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Above: Study buildings at Ridgecrest make this a happy spot as well as place of inspiration and information for people.

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FRONT COVER Only a few of our city streets are modern highways such as the Pasadena to Los Angeles freeway on our cover. As more people move to the cities "to get ahead" and traffic becomes more tangled, plans must be worked out to ease congestion. Even more important, confusion and tension need to be eliminated from the lives of city people themselves—whether they live on wide boulevards, narrow alleys, or ordinary city streets. Our churches, chapels, missions, and Good Will Centers must reach out in real efforts to help thousands of unsaved people. (You may want to use this picture on your announcement poster for the meeting.)

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From Baptist Home to Baptist Hospital

by Christine Garnett, Cienfuegos, Cuba

I CAN SEE HER NOW—little Marina, as she came with her very ill mother and small brother. It was late afternoon, all was excitement in our Baptist home for we were expecting two new children, and here they were. One look at those large brown eyes, that long curly hair, and I knew that I would love this chubby little Marina of ten years. She was my oldest child and proud to be a veritable little mother to the others. With an innate fineness she saved me many a step as she dressed the small ones, helped them settle their difficulties, and entertained the old folks with her childish stories.

Now sometimes in this, my country of Cuba, honesty is not one of the greatest virtues among our children, but Marina was frank and sincere always. Really, of all the people at the Baptist home she was my only companion.

When she was eleven it was time to do something better for her schooling than we

could afford in the home, so plans were made to send her by train to the Baptist school in Havana. How she enjoyed helping with the hems and buttons for her school uniforms! And how proud and happy she felt when she marched off each morning to take that train! Sometimes I, just like any mother, felt like my "biggest" daughter was growing away from me, and a tear would trickle down.

Her thirteenth birthday was approaching. Fifteen is "coming out" time in Cuba, but I knew that I would be turning the home over to others before many months. I loved Marina and wanted to do something for her. I had to be tactful to keep the other girls from feeling jealous, but that enemy conquered, the girls and boys were as full of joy with the "secret" as I.

There was a vacant room in the house. On her birthday Marina went to school. All day we cleaned and made furniture. There was a new spread for her white bed,

Senora Marina Castanet (center) and other trained nurses

have won many patients to Christ in Clinica Bautista, Cuba.

See picture story on page 16, February ROYAL SERVICE.

a dresser made of boxes and ruffles, and a sure enough mirror. Powder, perfume, and other little things that a girl loves were arranged. There was also a chair with a "ruffled skirt" and a new Bible on the table.

When Marina came home in the afternoon, straight to her room she went, but found that corner where her bed had been, empty. Then we took her to her new "corner." The room had looked lovely before, but as she stood in the center, looking, laughing, making "pretty speeches," a sudden special beauty came over it. Her prayer of thanks that night was from a heart full of gratitude, and before lights were out she called us all in to see the "princess." And she looked the part lying in her lovely bed with her long curls spread over the pillow. Who can tell what her dreams were that night!

My four years there ended. I left the home, left my old people, left my children, left Marina. A year later, the home was closed because the whole country was bankrupt. Different families took the old people and children, others went back to the miserable places they had left. Among the latter were Marina and her brother.

One day I received a telegram. It read: "Mother died this morning, Marina." I rushed off to Havana to spend the day and night with the family as is our custom here. Before that long night was over, we had made a bundle of Marina's things for she would go home with me in the morning after the funeral to be my daughter again.

What fine help she was in our small church! When she accepted Christ and was baptized my joy was complete. People said she was the best dressed and the prettiest girl in the high school. The nice dresses were products of the deft needle and agile fingers of Kathryn Sewell, my missionary companion.

Another change! Marina was off to Havana to study nursing.

A missionary's life is so busy there was

no time to keep up with the student nurse. So the years passed, graduation came, and she was nursing in a tuberculosis hospital when the sad news came that she was no longer a nurse but a patient. A long, hard fight followed. She was completely cured, but her curls, still beautiful, were now white. Marriage came, and it was Miss Matthews and other missionaries in Havana who were enjoying Marina and her church activities.

Later on there was no necessity that she work, her husband was making enough money, so Marina was not nursing. Then our Baptist Hospital was born.

Baptist or Christian nurses were needed, so Dr. Herrera, the director, appealed to Marina. At first her husband opposed, but finally she entered with the others who were giving nobly of themselves for the cause, receiving almost a pittance for their material pay. Marina offered her services free; promising to help until the hospital was on its way to established success. It has been nearly three years now and Marina is still head nurse in our hospital. At last she has consented to receive a small amount monthly. She is truly a white capped nurse, hair and all, and efficiency is written in every movement. "One feels better," sick folks here say, "when Marina enters."

I know that to be true. For two months I was a patient in the Baptist Hospital. How she helped me manage those "white boots" that I wore for thirty-six days! Then came "learning" how to walk, and the tables had completely turned. Marina was taking care of me. I shuddered many days when she worked on a twelve-hour shift. We must pray that her physical strength will be sufficient.

God be praised for Baptist homes and Baptist hospitals all over the world! Let us go to our knees in gratitude for "Florence Nightingales" and "Marinas" who help God's people to march on triumphantly in and for Christ! Are we praying? Do we really love? Are we busy for the Lord?



Dateline: BARCELONA, SPAIN—Summer 1954

Victory Through Trials

by Mrs. Roy B. Wyatt, Missionary

THOUGH many had to travel for as long as two days and two nights in hot, crowded trains, forty Spanish Baptist women, representing twenty-one churches, went to Barcelona to attend the seventh annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Union of Spain.

Reports of the work for the previous year showed, in spite of poverty and persecution, that many unions had reached all points on the Standard of Excellence. Eleven churches have full-graded unions, and five new unions were welcomed into the national organization.

The theme of the meeting was "Jesus Christ, the Light of the World," and many women related stories of their conversions which showed that certainly Christ is the light of their lives. One woman from a village of the Valencia province touched the heart of everyone present when she told how she came to know the Saviour.

Completely dressed in black, she stood to read the report of her church's WMU, and on finishing, she explained that she was not a member of this WMU. Because of the distance, she and seven other women of her "pueblo" are able to walk to the Baptist church only once a month for the Lord's Supper. She asked that all the women present pray for her and her seven sisters in Christ.

"There are terrible things I could tell of what has happened to evangelicals in my village," she said, and was not able to finish because tears began to course down her cheeks. Later she told this story.

"Shortly after the Spanish Civil War my father bought a Bible from a colporteur in a nearby town. He brought it home and laid it down. My mother, who could not read, thought it a shame that such a pretty book should go unread so I began to read it to her. Soon we were both convinced by

A—Delegates at Bonanau Baptist Church with WMU theme in background.

B—Senora Maria Pascual leads a demonstration of Sunbeams presenting children of other lands.

C—The Joyce Wyatt Girls' Auxiliary

D—Senora Noemi Bonet (left), president of national WMU, and Maria Luisa Hidalgo, student at Armstrong Memorial School in Rome.

E—Senora Bonet (leading) is wife of a pastor and daughter of one of pioneer pastors of Spain.

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FMB Photos by Antonia Serra



Victory Through Trials

its message and we accepted Christ as our Saviour.

"People began to note the difference in our lives and on learning the reason, the local priest began an attack against us and against my father. We were told that we could not buy food. We were threatened at our work. One day the priest came to the shop where I worked and after making an attack on evangelicals and those who read the Bible, he said for all who were faithful to his church to stand. Everyone stood but me.

"As they all turned and looked at me I said, 'You can put me in jail if you want to, but I will follow Jesus.'

"Every day the priest came to threaten my father because although he had not accepted Jesus, he was the one who had brought the Bible to us. He accused my father of being possessed by a demon, of not being a man because he had allowed his wife and daughter to become evangelicals. My father was threatened at his work daily and he became more and more nervous until one day he killed himself. Although my father did not become a Christian, I know that God used him to bring the light of his gospel to our village.

"And through these trials have come victory—now we are eight women who are Christians. Many times we thank the Lord that we are only women, because although we are persecuted in many ways, the priest feels that eight women are of no importance, and thus we exist. Now and then the Baptist pastor of the church where we are members comes to one of our houses for a brief service, but he has never stayed more than half an hour because of the fear that we might be discovered in a meeting. We eight women meet every Sunday to study the Bible and pray for a short time. The Lord has blessed us and given us strength to live a Christian life in our village. Through these trials comes the victory."

Yes, these women, as others like them in small fanatical villages in Spain, have found the victory of the Christian life, as day after day they live victoriously over unjust persecutions.

Won't you pray daily that they may have freedom to worship their Lord?



Above—Long view of the Barceloneta Baptist Church where the W.M.U. counselors saw demonstrations.

Below—Five Spanish girls are attending the Armstrong Memorial Training School in Rome, Italy, 1954-55: (l to r) Palmyra Estivill, Badalona; Sara Blanco, Barcelona; Maria Fernandez, Madrid; Maria Hidalgo, Barceloneta; Esperanza Giro, Badalona.

Tino's Courage Helps

by Emily Ruth Helm, student missionary from Bowling Green, Kentucky

LITTLE seven-year-old Valentino Tapia had attended vacation Bible school regularly until three days before school was over. Then he was absent.

When we asked about him, we were told that while he was helping his mother wash clothes he had accidentally caught his arm in the wringer. He had to be taken to the hospital.

Mrs. Tapia told us when we visited the family, that the week before, her baby had swallowed some poison and it had been necessary for the baby to be in the hospital, too.

Although she is a Christian and attends a Spanish mission in New Mexico, Mrs. Tapia had become very discouraged. She is expecting another addition to the family soon, and she does not know how she will be able to provide for the family since her husband is not working.

Mr. Tapia is away studying at a trade school. Several years ago he lost a leg when a train ran over him while he was drunk.

Recently Mr. Tapia found the Lord as Saviour and has united with a Baptist church.

"Valentino is the man of the house now," his mother told us while Valentino was in the hospital. "I surely miss 'Tino,'" she said. "One night last week when it was storming so bad," she continued, "I got scared. 'Tino' wasn't scared though. He said, 'Don't be afraid; God will take care of us.'"

"He told us to gather around and he would tell us some stories."

Valentino told his mother and little brothers all the stories he had heard in Bible school. His mother said that she wasn't afraid any more although the storm was bad.

