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Evangelism among the Deaf



Evangelism among Migrants



Lawrence Thibodeaux, French



Evangelism in Good Will Centers



Cherokee Baptist Church

Carver Center in New Orleans



Cuba Missionary and Nationals



How many minutes

will you
give at

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A Visit to Cuba

by Mrs. A. L. Aulick, California

ONE Sunday morning in May 1955, one hundred and fifteen Baptists left Miami, Florida, to visit our Southern Baptist mission fields in Cuba.

Cuba was throbbing, noisy, romantic. Havana, Cuba's metropolis and our landing place, seems never to sleep. All night the streets and parks are a flowing mass of humanity. There are sidewalk restaurants and gaudily dressed young women ready to furnish entertainment. The noise of honking horns, the jangle of streetcar bells, and other sounds are deafening. Yet it is in Havana that Baptists have concentrated their forces.

The first piece of Cuban property owned by Baptists is Baptist Temple (*Templo Bautista*), located not far from the capitol building. After much remodeling it stands now as a monument to the loving service and sacrifice of Cuban Baptists, to Mrs. George Bottoms of Texarkana, Arkansas, and to the Annie Armstrong (Offerings for Home Missions).

That Sunday night the Temple, home of Calvary church, was filled to its capacity. The well-groomed ushers seated the people with the politeness characteristic of the Spanish. A vested choir of more than fifty sang several special numbers including the "Hallelujah Chorus." The Spanish service is held in the morning and the English service in the evening.

An evening with Miss Mildred Matthews, who has retired now, and Miss Jewel Smith in their Baptist Temple apartment was a long anticipated joy. To reach their apartment several iron doors were unlocked and carefully relocked after the visitors had passed through.

In answer to the prayers of missionaries and Cuban Baptists, a group of Baptist doctors, preachers, and church workers met

and elected a board of directors who organized what seems to be the only evangelical hospital in Cuba. Because of Roman Catholic influence, it was extremely difficult to secure a location but a building in the residential section of Havana was secured. The hospital is now operating free of debt. By paying about \$2.50 a month an individual becomes "a member of the hospital." The membership entitles the holder to medical care, hospitalization, X-ray, laboratory, medicine, and some dental care. At present the Baptist Hospital has some three thousand members.

Back in 1906 a few young Cuban preachers met in the home of Dr. Moses N. Mc-



From the seminary one sees homes of thousands who do not know the Saviour.

Call, then superintendent of missions in Cuba, to study the Bible and related subjects. Now a beautiful seminary building stands on the Hill of Light, in a commanding position overlooking Havana. Built at a cost of \$118,000 in memory of Mrs. F. W. Armstrong, president of Woman's Missionary Union from 1933 to 1945, the seminary

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is a true lighthouse for Christ. Twenty-six students are studying there. The couplet, "You need not tell of His wonderful grace,

The radiance of His love shows in your face."

describes these seminary students.

The dormitory rooms are scantily furnished but made bright by the Cuban sunshine. Possibly visitors feel more at home in the apartment of Dr. and Mrs. Herbert Caudill than any other place in Cuba. Classrooms and offices open onto the long veranda which leads to their apartment. Dr. Caudill is superintendent of our Cuban work.

Another interesting and far-reaching activity is the work of the Baptist Student Union in the University of Havana. Miss Ondina Maristany gave up a successful law practice to become the student secretary. The students take part in the summer mission program, hold daily noonday prayer meetings, and sponsor other activities as in the States. A BSU center is now being built by the Home Mission Board with funds from Annie Armstrong Offerings. At present, all Baptist activities are held in the small, rented apartment of the student secretary.

It was a highlight to make a tour of the island, visiting a number of the Iglesia Bautista (Baptist churches) along the way. We saw the small, thatched-roof houses and oxen drawing old-fashioned plows to cultivate patches of green because of the heavy mud needed for sugar cane growing.

Without exception the churches visited were clean and well kept. The pastors were there to greet the visitors, eager to tell of their work. In some churches a short service had been arranged while in others the visitors, instinctively, sat down for prayer and praise.

After a drive of several hours, the Yumari Valley Assembly Grounds came in view. The Lawrence Building provides dormitory space, classrooms, assembly hall, and kitchen. A bounteous lunch of Spanish food, new and surprising to many of us, was served on the porch that extends the full length of the building. The wife of the assembly pastor welcomed the guests. Several Cuban girls sang, their soft voices accenting the peacefulness of the surroundings. Martha Cabarrocas, who gave the

ground to the Baptists, spoke of her joy in Christ and her gratitude for the privilege of service. Missionary Christine Garnett interpreted when necessary. The Valley church, the school and the home of Miss Cabarrocas are near the road that leads to the assembly. This "elastic" home always shelters many boys and girls who need to know the Saviour.

Back to Havana, Key West, and Miami the crowd went, grateful to the Home Mission Board, particularly to Mr. B. M. Crain and the guide for their informing and inspiring tour of mission fields in Cuba.

In summarizing the tour certain facts stand out:

1. The hospital must have a larger building. Eighteen beds will not care for three thousand "members." A lovely building next door can be bought for \$30,000. The present building and the new building connected would cost \$100,000.

2. More adequate church buildings are needed in many places. Roman Catholic churches are beautiful. One Catholic church cost \$2,000,000. An example of building needs is the Cerro church, Havana. The Rev. Enrique Pina, a highly educated gentleman, is pastor. All church services are held in the pastor's rented home using patios and all available space to care for 120 in Sunday school. Within ten blocks there are seventeen Catholic churches and institutions. A building on a prominent street five blocks from the present meeting place is for sale. Can we buy it?

3. The seminary plant must be expanded. There are not enough Cuban pastors to fill the pulpits. Workers must be trained.

Other needs were sorely evident but greatest of all is the need for more faith, that gives money, and more prayer. Southern Baptists can meet these needs if we will.

In talking personally to Cuban Christians, all expressed gratitude for what Southern Baptists have done. Here is a quotation from a church bulletin, "We are grateful for your help in extending the gospel in our country, and we want to express the love that is in every Cuban's heart."

Annie Armstrong Offering time is here. Woman's Missionary Union will show her love for missions by the size of the offering that is made.

"Cuba for Christ" should be our cry.

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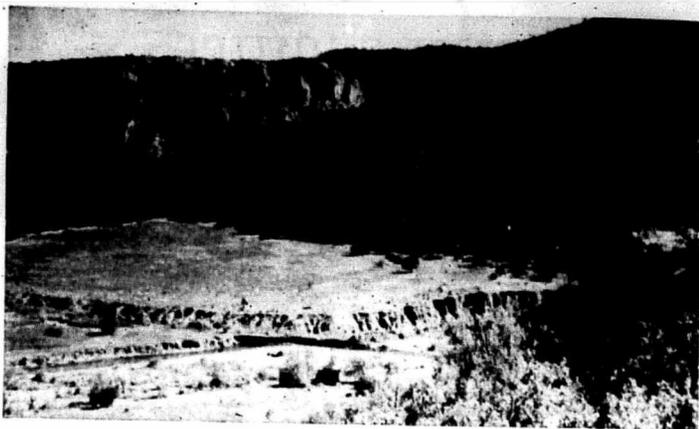
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Beauty and Misery in Apacheland

by Mrs. E. C. Branch, missionary in Arizona

AS I look out the window of the trailer, my heart leaps at the sight of the as yet unfinished walls of the Apache Baptist Mission. I thank God for answered prayer and for the Woman's Missionary Union which gave through the Annie Armstrong Offering \$20,000 for the construction of this, a lighthouse for Christ on the Apache Reservation. It is so dark with superstition and sin.

When I walk between the walls of the mission, I look out through the paneless windows and see the golden cottonwoods along the river. High up on the distant peaks, crazy patches of yellow and gold tell of the aspen trembling on the mountainside, drapping their leaves like golden coins along the trail. Sunac glows beside the roadway in shades of red, yellow, and deep purple. In the distance is a soft cloud of dust and the muted sound of bawling cattle being driven to the cattle sales. Beautiful Apacheland!

But all is not beauty and peace! There is ugliness and tear and heartache and misery. Near the very site of this building was the burned debris from the wickiup of one who had died. In the Apache religion, there is no knowledge of where the spirit goes after death. They think of it as wandering restless about the land. The family provides food and water in the casket for its journey, but they fear it, and immediately after the burial the wickiup is burned to prevent the spirit from lingering there. We are thankful to God that four of the members of the family of the one who died here have found Jesus as their Saviour. Although a little one has died since that time, they no longer fear but look to that joyous time of reunion in heaven.

Down the slope from where I stand I can see the wickiups and shelters of the family of a four-year-old boy we buried. The mother is a member of the mission, but is in the tuberculosis sanatorium in Phoenix.

When the child became ill, we took him to the doctor, but as time went by the father decided it best to have an Apache dance for him with the medicine man chanting his ritual and applying yellow pollen. There was nothing we could do but pray.

After the all night dance as the boy became desperately sick, the father asked us to help get him to the hospital, but it was too late. The mother was allowed to come to the funeral.

Her faith in God and surety of reunion in heaven was a wonderful witness to those who gathered to mourn with them. She asked that we sing "Amazing Grace" at the service. The father, torn with grief for his only son, said, "I'm glad my wife is a Christian. She can bear this better than I. She has something I don't have."



Yet as I look farther, I see in the distance a small cabin. Many people have been gathered about it for two days and nights in the Apache custom of mourning. A young mother of three children lies in a casket in the shade of the house. Back from many long months in the sanatorium, she returned to the habitual drinking of her former way of life. With her mother and brothers, she went on Sunday morning to Pinetop (sadly called Winetop), a small town just off the Reservation where bars line both sides of the street. There with the new freedom given to the Indians when many Christians used or failed to use the vote, they all became drunk.

Returning home, the car stopped in the center of the road and the drunken mother staggered out into the path of an oncoming car and was killed. Three small orphan children and a drunken grandmother! If this were the only such case! There are multiplied hundreds of such heartbreaks and sorrows.

Thirteen and fourteen-year-old girls are being sent to a delinquent home for habi-

tual drunkenness. Small children and babies die of malnutrition because of lack of care from drunken parents. Alcohol brings the degradation of a wonderful people whose minds and eager hearts could accomplish great things if freed from its curse. Is there no hope? Yes.

A few weeks ago a group of girls, almost all Christians, sat in a room having a Girls' Auxiliary meeting. After a study of alcohol from *Tell*, reading what God's Word says about it, they faced the issue squarely, talking quietly with sad eyes about the problem in their own homes and lives. Almost every girl came from a home where the parents were drunk nearly every week end. They had no chance to get their report cards signed, to discuss a problem, to rest, or to sleep.

Then the girls prayed—a little haltingly, having prayed publicly only during a few months, but with great earnestness. They prayed for their parents, for themselves



The parents of this Apache baby on his cradleboard attend mission services.



Apache Indian children went off the reservation to vacation Bible school before the mission was built. The bus makes it possible to bring children and parents to services at the mission.

Mr. Branch lays blocks for the mission building made possible by the Annie Armstrong Offering. His helper is an Apache who is not a member of the mission himself, but three of his family are.



that they might help their parents come to church and accept Christ, that they might be strong and with the Lord's help overcome temptation when they were invited to drink. They prayed that they might have

Twenty five years back, when I was in this country, there was prohibition. You would, once in a while, find somebody drunk. But now drinking is a common thing. One wonders why a nation so highly advanced, and using so many machines, does not keep her people from this evil.

—R. K. SAHU, American Baptist
Bengal-Orissa Mission, from *Missions*

Christian homes for their own children. Won't you pray with them for the Apache young people, the hope, through Christ, for the Apache Nation?

We are grateful for the bus, paid for by Woman's Missionary Union through the Annie Armstrong Offering of 1955. It has enabled us to take the people off the Reservation to services, on Sunday, for Bible schools, for young people's meetings. It has helped us to reach all those we have won for Christ.

Our hearts are filled to overflowing with thankfulness for the mission site granted the Baptists by the Tribal Council and for the Annie Armstrong Offering that has made this building possible. By the time you read this, we will be having services in it, and will be able to serve Christ and the Apache people in a greater way. We hope not only to win them to Christ, but also to keep our young people busy and happy in activities of their church that will keep them interested and occupied and counteract the temptation to participate in wrong things including drinking. Pray with us that we may soon see Christ victorious in Apacheland.

The Blessedness of Giving

by Dorothy Grijalva, missionary in Colorado

IT is more blessed to give than to receive." How true these words of Christ have proved in the lives of the Mexican Baptists of Texas. We are indeed grateful for the things we have received through Annie Armstrong Offerings—new church buildings, salaries for over a hundred missionaries, scholarships for our young people, money for our WMU literature, salaries for the student missionaries who help us in the summer, and many other things. How could we ever carry on our work without the help received through the Annie Armstrong Offering and the Week of Prayer for Home Missions?

Yet greater than the privilege of receiving is the privilege of giving that others also may know and that Christ be honored. In our Texas Mexican Baptist work we observe four weeks of prayer—one for home missions, one for Mexican missions in Texas, one for state missions, and the other for foreign missions. Most churches try to raise a worthy offering for each cause with slightly more emphasis on foreign missions.

