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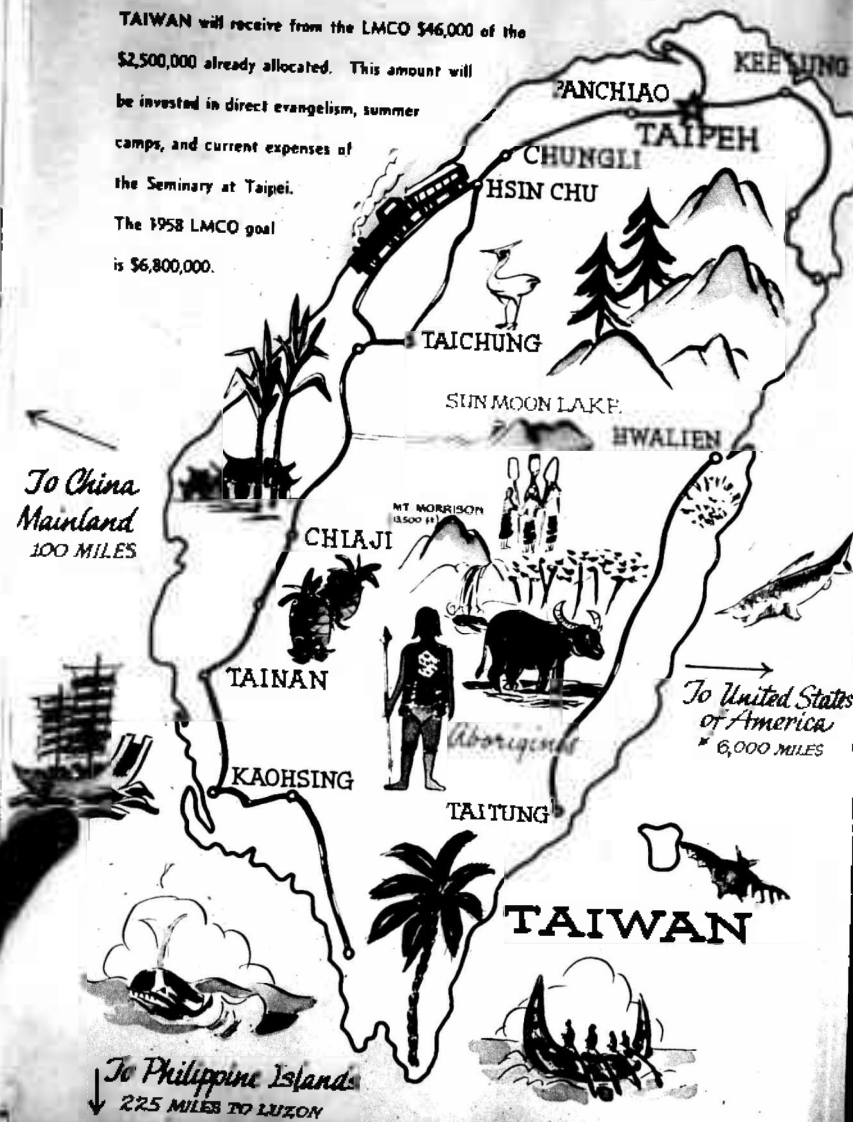
Royal Service

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Your Lottie Moon Christmas Offering in Taiwan

TAIWAN will receive from the LMCO \$46,000 of the \$2,500,000 already allocated. This amount will be invested in direct evangelism, summer camps, and current expenses of the Seminary at Taipei. The 1958 LMCO goal is \$6,800,000.



Rice fields and low-roofed farmhouses are familiar sights in Taiwan

Taiwanese Women

by Jeanette Roebuck Hunker, Missionary Wife and Witness

EIGHT MILLION Chinese who are on Taiwan are called Taiwanese. They are descendants of immigrants from the China mainland three hundred years ago. Sixty per cent of these are rural people, living the simple life of the farmer and village dweller. Taiwan's multitudes include 180,000 aborigines in seven mountain tribes. Our Southern Baptist witness is largely among the mainland Chinese with only a small beginning among the Taiwanese-speaking people.

The women of these language groups possess the same fine qualities as

Prosperous farm family





Typical Tsalic Tribe women spin and weave for her family

Taiwanese Women

their sisters from the China mainland (see page 4). Their life is even more family-centered.

They show great love and concern for the welfare of their families. On the farms many of the women work "in bitterness" side by side with their husbands in the fields. It demands great courage for a Taiwanese woman to become a Christian, for in doing so she denies the traditional gods in this land where many gods are worshiped and where the life of her whole family and the life of her community are influenced by this polytheistic (many gods) religion.

There are still millions in Taiwan to be reached for Christ. God's witness through Christian women in the past gives us faith that he will continue to use their dedication and earnestness in a marvelous way to spread the light of righteousness in the darkness of this land.

Christian witness and movement among the aborigines of Taiwan have had a remarkable history, with much of its early progress and success due to God's working through a woman of

the Tsalic tribe. In 1929 Chi-nang, already past middle age and bearing the tattoo of the Tsalic tribe on her face, attended a Presbyterian Bible school in the lowlands. She then returned to work among her own people. Walking many miles, she visited villages, braved dangers of the wilds, suffered persecution in order to carry on her work of personal soul-winning. She gave devoted service in teaching converts in Bible classes and in training others for Christian service. The fruits of her work are seen today in the witnessing churches among the aborigines of the mountains.

As yet there is only a small beginning in Southern Baptist work among the aborigines of Taiwan.

Water buffalo pulls hand plow over a future rice paddy. The Ami Tribe women do much of the plowing and field work



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Lunch under the trees during Adult Week at summer conference—a time of physical and spiritual refreshing

Chinese women are skilled needle workers and love things of beauty about their homes



Chinese Women of Taiwan

by Jeanette Hunk, missionary wife and witness

THE TAIWAN Chinese woman's life is centered in home and family. She is industrious and economical, able to overcome many difficulties and take care of her family's needs. No sacrifice is too great to provide food and clothing, good medical care, and education for her children. She will even suffer that her family may prosper.

Uprooted from her home on the China mainland, from members of her family, enduring financial hardships, she courageously goes about the daily tasks of making a life in her adopted Taiwan. She is grateful for her freedom, yet ever mindful of enslaved loved ones, and always she looks toward the time of return to the mainland of China which she still considers home.

Qualities of rare beauty are her radiance, dedication, and zeal. Such qualities are evidenced in a born-of-the-Spirit Christian, and one can begin to appreciate in the Chinese woman the supreme worth of the opportunity before the church as it gives to her avenues for utilizing her abilities. Indeed her compassion, sacrificial spirit, industry, and endurance are seen in her faithful service for the Lord. And the fruits of her work are evidenced by the increasing number of entire families becoming Christians as she witnesses in her home. Growth and development of active WNU organizations and strengthening of our churches

are the result of her active part in every phase of church life.

But it is not always easy for the Chinese woman to give of her time and service, for home responsibilities are heavy and many have to walk long distances or ride crowded buses to attend meetings. Some hear the criticism and ridicule of non-Christian family members and neighbors. But the eagerness with which they serve is inspiring.

To give you an idea of the extent of the unusual influence of the women of our churches—every week WMS members visit hundreds of patients in hospitals, distrib-

uting gospel tracts, praying with those who ask for prayer, bringing hope and comfort to the sick in body and spirit. Our women hold weekly home prayer and evangelistic meetings, praying for the un-saved of their families, for neighbors and friends, while inviting them to hear the gospel.

Two by two they go out from the churches to help, to strengthen, and to encourage the women's work in our chapels and new cen-



A grandmother's joy is her grandchild

ters of gospel witnessing. Recently the WMS women in the seven Baptist churches in Taipei have begun a co-operative work of visiting once a week in the juvenile detention home and in the women's prison, leading in gospel services.

How concerned they are for the lost! How earnestly they pray and witness! Through it all God's Spirit is working as souls are saved.

A woven basket makes a fine cradle for baby. After he is asleep the net is carefully adjusted to protect him from mosquitoes



A Woman's

THE JUDSONS had been in Burma quite a while now. Ann Judson, wife of the missionary Adoniram Judson, was happier than she had been for a long time. The king of Burma, the Lord of the White Elephants, had given her permission to teach sewing and tatting to the court families.

"We have been here so long. And always I have known that any person who is converted to Christianity is subject to death by torture," Adoniram said slowly. "It has been a burden on my heart. Yet I have not dared not to tell these people that they have a Saviour, Jesus Christ."

Ann put her small white hand on his arm. She tilted her face up to his and shook her black curls. Her dark eyes sparkled. "That is all over now," she said. "The king knows that I teach a Bible story with each sewing lesson."

"Just to think that he is going to let you open a school to teach girls who are not of the court families!" Adoniram exclaimed. "It is almost too wonderful to be true."

Smiling happily Ann said, "These girls will learn of Jesus. Then they will tell their children some day. And the story of the Saviour's love will go on and on."

"I have translated many books of the New Testament already," Adoniram told her, just as though she didn't know. Hadn't she made him put out the light and quit working many times? In fact he had worked

sometimes until the sun came up and dimmed the trail light which he used. As soon as the press and the printer came back to Burma, the publishing of the parts of the Testament could begin anew. The printer and his press had been driven out by the king.

Now that was all changed. Almost overnight Adoniram and Ann discovered that their new dream had been really too good to be true. The British fleet advanced up the river into Burma and instantly all the people with white faces became enemies. That meant Adoniram. And it meant Ann, too.

Adoniram Judson was thrown into prison. He was made to sleep with his feet pulled up into the air, with only his shoulders on the floor, so he could not escape. He never had quite enough to eat. He was compelled to see prisoners led out to death, or torture, which seemed worse.

When Ann visited him, "Leave this place," Adoniram told her. "If they should take you prisoner, I could not bear it."

"I will be all right," Ann told him. She brought food when she could. She gave little bits of money to guards who let her visit. Her heart ached to see her husband get thinner and thinner. And he looked like a brigand with his long matted beard. But she smiled at him, and fought back her tears.

