses As We Make!

When God called Moses to lead the children of Israel, he wanted Moses to do the job—no one else! Yet Moses went through a whole series of excuses—Who was he that he should go? How would the people know God had really sent Moses to them? How could he talk sufficiently when he wasn't eloquent? God patiently answered each question. He even turned Moses' rod into a serpent and back to a rod. He made his hand leprous and then well again that Moses and the people might believe. Still, Moses asked God to send someone else. "And the anger of the Lord was kindled against Moses."

Many times when God has a job for us to do, he must become angry with our flimsy excuses. We say we think someone else might be better suited. We fear we won't do the job well or we will not have enough time to do it properly. Dare a Christian woman use her freedom as she pleases and then make it an excuse from service to which Christ calls her? Many find time for all sorts of clubs and organizations, but little time for Christ. We know there should be no reason for any fears, for we find these words in Chronicles:

"And thou, Solomon my son, know thou the God of thy father and serve him with a perfect heart and with a willing mind: for the Lord searcheth all hearts, and understandeth all the imaginations of the thoughts: if thou seek him, he will be found of thee; but if thou forsake him, he will cast thee off forever. . . . And who then is willing to consecrate his service this day unto the Lord?"

Can we not take God at his word? Do we not know that he will certainly be with us when we even try in his name? We have God's promise that he will help us do it we are willing to serve. We must be willing to serve our young people; they are our future.

Let Us Determine That We Can Lead

We should realize that when God calls us as leaders of youth, he is calling us to some of the biggest tasks in his kingdom. He never calls any of us to work that he will not see through. He has promised that "as thy days so shall thy strength be."

When the Lord Christ called his disciples to become "fishers of men," they were also to carry on his work after he had returned to his Heavenly Father. He called men of diversified occupations, not trained specifically for the work he wanted them to do. They were all men of individual personalities and ideas of what should be done. There was Peter, the impetuous; Andrew, the plodder; John, the poet; Thomas, the melancholy, the doubter. They made quite a variety of personalities, and yet each had his place to fill in God's plan for the salvation of the world.

We, too, can determine to fill the place that God appoints to each of us in the kingdom. Each has some talent of his own. We should delight to learn to use the talents we have. After we have put aside our fears and excuses, we still feel that perhaps we should have more training or more experience before we can start any work in Christ's kingdom. We should realize that God will bless our efforts, and begin with the talents we have developed. When David went out to fight Goliath, he could not use the unfamiliar armor offered him by King Saul. He relied on and he conquered with his familiar things. "So David prevailed over the Philistine with a sling and with a stone, and smote the Philistine, and slew him." In the same way we conquer our doubts and fears, our excuses and anxieties by starting to use what talents we have. The Christ who could bless a small boy's lunch and multiply it to feed five thousand people can surely multiply our efforts into acceptable service by his spirit.

Leaders of Youth

What a glorious challenge is ours when the Saviour sufficient for all our need calls us to lead boys and girls in paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Many women can share in this wonderful experience if

they will. What a joy mothers and fathers feel when they start their children aright on the path toward God.

Many homes have grace at meals, family devotions, individual daily Bible reading or prayer. Consequently, there is encouragement to children to accept Christ as Saviour and to become workers in his vineyard. On the other hand a group of foreign students touring our



country was surprised at the inconsistency of our people on all levels. Could this fault be traced to lack of home training? How can our nation assume a place of Christian leadership in the world if we fail to teach our own children in the home?

More parents must be ready to dedicate their children and to help them hear and heed God's call.

A grave responsibility rests upon anyone with whom the child comes in contact in the church—the pastor, the Sunday school teacher, the missionary counselor. Enrollment is important, but we must continue to give them "the bread of life" after they are enlisted. The children, the teen-agers and even older boys and girls need much help in finding God's will for their lives.

We know today that God needs Christian laymen—whether they be doctors, lawyers, farmers, nurses, secretaries, teachers. Every Christian can render full-time service. It is true that there have never been enough boys and girls who answered Christ's call to become preachers, missionaries, directors of religious education and the many other titles given to what is usually known as full-time Christian service. But there would be a great pouring of God's spirit upon the nations of the earth if all Southern Baptists were taught that all can pray, most can give, some can go!

