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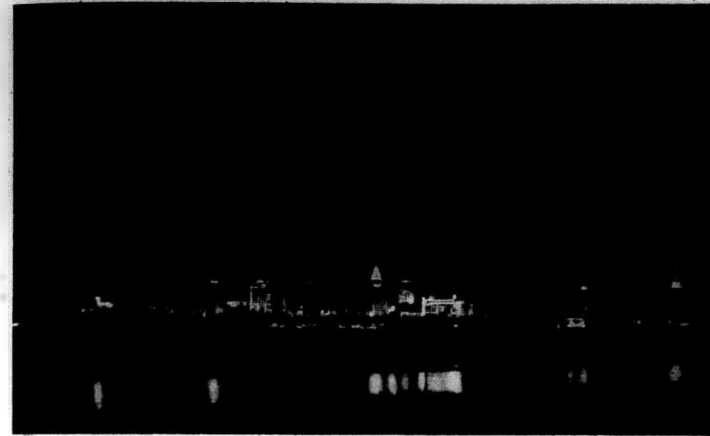
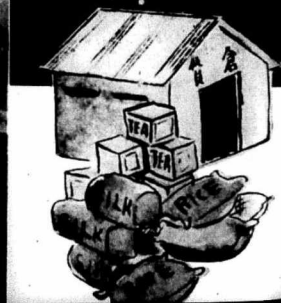
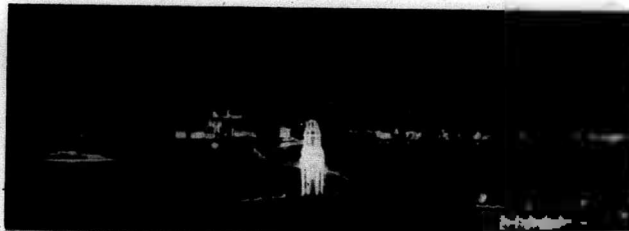
Craftsmen, laborers and vendors, businessmen and industrialists



This is Hong Kong . . .

One of the world's greatest trading centers

Neon-lit railroad tower dominates harbor which separates mainland (Kowloon in foreground) from steep Hong Kong Island (Victoria in background) Below is a view from Victoria Peak looking toward the mainland (Kowloon



See this inviting skyline of Miami in May

Welcome to Miami

by Mrs. Ladislau Bivo, chairman

W e here in "Magic City" fair
E xtend to each of you
L ove's hand of welcome, hope to share
C onvention joys anew
O n train, by car, on plane or bus
M ay many of you fare
E xpecting great things, join with us
God's blessings here to share.

T each and every, one of you,
O ur welcome is sincere.

M any joyfully wait for you,
I t needs your presence here
A mid the blessings of those days
M ay we all come to know
I ncreased desire to serve his cause,
Our Saviour's name to praise.

W e greet you all, we pledge our love,
M ay all our hearts be true,
U nited women under God,
we work and wait for you.

THE SKY seems a little bluer, the sun a little brighter, the flowers a little more beautiful this year here in Miami. We, who are looking forward to the coming of the session of Southern Baptist Woman's Missionary Union in May, believe this is in anticipation of the arrival of our friends. Even the palm trees appear to be waving their branches in greeting and the lovely sea breezes seem to whisper of the glad day when Baptist women will begin to arrive. From all over the Convention territory and from lands afar, a great host of Baptists will soon be heading for Miami. We eagerly await your coming and the blessings you always bring with you.

We are delighted to be able to entertain again a meeting of Woman's Missionary Union. We rejoice in sending this word of greeting to the Baptist women of the Convention from the Baptist women of the Miami Association and of all Florida. Miami is truly a "Magic City," but when the

Welcome to Miami

"People called Baptists" come to town, it takes on a new glow, a new spirit that lives with us for months after adjournment as we wend our ways back to our local work.

We had a wonderful time back in 1946 on your first visit to Miami—and again in 1952 when we renewed old friendships and made new ones. Now, we are thinking of May, 1955 as a kind of "Old Home Week." To many of you Miami will be a familiar, and we hope, a beloved sight. Some of you will be coming to Miami for the first time. We believe this will be a memorable occasion for you. If you are trying to decide

whether or not to make the trip, we especially urge you to come. We want to share with you the joys that come only when God's co-laborers gather together to plan and pray for the ongoing of his kingdom throughout this war-wearied, trouble-torn, sin-sick world. Truly, we want to join with you in lifting up the Son of man that all who see and hear may unite in singing "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name."

We are looking forward to a heaven-blessed session. Our lovely weather, our friendly people, and most of all, the joy and inspiration that always come from such gatherings—all these we want to share with you as we send to you a most cordial invitation to come to Miami in May.

Proposed Amendment to By-laws of Woman's Missionary Union, Auxiliary to Southern Baptist Convention

The following amendment has been proposed, according to Article XII of the WMU By-laws, by the undersigned societies from the Macon Association in Georgia:

Article IV, Officers, Section 2. The officers shall be elected at the annual session and, with the exception of the president and vice-presidents, shall hold office for one year or until their successors are elected. The president shall hold office for four years and cannot be re-elected for more than one term of office. The vice-presidents shall hold office for one year or until their successors are elected, unless in the interim between annual sessions, their respective state elects a new president; the newly elected state president shall fill the unexpired term. The term for officers shall begin at final adjournment.

Avondale	Ingleside	Tatnall Square
Calvary	Mabel White	Cross Keys
First Baptist	Rebecca	Log Cabin

Dates to keep . . . for prayer and travel

- WMU Annual Meeting in Miami, Florida, May 15-17
- Southern Baptist Convention in Miami, May 18-21
- YWA Conference at Glorieta, New Mexico, June 2-8
- YWA Conference at Ridgecrest, N.C., June 16-22
- WMU Conference at Ridgecrest, N.C., June 23-29
- Baptist World Alliance, London, England, July 16-22
- WMU Conference at Glorieta, New Mexico, August 4-10
- Young Men's Mission Conference at Ridgecrest, August 11-17

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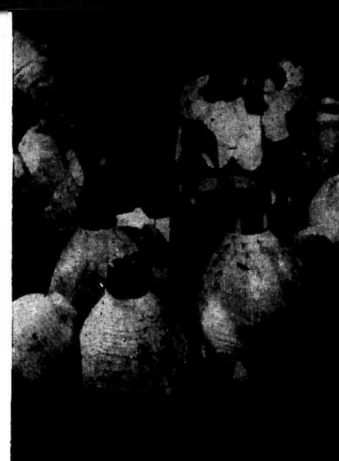
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A—Early summer is tea-picking time at the foot of Mt. Fuji. B—Girls are eager helpers when the boats come in with a day's catch. C—Paper lanterns are indispensable accessories in Japanese homes in the summertime. D—Skill in flower-arranging is considered one of the very desirable qualifications for young marriageable women.



Kinsman in Unfamiliar Japan

by A. L. Gillespie

TWO missionaries were en route by train to Matsue, beautiful city of seventy-five thousand on the Japanese seacoast. A stately mountain looked down on a small stream tumbling over countless rocks, lending more beauty to a countryside of rice paddies and thatched roofs.

"This is one of the scenes of Japan I have always had in my mind's eye," said Mr. Spencer. As they looked out the car window at a typical cluster of farmhouses, he continued, "Whoever the missionary was who wanted to preach the gospel where it had never been preached before could probably get his wish out there."

"You'll very likely get such a wish—if you have one—when you move to Matsue!" was the second missionary's reply. Matsue is on the (northern, little traveled) seacoast of Japan—little traveled, that is by foreigners, and this in spite of the fact that it is this section about which Latachao Hearn, who married a Japanese and took

Japanese citizenship and a Japanese name, wrote a book called *Glimpses of Unfamiliar Japan*, making the area well known among Westerners.

The missionaries were met at the station by Pastor Yoshio Kakui, of the "Jesus Christ Church" in Matsue. He was helping to find land on which to build the first Southern Baptist missionary residence ever to go up in that section of Japan. His church has no denominational connection, but it is definitely Baptist in faith and practice. Pastor Kakui explains it this way:

"Our church was originated and has grown on the basis of a close study of the New Testament." The church has no connection with Japan Baptists, but with the Spencer family moving to Matsue in 1955, there is much to anticipate.

The pastor led the two missionaries to a comfortable Japanese-style hotel overlooking beautiful Lake Stonji, which adds immeasurably to the aesthetic and eco-

Do you live in a college town? Are there students from outside USA? You can help a missionary through them if you will

nomie life of Matsue. Hardly had they been seated on the *tatami* (straw mat) floor when the pastor said with unaccustomed enthusiasm, "A young lady is coming here in a few minutes to see you. She is a Southern Baptist."

Now missionaries are used to finding anything in Japan, and the surprise wasn't too great. But who was she? There were, of course, many possibilities, but the pastor continued, "She is a Japanese girl who went to school in America and has now returned to Japan."

Reiko Namba's story was most interesting, and the conversation rolled merrily through her experiences as a student in America. Her benefactor was a Japanese, a former student of her father's who had come to America years before and entered the publishing business. Just after World War II, he returned to Japan bringing relief from the Quaker Friends' Service Committee and persuaded Reiko's father to permit her to go to America to study.

Mr. Namba was an educator — not a Christian but a good man who loved his family and wished the best for them. So

Reiko went to America. When she left home, her mother, a nominal Buddhist who was at one time a Roman Catholic, presented Reiko with a Bible. Her first school was a Quaker school. Scattergood in Iowa, where she worked her way partly, and finished high school in 1951. Her religious environment continued that summer as counselor in an Episcopal camp for children. That fall she was led by some unseen hand to enroll in the Teachers College at Kirksville, Missouri.

"So that's where you became a Southern Baptist!" "Bud" Spencer was visibly happy as he discovered that a friend of many years had baptized Reiko at the Kirksville church. "And here you are in this out-of-the-way place to help us organize a Baptist church." To this Reiko readily gave assent, stating that she would attend Pastor Kakui's church until the Baptist church should become a reality.

Reiko's support was suddenly cut off when her benefactor suffered business reverses, but with a determined spirit she found a job in Chicago at the YMCA Hotel, working as cashier. (Turn to page 25)



Missionaries on trek at edge of forest: hat off for picture; it must always be worn to protect from hot sun

Surely We Can Help

by Mrs. Stanley E. Ray,
missionary to Nigeria

THERE was one last bump, a rattle of chains; the ship was fast to the dock and we were in Nigeria at last. At first Nigeria was a palm-lined water front. Then it was the gracious and warm welcome of Mr and Mrs. W. A. Poe and Leonard Lane who met us at the dock. There was still a breath of home about us as we chatted with these American missionaries, and then suddenly we were nearly smothered with the strangeness of this new world.

Nigeria became the blaring of auto horns, the jangle of bicycle bells, the yelling of native street vendors, men in pajama-like costumes, women in colorful *aso olokun*, it was the bewildering babble of a strange tongue. Then we were in the car and whisked away to the peaceful quaintness of our own Baptist hostel right in the heart of Lagos.

Not every new missionary has the good fortune to be met on the field by his regional secretary and the secretary of his mission, but this was our pleasant experience. As we huffed and puffed up the stairs, we were greeted by Dr. George Sadler and Dr. and Mrs. I. N. Patterson. Their welcome made us feel more at ease, but, nonetheless, America and Texas seemed very faraway as we climbed into bed under

the unfamiliar mosquito nets that night. Our first night in Nigeria was indeed a wakeful one as we relived the strangeness of the day.

After we had purchased our own mosquito nets, kerosene lamps, sun helmets, and a water filter, we set out on the wrong side of the road (British drive on the left side) for "Up Country" and Ibadan. It was a beautiful trip along a roadway that leads through the deep African forest. We passed Abeokuta on the way and saw our first real Nigerian town, for a port city never truly represents its country. Then came Ibadan which was to be our home for two months before starting language school in Oyo.

Our first days in Ibadan were spent in the home of John and Virginia Mills. This was a very opportune time for us to be there, as Mr. Mills and his evangelist team were conducting a city-wide revival. It was a thrill to see 2,000 Africans crowd Mopo Hall in Ibadan for a great evangelist service. Then we realized that this was less than one per cent of Ibadan's half-million black population. At this point all the beauties and wonders of the country began to fade in the background and only the crying need of all Africa's lost millions remained to haunt us.