As time went on, it seemed to Adoniram



by Anobel Armour



Hiding Place

that he might not be able to survive this prison ordeal. "What of the many pages which I have done on the translation?" he asked Ann. "If I cannot carry on my work of preaching, I must leave the story of Jesus for these folks to read in their own language."

Ann looked all around to be sure that no guard was listening. "I have wrapped your manuscript and buried it under the house."

Adoniram almost jumped because he was so startled. "That is where the king's men would look first if they ever decided to see what we have hidden," he warned her. Then he tried to smile. "That is such a woman's hiding place," he said.

Ann sighed, "I suppose it is," she admitted. After she left her husband she thought more and more of what to do.

Nothing was more important than the Book. At last a smile came to her face. "A woman's hiding place might not be so bad after all," she told herself.

The next day she brought a special gift to her husband. The guard ran a saber through the side of it. Then he pounded it. At last he grinned at her. "Such a hard pillow could hold nothing," he said. "Why no one would even bother to steal it."

After that Adoniram braced his shoulders on the hard pillow. When he was finally released from that prison, and then another one, he opened the pillow. All the manuscripts were intact. A few pages were saber-cut. That was all. "You saved the Word of God for these people," Adoniram praised. "And in a woman's hiding place, at that. God has always taken care of His own in His own way!"

by Mrs. William Gallimore

My Mother and the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering



As I recall my childhood impressions of Christmas they are basically typical: a lighted tree, Santa Claus, stockings hung on the mantel, and a trip to grandma's house. But there is another strong remembrance: Mother and the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.

Even before I was big enough to have a vague idea of what the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering is, or the vast outreach of its ministry, I remember Mother's special box that had something to do with the missionaries.

I remember that occasionally, during the Christmas season, my mother took a job with a local store or she came up with ingenious ideas of how to stay at home and make extra money to help Santa stuff the Christmas stockings. But she did these same things to help stuff that Lottie Moon offering box.

Every year that box was a little different, and each year it had a different resting place in our house—sometimes in the living room, sometimes in the kitchen. But it was always somewhere, and waiting for the con-

tributions which were dropped in every day or so until it was time for the Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions.

Mother never made any long speeches about that little box, but she did take time out to answer my questions and tell me that this was her love offering to help God's missionaries.

During those long weeks just before the Week of Prayer, I often looked at that silent little box and thought of the missionaries, and wondered about them and what they did. And I couldn't resist the urge to pick up the box and delight in the fact that it was becoming heavier all the time.

Many years have passed since then, but the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering continues to take a prominent place in my life each year. I like to think that my offering is my special Christmas gift to God who has given so much to me. And I thank my mother for instilling in my life a love for missions. More than that, I thank her for giving me the example of showing me the importance of giving thought to this special gift for God's work.

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DID YOU READ IT?

by MRS. WILLIAM McMURRY



"That They Might See"

Six years ago Horace Thompson of Worthing, England, an optician, learned that thousands of African and Indian Christians were unable to read the Bible or other Christian literature. He decided he would do something about it.

Mr. Thompson finally hit upon the idea of salvaging and repairing old spectacles for use on the mission field. In 1952 he formed the Missionary Optical Service which has grown into a full-time business for the Thompson family of five. The firm has sent out more than 20,000 pairs of glasses to missionaries.



The *Moody Monthly* in reporting on this unique missionary project shares with its readers a story from the Belgian Congo. "Between meetings a group of Africans gathered around the Bible. One woman was peering through a very bent pair of glasses and searching earnestly through her Bible. 'Ah,' sighed another, 'if only it were my turn for the glasses!' 'Do you have to rotate, then?' she was asked. 'Yes,' said the woman without glasses. 'It's my husband's turn this morning. He lends them to me at mid-day so that I can read for myself.'"

American Tract Society

Since 1825 the American Tract Society has clung to the original objective cited in its charter: "To diffuse a knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ as the Redeemer of sinners and to promote the interests of vital godliness and sound morality through the circulation of religious tracts."

Many obscure but fascinating bits of information appeared in a little folder published by this Society under the title "Did You Know?" For example, Benjamin Franklin ghost-wrote and printed the tracts used by several early American evangelists including those of George Whitefield. William Penn wrote a single religious tract that freed 12,000 Quakers who had been imprisoned for Christ's sake. Dwight L. Moody began his ministry in Chicago by distributing gospel tracts to Great Lakes seamen. In 1757 John Wesley organized into teams 160 volunteers for tract distribution. The ministry of these dedicated ones literally reformed the Lord's Day habits of the people of London. John Wanamaker, while Postmaster General of the United States, carefully chose gospel tracts to give to those with whom he came in daily contact. Whistler's mother was called a "preacher in skirts" because she distributed tracts to the workers

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on the railroad between Moscow and St. Petersburg, Russia. Among the most precious items of cargo on the maiden voyage of the Mayflower were Pastor John Robinson's tracts. Every phase of the Protestant Reformation in Europe was preceded by an immense tract effort. It is common knowledge that almost every foreign mission field was opened by missionaries who first used tracts to win the pagan world to Christ.

Indonesia: Land of Challenge

There is abundant evidence that Marguerite Bro, the author of Indonesia: Land of Challenge did not "fold up her adjectives and pocket them" when she wrote about the scenery of the world's sixth largest nation. "There are jungles as primitive as when the world was new, enormous trees reaching up, up into the sunlight, impenetrable bushes often bearing immense white blossoms fluted like five-pointed stars, pines with sparse needles like pin feathers on a molting goose; everything bound together with vines, hung with moss, draped with delicate ferns and epiphytic orchids." But not all is scenic and beautiful. The author has recorded her impressions of the Indonesian people, their early history and struggle for freedom from the Dutch, the changes that were brought about during the Japanese occupation and the final emergence of the present government. These solid facts are enlivened by dozens of vividly related stories of ceremonial dances, weddings, funerals, rubber-tree tapping, tea-leaf sorting; excursions into prohibited and dangerous areas; interviews with both important and obscure people in government, industry, and education.

On Truth

Certain primitives bind their skulls with strips of hide so that their heads grow "on a bias." When the wrappings are removed, the flow of blood is extremely painful. In an advertisement to secure new readers a well-known magazine used this fact to point up a condition which exists in our society. Many people bind their minds and as a result of this tourniquet on their mental processes, their thinking is biased and their opinion hide-bound. To remove the wrappings and permit a flow of new ideas is painful. Scientists who have studied the primitive practice agree that "head-binding" is not harmful but all agree that "mind-binding" is. It is not only death to truth but to freedom as well.



Bibles for Soviet People at Brussels

The Moscow radio announced earlier in the year that a million and a half people from the Soviet Union will visit the World's Fair in Brussels. The Russians have spent huge sums of money for propaganda purposes. The pavilion alone cost \$60,000,000. By June they had paid \$1,000,000 to a printing firm in Brussels for Communist literature in many languages.

Through a newsletter from the Russian Bible Society, Washington, D. C., comes information that Scriptures, tracts and gospel booklets in different Slavic languages are being distributed among the tens of thousands of visitors from Russia and other satellite countries. In preparation for what the president of the Society believes to be "the greatest gospel opportunity that has ever been ours since the Communists came to power" a new edition of 20,000 New Testaments in the Russian language was printed in May.

Pray mightily for this ministry, is the urgent plea from the Society.

Dr. Jones in Baptist Hospital Kadit, Indonesia; other hospital personnel with modern equipment

We Missionaries Give Thanks

by Dr. Kathleen Jones, doctor at Baptist Hospital, Indonesia

OPERATING EXPENSES for our clinics last year and now for our hospital have come from the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. How grateful we are for this great help in the work here.

The other day we were trying to estimate just what part of our physical plant came from the Cooperative Program and advance program funds, and what part came from the Lottie Moon offering. And it was hard to do. Finally one said that the foundation and steel structure of the buildings came from the capital funds the Foreign Mission Board receives from the Cooperative Program, while the furnishings,

the medical equipment, the car, the station wagon used as an ambulance—so many, many of the essentials—come from the Lottie Moon offering.

But primarily we give thanks to God for the thousands of women who pray for us. As they study during the Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions they become increasingly aware of our needs. They give with deep devotion and love.

Yes, we are grateful for your gifts of money, but even more we give thanks for your faithful praying as we seek to do the work of the Lord here which your gifts of money have enabled us to begin.

The hospital building gradually takes shape behind a palm grove





... At the gates of a temple which houses images of many sizes, colors, and countenances

GOD USES VISION to undergird our faith. The story of the Taiwan Mission to Green Island is a lesson in faith, and I would like to tell it to you.

The Green Island Mission is a project of the Taiwan (Formosa) Baptist Convention. Mr. Andrew Yu Jing-Chwen was a young Christian schoolteacher when I first met him as his pastor in the Hsin Chu (new bamboo) Baptist Church. Although

he was earnest in his new-found faith he was excessively timid. A part in Training Union was almost more than he could manage. But he had that one quality for which the Lord longs, an open heart attune to the Holy Spirit.

The Lord called him to preach, and he seemed to suffer the tests of Moses and Abraham at the same time as he severed every earthly connection to enter the Sem-

nary, yet saying all the while, "The Lord knows I cannot preach."

In his first year, the faculty was inclined to agree with him, but he worked hard and kept his heart open to the Lord. During his second year, Andrew came to the faculty with a request. He wanted to drop out of school to go over to Green Island with the gospel. Green Island is a barren stretch of sand and rock some thirty miles

*by Charles L. Culpepper, Jr.,
missionary teacher*

off the eastern coast of the main island. Besides those in the small fishing village, the main inhabitants are the inmates of the government's maximum security prison.

The most daring preacher had not thought of attempting this forbidding field! Yet the Lord's Spirit had burdened this young disciple with this tremendous call. There were long days of preparation ahead and a wait for permission to work in this special area. The faculty prayed for guidance and advised him to finish all his work as he waited for the way to be opened.