As the members of our churches meet together to study, pray, and give to missions great blessings come to them. Usually each week of prayer is observed every night. One or two nights the women have charge of the program, one night the men have charge, one night the young people, and one night the children. Or the Sunday school takes charge one night, the Training Union another, the WMS another, the Brotherhood one night, and the auxiliaries the last night.

In 1955 in the Calvary Mexican Baptist Church in San Antonio, Mrs. Mojica, the wife of the pastor, prepared a box wrapped like a gift for each circle and auxiliary of the WMS. The members put their offerings in their respective boxes each night. No one knew how much had been given until Sunday morning. When the offering was counted, it was found that the goal had been far surpassed. There was hardly a dry

eye in the house as the congregation offered their thanks to God for this great victory.

One of those who gave sacrificially at that time was Mrs. Dinah Mercado. She has always given generously for each mission offering, but she had been quite ill for several weeks. She had no money to give. When the offering plate was passed, she took off her watch, the only thing of value she had, put it in her envelope, and laid it on the plate. This sacrifice inspired other members to give more generously.

This same plan of using a box for the offering of each circle and auxiliary was used in the Antioch Mexican Baptist Church. The president of the Woman's Missionary Society, Mrs. Andrea Rocha, sets the example for the other members in giving. She is a widow and supports herself by sewing. Although her income is very small, she has as her goal an offering of \$5 for each of the four mission offerings. She is not able to save that much money from her meager earnings, so she does extra work such as selling plants to earn the money for her mission offerings. Even though she has to do without a few meals, she has always completed her own offering goal.

Each family has a small globe-shaped bank in which to save money for the mission offerings. For each offering the bank is

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Be Sure to Read This



Customs and traditions of the Jewish people are told with understanding by Frank Hallock in "Our Jewish Neighbors." Through the book a friendship for and an interest in this group will develop. Paper edition is \$.75 and board, \$1.50. Order from your Baptist Book Store.

Chinese Outside of China

by Thomas Lowe, missionary in California

HAVE you ever visited the new Chinatown of Los Angeles? If not, you have really missed something. I have traveled in twenty-eight states and many big cities in the United States. The most beautiful, colorful, and attractive Chinatown is the Chinatown of Los Angeles, with Oriental-style buildings, curved roofs, and decorations which truly represent the cultures of China. The new Chinatown of Los Angeles is listed as one of the beautiful touring spots of Los Angeles.

There were about twelve to fifteen thousand Chinese people in Los Angeles, the fourth largest city of the United States, without one Baptist church for them. Early in 1951, Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Rankin, missionaries to China for over twenty-five years, came to Los Angeles, and after making a general survey, found seven Chinese Baptists who realized the need of a Chinese Baptist church. They banded together and organized this church in March of that year.

With the help of the Home Mission Board, they rented a store building as auditorium and Sunday school classrooms. The attendance in the first year averaged about twenty.

By the next year the church was growing fast. Sunday school had increased 100 per cent; church attendance, 175 per cent; membership, 167 per cent; offerings, 230 per cent; and young people's choir and junior choir were organized. The auditorium and Sunday school rooms

were not big enough to hold the people who came for the Word of God. An additional building and means of transportation were needed badly.

God answered our prayers while we were in that critical period. The Home Mission Board saw how important it is to reach the Chinese in America while the door of China is closed, and gave us most timely help. An additional store was rented and a station wagon was given by the Home Mission Board. We thank the Home Mission Board as representative of every Southern Baptist.

The additional building met the temporary need only. Now again, we need more space, more Sunday school rooms, and an auditorium big enough to hold at least two hundred. It is much better to have our own auditorium than to rent a big house and pay so much rent every month.

Last year our people started a church building fund campaign. The Home Mission Board gave \$40,000 from the Annie Armstrong Offering to help us toward this goal. Our people tried to raise \$15,000

Vacation Bible school workers and students in front of church.



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Beginners class enjoys the activities provided by vacation Bible school.

making a total of \$65,000 for the new church building. Thanks be unto God that we have reached our goal! We hope to have turned the first spade work for the church building early in 1956.

Would you like to meet some of our young people?

Vincent Lim came to our first watch night service on New Year's Eve in 1952 when only seven people were there. All were Christians and members of this church except Vincent. A month later he was one of the first to be baptized into the church.

Ted Wu, another young man, attended the Chinese mission language school. The students are expected to attend the Sunday school or church services, but he did not want to go to church even by force. One afternoon the Baptist missionary met him and had a short conversation with him. He started coming to our church services, was converted and baptized in May, 1953. He won the first prize in the young people's speech tournament both in

Los Angeles Association and California State Convention, second prize of the south-wide contest in Glorieta, New Mexico. He graduated from a Los Angeles high school with honors and was recommended for the Naval Academy, Annapolis, Maryland. Now he is studying there happily. He dedicated his life for Christian service. We pray that he will be used by God wonderfully.

Another young man, Gary Wong, our former Sunday school superintendent, is

Pastor Lowe's birthday was truly happy with his family from which he had been separated six and a half years.





enrolled in Golden Gate Baptist Seminary, Berkeley, California. We hope more young people will dedicate their lives to our Lord Jesus.

Carol Wong graduated from high school with honors and won three scholarships for \$1,700 from different organizations last summer. Her parents are Methodists, but she likes Baptist beliefs and was baptized. Now she is studying in the University of California at Berkeley and is very active in the local Chinese mission work there.

Arthur Huey, president of the young people's Training Union, led his schoolmate to Christ before he himself was baptized. Now this schoolmate in turn is trying to win another friend and his own parents to Christ.

One night about 10 o'clock a telephone call came to the missionary saying "Here is a family that wants to go to church; will you please come to visit them and take the children to your Sunday school?" Next day I found that that home was just across the street from a church of another denomination. But they like to come to our church. The mother was converted last summer.

There are many cases like these. But we need a church building and enough Sunday school rooms to seat them right now. If we do not have an adequate building, we cannot enlist any more prospects for there is no place to put them. Will you please help us and pray for us that more Chinese can be reached and more souls can be won for Christ on the West Coast?

Children and adults have a good time together at their Easter picnic.



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Junior choir at Chinese Baptist Church



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Senior choir



ABOVE RIGHT

Girls' Auxiliary members and counselors, Miss Irene Liu, left, and Mrs. C. S. Leung, right

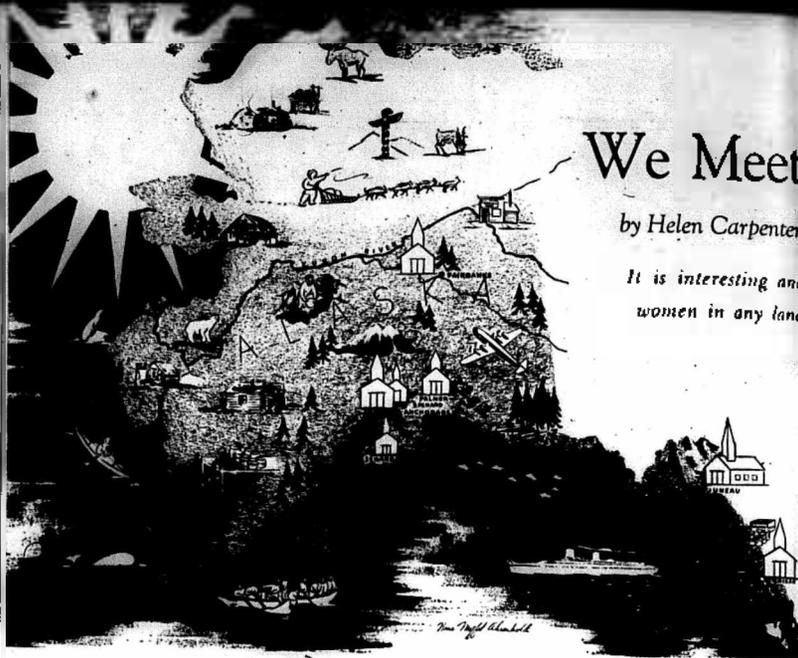
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Royal Ambassadors and counselors, Charles How, left, and Gary Wong, right



RIGHT BOTTOM

Mothers' choir members of the fast growing church in Los Angeles



We Meet in Alaska, Too

by Helen Carpenter, missionary in Alaska

It is interesting and stimulating to know that Baptist women in any land want to meet to serve, pray, and give.

church. One young woman came to Seward as a bride eight years ago and rejoices that now there is a Baptist church where she can serve. From everywhere they have come with different capabilities, none with much training, but together they have purposed to serve the Lord while they sojourn in this land.

Not only do these ten women serve in the Woman's Missionary Union, but they teach in the Sunday school, lead in the Training Union, lead the young people's organizations, and visit to seek out the lost and unenlisted. They have spent many hours of hard, physical labor helping to build a church in which to worship. These

same women with their husbands carry the financial program of the church. They do this all willingly and cheerfully because they love the Lord and because their greatest desire is to have a part in winning the lost to Christ. Their courage and their steadfastness of purpose will certainly be rewarded in large spiritual dividends; they ask nothing more.

Approximately three hundred women representing seventeen societies in the Territory of Alaska join this group in Seward in a plea for your prayers and your continued support. Without the financial aid of the Home Mission Board these churches would not be able to build nor would they be able to support their pastors. Many more churches need to be built and more pastors need to be sent out into different parts of Alaska to give the people the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

One of the most pressing needs of the WMU in Alaska now is a paid, full-time executive secretary. Our territorial organization at best is immature and inefficient. We have to depend upon busy pastors' wives for leadership and they simply do not have the time nor the money to promote a program that will meet the needs of our growing territory. Pray that this need may soon be met.

THE Woman's Missionary Society of the First Baptist Church of Seward, Alaska, met on the last Wednesday night in November to present foreign missions through the Week of Prayer program material. The gathering took place in the partially finished building of the First Baptist Church. It was only the second time that this society had had the privilege of celebrating this week because the members belong to one of the small, very new churches in the Territory of Alaska. The program was superbly presented and every one caught a vision of the worldwide need of missions. They willingly gave through the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering to help spread the gospel over the world.

This society of ten women is typical of most of the Woman's Missionary Societies in our great Territory. With such a few, we do our best to carry on a full program of activities. This church was organized a

year and a half ago, and its growth has been remarkable in spite of an unstable economy in this small community of some 2,500 population. Our women have come from everywhere in the States to this Alaskan town to make homes for their husbands as they engage in various kinds of construction work. They live in small makeshift homes; they live in house trailers; they live in very small apartments because larger, more adequate ones are too expensive. Here these women have set up Christian homes in which to rear their children and by which to give a constant testimony for our Lord to the many round about who do not know him.

It has been my privilege to witness the baptism of some of them since the organization of this church. Others have come from a Baptist church somewhere in the States and have accepted tremendous responsibilities here for the activities of the

The "Carpenter family (left) serves in the First Baptist Church in Seward where Mrs. Carpenter and daughter Helen Ruth are among the leaders of their W.M.U. (right).



She Remembered Miss Armstrong

by Evelyn Wingo Thompson

When Mr. Alester, Oklahoma, have been blessed, until her recent death, with the presence of a wonderful woman, Mrs. McClellan Wilson. Everyone called her "Mother Wilson" and delighted to hear her tell about "the early days."

Mrs. Wilson came as a bride to the state in pioneer days when Oklahoma was Indian territory and McAlester the capital of the Choctaw Nation. She shared in the growth of Baptist work in her town and state for more than half a century.

One of her choicest memories was of the time in 1905 when Miss Annie Armstrong, first secretary of Woman's Missionary Union, was a week-end guest in her home.

There were several mining towns in the McAlester vicinity, employing many Italians and other foreign-speaking groups. Miss Kate Perry and Miss Kate Hansen were sent by the women of Georgia and Virginia to work among these people.

Miss Armstrong came to McAlester to visit these groups in nearby Harshorne, Haileyville, and Alderson. Miss Hansen and Miss Perry lived in a very small apartment, and Mrs. Wilson's home was the "Baptist Hotel," so she entertained Miss Armstrong. Though the Wilsons later had a spacious home and entertained hosts of visitors, they were then living in a bungalow, and she was a bit embarrassed at entertaining so prominent a person. But she recalled, "Miss Armstrong was most gracious and kindly; she particularly liked my homemade biscuits and butter, and she immediately formed a friendship with our eight-year-old son."

Miss Armstrong spoke in the mining area several times during the week end and at the First Baptist Church in McAlester on Sunday afternoon. Vividly, Mrs. Wilson would tell, "She spoke of the great need of adequate buildings in the mining area, of the need for more societies. It seemed that a great burden of her heart at that time was for a home for missionary sons and daughters.

"Miss Armstrong led the family worship in our home while here. The first night she spoke on John 3:16 and the second night on 'Go Ye,' referring to her own going."

Mrs. Wilson remembered that Miss Armstrong wore a black crepe dress with basque waist pleated in the back. She was rather tall and wore an open-crowned dress bonnet tied under the chin with black streamers. Her only ornament was a beautiful cameo.