The people became real to us when my

husband began to preach through an interpreter in a little mud church with a dirt floor, and we saw how eagerly they listened to every word.

They became more than real to us when the children of an entire village crowded around us to get a glimpse of our small girls. Banjo and Barbara always draw a crowd when we go out in the villages. In their white sun helmets and colorful play clothes, they present a picture of which the Yorubas never seem to tire. I looked at the sea of black childish faces and kinky black heads and realized that God loved them just as much as he does my own fair-haired daughters. If I don't tell them the story of Jesus, perhaps they will never hear it.

One of the first things we did after arriving in Oyo for language school was to make a formal call on the king. As we entered the compound the "talking drums" began to beat out the words *Oyinbo, Oyinbo*, Yoruba for "white man." The king received us in his second best receiving

room, and was very courteous. Although he did not speak a word of English and the not a word of Yoruba, our six-year-old, Barbie, endeared herself to him by dropping a curtsy when she was introduced.

The needs of the people became our burden as we learned that this ruler of Oyo is a Mohammedan with many wives. Before we left him we presented him with a Bible, the most precious gift we could offer a king. We inscribed it "To the King of Oyo, with the prayer that the King of kings will lead you to his palace."

At a time when we were feeling that there are so few missionaries and such a mountainous task here, the language school visited Ijaye, the site of the first mission house in Nigeria. It was here that Thomas Bowen and his wife lived and carried on their pioneer mission work. As we stood before the marker erected by the Nigerian Baptist Convention and gazed at the crumbling remains of the walls of the house, we silently thanked God for making us missionaries and for the privilege of keeping alive this precious heritage—the work that the Bowens began so many years ago.

But we really had not seen inside of Nigeria until we stood unobscured on the edge of the prayer ground and saw 5,000 of Oyo's Mohammedan believers face the east and bow their faces to the ground to the false prophet who is their hope.

After all of this, we began to see Nigeria as a tapestry woven in a tangle of beautiful and ugly threads. The beautiful threads are the many wonders of nature, the ugly threads are the distressing needs of the people for the gospel and for medical and educational help.

As we lie down to rest at night and review the many things that we must leave undone each day because of lack of time and additional pairs of hands, we say to God, "Surely, we can help!"



Missionary daughters, Barbara and Stanley Jane, make friends with a ruler



Bruce Finch

Your wise answer to a boy's question may set him on a new road of life

APPROXIMATELY three and a half million boys and girls are enrolled in Southern Baptist Sunday schools. From their ranks will come, if they follow the general average for the United States, about 40,000 teachers, 10,000 preachers, 300 foreign missionaries, 7,000 doctors. In their lifetime these young people will earn about 300 billion dollars and give seven billions of this through our churches, if they follow the pattern of the present.

What would be the effect on our nation and on the world if from the ranks of these three and a half million boys and girls should come 200,000 teachers, 50,000 preachers, 3,000 missionaries? What if they produce three to five times the statistically expected number of dedicated Christian persons in each of the ten or a dozen occupations that are most important to the moral, intellectual, social and spiritual improvement of society?

Southern Baptists are producing several thousand preachers a year, with more than 10,000 ministerial students enrolled in our

Your "Chance of a Lifetime"

by R. Orin Cornett

own educational institutions this year.

It is not difficult to see the effect of this increase in Southern Baptist ministers. New churches are springing up, educational standards for the ministry are being raised by our churches, and our work is spreading rapidly. Membership in Southern Baptist churches increased 251,523 during 1953. Gifts to all local, state and Convention causes increased \$30,846,840.

What would be the combined effect of 250,000 consecrated Christian teachers, from Southern Baptist ranks, in the public schools of our land, united in the teaching of Christianity by example? Consecrated Christian teachers in the public schools could help win the war against juvenile crime, could throw off the shackles of degradation which today enslave our nation—without teaching religion as such.

The greatest public school enrollments in history are upon us. At least 100,000 new teachers are needed per year for each of the next ten years, whereas the current production is only 35,000 per year. College enrollments will almost double between now and 1970, and thousands of qualified teachers will be needed to meet the shortage already existing, and, to meet the increasing need.

There is today a great shortage of nurses, medical technicians and others who assist in the healing arts, not to mention the shortage of physicians. The opportunity for Christian witness in these fields is incalculable. The shortage of nurses, for example, is so great that many hospitals will pay a girl in addition to assuming the expense of her training as a nurse. The opportunity in this field should compel the attention of thousands of our girls.

In great demand, also, are trained social workers, church education directors, church

musicians, psychologists, speech therapists, journalists, public officials, and workers in dozens of other classifications which offer great opportunity for Christian influence and service.

There are those who can serve God best as businessmen, farmers, office workers, builders, salesmen, and politicians. Yet, it is safe to say that teaching, nursing and some of the other fields of maximum service opportunity are being ignored by many.

Today the world about us is a noisy, selfish partner in the choice of lifework by our youth. It beckons to every bright young boy or girl with gaudy promises, exciting prospects, attractive price tags.

The Biblical concepts of stewardship of God-given talents and consideration of the opportunity to serve are often discarded in the rush to worship the greedy trinity of pay, prestige and power. Paid vacations, retirement benefits, coffee breaks, entertainment, all these rate in importance—if one judges by the lantern—ahead of maximum service.

The world does a poor job of helping people choose jobs. Two of three American adults, it is estimated widely, wish they could start over in a different kind of work. Psychiatrists report frustration and dissatisfaction with work a major contribution to mental illness.

We tell our young people that God has a plan for their lives. It is time for us to present a method by which they can find that plan. The pastor preaches on the stewardship of talents, and the organization leaders set forth the ideal of worthy service to God and man, yet the average boy or girl in our churches comes somehow to feel that he or she can serve God equally well in almost any occupation, unless called to the ministry of some other "full-

time" Christian vocation. This is simply untrue. Millions of people are miserable because they have chosen occupations which do not utilize, develop and consecrate the abilities God has given them.

God does not strew talents around without rhyme or reason. Finding the area of life service for which God has best equipped one is a sacred obligation and a thrilling opportunity. Every secular aid to vocational choice should be employed—vocational interest inventories, aptitude tests, analyses of vocational opportunities, job descriptions—but these should be fitted into a comprehensive pattern of life planning with God's will at the center, a pattern developed and carried out under the auspices of the local church.

We must demonstrate that God has a plan for work as well as worship—a plan which uses the abilities of the individual most fully, to God's glory and to man's true benefit. When youth thinks on such matters as educational requirements, working conditions, social status, pay, opportunities for advancement, supply of workers, it must also keep in mind opportunity for Christian witness, opportunity to help people understand themselves, contribution to the betterment of society and worthiness in the sight of God. We must bridge the gap between the unapplied ideal of life dedication and the approach youth makes to the world of work.

As Southern Baptist adults we are trustees of the life potential of a host of boys and girls. It is our responsibility first to furnish a central core of faith and principle that will enable them to maintain direction and discrimination. Second, we must play a greater part in helping youth invest its future in accord with the will of God.



The remarkable Ku family with our missionaries Dr. J. T. Belote (left) and Dr. C. L. Culpepper (right)

THE first Christian in my family was my third brother, who went to a Christian college not so far from my home town in Shantung Province of China. It was a Presbyterian commercial college at Chefoo. He went to that college a year and that summer when he came home he was changed. He tried to witness for the Lord to all of us, but my parents didn't believe it was true. But my brother prayed and prayed that the Lord bless his parents and his brothers and sisters.

After the war we moved down to Shang hai, and God heard his prayer and gave us a great opportunity to see and to hear the gospel of our Saviour. We were not a Christian family, but God had a great blessing for us.

In Shanghai we had the privilege to have our home in the Baptist compound. The wonderful missionaries and friends and preachers and all the seminary students soon learned this family was not a Christian family. They were so interested and they began to have prayer in the Baptist compound and different people visited us every day in our home.

A Voice Calls in Hong Kong

by Marshall Ku

I will never forget those wonderful people—Dr. and Mrs. Culpepper, Miss Martha Franks, and other missionaries and Chinese pastors and friends. They visited us every day and told us the wonderful story of Jesus and prayed with us and read the Bible with us. We began to find this message was different.

Of course when we were in our home in Shantung Province there were some missionaries in our home town who visited our home and told us the story. But we did not feel that we needed the gospel. This time it was different. We found the people had a deep love concerning us. They told us the story about Jesus, and they gave us the hope of our lives. At first we couldn't understand very clearly, but because the people so earnestly prayed for my family, before very long we became Christians.

Sometimes I would not listen. I wanted to argue for I did not believe I was a sinner. I was about the best young man in the world. Yet something accused me in my heart.

ONE afternoon when I was in Bible class I did not actually listen to the lesson very much. After the class I said to Mrs. Culpepper, "If you don't mind I would like to talk to you about something."

So she took me to her home and I told her, "Mrs. Culpepper, I don't know what happened to me today. I feel terrible. I don't like to see anybody."

She asked me why. I said, "I feel ashamed of myself." She felt it was an opportunity and she opened the Bible and read bits of Scripture verses to me and she said, "You know that our hope, Jesus Christ, came to the world for yourself, for your own sins, and he knew you and died on the cross for you. He is the hope, if you trust in him, and that is the only hope." She said, "If you turn your heart to him he will give

you joy and happiness, and there is no use worrying about this thing that you feel."

She wanted to lead me into prayer. I will never forget that moment. I was ashamed to cry before anybody, but I did cry. I opened my heart. I said, "Lord, here I am. I don't know very much but I do like to accept you to forgive my sins."

That was the greatest moment in my life. From then on I stood up. I had a different heart; I was a different man. From then on I knew I was a Christian. I knew I had love in my heart and I had things proved to me. Before that time I forced myself to read the Bible and whenever I read I would start to sleep. I never found it interesting. But after I became a Christian I had a great ambition and interest to read the Bible.

I had a little pocket Testament. Every day when I had time I would read the Bible and mark it with my red pencil. I

didn't stop. I read three times over the New Testament. I was so proud of that Bible that when I came to the United States I gave it to my nephew. I showed him all the lines I had marked, but I really prayed to the Lord during that time and I had a wonderful fellowship and the Lord was really a great blessing to me.

AFTER I became a Christian it wasn't long, 1948, before I felt the Lord calling me to the west part of China. I couldn't understand at first. I said, "Lord, don't call me, I cannot do anything. Don't make me go. I don't like those people over in the west part of China. Those people are evil and they don't have an education and I don't know how to tell them. Another thing, I don't know how to preach." I said, "Lord, if you want me to I will be a good man, or if you want me to be a doctor, let me be a good doctor and let me stay in the

city. Let me make some more money and let somebody else go." But I thank God he did not change his mind. He kept on talking to me every day. I argued with God awhile — quite awhile. I didn't like it. But finally I did get down on my knees and I

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The Ku family lives in this "Village of Brotherly Love" built with help of Southern Baptist relief funds. One sister makes Chinese stocking dolls.



We Really Saw Missions

by Mrs. T. H. Knighton

president of Terra Blanca Associational W.M.U.

IT WAS a lovely spring day in April when nine women from three churches in Texas, met at the First Baptist Church in Albuquerque, New Mexico. We had come to visit some of the home mission work that our Woman's Missionary Society has a part in.

We were up before dawn with our cars turned toward Santa Fe. If you've never seen the sun rise over the Sangre de Cristo mountains, you've missed one of the glorious revelations of God. The majesty of the mountains as the blue haze is rolled away by the rays of the sun is beyond description.

In Santa Fe, Miss Pauline Gamack, home missionary, joined us.

Traveling toward Taos, some seventy miles north and east of Santa Fe, we came into the Rio Grande gorge with its beautiful colors and unique formations. At our Baptist Indian church there we found Mr. and Mrs. N. V. Gonnson, our faithful missionary and pastor and his wife. With the help of the Christian Indians, they built the church, and pastor's home. With hand-carved columns, pulpit furniture and pews in the church, beautiful woodwork and furniture in the home—all hand-carved—we feel that our property in Taos is most beautiful.