When Andrew Yu finished his three years of seminary training, government permission had still not been granted for him to enter Green Island, but he happily served the Lord in the small city of Taoyuan (peach orchard). There was a branch chapel there of the Amoy Street Baptist Church of Taipei, Taiwan's capital city. Under Andrew's leadership the chapel work had grown to include 83 active members. He was leading in the preparations for church organization and a permanent building when the government granted him permission to work on Green Island.

His trip there was indeed a missionary journey. Dr. Chow Lien Hwa, president of Taiwan Baptist Convention that year,

Taiwan's First Missionaries



The first—Andrew Ye

accompanied him to the railhead, then across the mountains by bus, and finally waited a week for the motorized fishing smack to make a run to the island. This boat was Green Island's only connection with the outside world. The smack was delayed as usual, and Dr. Chow had to return to his classes leaving Andrew to make the final trip alone.

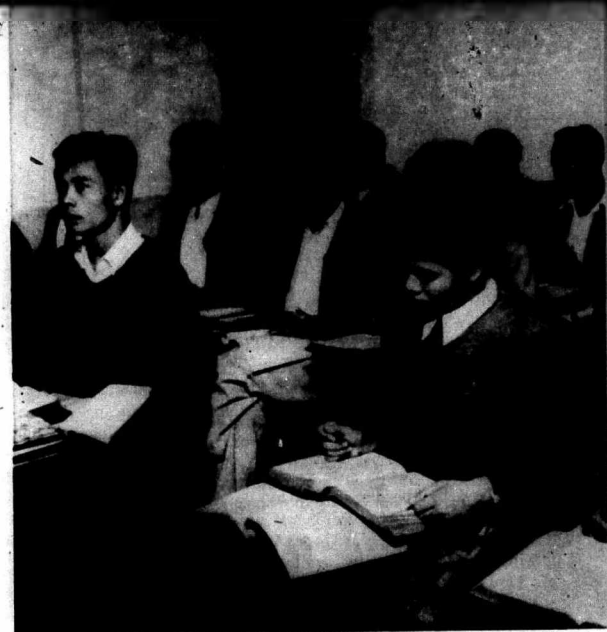
In the midst of primitive conditions, he found the Lord had not failed to prepare

hungry hearts, and the people who knew not God were kind to make room for him to live with them. In his letters he described with joy their eagerness to hear God's Word.

It was the next Christmas that Andrew returned to Taipei, the capital city of Taiwan, on a mission that would give even the most courageous pause. He asked Mr. and Mrs. Shen for their daughter's hand in marriage, planning for her to go back with him to Green Island. Mr. and Mrs. Shen are good Christian workers in the Amoy Street Baptist Church, and their daughter had already given herself to follow the Lord. But Green Island was just as far and different to their way of life as a foreign country is to you.

But in preparation for service on Green Island, Miss Shen worked hard in the in-

Seminary students are eager to learn in our Seminary in Taipei, Taiwan. They go out to missions and chapels to witness.



tervening months taking courses at the Seminary and basic music training.

Finally the time came in the summer of 1957 when they could be married and go to Green Island together. The Taiwan Baptist Convention which had been paying Andrew's salary, now undertook the double load. Bibles and books were also supplied to help the work along.

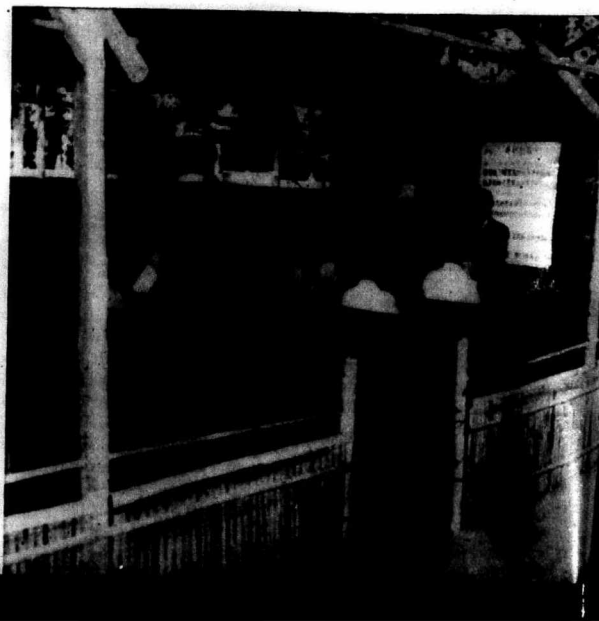
Days that followed were not without loneliness, sickness, and discouragement for them, but what joy there was when the Convention president, Dr. Chow, was finally able to go to the island for a meeting. Twenty-five of those won to the Lord and prepared for church membership were baptized. Now a little chapel has been erected. All this was done by the Chinese Baptist churches of Taiwan without outside help, and these are their first fruits!

Those redeemed of the Lord truly must say so. Whereas we as Southern Baptists

have had no missionary along the eastern coast of Taiwan, in the Hakkas areas, among the former headhunters of the high mountains, these Taiwan Baptists, our spiritual children, are going into these areas. The Taiwan Baptist Convention now under the leadership of Dr. Y. K. Chang is beginning this year to enter these areas where live Taiwan's aborigines. Far from emphasizing the insufficiency of our help to these people, or of their resources, the Chinese in Baptist churches join all truly redeemed people in churches around the world. They want to reach out and share the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Our overseas missions have reached these Chinese for Christ, but we will never outreach them, for the same love of Jesus constrains them. Let us pray for the Taiwan Baptist missionaries, the Andrew Yus, in this lonely outpost and for the baby that has come to bless their home.

In the Wei Hsin Street Chapel in Taipei, Taiwan, all ages come together to hear Andrew Ye



TODAY

A Matter of Gifts

by Cyril E. Bryant
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When President Eisenhower paid a visit one day last June to Mount Vernon, the much loved home of this nation's first president, he paused to look at a sword given to General Washington. "I wonder if they investigated him," Mr. Eisenhower mused.

His reference was to a furor then in full blast over a vicuna coat and other favors received by the President's top assistant. Public officials receive many gifts. The watermelon growers at Hope, Arkansas, for instance, very happily send to the White House the biggest and most luscious melon of the season. Turkey growers in Texas do the same, proud for one of their birds to grace the President's table or those of their representatives and senators. The purpose of the gifts is simply to get publicity for the industry represented by the gift; certainly there is no attempt to influence government. Others make gifts to top government officials simply to honor the office, much as church members shower a pastor or as a hotel offers free accommodations (their best suites, too) to visiting dignitaries.

Official Washington has asked itself many probing questions on this matter of gifts. The key to the problem seems to be whether the gift to an official or to members of Congress serves to influence a government decision or the fate of a piece of legislation. In other words, does the gift to a trusted public official constitute a bribe?

The *New York Times* observes it is always Christmas at the White House, and that the President does not need or even desire most of the gifts. But it would be cruel in many cases if he did not accept

them. In self-defense therefore, our recent presidents have started museums—Roosevelt at Hyde Park, Truman at Independence, Eisenhower at Abilene—and are placing in these museums the gifts of significance. They are, in a sense, accepting gifts on behalf of the people of the USA, rather than for themselves personally. One item in the Eisenhower museum is a diamond-studded Order of Victory decoration given him by Soviet Marshal Georgi Zhukov, an item reputedly worth \$100,000.

The *Times*' review of gifts to public officials says that gift-giving to men of influence started with the beginning of the republic, and that it always has been under suspicion. President Washington, for instance, refused a set of figurines because of principle but accepted other gifts he could not tactfully refuse. Other departments of government in those early days and since were scenes, however, of what *The Times* calls "wholesale bribery and debauchery."

"The one big thing that emerges in a study of the atmosphere of Washington today is that the political ethics of the place have steadily and enormously improved, with occasional lapses, and that there is no sign that progress has stopped," *The Times*' story concluded.

In Washington itself, the editor of the *Washington Post and Times Herald* offered perhaps the sagest of all advice. He told all the thousands of government personnel who read his paper that by far the safest thing is not to accept any gift at all. No gift, he wrote, regardless of its value, is worth all the doubt and suspicion it is likely to bring.



CIRCLE Mission Study

Continue: Into a New World

by Elaine Dickson, WMS promotion associate

INTERESTING EXPERIENCES are ahead as delegations report on "study visits" to the Philippines and Indonesia. (Chapters II and III, *Into a New World*, 85c.)

The Circle Mission Study Chairman (or teacher) takes the initiative; assigns delegations to report on countries.

Before the Circle Meeting work with delegations to the Philippines and Indonesia, in locating information and using supplementary materials. Make available helps from the free packet which you ordered last month from the Foreign Mission Board. Acquaint them with other reading possibilities to supplement the text. (See your Teacher's Guide, 25c. for lists.)

Determine exactly how much time will be allotted each delegation and help plan accordingly. Help members to make reports sound "firsthand."

Prepare a "Study Guide" for each circle member to use along with her puzzlemat. Use 8 1/2"x14" paper. With one of the long sides as a top, label the sheet "SOUTHEAST ASIA STUDY GUIDE." Below this heading divide the paper into four parts with vertical lines. Label the top of these spaces: Philippines, Indonesia, Malaya, and Thailand. Next draw horizontal lines dividing the sheet into five spaces under each country. On the left of the page, corresponding with each of the five spaces write: 1. Beginnings of Mission Work, 2. Background of Country, 3. Religions, 4. Types of Mission Work, 5. Future Possibilities. Using this Study Guide, each circle member can jot down information relative to each country. Her puzzlemat will also locate mission points.

At the Circle Meeting distribute puzzlemats and study guides; post maps.

Sing "In Christ There Is No East or West"; then brief devotion on Acts 10:1-5, 34-35. Point out that God is no respecter of persons and the implications for Southern Baptists. Pray for God's guidance during your study, that hearts and minds may be open to impressions.