Miss Armstrong had many curios from the fields she visited, but the item that most intrigued the Wilsons' son was a collapsible pasteboard church. Miss Armstrong had a bundle of these in her luggage and gave the boy one. There were one hundred bricks in the church and he "sold" each brick for ten cents. When he had the total of ten dollars, he sent this in to Miss Armstrong to be used for building a church in Cuba, whereupon she wrote him an inter-



Miss Annie Armstrong



Mrs. McClellan Wilson

esting letter and sent him another collapsible church. In this manner he filled in three of these churches and for many years cherished her letters acknowledging the money he sent in.

It has been a help to our home mission interest and to our Annie Armstrong Offering to have Mrs. Wilson live among us so long and tell us about Miss Annie Armstrong.

Each Christian will be held to strict account for his stewardship. Christ had most severe denunciations for unfaithful stewards. There is, indeed, need of a finer sense of moral obligation with reference to our financial relation to God. When his followers observe the same clear rules of honest dealing in their transactions with him which they regard as imperative in dealing with the fellowmen—that is, regard and treat as belonging to the treasury of heaven all that they have, the financial problem involved in the world's evangelization will be eliminated.

—JOHN R. MOTT
from *Missionary Horizons*

The Blessedness of Giving

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emptied, then everybody starts saving for the next mission offering. Mrs. Trinidad Ramirez is always eager to give a large offering. She saves all she can and invites her relatives and friends to add what they will to her bank each time they come to see her. She is very happy when she can bring \$1 or \$5.

Mrs. Eugenia Diaz, mother of six small children, promised herself to give \$3 for the Annie Armstrong Offering. A few days before the Week of Prayer, her purse with all the money for family expenses for a month, was stolen. But she did not let this keep her from giving what she had planned. "God will provide for us, if we put his work first," she said with calm faith.

Although the amount given by our members seems small, the love that prompts the gift is genuine and generous. We are encouraged when we remember that Christ looks not only at what we give, but at what we have left after bringing our gift to him. We are happy that we can join hands with our sisters in Christ in making him known around the world.

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We need to think of the Mexican immigrants not as a mass of foreigners but as individuals who have come to our nation seeking a new and better life. Surely as we give them economic benefits, we will not withhold from them the best we have—a great salvation and a glorious Saviour.

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Most of your missionaries could not conduct a full program of activities for all ages at our Good Will Centers were it not for the wonderful help of volunteer leaders. Mothers are faithful in assisting in the kindergarten. Their faces glow as they seek to serve the Lord whom they have so recently found. They so love all the children it is almost impossible to discover which ones are their own!



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Rest time and refreshment time are periods of Christian training as well as songs, stories, games and handwork.





ROYAL SERVICE, a Faithful Medium

IT IS FASCINATING to read letters from the women who have labored through the years and see what they think of ROYAL SERVICE. Some handwriting is quite shaky, some have evidently used a granddaughter's hand to write as they dictated.

Mrs. Phil J. Miller, of Kentucky, wants "our younger generation" to understand how limited missionary literature was fifty years ago. Tracts and leaflets were scarce



What missionary attitudes will this little great grandson gain from Mrs. R. M. Hunter, of Mobile, Alabama? She is 96 years old and remembers using "Our Mission Fields" and then, through the years, "Royal Service."

and highly prized and passed from one society to another, so they welcomed *Our Mission Fields*.

Mrs. W. T. Hunt, of North Carolina, thinks ROYAL SERVICE is "a splendid geography," with every article worth reading by every member of WMS because "it really keeps one posted on what is going on in the world."

Mrs. W. B. James, of Virginia, still reads ROYAL SERVICE through, using a strong magnifying glass.

Mrs. B. L. Rhodes, of Virginia, feels that ROYAL SERVICE broadens her vision and interest in places and people around the world and the prayer calendar has given a definiteness to her prayer life.

Mrs. H. E. Morris, of Kentucky, is confined to her bed now, but it is still her joy to keep up with our missionaries and their work. She long ago formed the habit of cutting out the prayer calendar pages and putting them in a white birthday book with the names of friends and relatives, ready to look at each day before she eats her breakfast.

Mrs. W. H. McKinnon, of Georgia, says their worthwhile WMS programs would have been impossible without ROYAL SERVICE "and oh, the interesting, true stories from missionaries and others, we like them!"

Mrs. R. A. Magee, of Louisiana, has watched the little programs of every organization grow until each could have its own magazine.

Mrs. Y. M. Martin married in June of 1888 and has felt a particular, personal interest in Woman's Missionary Union and found ROYAL SERVICE essential help. At 89 she attended the installation of the 1955

officers of her WMS of First church, Houston, Texas.

Mrs. W. B. Merrill, of Alabama, writes, "ROYAL SERVICE has been part of my spiritual food and I take every feature of it."

Mrs. J. D. Sylvest, of Louisiana, says, "ROYAL SERVICE has been guide, joy, and helper. Each new copy was like wood laid on the fire. The programs were so full of good news; the devotionals so helpful and uplifting, they seemed to fire our very souls in wanting to do something for Jesus."

Mrs. J. L. Tinney, Texas, always reads ROYAL SERVICE through as soon as she gets it. Mrs. J. I. Waller, Tennessee, says, "My knowledge and interest in our work still grows because of ROYAL SERVICE, and I wouldn't think of being without it." Miss Mary E. Williamson, of Virginia, concludes her praise of ROYAL SERVICE by saying, "No worker in our WMS can do her best until she has studied her current number of ROYAL SERVICE."

"Strength and knowledge from each copy fill my life," writes Mrs. Georgia S. Freer, Oklahoma.

Mrs. Hunt says, "It never occurred to me not to take it. I needed it for my own information as well as to instruct others. Dr. Alvin J. Hunt and I moved to Virginia in the summer of 1901. In December the few Baptist ladies who lived here organized a WMS which led to the building of a church. I organized a Sunbeam Band and in 1910 a Royal Ambassador chapter. I was counselor for about 42 years. I have just done what I love to do: I am 85 years old and cannot do as much as I would like but I still take ROYAL SERVICE which is better than it has ever been. . . without interest and information, mission work could not grow."

Miss Nellie Carriker who lives in the Baptist Home, Ironton, Maryland, asked a friend to write for her to say she had been a subscriber to *Our Mission Fields* and ROYAL SERVICE since 1908.

Miss Mamie A. Barton, of Taylors, South Carolina, watched the growth of *Our Mission Fields* into ROYAL SERVICE with much pleasure. She is 87 years old, but reads nearly every page of ROYAL SERVICE and especially enjoys the beautiful, useful covers.

Mrs. M. L. Kerlin is 91 and has always been intensely interested in missions. She



Mrs. Sam Yarnado, now of Texas, saved her copies of "Royal Service" from 1914 to 1945 and then gave the file to a Negro WMS in Louisiana. She has not missed a single number of "Royal Service" since it started. She says, "Indeed it is a magazine which inspires us to royal service in the Master's name."

has used the prayer calendar continuously and feels it has stimulated her interest and developed her sense of Christian responsibility. She rejoices in two couples, one in Brazil, one in Japan, from her church in Homer, Louisiana. "As I read of millions who have never heard of our Saviour, I am grieved with remorse that we have waited so long."

Mrs. Ben R. Wall, of North Carolina, thinks of ROYAL SERVICE as a textbook, as necessary for her as the schoolbooks she used to study.

Mrs. W. W. Lawton and Mrs. George W. Davies, of Osceola, Missouri, have belonged to the WMS ever since it was organized in their church in March, 1905. The record is amazing—not a single monthly meeting has been missed.

Mrs. Abbie Bonsteel, of North Carolina, feels ROYAL SERVICE is a very part of her, having not missed a year since it was first
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God Answers Prayer

by Mildred Matthews



Mildred Matthews

DO YOU believe in providence? And do you believe in answered prayer? I surely do. Of course I knew that my name was on the Calendar of Prayer for March 7, for I noticed that when I received the magazines which WMU so kindly sends to us missionaries.*

But time flies so fast on a mission field and we are all so busy, and so when that day came, I did not even think about the fact that I was being prayed for. But a few days after that I remembered and as I keep a daybook, just jotting down the important things that I do each day, I thought, "I will look back and see what I did that day and maybe then I will know just how God helped me in a special way." I have to keep the daybook to keep up with myself and know how I am spending the Lord's time.

*This was before WMU started naming missionaries on the prayer calendar by birthdays.

So I looked back to the seventh of March and this is what I had written. "Taught three classes in the seminary and training school Gave manuscript for Sunbeam manual to printer Eulalia Martinez came to get material for her new GA which she has organized Mary Hode, the Arabian girl came. She has many problems. I talked and prayed with her."

"Mary Hode, the Arabian girl came." She appeared a few Sundays ago at our English service and said that she had just arrived from Syria and was living with a sister in Havana. I did not have much contact with her except to see her at the services. But that day, on the seventh of March, I was writing on my typewriter and someone knocked on my door. When I opened the door, there stood Mary. She told me that she was very unhappy and that she just felt that she had to talk that afternoon with somebody who could help her.

As she talked and wept, she told me her story. She was born in Palestine but when she was four months old her father came to Cuba. Her father was an itinerant merchant who sold rugs and tapestries from Damascus. He made many trips back and forth to the old country and when Mary was four years old they went back to Palestine to live. When she was six her mother died and her father placed the children in an orphan's home which was run by English missionaries. The oldest sister stayed here and when Mary came to Cuba a few weeks ago it was as if she were coming to see a perfect stranger, for she did not know her sister at all, not having seen her since she was four years old.

Mary had suffered much during the war. She and her family were expelled from Jerusalem and taken to Syria. She says that in Jerusalem they lived in a large house where they had servants. She worked in an office for the English air forces and all she had to do was go home and sit down at the table and eat what the servant and

Miss Matthews retired as of January first after thirty-four years in Cuba as leader of the Cuban WMU, teaching in the Training School and in the seminary and as translator of program material.

her stepmother had prepared. But in Syria they lived in a government house which had only one room and they suffered many privations.

She saved her money and finally had enough to pay hers and her younger brother's passage to Cuba thinking that Cuba would be paradise compared to what they had in Syria. But she found that it was not what she thought it would be. Her sister is married to one of her own countrymen but he is a rough, uncultured man. Her sister is a Catholic and objects to having Mary come to church here. She is always ill and Mary is the servant in the home. Mary thought it would be easy to find work in Cuba because of her knowledge of English. But she did not think about the fact that she would have to know Spanish too, which she does not know.

She has very strong Christian convictions. As she talked that afternoon she told me of many unspeakable propositions which

had been made to her and of the temptations which had come to her young life. If she had been willing to practice dishonesty and deceit she would have been able to do many things which she can't do as a Christian but the teaching that she received in the Christian orphans' home evidently has stayed with her.

Her visit was a long one. When she came she said she was so unhappy and sometimes even thought of taking her own life. All I knew to do was to try to encourage her and pray with her, which I did. I had forgotten that many Christians were praying for me that day but now I am sure that God helped me as I tried to help that unhappy Arabian girl. As she left she said, "I feel better now; I am all right. You have helped me with your prayers."

Yes, God did and does answer prayer. I thank everyone of you who prayed for me on the seventh of March, for you helped me to help somebody else.

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fully the Christian way.

Through the special programs prepared for each youth organization young people will observe the Week of Prayer for Home Missions. They have been given Annie Armstrong Offering envelopes that they may have a specific part in the work our Home Mission Board will do to make America Christian through this offering. Surely every WMS president, prayer chairman, youth director and counselor will encourage each member of all WMAU organizations to take part in this time of praying and giving.

This month closes the second quarter of the 1955-56 WMU year. This year will soon be half gone. Are you pleased with the work of your organization during this first six months? If so, you will be glad to report at the end of this month. Be sure that each youth organization reports on time. Youth directors have discovered that the best way to get correct reports is to collect them at the meeting of the committee on WMU youth work.

Planning for the next half of the year should be a real joy and inspiration because of the experiences you have had with young people. Their response keeps the vision clear . . . "minds capable of . . ."

Giving Money to Help Tell Others of Jesus

(by Elsie Rives, Sunbeam Band Secretary

"Father, bless these gifts we bring you,
Give them something sweet to do;
May they help some one to love you;
Father, may we love you too."

The words of this prayer song express the feeling of real stewardship which we want every child in all the Sunbeam Bands to have.

Stewardship is such a big word for young

children. Yet we stand amazed as adults when we see the childlike expressions of love for the One "who made the beautiful world" and "gives us mothers and daddies."

"I love God so much, I want to give him a Ford car," said one five-year old child. He wanted God to have the most powerful and wonderful thing he knew. What a privilege awaited the leader to help him understand and to direct his feeling of love

into right channels of expression.

With our children, we teach not for nickels, dimes, or dollars, but to develop love that prompts an impelling desire to share valuable things with our Creator and with others.