There are barometers to measure atmospheric pressure, thermometers to measure temperature, speedometers to measure speed, but there is no instrument to measure the influence our missionary organizations have on the lives of our boys and girls.

Can you imagine how you would feel if

you were a GA counselor and through your missionary activities helped a girl to catch such a vision of suffering over the world, that she answered God's call to become a medical missionary to minister in his name somewhere? Suppose you and your husband had led your RA chapter in such a study of home missions that one of your RAs knew no peace until he had promised God to preach to those of our own land who could not believe because they had never heard. Boys and girls can be led to dedicate their lives to Christ, and resolve to put first things first regardless of their vocations or occupations. Could any reward in any task be greater?

Hearing His Call

From those young people appointed by the Foreign Mission Board even last year, we have certain evidence of God's working through our missionary organizations. Paul Bell, Jr., whose father was our valiant missionary for many years, says it was in a summer Royal Ambassador Camp that he became actually conscious that he was lost and needed Jesus. Following his father in his mission work convinced him that Jesus Christ needed him too. His wife also received God's call in a WMU camp. She knew God wanted her to be a missionary, but where she did not know.

Daniel Carroll and his wife, Betty Alice, going to Argentina, both attribute their interest in and love for missions to the knowledge received in Royal Ambassador chapter and Girls' Auxiliary.

Mrs. C. S. Ford, Jr., appointed to Nigeria states: "Among the most important experiences which influenced my early Christian growth was the privilege of attending YWA week at Ridgcrest during my last two years in high school. The wonderful missionary messages I heard there gave me food for thought throughout the year."

Miss Nita McCullough in Nigeria testifies that it was through serving as a GA counselor that she learned much about God's work in the world. As she studied with the girls the work of our missionaries, she prayed that some of her girls would become missionaries. Later, she dedicated her own life.

Miss Violet Popp found in GA camp that the girls were responsive to the call to missions. As she took part in the WMU and auxiliary work, she became more and more interested in the mission program and the needs of the world, until she dedicated her life for full-time service. Now she is a capable nurse in our hospital in Ajloun, Jordan.

So, we see that our Woman's Missionary Union, in all of its branches, can so present world need, that not only boys and girls, but adults as well, feel constrained to answer the call of Christ. Will we let God so burn his great truths on our hearts that never again will there be an unanswered plea for counselors? May we answer his call whenever it comes, and go forward in his strength, knowing that in him there is a Saviour sufficient for leaders of youth.



An Additional Idea

To decorate your program or favors, in use in connection with suggested tree trunk poster, order seals from Woman's Missionary Union, 600 North 20th Street, Birmingham 3, Alabama. YWA, G.A. RA, Sunbeam seals, each packaged separately. Packaged only as listed: Large, size 2", 12 for 15c, 50 for 55c, 100 for \$1; small, 1 1/4", 25 for 15c, 50 for 25c, 100 for 40c.



Pray Ye

by Mrs. Elmer W. Brillhart, Oklahoma

The missionaries are listed by birthdays. For detailed addresses, see directory in magazine, *Southern Baptist Home Missions*, and *Directory of Missionary Personnel* which may be obtained free from the Foreign Mission Board

1 Wednesday "This is the day which the Lord hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it"—Psalm 118:24 Rev. Gil Aldape, Eagle Pass, Tex., ev. among Spanish, Mrs. James P. Kirk, Vitoria, Brazil, ed. ev., Rev. C. L. Neal, Mexico, em.

2 Thursday "He that keepeth his mouth, keepeth his life"—Prov. 13:3 Rev. Abbie Thibodeaux, Montegut, La., ev. among French, Rev. Robert D. Buess, Ensenada, N.M., ev. among Spanish, Mrs. William R. Norman, Nigeria, *Dr. A. B. Oliver, Rio de Janeiro, Miss Mary Ruth Carney, Belo Horizonte, Brazil, Mrs. Robert L. Harris, Lima, Peru, Mrs. Theodore H. Dowell, Pusan, Korea, ev. Mrs. R. C. Moore, Santiago, Chile, ed. ev., Joyce Oliver, MF

3 Friday "My presence shall go with thee, and I will give thee rest"—Exod. 33:14 Mrs. W. O. Hern, Beirut, Lebanon, Jan. sc.; *Paul Emanuel, Takamatsu, Japan, ev.; pray for WMU Season of Prayer for State Missions and Offering being observed this month

4 Saturday "Thy word was unto me the joy and rejoicing of mine heart"—Jer. 15:16 Rev. Charles Whitten, Barcelona, Spain, Rev. Walter Hunt, Davao, P.I., ev., Mrs. E. Miltord Howell, Warri, RN, *Rev. Ralph Davis, Nigeria, ed. ev., Rev. W. B. Glass, China, em.