Delegation Reports will follow. Ask the two delegations to be seated in front of the group. Welcome members back from their study journeys; serve as moderator of the reports.

Keep the discussion informal. The following questions might be distributed among those in the audience to guide a question and answer period: 1. How did our mission work begin? 2. Describe life in the country you visited. 3. What religions dominate? 4. What mission points did your tour include? 5. Do we have any publications, educational, or medical work? 6. What are the biggest needs you observed? 7. What future opportunities do Southern Baptists have in the country?

Direct questions first to one delegation, then to the other. With questions relating to mission points use the map, asking each woman to locate and write in the mission stations on her map. (Pronunciation of names may be found in the "Pronouncing Gazetteer" of a dictionary.)

Close the Meeting by asking each delegation member to mention one thing for which she feels great concern and is praying. Let these individual prayer requests from the fields be a call to prayer. Allow women to voice sentence prayers for the needs mentioned.

*Secure priced materials from your Baptist Book Store.

IN YOUR Circle

Baptist Missionary Beginnings in North America by Mrs. Lamar Jackson

Invitations: Trace hands on different colored construction paper. Tie a string around a finger. Put announcement on the back:

Tie a string around your finger
So you'll remember to
Join hands with us

Time	Circle meeting Place	Date

On the other side paste one of the quotations below. If you need more, use missionary verses from the Bible. Write beneath this: BRING YOUR HAND TO CIRCLE MEETING AND READ THIS QUOTATION. If you do not send the invitations, fix the hands anyway to distribute at the meeting.

WILLIAM CAREY, the father of modern missions, after being reproached by a friend for neglecting his shoe business, replied, "Neglecting my business! My business is to extend the kingdom of God, and I only cobble shoes to pay expenses."

ROGER WILLIAMS, founder of the first Baptist church in North America, writing on separation of church and state, stated, "This tenet (changing beliefs) of the magistrates keeping the church from apostatizing by practicing civil force upon the consciences of men, is so far from preserving religion pure that it is a mighty barricade to keep out all true religion."

ADONIRAM JUDSON, the first Baptist foreign missionary from the United States, after being asked, "Do you think the prospect bright of the speedy conversion of the heathen?" replied, "As bright as the promises of God."

LUTHER RICE, organizer of the Baptists in the United States for the support of foreign missions, reported on his activities in the last six months of 1816, "I have traveled 6,600 miles, in populous and in dreary portions of country, through wilderness and over rivers, across mountains and val-

leys, in heat and cold . . . and received more than four thousand dollars. This marks decisively a regular growing increase of evangelistic missionary zeal. The Lord hath done great things for us."

LOTTIE MOON, missionary to China, "I am convinced that one of the chief reasons our Southern Baptist women do so little is the lack of organization."

ANNIE ARMSTRONG, Corresponding Secretary Woman's Missionary Union, 1889-1907, "It is obligatory upon every woman to do her work as effectively as possible. There is a responsibility of not doing."

FANNIE E. S. HECK, president Woman's Missionary Union for eighteen years, "Endeavor to see the needs from God's standpoint. Strive for the conversion of those around you as faithfully as for the heathen."

Leader's Introduction

We are all familiar with the hymn by Fanny Crosby, "To the Work." The first verse contains the words, "Let us do with our might what our hands find to do." Among Baptists in North America, trail blazers, "though dead, yet speak" to inspire and guide our actions today.

(Call for reading of above quotations Scotch-tape hands to poster or bulletin board. Later in the program as the lives of individual pioneers are discussed, place their names on a hand.)

History has been called "the lengthened shadow of great men." As we think about those who inspired missionary activity among Baptist groups in the United States, we are reminded of a statement found in Malachi 3:16 (read it).

Certainly these pioneers were men who feared the Lord. We are opening our "Book of Remembrance" as we recall the lives of these who did with their might



William Carey



Ann Hameltine Judson



J. Lewis Shuck



Fannie E. S. Heck

what their hands found to do.

(Print on notebook or scrapbook the words, "Book of Remembrance." Let each one having a part hold this before the group. If additional material is desired, order the pamphlets on Lottie Moon and Annie Armstrong, "Big Love Heart" and "Forward.")

Roger Williams (1603-1683)

Roger Williams and his new wife arrived in Boston, Massachusetts, from England in 1631. They had left England because of the rigid conformity demanded by Anglican Bishop Laud. During his first year, Roger Williams learned the Indian language so he could preach the gospel in their native tongue.

Williams fled to Rhode Island after disagreeing with the Massachusetts authorities over separation of church and state, liberty of conscience, and claims that the Massachusetts' charter was false and unjust since the land really belonged to the Indians. He established North America's first Baptist church at Providence only five years after one had been organized in England, and began the practice of immersion three years before the British Baptists.

Luther Rice (1785-1836)

By the time he entered Williams College in 1807, Rice wrote, "I have deliberately made up my mind to preach the gospel to the heathen." Here and at Andover Seminary, he came in contact with other missionary-minded young men. They petitioned the General Association of Massachusetts to send them to foreign lands. Rice's name and James Richards' appeared last of six names, and they were struck off

by the man presenting the petition "for fear of alarming the association with too large a number" of volunteers.

Rice later was given permission to go to India "on condition that he would occasion them no additional expense but provide for his own outfit and raise the money for his passage." After he and the Judsons became Baptist, it was necessary for him to return to this country to organize the independent Baptist churches for the support of foreign missions. The first Baptist convention in North America, meeting in 1814, was a tribute to his genius.

Ann Hameltine Judson (1789-1826)

Unlike Luther Rice's fiancé, Ann Hameltine Judson shared her sweetheart's call to the foreign field. She and Adoniram Judson sailed for India fourteen days after their marriage, being sent by a Congregationalist group. Because they knew that they would be staying with British Baptist missionaries for a time, they searched the Scriptures in order to be able to defend infant baptism. Ann wrote her parents, "After closely examining the subject for several weeks, we were constrained to acknowledge that the truth appeared to be on the Baptist side." Shortly after reaching Burma they were baptized by William Ward.

The Judsons settled in Burma. Many of their co-workers died or returned to the States; only one of their babies lived; it took six years to gain one convert, and Judson was imprisoned where he would have died without Ann's care. After thirteen years of hardship and self-sacrifice, Ann died. Her dedicated life has chal-

lenged countless others to accept the call of foreign missions (tell story on page 6).

J. L. Shuck (1814-1863)

In 1833, J. L. and Henrietta Hall Shuck sailed for China. This enlarged the missionary vision of American Baptists. The women of the South were especially impressed by this lovely Virginian woman. They were proud to hear that she opened at Hong Kong the first school for Chinese girls.

Shuck organized the first Baptist church in China in 1843. Soon thereafter he returned to the States. The Triennial Convention had taken the stand that no missionary could be appointed who was a slaveholder. Southern Baptists felt they could not support a Board which made such restrictions. Two years later at Augusta, Georgia, on May 8, 1845, the Southern Baptist Convention was formed "to elicit, combine, and direct Southern Baptist mission work." Shuck was the first appointee of this board. He returned to China where he organized the first Baptist church in Shanghai. His last years were spent under the Home Mission Board, and he has the distinction of founding the first Chinese Baptist Church in America in California.

Henry Allen Tupper (1828-1902)

Henry Allen Tupper's father was a railroad president, and he wanted his son to be a businessman. His mother, however, determined that her children would have a religious education. One of his earliest memories was attending a missionary meeting with her and hearing a choir of Negroes sing. He determined to go to Africa as a missionary.

Though this dream was never realized, he did become secretary of the Foreign Mission Board in 1872 and saw the work expand to Mexico, Brazil, and Japan. He was a friend of the women's organizations. "Refuse to be discouraged by opposition," he told them. "No good thing has ever failed to arouse opposition. The great lever for overcoming it is kindness." Under his

guidance, "Central" committees for women's work were set up in each state. These developed until in 1888 they came together to form themselves into Woman's Missionary Union. He reasoned, "If one sex neglects our Lord's Great Commission, the other should not be compelled to do the same."

Fannie E. S. Heck (1862-1915)

After the Civil War, Fannie Heck's parents moved to Raleigh, N. C., where they were prominent in the civic, social, and religious life of the city. Miss Heck was a beautiful woman and skilled as a writer, painter, horsewoman, and woodcarver. She is remembered best, however, for her untiring efforts on behalf of Woman's Missionary Union. It is said "panting time toiled after her in vain."

She was president of Woman's Missionary Union three times over for a period of fifteen years. Only thirty years old when elected in 1892, she was described as "a profound Bible student, a forceful speaker, a keen executive, a gracious and graceful presiding officer."

During her presidency, the WMU Training School was founded, mission study was inaugurated, *Royal Service* was started, a department of personal service was begun, and the Year Book first published. The part of the Lottie Moon offering allocated for training schools abroad is given each year in her memory.

Leader's Conclusion

We too have difficult tasks to do with all our might. May we pray about them (*All heads bowed.*)

First, let us thank God for the example of those who have gone before (*pause*). Then let us pray about our own witness (*pause*).

May we pray that we will be better informed about what we believe as Baptists (*pause*).

Let us pray that we will be remembered as ones who worshiped God in sincerity and truth (*pause*).



1958 Prayer Motto: Day by Day for the World I Pray

Woman's Missionary Union has expressed the overwhelming realization that it is through prayer that Baptists will move forward for Christ during the Jubilee Years (1959-1964); therefore this five-year period has been proclaimed as an "Era of Prayer." Will you pray daily with devotion, in penitence and faith?

Prepared by Mrs. Encil Deen

1 Saturday And Jesus . . . saith unto them, Have faith in God. Mark 11:22.

Give of thy sons to bear the message glorious;
Give of thy wealth to speed them on their way;

Pour out thy soul for them in prayer victorious;

And all thou spendest Jesus will repay.
—MARY A. THOMPSON

Churches throughout the Southern Baptist Convention are observing Christian Stewardship Week October 28-November 2. When we learn stewardship like the Christians of Taiwan we shall have no lack of missionaries or money. The sixteen churches comprising the Taiwan Baptist Convention, gripped with the spirit of missions, have sent out their first missionary to a nearby island.