As Woman's Missionary Society members, parents, and fostering organizations, what can we do to help? As a parent, encourage these understandings and attitudes about giving in the home. For school-age children, provide allowances from which leaders can help the child to want to give.

Watch for the dates of the offerings in connection with the Weeks of Prayer. Help the children fill their banks for missions.

All Woman's Missionary Society members can pray. Pray that God will give Sunbeam leaders such wisdom and concern that our children will catch from them the greatness of this thing we call stewardship.

Ridgecrest and Glorieta WMU conferences are not faraway. Glorieta conference dates are June 28-July 4, and Ridgecrest, August 9-15. Will your Sunbeam leaders be there?

"Make Me a Channel of Blessing"

by Betty Brewer, Girls' Auxiliary Secretary

Humming through the familiar song, "Make Me a Channel of Blessing," will surely cause one to stop and think, whether she is a counselor, mother, officer, or member of a WMS!

Community missions activities and projects help us to answer, "I'm trying my best to be a channel of blessing" in Christ's name. I trust that your WMS community missions chairman has worked continuously and consistently with the GA counselor and GA community missions chairman in this matter of helping your girls be "channels of blessing" in your community. If she hasn't, she may be a "barrier and a hindrance to those" she is trying to lead. It is not too late to start even now!

Your girls have studied or will study soon about the American Indians. The Juniors' book is *Beyond the Desert*, and the Intermediates are studying *Paths in Papago Land*. If your girls have already had their mission study class, be sure to help them read the book.

March 5-9 is our Week of Prayer for Home Missions and the ingathering of our Annie Armstrong Offering for Home Missions. Mothers, help your daughters make worthy gifts, not casual tips or leftovers! Help make the offering they give a real expression of their love for the Saviour.

Some especially good fostering should be done during the week of May 13-19. Why? Because that is Girls' Auxiliary Focus Week. Circle chairmen, WMS president, youth director, plan even now with your Girls' Auxiliary counselors when and how

you can help during this all-important week of focus upon the nine-through fifteen-year-old girls of your church. It should be a week of highlights in their Christian living.

These few things well done will show that you really want Christ to possess your life and bless your service as you ask him to do when you sing the song above.

Going Somewhere?

by Doris DeVault, YWA Secretary

The piercing March wind does not enhance the suggestion of a week in the high mountains. But soon the warm summer sun will conquer the cold air, and you will be "going somewhere" for a vacation.

Need an idea for the best vacation for your daughter? There could not be a more ideal place than Ridgecrest or Glorieta YWA Conference. Now is the time to determine to have your Young Woman's Auxiliary represented at one of these conferences. The "ball must start rolling" somewhere, so why not with you to push it? President of WMS, counselor of YWA, member of a fostering circle, one or more of your girls will be able to go to the conference if you decide "it can and it must be done."

The suggestion of "going" says "when?" Ridgecrest YWA Conference is scheduled for May 31 to June 6 and Glorieta comes (Continued on page 29)



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fully the Christian way.

Through the special programs prepared for each youth organization young people will observe the Week of Prayer for Home Missions. They have been given Annie Armstrong Offering envelopes that they may have a specific part in the work our Home Mission Board will do to make America Christian through this offering. Surely every WMS president, prayer chairman, youth director and counselor will encourage each member of all WMU organizations to take part in this time of praying and giving.

This month closes the second quarter of the 1955-56 WMU year. This year will soon be half gone. Are you pleased with the work of your organization during this first six months? If so, you will be glad to report at the end of this month. Be sure that each youth organization reports on time. Youth directors have discovered that the best way to get correct reports is to collect them at the meeting of the committee on WMU youth work.

Planning for the next half of the year should be a real joy and inspiration because of the experiences you have had with young people. Their response keeps the vision clear . . . "minds capable of . . ."

Giving Money to Help Tell Others of Jesus

(by Elsie Rives, Sunbeam Band Secretary

"Father, bless these gifts we bring you,
Give them something sweet to do;
May they help some one to love you;
Father, may we love you too."

The words of this prayer song express the feeling of real stewardship which we want every child in all the Sunbeam Bands to have.

Stewardship is such a big word for young

children. Yet we stand amazed as adults when we see the childlike expressions of love for the One "who made the beautiful world" and "gives us mothers and daddys."

"I love God so much, I want to give him a Ford car," said one five-year-old child. He wanted God to have the most powerful and wonderful thing he knew. What a privilege awaited the leader to help him understand and to direct his feeling of love

into right channels of expression.

With our children, we teach not for nickels, dimes, or dollars, but to develop love that prompts an impelling desire to share valuable things with our Creator and with others.

As Woman's Missionary Society members, parents, and fostering organizations, what can we do to help? As a parent, encourage these understandings and attitudes about giving in the home. For school-age children, provide allowances from which leaders can help the child to want to give.

Watch for the dates of the offerings in connection with the Weeks of Prayer. Help the children fill their banks for missions.

All Woman's Missionary Society members can pray. Pray that God will give Sunbeam leaders such wisdom and concern that our children will catch from them the greatness of this thing we call stewardship.

Ridgecrest and Glorieta WMU conferences are not faraway. Glorieta conference dates are June 28-July 4, and Ridgecrest, August 9-15. Will your Sunbeam leaders be there?

"Make Me a Channel of Blessing"

by Betty Brewer, Girls' Auxiliary Secretary

Humming through the familiar song, "Make Me a Channel of Blessing," will surely cause one to stop and think, whether she is a counselor, mother, officer, or member of a WMS!

Community missions activities and projects help us to answer, "I'm trying my best to be 'a channel of blessing' in Christ's name." I trust that your WMS community missions chairman has worked continuously and consistently with the GA counselor and GA community missions chairman in this matter of helping your girls be "channels of blessing" in your community. If she hasn't, she may be a "barrier and a hindrance to those" she is trying to lead. It is not too late to start even now!

Your girls have studied or will study soon about the American Indians. The Juniors' book is *Beyond the Desert*, and the Intermediates are studying *Paths in Papago Land*. If your girls have already had their mission study class, be sure to help them read the book.

March 5-9 is our Week of Prayer for Home Missions and the ingathering of our Annie Armstrong Offering for Home Missions. Mothers, help your daughters make worthy gifts, not casual tips or leftovers! Help make the offering they give a real expression of their love for the Saviour.

Some especially good fostering should be done during the week of May 13-19. Why? Because that is Girls' Auxiliary Focus Week. Circle chairmen, WMS president, youth director, plan even now with your Girls' Auxiliary counselors when and how

you can help during this all-important week of focus upon the nine-through fifteen-year-old girls of your church. It should be a week of highlights in their Christian living.

These few things well done will show that you really want Christ to possess your life and bless your service as you ask him to do when you sing the song above.

Going Somewhere?

by Doris DeVault, YWA Secretary

The piercing March wind does not enhance the suggestion of a week in the high mountains. But soon the warm summer sun will conquer the cold air, and you will be "going somewhere" for a vacation.

Need an idea for the best vacation for your daughter? There could not be a more ideal place than Ridgecrest or Glorieta YWA Conference. Now is the time to determine to have your Young Woman's Auxiliary represented at one of these conferences. The "ball must start rolling" somewhere, so why not with you to push it? President of WMS, counselor of YWA, member of a fostering circle, one or more of your girls will be able to go to the conference if you decide "it can and it must be done."

The suggestion of "going" says "when?" Ridgecrest YWA Conference is scheduled for May 31 to June 6 and Glorieta comes (Continued on page 29)



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ROYAL SERVICE, a Faithful Medium (from page 23)

published. Likewise Mrs. M. H. Dillard, of Tulsa and now of St. Simons Island, Georgia, and Mrs. George Crowell, of Sylacauga, Alabama.

Mrs. T. V. Herndon, Louisiana, who wrote the October program for us, has read ROYAL SERVICE from its beginning, remembering especially the thrill of mission interest she received from an article by Mrs. C. D. Clarke, of Japan, in *Our Mission Fields*.

Mrs. Charles T. Plybon, of Florida, says, "I have found ROYAL SERVICE most helpful not only for help in preparing interesting programs for meetings but for my own spiritual inspiration. That is the reason I have had it on my desk at all times. It brings our missionaries and their work closer to our hearts when we keep up with them through prayer and faithful study, and ROYAL SERVICE has been and is a faithful medium by which we can unite our efforts for Christ and his kingdom on this earth. It also opens our purse strings to the needs for his work."

Going Somewhere

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August 16 to 22. Advanced planning is essential if you expect to be going somewhere this summer. This trip would be an ideal gift for the high school graduate. Check the calendar for the conference date which will avoid graduation and permit "high school-agers" to have the glorious experiences of a conference. The business girls in YWA will need to request the date for vacation now.

Yes, it will take money, but no expenditure of time or money could bring richer dividends in mission interest and devotion to Christ. Write your state WMU youth secretary about travel plans and expenses.

Determine to have members of your YWA among those who attend one of the conferences in 1956. They will be lifted to the heights by morning watch, vesper services, Bible study, missionary talks, mission classes, personal interest groups, YWA methods, and meeting missionaries. Be sure YWAs from your church go to YWA Conference at Ridgcrest or Gloria.

AUDIO - VISUAL AIDS for March

by Mildred Williams

MOTION PICTURES

These motion pictures present opportunities for personal witnessing and Christian service in your community.

In His Name is the story of a pastor and his congregation who were challenged to new visions of the needs in their community. 35 minutes, sound, rental \$10.

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Reaching Out is the story of a downtown, city church which faces its missionary obligation by helping to establish a mission in a new subdivision. 28 minutes, sound, rental \$9.

They, Too, Need Christ shows how a mission church and its pastor help a family who came to this country in search of a better way of life. 40 minutes, sound, rental \$11.50.

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The Christian Citizen shows the privileges and responsibilities of a Christian citizen. 45 single frames with captions, sale \$3.

Christian Homes gives basic principles for building Christian homes, showing their influence on the family, the church, and the community. 25 single frames, color, with manual, sale \$5.

These are available from your
Baptist Book Store.

Notes to Committee Chairmen

DEPARTMENT OF MISSIONARY FUNDAMENTALS

Mrs. William McMurry, Secretary

Again you are facing the responsibility of preparation for the observance of a Week of Prayer.

The theme brings you up sharp with the heart of the problem: we do not know how to pray. Lord, teach us how to pray! Personal readiness is in order. Take time to re-study the Lord's prayer. Ponder the "Our Father," "give us," "forgive us," "deliver us." Not *I, me, or my* in this prayer! Here we are taking notice of our brothers and sisters in Christ wherever they are, whatever their station in life, no matter what the language is or the race. This week it is all the disciples within the territory of our convention who are embraced in these expressions.

Are we afraid to pray for the coming of the kingdom and for the will of God to be done? If we are not, we will cooperate with God in the answering of this prayer by taking the gospel to the people who are still ignorant of his forgiving grace.

No doubt you are already familiar with the suggestions addressed to you and your committee in the program booklet. Notice especially 3, 4, and 5. Suppose we reverse the order for consideration here.

To make the devotional periods meaningful an advance explanation to the women is necessary. You will know the best time to do this. Certainly you will not wait until the first day of the Week of Prayer! If each woman understands that she is to slip quietly into her place, open her Bible and read silently, the service can be a genuine blessing. No hitting for a Bible! No whispering to a seat-mate, "Oh, I forgot my Bible. May I look on with you?" You will help the women to get into the spirit by following the suggestions yourself. This way you will be able to gauge better the length of time it takes for looking up and reading the verses. To follow the prayer-poem each day with "Did You

Think to Pray" sung as a solo may sustain the mood of worship and prayer more effectively than to use the hymn for group singing.

If you carried out the February idea for the mission study classes using the list of missionaries to the Indians as a prayer calendar you may want to transfer these names to the Intercessory Prayer League. The names of the other missionaries that make up the individual prayer lists may then be distributed to the members according to the suggestions in the program material. By all means use your Intercessory Prayer League. These already-to-hand-out individual prayer lists are ideal for their use. Surely the Lord will not mind being bombarded with intercessions for the same missionaries!

Plan carefully for the twelve hours "Individual Prayer Around the Clock" on Friday. Here again you may be able to use your Intercessory Prayer League. The members of YWA are mature enough to feel the responsibility for the unbroken period of prayer to assume their share of the individual prayer slips. Discuss the idea with the counselor and president. There is great potential power in this plan.

You are also responsible for the closing worship periods. Either memorize 1 Corinthians 11:15 or read it from the Bible and not the program booklet. Study the best way to lead the group in quoting the verse on the "Around the Clock" poster. Your words can bridge the gap between the two verses without loss of reverence, otherwise the moment can be a mere recitation. Vary the use of the hymn "Sweet Hour of Prayer." One day let the women sing it. On other days use it as a solo, a duet, as instrumental music, or as a trio or quartet.

Whatever mechanics you use—and they are necessary—try honestly before God to make the week one of prayer.

Mrs. William McMurry

Notes to Stewardship Chairman

Team work is a privilege and an opportunity. You and the prayer chairman can be a great team working, praying, and pulling together to make the Week of Prayer for Home Missions the greatest your WMU has ever experienced. While the program is the prayer chairman's duty and the offering is yours, you will feel the tug of the allocations only as you read and study the program material.