5 Sunday "My mouth shall praise thee with joyful lips"—Psalm 63:5 Rev. Bruce R. Conrad, Newkirk, Okla., ev. among Indians, *Dr. George A. Bowdler, Jr., Guatemala City, Guatemala, Rev. Ralph T. Bowlin, Gatoorna, Southern Rhodesia, Mrs. E. F. Holmes, Concepcion, Chile, ev., Miss Pauline White, Jaguaguara, ed. ev., Rev. W. B. Sherwood, Brazil, em.

6 Monday "God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind"—2 Tim. 1:7 Mrs. Charles E. Compton, Jr., Cel Galvao, *Rev. James L. Garrett, Recife, ev., Miss Edith West, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, Rev. Homer A. Brown, Ibadan, Nigeria, Rev. Tucker N. Callaway, Fukuoka, Japan, ed. ev., Miss Virginia Miles, Mati, P.I., RN

7 Tuesday "The Lord is good, a stronghold in the day of trouble"—Nah. 1:7 Mrs. T. B. Stover, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, pub. ev., Mrs. L. C. Smith, HMB, em.

8 Wednesday "My God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus"—Phil. 4:19 Rev. Abel Tamez, Phoenix, Ariz., ev. among Spanish, Rev. William P. Andrews, Temuco, Chile, *Mrs. Paul S. Cullen, Eku, Nigeria, ev., Rev. C. F. Frazier, HMB, em.

9 Thursday "Who can find a virtuous woman? She stretcheth out her hand to the poor; yea, she reacheth forth her hands to the needy"—Prov. 31:10,20 Mrs. Emilio Barry, Los Angeles, Calif., ed. ev. among Spanish, Miss Mildred Womack, New Orleans, La., GWC, Mrs. C. A. Leonard, China, em.

10 Friday "The Lord is slow to anger, and great in power"—Nah. 1:3 Rev. W. Neville Claxton, Ibadan, Nigeria, ed. ev.; pray that more parents will dedicate children to mission service

11 Saturday "Stablish your hearts unblameable in holiness before God"—1 Thess. 3:13 Rev. Irvin Dawson, Sacramento, Calif., ev. among Spanish, Rev. Harvey O. Headrick, Maringa, Brazil, *Rev. T. L. Neely, Caracas, Venezuela, ev.

12 Sunday "The light of the righteous rejoiceth"—Prov. 13:9 *Miss Amanda Tinkle, Shaki, Mrs. Buford E. Cockrum, Jr., Ogbomoshu, Nigeria, *Dr. F. T. Woodward, Honolulu, T.H., Rev. Carl Halverson, Takamatsu, ev., *Miss Johani Johnson, Tokyo, Rev. R. V. Calcote, Kokura, Japan, Rev. Fay Askew, Parana, Argentina, *Rev. H. H. Snuggs, China, ed. ev., Mrs. Lonnie Ross Brock, Jr., Sao Paulo, Brazil, Jan. sc.

13 Monday "Keep the way of the Lord... do justice"—Gen. 18:19 Rev. Eddie Savoie, Jennings, La., ev. among French, Herman Savoie, MF

"Prayer does not consist of words alone but also of attitudes and actions."

—GLENN CLARK

14 Tuesday "As for God, his way is perfect"—2 Sam. 22:31 Mrs. Desiderio Calzoncit, Los Cruces, N.M., ev. among Spanish, Rev. Elton Moore, Bandung, Indonesia, lan. sc., Miss Minnie D. McIlroy, Buenos Aires, Argentina, ed. ev., Miss Virginia Katherine Terry, Recife, Brazil, sec. ev.