Pray that such a spirit of missions may grip the more than 8 million Southern Baptists in our Convention.

PRAY today for Mrs. Antonio Ramos, Havana, Cuba, Rev. Oscar Hill, Roswell, N. M., among Spanish-speaking, Josephine Hill, (F); Shirley Jackson, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, Mrs. Dottson Mills, Buenos Aires, Argentina, Oleta Snell, Santiago, Chile, ex.; Helen Ruth Masters, Ire, Nigeria, RN; Elizabeth Gray, Malaya, RN; Rev. L. C. Quarles, Argentina, retired.

2 Sunday Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Matt. 6:10.

But still I'll pray till heaven I've found,
"Lord, lead me on to higher ground!"
—JOHNSON OATMAN, JR.

God sometimes uses the home-going of a Christian to stir hearts. The entire vacation Bible school at Cative Mission was saddened by the sudden death of the student-missionary pastor's wife, a consecrated and respected person in that sinful community in the Canal Zone. W. C. Parker continued the school and on commencement night used the life of this wonderful Christian worker as an example of how God can save a life and then use it for His glory. Ten professions of faith resulted, the majority being Bible school pupils. Mr. Parker urges, "Please pray that God will continue to use the influence of the Christians in Cative to bring many unsaved people to Him."

PRAY also for Mrs. Adriano Robles, San Blas, Panama, ex. among Spanish-speaking; Mr. Winifred L. Smith, San Jose, Costa Rica, lan. st.; Mrs. L. M. Bratcher, Brazil, Pearl Todd, China-Japan, retired.

NOTE: In line with the subject of the November program in *Royal Service*, "The Ransomed Shall Come with Songs," prayer phrases from songs in *Broadman Hymnal* have been used in connection with each day's "Call to Prayer" this month.

2 Monday Continue in prayer Col. 4:2. Oh, we never can know what the Lord will bestow
Of the blessings for which we have prayed,
Till our body and soul He doth fully control,
And our all on the altar is laid.

—ELISHA A. HORTSMAN

Of our ten Orient mission areas, eight have theological seminaries. Hawaiian young people attend our seminaries in the States and Pakistan's actual program of work has not yet begun.

In requesting prayer that these eight seminaries shall provide adequate national leadership for Baptist life in the Orient in the years ahead, Dr. J. Winston Crawley, Orient secretary, says, "We measure the strategic importance of these seminaries, not in terms of their size, age, facilities, or present status, but in terms of the tremendous potential of the trained spiritual leaders in the evangelization of the lands of Asia." Pray that God will call out students for these seminaries.

PRAY also for Mrs. Mario Grimaldo, Tex., ev. among Spanish-speaking: Vivian Wilson, Granite City, Ill., GWC; Mrs. S. L. Isaacs, HMB, retired; Mrs. G. H. Kollmar, Barranquilla, Colombia, Hannah Lee Barlow, Lucy Belle Stokes, Tokyo, Japan, Rev. William H. McGinnis,* Ghana, Rev. Burley E. Cader, Bahia, Brazil, ev.; annual meetings, California WMU, Santa Rosa, 3-4, Kansas WMU, Topeka, 3-4, New Mexico WMU, Alamo-gordo, 3-4, Michigan WMU, Detroit, 3

4 Tuesday Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you 1 Peter 5:7.

And since He bids me seek His face,
Believe His word and trust His grace,
I'll cast on Him my every care,
And wait for thee, sweet hour of prayer.

—WILLIAM W. WALFORD

World unrest in many areas subjects our missionaries to physical danger, our buildings to damage, and a slowing-down of progress in our work.

A missionary from a Latin American country writes, "Because of the early curfew enforced for several weeks (after a political revolt) our missionary organizations could not meet and now we are practically having to begin all over again in some work." Pray for these troubled areas where we have missionary work and for our workers there.

PRAY for Ila Ruth Jennings, Berkeley, Calif., ev. among deaf; Mrs. Travis Berry, Sao Paulo, Brazil, Rev. J. Utman Moss,* Venezuela, ev.; Dr. Samuel R. J. Cannata, Jr., Salisbury, So. Rhodesia, Ian. st.

5 Wednesday And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work 2 Cor. 9:8.

Let us pray that grace may everywhere abound:

Send the light! Send the light!
And a Christ-like spirit everywhere be found,
Send the light! Send the light!

—CHARLES H. GABRIEL

Several years ago an 80-year-old Hungarian woman was converted at the Miami Good Will Center. She gave her testimony, "I was like one who walked in darkness all of my life until they gave me my Bible and gave me the Light!" Mrs. Minnell Graves, director of the GWC reminds us that there are many hundreds of people around the Center who still walk in darkness. Pray for all those who live so near these "light houses" and still dwell in darkness.

PRAY also for Mrs. Milton S. Leach, Sr., Kingsville, Tex., ev. among Spanish-speaking; Mrs. Miguel Colleiro, Guines, Cuba, ev.; Rev. Joe M. Conley, Nashville, Tenn., ev. among Negroes, Myrtle Salter, Atlanta, Ga., GWC; Mrs. Samuel DeBord, Mbeya, Tanganyika, RN; Rufus E. Hodges, Jr.,* Nigeria, ed. ev.; Mrs. J. H. McTyre, San Jose, Costa Rica, Ian. st.; Mrs. A. P. Pierson, Torreon, Mexico, Mrs. Leroy Benefield,* Philippines, ev.

6 Thursday I had fainted, unless I had believed to see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living Psalm 27:13.

Prayer is the Christian's vital breath,
The Christian's native air.

His watchword at the gate of death; He enters heaven with prayer.

—JAMES MONTGOMERY

After many months spent in a Communist prison in China, Dr. F. Olig Stockwell was amazed at the ways God had answered his prayers. "But His answer is always in harmony with our deepest need and to the end that we may become more truly sons and daughters of His." Among his unusual answers to prayer was the gift of poetry God gave him during his confinement. From his pen came this gem:

"God answers prayer!

Not as a pinching miser would,
Weighing out each ounce of food
On skimpy scale for fear he should
Turn gain to loss in surly mood;
But grants us all we ask and more,
Poured forth in love from His rich store

PRAY today for Reinaldo Machado, Matanzas, Cuba, ev.; Mrs. Lawrence Thibodeaux, Washington, La., ev. among French; Mrs. John Lake, Honolulu, Hawaii, ev.; John McTyre, San Jose, Costa Rica, Ian. st.; Frances Hammett, Shaki, Nigeria, RN

7 Friday After this manner pray ye: Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name Matt. 6:9.

I would be prayerful through each busy moment;

I would be constantly in touch with God;

I would be tuned to hear the slightest whisper;

I would have faith to keep the path Christ trod.

—HOWARD A. WALTER

Among recently-appointed missionaries are Mr. and Mrs. James F. McKinley who will serve in Pakistan. Mr. McKinley, in telling of his call which came during his first semester at Wayland College, said he was continually reminded of his responsibility to world missions by a Japanese and a Chinese roommate. Pray that the presence of foreign students on our campuses may remind our youth of responsibility to world missions.

PRAY for Ethel Estill, Birmingham, Ala., GWC; Mr. Heriberto Rodriguez, Ranchuelo, Ernestina Mesa, Lajas, Cuba, ev.; Medwyn D. Garbarino, Grand Isle, La., ev. among French; Mrs. Ernest Glass, Singapore, Malaya, Mrs. Trueman Moore, Dacca, E. Pakistan, Leland Harper, Asuncion, Paraguay, Mrs. H. D. Olive, Baguio, Philippines, ev.; Georgia Mae Ogburn,* Chile, ed. ev.; Dr. Nelson A. Bryen, China-Korea, retired

8 Saturday Now I beseech you, brethren, for the Lord Jesus Christ's sake, and for the love of the Spirit, that ye strive together with me in your prayers to God for me Rom. 15:30.

O watch and fight and pray;

The battle never give over;

Renew it boldly every day,

And help divine implore.

—GEORGE HEATH

"In August, 1943, Missionary Frazier and some Indians from another village started making adobe bricks to build a church but the Indian Council refused to grant land on which to build. No indication was given that any other decision could be reached until the day after the missionary's name appeared on the calendar of prayer. The Council changed its mind and voted the request"

—L. O. Gairrth, Home Mission Board.

PRAY today for Rev. Stephen Gover, Weatherford, Okla., ev. among Indians; Mrs. Tom Law, Jr., Havana, Cuba, Mrs. Chester Young, Honolulu, Hawaii, ev.; Mrs. W. H. Berry, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, ed. ev.; Rev. Melvin K. Wasson,* Nigeria, med. ev.; Mrs. Marlin Hicks, El Paso, Tex., Spanish Publishing House



9 Sunday And ye shall be witnesses unto me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth Acts 1:8.

For the sin-sick and worn,
The weak and overborne,
All who in darkness mourn,
Pray, work, yet more.

—FANNIE E. S. HECK

"New York's huge metropolitan population provides the most strategic missionary area facing the church," an outstanding churchman told a layman's group.

In this vast area of need where 60 different races live, Southern Baptists have established a "parent" church from which other places of worship will be organized in outlying districts. Dr. Paul S. James, director of Southern Baptist work in greater New York and pastor of the parent church, requests that we pray for "an increasing witness by our people in this vast concentration of urban development where 50 per cent are Protestant." Pray for this pioneer work and for Dr. James.

PRAY for A. T. Bequer, Cienfuegos, Anibal Espinosa, Havana, Cuba, Mrs. R. L. Locke, Port Harcourt, Nigeria, ev.

10 Monday O give thanks unto the Lord; for he is good: for his mercy endureth forever Psalm 106:1.

O how praying rests the weary!
Prayer will change the night to day;
So, when life seems dark and dreary,
Don't forget to pray.