A faithful Christian Indian woman was with Mrs. Gonnson as she showed us through the home and the church. When we were seated in the sanctuary, she gave her testimony of what a struggle it was for her to give up their religious teachings and accept the Jesus Way. She was most happy as she said, "Love has now replaced the hate that I once had for Mrs. Gonnson and joy fills my life instead of fear as I try to serve my Lord daily." There was not a dry eye in the group as we went out.

WE visited the Taos Pueblo where the Indians make their homes about five miles north of the town. I had been there many times but had never before been invited to go inside. This time we went into three. Each neat and clean, made of adobe (mud and straw bricks) with dirt floors. In one of these homes we met Mrs. Mary Suazo who makes Indian dolls and dresses them in typical Taos Indian costume for sale.

After lunch, we passed the First Baptist Church there and the Spanish Baptist Church, both of which have received help from our Home Mission Board. Even though the Spanish church is a mission, it is sponsoring mission efforts itself.



Left to right: W.M.S. visits Taos Pueblo, then they stop to see Mike and Rose Naranjo and the church in their yard at Santa Clara Pueblo

LEAVING Taos, we went to the Santa Clara Pueblo where Mr. and Mrs. Mike Naranjo—lovingly referred to as Mike and Rose—lead the Baptist work.

What we saw in their front yard proves that miracles have not stopped. Two years ago their living room was the meeting place for the little group of Christian friends. But now there is a beautiful church building. Mike and Rose, with their church members, have themselves built this building that would be a credit to any community. The only paid helpers have been the plumber and the electrician. This building is in their front yard since they could not obtain ground in the reservation because of government restrictions and Catholic opposition.

You remember Rose Naranjo as the woman who let her friends and neighbors use her washing machine so she could tell them about Jesus. Now Rose has a new washing machine to replace the worn out one, a gift from a district W.M.U. of Texas.

The beams for the ceiling and the columns used throughout the building were brought down from the mountains where Mike, Rose, and a one-armed Indian woman cut down the trees, and dressed them by hand. Then they were placed in position by hand—there was no power lift available. Through love gifts from the groups that visited Mike and Rose while at our Southern Baptist Assembly at Glorieta, Mike has been able to complete the church.

Pews for the sanctuary were provided by the women of one state and the women of another helped with the heating equipment for the church kitchen and classrooms. One looks and knows that the day of miracles is not over.

After our visit in the Santa Clara Pueblo, we went, at his invitation, for a prayer meeting in the home of the governor of the Pojoaque Pueblo Mr. John B. Abbott, missionary in the Association, preached a stirring message, presenting Christ to these Indian friends. At the close of the message an invitation was extended and an Indian woman gave her heart to God. We have learned since then that she has suffered severe persecution. But because of her faithfulness and her loyal devotion to her Master, within three months time her husband found Christ, and they now have a respected Christian home.

AFTER a night's rest, we were on our way to our Spanish Baptist mission in Santa Fe. The pastor, Mike Lopez, told many interesting facts about the work of this church, but an outstanding accomplishment is securing time on the local radio station. Through his radio ministry, the attendance at the services of the church has increased greatly and for the first thirteen weeks, they averaged one profession a week as a result of the radio messages.

Mrs. Lopez directs a kindergarten of twenty-two children, mostly from Catholic

homes. At the close of each kindergarten year, a fitting commencement program is planned and the children wear caps and gowns for the service. Mrs. Lopez has designed a lovely certificate of graduation that is presented to each child.

After their program one year, the father and mother of one of the little boys came to Mr. Lopez and asked if he might borrow the cap and gown that their boy had worn to have his picture made. Mr. Lopez offered them a kodak picture he had taken of their son, but they wanted a real photograph made since he is the first one in their whole family to graduate from any kind of school.

AS WE turned our faces toward home we were deeply grateful and truly inspired and challenged. We were and are thankful for the leadership we have on these fields and for what is being accomplished for our Lord. Our prayer for Southern Baptists is that we shall heed the urgent call of these fields and provide the preachers, teachers, kindergarten workers, and missionary personnel and equipment so much needed.

Rev. and Mrs. Mike Lopez and daughters at Spanish Mission in Santa Fe, N. Mex.



The Bagby of Peru

THAT is not a misprint—there really is a Bagby of Peru now! It may sound a little strange to connect the name "Bagby" with any other than Brazil. But, such was the Lord's will, and here I am!

This story began ten years ago. Our family was on the way from Brazil to the States on furlough, when the plane broke down. None of us minded that since our stopover of three days was to be in Lima, Peru. During our short visit the "missionary kids" were much impressed with the Luxurious Hotel Bolivar, the ancient museums, and the much more ancient Inca mummies. In the historic cathedral, the bones of Pizarro, that daring and ruthless conqueror, were equally impressive to the mind of a ten-year-old.

Such an unexpected visit to a new and exciting country gave me pleasant memories of a childhood "adventure" whenever Peru was mentioned. So it happened that when Mr. Oates, our first missionary to Peru, offered me the opportunity of coming here, I gladly accepted. I believe God meant for me to learn something from that break down in Lima, Peru!

When I arrived a few months ago, everything seemed new and strange to me. I had some trouble understanding what the people said at first—their "Portuguese" is rather badly spoken! I didn't remember that the houses here are all low, with flat roofs, because of the earthquakes. Beautiful gardens everywhere attracted me, and I think our neighborhood is rightfully named "Miraflores"—"look at the flowers!" Lima is a very colorful city. Since it never rains here the houses can be painted

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Baptist Church of Miraflores, Lima, Peru

by Annelu Bagby

girls and bring them to church. Since one of our aims in missionary work is to encourage Christian homes; in a way you might even call me "Cupid."

Another one of our projects is to start a Baptist Student Union with the purpose of winning the students to Christ. These students will be our Christian leaders of tomorrow. Our BSU is beginning with four members—Samuel, Oscar, Maria, and myself.

Samuel was Peru's representative to the Baptist Youth World Conference in Rio in 1953. He is a very active leader not only in the church, but in the University of San Marcos itself.

Oscar is a medical student, and we have hope of his being a strong Christian doctor, who will use his medicine for the Lord. Maria has become a special friend to me. She is a very intelligent girl, who is much concerned with the religious and social needs of her country. She plans to be a teacher, and no doubt will be used in a future Baptist school. I am also studying at San Marcos, the oldest university in all America! Every day I am meeting new prospects for our Student Center. It is by realizing that "all great things have small beginnings" that the four of us have great hope for our BSU.

But all projects and high aspirations only succeed if accompanied by much prayer and divine leadership. This we realize also, and ask that you help us by praying with us for Peru!

Mr. Oates jokingly said I am the "black sheep" in the Bagby family because I am not in Brazil with the others. But maybe the Lord can use even a black sheep in Peru, for this field is "white unto harvest and the laborers are few."

in bright colors and they will never wash off.

Our church building in Miraflores was a big surprise to me. I did not expect to find it as pretty and as modern as churches in the States. We even have a large basketball court in the back! But the best surprise came in knowing the young people, finding out how friendly they are, and how much fun it is to be with them. There are only thirty young people at church, but they are full of life, and eager to work. In our Training Union we are starting another mission. As a committee, we mounted on bicycles and rode off looking for a good location. The Lord led us to a large empty hall, right on the main street of a nearby suburb of Lima. We have faith that this will be the beginning of another Baptist church!

Part of the energy of our young people is used up on having fun in Christian fellowship. We have sports activities, parties, and picnics up in the beautiful Peruvian mountains. We even went Christmas caroling as in the States, except we may have had a larger audience here.

Of course, we have some problems to face. Missionary M. David Oates had become aware of a "special" problem when he asked me to come here. Peru is a very Catholic country, with a lot of religious prejudice. The Catholic Church has a strong hold on the higher class, especially the women. This results in our having fewer Christian girls than boys in our churches. My job is to get acquainted with

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**From Mr. A. Pucciarelli
Tampa, Florida**

Splendid work is being done at the Cuscaden Park mission church in the heart of Ybor City, Tampa, Florida.

The most interesting part is the kindergarten, run altogether by faith. The two splendid and very active teachers, Mrs. Josephine Navarro, (Spanish) and Mrs. Pete Cimino (Italian), are paid by the small fee from the children and small gifts from friends.

This past year we have averaged thirty-five children a day at kindergarten, and graduated twenty-five. The children come from Italian and Spanish homes.

Through the kindergarten we make contacts in the homes with the result that some become regular attendants at our church services. Ninety percent of the people coming to the church started from the kindergarten contacts.

**From Mrs. Horace W. Fite, Jr.
Corrente, Brazil**

Our life in Corrente is anything but dull. We can expect anything at any time. Just recently we were awakened by voices at three o'clock in the morning. My husband and I both recognized the voice of the Brazilian doctor. This time he wanted the key to the Institute* sure to get some medicine. A man had just come on horse back to take the doctor to one of the many places where no jeep or car could go, where his child was dangerously ill.

Another time the doctor wanted Mr. Fite to take him some twenty miles in the jeep to see a girl who had been sick several days, and probably bring her to Corrente where he could treat her.

These are just two of the many cases of the Institute doctor whose services in this far interior of Brazil are made possible by the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. It

helps to pay his salary and the salary of a nurse (at present his sister) and buy medicine for those who are unable to pay for them.

Since Dr. Misael is the only doctor for a radius of 250 miles, and even farther in some directions, the Institute's plane is often called into service to take him to some of the more remote communities, one of which built a landing field so the doctor could come treat an old gentleman.

This last year there have been over a thousand consultations in the clinic which is open to the public for two hours each morning, and in the school clinic where the students from the dormitories are treated. Besides these consultations, the doctor and nurse have given smallpox and typhoid vaccinations to the student body of 320, the Institute employees, and the townspeople.

They also assisted in twenty deliveries, one of which was our daughter, Julia Charlene. The nurse instructs the mothers how to bathe and care for the baby, and they both try to overcome the many superstitions of the Brazilian people.

Often the task of the doctor is even more difficult because the people will use their own remedies for several days before calling the doctor and in many cases this is fatal. Because of the drought that lasted three years, the importance of the doctor in the community had increased because illnesses due to malnutrition and weak resistance had increased.

Since it is very difficult for foreign doctors to obtain permits to practice in Brazil, all medical work by Southern Baptists is done through clinics with Brazilian doctors and nurses. Because ours is the only clinic here, we serve all classes, thus once again the Lottie Moon offering helps to advance the healing ministry started by Christ.

*The Baptist Industrial Institute is one of Southern Baptists' most inland mission stations. Its school serves an area the size of the state of Oregon and with a four-passenger airplane, preaching points are maintained in this vast area.

**From Mrs. Loung Lee Wai Chee
Hong Kong**

The name of our Society is called Aberdeen Baptist Church Woman's Missionary Society. The number of members is about fifty-seven persons, but one-quarter of them are fishwomen. Our work is according to the Woman's Missionary Society Manual to do. Concerning regular meetings as following: We have a meeting every week. The first week of the month is praying, the second week is preaching, the third week is studying and the last week is reporting and proving. Regularity of outside working day has given visiting and preaching alternately in every Wednesday.

We desire to encourage our members to do more works, therefore a preaching group was organized. We separated it into many bands, each band consists of three members and every band must go out to work once a month.

Picnic was held once a season and the date was fixed by all members. Birthday party also held twice a year.

Our Honorable Adviser Mr. H. M. Yown gives his kind favor to lead us to study the Bible every Saturday evening at eight o'clock.

With reference to the works of Hong Kong Baptist Church Woman's Missionary Union, united praying meeting was held at Caine Road, Kowloon City, Hillwood Road and Aberdeen alternately. Also a theology student and a preacher who works at New Territories were kept by Woman's Missionary Union. For these burdens were carried by above churches.

The affair of charity, we are willing to do upon the best of our ability.

Regarding to our receipts, the average of our giving is \$5 every week plus the special giving and thanksgiving total about \$1,000 a year. The expenses just balance the receipts. We ought to thank our God very much.

With great expectation to ask your good advice and pray for the humble and young Society, and obliged.



A mother with son on her back, Hong Kong; woman at right is wearing typical dress of hundreds of sampan women in Hong Kong (see cover of April TELL magazine for pictures of dress worn in this area)

**From Christine Garnett
Camacho, Santa Clara, Cuba**

At the last general WMU convention in Cuba, "missionary rallies" were born. And in spite of the newness of them here, the rallies were a huge success. Of the five planned, only one was called off. Almost five hundred people attended, and how much there was for those five hundred to learn! How eagerly they sought answers to the questions they had!