We didn't think that Valentino would get to come back to Bible school after he hurt his arm, but on the last day of school Valentino was back again.

"I like vacation Bible school," he said, and we believed him.

Are these dates on your calendar?

Pray as you go

Pray if you stay at home

WMU Annual Meeting in Miami, Florida, May 15-17

Southern Baptist Convention in Miami, May 13-21

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



Takamatsu Baptist Church, Japan

252 Miyawaki Cho
Takamatsu, Japan

Dearest Mother and Daddy,

It is wonderful to get your letters. We think about you so much, and Marcia is often "writing" letters to Grandmother and Granddad. So far, I haven't mailed them, but I will send one this time. It's a page full of trees for Grandad—thought I'd better explain.

I had no idea, Mother, how serious your knee trouble was until you were recovering and finally told us about it. You had mentioned only that it was bothering you a little. We've been worried about you during these years of drought, so I was especially grateful for letters from friends saying that you look better than ever.

Last night at prayer meeting I grew tired of trying to listen and understand what Watanabe Sensei, our pastor, was saying. He has no difficulty at all speaking—its just my "Japanese ears" that must struggle for understanding. So I started turning through the Old Testament. I came upon some verses in Habakkuk which I had not read for months. My thoughts had turned to you, and an underscored verse made me stop and read. As I read on, I wanted to

From a Missionary to Her Parents

by Ruth Halvarson, Takamatsu, Japan

say, "Praise God! That's my mother and daddy! This is the very spirit I've seen in them through every difficulty."

"Although the fig tree shall not blossom, neither shall fruit be in the vines; the labour of the olive shall fail, and the fields shall yield no meat; the flock shall be cut off from the fold, and there shall be no herd in the stalls: Yet I will rejoice in the Lord, I will joy in the God of my salvation. The Lord God is my strength, and he will make my feet like hinds' feet, and he will make me to walk upon mine high places" (Habakkuk 3:17-19).

I had been wondering why you had to experience drought for so long when you are so faithful to the Lord in everything. But last night I realized anew what a privilege it is to be a person on whom God can depend for a daily witness of faith, trust, and love, even in the face of having the fruit of your labor destroyed year after year. You can look out on your parched fields and your garden where my popcorn didn't grow, and then look on up into heaven to see real treasures for the future.

Had it not been for the steady faith and the unquestioning trust which you have given me through your example, I would have returned to the States within six months after we arrived in Japan. You talk about missionaries in Japan doing so much. Mother, how much could you do at home in Stella if you couldn't make anyone understand you? Imagining that, you can sympathize with our feeling of uselessness during the past two years of language study. The spiritual, mental, and emotional adjustment in coming over here was greater than I had ever dreamed possible. But because of our faith in God's leadership, we could "stick it out" until now we have begun to see that there is something we can do, after all.

We are yet unskilled in this intricate language. If our young pastor and his wife

were not sympathetic and understanding, this first year out of language school would be more difficult. But thanks to their friendship, we are enjoying every moment of our year in Takamatsu. The Lord's presence is very real to us each day. Carl has been away a few weeks gathering information for next year's mission study book. During his absence, our pastor and Mrs. Watanabe started taking me with them as they went visiting. Although I don't contribute much to the actual conversation, I can understand most of what is being said, and I get to help select the Scripture verses and hymns that we will use. It is thrilling to see the Holy Spirit working in the lives of those we visit.

We have been most often to visit Mrs. Komori. She had been in the hospital for six months, waiting for a serious operation. Her husband heard of special evangelistic services being held at our church, and decided to attend. While listening to the message the first night, he believed and received salvation. He went straight from the church to the hospital, late though it was, to share his joy with his wife. Although she had never been to a Christian church in her life, on hearing his story, she too accepted Christ as her Saviour. Through tears of rejoicing they talked on into the night. The next day he bought a Bible, and for a week they read and prayed together.

As Mrs. Komori grew strong enough, the date for

the operation was set. Mr. Komori told our pastor their story and asked him to visit Mrs. Komori. When our pastor went, he was amazed. Not only did she understand clearly the plan of salvation, but she could find all the key Scriptures without difficulty. How marvelously God's Holy Spirit teaches the willing heart!

Our pastor promised to visit her each day until her operation; but when he and Carl had to go to Kyushu to a pastor-missionary conference, Mrs. Watanabe and I went daily to read, sing, and pray with her. Each day we would find not just Mrs. Komori alone, but her husband, her nurse, and friends in the hospital whom she had told about Christ, waiting for us. We talked with her about the beauty of God's peace and presence through every difficulty. Mrs. Watanabe called her attention to Jesus' prayer before he was to go through the agony of the cross, reminding her that in every experience, even pain and suffering,



Ruth Halvarson shown with husband, Carl, and children, Carolyn Jeanne and Marcia Ellen, in their home in Japan

From a Missionary . . .

the Saviour can sympathize and understand.

The operation though very serious, was successful. The doctors and nurses were amazed at her. She walked from her room to the operating room and got up on the operating table without assistance. She told us that God's presence was real and wonderful to her and that Scripture passages about God's love kept going through her mind. Her recovery has been rapid. I've never seen anything more beautiful than Mr. and Mrs. Komori's faces when they tell about what Christ means to them now.

One more thing. I have not yet told you about our first Sunday in Takamatsu, because it is difficult to put into words—but I shall try. When we went to church that morning, I felt strange, lonely, and embarrassed—embarrassed because I didn't know enough of the very polite Japanese language even to greet the women properly. I asked the Lord if our lives really wouldn't be more useful in a place where we could speak English. While I was waiting for an answer, Watanabe Sensei read Luke 17:7-10. The Scripture reference I could understand; so I found it in my English Bible and read it over and over and over again. I could not understand how it answered my question, yet I could not forget it.

At home that afternoon, unable to rest,

I sat down at the piano and started playing "Sweet Will of God." Soon, in a way that I had never experienced before, I seemed to be standing at the foot of the cross, unable to lift my eyes to my Saviour's face. He knew the question that was in my heart, and I heard him say to me, with love and patience in his voice, "I asked you to go. Is that not enough?"

Since that time there has been no more room in my mind for "Lord, why am I here?" I applied Luke 17:10 to my life. Truly, when we have done all those things which are commanded of us, we are still unprofitable servants. We have done that which was our duty to do. Any fruits of our labor, any rewards for service, are completely undeserved; they are rich gifts from a loving Saviour who has chosen to call us friends.

As you have always taught me, God loves the people at home in Stella just as much as he does those in Japan. You are there and we are here not because either of us can be a great servant in either place, but because our Master has some witness that he can make through our lives in the place appointed for us. I try to do over here the same things that I saw in your life when I was growing up: to be a good wife, a good mother, and a good member of my church, and find little things to do for people every day that will remind them that God loves them and wants their lives for himself.

Loving you and praising God for you every day.

Your daughter, *Ruth*

Just 'Like Glue

HIS MOTHER had just returned from the hospital. She had been away for such a long time, at least it seemed long to her little boy. But now she was at home again, and he was beside himself with excitement. As soon as he could put his thoughts into words, he exclaimed, "Mother, you're just like glue!" At first she did not understand what he meant by such an odd expression. But he continued, "I mean that you hold us together. When you are gone, we just fall apart. Sister lives in one place, Buddy somewhere else, and Daddy and I get along by ourselves. You're just the stuff that keeps us together."

In his own way, the child had paid a high tribute to the mother who keeps the family together. As she supplies the affection and care that make a contented home, each mother is strengthening the individuals within her own circle as well as in the nation. A prominent judge in a children's court said recently, "Recognition should be given all mothers who take time to care for their children." And he was right, for theirs is a priceless contribution.—Selected



Catherine (in jumper, center) and Rebecca (front with pail) play with friends

A Little Child Shall Lead Them

by Mrs. Finlay Graham, Missionary to Lebanon

THE other day I was in a little neighborhood shop buying some buttons and trimmings. A woman I did not recognize came up to me and asked, "Are you Catherine's or Rebecca's mother?" Then she told me that she had a little girl in the Baptist Nursery School and that her little girl told her that Rebecca had been very sick and that they had prayed for her in class asking Jesus to make her well. The mother went on to say that a few days later her little girl had come home telling her that she was sure that Jesus answered prayers because Rebecca was all well again in a few days.

On hearing this story, the shopkeeper turned to me and asked me if I really believed in prayer and didn't I think that a Moslem's prayers meant as much as a Christian's? The shop happened to be full at the time and it was a wonderful opportunity to tell these listening people the meaning of true faith in God through Jesus Christ.

We had already been told by the teacher

Rebecca Ragland, Catherine Graham

that when Rebecca returned to school all of the children spontaneously jumped up and clapped their hands, they were so happy. A number of the parents have since told us about their children coming home and explaining how Jesus answers prayers.

This is truly significant when we realize that these children come from Moslem, Druse, and Catholic, as well as evangelical backgrounds. Although these little ones are only four-years-old they have opened the doors of homes that we could never have entered otherwise.

The educated Moslems prefer to send their children to a mission school for two reasons. First, because mission schools have good moral as well as scholastic standing. Secondly, because they wish their children to learn English.

As the teacher and the missionary go from home to home to visit these parents, and as these little ones repeat at home the Scripture verses and Bible stories learned at school, will you not pray that many from these families will turn to Christ as the only Saviour?

Hints to Committee Chairmen

To Mission Study Chairmen

For the past two months reading has been emphasized in this column. The map poster featuring books for all ages was described in March. Ideas for book displays were given in April. It is not too late to employ these suggestions now or whenever you wish to use them. If you have better ones try them out, the sooner the better, for all of us are lagging in our missionary reading.

The 1954 mission study figures have been compiled. The increase over last year in reading among the women is 1 per cent; this means that two-thirds of the members did not read a mission book. Was this true of your society? This means that not half of them read a book. Every member of every WMS ought to want to read at least one mission book during a year.

The record for the young people's organizations is worse. Maybe this figure will shock you into action: for 1954 the percentage of young people in YWA, GA and RA who read one book is 29 per cent. Remember the requirement is 66 2/3 per cent.

People are reading despite the millions of radios and television sets to be found in American homes. They are reading 1,786 daily newspapers with a circulation of 53,950,615. Children are reading about 90,000,000 comic books each month. Over 5 and 1/2 million copies of the *True Story* and *True Confession* type of magazines are read monthly by our teenage girls.