—MAR. M. A. KIDDER

A beautiful Japanese Christian, though having all the comforts of life, wanted a child so desperately that she counseled with Mrs. C. K. Dozier tearfully expressing the longing of her heart. Years passed during which she and Mrs. Dozier prayed and studied God's Word together. God worked



OF COURSE God answers prayer—but just a moment, please. Prayer is far more than petition, request and intercession. It is first and foremost adoration, thanksgiving and praise. Render therefore unto the Lord His due. Let your heart be filled with worship, even as you approach God's throne with your petitions. The God who answers prayer loves to hear His children pray. Let us then be about this heavenly business, the first thing in the morning, the last thing at night, and often in between. Let us maintain our prayer contact with our Father who loves us and who doeth all things well—Charles J. Woodbridge in *Tell Us Please*.

(The Fleming H. Revell Company, Westwood, New Jersey).

and today Mayimi (True Mercy), a lovely little girl, blesses the home. The happy young mother says, "I am resolved to tell others so that they may know that God hears and answers prayer." Do you thank God for answered prayer? Pray for this Japanese family.

PRAY for Mrs. Anibal Espinosa, Havana, Andres Rodriguez, Marianao, Cuba, ev.; Rev. Carlos Ramirez, San Angelo, Tex., Andres Viera, Bakersfield, Calif., ev. among Spanish-speaking; Rev. Horace E. Fisher, Chandler, Ariz., ev. among Indians; Laura Frances Snow, Santiago, Chile, ev.; annual meeting Oklahoma WMU, Oklahoma City, 10-11

11 Tuesday Lead me in thy truth, and teach me: for thou art the God of my salvation: on thee do I wait Psalm 25:5.

Now hear me while I pray,
Take all my guilt away,
O let me from this day
Be wholly Thine!

—RAY PALMER

Not long after an Indian woman became a Christian and a member of the Seminole Indian Baptist Church she was absent from the WMS meeting. The next day she was at the church and when the invitation was given she walked down the aisle and told her missionary pastor, Genus Crenshaw, "Yesterday I went to town instead of attending the WMS meeting. I sinned against God. I have not been a Christian very long. I want all the members to pray for me, that I will be a better Christian than that!" Pray for enlistment chairmen in our WMU organizations, that mission concern may be increased.

PRAY for Gladys Hopewell, Tainan, Taiwan, ev.; Elaine Crotwell, Davao City, Philippines, Alma Rohm, Nigeria, ed. ev.; Rev. D. F. Stumpa, China-Hawaii, retired; annual meeting Arizona WMU, Tucson, 11-12

12 Wednesday O give thanks unto the Lord; call upon his name: make known his deeds among the people Psalm 103:1.

Haste thee on from grace to glory,
Armed by faith, and winged by prayer...
Hope shall change to glad fruition,
Faith to sight, and prayer to praise.

—HENRY F. LYTE

Prayer is a powerful force and instrument in the life of a Christian as evidenced by a woman member of Louis A. Sealey's church in Panama. She has given testimony to the entire membership of the church by her deep faith and her prayer life. Though in constant pain and "sick unto death," God has brought her from the very door of death to almost complete recovery. She is convinced that "The Lord has done great things for us; whereof we are glad." Pray for the Christians of Panama and for the 56 missionaries serving Southern Baptists in Panama and the Canal Zone.

PRAY today for Mr. Emiliano Miranda, Bocas del Torro, Panama, Mrs. Enrique Larroide, Guanajay, Cuba, ev.; Guillermo Godinez, Clovis, Mr. Aurelio Hurtado, Tans, N. M., ev. among Spanish-speaking; Mrs. Luk-Tin Cheung, El Paso, Tex., ev. among Chinese; Mrs. W. A. Hickman, Jr., Asuncion, Paraguay, ed. ev.; Dr. Hal Boone, Mbepa, Tanganyika, MD

13 Thursday My soul, wait thou only upon God, for my expectation is from him Psalm 82:5.

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing;
Our Helper, He, amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing.

—MARTIN LUTHER

The head of the US Army's missile development program expressed his belief in prayer during a press interview just before

taking over his Pentagon duties. Lt. General Arthur G. Trudeau stated, "The challenge of prayer is greater than the sending up of satellites. The problem of peace is more fundamental than the problem of space and man clearly does not seem to be able to solve it on his own." Pray that America may know that her strength is in God and not in weapons of destruction.

PRAY also for Mrs. John P. Johnson, Napoleonville, La., ev. among French; Rev. Bailey Sewell, Okla., ev. among Indians; Dr. James M. Young, Jr., Gaza, MD; Mr. Don C. Jones, Taejon, Korea, Mrs. W. W. Graves, Buenos Aires, Argentina, Mr. Earl R. Martin, Nairobi, Kenya, Rev. John A. Poe, Sao Paulo, Brazil, ev.; Mrs. J. T. Williams, Dr. R. E. L. Mewshaw, China, retired; annual meeting, Georgia WMU, Atlanta, 13-14

14 Friday And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold John 10:16.

If you only knew my Saviour,
Knew His tender loving care,
Knew His heart of great compassion,
You would go to Him in prayer.

—LIZZIE DEARMON

One of the greatest joys of a missionary comes in the winning of one of her own household to faith in Jesus. The gardener, a strict Moslem, had prayed loud and long each day to Allah and had repeatedly refused to listen to the story of Jesus. One day he surprised Marjorie Jones by coming to her and saying, "I'll go with you to church today." Moshi became regular in attendance, one day accepted the Saviour and proved his conversion by breaking his prayer beads, tearing up his Koran, and throwing away his jujū. On hearing the story of the lost sheep his response was, "Yes, I know all about that sheep. I was one, too, one day." Pray that the Good Shepherd may add many to His fold in Ghana where this gardener lives.

PRAY for Marjorie Jones, Kumasi, Ghana, Mrs. J. W. Shephard, Jr., Fukuoka City, Japan, Mrs. Emit Ray, Nassau, Bahamas, ev.; Mrs. Melbina Roberts, HMB, retired; Mrs. James L. Garrett, Baia, Brazil, ed. ev.; Dr. Shelby W. Vance, So. Rhodesia, MD

15 Saturday But other (seed) fell into good ground, and brought forth fruit, some an hundredfold, some sixtyfold, some thirtyfold Matt. 13:8.

Sowing the Word with prayer and endeavor,
Trusting the Lord for growth and for yield.

—W. A. OGDEN

The 500-mile journey from Flagstaff, Arizona, to Pravo, Utah, is a long, beautiful drive. Until January 1, 1958, when the Home Mission Board placed missionary Robert Wayman at Richfield, Utah, there was no Baptist church along this entire trail. Will you pray for this small mission and for the pioneering pastor?

PRAY also for Josh Eugene Ibarra, Mrs. Emmett Rodriguez, Kerrville, Tex., ev. among Spanish-speaking; Mrs. Harmon Popham, Whiterocks, Utah, ev. among Indians; Dr. Lorne E. Brown, Tanganyika, MD



16 Sunday I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith 2 Tim. 4:7.

Ready to go, ready to hear,
Ready to watch and pray.

—S. E. L.

Today Bertha Smith "becomes of age." This is her way of referring to her birthday which marks retirement for her and her "long turlough!" In giving plans leading up to her trip home she states that she will visit mission stations throughout the Orient and will finish up her last meeting on Saturday night. Then comes the "sell-out, give-away, pack-up, and get-off." Pray for this veteran missionary, Miss Bertha Smith, as she makes her plans to retire.

PRAY also for Rev. William Yardy, Shawnee, Okla., ev. among Indians; Mr. John Dickerson, Wasilla, Alaska, Mrs. W. E. Craighead, Paraguay, Helen Nixon, Rosario, Argentina, ev.; Emelle Brooks, Nigeria, RN; Mrs. Cecil Golden, San Jose, Costa Rica, lan. st.; Dr. V. Lovell Seats, Nigeria, ed. ev.

17 Monday If the world hate you, ye know that it hated me before it hated you John 15:18.

Have we trials and temptations?
Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged,
Take it to the Lord in prayer.

—JOHN SCRIVEN

Young people of Thailand are eager for knowledge, and the English classes offered at our Baptist Student Center have afforded a means of acquainting them with Christ. However, it is not easy for one to accept

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Christ because of ridicule by fellow students. Mrs. P. A. Cline, missionary in Bangkok, tells of a high school student accepting Christ and because he refused to bow his head the next morning at school when the image of Buddha was worshiped (as is the daily custom in schools there), he was mocked and harangued even though admired as a top-ranking student academically. Pray that this young man may become a special channel of Christian witness among fellow students.

PRAY today for Mary Headen, HMB, retired; Mrs. Fintley Graham, Beirut, Lebanon, Rev. Ted O. Badger,* Philippines, Mrs. L. A. Lovegren,* Jordan, Mrs. F. L. Hawkins, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, Mrs. Judson Lennon, Bangkok, Thailand, Mrs. J. D. Ratliff,* Tegucigalpa, Honduras, Rev. Robert L. Carlisle, Jr., Montevideo, Uruguay, ev., Betty, Jean Ray Carlisle, MF

18 Tuesday For the love of Christ constraineth us 2 Cor. 5:14.

Hear Thou the prayer I make
On bended knee;
This is my earnest plea:
More love, O Christ, to Thee!

—ELIZABETH PRENTISS

Dr. Eugene L. Hill, secretary for Missionary Education and Promotion, FMB, told a group of missionary-minded women that Jesus set the pattern and every Christian must be concerned about the world. "With a population approaching three billion and over one half not sufficiently clothed and fed, millions must die because of lack of physical needs. Many more millions will die never having heard John 3:16."

Intercession is the secret of missionary advance. Pray that every Christian may pray, "Lord, what wilt thou have me to do?"