First of all you will want a copy for each WMU organization of the offering goal poster which is on the inside cover of this issue of ROYAL SERVICE. Ask your committee to provide these covers. Mount each one carefully on posterboard 12x15 inches. As the time is short quickly place these posters in the hands of the counselors of the youth organizations or the stewardship chairmen. These posters will keep before the members the time of the observance, the goal they have set for the 1956 offering, and after the ingathering, the amount they gave this year.

Challenge the youth organizations to see how many minutes of support for Home Missions they will provide. Think how thrilling it is to know that \$5.91 will pay the salaries of the missionaries, all current operational expenses, building projects and improvements for one minute! See how many minutes these young people will give. The sum of \$354.60 will support Home Missions for one hour! Many societies can go around the clock. If half of the societies in the convention gave only an hour's support the goal of \$1,500,000 would be doubled!

Try making a series of large posters featuring some of the allocations. For an illustration, suppose we take the figure designated for work in western and pioneer states. The total amount is \$155,000. In Monday's material you will discover that 1600 churches in this area have no building. For dramatic effect you might splash in color on your poster this statement: "What if your church had to meet in an insane asylum! One of the 1600 churches does. Help raise \$155,000 for the pioneer states."

Another type of poster could be pic-

torial. For example, take the allocation for Panama and the Canal Zone. Feature the total amount of \$38,500 on your poster. Illustrate the various needs with pictures of a man and woman, a boat, a church, a chair or pew, and a bag of cement. If you have space print: "Horses and cows bother children sitting on rocks during Sunday school at El Coco."

You will find a list of the allocations at the back of the program booklet. Figures as such will not be effective unless you present them with variety and imagination reflected in arrangement and color. That is why you will need to read the program material. Herein lies the stimulation.

Notes to Community Missions Chairman

Did you realize that this month the program topic for all the WMU organizations is community missions? Here is an excellent opportunity for your committee to work with the counselors and program chairmen of the WMS and YWA.

First ask different members of your committee to read the program suggestions in ROYAL SERVICE, *The Window of YWA and Tell*. You will want to read all the program material. Discuss plans for the programs and community missions assignments with the chairmen and leaders concerned.

Here are a few suggestions: For the WMS the committee could have mimeographed copies of the True-False Test on community missions. See *The Window of YWA* for a description of the idea. The women will enjoy this simple device for lifting definitions out of the usual rut. Vital statistics can be displayed on posters or banners made out of old sheets or wrapping paper such as: "60,000,000 lost people within the territory of Southern Baptist Convention"; "The dead—70,000 of them—need to hear the gospel."

Display the community missions free leaflets available from your state WMU office. You may combine suggestions made by several of the program writers. Or you may have better ideas of your own. A novel arrangement which will suggest an activity can be achieved with the combination of leaflets and articles. For example, Bibles, copies of *Open Windows*, *Home Life* maga-

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zine, and tracts can be worked together with a shower of the leaflet "Distribution of Bibles and Religious Literature." This could be your planned activity in one or all the organizations. For an incident to give real point to the activity see the fourth meeting program for Juniors in *Tell*.

Another idea for the combination of object and tract comes from Texas. Paying your poll tax can be stressed by placing inside a "peep-box" a small poster on which you have printed "Pay Your Poll Tax." The leaflet "Christian Citizenship" may be ordered from the Baptist Sunday School Board, 161 Eighth Avenue N., Nashville 3, Tennessee. Display this tract with our own leaflet "Christian Use of the Ballot." The peep-box should be placed where the women will stop to look inside. If you do not know how to make a "peep-box" follow these simple instructions: Select a shoebox, corsage box, or a long box in which envelopes come. Cut out a portion of the top and cover with cellophane or tissue in a color that gives the desired effect. Make a small opening at one end through which to view the poster.

The Junior leaders may want your help in providing modeling materials for the suggested clay village. Or they may decide on a mural instead. This project will require lengths of wrapping paper, crayons, and paints.

Perhaps this will be a good time to show the new Broadman film on church recreation. "Leisure for the Lord" is a 16mm film in color, showing time twenty minutes, service charge \$2. Write to your Baptist Book Store for a booking date. If you wish help in planning your recreational program write to Church Recreation Service, 127 Ninth Avenue, N., Nashville 3, Tennessee. Ask that your name be put on the mailing list. Pamphlets and bulletins will be sent to you without cost as they are published quarterly. Do you know about the "Choice" series? There are six titles, each 20¢ at your Baptist Book Store. *Choice Socials for Young People*, *Choice Socials for Intermediates* and *Choice Socials for Juniors* will provide excellent ideas for wholesome fun.

Take advantage of this opportunity to put before the women the challenge of the international students here in our country. See the program in *The Window of THE*

for good illustrations showing the results of neglect to win over-seas students and what happens when somebody takes the trouble to be an effective witness. See also January ROYAL SERVICE, "Missions and Salt."

Make sure that you have on display the books in the Community Missions series. These programs will provide you and your committee with the most favorable time during the year to give all the organizations a sampling of what the Union has in her community missions cupboard. It is well stocked with ample materials.

To Mission Study Chairman

In March you are concluding the study of the Home Mission series if you have followed the suggestions made in the WNU Year Book and in this column, beginning with the January issue.

Chapters IV and V in *The Tribes Go Up* are to be studied this month. The Navajo tribe is different from the Pueblo and Plains Indians. Not only is it different in mode of living, language, and economy but in thought patterns and ways of expression. Paul Radin in *The Story of the American Indian* explains it this way: The Navajos never quite understood the culture of the Pueblos whom they once conquered. Though they absorbed certain parts, they were puzzled, often confused, and somewhat disturbed by what they could not quite fathom. So they did what other primitive peoples under like circumstances have done. They became poets, making use of mysticism and symbolism.

You may want to relate their origin-legend. "Whiteness arose in the east, they say, from the middle of the first world, and this is day. Blue rose in the south and this also seemed day to them and they moved around. Then yellow rose in the west and showed that evening had come, and finally dark rose in the north and they lay down and slept." They were not content with giving the points of the compass in colors. They associated jewels with them: the east, white shell beads and rock crystal; the south, turquoise; the west, sea shells; the north, black stone.

You may want to thumb through the pages of the Radin book. All of it makes

fascinating reading, but pages 192 through 197 will be especially helpful to the total study of the Indian. Ask to see this book at your public library, or if you want to buy it, order from your Baptist Book Store, price \$2.98.

Because the Navajos are a shepherd people it will be appropriate to use "The Shepherd's Psalm," written by a young Navajo who is a Christian.

The last lines are:

*"The foot-prints of our Elder Brother
can still be seen faintly . . .
Their tread goes higher and higher.
But some day we will catch up with
our Elder Brother in the Far Beyond,
Above the four deep, blue lands."*

The poem is in *The Gift is Rich* (see February column). It would be interesting to contrast this poem with the beautiful Twenty-Third Psalm printed in the teaching helps. This prose-poem written in the Kiowa language was found by Miss Isabel

Crawford (*Joyful Journey*) in a guest book.

The Indian Source Book and Teaching Helps for Juniors and for Intermediates contain good suggestions on the Navajo. If you wish to use the Kettle of Facts idea again, you will find pertinent information on pages 20-21 and 19 respectively.

Check with the counselors to see if the YWAs, GAs, and RAs have had their study-Sunbeam Bands are integrating the study of *Skias-Chui* into the quarter's unit which is devoted exclusively to the Indian. Ask your leaders what the mission study committee can do to help them. They may want you to provide paper bags for making masks, and the necessary materials for Kachina dolls such as corks, toothpicks, pipe cleaners, construction paper, and tempera paints.

Young people should find a study of the first Americans a thrilling experience.

Mrs. William W. Moore

You could build up an Indian display instead of this fine Alaska one from last year. The big totem poles were of wood-simulated wallpaper and painted with water colors. Center poster is made from news print stapled to a stand-up poster secured from a local merchant. To the left of that is a picture from a series on children of other lands. In front of that picture is a small flip chart made from a wire ring scrapbook bought in the dime store. You can see many other items of interest, too. On the easel are built-up panels on the left and cut-out pictures on the flannelgraph on the right. The map on the front of the table was one of the paste-on picture maps, and the big, husky dog is part of a scene including a map on a beautiful silk handkerchief.





from Helen Masters
Eku, Nigeria

This week we are having our Week of Prayer for Home Missions. We are studying about the many opportunities in this great country. The women and children are opening their eyes at the possibilities of service among tribes who have not been reached before. The Iheraba people have work among a nearby tribe which wears no clothes. Another area has not one witness, but a young man who graduates from the seminary this year, from that part, has asked to go to his own people. If we give enough, the work will begin. Of course, there are certain things which the WMU has had in its program for several years that are supported by this offering. The offering is called by the name of one of the most zealous women in the early history of Baptists in Nigeria, Mrs. Agbebi.

In most of our churches all of the people gather together each afternoon of this week. Each organization has an afternoon to lead the program and prayer service. A map of our country helps the people to understand better where our work is.

My greatest regret is that most of the women here cannot read so are no able to learn of the opportunities and needs for themselves. Boys RA age and men teachers are leaders of all the WMU organizations. They do their best, and we are very grateful to each of them. However, I am praying for the day when the women will be able to study God's word and learn about his work for themselves.

You should hear the singing at these prayer meetings. Since there is no musical instrument the women like to make a "rhythm maker" of a gourd with a net of small seeds around it. When it is shaken in time it really keeps the people together. All the children clap their hands as they sing. I like it. It reminds me of the Psalms

which speak of praising the Lord and those of joy. Surely these people seem happy while singing.

We have just finished our WMU schools in nearby associations. The women of the association come together for three days to study and learn all they can about WMU. Bible study, and missions. Since most of them do not read, this is a very important time. I hope I can get around to each church sometime this year and teach methods, etc., to encourage them. Mrs. S. A. Farinde, the Nigerian WMU president, was with us. The women love her and listen to her so much better than they do to us. We had over one hundred each session. We had about thirty GAs who were not in school. We tried to teach those who were interested a few key words of their language through the pictures which we use for the beginners in school. The sand in the yard made our tablets.

On Saturdays some of us from the hospital have taken off to go to small churches to lead mission study classes. We had almost as many as come to church on Sunday, and they seemed to appreciate it so much. Have you read any of the Eagle Books? *Apolo in Pygmyland* and *The Book in The Pillow* are the two we are using. Such teaching takes time and work but it is worth it.

As I have been holding the mission studies in different places, I have used the hospital nurses as teachers and helpers, and it has meant a lot to them.

Yesterday I went to one of our missions, opened only six weeks ago. They had one hundred in services and a good spirit. The village seems to accept the gospel messengers with open arms. Of course, they still hold to paganism, but many have believed.

from Mary Etheridge
Tucson, Arizona

Freddy lived with his mother, foster father, and brothers and sisters in a tiny house in the alley behind his father's cafe. None of his family had ever been to any church except the Catholic and there only once in a while.

Freddy and his brothers and sisters were invited to come to Sunday school, but his mother said no. Then they were invited to nursery school. Since that was not Sunday

school, the mother let him come. Little did she know how much like Sunday school our nursery school is.

Before too long the children were allowed to attend Sunday school as well. The mother's attitude began to change. She began reading the leaflets the children brought home and listened when they folded their hands and prayed the prayer they had learned to say before eating. The children asked their mother to let them go with her to her church one Sunday and she said, "No, children, my church has nothing for you." "Well then, Mother, you come go with us. We want to be with you."

The mother told the missionaries at the time of her conversion that when her children begged her to go with them, she began to realize that they had something she did not have. She began to come with them regularly.

Vacation Bible school came and Freddy was converted. Sunday night at commencement when the invitation was given, the mother came with tears streaming down her face confessing Christ as her Saviour. Freddy's testimony and witness to his mother helped her to find Christ as her Saviour.

from Mrs. Ewell Payne
Cherokee, North Carolina

Life did not seem too promising for two Cherokee Indian children, Shirley Talala and her brother, Sammie. Because the little boy was so tiny, he was called "Peanut."

Every day at almost any hour Shirley and Peanut could be found in the Indian village of Cherokee, North Carolina, for no special reason. Even in bad weather the mother would tie Peanut on her back in Cherokee fashion and go to the village. Shirley walked along by her mother's side.

Meatime did not mean much to them. Sometimes tourists would snap their pictures and give the children a few pennies. Then they could buy an ice cream cone or perhaps a bar of candy for their meal.

While many other Indian children of the Cherokee Reservation were learning nursery rhymes at home and songs and stories of Jesus at the Baptist mission church, they roamed the streets of the Indian village, two lonely youngsters.

But even this weary life became worse,

for one day the health nurse found that the mother must go away for treatment for tuberculosis. What would Shirley and Peanut do?

The father tried to care for the children, but he had no job, and life grew more difficult for this little two-year-old girl and her baby brother. Peanut became sick and was taken to the Indian hospital. Everyone in the village wondered what would become of these two Indian children.