Surely God has blessed us in this step toward a greater future. And maybe someone is asking why we have not always had rallies as you do. One would have to understand that there are no automobiles among our Baptists here as you have there. One would have to come over and live in the economic conditions that exist to see why bus trips of a quarter or less are simply prohibited pleasures for many of our finest people.

How we do need your constant prayers that we may be able to do many of the things that we dream about, that we have longed to do during the years. We count on you as you count on us.



HONG KONG: The Need . . .

Visitors are impressed with the colony's confidence and boundless energy, the ceaseless building, new industry, reorientated trade. Everywhere sounds of work mingle with cries of hawkers, wooden clogs and blaring radios. But women laborers (left) still carry heavy loads for building projects. Crowded cities encourage evil ways.



ABOVE: Queen's Road in Hong Kong

BELOW: Missionaries greet passers-by in front of chapel at Taipo near Hong Kong

Christian Chinese and Southern Baptists at Work in Churches and Chapels



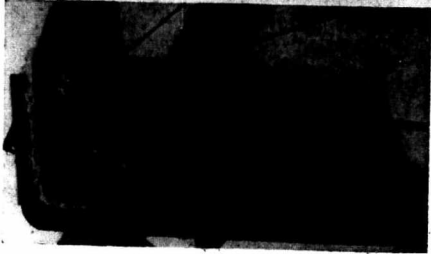
Pastor Chang with missionary C. L. Culpepper in front of sign listing activities at Stirling Road Baptist Church



ABOVE: Stirling Road Church Sunbeams learn missions. 100

BELOW: Missionary Jaxie Short helps girls get ready to distribute tracts





Baptists at Work in Hong Kong

BAPTIST PRESS sign hangs at 322 Prince Edward Road, Kowloon, in front of a newly acquired building which gives space for growth. Before the Lothe Moon Christmas Offering of 1953 made this larger building possible everyone of the twenty on the staff was too crowded with several trying to think and confer at once in a small room.



Mrs. Phoebe Sze-to Cheung is editor of the W.M.U. quarterly and other W.M.U. materials. There is a mutual standard of excellence that several study books like *Women of the New Testament*, *Consider Thy Stewardship*, *Helping Others to Become Christians*; also a daily prayer calendar and many leaflets like the one shown.

如神與神和好



【讀真第一人(人類的領袖基督)
人心中第一人是耶穌基督的。祂是
神所差來，為全人類而死。】(馬太
五：十三)
【祂的靈與我們同在，使我們
真確不在我們心裏了。】(馬太：二)
【人心比萬物深，誰能識透，
誰能窺見了?】(箴言：九)
【祂的靈與我們同在，使我們
真確不在我們心裏了。】(馬太：二)
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Literature Committee of Southeast Asia met in March with representatives from our mission fields in this section. The picture shows those present in 1953 from Thailand, Philippine Islands, Taiwan, Malaya and Hong Kong. Missionaries and nationals pray and plan together about necessary literature and the best methods of promotion. The printed page is the missionary's visible helper.



Women around the world are eager to meet together to pray and learn about Christ's kingdom. The women of Stirling Road Baptist Church in Hong Kong caught up the idea of Focus Week with a social meeting to which all the women of the church were invited and urged to come. Attractive banners and name tags and refreshments show how the same basic ideas have great appeal for people in lands everywhere.



About two hundred women were present for the Day of Prayer in December at Hong Kong Baptist Church. Many on the program were in costume thanks to Edna Wong. The flags, world map and costumes made the world fellowship in prayer more real.



Hints to Committee Chairmen

To Community Missions Chairmen

You have reached the halfway mark in this year's work as community missions chairman. Take time to review what your women and young people have accomplished. Is your community a little more Christlike because of your efforts? Have you worked at each activity long enough to see results? Have you stayed close to the heart of community missions, winning people to Christ?

At this halfway mark, the Evangelistic Crusade calls you to give every effort to the primary task of soul-winning.

No doubt your church is already deep in its visitation plans. Your committee can urge every member to have a part in carrying out these plans. If the hours set aside by the church are not suitable for your members, plan another time. The important thing is to visit. Remember it is the particular responsibility of the WMU to seek out any of other nationalities who live among you. Order from your state WMU office "You Can Tell" for each woman and "Youth Winning Youth" for each girl or boy who will visit.

In addition to visiting, there are other special services your members can give during the weeks of the Crusade. Talk over the following suggestions with your pastor and plan what your women and young people will do:

Transportation—List the women who will volunteer to use their cars on specific evenings to bring those who need a way to the services.

Nursery—If your church does not have a nursery with regular workers, consider setting one up in one of the classrooms during the Crusade. Borrow a few baby beds, a play pen and some toys. Work out a schedule for nursery helpers using members of the WMS, YWA, and Intermediate GA. The nursery will be of real value in reaching unchurched couples with little children.

Parking—Valuable parking space is wasted around many churches, and people who meant to stop will ride on by if there

is no place to park. The Intermediate RAs could study the space, plan how to park the most cars, then be on hand each evening to direct the parking!

Publicity—Use the young people to distribute handbills and invitations. Even Sunbeams can help. One Sunbeam Band made paper baskets, put tracts and a revival announcement in each, then delivered the baskets to various homes. One man came to the services "because the little children asked me."

Follow-through—Give the name and address of each new church member to a specific member of the WMU who will volunteer to sponsor the new member for several weeks. Sponsoring can include visiting in the home, inviting the new member into one's own home, introducing him to congenial friends in the church organizations, giving special attention when there are absences, illness, or needs of any kind.

Wholehearted participation in the Evangelistic Crusade will help you stay close to the heart of community missions.

Edith Stokely

To Stewardship Chairmen

Southern Baptists are in the midst of a Simultaneous Evangelistic Crusade. Thousands of churches are holding revivals, and we hope that hundreds of thousands of people are being won to Christ. Are you realizing that this crusade is a stewardship opportunity for you?

The addition of new members to your church will add to your opportunities and responsibilities for emphasis on the stewardship of possessions in your WMS. The enlistment committee will bring women joining the church into membership in the Woman's Missionary Society. Then your committee must plan to develop them in Christian stewardship. You will have stewardship leaflets ready to distribute in circle and/or general meetings. You could dis-

play a stewardship poster. This may bear the words: "A Good Christian Must Be a Good Steward," illustrated by two pictures, one of a person joining the church, the other, by a person making an offering. A seasonal poster could be made with the use of an umbrella and the words: "Showers of Blessings Fall on Tithers."

Perhaps you will want to plan for stewardship devotional services in the circles. The *Stewardship Scrapbook* (25c from Woman's Missionary Union, Birmingham 3, Ala.) gives an outline for a "Stewardship Rainbow," which would be appropriate for April. You could plan for a stewardship play or skit. "The Test of the Tithe" found in the "Stewardship-Packet" (20c from Woman's Missionary Union, Birmingham 3, Ala.) takes less than ten minutes to present. A list of longer stewardship plays and pageants is given in the Year Book (see page 98).

You will find occasion to remind all the members of your society about Point 3 on the Standard of Excellence. The new members, as well as others, may need to be told that as they give regularly in the church envelopes, they are giving through the Co-operative Program to all the missionary, benevolent and educational work of Southern Baptists.

"Next in importance to winning a person to Christ is to win him to be a tither."

"When a person is converted, his pocket book should be inverted."

Mrs. C. D. Greenman

To Mission Study Chairmen

Now that most of you have completed the Alaska study and we are at the halfway mark, suppose we take a midyear inventory. This will be a good time to call a meeting of the mission study committee to review the plans you set up last October. It is possible that you have met the Standard of Excellence requirement for mission study in all the WMU organizations—possible but hardly probable. What do you lack? Have the young people studied two books since the first of October? Are they reading? According to the 1953 record—we will not know what we did in 1954 until

later—only a fraction over a half of the members in the young people's organizations met the reading requirement! The women did not do much better. Two thirds of the members must read a missionary book for the organization to reach the Standard.

Decide on a method of promotion to stimulate interest in reading. Ask your church librarian to help you with displays of mission books. Ask the stewardship and community missions chairmen to contribute ideas for attractive displays of books relating to their work.

Mr. James Yarborough writing in the "Church Library Bulletin," June 1954, offers excellent suggestions for making a display. Here are some of his ideas adapted to our needs:

First decide on a central theme. Perhaps you will want to feature the foreign mission biographies for young people under their titles. *Much to Dare*, *More Than Conquerors*, and also the *Eagle Books*. Or books on Alaska and Cuba. Check *The World in Books* for titles. Only books listed in this catalogue are counted on the Standards of Excellence.

Use vivid color and eye-catching designs, like giant-size reproductions of the shield, world-compass and eagle trade marks of the *More Than Conquerors*, *Much to Dare*, and *Eagle Book* series. The same technique may be used featuring *The King's Way* and *Frontier* series.

Create atmosphere. Use a few carefully selected curios with a globe or map as background for books about countries. Refer to previous columns in this magazine for available materials on Alaska, Brazil and Cuba.

Have suitable props—bookends, construction and crepe paper, colored pieces of material. For special interest, place under draped material boxes (any kind that fits your space and need) on which to display books.

Select an advantageous spot for the display—church library window, table in a frequently traveled hall in the church, in assembly rooms, in meeting places of the WMU organizations.

Play up the features. Try illustrating points you wish to use to provoke reader

interest. For example, feature on large size cardboard an Eskimo boy being pulled out of a barrel by a sailor. See page 131 in *Children of the Blizzard*. Such a big poster with a copy of the book will surely make juniors want to read this exciting book.

Utilize announcement folders and posters from the Broadman Press, the Home and Foreign Boards, and covers of WMU magazines. You will discover excellent ideas that you can adapt to advertise whatever books you wish to promote.

Note displays in store windows, pictures of displays in magazines and on billboards. For example, a copy of *The Church Bulletin* carried the picture of an effective display of stewardship books. The center of interest was the open Bible on an elevation at the back of a large table which had been covered by a piece of material arranged in

"There's no weapon hall so mighty,
as the intercession bears,
Nor a broader field of service,
than the ministry of prayer."

soft folds. Under the Bible on a lower elevation was a violin and bow. To the left was a poster on which was printed—Don't Fiddle Around with God's Money. (You may prefer the word "play" instead of "fiddle.") Books on stewardship were placed in a well-balanced arrangement. Pictures in leaflets and tracts from the American Bible Society, 350 Park Avenue, New York 22, New York, the Sunday School Board, 161 Eighth Avenue, N. Nashville, Tennessee, and other agencies of the denomination will furnish excellent ideas for displays on books about the Bible such as *God's Word in Man's Language*, *Great is the Company*, and *Thus It Is Written*, or books about community missions and prayer.

"A display which achieves results," writes Mr. Yarbrough, "does not necessarily depend on skill in display erection. It serves well only when it gets books in the hands of the reader." Part of your business is to get the women and young people to read books. Displays can help you do it.

Two William McMurtry

A Voice Calls

(Continued from page 11)

told him I would be a doctor and go no matter where he wanted me to go. I would go to the place he wanted me to go. Today I do not have any other vision. That is the only vision God gave to me.

The poor people, thousands and millions in the west part of China, do not have opportunity to hear the Word of God today. That is what God laid on my heart—my duty. My life which God gave to me—eternal life—and my life is here. I believe God will open the opportunity. Although today it seems impossible now to go to the west part of China, I remember God never makes mistakes. Today it is almost impossible to go over there, but today in Taiwan thousands need help too.

MY mother and father live with my brother and my sister and her family in Hong Kong. There my brother T. C. Ku is helper to Dr. James Bebot and others in the Baptist work of Hong Kong.

My third brother is in Taiwan with Mr. Culpepper. We are all Christians now. At first my father being very old and unable to stand up thought he would not be baptized. But when Dr. Culpepper held a meeting in Hong Kong, my father said his heart would not be happy unless he was baptized, so we carried him in a chair and he was very blessed to be baptized. My father was a well-to-do merchant before the war. But I have heard him say that he did not have peace in his heart. Now his sons will not become merchants as he had planned, we are not rich but we do have peace through Christ Jesus and the gift of eternal life. That is worth everything to us.