PRAY also for Mrs. Hilario Valdez, Rev. Antonio Martinez, Cardenas, Cuba, ev.; Erlene Howard, Albuquerque, N. M., ev. among Spanish-speaking; Lucy B. Wright, Pusan, Korea, RN; Rev. Samuel H. Cockburn, Buenos Aires, Argentina, Rev. Harvey Walworth, Hermosillo, Mexico, Rev. Carl F. Yarnell, Jr., Penang, Malaya, ev.; Rev. James D. Crane, Coahuila, Mexico, ed. ev.; Mrs. E. M. Bortick, Mrs. E. L. Morgan, Dr. C. H. Westbrook, China, Mrs. J. E. Davis,

Mexico, Mrs. G. W. Strother, Malaya, retired; annual meeting South Carolina WMU, Charleston, 18-20

19 Wednesday Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, whom he hath redeemed from the hand of the enemy Psalm 107:2.

O for a thousand tongues to sing
My great Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my God and King,
The triumphs of His grace.

—CHARLES WENZEL

We shall sing these lines many times during this year. Ask yourself if you are using the one tongue you have to tell others of Jesus and His love.

A news brief from London quotes Kom-somskaja Pravda, an organ of the Communist youth organization, as making an odd complaint against Russian Baptists. "They are particularly dangerous, for among them the laymen are evangelists. Every Russian Baptist tries to win at least one adherent to his faith." This communication, with the statement by Dr. John Mackay that the question facing all Christians living in Iron Curtain countries is the same. "At what point do you lay down your life?" should challenge us to personal witnessing and to prayer for our courageous Iron Curtain brethren.

PRAY for Rev. S. E. Grinstead, Nashville, Tenn., ev. among Negroes; Vada Mace Waldron, Mendoza, Argentina, ed. ev.

20 Thursday And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me John 12:32.

Few there are who seem to care, and few
there are who pray;
Melt my heart and fill my life, Give me
one soul today.

—WILL H. HOUGHTON

"It is in ignorance . . . that Jews yet abide in unbelief. . . . The age of enmity has passed. The age of inquiry has begun. . . . Only let the church commend her Lord . . . only let Him be lifted up, conspicuous and clear, before their eyes and sooner or later their hearts will go out to Him and their long wanderings will be over."—Rev. George Mackenzie, from Salvation Monthly. Pray for Jesus in your community.

PRAY for Mrs. Gilbert Ramos, Casa Grande, Ariz., Rev. David Espurroa, Uvalde, Tex., ev. among Spanish-speaking, Adam Espurroa, MF; Rev. Lee Auliff, Felix E. Buldwin, HMB, retired; Mrs. W. L. Clinton, Sao Paulo, Brazil, ev.

21 Friday Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you John 15:14.

At the place of prayer Jesus waits for you,
Did you meet Him there? Did you pray
it through?

—REV. W. C. POOLE

Many problems faced the Earle Peacocks as they struggled to know God's will for their lives. Their concern in leaving a sick father, the pull of the church where the Lord had greatly used them, the expectation of a new addition to the family, with the prospect of perhaps being sent to a mission post a thousand miles from a doctor, loomed large. The more he prayed, recounted the missionary candidate, the more he came to believe that he and his family "were far better off in the center of God's will in the heart of Brazil or Africa than out of God's will in the midst of hospitals, luxury, and ease." Pray for Rev. and Mrs. Earle Peacock as they begin missionary service in Brazil.

PRAY also for Mrs. Victor Kaneubbe, Philadelphia, Miss., ev. among Indians; Rev. Dwight L. Baker, Nazareth, Israel, Rev. David Mein, Rev. Barry Mitchell, Pernambuco, Brazil, ev.; Lawanda Couch,* Nigeria, RN; Mrs. Frederick Horton, Fukuoka City, Japan, Marjorie Stephens, Oshogbo, Nigeria, Mrs. S. B. Sears, Surabaya, Indonesia, ed. ev.; Mrs. Franklin Fowler, Guadalajara, Mexico, RN

22 Saturday And this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith 1 John 5:4.

Let me at thy throne of mercy
Find a sweet relief;
Kneeling there in deep contrition,
Help my unbelief.

—FANNIE J. CROSSY

The Sim family, one of two Baptist families who lost all their material possessions in a fire in Cotabato City, Philippines, used the experience to point out to their children the futility of putting hope and trust in things which can be burned up and the importance of looking to God, the source of eternal help. "It is often true that we missionaries learn faith—in the implicit stage—from the nationals" says Mrs. Howard D. Olive. Pray for these two Filipino families.

PRAY also for Mrs. Alan G. Johnson, Sacramento, Calif., ev. among Spanish-speaking; Mrs. David Torries, Havana, Cuba, Mrs. Alcides Lozano, La Chorrera, Panama, ev.; Clea Harrison, Mindanao, Philippines, ed. ev.



23 Sunday Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ Gal. 6:2.

Lord, help me live from day to day
In such a self-forgetful way
That even when I kneel to pray
My prayer shall be for—Others.

—C. D. MEIGS

A young seminary student became despondent and decided to quit school. He packed to leave but something held him back. He tried to wind up his business at the school but other "doors" closed, all seeming to indicate that he should remain. Miguel Lopez unpacked and stayed. He later discovered that his name had been on the calendar of prayer as a student missionary the day he felt "held back." Today he is one of Southern Baptists' finest missionaries and knows now that what seemed odd coincident was God's answer to the concerted prayers of people around the world. Pray for the 216 missionaries ministering to the Spanish-speaking in our country.

PRAY for Mrs. Donald Levy, Havana, Cuba, ev.; Rev. Don M. Kim, Los Angeles, Calif., ev. among Koreans; Dr. William Skinner, Asuncion, Paraguay, MD; Hazel-dean Hibbard, Oyo, Nigeria, RN; Rev. Ross C. Coggins, Bandung, Indonesia, pub. ev.; Mrs. Laverne Gregory,* Chile, ev.; Mrs. E. S. Swensson, Argentina, retired

24 Monday Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil Eph. 6:11.

Put on the gospel armour, and, watching
unto prayer,
Where duty calls, or danger, be never
wanting there.

—GEORGE DUFFIELD

"Our forces in Korea are few, we need missionaries right now. There are six stations where evangelistic couples could begin work today if they were here and had finished initial language study. Be praying with us this year that the love of Christ will grow in many hearts. And be praying especially that qualified pastors throughout the Southern Baptist Convention may surrender their lives to service in this vital field."—DANIEL B. RAY, Korea, The Commission.

PRAY today for Rev. L. H. Gunn, III,

ev. among deaf; Mr. Francisco Diaz, San Blas, Panama, ev. among Indians, Francisco Diaz, Jr., MF; Mrs. James G. Phelps, Clontier, La., ev. among French; Dr. Robert M. Wright, Pusan, Korea, MD; Mrs. A. F. Garner, Santa Fe, Argentina, ev.

25 Tuesday And it came to pass in those days, that he went out into the mountain to pray, and continued all night in prayer to God Luke 8:12.

And since He bids me seek His face,
Believe His Word and trust His grace,
I'll cast on Him my every care,
And wait for thee, Sweet hour of prayer.
—W. W. WALTON

One hundred and nineteen acres of land had been given for a Baptist assembly for Negroes but there was no money for buildings. A small group of Negro Baptists prayed one night, "Lord, open our eyes that we may see Thy way." God showed the way and today, in Mississippi, stands the Sophia Sutton Assembly Auditorium, a beautiful building of steel and concrete. This is the first of a unit of buildings planned. Pray that money for needed living quarters and for financing an assembly program may be provided. Pray for the 62 missionaries of the Home Mission Board who work with Negroes.

PRAY for Humberto Dominguez, Guaymas, Cuba, ev. among Spanish-speaking; Beverly Ricketts, Miami, Fla., GWC; Gertrude Hart, Jackson, Miss., ev. among Negroes; Rev. Sam Hider, Jay, Okla., ev. among Indians; Rev. Albert H. Dyson, Jr., Iwo, Nigeria, Rev. George S. Lozok, San Cristobal, Venezuela, ev.; Lois C. Glass, Keelung, Taiwan, ed. ev.

26 Wednesday O come, let us worship and bow down: let us kneel before the Lord our maker Psalm 95:6.

Our prayer attend: Come and Thy people bless,
And give Thy Word success;
Spirit of holiness, On us descend.

—ANONYMOUS

Sounds of "Baba, Mwana, Roho" (Father, Son, Spirit), sung to the tune of "Holy, Holy, Holy," filled the air each morning as school-age children met for the worship period. The scene was the little day nursery building in the Shauri Moyo community of Nairobi, Kenya, where 85 girls and boys were attending the vacation Bible school sponsored by our missionaries in East Africa. "They hungered to hear the stories about Jesus and His love for them—they

thrilled at the simple handwork—they learned Scripture verses," reports Earl R. Martin, missionary. That the people of East Africa are hungry for the gospel is apparent on every side. Pray for more laborers for the harvest in all East Africa.

PRAY also for Ruth Evelyn Peer, Baltimore, Md., GWC; Mrs. Maximo Vazquez, Melena del Sur, Cuba; Rev. Benjamin J. Yelvington, Santa Fe, N. M., ev. among Indians; Mrs. W. H. Carson, Ophomoshu, Nigeria, ed. ev.; Rev. W. W. Enete, Brazil, Mrs. O. W. Taylor, Iwo, Nigeria, Mrs. Miles Seaborn, Jr., Philippines, ev.; Rev. J. L. Hart, Chile, retired

27 Thursday Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving Psalm 95:2.

For all the blessings of the year,
For all the friends we hold so dear
For peace on earth, both far and near,
We thank Thee, Lord.

For love of Thine, which never tires,
Which all our better thought inspires,
And warms our lives with heavenly fires,
We thank Thee, Lord.