A busy Indian woman, who loved Jesus and had a good home and has been young people's leader for years, decided to do something for them. Mrs. Emily Walkingstick has a family of her own and is postmaster in the Cherokee post office. One cold night, after her taxing workday was over, she gathered up Shirley and went to the hospital for tiny Peanut Talala. On her way home she stopped at our house where she talked with us and made some plans for these children.

The next Sunday Shirley was in the Beginner class in the mission church. The Sunday school leaflets, the stories of Jesus, the songs, and friends were all new experiences for her. Peanut was placed in the nursery and both children soon looked forward to their weekly visits to the church.

Today Shirley can tell many Bible stories, and each day she sings the songs she has learned at Sunday school and Sunbeam

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"Peanut" and Shirley Talala





... for Human Rights

Human Rights Day, an international observance since 1950, was all but ignored in the United States last time. The usual Presidential proclamation was issued—this time from Gettysburg—and some governors issued proclamations for their states. The papers dutifully reported these official acts. A few schools put up exhibits on human rights.

But very few Americans took time out from Christmas shopping to observe December 10 in the way the President suggested: "by the study and reading of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights proclaimed by the United Nations and the Bill of Rights in the Constitution of the United States."

Yet nations which were born during the past decade have used those two documents as models for the writing of their new constitutions!

To those who have sat in on sessions of the United Nations, there is pathos in this situation: The nation which enunciated the Four Freedoms as the aim for victory in World War II is no longer recognized as a leader for human rights, while the spokesmen for the nations where human rights have the least protection, daily appeal to us as a big power for moral support in their struggle for personal, individual freedom.

Enthusiasm for a "bill of rights" in the United Nations was voiced first in San Francisco in the conference which framed the charter, and undoubtedly reflected admiration for the Bill of Rights in the United States' Constitution. People of the world had long felt confidence in the United States to respect and defend their aspirations for self-government, independence, and personal rights.

No dictator could "get by with murder"

any longer, they reasoned, now that the United States was in the family of nations as a full-fledged member.

Why have American citizens shown indifference to the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, and the one day in 1950 which is dedicated to a better understanding of it?

Is it isolationism in a new form—a fear of becoming embroiled in war again?

Is it disappointment in the United Nations, that it did not instantaneously eliminate strife in the world?

Is it distrust of the Declaration itself, that somehow it is not "a statement of objectives" as it says, but a treaty in disguise which somebody is trying to put over on us, to rob us of our hard-won gains in civil rights?

Is it self-righteousness—the attitude that condones violations of human rights under the Star-Spangled Banner and dismisses as "none of our affair" the denial of them in so many other parts of the world?

Or is this merely a case of ignorance which breeds confusion?

One retired housewife, after a long discussion on the Declaration of Human Rights during the days of its development, left the hall sputtering. "I don't like this business at all!" she said, "I don't like it one bit. Why, if we give human rights to everybody, there won't be enough to go around!"

The fear of losing something we cherish hampers us in our responsibility for world leadership. Yet the Christian world mission rests upon the theory that by sharing faith, truth, and the good things we have, we not only help others to know the abundant life, but we remove the causes of strife and chaos. It is our conviction that

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Letter-ettes

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Band. Peanut is now a husky boy and both have made many friends.

Aren't you glad that Mrs. Emily Walkingstick opened her heart and home to this Indian boy and girl? Aren't you glad that through Southern Baptist gifts a church has been provided in Cherokee that teaches them about Jesus?

As your general missionaries on this field, my husband and I have the privilege of telling many Indians about Jesus as we work in the different churches.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Baumgartner are the missionaries in the mission church in the village of Cherokee. Pray for all of us that we may win many Indians to Christ.

by Mrs. Lee Auffil
Farmington, New Mexico

Baptists are far behind other denominations in Indian work here in Farmington, New Mexico. Others foresaw the growth of the town years ago and made plans accordingly. Even though the Mormons already had one of the nicest church buildings in town, they now have a \$300,000 church building under construction.

Some have schools, hospitals, and orphanages for the Navajos; Baptists have, besides the missionary's home, a two-room mission building, too small for much growth. When the property was purchased, the missionaries then in charge and the Home Mission Board could not do more as funds were not available. But now that Baptists of our convention territory have learned about Farmington—its growth, its possibilities, and their own responsibilities toward our Indian friends, we take courage.

How grateful to God we are for the WMU which, through the Annie Armstrong Offering, supplied funds for a new truck in 1954 and has promised a new mission building. We use the truck to bring the Navajos in to our services. It can be made almost air tight for winter and opened for ventilation in warm weather. Recently we brought sixty-nine to the service in one load.

We had hoped to get the mission building before Christmas as the present one

will not hold the crowds on special occasions, but it did not materialize so soon. We are hopeful the money will come in through the Annie Armstrong Offering so fast we can get it this spring. Therefore, we take courage.

All who are not familiar with the growth of this town, should know that the Home Mission Board was justified in making such allocations. This was a thriving fruit section before gas and oil were discovered and developed. This area is now advertised as the natural gas capital of the world. Within the city limits, new buildings are going up on every hand. A recent census, supervised by Federal authorities, shows that the town has been designated as a city.

Under the caption, "New Homes Project Announced," the construction company in charge gave this reason for selecting Farmington for its million-dollar project: "We can see that it is the fastest growing community in the state; and the one with the most stable economy."

In spite of many handicaps, the Lord is blessing our efforts. We have baptized sixteen Navajos since we were transferred to this field from another Navajo reservation. When we get our new baptistry, we will not have to go to another church for baptismal services.

Friends to mission causes have been gracious in sending Christmas supplies, funds for treats, used clothing, and so on. Some Navajos provide well for their children while many spend everything for liquor, leaving their families without the necessities of life, much less enjoyments. Many children have only whatever Christmas gifts are made possible through the missionaries. By means of clothes, showers, we have baptized some who otherwise might not have been reached. We try hard to acknowledge every card, letter, package, contribution—everything. But sometimes the return address is so torn or incomplete, we cannot do it.

To any one who has helped us in any way, we say, thank you! Our Christmas treats required three bushels of apples, 300 oranges, 100 pounds of peanuts, and 140 pounds of candy. Besides this, we prepared boxes of many items for ninety families. One can see how much we have received from friends to be grateful for. Pray for us!



Miss Norwood presents gavel to Mrs. Overstreet as Mrs. Adams smiles her approval.

Missouri

Members of a fast-growing BWC in Piedmont, Missouri, are liberal with both their money and their prayers.

This BWC was organized with four members on the first day their new pastor and his wife, the Rev. and Mrs. Toney R. Lewis, came to Piedmont. After four months the membership had grown to eighteen, and the BWC belonged to the federation. This group is called "one of the finest organizations of the church."

Piedmont, Missouri, BWC members have proved that they know about enlistment.



Georgia

The T. W. Ayers BWC of First Baptist Church, Atlanta, Georgia, already has ROYAL SERVICE in every home in its membership of thirty. Not bad!

How is your circle doing on "Every Woman with Her Own ROYAL SERVICE"?

Virginia

During the semi-annual meeting of the executive board of the Virginia BWC Federation, Mrs. L. S. Overstreet, state president, was presented an unusual gavel from missionaries in Costa Rica. The gavel was made of seven different hardwoods of that country, representing the perfect workmanship of Baptists. Engraved on the handle was the inscription: "With love and appreciation to the BWC Federation of Virginia, September 20, 1955."

Miss Josephine Carroll Norwood, executive secretary of the Maryland WMU and former associate secretary of the Virginia WMU, made the presentation.

Mrs. Theodore F. Adams, state BWC adviser, and Miss Ellen Douglas Oliver, WMU executive secretary of Virginia, attended the meeting.

At the close of the business session, Miss Norwood told about her visit to mission centers of Europe and the meeting of the Baptist World Alliance in London. She used colored slides, movies, and curios.

Reports made at the meeting show that there are 710 circles in the state federation with a membership of 10,686. The number of new members enlisted from October, 1954, through June, 1955, was 1,152.



MISSION STUDY

BWCs use program material on page 40.

This is the last session in the study of *The Tribes Go Up*. Read the mission study column in this issue of ROYAL SERVICE and the suggestions for teaching in the Indian source Book for adults. Review previous suggestions made in the mission study column. If you chose the folder *The Tribes Go Up* as a workbook you can use the listed Navajo and Papago facts in a quick quiz of your own choosing. The room setting will aid in illustrating these facts. You may prefer to handle all the material in these two chapters by a series of contrasting posters: such as the Indian's gifts to the white man and the white man's gifts to the Indian. Include in the series the greatest of all our gifts to him—Christ. As the contrasts are presented in poster form, give opportunity for discussion.

Follow this session with a social hour. This will be a good time to use records of

Indian music. If you can find a few Indian pennies try this simple contest:

Some Things to be Found on the Indian Penny

- The name of a song—"America"
- A privilege (not found on all pennies)—Liberty
- A part of a hill—Brow
- Something denoting self—1 (eye)
- An act of protection—Shield
- A foreign fruit—Date
- Trimming for a hat—Feather
- A gaudy flower—Tulips (two lips)
- A Chinese beverage—T (tea)
- A comfort—Ease (e's)
- One of the families—Indian

For refreshments serve Indian pudding in small brown pottery howls. The recipe can be found in many of the standard cook books.

What's Happening Now (from page 36)

we live more abundantly for our sharing.

The women of America are the envy of the world, and no wonder!

Until recently South African women could not open a bank account for personal funds, earned or inherited; they had to have their husband's okay. Usually only men were permitted to cash a check!

The women of the Arab world have little security of family life. A Moslem can turn his wife out of the home by saying three times in the presence of male witnesses, "I divorce thee." She has no legal right to take her children.

Women of some countries fear they may forfeit the right to vote when there is a change of government. Woman suffrage is not recognized as a universal human right in all countries, and even today the ballot

is denied women in Switzerland, Egypt, Ethiopia, Jordan, Paraguay, and other countries.

Women everywhere covet for their children a chance in life, and in our modern world that means education. Yet the idea that every child, girl as well as boy, deserves a full education is still revolutionary in Southeast Asia and Africa.

Instinctively, passionately, women leaders of other continents look to American women to strengthen their hands in their struggle against prejudice, discrimination, and slavery under their own governments as well as from outside forces.

The enlightened leadership of all nations patiently awaits the day when the United States will wield her full strength as a moral force for human rights everywhere.

Program

"Make Me a Channel of Blessing"

by Hilda Mayo, Rocky Mount, North Carolina

Program Plans

Why not ask your community missions chairman and her committee to work up this program? The material may be presented by seven women seated around a table, representing a committee that has made a recent survey of the community, seeing firsthand what is being done and what should be done for the physically and spiritually needy. Strive to make the program material practical, applying it in every way possible to the local community. As illustrations are given, point out similar needs in the local church territory. Other opportunities for individual witness and service not suggested here, may be pointed out. Have lists of lost and unchurched to give to women who will visit as suggested in the talk, "Telling the Lost." Have effective soul-winning tracts on display in quantity for women to take and use. You can order Community Missions Packet from Woman's Missionary Union for 15c; then

reorder the leaflets which will be useful to you from address on leaflet in quantity needed.

An interest center may be created by using a map of the community, an open Bible, tracts, devotional booklets and reading materials, boxes of groceries and clothing representing ministry to the physically needy, etc.

Put up a banner in three sections. Have **BECAUSE OF LOVE** in place at front before program begins. Add **I SEE MY PLACE** as talks begin. Before the last talk add the third section, **AND MY TASK**.

Program Outline

Hymn: "The Kingdom Is Coming"

Prayer: For those listed on prayer calendar; for awareness of spiritual and physical needs in community; for dedication of individuals to meet needs through witness and service.

Devotional Period:

Scripture reading: Luke 10:25-37

Hymn: "Make Me a Channel of Blessing"

Talks:

Because of Love
I See My Place
Telling the Lost
Urging the Straying
Speaking the Word
Telling for Him
Removing the Barriers
And My Task

Hymn: "O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee" (May be sung in unison or as a solo)

Prayer: That each may have the seeing eye, the hearing ear, and the sensitive heart.

Because of Love

Because of the love of God flowing through those who follow him, there is the desire within the heart of the Christian to be constantly telling the lost of the Saviour, and urging the straying to follow him more closely, and speaking the word of salvation. Love for God is basically our motive in all service. We love because he first loved us. Then we show our love in service to others who do not know that marvelous, redemptive love.

Through the years Woman's Missionary Union has sought to lead its women and young people to a keen awareness of conditions within their own communities that call for daily witnessing that will win souls, promote evangelism, manifest Christian fellowship, and emphasize moral standards. It is not enough that women and young people be enlisted in monthly projects. They must see, too, that missions includes

personal witnessing where one is today, meeting needs of individuals.