There are many reasons why people read. Some read for sheer pleasure. They like the flow of words, and the fascination that comes from a story well told. There are those who read to stimulate the emotions. Some want to escape the boredom of everyday routine or the world of realities. Others read for information. They want to know about people and places. They are eager to increase their knowledge of subjects in which they are interested, be it politics or poets, farming or fencing, medicine or mining.

Truman Douglass in his book *Mission to America* states: "One of the reasons for the

difficulty of getting information about missions into the hands of more than a comparatively small group in the church despite the admirable quality of many books and pamphlets now available is that most church members have no grounds for supposing that this information will ever be of any use to them."

Most people feel the need of information if they are responsible for decision and action. Apparently we are failing to make the women and young people in Woman's Missionary Union feel any responsibility for the missionary program of their churches. Let's tell them that a knowledge of the physical and spiritual plight of the lost millions will stir them into seeing that their church is more missionary conscious and less comfortable minded.

Wm. William McMurtry

To Community Missions Chairmen

If you have not already done so, turn to the program and read it through. It is community missions from start to finish. What a wonderful opportunity to follow through ideas presented in the program with definite community missions activities planned with the needs of your own community in mind wherever you live.

What a wealth of choices you have! Your community missions could be working with the juvenile court to provide counselors for delinquent youth. It may be taking a census in a trailer camp for industrial workers, following through with Sunday school classes or vacation Bible school for the children. Or it may be a visitation program to reach new Baptists in the community, or those who live in boarding houses. Or it may be continuing your ministry in a Good Will Center or a mission station, or in the hospital, or a home for the aged.

If you are saying to yourself, "But our society is in a rural church," just hold on a minute. Though you are not in a city,

many of the same situations face you to a smaller degree. Look up and down the country roads and you will find young people with time on their hands; two or three families who are new in your community; perhaps a family of another nationality; a little cluster of Negro homes with a dozen or more children; sick, handicapped and aged confined to their own homes.

You in a rural church can use the interest aroused by the program to point up the specific needs in your community and plan to meet them. Now is the time to plan for a summer recreation program for your young people. See about lighting the church grounds, clearing space for volley ball or badminton, making a picnic area and gathering equipment to use. Include some young people on your planning committee.

Or you may want to plan a vacation Bible school for that dozen or more Negro children, or begin a regular weekly ministry to all the sick and shut-ins.

Whether you live in the country, a small town, or a city, your community missions plans should benefit from May's program. Keep your young people's organizations in mind as your committee makes its plans. From your state office, for your committee's use, order a copy of the leaflet that will best help you make your plans definite. Related leaflets are "Christian Recreation," "And Ye Visited Me," "Ministry to Other Races and Nationalities."

Edith Stokely

To Stewardship Chairmen

This month the attention of Southern Baptists is focused on Miami, Florida, where two great conventions will be held: Woman's Missionary Union, May 15-17; Southern Baptist Convention, May 18-21. Will you be able to attend these meetings? If so, you will receive much help and inspiration from the reports and addresses. But whether you go or not, you will realize that the success of the work of the Southern Baptist Convention depends upon the faithful stewardship of each Southern Baptist.

This could be a good approach when giving your monthly report.

It is said that if all Southern Baptists tithed, the total annual gifts would be about 950 million dollars. We gave only \$305,573,654 last year. How many tithers are in your society? Have you reached the



minimum requirement of the standard, with half of your members tithers? This is an auspicious time to stress

point three on the Standard of Excellence and to give opportunity for signing the covenant cards.

Summer will bring opportunities for you to attend other meetings. There will be the two convention-wide WMU conferences at Ridgecrest (June 23-29) and Glorieta (August 4-10). The programs always include class and conference periods for those especially interested in stewardship.

If you cannot attend one of these convention-wide conferences, there are sure to be meetings for you in your state and association. Most of the states have a WMU Week as part of their camp programs. Associations hold clinics for WMU leaders. Put forth every effort to be in any and all meetings where you will receive instruction and inspiration.

While we are thinking about meetings, remember that it is most important for you to be in all of the meetings of your own WMU. How can you keep in touch with all the work of your society, how can you make your reports, how can you promote stewardship plans, how can you be a good steward of your opportunities, if you are not in the meetings? You cannot; it would be impossible; therefore faithful attendance in meetings is a *must* for you.

May brings GA Focus Week. Help the counselors plan some stewardship emphasis as a part of the week's activities. A stewardship playlet presented by the girls on Wednesday night would be good. WMU offers a playlet, "Ann's Allowance," especially for GAs, free from your state WMU office.

Make May a mighty stewardship month.

Mrs. C. D. Cheaman

Carver School of Missions and Social work

Last Year at Carver School

BY EMILY LANSDALL, PRESIDENT

January of 1954 brought the return of students after holidays at home and the return to much study and preparation for examinations. The second semester began on January 26 with 114 students enrolled.

As February started, the faculty was busy introducing students to their new courses and schedules; and the students were back at study, acquiring knowledge and skills and pushing back horizons of thinking and living.

Dr. Kenneth Scott Latourette, of Yale University, was on the campus February 9-12 for missionary lectures and forums.

The trustees of Carver School came on February 24 for their regular annual meeting.

During March a Carver graduate was appointed by the Foreign Mission Board as missionary teacher to Nigeria.

Dr. Francis Hopper, of the University of Louisville School of Music, gave an organ recital in the Fannie E. S. Heck Memorial Chapel on the evening of March 26.

The choir of Lincoln Institute, a Negro high school near Louisville, brought a splendid program for convocation on March 29.

On April 1 Miss Miriam Robinson and her drama class give two short comedies which were appropriate treats for the day.

At the April meeting of the Foreign Mission Board four Carver students were appointed for service in the Near East, Thailand, Southern Rhodesia, and Japan.

Dr. Frank Laubach, world literacy expert, spoke in the Carver Chapel on April 5 and conducted a class in literacy methods that afternoon.

On the evening of April 5 the student body elected their officers for the coming session. Faye Nichols, of North Carolina, was named student chairman.

April 10 was Dr. W. O. Carver's eighty-sixth birthday. The day found him ill, al-

though he had spoken in the Seminary chapel the morning before.

The annual session of the Board of Trustees was resumed on April 19.

Carver dinner guests for the first Sunday in May included military officers from China, Denmark, and Spain. Among them was the fencing champion of Spain.

At the May meeting of the Foreign Mission Board two Carver students were appointed as missionary nurses to Colombia.

Final examinations came and then the Commencement activities. Miss Juliette Mather was speaker for the annual Vesper service on the afternoon of May 19, and Dr. Baker James Cautlien brought the address at the forty-seventh Commencement of the school on May 20 when thirty-eight students were granted degrees.

The students packed up and left for home, summer mission assignments, camps, and jobs. The faculty started a series of meetings for evaluation and planning.

Dr. William Owen Carver died on May 24.

The students were gone during June, July, and August, but activities of the school did not cease. Applications for admission and routine correspondence, house cleaning and repairs, representation at conferences and camps, and countless other tasks kept the staff busy.

In early August Miss Claudia Edwards resigned after twenty-seven years of service to the school.

During the summer months Miss Mary Lee Rankin, Dr. John Allen Moore, and Dr. Robert Lehman were added to the staff.

The faculty returned on September 1 to begin preschool planning sessions. The students began to return on September 12, and classes started on September 21. The forty-eighth session of Carver School was

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Circle Program BWCs use program material on page 22.

Give Attention to Reading

(See program purpose as given in WMU Year Book, page 83.)

Hymn: "Wonderful Words of Life"
What Does the Bible Say About Reading?

Read I Timothy 4:13

Paul was eager for people to know about the expanding kingdom. Because it was not easy to send several copies of his letters he asked that they be passed on, Colossians 4:16. We have letters and information from our missionaries so that all of us can read and know now, and we ought to "give attention to reading."

Show ROYAL SERVICE and a copy of each young people's magazine. Surely someone in your church can supply a copy of each to show; if not ask your state WMU office for a sample of the magazine not available locally.

Tell "Look: It's Missions" from *May Home Missions*

A Missionary Feels A Need:

Tell Letter-ette from Mrs. Stanley Ray, page 18. What if our WMS could have only one copy of ROYAL SERVICE?

What Are Our Young People Reading?
See Hints to Mission Study Chairmen, page 12.

You Need the Prayer Calendar

See Letter-ette from Mrs. McRae, page 18

Prayer for missionaries named in prayer calendar this day.

Hymn: "There's a Wideness"

Discuss necessity for individuals having their own subscriptions—point out value of use of prayer calendar, point out worth of each different article in ROYAL SERVICE. Present play "A Woman's Tool," free from your state WMU office, or "The Postman's Surprises" (price 10c), or "Housecleaning Time" (price 5c). See descriptions of last two in WMU Year Book, page 99. Or have a contest on words in R-O-Y-A-L S-E-R-V-I-C-E. Distribute subscription slips and receive subscriptions. Send in promptly.

Words in R-O-Y-A-L S-E-R-V-I-C-E

Here are a few words spelled from letters in ROYAL SERVICE; you will think of many others. Type off list giving correct number of dashes to indicate letters as below. To read answers turn magazine upside down.