Marshall Ku preaching on Taiwan
(Formosa)



Our Young People

BY MARGARET BRUCE

Don't Just Wish

"If wishes were horses, beggars could ride." You've heard that all of your life. There is something else I've heard dozens of times too. "I wish some of our YWAs could go to Ridgecrest or Glorieta." Of course you do! But don't just wish. Put plans to your wishes.

The YWA Conferences are early this year, so you must begin immediately to make arrangements for girls to go from your church. Glorieta YWA Conference is June 2-8 and the one at Ridgecrest is June 16-22.

Be sure that the poster announcing the Conferences has been placed in the church where it will attract the most attention. The poster was sent to your YWA counselor or young people's director from your state WMU office.

There may be young women in your YWA who will need financial help in order to go. Individuals, WMS circles, missionary societies, and parents will be sending young women to Ridgecrest and Glorieta. Members of Business YWAs will be taking their vacations and may be paying their own expenses; but regardless of the "how," you may be needed to give encouragement and that extra "push" which some girls need.

Reservations are made by writing to your state WMU young people's secretary. Information concerning travel plans can be secured from her as well as names of those who are going from other churches in your city, town or county.

Soon after the 1951 Conference at Ridgecrest one mother whose daughter was there wrote: "This is just to say in a small way how grateful I am for the influence of Ridgecrest YWA Conference on Beth. . . . She was really deeply impressed by the things she saw and heard. . . . She is very 'bubbly' about it now." Won't you see that your Young Woman's Auxiliary is represented at the 1955 Conferences? We can't just sit around and wish that some of our girls would go!

Have you been wishing that you could have a full-graded WMU in your church, or an A-1 full-graded Union? Our WMU year is half over. Recall the big plans you made and the high aspirations you had last fall. No wishing well, regardless of how large or how deep will bring about these desires unless you and the others in your WMU really work. The mission cause "demands the work of mind and hand, a prayer within the heart." Don't just wish.

Kinsman in Unfamiliar Japan

(from page 5) from 5 to 11 p.m. and studying until the wee hours, sometimes all night long. Although she finished two years of college at Illinois University, Navy Pier Branch, her health failed, and she had to return to her native land late in 1953.

"How did you happen to pass up the Quakers* and Catholics and Episcopalians and become a Baptist?" ventured one of the missionaries.

The answer was quick and positive: "I found God most close to me in the Baptist church in Kirkville. At first I did not like to go to any church at all, but my roommate at Kirkville asked me on my first Sunday there to go to church with her. And my suite mate, and my next door suite mate who was a Chinese girl, were wonderful Christians I found in the Baptists and the Baptist church everything that I needed in a religion."

The missionaries thanked God for Baptist people in America who have tried actively to befriend Japanese and other foreign students studying there. There was a special prayer of gratitude in their hearts for pastors, YWAs (one of Reiko's friends was a YWA president), and other Baptist students who made it possible for two Baptist missionaries to find a kinsman in Unfamiliar Japan.

Principles of Faith: Matsue (mash-oo-eh), Dairan (dai-ee-ern), Yoshin (yoh-shee-ahn), Kakui (kah-koo-ee), Shiji (sheen-jee), Reiko (ray-ee-hoh), Namba (nahn-bah)

It's Happening Now!

by Marjorie Moore Armstrong

Remember that big headline announcing that President Eisenhower was flying to New York in the very middle of the Bermuda Conference to address the United Nations? Did you pass it off as a neat propaganda stunt?

It wasn't. President Eisenhower started something that December 8, 1953. All the world now knows of his atoms-for-peace proposal. Secretary of State John Foster Dulles gave the United Nations a progress report one year later, and there is even more to report now.

The President proposed an international agency, with membership open to nations from all regions of the world. The Secretary announced the agency was in the final planning stage, and will be established, under the auspices of the United Nations, in 1955.

An international scientific conference to consider the whole vast subject of atomic research for constructive purposes was proposed. That too is scheduled for 1955.

A reactor training school designed to teach the working principles of atomic energy with specific regard to peacetime uses was proposed. Last month (March) a School of Nuclear Science and Engineering was formally opened at Argonne National Laboratory, Lemont, Illinois, twenty-five miles southwest of Chicago. A seven-month course is being given beginners now, to be followed in October by a more advanced training course. Well-trained physicists and chemists from the United States and abroad are enrolled.

On Labor Day, 1954, ground was broken for the world's first commercial size atomic power plant at Shippingport, Pennsylvania.

Invitations have been issued to medical and surgical experts from abroad to take part in cancer research with atomic power in American hospitals.

The Atomic Energy Commission was authorized to give 100 kilograms of non-weapons type enriched uranium, for use of scientists who may set up reactors in for-

eign countries. Great Britain followed with an offer of 20 kilograms from her much smaller supply.

Chief of the Foreign Operations Administration Harold E. Stassen on December 26 announced the first seventy scholarships in the atoms for peace program. Scholars from other countries are now arriving in the United States to study the advance in the peaceful use of atomic energy.

Secretary of State Dulles spoke to the General Assembly on September 23. "The United States is determined," he said, "that President Eisenhower's proposal shall not languish until it dies. It will be nurtured and developed. We shall press on in close partnership with those nations which, inspired by the ideals of the United Nations charter, can make this great new force a tool of the humanitarian and of the statesman, and not merely a fearsome addition to the arsenal of war."

He recognized that there is not unanimous co-operation in the United Nations; he also recognized that it is futile to hold our hands and wait until the Soviet Union is "willing to begin to co-operate with other nations in relation to what offers so much to fear and so much to hope."

Recalling President Eisenhower's speech on that same platform nine months earlier, the Secretary cited the UN charter as a call to action for peace with justice.

"War has been hated through the ages. Yet war has been recurrent through the ages," he declared. "One reason is that men have never put into the winning of peace, efforts comparable to those which they put into the winning of war."

Some very strenuous peace effort was exerted in diplomacy during the year, for on December 4, the General Assembly unanimously (the U.S.S.R. included) endorsed the efforts already made to put the President's atoms-for-peace proposal into effect.

But what about security, you ask. Isn't it pretty risky to give away all the country's atomic secrets to just anybody who may

Circle Program

(BWC's use program on page 30)

Soul-Winning, the Heart of Community Missions

Hymn: "Jesus Shall Reign"

Hymn: "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

Prayer

Scripture Reading: John 3:14; John 4:7-26

Prayer that WMS members may all be true soul-winners

Circle Business

Hymn: "Rescue the Perishing"

Talk on Women and Evangelism (see president's message in 1954-55 Year Book, page 16. Include plans in connection with Evangelistic Crusade, see page 22 in this Royal Service.)

Tell story of successful missionary witnessing as told in "A Voice Calls in Hong Kong," page 10.

Tell "Missionaries are Where You Find Them" from April Home Missions

Song: "Revive us Again"

Tell about soul-winning efforts of Aberdeen WMS, page 17, in their "preaching groups" also about BWC witnessing in Virginia Heights church, page 28.

Personal efforts in soul-winning told by circle members

Song: "Lead Me to Some Soul"

Closing Prayer



APRIL IS PLANTING TIME

You can sow a subscription to Royal Service in another woman's reading and watch her blossom in mission zeal

(Continued from page 26)
apply for "peacetime" research training and techniques?

Here is a good answer from Dr. Clifford K. Beck, Baptist layman of Raleigh, who worked on the Manhattan project, later at Oak Ridge, and who now directs the nuclear research of North Carolina State College:

"It is true that large nuclear reactors can be designed to produce nuclear fuel which in turn would be fabricated into a bomb. But our proposed plan of co-operation includes provision for exchange of information and scientific between participating nations which would render extremely remote the possibility that they could divert large surreptitious effort to military applications."

He says further: "The good will this plan will win for us, has already won, in

fact, and the benefits to humanity which will accrue, will far outweigh the possible hazard that we will be aiding a future enemy."

It is all, as Mr. Dulles pointed out on the first anniversary of the President's proposal, "in keeping with the great American tradition of finding new ways whereby a free society can enrich human life, materially, intellectually and spiritually, and can share those fruits of liberty with men everywhere."

A deep sense of relief from anxiety is the natural response of Christian America in the face of this effort "to help solve the fearful atomic dilemma—to devote our entire heart and mind to find the way by which the miraculous inventiveness of man shall not be dedicated to his death, but consecrated to his life," as President Eisenhower said.



Installation at BWC Federation of Franklin Association in Cantwell, Missouri



Missouri

Franklin Association's newly organized Business Woman's Federation got off to a good start with a full corps of officers and an attendance of 115 at a banquet and installation held at the Cantwell Baptist Church, Cantwell, Missouri.

Mrs. Robert Dugal, associational BWC adviser, introduced the new officers and Mrs. Essie Newman, retiring associational WMU president, presented an effective installation service.

There are seven Business Woman's Circles in Franklin Association which comprise the Federation, and prospect of several new organizations within the near future.

Virginia

Members of the Dozier BWC of Virginia Heights Baptist Church in Roanoke, are now in their thirteenth year of service.

Dozier BWC of Virginia Heights Baptist Church in Roanoke, Virginia



This circle is named for the Edwin Doziers, missionaries to Japan and has kept in touch with them through the years.

As part of its community missions program the Dozier circle sends the weekly church bulletins to the college students belonging to the church. They also have adopted an eleven-year-old girl at the Baptist home in Salem. Christmas is always fun, for the circle members fix stockings for some of the state institutions, and for a number of years they have sent supplies and clothing to the boys and girls at the Blue Ridge Mountain school.

Georgia

At a recent meeting of the Atlanta Federation of Business Women, the Federation voted to divide into four districts. This was done with the thought that in smaller groups more business women can be reached and because it is difficult to find churches large enough to accommodate the number who attend.

New officers for this year were installed, and Mrs. Mary Fain is the new chairman. Mrs. Marvin Garrett, missionary to Nigeria, was the guest speaker.

Carver School of Missions and Social Work

BY EMILY K. LANSDELL, PRESIDENT

Beginning with the second semester of the current session Dr. Frank Vicroy joined the teaching staff of Carver School as part time professor. Dr. Vicroy is a member of the faculty at the University of Louisville. He holds the M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from Ohio State University. Dr. Vicroy is teaching Community Organization at Carver this term.

Carver School lost a friend and counselor in the death of Mr. Thomas Milledge Galphin, a prominent Louisville attorney and Baptist layman, on January 10, 1955. For a number of years Woman's Missionary Union has named Mr. Galphin as a member of the Advisory Board of Carver School.

A recent study was made of the 1,025 missionaries who constitute the active staff of the Foreign Mission Board and the emeritus missionaries to determine the educational background of the group. It was learned that 366 of these missionaries have studied at Southwestern, 240 at Carver School, 172 at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, seventy-six at New Orleans, and seven at Golden Gate.

At the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention in Nashville in December, 1954, Carver School was allocated \$70,000 from Cooperative Program receipts for the school's operating budget in 1956. Carver School received \$57,500 from the Cooperative Program for operating needs in 1954 and this year will be given \$61,000. In addition, the school has received \$120,000 for capital needs from the Cooperative Program funds of the Southern Baptist Convention.

For several years Carver School has been receiving from the Cooperative Program one per cent of the funds available for distribution to the operating budgets of the agencies and institutions supported by the Southern Baptist Convention. In Decem-

ber of 1952 the school requested one and one-half per cent of the distributable funds. The finance committee of the Executive Committee deferred action on this request for increased support until further study could be made. At the Southern Baptist Convention in Houston in 1953 a committee was appointed to study the total program of theological, religious and missionary education as sponsored by Southern Baptists and, in light of this study, to make some recommendation in regard to the request of Carver School. The final decision of this committee awaits further study on how Carver School can fit into the total program of training for Christian workers as projected for the future.

Some of our denominational leaders have predicted that there will be at least two thousand additional ministerial students seeking admission in Southern Baptist seminaries by 1960. This figure does not include those who will need preparation for the varied fields of religious education, sacred music, and missionary service.

The Foreign Mission Board is calling for more volunteers for overseas service. Churches are asking for youth directors, elementary workers, social workers, ministers of music. The call comes for religious journalists, social workers for Baptist hospitals and children's homes, skilled workers for community centers. As Southern Baptists reach out, the demand for workers will grow and so will the number of volunteers for Christian service.