The *Guide for Community Missions* states: "Present day conditions of life demand Christian living. . . . The individual must not be lost in any missions program. Nor must community missions ever lose its appeal to the individual, nor its challenge to individual initiative and God-given direction. . . . No Christian, no matter the circumstances, is exempt from missionary responsibility. Every one can find a way to serve in the community, to witness to an unsaved soul about the Saviour. This calls for the seeing eye, the hearing ear, and the sensitive heart. Given a willing spirit, God will open eyes, ears, and hearts to the needs that one can meet. It is not the amount or the type of work that counts most. It is the giving of one's self to it."

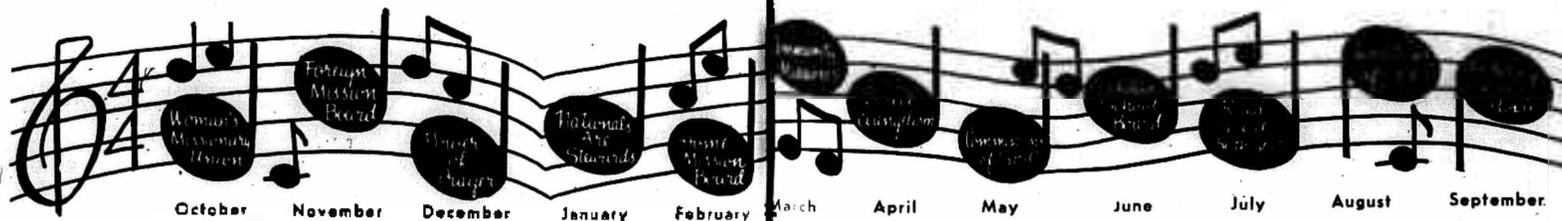
I See My Place

Telling the Lost

Statistics from the Home Mission Board show that there are some 60,000,000 lost people within the territory of the Southern Baptist Convention. So there are some lost and unchurched people living at the doors of each member of Woman's Missionary Union. Such staggering facts and figures compel the Christian woman to go quickly and tell the lost of the Saviour.

One Woman's Missionary Society selected visitation as its long-range project. Each month the women went in pairs visiting the lost and unchurched. This society had other community missions projects, but continued to give time and individual attention to these unsaved and unenlisted ones in the community.

Women at Kilgore, Texas, have organized a Ruth Club. In order to qualify for



membership in this soul-winning club one must try to win at least one unsaved person a month. Mrs. Lon V. Smith, state community missions chairman for Texas, says, "They got the idea of the title Ruth from the 1954-55 installation service suggestion in the WMU Year Book, in which Ruth represented community missions. Many unsaved are reached for Christ and the members have the joy that comes through effective soul-winning."

A pastor in another state organized an Andrew Club, an informal band of soul-winners. The members made a study of soul-winning scriptures and methods. In a revival that followed, results of their efforts were seen.

Bibles and tracts are used on mission fields as a means of giving the message of salvation. If a portion of God's Word can enter a heart and give light to one in a foreign country, can it not do the same on this side of the ocean? One young woman makes a habit of carrying several evangelistic tracts in her purse for distribution as she meets those who are lost.

Urging the Straying

On every hand one is aware of many who call themselves Christians but who show no evidence of it. Members of Woman's Missionary Union are reminded again of Christian standards as set forth in the Plan of Work: "Family worship; Christian observance of the Lord's Day; total abstinence; high standards of conduct, speech, and dress; law observance; improved industrial conditions, child welfare and public health; patriotism, prohibition, international and interracial justice, Christian Americanization and world peace." And one is led to dedicate herself more completely to high moral standards in personal conduct and to urge upon those who are straying, the Saviour who died on the cross."

One woman has taken as her personal responsibility the placing of *Home Life* in the beauty parlors of her town. A young mother is using her influence to guide the recreation program of a teen-age group into



wholesome activities, as she serves as school grade-mother, adviser, and chaperone.

Christian women frequently face the question of the responsibility to help some boy or girl who has been in trouble. The response to this question will depend on one's desire to make her witness count for the most and upon a capacity to see the unexplored possibilities in boys and girls labeled delinquent. Christian women can help. Many are being enlisted as they make themselves available for service in juvenile courts and on probation staffs of these courts. In his leaflet, "I Helped a Delinquent," Leland H. Waters of the Home Mission Board tells of a woman who shares something of the real happiness she has found in helping children in trouble as she writes: "Four years ago I was called into court to hear the case of a lovely, thirteen-year-old girl who had been born an illegitimate baby and reared by an aunt. The pathetic revelation in court soon convinced me that my responsibility as a parent did not end with my own children, but must also be extended to this unwanted, uncared-for child. Upon my request she was probated into my custody. Within a few days she was re-adjusted to school life and had found herself a church home. Several weeks later she professed Christ as her Saviour and was buried with him in baptism. From that day she found a new life. Her new-found joy is exceeded only by my own. . . . It has been one of the supreme joys of my life to have had a small part in a work so desperately needed and so wonderfully rewarding."

Speaking the Word

Since the purpose of missions is redemptive, the challenge is to present Christ as the way, the truth, and the life through "speaking the word of salvation to those who are dying in sin." Working in a mission center in her town one day, a woman noticed an elderly man come haltingly in and sit near the front. Just as the Holy Spirit told Philip to go near and join himself to the chariot of the Ethiopian, so the Holy Spirit told her to draw near and speak to this stranger. She was hesitant and replied, "Lord, I have never seen him before." But her heart could not be quiet with such an answer, and the Holy Spirit led her to speak to this elderly stranger

who was under deep conviction. Opening her Bible, she explained to him how he could accept Christ by faith. He gave his heart to Jesus then and there. He had everlasting life, and she had the promise that "they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars forever and ever."

In many communities there are those of other races to whom the Word must be spoken. One woman in North Carolina had a Negro maid whom she had come to love as a part of the family. The Negro was a Christian and active in her own Baptist church, but the WMS member knew there was no vacation Bible school for Negro boys and girls. Through her efforts, the women of her church supplied materials for a Bible school in the Negro church. The WMS member herself trained women to lead in the Bible school. Working closely with the Negro women, she left more of the planning and directing to them each year. At the end of three years they were able to carry on their own program and possessed a new confidence in providing this training program for their boys and girls.

The WMS member remarks, "It has been the delight of my life to see the Negro women develop into leaders and teachers. Each morning as I went to the church it thrilled my heart to see the beaming faces of little black boys and girls as they listened to stories and sang songs. This is one way we can show our Christian love and interest in them—train them to lead their own people in the ways of Christ."

Telling for Him

Forty thousand international students are enrolled in schools in the United States. Many of these do not know Christ. Whether or not they return to their homeland as proponents of Christianity and friends of the United States depends upon their experiences while here. God is giving American Christians an unprecedented opportunity to introduce these students to Christ and to show them the true meaning of Christianity. The students are here for only a few years. Will some of them go home without ever hearing the message of salvation? A major responsibility and large opportunity rest in the hands of Christian



women. The challenge comes for individual witnessing to these students, for as they are won to Christ other people of their lands will be won through them. Only through the "daily telling for him" in Christian lives can this be done.

One lady who had a daughter in college fifty miles from home prepared a delicious dinner and took it to a park adjoining the campus. The daughter invited six international students to share the picnic dinner with them. When they asked a Japanese girl to return thanks, she bowed her head and in a voice choked with emotion said, "Lord, how we do thank thee for America."

A pastor's wife in one of the southern states tells of having several nationals in her home for dinner. Relating the experience and recounting all that it meant to younger members of her family she said, "The visitors loved the kitchen, and were amazed at all the gadgets! And when we made ice cream in a freezer that turns, they were delighted." To provide a "little bit of home" for those away from home can be a real witness and "telling for him" as students see Christian family life in America.

Removing the Barriers

There is another group that has been long in great need of a clearer message of the Saviour—the 70,000 deaf people in the Southern Baptist Convention territory. Only eight missionaries to this group are under appointment of the Home Mission Board. A report from that board reads: "The plan for ministering to the deaf calls for having a number of qualified people who will serve a large area, involving in some cases as much as three or four states.

The function of these missionaries is to help the churches set up and operate a program of serving the deaf in their communities."

One Baptist couple, active in their local church program, has taken a special interest in the deaf people of their community and have enlisted the aid of one who can serve as interpreter. Through their efforts, there has been organized the first Training Union among the deaf in that state. They say, "We have learned many things as we have attempted to lead them into this program of training for church membership. For some time they have had a Sunday school class, but with the coming of several of them into the church we felt the need of further training for them. They are delighted with the program and we are finding it a great joy to serve here." There are some deaf in almost every community. Could one render a greater service than to help these find others like themselves and gather them for Bible study and church services, bringing them into the entire church program?

And My Task

One dares not look on fields afar until she has seen fields at home that are white unto harvest. And the Christian cannot become aware of the whiteness of the field about her without a desire to be used of him. Often there is no glamour about the task that awaits today right next door, for missions at home sometimes is made of "very humble stuff." But one is reminded that Jesus said: "He that is faithful in that which is least is faithful also in much." "Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me." "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy strength, and with all thy mind; and thy neighbor as thyself."

Recently a group of young people were singing "I Need Thee Every Hour." Changing some words in the chorus they began to sing softly "He Needs Me Every Hour." Oh, that every Christian might see that one is saved to serve where she is!

FLYING TOO LOW by Charles A. Wells



One of the greatest hazards of air travel is flying too low. Sometimes there is a power failure and altitude cannot be maintained, or storm clouds and fog cause the pilot to lose his way and he cannot see the hills and mountains. Many people today are flying too low because they have so little spiritual and moral force they cannot keep a safe altitude. Flying low, they surrender to temptation easily, yielding to sins that leave them broken at the foot of God's moral laws. Men do not break God's laws but are broken on them. As the great mountain ranges form the skeleton structure of the continent, so God's laws provide the structure of the moral universe. Check your spiritual and moral altitude. Are you flying too low for safety?

Prayer

Mrs. J. Wash Watts, Louisiana

Missionaries are listed by birthdays. For detailed addresses, see directory in *Home Missions*, and *Directory of Missionary Personnel* free from the Foreign Mission Board

1 Thursday "We cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard"—Acts 4:20 Rev. William Lockard, Gwelo, Southern Rhodesia, ev.; Miss Bernice Neel, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, ed. ev.; Mrs. Bruce Conrad, Newkirk, Okla., ev. among Indians; Rev. Albino Ortiz, San Antonio, Texas, ev. among Spanish

2 Friday "My God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus"—Phil. 4:18 "Mrs. Nelson Bryan, Pusan, Korea. Rev. W. W. Lee, Guadalajara, Mexico, ev.; Mrs. J. P. Satterwhite, Kyoto, Japan, RN; *Rev. Edward Humphrey, Ogbomoso, Nigeria, ed. ev.; Mrs. J. E. Low, Ogbomoso, Nigeria, ev.; Dr. A. Y. Napier, China, em.

3 Saturday "The word of the Lord endureth forever"—1 Peter 1:25 Rev. J. C. Denton, Anchorage, Alaska, ev.; Rev. Lawrence Thibodeaux, Houma, La., ev. among French; Rev. Sam T. Mayo, Oglethorpe, Ga., ev. among migrants; Dr. J. E. Walker, Shaki, Nigeria, MD; Mrs. Charles L. Culpepper, Jr., Taipei, Taiwan, ed. ev.; Mrs. A. B. Christie, Brazil, em.

4 Sunday "Serve the Lord with gladness: come before his presence with singing"—Ps. 100:2 Rev. Daniel B. Clater, Langston, Okla., ed. ev. among Negroes; Rev. L. D. Wood, San Antonio, Tex., ev. among Spanish; Mrs. J. B. Underwood, Recife, Brazil, ed. ev.; Rev. Alfred Major, Sao Paulo, Brazil, lan. st.; Mrs. J. D. Hughey, Zurich, Switzerland, ed. ev.; Rev. E. O. Mills, Japan, Mrs. E. L. Keiley, HMB, em.

5 Monday "If my people seek my face . . . I will hear from heaven"—2 Chron. 7:14 The amount of the Annie Armstrong Offering will depend on the fervency of your prayers during this WMU Week of Prayer for Home Missions, March 5-8.

6 Tuesday "With thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God"—Phil. 4:6 Mrs. Glen C. Prock, Baton Rouge, La., ev. among deaf; Mrs. Frank Ramirez, Immokalee, Fla., Mrs. Maurice J. Anderson, Hong Kong, *Rev. C. S. Ford, Abeokuta, Nigeria, ed. ev.; Dr. George M. Faile, Shaki, Nigeria, MD; Mrs. J. R. Allen, Brazil, Miss Anna Hartwell, Mrs. T. C. Britton, China, em.

7 Wednesday "Pray ye the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth laborers into his harvest"—Matt. 9:38 Mrs. Herbert Caudill, Havana, Cuba, ev.; Jane Caudill, MF; Rev. Henry D. Martin, Oyo, Nigeria, ev.; Mrs. H. H. McMillan, China, em.