1. poetic for valley _ _ _ _ _
2. a wise man _ _ _ _ _
3. done in cooking meats _ _ _ _ _
4. hurt _ _ _ _ _
5. fabric which propels a boat
6. to lay again _ _ _ _ _
7. nice on a fishing pole _ _ _ _ _
8. favorite food in the Orient
9. valuable metallic material _ _ _ _ _
10. women rush down to a _ _ _ _ _
11. part of a train's track _ _ _ _ _
12. bed of a wild beast _ _ _ _ _
13. we need it to breathe _ _ _ _ _
14. uncommon _ _ _ _ _
15. vessel full of holes _ _ _ _ _
16. a lion does _ _ _ _ _
17. Moslem woman wears a _ _ _ _ _
18. waste part of an apple _ _ _ _ _
19. good on a hot day _ _ _ _ _
20. trimming on a dress _ _ _ _ _

ANSWERS

1	val	15	serv
2	sect	9	serv
3	meat	10	serv
4	hurt	11	serv
5	boat	12	serv
6	again	13	serv
7	poetic	14	serv

We cannot get down on our knees before God and leave the world behind; and when we bring it with us and submit it, and ourselves, to his judgment and love, we continually go back to it changed, and more worthy to live in it.—Leila Giles



Woman's Missionary Union Annual Meeting Committee Chairmen, Miami, 1955

SEATED (left to right):
Mrs. Bryan Fisher, chairman of ushers
Mrs. E. J. Gummoe, president of Miami Associational WAMU
Mrs. George Q. Holland, president of Florida WAMU and co-chairman
Mrs. Ladislav Biro, general chairman
Mrs. H. M. Greel, treasurer
Mrs. Palmer H. Craig, chairman of check room
Mrs. Ruby Merrifield, chairman of signs and badges

STANDING (left to right):
Mrs. H. J. Benton, chairman of missionary entertainment
Mrs. Charles Fuchs, co-chairman of special meals
Mrs. Lloyd Whyte, chairman of hospitality
Mrs. Floyd Folsom, co-chairman of special meals
Mrs. Perry Carter, chairman of publicity
Mrs. Jay Hicks, chairman of registration
Mrs. Ben Hendricks, chairman of auditorium decoration
Mrs. M. L. Feiss, chairman of souvenirs
Mrs. R. A. Mullins, chairman of pages
Mrs. Forrest Watkins, chairman of information
Mrs. J. T. Mahone, co-chairman of special meals

NOT PICTURED: Mrs. John Haldeman, co-chairman of special meals

Our Meeting in Miami

IN the lovely semitropical city of Miami, Woman's Missionary Union, Auxiliary to Southern Baptist Convention, will meet for its 1955 annual session. The place, the people, the program—all tune in to remind us of the golden eloquence of the poet Isaiah when he said, "They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength."

The Miami Convention calls us to renewal. When we come together, it is to renew our ties with one another and with our missionaries at home and from overseas. The solitariness of the single missionary society member grappling with her own great problem in her own circumstances is exchanged for the fellowship of a great company. Our local missionary society work is safeguarded from the perils of physical distance by this annual meeting of minds. The sense of our world-wide connection is strengthened in us by personal contacts and first-hand reports. We leave home as individual members; when the Convention is convened, we become—for the only time during the year, as a visible body—Woman's Missionary Union.

Convention is a time for an even more

important kind of renewal—the renewal of the right spirit within us. The perilous ferment of world conditions, the engulfing materialism of our times, even the monotonous round of daily tasks, tend to dull in us the sharp edge of our common inspiration and our clear sense of the service that Woman's Missionary Union can render in this day. This meeting is an important event in our shared life. Let us be agreed that our deliberations shall be marked by freedom of expression, thoughtful consideration, and confidence in the final conclusions of the majority. We are committed to the purposes of God as revealed in Jesus. The greatest opportunity ever given mankind is ours when we set our hearts and minds to the evangelization of the world and the creation of peace on earth. We have a faith built on our experiences of God in our individual and united relationship. Let us renew that faith as together we seek to find the ways in which Woman's Missionary Union can render its most significant service in this hour!

Our meeting will be held in the Municipal Auditorium, just off Biscayne

by Mrs. George R. Martin

Boulevard, in downtown Miami. The dates are May 15-17. The opening meeting will be on Sunday afternoon, at 9:00 o'clock, and the closing meeting will be on Tuesday evening, at 7:30. The Biscayne Terrace will be our headquarters hotel. Notable speakers and many missionaries have been secured to participate on the program. Much emphasis will be given to the rededication of life through prayer. We ask the earnest prayers of all our women for this meeting. Those who go and those who remain at home must pray for the meeting.

Pray for those who participate on the program. Pray that each delegate and visitor will receive the spiritual blessing she needs. Pray that more of our youth will give their lives to mission service. Pray that mothers and fathers will encourage their sons and daughters to go quickly with the message to the regions beyond. Pray that we may, in Miami, find God's will and his way!

So, come to Miami! Renew your faith, deepen your commitment to the purposes of God, discover new ways for the new days, and remember, "They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength."

Our meeting will be held in this Municipal Auditorium in Miami





from Jane McRae
Gaza via Egypt

I am writing this on my birthday. From my early childhood I have followed the calendar of prayer, but it was not until I was out here with my own name on that calendar that I realized its real meaning. It is now 9:15 A.M., and, of course, I am at school. In the States you are all still asleep, but soon you will begin your day and I know that many women will begin the day with a prayer for me. How can I tell you what that means to me! It has been our lot to work in rather out of the way places and we are so often alone. In fact, I am alone now for a month while J. T. is doing some work in Beirut. But I do not feel alone at all. I feel the presence of many women and young people beside me in spirit in a very real sense.

This makes five birthdays on the field for me and each time this day has been very special. The folks back home have prayed us through sickness, through moments of fear, through decisions that had to be made,

Nurses at the Baptist hospital in Gaza are eager to help the sick baby of this Arab mother.



through making plans for work that requires vision far greater than ours. If the women at home ever have their doubts about the value of the prayer calendar, please tell them for me what it means. In a few minutes it will be recess time and the teachers will gather here in my office. It is their day too. They realize that if you are praying for me you are praying for them also. We will be having a prayer together just as the earliest risers in the States are beginning their day—and we shall be praying that our hearts be open and ready for God to use your prayers through us.

from Mrs. Stanley Ray
Ibadan, Nigeria

Everyone knows how important Christian literature is, but when we were assigned to the Baptist Press we wondered how many opportunities we would have to actually serve the people of Nigeria.

Our answer came almost immediately when we visited the little Baptist church in Akmorin village. Akmorin village has a population of about 300. A dozen or so of them banded themselves together and formed a Baptist church. They hold their services in a little mud building with a tin roof. When we visited there the building was crowded with women attending a WMU meeting. They sat on the hard, handmade benches with their babies on their backs. Surprisingly enough the leader was a man. He read first from the Bible and then the program for that day from the only WMU book in the church. It was not until later that we found that even that book was last year's issue. Imagine having only one book to go around to all your members in your WMU at home! It is rather a humbling experience to see people so interested in the Lord's work that they carry on despite the fact that they lack even the most necessary equipment.

It was then that we realized what a wonderful opportunity we have in preparing and printing the Christian literature that Nigeria needs so much.



If you want your BWC in the news, write us your activities for this page.

Kentucky

A colorful circus banquet complete with real clowns and appropriate decorations was a feature of the annual meeting of the Kentucky BWC Federation.

The theme "Learn—Love—Live" was displayed on a large poster above the speakers platform, which was decorated with flags of various nations and baskets of flowers.

The theme was emphasized in messages brought by missionaries Paul Sanderson of Brazil, Mary Sampson and Lorene Tifford of Taiwan, and Cora Ney Hardy of Nigeria.

Among other highlights of the meeting was an impressive lakeside service on Sunday evening.

Although this camp was held over Labor Day week end, other groups might see a suggestion for a July 4th meeting.

Mississippi

In the January *B W Communiqué* published quarterly for Mississippi BWCs, an interesting article appears about enlisting new members. It stresses that many women are "lost" from BWC because they do not know the need, rather than from a lack of interest. Are there business women in your community who have not been invited to a circle meeting?

Georgia

All but one of the eighteen enrolled members of the newly formed T. W. Ayers BWC of the First Baptist Church, Atlanta, Georgia, were present at the first meeting. In addition one new member joined the circle that night.

They studied the Standard of Excellence and adopted it as a minimum goal.



Jeanette Case BWC, Kentucky

Carver School . . .

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thus underway and 104 students were enrolled.

Founder's Day was observed on October 1 with Dr. A. C. Miller, executive secretary of the Christian Life Commission, bringing the message. Following the service, open house was held at the newly acquired residence at 2739 Lexington Road.

The trustees returned on November 11 for their third gathering of the year.

During November and December the faculty met frequently for the annual task of revising the curriculum in preparation for the new catalogue.

Under the direction of Miss Elaine Neeley the students had a significant observance of the Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions. The offering was \$1351.75.

The Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention, in the December meeting, approved the report of the Finance Committee, which gave Carver School \$70,000 toward the 1956 operating budget of the school.

Carver students scattered for the Christmas holidays which started on December 18.

The new catalogue went to press on December 20; a catalogue setting forth the curriculum and faculty of the current term and announcements for the forty-ninth session of the school.

It's Happening Now!

by Marjorie Moore Armstrong

How to be an intelligent Christian citizen in a nation as large and highly organized as the United States baffles many a church member. All denominations feel it. About a dozen religious groups make a formal pilgrimage to Washington every spring to learn what they can about what's going on.

The largest of these is the Churchmen's Washington Seminar. It began about 1947 but four years ago took on new life. Of the sixteen organizations which co-operate in the seminar, the American Baptist Convention's Council of Christian Social Progress and the National Baptist Convention, U.S.A., Inc., are the two Baptist groups.

This year the seminar was held in February, attracting three hundred "churchmen"—about half of them women. Among them was Christian Friendliness Missionary Alice Burnham of the New Jersey Baptist Convention.

"Your government and You" was the theme. Opening with a speech by one of the church leaders on "Religious Motivation for Political Concern," the conference continued with an analysis by Columnist Marquis Childs of major issues confronting the nation.

The dinner meeting the first day gave opportunity for a study, under competent spokesmen, of the processes and procedures of the three branches of government: legislative, executive, and judicial. The day's program closed with worship led by one of the seminar group.

Workshops filled the second morning. The "churchmen" had to select one of nine. Each was an intensive three hour course in itself, held in the government building where that particular work is directed: agricultural problems and the national economy; national resources (public power,

river development, public lands, national parks); refugee immigration program; overseas information program and a tour of the studios of the Voice of America (Dr. Elton Trueblood as host); technical assistance program (Harold E. Stassen was host); migrant labor problems; American Indian affairs; housing and urban renewal; and foreign trade policy in relation to the Far East.

After the workshops, the seminar spent the afternoon with the State Department for "A Fresh Look at the United Nations," "A Look at our Far Eastern Policy," and "U. S. Policy in the Middle East."

That evening "The Housing Issue—Influence of Organized Public Opinion on Legislation" absorbed the attention of the visiting churchmen and at the very time that many are emphasizing city missions in their churches.

The third morning was left free for the visitors to call on their own Congressmen, attend hearings, and sit in on a session of Congress at noon. That afternoon was spent at the Pentagon, hearing discussions and asking questions about "The Manpower and Reserve Program," "Problems of Military Personnel Overseas," and "New Developments in Character Guidance Program."