Southern Baptists already have five seminaries and Carver School. But leaders charged with the responsibility of looking into the future and charting our course recognize the inadequacy of our schools in meeting the demands for the increasing variety of training and the increasing number of young people volunteering for service in the denominational program. All of us together must plan wisely under God to meet this challenge.

...Prepare ye the way of the Lord... Make straight a highway for our God... Prepare ye the way of the Lord... Make straight a highway for our God...



THEME FOR THE YEAR

Program Caution: Crowded Island

by Mary Alexander

Program Plans

Our program today is presented as reports, letters, interview, eye witness description, research from Hong Kong missionaries and Chinese Baptist leaders. The various talks may be assigned to WMS general officers or officers of circle in charge of program as a round table discussion of Baptist work in Hong Kong.

Enlarge the cover map of Hong Kong Island, Kowloon and New Territories. Arrange platform for informal round table or panel discussion, with chairs around table where tea is waiting for speakers while they visit and chat. Have the five periods on blackboard or poster for "Mr. Lam" in point to as he speaks. Use any Chinese costumes and decorations available.

Program Outline

- Worship
- Hymn
- Scripture Reading
- Prayer remembering those named on Prayer Calendar
- Song
- Historical Background of Hong Kong
- Conditions Today
 - Report of Mrs. Average Tourist
 - Refugees and Squatters and Medical Needs
 - Mrs. Anderson's Report
- Baptist Work in Hong Kong
 - Growth of Baptist Work in Hong Kong
 - Women's Work in Hong Kong
 - Baptist Educational Work in Hong Kong
 - Publication Work in Hong Kong
- On Your Prayer List

Worship

Quotation in unison of WMU Watchword, 1 Cor. 3:9

Quotation WMU Watchword for 1951-55, John 3:14

Hymn for 1954-55: "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

Prayer that every Baptist woman will feel her responsibility for lifting Christ's cross that all people may believe in him.

Scripture reading by three women: Isaiah 44:12-20; Psalm 115:1-8; Acts 17:22-27

A brief comment by devotional leader will call attention to these three passages. First is the description Isaiah gives of the making of an idol. Then the writer of Psalm 115 contrasts heathen idols which cannot see or hear or feel or speak with the ever present loving-kindness of the Lord. Paul moved by the worship efforts of the heathen people of Athens points out that the Lord of creation is near everyone of us by the presence and power of the Holy Spirit.

Hymn: "Jesus Calls Us"



...Prepare ye the way of the Lord... Make straight a highway for our God... Prepare ye the way of the Lord... Make straight a highway for our God...



Our program writer for this month was appointed to China in 1920. Teacher in girls school and in seminary, general secretary of China Baptist WMU, author of study book, Seedtime and Harvest, now teaching and serving as secretary of Baptist Press in Hong Kong, she surely knows and loves China.

Historical Background of Hong Kong

Program Chairman: There seems to be more in the name Hong Kong than we first think of. Look with me at the map and see how Hong Kong is divided into three parts: Hong Kong Island, with capital city of Victoria; Kowloon Peninsula, a small portion of the China mainland, and the New Territories running some forty or more miles back into the mainland until it touches present day Red China. This boundary is most carefully guarded on one side by British Tommies and soldiers of other Commonwealth countries, and on the other side by Red China's military forces.

Our WMS historian has done faithful research for us and will now give us facts on the historical background of Hong Kong, Baptists' oldest mission field in the Orient which we entered in 1843.

Historian: "Albert is much amused at my having got the rocky, barren, unhealthy, almost uninhabited island of Hong Kong," wrote Queen Victoria in 1841. Many Britishers, especially the press, joined Albert in his amusement and ridiculed possession of this "useless lump of rock." But British merchants in Canton in the early 1830's needed a trade base and Hong Kong Island was chosen as that base. The village of Victoria on Hong Kong Island had a population of about fifty; and the whole island less than 5000. It was a pirates' hideout at the mouth of the Pearl River.

In August, 1842, Hong Kong Island was formally ceded to the British Crown after

the Opium War in the Treaty of Nanking. One British diplomat was pleased with these "satisfactory results." Another wrote: "I am in dread of the judgment of God upon England for our national iniquity towards China." Similar contrasting opinions about status of Hong Kong still hold after these one hundred and more years of British history in Hong Kong.

Kowloon Peninsula and Stonecutter's Island were ceded to the British Crown in 1868; and in 1898 the New Territories were leased for ninety-nine years. The total area of what is now known as the British Crown Colony of Hong Kong is 391 square miles. That is only a little larger than New York City, and Hong Kong Island by itself is about the size of Manhattan Island.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Lewis Shuck, first American Baptists in China, moved from Macao to Hong Kong in March 1842, after six years in the Orient. Of a week's vacation on Hong Kong Island in 1839, Mrs. Shuck wrote her homefolks: "Hong Kong is indeed a most romantic spot. It is said to be the finest harbor in the world. There were forty-five square-rigged vessels anchored in different directions during the time we were there, and they truly presented a lovely aspect. The lofty green-covered hills surrounded us on all sides." By 1842 when the Shuck family moved to Hong Kong, they could doubtless see on the hillside the barracks that housed the British military officials. They could see the Chinese houses running down from the hillsides to the seacoast, so many houses that perhaps they felt even then that the little village of Victoria was growing into quite a city.

Queen Victoria lived to see her barren island become the greatest trading port of

the Far East. Of this same fine harbor Harold Ingrams in his book "Hong Kong" wrote in 1952: "The magnificent Hong Kong Harbor, second only to the Rio de Janeiro Harbor in Brazil, is full of life and traffic, and noise. . . . On its seventeen square miles of sheltered and untroubled waters are to be seen almost at any time representatives of the sea trade of every nation of the world, arriving, anchored, or departing. Amongst these ocean going ships can be seen numberless little craft, ferries, tugs with lighters, yachts, naval craft and launches; while amongst them glide the graceful forms of junks and sampans with their brown sails ribbed like bat's wings, attracting the eyes of every visitor, and making the hands of every artist itch."

Another eyewitness of Hong Kong wrote in 1951: "Climbing part way up the Peak, the metropolis of Victoria on Hong Kong Island resembles a huge cliff-dwellers city; buildings closely packed seem to stand like acrobats on the shoulders of those below on the commercialized coastline." At night

the shorelines of Hong Kong and Kowloon with their hundreds of many colored lights are too beautiful for description. Driving by day or night over Hong Kong's four hundred miles of concrete and macadam roads, curving and circling through hills carved out by magician road engineers, visitors view breathtaking beauty of landscapes and "sea-scapes."

Hong Kong is the most thickly populated place in the world with 2,221 persons per square mile. Japan has 232 per square mile and Canada and Australia, one per square mile. Ninety-five per cent of the 2,500,000 people of Hong Kong are Chinese, largely Cantonese; though at the present time probably every one of China's provinces is represented among the population. With the many Chinese dialects spoken, Mandarin and English must often be used as the common languages. Among the Chinese the 125,000 friendly boat people with their own language, separate community, floating shops and restaurants must not be overlooked.

Two million of Hong Kong's population



A Thin Brave Line

Almost the only force today that provides a bond to hold the world together is international Christian fellowship. Those who protest the attendance of church leaders from Communist areas to such gatherings as the Baptist World Alliance, seem unable to realize that few people behind the Iron Curtain are actually Communists, and that religion in the lives of millions remains the one unconquerable force which the tyrants cannot subdue to their will. With politicians, diplomats and military seemingly absorbed in tasks that further split and divide the world, we thank God for the thin brave line, for if it ever breaks what hope will be left?—Adapted from C. A. Wells



Rice paddies, New Territories, Hong Kong

are in the city of Victoria on the Hong Kong Island, making Victoria the fifteenth largest city in the world, about the size of Philadelphia or Los Angeles. Of Hong Kong's population other than Chinese, there are about 15,000 "foreigners" or Westerners, 10,000 British (not including military service personnel), 3,000 British subjects of Portuguese origin, and about 2,000 of other nations.

Conditions Today

Chairman: Mrs. Average Tourist of "Circle 1" was in Hong Kong recently. She can give a wonderful word picture of life there. (Have someone who has been in Hong Kong speak or otherwise act as if she had seen Hong Kong.)

Mrs. Average Tourist Speaks

One morning when our ship was in port, a shipmate and I left the ship to cross from Kowloon where all the great liners dock to the Hong Kong Island side. We followed the crowds of people through the ticket turnstile and boarded the Star Ferry. The fare was about three and a half cents U.S. money. Around us were men well-dressed in western business suits; men in sports clothes; school girls and school boys in their school uniforms. There were beautiful Chinese women and girls, some in semi-western dress, but more with bobbed hair, straight or "permanent-ed," in stylish Chinese gowns. There were women from India in their colorful saris, and men from India with colored turbans. There were American sailors, British Tommies, and service men from other British Commonwealths. There were Americans and European

civilians.

On the lower deck of the ferry were good-natured coolies with heavy baskets of vegetables or chickens or ducks or groceries or luggage. On Victoria side of the harbor, we mingled in the throngs of people. Heavy traffic filled the streets—clanging trolleys, double-decker buses, taxis, private cars, trucks and lorries, military vehicles of every description. All whirled around corners, keeping to the left. Since Hong Kong is a free entry port as far as customs and tariffs are concerned, anything can be bought from Europe, Asia, USA, Japan, Australia and other world markets and prices are surprisingly low. We learned too that practically all of Hong Kong's food supplies must be imported, even rice.

It would take too long to list Hong Kong's exports and imports. But Hong Kong is simply crowded with interest, beauty, and signs of progress. It is the shopper's paradise!

Refugees and Squatters and Medical Needs

Chairman: One of our WMS members has a special friend, Mrs. Maurice J. Anderson, in Hong Kong. Mrs. Anderson is a nurse and vitally interested in all the medical work in Hong Kong, especially among the refugee and squatter. Mrs. Anderson dreams of a medical program by Baptists in Hong Kong. Her friend will now quote from Mrs. Anderson.

Mrs. Anderson's Report

There seems to be much misinformation about refugees in Hong Kong. From 1841 to 1957 everybody, especially the Chinese entered Hong Kong from all over South China to find better jobs and better living conditions. When the last official census was taken in 1951, the population of Hong Kong was 800,000. By 1956 it was 1,000,000. When talking about "the refugee problem" people today always mean those who came in 1948 through 1950 as they fled from Communists. Actually, refugees started to flow into Hong Kong seventeen years ago with the outbreak of war in the summer of 1937. From 1937 through 1941 probably 500,000 people came to Hong Kong to escape Japanese aggression in China. Then Hong Kong fell to the Japanese!



Present population of Hong Kong is two and a half million; parts of the city average 2,000 per acre or fourteen times as many as live per acre on Manhattan. In Hong Kong there are only about 20,000 non-Chinese. Victoria (above) is squeezed between mountainside and harbor; main avenues parallel the water

The prewar population of 1,600,000 dropped to 500,000. Victoria became a ghost city of rubble and wrecks with no public utilities. After 1945 reconstruction went into full swing, and in an unbelievably short time miracles happened. Life in the Crown Colony began to take on prewar aspects. Then human waves of refugees, fleeing before Communism in China, began flowing into Hong Kong, and Hong Kong's population jumped to two and one half millions and more. This flood of humanity brought overcrowding, health problems and unemployment. Squatter settlements sprang up on nearly every side of Hong Kong and Kowloon where several hundred thousand destitute refugees began to eke out a miserable existence. Fires in the wooden hovels were a constant hazard. On Christmas Eve of 1953 in one fire more than 50,000 of these squatters were left homeless, foodless, coverless, and clothesless. Undernourishment, disease, and inadequate medical care for adults and children are appalling. Clinics, mobile medical units, medicines, trained nurses and doctors are sorely needed.

Baptist Work in Hong Kong Growth of Baptist Work in Hong Kong

Chairman: Let us imagine an interview with Mr. C. F. Lam, the most outstanding layman of Hong Kong. Mr. Lam is chairman of Hong Kong Baptist Association and also principal of Pool Ching Baptist Boys Middle School. Mrs. _____ will be Mr. Lam and Mrs. _____ the visitor.