8 Thursday "Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give"—2 Cor. 9:7—Rev. W. P. Whittenburg, Greenville, S. C., ev. among Negroes; Rev. Marced Becerra, Hondo, Tex., ev. among Spanish; Mrs. Nemesio Garcia, Havana, Cuba, ev.; Etna Garcia, MF; Mrs. W. C. Taylor, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, ev.; Rev. T. N. Clinkscale, Londrina, Brazil, ed. ev.; Mrs. John N. Thomas, Medellin, Colombia, ev.; Mrs. John A. Roper, Jr., Gaza, MD

I know not by what methods rare,
But this I know: God answers prayer.
I know not if the blessing sought
Will come in just the guise I thought,
I leave my prayer to Him alone
Whose will is wiser than my own.

—ELIZA M. HICKOK

9 Friday "If we know that he hear us, whatsoever we ask, we know that he will give us the petitions that we desired of him"—1 John 5:15 Rev. Frank Mendez, Phoenix, Ariz., Rev. Joshua Grijalva, Denver, Colo., ev. among Spanish; Mrs. Sammy Fields, Shawnee, Okla., ev. among Indians; Mrs. W. M. Dyal, Jr., Guatemala City, Guatemala, ev.; Dr. J. B. Rounds, HMB, em. Pray that the ingathering of the Annie Armstrong Offering may exceed the goal.

10 Saturday "They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength"—Isa. 40:31 Mrs. L. F. Maynard, Mobile, Ala., ev. among Negroes; Miss Margaret White, Berkeley, Calif., ev.; *Dr. C. L. Culpepper, Sr., Taipei, Taiwan, ed. ev.; Rev. Charles B. Clark, Maracaibo, Venezuela, ev.; Miss Vivian Nowell, Lagos, Nigeria, sec. ev.

11 Sunday "The Lord is on his holy temple: let all the earth keep silence before him"—Hab 2:20 Pray that the interest aroused during the Week of Prayer for Home Missions and the Annie Armstrong Offering will carry over into larger giving through the Cooperative Program.

12 Monday "The path of the just is as the shining light that shineth more and more"—Prov. 4:18 Rev. Luis Napoles, Cumansy-agua, Rev. Manuel Quintana, Mariel, Cuba, Mrs. Rudolph Russell, Ayuthia, Thailand, all ev. Pray for Georgia WMU meeting in Atlanta 12-14

13 Tuesday "What doth the Lord require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?"—Micah 6:8 Miss Mary Patterson, Beeville, Tex., ed. ev. among Spanish; Miss Margie Whitlock, Atlanta, Ga., GWC; Rev. D. A. Morgan, Cristobal, C. Z., ev. Pray for Alabama WMU meeting in Gadsden and North Carolina WMU meeting in Winston-Salem, 13-15

14 Wednesday "I live by the faith of the Son of God"—Gal. 2:20 Mrs. Irvin Dawson, Sacramento, Calif., ev. among Spanish

15 Thursday "The Lord thy God in the midst of thee is mighty"—Zeph. 3:17 Rev. A. W. Williams, Atlanta, Ga., ev. among Negroes; Mrs. Isaias Galarza, Del Rio, Miss Evangelina Lopez, Alamo, Texas, ev. among Spanish; Rev. Casio Lima, Remedios, Cuba, Rev. W. M. Haverfield, Mexico City, Mexico, ev.; Miss Blanche Bradley, China, em.

16 Friday "He that walketh uprightly walketh surely"—Prov. 10:9 Mrs. Irene G. Turner, Nashville, Tenn., ev. among Negroes; Mrs. M. D. Oates, Lima, Peru, ev.; Miss Estelle Freeland, Ibadan, Nigeria, sec. ev.; Mrs. J. B. Hips, China, em.

17 Saturday "A good man out of the good treasure of his heart bringeth forth that which is good"—Luke 6:45 Mrs. S. G. Rankin, Hong Kong, Rev. W. L. Walker, Oita, Japan, ev.; Rev. Edgar Burks, Oyo, Nigeria, ed. ev.

18 Sunday "I will mention the loving-kindnesses of the Lord, and the praises of the Lord"—Isa. 63:7 Mrs. Abel Tamez, Phoenix, Ariz., ev. among Spanish; Rev. H. E. Bher, Flagstaff, Ariz., ev. among Indians; Rev. R. N. Morgan, Bique, C. Z., Mrs. Dan Sharpley, Santa Maria, Brazil, ev.; Rev. J. G. Sanchez, HMB, em.

19 Monday "Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law"—Gal. 3:13 Rev. Jose Ramirez, Bakersfield, Calif., ev. among Spanish; Elvid Ramirez, MF; Mrs. E. M. Cross, Manila, P. I., ev.; Rev. C. D. Clarke, Kyoto, Japan, ed. ev.; Mrs. W. L. Jester, Ogbomoso, Nigeria, RN; Betty Sue Jester, MF

20 Tuesday "Every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father"—Phil. 2:11 Rev. Marvin Lytle, Tyler, Tex., ed. ev. among Negroes; Rev. T. D. Gullatt, Mito, Japan, ev.; *Miss Elizabeth Hale, Alor Star, Malaya, Rev. H. R. Littleton, Kumasi, Gold Coast, ed. ev.; Ruth Littleton, MF; Mrs. E. G. Wilcox, Brazil, em. As Mississippi WMU meets in Jackson, and Virginia WMU meets in Richmond 20-22, pray for them.

21 Wednesday "I pray, that your love may abound yet more and more in knowledge"—Phil. 1:9 Rev. Elias Delgado, San Francisco, Calif., Rev. Benito Villares, Houston, Tex., ev. among Spanish; Miss Ruth Kersey, Nigeria, em.; Mrs. Lloyd H. Neil, Ogbomoso, Nigeria, RN; Mrs. P. A. Cline, Bangkok, Thailand, ev.; Mrs. Filomeno Hernandez, HMB, Rev. J. L. Galloway, Macao, em. Join together in prayer for Tennessee WMU meeting in Memphis 21-23

22 Thursday "Lord, what wilt thou have me to do?"—Acts 9:6 Mrs. Lewis Grant, Santa Clara, N. Mex., ev. among Indians; Mrs. H. W. Fite, Jr., Corrente, Brazil, agricultural ev.; *Rev. R. L. Bausum, Keelung, Taiwan, ed. ev.; Mrs. L. Grace Thompson, HMB, em.

23 Friday "The Lord is not slack concerning his promise . . . but is long-suffering to us-ward"—2 Pet. 3:9 Miss Lillian Bass, Macon, Ga., GWC; Mrs. Immael Negrin, Key West, Fla., ed. ev. among Spanish; Mrs. W. H. Ferrell, Cordoba, Argentina, ev.; Rev. Finlay Graham, Beirut, Lebanon, ed. ev.

24 Saturday "Why are ye fearful, O ye of little faith?"—Matt. 8:26 Rev. J. C. Jackson, Tulsa, Okla., ev. among Negroes; Mrs. Leonard G. Lane, Lagos, Nigeria, ed. ev.; Miss Grace Clifford, HMB, Dr. Ethel M. Pierce, China, em.

25 Sunday "He that is of God heareth God's words"—John 8:47 Rev. Cecil Fin-trock, Kansas City, Kan., Rev. R. L. Lyon, Torreon, Mexico, ev.; Mr. E. B. Berry, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, pub. ev.; Rev. Victor Koon, Honolulu, T. H., ev.; Gwendolyn Koon, MF; Rev. H. D. Stein, HMB, Mrs. W. H. Tipton, China, Mrs. Everett Gill, Europe, em.

26 Monday "It is the spirit that quickeneth"—John 6:63 Rev. Julian Ramirez, Denver, Colo., ev. among Spanish; Miss Helen Lambert, Baltimore, Md., GWC; Mrs. P. E. Sanderson, Belém, Brazil, ev.; Rev. Burton Davis, Fortaleza, Brazil, *Mrs. Tucker Callaway, Fukuoka, Japan, ed. ev.; Mrs. C. W. Stumph, HMB, em. Pray for Baptist Convention of Western Cuba at Santa Clara, 26-30

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by Beth Day, price \$2.95.

In this book Beth Day tells, with moving eloquence, the magnificent story of a Negro professor who had a glory in his vision that transformed a whole section of the South. The growth of Piney Woods Country Life School, located twenty-two miles southeast of Jackson, Mississippi, from a handful of barefoot boys in a pine woods clearing to the present impressive institution, is the story of its founder, a Missouri-born, northern-educated Negro who chose, at an age when most young men dream of financial success and personal luxuries, to come South and cast his lot with the poorest and most needy of his people.

On Sunday afternoon, January 29, 1955, Jackson, Mississippi, witnessed a heartening triumph in democracy when leading citizens of all races and creeds met to pay tribute to this outstanding citizen, Dr. Laurence Clifton Jones, president and founder of the Piney Woods Country Life School. The speakers included Governor Hugh White and each paid tribute to the man who, for forty-six years, has quietly but persistently turned thousands of forgotten backwoods children into first class citizens by providing them with an education, a home, and a new way of life. He was variously designated as "Mississippi's First Citizen," the "Modern Moses of the Black Belt," and "Mississippi's Booker T. Washington."

It was back in 1909 that the professor arrived in the Mississippi piney woods country. He came to see what he could do to teach his own race how to help itself toward a better and nobler life. His first school was a log with a couple of shy youngsters on one end and himself on the other. Today the Piney Woods Country Life School has a three-quarter-of-a-million

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dollar plant which includes substantial brick buildings, dairies, gardens, orchards, and farm lands, as well as nearly a million dollars in permanent endowment, a regular enrollment of five hundred boarding students, and a staff of forty teachers. Millions thrilled to the magnificent story of Professor Jones when he was presented on the TV program, "This Is Your Life," and nearly a million responded to the suggestion of Ralph Edwards and sent a contribution to the endowment fund.

From 1909 to now is an exciting story. Like the story of most great men and their accomplishments, it is a story of intensely human values which create the warp and woof of their lives. *The Little Professor of Piney Woods* is the true history of a singularly beautiful life, filled with the record of hardships and discouragements, enlivened with humor and triumph of accomplishments. It is a tribute to prayer, to unselfishness, and to Godly living. Here is an account of a fight against prejudice, suspicion, and poverty, and of a victory which is a triumph for men of good will all over the world. Here, in an inspiring book, is the story of an unforgettable man.

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by Shirley Graham, Julian Measner, Inc., price \$2.95.

The race issue is one of the most important in our day. It may be approached from several directions: from apathy, from blind prejudice, or from intelligent understanding.

One of the best ways to achieve real understanding of the problem is to become acquainted with some Negro leaders. How better can one know the cultural potentialities of a race than to see into the lives of some of its great men and women?

Booker T. Washington was a great man. His life is skillfully presented by Shirley Graham, herself one of the outstanding Negro women of today. She was born in Indiana, the daughter of a Methodist minister. She graduated with a Master's degree from Oberlin College and later was a student in Paris at the Sorbonne on a Julius Rosenwald Fellowship. In private life she is Mrs. W. E. Burghardt Du Bois and travels about the country with her distinguished husband.

The style of the book is flowing and pleasant. The author captures the Negro thought, imagination, and dialect; and it is both realistic and moving.

It is fascinating to read of the life of the small Booker who worked on a plantation, of the older child Booker who went to work in a salt mine in West Virginia, of teenager Booker T. Washington who went to Hampton Institute, of a graduate who went back to his home town to teach school, and then of the young man who began the work at Tuskegee Institute. Admiration for Dr. Washington of Tuskegee is aroused from the very first and is sustained throughout the book.

BETTY THORNTON

Pray Ye (from page 46)

27 Tuesday "In quietness and in confidence shall be your strength"—Isa. 30:15 Rev. Marvin Sorrels, Selma, Ariz., ev. among Indians; Mr. Robert Fielden, Barrs, Brazil, pilot; Miss Frances Hudgins, Bangkok, Thailand, ed. ev.; Mrs. William Lockard, Gwelo, Southern Rhodesia, ev.; Rev. J. J. Johnson, HMB, em. Pray for the annual meeting of the Cuba WMU

28 Wednesday "Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the Lord of hosts"—Zech. 4:6 Rev. Toshio Sakamoto, Los Angeles, Calif., ed. ev. among Japanese; Miss Waller Ray Buster, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, ed. ev.; Rev. J. C. Johnson, Para, Brazil, ev.; Dr. F. T. Fowler, Assuncion, Paraguay, MD; Miss Margie Shumate, Bangkok, Thailand, ev. Pray for Panama Baptist Convention, 28-30

29 Thursday "If any man will do his will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God"—John 7:17 Pray for progress of the Southern Baptist Crusade for Christian Morality

30 Friday "Shew mercy and compassions every man to his brother"—Zech. 7:9 Mrs. Laurice Burford, Wagon Mound, N. M., Rev. David Trevizo, El Paso, Tex., ev. among Spanish; Mrs. W. P. Andrews, Temuco, Chile, ev.; Miss Frances Crawford, San Jose, Costa Rica, Jan. st.

31 Saturday "I am the Lord, I change not"—Mal. 3:6 Miss Fay Taylor, Bandung, Indonesia, ed. ev.; Mrs. Edgar Burks, Oyo, Nigeria, ev.; Mrs. A. Y. Napier, China, em.

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