The last evening, said to be by far the most stimulating, was prolonged in open forum an hour past the scheduled time: "Responsibilities of American Leadership in the Atomic Age." And the annual seminar ended with luncheon, when the *New York Times* Washington Bureau chief talked on "How to Keep Informed on Government Affairs."

Government experts gladly give their time for this type of public meeting. It is one way to get the opinion of the most con-

Our Young People

by Margaret Bruce

Help and Encourage Them!

A letter came to me which was written by a mother in Memphis, Tennessee. In it she said, "No mother could be more proud of her girls than I am." She told of Linda having completed the work to become Queen of Girls' Auxiliary, of Pat working on the highest Forward Step, and of Sally who would soon be a Maiden. "I have helped and encouraged them in every way I could," wrote that mother. Surely this is one secret to good Forward Step work in Girls' Auxiliary.

There may be some girls in your church whose mothers are not much interested in the missionary education of their children. Your WMS, the parent organization of Girls' Auxiliary, must help and encourage those girls. It must seek to tell mothers of the privileges of membership in Girls' Auxiliary and the other WMU youth organizations.

GA Focus Week, May 8-14, will offer many opportunities for helping and encouraging Girls' Auxiliaries.

One of the nicest GA Focus Week features we've heard about was a WMS sponsored banquet for the Kathryn Bigham

scientific and high-minded segment of the American public. But they do not insult this audience by "feeding them a line." They respect the Christian's insight and sincerity.

On the other hand, no one attending the seminary left Washington claiming that he knew all the answers. Yet with this behind-the-scenes glimpse of the great government structure which controls the state, and in large part the world of the twentieth century, Christian men and women surely have more confidence in, and more feeling of responsibility about, themselves as voting citizens.

GA of Auburndale Baptist Church, Louisville, Kentucky. Miss Bigham, former missionary to China, now teaching at Carver School, was there and spoke. Every member was present, and as a surprise feature the parents of each girl had entered a subscription for their daughter to *Tell*, a missions magazine for girls. Now the organization has 100 per cent of the members subscribing to the GA magazine.

This Kathryn Bigham Girls' Auxiliary is also doing a good job enlisting members. In 1954 every Intermediate girl in the church, with the exception of four, was enlisted.

Focus Week is an excellent time to arrange some social get-together. It is a week set aside for helping your church know about Girls' Auxiliary activities. It should include plans for renewing enlistment efforts and for securing new subscriptions to the organization's magazine. See the April number of *Tell* for other suggested activities.

Girls' Auxiliary, the Southern Baptist missionary organization for girls, is not only for the girls in your church but for those in other churches of your association; it's for girls of our convention territory and our mission fields. Its purpose and program are fashioned to fit the special needs and characteristics of girls.

There are 20,613 Girls' Auxiliaries, with 206,718 members in our convention-wide area. This is a large number of girls and counselors. In addition there are thousands of girls who were GAs, we might call them alumnae members, serving the cause of missions around the world. Together they share a dream of a world whose "darkness shall turn to dawn, and the dawning to noonday bright;" a dream that "Christ's great kingdom shall come on earth, the kingdom of love and light."

Help and encourage them!

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



THEME FOR THE YEAR

Program Up and Down the City Streets

by Mildred Dunn

Program Suggestions

To advertise the program prepare an attractive poster with a church as the center and streamers leading to pictures from magazines illustrating the different mission opportunities in a city such as jails, hospitals, new suburbs, slum sections, foreign language groups, etc.

If yours is a WMS in a city, get a large map of your city and mark on it each mission opportunity. Show position of each church and mission station and point out mission opportunities yet unreached. If you have a city superintendent of missions ask him to speak briefly at the close of the program on what is being done and what should be done in your own city or community. If you do not have a city superintendent, ask your pastor or someone else who knows the situation to wake your WMS members to their opportunities. Keep the report brief and to the point!

A miniature city including business section, slum areas, and attractive suburbs could be used as a center of interest. Make it from cardboard or modeling clay.

If your WMS is not in a city, you still need to know our Southern Baptist city mission work through our Home Mission Board. Also, your WMS will find the same situations in different size wherever you live, so let your community missions committee present new plans growing out of this eye-opening program.

In presenting the program why not use your community missions committee? The chairman could start with devotional and "So Many People," then other committee members speak up without introduction.

A typed program quoting the words of the poem on the back cover would be effective.

Program Outline

Hymn: "Make Me a Channel of Blessing"

Prayer: That we may realize the need for more earnest effort to win the lost multitudes of our cities regardless of their station in life, including the rich, the poor and the in-betweens.

Devotional Period: Our Cities' Defense

Solo: "Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life" or "We've a Story to Tell to the Nations," substituting "to our city" or "to our cities" each time instead of "to the nations"

Talk: So Many People

Talk: What is the City's Magic?

Talk: The Rejected

Talk: The Neglected

Song: "Christ for the World We Sing," substituting the words, "Christ for our town we sing"

Talk: Transplanted Baptists

Talk: Transients

Talk: Institutions

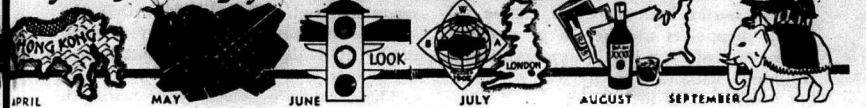
Talk: Chapels and New Churches

Talk: What Will Be Done?

Hymn: "Rescue the Perishing"
Presentation of local situation and prayer for own city or community

Chorus: "Lead Me to Some Soul Today"

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



Devotional

Read Psalm 127:1b. For several years civil defense authorities have been trying to make Americans conscious of the fact that our cities may someday become targets for enemy bombers.

Without discrediting any precautions made for the safety of people, it is well to call attention to the last part of the first verse of Psalm 127 which points out a very important truth. "Except the Lord keep the city, the watchman waketh but in vain," says the psalmist.

Whatever we do about preparing for possible enemy bombers, we are still asleep to more serious dangers. In spite of the fact that the United States is called a Christian nation, thousands do not know Christ and do not live according to his teachings.

Can we be sure that the Lord is watching over our cities? We remember that at the earnest pleas of his servant, the Lord promised to spare Sodom for the sake of ten righteous ones. Who is pleading today for the sinful cities of America?

The psalmist did not suggest that there be no watchman, but rather that it would do no good to have one unless the Lord was keeping the city.

Today let us see if the cities of America are worthy of being kept by the Lord. Then let us pray that we may help to make them and all our land worthy of God's protection.

So Many People

Someone has said, "God made the country, but man made the city." Even so, God must be interested in the city because so

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many people live there.

Many declare with great passion that they would not live in the city for any amount of fame or fortune, and some would not; but the fact remains that in the cities of the United States today live sixty-four per cent of the nation's population.

What is a city? It is pavement and bricks, traffic and hurrying people, great stores and neon signs, rattling trolleys and screeching taxicabs, quiet suburbs and crowded tenement houses, slums and mansions, wealth and poverty, great schools and centers of arts and sciences, churches and night clubs, centers of industry and government, skyscrapers and back alley trash. It is burning hot and freezing cold. It is gaiety and laughter and dancing. It is sadness and quarreling and killing. In its great hospitals man is born and there he goes to die.

Jesus yearned over the city of Jerusalem, seeing its hardness of heart. How he must long for the lost people in our cities today to be brought to him.

Our Great Cities

- ... have more crime and delinquency
- ... have more poverty and slums
- ... have more paganism and atheism
- ... have more mobility of population
- ... have more social tensions
- ... have more unchurched citizens
- ... have more people with anxiety and insecurity
- ... have more great new cities within cities
- ... have more evangelistic opportunities for home missions
- ... have more need for Baptist co-ops

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What is the City's Magic?

Why would human beings choose to group themselves together in great cities where most of them live in unpleasant surroundings without a square inch of God's good earth to call their own?

Perhaps the predominate force is the passion for advancement—financially, socially, or intellectually. A man leaves the farm and moves his family to the city where he believes he can make a better living or get for his family some other opportunity not offered on the farm. The foreigner lands at Ellis Island and heads for some city where he believes fabulous opportunities await him.

So through the years cities have grown



LAND SO—AMERICA

Before America became the land it is today,
There was a dream;
A dream that men could say
The things they wished to say.
Before America became to us a nation dear,
There was a hope,
A hope that men would come and go at will,
And without fear.
Before America was born, and here to stay,
There was a prayer,
A prayer that men could speak of God
And worship each in his own way,
And so that dream, that hope, that prayer
Became America:
America the free, home of the brave,
Our native land so fair.

ELIZABETH BUSH

and today they are full of people. Some are still trying to "get ahead." Some have already achieved. Others have failed in the struggle and are at the bottom of the stack in the slums described as "receptacles for the driftwood of urban failure."

This drive to "get ahead" is not wrong in itself, but when it dominates the whole of life as it does with so many Americans, it is dangerous. "A poor life this if, full of care, We have no time to stop and share."

Kenneth D. Miller, in his book *Man and God in the City*, says: "The city man is in danger of losing his soul in the drive to get ahead." Jesus warned: "A man's life consisteth not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth." "What shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?"

Cities are growing fast in Southern Baptist Convention territory. One can point them out on a map in increasing number—Baltimore, Richmond, Columbia, Miami, Atlanta, Nashville, Louisville, Birmingham, Memphis, Jackson, New Orleans, East St. Louis, Kansas City, Little Rock, Oklahoma City, Dallas, Houston, and others and others.

The Rejected

In any city's population there are many who are "mixed up." They have become or are becoming life's rejected ones. Among these are juvenile delinquents, criminals, drunkards, dope addicts, sex criminals, etc. The reaction of "decent society," even of church people, is to lift their skirts and pass by on the other side of the street with the remark, "They are not our kind of people."

Juvenile delinquents and broken homes are two of the recognized evils of our nation. Much of the blame is being laid at the door of "delinquent parents." Many parents are to blame, but most people seem to be overlooking the part the community itself plays in such tragedies.

Mr. Jones, for example, becomes a drunkard and the family income dwindles as he spends more and more for drink. Mothers in the neighborhood tell their children not to play with the Jones children. The Jones children are hurt and become rebellious. Poor distraught Mrs. Jones, trying to keep her family together,

Parental Love Is Not Enough

by Charles A. Wells

Juvenile authorities are unanimous in their belief that almost all children who go wrong do so through a sense of insecurity, fear, loneliness, and hunger for affection. Parents may protest that they love their children and have done everything they can for them. But parental love alone is not enough, for such love is often unconsciously self-seeking.