15 Wednesday "No good thing will he withhold from them that walk uprightly"—Psalm 84:11 *Rev. R. C. Sherer, Kobe, Japan, ev., Mrs. Robert M. Parham, Port Harcourt, Nigeria, ed. ev., Mrs. Russell Bowren, Gallup, N.M., ev. among Indians, Miss Troy Cunningham, East St. Louis, Illinois, GWC, Rev. Epigenio E. Ramirez, Cuero, Tex., ev. among Spanish, Rev. William Graves, San Jose, Costa Rica, lan. sc., Mrs. J. B. Parker, HMB, Rev. C. F. Stapp, Brazil, Miss Florence Jones, China, em.

16 Thursday "The path of the just is as the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day"—Prov. 4:18 Miss Wilma Weeks, Surabaya, Indonesia, ed. ev., Mrs. Audley G. Hamrick, Magdalena, N.M., ev. among Indians, Rev. Pedro A. Hernandez, San Jose, Calif., ev. among Spanish, *Rev. J. J. Cowser, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, pub. ev., *Rev. E. M. Cross, Wahiawa, T.H., ev., Mrs. Attie Bostick League, China, em.

17 Friday "Be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath"—James 1:19 Mrs. Robert Seig, Oklahoma City, Rev. Fred Bloomer, Ft. Cobb, Okla., ev. among Indians, Mrs. Jose Ramirez, Bakersfield, Calif., ev. among Spanish, *Dr. J. E. Low, Ogbomoso, Nigeria, MD, Rev. James K. Ragland, Beirut, Lebanon, lan. sc.

18 Saturday "My soul doth magnify the Lord"—Luke 1:46 Mrs. J. Wilson Roks, Torreon, Mexico, Mrs. Max E. Pettit, Taichung, Taiwan, Rev. W. E. Craighead, Encarnacion, Paraguay, Mrs. John C. Denton, Anchorage, Alaska, Mrs. Lorne Brown, Ajloun, Jordan, ev., Mrs. Camara Guerra, Pharr, Tex., ed. ev. among Spanish, Rev. Wiley Henton, Globe, Ariz., field worker, *Rev. Jonathan B. Durham, Port Harcourt, Nigeria, ed. ev., Mrs. C. K. Dotier, Japan, em., Evelyn Craighead, MF

19 Sunday "O earth, earth, earth, hear the word of the Lord"—Jer. 22:29 *Mrs. James E. Wood, Jr., Fukunaka, Japan, ed. ev.; pray that mothers will be glad to encourage sons and daughters to listen to the Lord's voice asking them to become missionaries

20 Monday "Why beholdest thou the mote that is in thy brother's eye, but perceivest not the beam that is in thine own eye"—Luke 6:41 Rev. Charles B. Lewis, Natchez, Miss., ed. ev. among Negroes, Mrs. Stanley Ray, Oyo, Nigeria, ev.

21 Tuesday "A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in pictures of silver"—Prov. 25:11 Miss Irene Jeffers, Hsin Chu, Taiwan, ed. ev., Rev. M. W. Walker, Harpers Ferry, W. Va., ed. ev. among Negroes, Miss Carolyn Cate, Ajloun, Jordan, RN, lan. sc., Rev. George Wilson, Albuquerque, N.M., ev. among Indians, Rev. Enrique Pina, Havana, Cuba, ev., Mrs. G. L. Phelps, HMB, Mrs. J. L. Hart, Chile, em.

22 Wednesday "The servant of the Lord must be gentle unto all men, apt to teach, patient"—2 Tim. 2:24 Rev. Reinaldo Medina, San Juan y Martinez, Cuba, ev., Mrs. J. D. Crane, Torreon, Mexico, ed. ev.

23 Thursday "Thy prayers and thine aims are come up for a memorial before God"—Acts 10:4 Pray that the Lord will call more young men and young women as missionaries

24 Friday "God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able"—1 Cor. 10:13 Rev. and Mrs. C. P. Cowherd, Bandung, Indonesia, Miss Mary Edith Vaughn, Recife, Brazil, ev., Miss Lucy Smith, Tokyo, Japan, sec. ev., Mrs. Merced Becerra, Hondo, Tex., ed. ev. among Spanish, Miss Jewell Morrisette, Mobile, Ala., ev. among Negroes

25 Saturday "The word of the Lord is tried: he is a shield to all them that take refuge in him"—2 Sam. 22:31 Rev. Cleofas Castano, Jacomino, Cuba, ev., Mrs. Julian Reyna, Truth or Consequences, N.M., Mrs. Milton Leach, Jr., Ft. Worth, ev. among Spanish, Mrs. C. T. Paige, Marshall, Tex., ed. ev. among Negroes, Miss Lillie Mae Hundley, Honolulu, T.H., ed. ev.