Visitor: Mr. Lam, will you tell us something of the growth of Baptist work in Hong Kong?

Mr. Lam: Baptist work in Hong Kong may well be divided like this:

1. Period of Beginnings (1842-1900)
2. Period of Church Organization (1901-1941)
3. Period of Decline (1941-1945)
4. Period of Revival (1946-1949)
5. Period of Progress (1950-1954)

Visitor: When and where was the first Baptist Church in Hong Kong organized?

Mr. Lam: In 1842, the Queen's Road Baptist Church on Hong Kong Island was organized with five members by Mr. J. Lewis Shuck.

Visitor: What is the oldest church in Hong Kong today?

Mr. Lam: Caine Road Baptist Church which grew out of the work of Mr. and Mrs. Shuck is the oldest Baptist church in Hong Kong today. It is often called Hong Kong's mother Baptist Church.

Visitor: How long did Mr. and Mrs. Shuck serve as missionaries in Hong Kong?

Mr. Lam: From 1842-1844. Mrs. Shuck died in November, 1844. She is buried in the beautiful Happy Valley cemetery of Hong Kong. The WMS of Caine Road Baptist Church and the students of Henrietta Memorial School take care of Mrs. Shuck's grave. They make annual pilgrimages to place flowers on her grave and to thank God for her life of dedication to the Lord's work.

Visitor: How many Baptist churches and chapels are there in Hong Kong, Kowloon, and the New Territories, and with how many members?

Mr. Lam: There are twelve organized churches, and twenty chapels. About fifteen of the preaching halls or chapels have been opened within the last four years. Many other sections should have chapels as soon as possible. There are about 7,000 members of Baptist churches in Hong Kong.

Visitor: Do you have a Convention or Association among the Hong Kong Baptist churches?

Mr. Lam: Yes, the Hong Kong Baptist Association was organized in 1938. The annual meetings were stopped during World War II, but began again in 1946. The work of the Association is organized under eight boards or committees: evangelistic, seminary, young people's, women's, editorial, educational, benevolence, and Sunday school.

Visitor: What is the annual budget of the Hong Kong Baptist Association? How is this budget met?

Mr. Lam: The budget for the Hong Kong Baptist Association for 1955 is \$200,000

(Hong Kong Currency (about \$35,500 U.S. Currency). This budget is met through offerings from Baptist churches, schools, and individuals and by gifts from the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention through its Hong Kong-Macao Mission.

Women's Work in Hong Kong

Chairman: Mrs. Victor Frank is both official and unofficial adviser for WMU work in Hong Kong. She and Miss Heien Huen, chairman of the Hong Kong Baptist Association Women's Board, and Mrs. Phoebe Cheung, editor of WMU literature of the Baptist Press, have written us an inspiring letter. Shall we ask our secretary to read it for us?

Dear Friends of WMU:

On behalf of the six WMUs of the Hong Kong Baptist Association we send you loving greetings. Although not one of our six WMUs is yet A-1, all are doing fine work. Our Hong Kong WMU Association was organized in 1950. The Woman's Board of the Hong Kong Baptist Association was first elected in 1952. These two groups cooperate in the promotion of women's work for women in the churches and chapels of the Hong Kong Baptist Association. One Bible woman is entirely supported by the WMU and serves in two chapels in the New Territories.

In August of 1954 a three day retreat or conference was held. More than two hundred women attended. In June and July of 1954, more than one hundred women were enrolled in the various churches in Bible, literacy and practical work training classes. The weakest points of local organizations are in the fostering of children's and young people's organizations and in our failure to enlist more nearly all of the women in the churches. Yet women are loyal to the work of their own churches and are very active in visitation, ministry to the poor, and tract distribution.

Early in October the Week of Prayer program as it was translated and adapted from your program was sent to all the churches not only in Hong Kong but throughout Southeast Asia. For the Day of Prayer, December 3, 1954, the WMU Association met. An excellent and most inspir-

ing program was worked out in pageant form by Mrs. Edna Wong and members of the WMU of Caine Road Baptist Church. The offering was H. K. \$300 (\$50 U.S. dollars). Dr. J. D. Belote, treasurer of the Hong Kong-Macao Mission will send that money to our Foreign Mission Board in Richmond. We know that this is a very small offering compared to your marvelous gifts. We hope by this small token to let you know that we want to link our hearts and hands and gifts with you as "Labourers together with God" "that the world may know" our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Lovingly in him,
Irina Frank
Helen Huen
Phoebe Szeto Cheung

Baptist Educational Work in Hong Kong

Chairman: One of the members of our Business Woman's Circle has a former schoolmate in Hong Kong, Miss Jaxie Short. Because Miss Short is a missionary in educational work, her letters are full of interesting facts and figures about the Baptist Schools and the Baptist Seminary in Hong Kong.

1. Pooi Ching Boys' Middle (High) School began in Canton sixty-five years ago. Through the able leadership of Mr. Lam and other officers, Pooi Ching now has a school plant in Hong Kong valued at

almost \$1,000,000. The student body from kindergarten through senior middle school numbers about 3,500. Mr. Franklin Liu is director of religious education in the school and longs for a real chapel building. A six-story classroom building including equipment and dedicated in 1953 cost about \$300,000, \$35,000 of this was given by the Foreign Mission Board.

2. Pooi To Girls' Middle School also began in Canton sixty-six years ago. Miss Helen Huen who has been in the leadership of the school for more than thirty years is now its principal. There are 1500 students from kindergarten to middle school. Jaxie Short is chairman of religious work activities. A new building costing about \$160,000 was dedicated in 1954. Of this amount \$35,000 was given by the Foreign Mission Board. Miss Iuet Lung of Austin, Texas has been a teacher in Pooi To for the past twenty-five years and has made an excellent contribution to the life of the school. Miss Margaret Jung also of the USA is an able teacher there now.

3. The Hong Kong Baptist Theological Seminary was established in 1951 to train both young men and women for leadership in the churches and chapels of Hong Kong and other fields among overseas Chinese in Southeast Asia. Pastor Y. S. Lau of Caine Road Baptist Church was the first president. In the summer of 1954, Pastor

Pooi To entertained four guests from USA. Helen Huen, president at extreme left; faculty member, Mary Alexander, Laene Tilford, Mrs. Lam, Mr. Lam, Mr. Sampson, Jaxie Short, Mary Sampson, Inez Lung, Josephine Jones, Margaret Jung at extreme right, Ione Gray, faculty member, Juliette Mather



Pilgrimage to the grave of Henrietta Hall Shuck when boys from Henrietta School repainted the letters on her tombstone so they would be more readable

Lau resigned and Dr. J. D. Belote was elected president. From about twenty students in 1951, the enrollment has increased to more than forty. Now only students of Middle Schools or of college grade are accepted to study for either diplomas or degrees. The practical work committee of the seminary cannot meet all the requests for student help in the Hong Kong Baptist Association. About ten graduates of the seminary have accepted work in Malaya. Dr. J. D. Belote, Dr. and Mrs. M. J. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Victor Frank, Mr. R. W. Fuller, Miss Ruth Pettigrew, Miss Mildred Lovegren, and Miss Jaxie Short are the missionary members of the seminary faculty. The Chinese staff will be increased when possible. The campus, dormitories, classrooms, and administration facilities must be enlarged before long.

4. Henrietta School was opened in Hong Kong in 1924. It is a primary school for girls, named for Henrietta Hall Shuck who began the work in 1842. Mrs. K. S. Wong, educated in San Francisco, daughter of one of the early pastors of the Caine Road church promoted this school as a memorial to Mrs. Shuck. In 1951 about 10,000 Hong

Kong dollars were contributed in Southeast Asia for this purpose. Then \$10,000 from the Foreign Mission Board enabled the school to move from the Caine Road church building to a separate building. A high school department was added to the primary school and the school became known as Henrietta School. In 1952, Mrs. Rosalind Lam, daughter of Mrs. K. S. Wong became the principal without salary. The enrollment of Henrietta School for fall term, 1954, was 371, with nineteen faculty members. Already the school has outgrown its building. There are bright hopes that in the not too distant future a new location with adequate buildings will make Henrietta School one which in all its work and witness will bring greater honor and glory to the name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

5. The first Primary School of the Hong Kong Baptist Association was established in the spring of 1952. Fees were low and the children of both poorer Christian and non-Christian families were able to attend. This year a second Primary School will be opened in Homuntin village. The Castle Peak Mandarin Refugee school was opened in 1951 and has been a great blessing to Mandarin-speaking children and their parents. We should have more schools in connection with our churches and chapels in New Territories where Miss Ruth Pettigrew serves and among the people from Soorhow and Shanghai among whom Miss Blanche Groves serves.

6. The cooperative work in the Hong Kong Baptist Association in the field of religious education is done principally through the Young People's Board and the Sunday School Board of the Association. There is a Hong Kong Baptist Young People's Missionary Organization for which the Young People's Board serves as adviser. The B.Y.P.M.O. Association has monthly prayer meetings, and plans for the summer

AUDIO-VISUAL AIDS FOR APRIL

by Mildred Williams

FILMSTRIP

"BAPTIST MISSIONS IN SOUTHEAST ASIA" is a survey of Baptist work in new mission areas. The filmstrip shows how the China staff of missionaries has been relocated. Several scenes showing work in Hong Kong are included. 48 single frames, color, with manual and film in box, \$7.50.

MOTION PICTURE

"THEY THAT WERE SCATTERED ABROAD" is the story of how our missionaries were scattered in China. "Scatter abroad preaching the word" While the film in ludes work in Korea, Thailand, Malaya, and other new areas, it will enrich this month's program. In addition to the general survey, specific work is shown in Hong Kong.

The film runs for 24 minutes, is in color, and may be rented through your local Baptist Book Store for \$1.00.

assemblies. It plans co-operative practical Christian work programs as in united tract distribution days. Often in one day they pass out throughout Hong Kong and Kowloon as many as 100,000 tracts. The most outstanding need of the work among the young people is a "Hong Kong Ridgecrest or Glorieta." Plans and prayers are in progress to this end. "Therefore, pray ye"

Publication Work in Hong Kong

Chairman: No one is better fitted than Miss Lila Watson to write about publication work in Hong Kong. Since 1927 Miss Watson has majored on publication work in China.

Miss Watson: Miss Mary Alexander of the Baptist Press in Hong Kong and I are deeply grateful for the privilege of being used to help Chinese Baptists and Baptist missionaries in the preparation and distribution of urgently needed literature for this hour of opportunity in Southeast Asia.

With a capable staff of about twenty Chinese co-workers from Peking, Shanghai,

Swatow, Kweilin, Canton, Macao and Hong Kong, a wide variety of publications has been made possible. There are study course books, quarterly publications of weekly programs for woman's missionary societies and full-graded young peoples' missionary organizations. The Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions and the program for the Day of Prayer Around the World have been adapted, translated and published. Sunday School lessons for teachers and pupils have been prepared in Chinese. Vacation Bible School materials also have found wide usefulness. Text books for seminaries and schools are listed in the Baptist Press catalog.

Since its beginning in 1951 the Baptist Press has published evangelistic, doctrinal, and seasonal tracts. By Christmas of 1951, 10,000 copies of the Bible and 10,000 copies of the New Testament were released by the Baptist Press. In this edition the correct translation is given for baptism instead of reading "washing ceremony."

Conferences on Chinese literature have been held in Hong Kong, attended by representatives from Taiwan, the Philippines, Thailand, Malaya, Hong Kong and Macao. The Baptist Press in Hong Kong supplies literature in Chinese for all these fields and wants to meet their needs.

The three-story building bought with Lottie Moon Christmas Offering money will make possible enlarged work in all these fields.

On Your Prayer List

And now lift your eyes again to the map of Hong Kong. Hong Kong's existence as a "Crown Colony" is indeed a miracle. This is most evident in comparison with the other islands about it still undeveloped and barren looking, as unpromising as Hong Kong Island was in the early 1830s. Hong Kong stands at the threshold of the great country of China. Its strategic value as a free port cannot be measured. It is at the crossroads of world trade. Best of all is the thought that in the Crown Colony, all are free to worship God, and free to make Christ known in the colony and in regions beyond! Put Hong Kong, Kowloon, and the New Territories with all their needs and opportunities on your daily prayer list.