Parental love and care never is in the right perspective unless it is a projection of God's love. How can God be real to a growing child if that child has never heard the parent talk of God? Family prayers and a few moments each day spent in Scripture reading give a child his most precious heritage—the knowledge that the home and parental love are an extension of divine love.



is overwhelmed with her problem. She goes to work and the children are left to their own devices. Soon one ends up before the juvenile judge.

Usually such people are not Christians and instead of receiving help when they most need it, such problem families find themselves more and more isolated in the sea of indifferent people around them. Loneliness and frustration beat them down and they quit trying.

At the other end of the ladder is the wealthy family. The father spends his time at his office, away on business trips, or at some club. The mother has a lot of social affairs designed to keep the family in the "right set." Cocktail drinking often leads to alcoholism and divorce. Children in the family may have an unlimited checking account but no one to come home to except the maid. If a son or daughter ends up in front of some juvenile judge the

father pays a fine and tries to silence the whole affair.

Both families, wealthy and poor, are equally neglected by Christians.

The Home Mission Board suggests a program whereby a Baptist Association can co-operate with juvenile judges in furnishing trained laymen and laywomen as counselors for delinquent youth. One woman who served in this way said: "Four years ago I was called into court to hear the case of a lovely thirteen-year-old girl born to an illegitimate mother and reared by an aunt. The pathetic revelation in court convinced me that my responsibility as a parent did not end with my own children, but must be extended to this unwanted, uncared for child. Upon my request she was probated into my custody. Within a few days she was readjusted to school life and had found herself a church home. Several weeks later she professed



HERITAGE

What kind of heritage have they—
The children of the narrow street
Who never know the smell of fresh-mown hay
Or wild strawberries, warm and sweet?

I had it all—the wind and sun,
The far hill-pastures where the rabbits played,
The sparkling winter nights when choros were done.
I knew them all as something God had made.

What heritage have they, unless
I reach a helping hand and re-create
In some small heart the happiness
That I have known? It may not be too late.

God give me wealth of purse and soul
To help him make a child heart well and whole!
A. H. Johnston

Christ as her Saviour and from that day
has found a new life.

"Many girls have been probated to me during the last four years. To be sure, not all have responded as well; however, it is a great pleasure for me to see many whose lives have been drastically changed through the efforts of our probation program."

This plan provides that young people who have come before the juvenile courts are probated to Christian men and women. Each serves as a friend to that youth as well as his entire family and stays in close contact with the delinquent until he is rehabilitated and living an adjusted life. Another plan for helping delinquents is to send them to Christian camps during the summer.

Little is being done for the wealthy and influential, though 60 per cent of those in the upper income bracket are not affiliated

with any church. Some churches are trying to help problem families in the lower income brackets.

In the Haymarket area of Louisville, Kentucky, lived a man whose life was given to drink and his week's wages went to buy liquor instead of groceries. His wife was a Christian and attended the Baptist mission. Little by little the people of the mission were able to interest the husband in church. He was reached first through the Brotherhood. Eventually, because of much prayer and patient witness on the part of Christians, the Holy Spirit had his way with him and it was like a turning from darkness to light.

Since from these problem families come most of our criminals, juvenile delinquents, and broken homes, it obviously is a wonderful area of service for those who would pay the price in patience and prayer. It is easier to reject or ignore than to help, but what would be Christ's attitude toward the problem family?

The Neglected

In most cities there are numbers of foreign-speaking or racial minority groups and "the world is at our door." Not all of these are actually rejected, though many are, but most of them are neglected.

Evangelical Christianity has done little to help these who are in a way representatives of foreign mission areas. Rather, it has been the practice for the church to move to a "more desirable location" whenever "foreigners" or the underprivileged start moving into a community.

In some instances missions have been established among the Chinese, Mexicans, French, Italians, or other language groups. In only a very few cases have they been adequately cared for spiritually. Our Home Mission Board is establishing work among minority groups as rapidly as funds will permit, but does not the local church have a responsibility? It must begin a work and undergird it with interest or a call to the Home Mission Board to come and help.

A good missions committee would be alert to this need whether the numbers are large or small.

Another neglected group is found in the tenement or boarding houses of our cities. "There," said a city superintendent of mis-

sions, "you will find many of the unenlisted and unaffiliated Baptists. Some are young people who have come to the city to attend business college, some are seeking employment, and others are employed at low income jobs."

Leland Waters, recently elected superintendent of city missions by the Home Mission Board, says: "It is my hope that Southern Baptists will soon maintain an up-to-date and permanent census in every city including the downtown areas. Thousands of lives could then be salvaged."

Few people realize, perhaps, the help given bewildered and neglected people by workers in the twenty Good Will Centers conducted by our Home Mission Board. John, a sixteen-year-old crippled, almost blind, colored boy, loved to come to the Good Will Center. He tried hard to do everything others did without special help. He particularly enjoyed painting and singing. One of his favorite songs was the Negro spiritual, "Lord, Stand By Me."

One day John fell and had to be taken to a sanatorium where he was in a cast from his chin to his hips. John had no parents and needed friends, so Miss Annie Ivey, missionary, and members of the WMS often visited him and took cookies and candy or other things. One day they took him a radio and he was beside himself with delight.

But John was a Christian and the joy of receiving was not his greatest happiness. He wanted to do something for others and he wanted to testify of his love for Christ. He would sing to each visitor. As his weak, uncertain voice lifted in song those standing by his bed often wept silently, so touched were they by his effort. It was the one thing he could do for others and it was his greatest joy.

Similar stories of definite help could be told by the thirty-nine Good Will Center missionaries working with Mrs. Noble Y. Beall, field worker of our Home Board, giving direction in establishing Good Will Centers, and by other missionaries in Good Will Centers supported by associations or cities.

Transplanted Baptists

Lost in the maze of the city streets are uncounted transplanted Baptists. Accustomed to the friendly home church where

they knew everyone and everyone knew them, they feel strange in the big city churches and often after one or two tries, stay home on Sundays or go to the beach or mountains.

Country and town churches could be of tremendous help at this point if they would notify a Baptist church in the city to which a member moves.

Many of these are young people and usually, unless they are enlisted during the first few months, there is a danger of losing them from the church for the rest of their lives.

The multiplied temptations of the city help to keep them from being loyal to their faith. So does the old idea that they must cling to the home church, even though they may attend only at homecoming when they drop a quarter or maybe five dollars in the collection.

One city missionary reported that in his city where the combined membership of the local Baptist churches totaled 35,000, a city-wide census revealed over 12,000 unaffiliated Baptists. There is no way of knowing the loss to themselves, their families, their denomination, and the kingdom of God.

These as well as many other lonely folk, can usually be reached by friendly visits. A certain missionary tells of an experience where a family by the name of Vanover was visited by a Mr. and Mrs. Kettle. The father, mother, and two grown sons in the Vanover home were all lost. Several barriers had to be overcome to win them to Christ and the church. The mother was a Jew. The father had a chronic illness and

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was desperately looking for a cure. The two sons had never been in a household worship.

The Kelleys made their first visits to extend help and sympathy. The result was a growing friendship. They prayed for the sick husband. The mother was saved in the home. The father and two sons were saved in the church. The father is on the road to recovery. All are now members of the Baptist church as a result of friendly visits on the part of Christians.

Transients

Most American cities are swarming with transients, among the loneliest of God's creatures.

In this group are the "down and outs" who are drifting aimlessly from place to place, running from someone or something, or seeking something. Often they are penniless; many are completely broken in spirit.

Albert was a transient who came to one of our rescue missions. He was about as dejected as a man could be, his hair was long and disheveled, he needed a shave, his clothes were disreputable. He had turned to drink. He seemed to have lost all self-confidence and self-reliance. He was a college graduate with an excellent scholastic record and came from a good home, but his family had rejected him in his hour of trouble.

The mission provided him with room and board and clothes and got him a temporary job. At the same time the missionary took him to church where he heard a sermon on "Why Not Give God a Chance?" Suddenly Albert realized that was exactly what he needed to do; he had never given God a chance in his life.

Three years have passed and today this same man is prominently identified on the staff of an important hospital, living a satisfying life.

Missionary Raymond Jee of New Orleans tells of Robert, about forty-six years of age, who found Christ at the Baptist Rescue Mission. Robert had been a dope addict for about twenty-five years. He had been in seven prisons including the "Big-top" at Atlanta. Soon after his conversion he wrote to Mr. Jee:

"It's about 5:00 A.M. now and although I am awfully sick and my body sore, my

heart is light because I know I have whipped my habit and I'll thank God as long as I live for giving me the strength and courage to last it out. Christ answered my prayers and stood by me during my ordeal. I say 'I licked this habit,' but I did not do it alone, that's for sure. If it had not been for the healing power of Christ I never could have come through it. Christ deserves the credit and I certainly do give him the praise. I lost twenty-five pounds in the thirty days I have been fighting this, and I will be weak for some time yet. I am still shaking.

"Tell the men in the mission not to hesitate to call on Christ to forgive their sins. If he can wash my sins away, which he did, if he can cleanse the rotten filthy soul of mine, no man alive should hesitate to ask Christ to give him pardon."

Other letters show that Robert is now living a gloriously happy Christian life.

At our two rescue homes for men, our missionaries deal largely with those who have hit bottom. These homes are in New Orleans, Louisiana, and St. Louis, Missouri. We also have a Woman's Emergency Home and Baby Placement Bureau in New Orleans. Men and women in these homes are in a position to realize their need of help and often are more easily lifted up than those who are on their way down but do not yet realize how great is their need.

Other transients live in the trailer camps of our cities. Most of these have good paying jobs, but are seldom touched by the churches. Some camps are made up of just a few trailers while in such places as Paducah, Kentucky, and Savannah, Georgia, and elsewhere, there are thousands living in trailer homes.

Women of the WMS could be of tremendous help if they would see to it that at least Sunday school and vacation Bible school are conducted for the children. A regular trailer camp ministry would be practical in many places today.

Institutions

What an opportunity for service and witness awaits Baptists, and particularly Baptist women, in hospitals and other institutions!