26 Sunday "God is a spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth"—John 4:24 *Rev. Paul E. Sanderson, Belem, Brazil, ev., Miss Hazel Mook Iwo, RN, *Miss Martha Tanner, Ibadan, Nigeria, sec. ev.

27 Monday "The Spirit itself beareth witness with our Spirit, that we are the children of God"—Rom. 8:16 Mrs. J. C. Powell, Oyo, Nigeria, Rev. Nelson Rodriguez, Carlos Rojas, Rev. Juan B. Ferrer, San Antonio de los Baños, Cuba, ev., Mrs. D. F. Stamps, Honolulu, T.H., *Miss Dorine Hawkins, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, ed. ev., Mrs. Paul C. Bell, Sr. HMB, em.

28 Tuesday "God is not the author of confusion, but of peace"—1 Cor. 14:33 Miss Fern Harrington, Dagupan, P.I., Miss Ona Belle Cox, Manaus, Brazil, Miss Mildred Matthews, Havana, Cuba, ed. ev., Mrs. C. F. Clark, Jr., Tokyo, Japan, Mrs. Wyatt Lee, Guadalajara, Mexico, RN, Rev. Daniel R. Cobb, Bangkok, Thailand, ev., lan. sc.

29 Wednesday "With thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God"—Phil. 4:6 *Mrs. Ralph Davis, Nigeria, ed. ev., Miss Ondina Maristany, Havana, Cuba, Rev. Max E. Pettit, Taichung, Taiwan, ev., Mrs. D. M. Regalado, Rio Grande City, Tex., ev. among Spanish, Miss Mabel Malone, McAlester,

Okla., ev. among Indians, Ruben Regalado, MF

30 Thursday "In the shadow of thy wings wilt I rejoice"—Psalm 63:7 Rev. E. W. Beasley, Los Angeles, Calif., ev. among Negroes, Rev. S. A. Candal, Birmingham, Ala., ev. among Italians, Miss Lillie Rogers, Singapore, Malaya, Dr. W. C. Taylor, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, ev.

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Theme: "The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God"—Isaiah 40:3

October: Make Straight a Highway for Our God—General picture of world conditions and world missions. Over-all progress—foundations of road, small beginnings, great heritage demands a great dedication.

November: New Roads in Rhodesia—Program on this new field in Africa.

December: "How Far Is It to Bethlehem Town?"—Spirit of true observance of Christmas.

January: Pointing the Chosen People to the Way—History of Jewish people; Jews in America, in Israel, and other parts of world; missionary progress among them.

February: El Camino (the road) in Cuba—Baptist life in Cuba, handicaps and encouragements; influences from USA.

March: Building Roads Together—Cooperative Program—show how Annie Armstrong Offering supplements the Cooperative Program, need for prayer as well as money

April: Caution: Crowded Island—Historical background of Hong Kong, conditions today, Baptists at work now in Hong Kong.

May: Up and Down the City Streets—Institutions, City Missions, Good Will Centers, Rescue Missions.

June: Stup, Look and Listen!—Adult responsibility and opportunities youth has for service; parental encouragement to answer God's call; "wrecks" and crooked places; fastening adventure, challenge to women to lead young people.

July: All Roads Lead to London—Story of founding and growth of Baptist World Alliance, our Baptist heritage, praying for meeting.

August: A Sure Road to National Downfall—Liquor traffic, subtle appeal to moderation in all classes of society, lowered morals, breakdown of home, common practice for celebration, courage required to abstain.

September: Along the Elephant Road—Our new work in old Thailand (Siam), background about country, need for gospel, opportunities.

New Books to Read

by Anne Crittendon Martin

"The Gentle House"
by Anna Ferrott Rose,
Boaghton-Mifflin, \$2.75.

The quotation marks around the title were put there by the main character in the book, Andris. For to this 11-year-old displaced Latvian boy, it was "the gentle house" and much more. The house and its occupants all played their part in bringing to this "problem child" of the war a healthy, happy home life where he slowly learned to feel secure and loved.