Pray Ye

by Mrs. Elmer W. Brillhart, Oklahoma

"Prayer is the Christian's vital breath."—ANONYMOUS

The missionaries are listed by birthdays. For detailed addresses, see directory in *Home Missioner* magazine, and *Directory of Missionary Personnel* which may be obtained without charge from the Foreign Mission Board.

1 Friday "As thy days, so shall thy strength be"—Deut. 33:25 Rev. Luis M. Gonzalez, Marianao, Cuba; *Rev. L. N. Nelson, Okayama, Japan, Mrs. B. I. Carpenter, Seward, Alaska, ev.; *Miss Susan Anderson, Abeokuta, Nigeria, ed. ev.

2 Saturday "O God, thou art my God; early will I seek thee"—Psalm 83:1 Mrs. Edelmiro Becerra, Sancti Spiritus, Cuba, ev.; Rev. S. L. Isaacs, HMB, em.; pray for Italy WMU annual meeting to be held this month.

3 Sunday "Be ye not unwise, but understanding what the will of the Lord is"—Eph. 5:17 Mrs. E. Carter Morgan, Honolulu, Hawaii, ev.; Rev. Roy F. Starmer, Rome, Italy, ed. ev.; pray for Mexico WMU annual meeting to be held this month.

4 Monday "God is with thee whithersoever thou goest"—Joshua 1:9 Rev. Edwin Johnson, Dallas, Tex., ev. among Negroes, Mrs. C. E. Clark, Barquisimeto, Venezuela, RN, Rev. G. B. Seright, Triunfo, Brazil, ev.; Mrs. Paul Rowden, Jerusalem, Israel, Mrs. Z. J. Deal, Cartagena, Colombia, ed. ev., Miss Florence Lide, China, em.

5 Tuesday "In God is my salvation and my glory; the rock of my strength, and my refuge, is in God"—Psalm 82:7 Rev. H. C. McConnell, Santiago, Chile, ed. ev.; *Rev. Raymond L. Kolb, Recife, Brazil, ev.; Kentucky annual WMU meeting, April 5-7, Cuba annual WMU meeting, April 5.

6 Wednesday "The Lord taketh pleasure in them that fear him, in those that hope in his mercy"—Psalm 147:11 Rev. Curran Gunn, Marksville, La., ev. among French, *Rev. E. L. Oliver, Kagoshima City, Japan, Mrs. M. A. Sanderford, Montevideo, Uruguay, ev.

7 Thursday "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me"—Phil. 4:13 Mrs. Howard Brent, San Antonio, Tex., ed. ev. among Spanish, Rev. Daniel Gomez, Anthony, N.M., ev. among Spanish, Mrs. H. B. Ramsour, Hilo, Hawaii, ed. ev.; Rev. Emit O. Ray, Nassau, Bahama Islands, ev.; Dr. Kathleen Jones, Kediri, Indonesia, MD, Mrs.

H. D. Stein, Rev. Alejandro Pereira, HMB, Dr. D. G. Whittinghill, Italy, Mrs. W. B. Glass, China, em.

8 Friday "Lead me in thy truth, and teach me: for thou art the God of my salvation"—Psalm 25:5 Mrs. Curran Gunn, Marksville, Miss Evelyn Stanford, Montegut, La., ev. among French, Mrs. Virgil McMillan, Shizuoka, Japan, ev.; Rev. J. C. Quarles, Argentina, Rev. Donato Ruiz, HMB, em.

9 Saturday "The blessing of the Lord, it maketh rich, and he addeth no sorrow with it"—Prov. 10:22 Miss Elizabeth Smalley, Tampa, Fla., GWC, Rev. Ray Crowder, Keffi, Nigeria, Mrs. R. L. Lyon, Torreón, ev., Mrs. C. L. Neal, Mexico, em.

10 Sunday "God giveth wisdom, and knowledge, and joy"—Eccles. 2:26 Rev. Eugene Kratz, Gatooma, Southern Rhodesia, Mrs. Daniel Luper, Sao Luiz, Brazil, Rev. Morris Wright, Urawa Shi, Japan, ev.; Rev. Daniel Cantu, Carrizo Springs, Mrs. David Espurvoa, Edinburg, Tex., ev. among Spanish, Isabel Espurvoa, MF.

11 Monday "Fear ye not the reproach of men"—Isa. 51:7 Mrs. Chester Cadwallader, Guatemala City, Guatemala, ev., Dr. H. D. McCamey, Ibadan, Nigeria, DDS, Mrs. Abraham Wright, Benid, Ill., ev. among Italians, Miss Fay Turmire, New Orleans, La., GWC, Dr. O. P. Maddox, Brazil, em.

12 Tuesday "Be still, and know that I am God"—Psalm 46:10 Mrs. J. A. Abernathy, Seoul, Korea, ev.; *Mrs. J. F. Mitchell, Temuco, Chile, ed. ev.; Fla. state WMU meeting, Lakeland, April 12-13.

13 Wednesday "We are ambassadors for Christ"—2 Cor. 5:20 Miss Ruby Howse, Antofagasta, Chile, ed. ev., Rev. Camara Guerra, San Benito, Rev. Jose Saenz, Rio Grande City, Tex., ev. among Spanish, Mrs. R. F. Elder, Argentina, em., Antonio Saenz, MF.

14 Thursday "Whosoever shall compel thee to go a mile, go with him twain"—Matt. 5:41 *Mrs. George Bowdler, Cipolletti, Argentina, ev., Miss Katherine Skinner, Tor-

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reon, Mexico, Rev. S. S. Stover, Belo Horizonte, Brazil, ed. ev., Victor Bowdler, MF

15 Friday "The Lord is my shepherd"—Psalm 23:1 Rev. Seferino Jajola, Isleta, N.M., ev. among Indians, Mrs. Edna Teal, China, em.; pray for success of first Royal Ambassador Congress of Mexico being held in Monterrey, April 15-16

16 Saturday "If any man suffer as a Christian, let him not be ashamed"—1 Pet 4:16 Rev. Andrew Foster, Pollock, La., ev. among migrants, *Mrs. J. L. Riffey, Rio de Janeiro, ed. ev., Rev. Elmer M. Treadwell, Aracaju, Brazil, Miss Darline Elliott, Barranquilla, Colombia, *Rev. Edwin B. Dozier, Tokyo, Japan, *Mrs. N. J. Rodriguez, Camajunani, Cuba, ev., Miss Crea Ridenour, Cali, Colombia, W.M.U. secretary and ed. ev., Mrs. Juan B. Ferrer, HMB, em., Sara Ellen Dozier, MF

17 Sunday "Great peace have they which love thy law: and nothing shall offend them"—Psalm 119:165 *Rev. Robert G. Bratcher, Rio de Janeiro, ed. ev., Rev. F. R. Richardson, Vitoria, Brazil, Rev. H. L. Sheemake, Guayaquil, Ecuador, Miss Miriam McCullough, Guadalajara, Mexico, ev.

18 Monday "Be filled with the Spirit"—Eph. 5:18 Mrs. R. B. Wolfard, Sao Paulo, Brazil, lan. st., Mr. G. Murray Branch, Atlanta, Ga., ed. ev.

19 Tuesday "The Lord thy God shall bless thee in all that thou doest"—Deut. 15:18 Mrs. E. G. Berry, Rio de Janeiro, pub. ev., Mrs. C. R. Bumpus, Sao Paulo, Brazil, lan. st., *Miss Virginia Wingo, Rome, Italy, ed. ev., Mrs. Sam T. Mayo, Oglethorpe, Ga., ev. among migrants, Mrs. Carlos Ramirez, San Angelo, Tex., ev. among Spanish, Mrs. John W. Turner, Beirut, Lebanon, ev.

20 Wednesday "The love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us"—Rom. 5:5 Rev. Ruben I. Franks, Santiago, Chile, ev., Mrs. S. P. Mirales, Kingsville, Tex., ev. among Spanish

21 Thursday "Give me understanding according to thy word"—Psalm 119:169 Mrs. Stephen Gover, Weatherford, Okla., Mrs. L. E. Johns, Coolidge, Ariz., ev. among Indians, Miss Elizabeth Watkins, Matsuyama, Miss Mary Neal Morgan, Osaka, Japan, Mrs. Victor Keon, Honolulu, Hawaii, *Mrs. J. S. Oliver, Teresina, ev., Miss Letha Saunders, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, Miss Rose Marlowe, Kokura, Japan, ed. ev., Stephen Gover, MF

22 Friday "Be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might"—Eph. 6:10 Mrs. W. W. Logan, Ogbomosh, Nigeria, ev., Rev. Donald B. McCoy, Recife, Brazil, lan. st., Mrs. Marcos Duron, Carrizozo, N.M., Rev. Ismael Negrin, Key West, ev. among Span-

ish, Rev. A. Pucciarelli, Tampa, Fla., ev. among Italians, Rev. Baxter T. Matthews, Baltimore, Md., ev. among Negroes

23 Saturday "The liberal soul shall be made fat"—Prov. 11:25 Rev. M. F. Moorhead, Sapporo, ed. ev., Rev. William H. Jackson, Hokkaido, Japan, *Mrs. B. H. Wellmaker, Cali, Colombia, Rev. Adalberto Santizo, Panama City, Panama, Rev. Harold Heiney, Shawnee, Okla., ev. among Indians, *Dr. S. G. Rankin, MD, Miss Blanche Walker, China, em.

24 Sunday "I will rejoice in the Lord"—Hab. 3:18 Rev. Arturo Corugedo, Matanzas, Cuba, ev., Rev. N. Hoyt Eudaly, El Paso, Tex., pub. ev., Rev. W. C. Hunker, Taipei, Taiwan, Miss Blanche Simpson, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, *Miss Lena V. Lair, Iwo, ed. ev., Dr. William J. Williams, Ogbomosh, Nigeria, MD

25 Monday "Happy is the man whom God correcteth"—Job 5:17 Mrs. Harold P. Reeves, Bangkok, Thailand, ev., Rev. G. L. Stanley, Phoenix, Ariz., ev. among Chinese, Rev. R. E. Poston, Louisville, Ky., ev. among Negroes

26 Tuesday "Thou shalt be like a watered garden, and like a spring of water, whose waters fail not"—Isa. 58:11 Rev. John Rattliff, Tegucigalpa, Honduras, ev., Rev. Luis P. Gloria, Jr., Phoenix, Ariz., ev. among Spanish, Rev. Gerald Fielder, Tokyo, Japan, lan. st., Mrs. A. S. Patterson, Nigeria, em

27 Wednesday "Hear my voice, O God, in my prayer"—Psalm 64:1 Mrs. William H. Jackson, Hokkaido, Japan, ev.

28 Thursday "In thy presence is fulness of joy"—Psalm 16:11 Mrs. E. Gordon Crocker, Quito, Ecuador, ev., Miss Sara Frances Diaz, Granite City, Ill., GWC

29 Friday "Be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus"—2 Tim. 2:1 Rev. Russell Bowren, Gallup, N.M., ev. among Indians, Miss Annie Rines, Ogbomosh, Nigeria, RN, Mrs. Z. Paul Freeman, Buenos Aires, Argentina, Miss Onis Vineyard, Miss Cathryn Smith, Recife, Brazil, ed. ev., *Miss Rosemary Lambert, Tobata, Japan, Miss Margaret Collins, Dagupan City, Philippines, ev., Rev. Arturo Westrup, Wacider, Tex., ev. among Spanish

30 Saturday "Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above"—James 1:17 *Rev. J. S. Oliver, Teresina, Brazil, Mrs. P. H. Hill, Ogbomosh, Nigeria, ev.

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lan. st. language study
RN nurse
MD physician
* on full-time

DHS dentist
GWC Good Will Center
pub. publications
MF Margaret Fund Student



Baptist Schools

Chinese Baptists have three outstanding schools in Hong Kong. Left: The emblem of the Henrietta School located at 64 Robinson Road, Hong Kong. Top: Pooi Ching Middle School (for boys) at 80 Waterloo Road, Kowloon, Hong Kong. Below: Pooi To students meet in Stirling Road Baptist Church for chapel service. Their new building (for girls) is located on Inverness Road, Kowloon, Hong Kong.





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