A survey of your city or community



These new city streets need the gospel of Christ. Is your church alert to prospects in new areas?

would probably reveal a surprising number of people confined to institutions or their homes for long periods of time.

There are the aged, many of whom have no living relatives. Some who have, are almost as forsaken and neglected as if they were alone in the world. Loneliness plays an important part in the lives of people, but these most of all.

Any tiny bit of attention thrills these deserted, lonely, old people as one WMS found when the women took carnations and roses to the county home so each person would have a white or a red flower to wear on Mother's Day. The old people were thrilled beyond expression. The women were especially attracted to lonely Mrs. Stevens and later took her a canary which proved to be the joy of her life, and not hers only, but all in the home. The matron told how the women would talk to the bird and care for it and love it.

Many come to the cities for medical care. Children's hospitals are filled with crippled or handicapped children, many separated from the love and affection of families and largely neglected by Christians except perhaps at Christmas time.

Institutions of correction such as jails, penitentiaries, and detention homes receive little more than token attention from Christians. When a person gets into trouble with the law most people leave him strictly alone. So when he is keenly conscious of his need of help and guidance, he finds himself without Christian sympathy.

Whole families have been redeemed because of the ministry to someone behind prison bars.

One fellow who had been in the penitentiary for many years told a minister that for the first time in his life someone was talking to him personally about religion. Our community missions program should include these overlooked and neglected people. Christ died for them too.

Chapels and New Churches

Many Southern Baptists think of the City Mission Program of the Home Mission Board as mainly establishing chapels or churches in new residential areas. This is only one phase of the program, but one that has had far-reaching effects within the last few years.

Baptists as well as other denominations have been pushed to keep up with the recent rapid growth of American cities. Now many Baptist churches have caught the vision and see that it is better to start a new church where one is needed than to try to win people to come long distances to an established church.

During the last few years Baptists have opened mission churches and chapels from coast to coast under almost every conceivable circumstance.

Dr. Allen W. Graves, pastor of the Immanuel Baptist Church, Tulsa, Oklahoma, has long believed in and practiced the starting of new churches. He tells the following experience: "It was Armistice Day, November 11, 1950. The pastor, missions committee, and a few other hardy souls had gathered at the site of the new mission to get it ready for the Lord's business.

"A few days before, the Immanuel Baptist Church of Tulsa and the Tulsa-Rogers

Association had purchased the four-and-one-fourth-acre plot left after the new housing developments had swallowed up Mr. Park's farm. On the plot were three buildings: a frame dwelling, a garage, and a red barn.

"After chasing out the cows, the men began remaking that barn into an attractive chapel. The interior was completely gutted and a new concrete floor poured. Windows were set in the walls, a choir extension made at the front, and the barn was topped by a belfry and a bell. Beautifully painted sheet rock walls and celotex ceiling transformed the inside, and white paint from the spire atop the belfry down to the ground produced remarkable changes in appearance on the outside.

"While this work was going on, Immanuel Church had extended a call to W. E. Smith, a well-trained and experienced pastor, to become pastor at the new mission. Mr. and Mrs. Smith arrived on December 1, 1950, and immediately began a visitation and enlistment program.

Highway Evangelism Pays

IT WAS SUNDAY MORNING and the passengers started getting on, not at 9:30 or 11:00, but at 5:00 a.m. Not one was a Christian and each was positively hungry to discuss his soul's salvation.

Sleeping was not easy on that Greyhound bus and I had been to a Southern Baptist Convention where I had been on a spiritual mountain top. For a long time before dawn I had been praying and asking God to put someone on the seat by my side whom he could use me to win. That morning he put me next to not one, but ten people who were willing to talk about Jesus and the plan of salvation. Three of them prayed with me and said they gave their hearts to the Lord. It is possible that God used me to plant seed in the hearts of one or more of the others that produced fruit later.

One man's wife was a devout Christian; he went to church with her every Sunday and lived a clean moral life. No one had ever sat down with him and pointed out that goodness does not save. Almost any Christian could have helped him see the particular teaching he needed.

Another was a rather fat eighteen-year-old girl with unsightly eczema on her face. The conversation began when I told how I had helped to cure a skin trouble by keeping my hands off my face. She was a very wicked girl. Oh, how she hated herself for her sins. The love of God and his forgiving spirit were poured out to her through a regenerated sinner who had also felt the shame of sin. She said positively that she was going to church that day and make a public profession of faith.

Who rides—or walks—beside you?

PETER E. CULLOM, FORMERLY A CHAPLAIN

"Within ten months they were ready to organize the mission into a church with 100 charter members. Within another year they had completed the first unit of their permanent buildings. Now under construction is the second unit, an \$80,000 addition to the educational building. Church membership on their third anniversary was 331, with a Sunday school enrollment of 673. Total gifts last year were \$25,394.90."

This is just one story of hundreds which could be told of how Baptists are reaching people through the establishment of missions which grow into churches.

What Will Be Done?

What will Baptists do to meet the challenge of the lost multitudes in the cities of our nation? What will you do personally, where you live? Programs and plans are helpless unless they are carried out by people fired with love for humanity. Let your community missions committee be ready with specific plans for your own town or community.

Pray Ye

by Mrs. Elmer W. Brillhart

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

1 Sunday "I will joy in the God of my salvation"—Hab. 3:18 Mrs. Seferino Jojola, Isleta, Rev. William S. Wall, Cubero, Mrs. Ben Yelvington, Santa Fe, N.M., ev. among Indians, Rev. Carlos Pierson, Oklahoma City, Okla., Rev. James Timmons, Pearsall, Tex., ev. among Spanish, Rev. Antonio Santana, Bejucal, Cuba, ev., Mrs. A. B. Deter, Brazil, Rev. D.-H. LeSueur, Mexico, em.

2 Monday "Trust in the Lord, and do good"—Psalm 37:3 Rev. Antanacio Cabrera, Belen, N.M., ev. among Spanish, Rev. Blounye Foreman, Arraias, Brazil, ed. ev., Rev. Gerald S. Harvey, Bulawayo, Southern Rhodesia, ev.

3 Tuesday "If therefore thine eye be single, thy whole body shall be full of light"—Matt. 6:22 Mrs. Robert D. Buess, Chama, N.M., ed. ev. among Spanish, Mrs. A. Pucciarelli, Tampa, Fla., ev. among Italians, Mrs. Abbie Thibodeaux, Montegut, La., ev. among French, Rev. Daniel M. Carroll, Buenos Aires, Argentina, ev., Rev. W. C. Harrison, Porto Alegre, Brazil, ed. ev.

4 Wednesday "Lord, teach us to pray"—Luke 11:1 Mrs. A. B. Craighead, Rivoli, Italy, RN, Mrs. Cirilo Aleman, Jovellanos, Cuba, *Rev. Jack B. Matthews, Tucuman, Argentina, ev., *Mrs. John A. Moore, Zurich, Switzerland, *Miss Maye Bell Taylor, Recife, Brazil, ed. ev.

5 Thursday "He that gloryeth, let him glory in the Lord"—1 Cor. 1:31 Miss Hilda Bledsoe, Waianae, Hawaii, ev., Miss Anita Roper, Lagos, Nigeria, ed. ev., Miss Barbara Wensel, New Orleans, La., GWC, Rev. Fred R. Barnes, Phoenix, Ariz., ranch ev., Paul Barnes, MF

6 Friday "Commit thy way unto the Lord"—Psalm 37:5 Mr. J. B. Henderson, Richmond, Va., ed. ev. among Negroes, Mrs. J. D. Hollis, Macao, Mrs. Edgar J. Tharpe, Kaneche, Hawaii, ev., Miss Alma Jackson, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, RN, Rev. Melvin E. Torstrick, San Jose, Costa Rica, lan. st.

7 Saturday "Endure hardness as a good soldier of Jesus Christ"—2 Tim. 2:3 Rev. Garland K. Offutt, Louisville, Ky., ev. among Negroes, Mrs. Avery V. Richey, Palmer, Alaska, Mrs. Donald McDowell, Asuncion, Paraguay, ev., Mrs. H. F. Peacock,

Zurich, Switzerland, ed. ev.

8 Sunday "Faith without works is dead"—James 2:26 Mrs. Juan Arambula, Oakland, Calif., Rev. Miguel Lopez, Santa Fe, N.M., ev. among Spanish, Miss Helen Hantsell, New Orleans, La., WEH, Rev. Sam F. Morris, Shawnee, Okla., ev. among Indians, Mrs. N. Y. Beull, Atlanta, Ga., field worker, Mrs. Laura Formwalt, ed. ev. among deaf, Rev. W. M. Clawson, Morelia, Mexico, *Mrs. B. P. Emanuel, Takamatsu, *Miss Virginia Highfill, Osaka, Japan, Rev. Donald Levy, Aguacate, Cuba, ev., Mike Lopez, Jr., MF; GA Focus Week, May 8-14

9 Monday "Pray without ceasing"—1 Thess. 5:17 Rev. Roland Stroup, East St. Louis, Ill., Rescue Mission, Mrs. I. E. Gonzalez, Corpus Christi, Tex., ed. ev. among Spanish, Rev. J. E. Hubbard, Pawnee, Okla., ev. among Indians, Mrs. C. C. Marriott, China, Mrs. H. B. Moseley, HMB, em.

10 Tuesday "Be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another"—Eph. 4:32 *Miss Cora Ney Hardy, Lagos, Nigeria, ed. ev., Dr. J. P. Satterwhite, Sakyoku, Japan, MD, Mrs. James M. Young, Jr., Beirut, Lebanon, ev.

11 Wednesday "If we know that he hear us, whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we desired of him"—1 John 5:15 Miss Amy Lively, Atlanta, Ga., GWC, Rev. Julian Reyna, Truth or Consequences, N.M., ev. among Spanish

12 Thursday "Humble yourselves before the mighty hand of God casting all your care upon him"—1 Peter 5:6-7 Mrs. Burton de Wolfe Davis, Fortaleza, Brazil, Miss Ethel Guest, Iwa, Nigeria, ed. ev., Rev. Marcos Duron, Carrizosa, N.M., ev. among Spanish, Miss Helen Meredith, Cartagena, Colombia, Miss Auris Pender, Singapore, Malaya, ev.