Mrs. Rose is the already-famous author of *Room for One More*, published four years ago. Readers of this first book—of the experiences of herself and her husband in raising three underprivileged children in addition to their own three—will be even more amazed at her current experiment in human relations. Yet, they will not be surprised that she succeeded where almost everyone predicted certain failure.

Her husband's death left her needing a challenging situation — and she certainly found it in Andris, the orphan boy who was in reality a war victim. When he arrived at "the gentle house" he was given to six and eight-hour tantrums, to hiding from airplanes expecting bombs to fall from them, to alternating between acts of love and cruelty, to fighting and biting, and to giving orders while refusing to take any. In short, he was an unholy terror.

The changes brought by love and faith, patience and prayer are slow but sure. In the end Andris is a model boy, who grows in determination to become an American citizen.

Here is a book—good, clean, wholesome—to recommend to everybody, but especially to families with a "problem child."

How to Make Friends Abroad
by Robert Roaf,
Association Press, \$2.

This little book would make an excellent gift to a friend who is going abroad now or to London for the Baptist World Alliance in 1955. Though most of the advice is nothing newer than common sense and common knowledge, it is an aptly-stated review.

Mr. Roaf has been a Pulitzer scholar and has lived abroad with his family, fully qualifying him to point out the things Americans should, and should not, do to win friends away from home. His analysis of our country and its character is so keen that we see ourselves in a new, and not entirely flattering, light.

His suggestions on ways to improve our country's public relations can be used by stay-at-homers who come into contact with visitors or students from overseas.

We cannot know now how important it will be in the next few years to America to have made friends with other peoples . . . but we cannot doubt that the effect will be far-reaching.

Face to Face With India
by Roland E. Wolseley,
Friendship Press, \$2.50 cloth, \$1.25 paper.

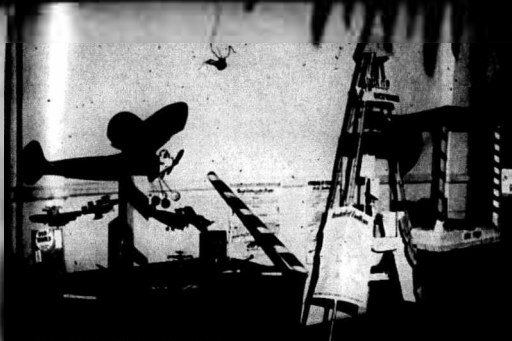
In the pages of this compactly-written book India is presented in a different fashion, through the lives of specific persons in that vast population.

Selected with care by the painstaking author the character studies give a well-rounded picture of the "real India" found outside the big and famous cities. For the case histories — railway worker, teachers, rickshaw-puller, doctors, farmers, politician, and others—are all from Nagpur, a city in the heart of India.

In each chapter Wolseley highlights a social problem and then lets the characters act it out just as they feel and speak in their natural setting. The eight problems are: Work, Education, Food, Health, Weather, Crime and Justice, Politics, and Religion.

Wolseley, a professor of journalism at Syracuse University, gathered the material for this book during 1952-53 when he went on leave to India, where he helped to establish and served as the first head for the new Department of Journalism, Hislop College, Nagpur University. Written with Christian understanding and insight this book should prove an important addition to background books on India.

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Woman's Missionary Union of First Baptist Church, Spartanburg, South Carolina had a wonderful Book Fair. The pictures show different parts of it. Pennants and dropped ceilings gave a tent effect. The children's swings revolved to show books they held. Dolls and airplanes suggested flight to other lands via books. The open Bible and books on God's plan for the whole world to know his love were in a central place.

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INTERMEDIATE RA and GA: Flying Missionaries

Our missionary pilot in Brazil tells of flights serving as emergency ambulance, supply truck or carrying missionaries and nationals to preach. Stories of forced landings on makeshift runways and the welcome by the people will always thrill RAs



YWA: Land of Many Worlds

Son of a missionary and a missionary himself, the author presents Brazil's need of the gospel through the story of the lives of a young couple called to serve in this important mission field



WMS: Pilgrimage to Brazil

The last book by Dr. Everett Gill, Jr., pictures the work of the Brazilian Baptist Convention and actual missionary experiences in the 20 states of this most flourishing of Southern Baptist mission fields

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