13 Friday "Every day will I bless thee; and I will praise thy name for ever and ever"—Psalm 145:2 Mrs. W. B. Minor, Socorro, N.M., ed. ev. among Spanish, Mrs. A. E. Blankenship, Santa Catarina, Brazil, ed. ev., Rev. W. M. Dyal, Jr., Guatemala City, Guatemala, Mrs. Carl Halvarson, Takamatsu, Japan, Mrs. Roy B. Wyatt, Jr., Barcelona, Spain, ev., Mrs. Aurelia Baez, HMB, em.

Pray Ye . . .

14 Saturday "O send out thy light and thy truth: let them lead me"—Psalm 43:3 Miss Amelia Diaz, Albuquerque, ed. ev. among Spanish, Mrs. Roy Harvey, Bayard, N.M., ev. among Spanish, Miss Mary Lee Ernest, Hilo, Hawaii, ev., Miss Roberta Ryan, Temuco, Chile, ed. ev.

15 Sunday "Stand fast in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free"—Gal. 5:1 Rev. M. D. Oates, Lima, Peru, ev., Miss Jewell Smith, Havana, Cuba, Miss Virginia Mathis, Manila, Philippines, ed. ev.; WMU Annual Meeting, Miami, Florida, May 15-17

16 Monday "Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path"—Psalm 119:105 Mrs. G. L. Stanley, Phoenix, Ariz., ev. among Chinese, Miss Catherine Walker, Semarang, Indonesia, ed. ev., Rev. J. O. Watson, Buenos Aires, Argentina, Rev. J. M. Sanchez, Havana, Cuba, Mrs. F. H. Walters, Paraiso, Canal Zone, ev., Mrs. Roe R. Beard, Muskogee, Okla., ev. among Indians

17 Tuesday "Whither shall I go from thy spirit?"—Psalm 139:7 Mrs. Wilson W. Boggan, Sulphur, Okla., ev. among Indians, Rev. T. W. Talkington, Hattiesburg, Miss., ev. among Negroes

18 Wednesday "Be of one mind, live in peace; and the God of love and peace shall be with you"—2 Cor. 13:11 Mrs. Rebecca Callaway, Richmond, Va., ed. ev. among Negroes, Rev. Fernando Santana, HMB, em., Rev. Felix Torna, Candelaria, Cuba, Rev. C. W. Campbell, Cipolletti, Argentina, ev., Rev. A. L. Gillespie, Osaka, Japan, Mrs. Robert G. Bratcher, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, Miss Mary Jane Whorton, Shaki, Nigeria, ed. ev.; Southern Baptist Convention, Miami, Florida, May 18-21

19 Thursday "While I live will I praise the Lord"—Psalm 146:2 Rev. Peter Chen, San Francisco, Calif., ev. among Chinese, Rev. Domingo Hernandez, Madruga, Cuba, Mrs. H. H. Snuggs, Taipei, Taiwan, ev., Mrs. Jimmy Harrison, Portales, N.M., ev. among Spanish, Miss Mary Alexander, Hong Kong, pub. ev., Margaret Ann Snuggs, MF

20 Friday "Ye were sometimes darkness, but now are ye light in the Lord"—Eph. 5:8 Mrs. G. H. Wise, Rio de Janeiro, Rev. L. C. Bell, Parana, Brazil, Rev. Rudolph Russell, Ayuthia, Thailand, ev., Rev. J. S. McGee, Igede, Nigeria, Mrs. Hiram F. Duffier, Torreon, Mexico, Mrs. Lorene Tilford, Kaohsiung, Taiwan, ed. ev.

21 Saturday "He that ruleth his spirit is better than he that taketh a city"—Prov. 16:32 Rev. Aurelio Travieso, Havana, Cuba, ev., Rev. W. M. Gilliland, ed. ev., Miss Mary Hester Powell, Ogbomoso, Nigeria, RN

22 Sunday "All thy commandments are righteousness"—Psalm 119:172 Rev. Orvil Reid, Guadalajara, Mexico, Rev. Vance Vernon, Belem, Brazil, ed. ev., Roderick Reid, MF

23 Monday "Let your conversation be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have"—Heb. 13:5 Mrs. Silverio Linares, Crystal City, Tex., ev. among Spanish, Mrs. W. Neville Claxon, Yaba, ed. ev., Mr. Buford Cockrum, Ogbomoso, Nigeria, builder

24 Tuesday "He that loveth another hath fulfilled the law"—Rom. 13:8 Mrs. Earl Parker, Pusan, Korea, Mrs. C. W. Campbell, Cipolletti, Argentina, Rev. Clem Hardy, Manaos, ev., Mrs. A. J. Terry, Recife, Brazil, ed. ev., David and John Parker, MF

25 Wednesday "Sing forth the honour of his name: make his praise glorious"—Psalm 66:2 Rev. A. F. Garner, San Francisco, Argentina, ev.

26 Thursday "There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear"—1 John 4:18 Rev. Carter Bearden, New Orleans, La., ev. among deaf, Rev. W. D. Morgan, Bocas del Toro, Panama, Mrs. W. M. Moore, Joinkrama Village, Nigeria, ev.

27 Friday "He that is hasty of spirit exalteth folly"—Prov. 14:29 Rev. F. M. Horton, Yokohama, Japan, ev., Mrs. Van Earl Hughes, San Jose, Costa Rica, ed. ev.

28 Saturday "The Lord lifteth up the meek"—Psalm 147:6 Rev. J. B. Parker, HMB, em., Mrs. T. N. Clinkscales, Londrina, ed. ev., Mrs. Robert L. Fielden, Barra, Brazil, Rev. W. R. Medling, Kumamoto, Japan, ev.; pray that more young people will be called as mission volunteers; pray for those who have already volunteered

29 Sunday "Praise God in his sanctuary"—Psalm 150:1 Rev. T. C. Bagby, Sao Paulo, Brazil, Mrs. J. D. Belote, Hong Kong, Mrs. James A. Foster, Baguio, Philippines, ev., Miss Ruth Porter, Asuncion, Paraguay, RN

30 Monday "Let us not love in word, neither in tongue; but in deed and truth"—1 John 3:18 Mrs. J. B. Silva, HMB, em., Rev. Horace V. Davis, Sao Paulo, Mrs. J. C. Johnson, Santarem, Brazil, Dr. I. N. Patterson, Ibadan, Nigeria, ev., William Patterson, MF

31 Tuesday "God is Love"—1 John 4:16 Mrs. William Skinner, Asuncion, Paraguay, ev.

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em. emeritus
ed. educational
RN nurse
MD doctor
GWC Good Will Center
WEH Women's Emergency Home
pub. publications
MF Margaret Fund student
lan. st. language study
* on furlough

WOMEN FROM OTHER STATES ALL BOUND TOGETHER FOR THE CAUSE OF MISSIONS.

Pictures at left: GLORIETA—Vespers on the terrace of New Mexico Hall; Bible Hour in the large airy auditorium; a quartette of WMS members in brilliant turquoise fiesta dresses; and the three-times-a-day call to meals in a new attractive dining room. Below is a view of Glorieta assembly grounds taken from one of nearby lookout towers.

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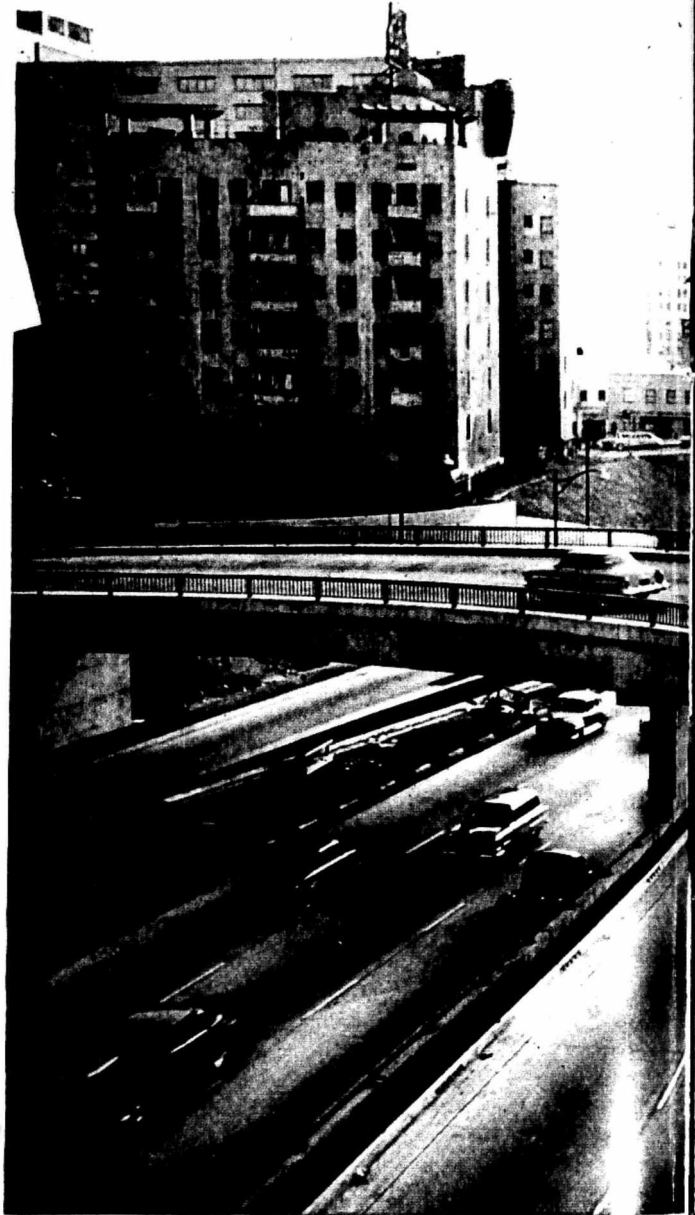
GOD OF THE CROWDED CITY

Lord of the noisy slum;
Master of men who labor
Where busy motors hum;
O may we hear thee speaking
Down here in mill and mart,
To still the storms of conflict
And bless the pure in heart

God of the busy city,
Lord of the teeming street,
Cleanse with the fires of heaven
All who for gain compete,
Confined by crush of commerce,
And pawns amidst the strife,
Walk once again among us,
Bestow abundant life

Thou who didst come to bring us
Respite from toil and woe,
Pour out thy love upon us
And light the way we go;
Lead us along the highway
Which Christ the Saviour trod,
Up to the golden city,
Up to the throne of God

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