—ALBERT H. HUTCHINSON

PRAY today for Mrs. Eddie Sanchez, Eagle Pass, Tex., Mrs. Nelson Rodriguez, Rio Blanco, Cuba, ev., Moises Rodriguez, MF; Mrs. Jesus Rios, Los Angeles, Calif., ev. among Spanish-speaking, Rachel, Gilberto Rios, MF; Rev. Minor Davidson, Penang, Malaya, Mr. Calvin Parker, Kanazawa City, Japan, Mrs. R. T. Plampin, Sao Paulo, Brazil, Miriam Willis, Paraguay, Rev. Sidney Goldfinch, Asuncion, Paraguay, ev., Albert L., and S. Langston Goldfinch, Jr., MF; Mrs. Charles W. Davis, San Jose, Costa Rica, lan. st.; Bertha Jane Marshall, Tokyo, Japan, RN; Mrs. S. L. Watson, Brazil, retired

28 Friday Their prayer came up to his holy dwelling place, even unto heaven 2 Chron 30:27.

The world to Christ we bring,
With fervent prayer.

—SAMUEL WALCOTT

Troublesome days have come upon Indonesia—a country of three thousand islands sprawled across three thousand miles of an important area of the world.

The unsettled political condition in Cuba threatens the progress of the churches there and according to Dr. Herbert Caudill, Havana, "A change of government or a change of policy of the present government could imperil our liberty." Pray for countries

around the world where religious liberty is at stake; pray for national Christians, our missionaries.

PRAY today for Mrs. Hubert O. Hurt, Havana, Cuba, ev.; Mrs. Allen Seward, Va., GWC; Lucille H. Ladd, New Orleans, La., rescue worker; Mrs. D. A. Dalby, Long Beach, Calif., ev. among Indians; Dr. Robert L. Lambright, Bandung, Indonesia, MD; Martha Morrison, Hawaii, Mrs. Ray Shelton, San Carlos, Uruguay, ev.

29 Saturday Hear my cry, O God; attend unto my prayer Psalm 61:1.

Forgive me for the many things I've left undone
Some soul now wandering, lost in sin, I might have won.

—CORINNE WILLIAMS

Although the seven stations in Southern Rhodesia were not adequately staffed, plans were in the making for opening work in Northern Rhodesia and Nyasaland. Two couples were already making plans to proceed to these new fields. Alas, new recruits for Southern Rhodesia to fill the places left vacant by these experienced couples were not forthcoming. Dr. Goerner, secretary for Africa, Europe, and the Near East, tells of the sad day when the decision was made to postpone this work another year. "If the heartache here could be shared throughout the Southern Baptist Convention there would be scores of volunteers offering themselves for mission service." Pray for these needed recruits so that work may be opened in these two fields.

PRAY also for Mrs. A. T. Cabrera, Balen, Rev. Pedro Carranza, Alamogordo, N. M., ev. among Spanish-speaking; Rev. John O. Johnson, Napoleonville, La., ev. among French; Mrs. T. B. Hawkins, Rosario, Argentina, Mrs. W. S. Wester, Gatoama, So. Rhodesia, Nannie Owens, Agbor, Nigeria, Richard T. Plampin, Sao Paulo, Brazil, ev.; Alberta Steward, Brazil, ed. ev.

30 Sunday Give unto the Lord the glory due unto his name; bring an offering and come into his courts Psalm 96:8.

Thou we would be always blessing,
Serve Thee as Thy hosts above,
Pray, and praise Thee without ceasing,
Glory in Thy perfect love.

—CHARLES WEALEY

When the Lottie Moon offering exceeds the goal it means that additional funds can be used in mission areas around the world. Mary Sampson, Taiwan, expresses gratitude

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How are you with numbers?

for an appropriation of \$2,000 from the "over and above" of the Lottie Moon offering which purchased the land for the student center. "As we stood waist-deep in the golden wheat crop of the land, we prayed that the ripening grain might be symbolic of the harvest of souls the Lord is going to give us here in our enlarged student program that you have made possible through your gifts." Pray that the Lottie Moon offering this year may provide an "over and above" that additional needs may be met.

PRAY for Andres Garcia, Cruces, Cuba, John David Hopper, Berkeley, Calif., ev. among Spanish-speaking; Dr. John C. Abell, Jr., Eku, Nigeria, MD; Rev. Ernest Lee Hallaway, Jr., Yokohama, Japan, ev.

ed. educational	MF Margaret Fund student
ev. evangelism	* on furlough
GWC Good Will Center	pub. ex. publication evangelism
HMB Home Mission Board	RN nurse
lan. m. language study	SBH Sellen Baptist Home
med. ev. medical evangelism	sec. ex. secretarial evangelism
med. tech. medical technician	

PROGRAM

The Ransomed Shall Come with Songs

... to show forth His salvation ... in Taiwan

by Kate Chenault Maddy

Program Outline

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Devotional Time

Hymn: "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing," 129 Baptist Hymnal

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 45:10; Revelation 5:9-10, 15:3-4

Devotional Period: Songs of the Ransomed

While the book of Isaiah contains its obscurities and the Revelation poses its problems of interpretation, both are books of promise and hope.

When Isaiah began to prophesy, the people of Judah already had expectation of one day having a glorious King. Years before a promise had been made to David concerning the permanence of his dynasty (2 Sam. 7:16), and his descendants lived in constant hope of the realization of an ideal monarch.

As Isaiah searched for the real salvation of his people, he progressively introduced

the Messiah. He first described the Messiah as a helpless and innocent sufferer—a sufferer for the sins of others. Then he describes the coming One as a Deliverer. Finally he calls the promised One by name—Immanuel, "God with us."

Then when the prophet realized that salvation must be straight from God, he announced with expectation and assurance: "For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder; and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace."

In the New Testament we find the fulfillment of the promises God made through Isaiah. Jesus himself explained his presence in the world when he said, "The Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many" (Matt. 20:28).

Why should the ransomed come with songs?

The "beloved disciple" of our Lord knew something of the price which had been paid. No wonder in his vision on the little Isle of Patmos he heard the ransomed singing a new song, "For thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people and nation."

There can be no happy travelers on the highway of life until they have first been

set free by the ransom gift of salvation in Christ.

A letter from Vernon Richardson, visiting pastor in Taiwan, brought this observation: "Today in a Buddhist temple, I watched a woman pray fervently to statues of Buddha and other idols. She periodically threw to the floor two pieces of wood which, in the way they felt, were to indicate to her whether her prayer was answered or whether she should keep on praying. She was so sincere in her expression I had a feeling of utter pity and despair. How dark is her vision of God! No wonder joy is so great when a person accepts Jesus as Saviour and is freed from such fearful bondage." No matter how difficult the road of life may seem, there is always reason for song in the hearts of the ransomed.

When Daisy Lee of China and Taiwan reviewed the events in her life after she became a Christian she exclaimed, "My heart begins to sing the song I have loved very much, 'I am satisfied with Jesus. He has done so much for me!'"

Daisy Lee often sings this song because she remembers a time when her botanist father did not believe in the existence of God and when her mother had never heard the gospel.

Looking back over her life, most of what she remembers is wars, one after another, and her family's moving from place to place. Finally in 1949, because of Com-

munist control of China, her family moved to Taiwan. It was here that she graduated from high school and entered Taiwan University, and studied English under Miss Inabelle Coleman. She was one of a group of students which Miss Coleman invited into her home to study the Bible. Her curiosity and desire to become a better English student prompted her to accept the invitation. It was not long, however, before she became interested in the message of the Bible. By the end of the year she had accepted Jesus Christ as her personal Saviour.

The next year Daisy Lee came to the United States to study, first at Oklahoma Baptist University in Shawnee, Oklahoma. In the fall of 1956 she entered Bowman Gray School of Medicine in North Carolina "in order to serve better in His kingdom."

Her personal words of appreciation follow: "All these four years in the States have been wonderful years. The First Baptist Church of Tulsa, Oklahoma has been and is still helping me financially. All the people I have met and know have given me friendship, and all my Christian friends have granted me spiritual help and love. To all these I am very grateful.

"Still there is one thing for which I am most thankful. In these four years God has changed both of my parents and one of my brothers to be faithful Christ fol-



The Women's Missionary Society meeting in Keshung, Taiwan is not unlike the meeting you are having this month in your church

Photo by Wright

lowers."

So let the ransomed sing! "Sing unto the Lord, bless his name; shew forth his salvation from day to day."

Pray, thanking God for Jesus who gave his life "a ransom for many."

Pray also for the missionaries on the "Call to Prayer" today.

"BIG HARBOR ISLAND"

The Portuguese navigators called this green gem in the China Sea by the name, Formosa ("isle of beauty"), but the Chinese have renamed it Taiwan ("big harbor island").

Basically, the people of Taiwan (Formosa) are Chinese. The Taiwanese, who originally came from the southern coast of China, number about six million. Two million or more "mainland" Chinese have come to the island since 1948 in connection with moving the Nationalist government and armed forces. In addition to the Chinese there are several hundred thousand aboriginal mountain tribespeople. Thus, this little island, barely 240 miles long and about 90 miles wide, is the home of about nine million people.

Taiwan is a sub-tropical island about one hundred miles off the southeast coast of China. Rice, sugar, pineapple and tea

are the chief crops while papaya, orange, banana, mango, and eucalyptus trees flourish.

When the Chinese ceded Taiwan to Japan in 1895, the Japanese government was immediately interested in developing a greater food supply. The farm land was made to produce two abundant crops a year. One went to Japan and the other remained on the island. Today there are only a few Japanese living on the island.

Since December, 1949, Taiwan has been the seat of Nationalist China. When the Chinese Communist armies began to move from the northern borders of China down through the rich farming areas of central and southern China, things began to happen fast. Many fled without taking any possessions with them. Families were broken and homes destroyed. Wives and husbands, children and their parents were separated, perhaps never again to see each other. And many parents, anxious to continue the family name sent their prized, talented, beloved sons in large numbers to Taiwan. For these and others, surely Taiwan is a "big harbor island"—a place of protection and freedom.

A DECADE OF WITNESSING

Although Canadian and English Presbyterian missionaries have been in Taiwan

for more than eighty years, their work has been slow due to the small missionary forces and to opposition.

Our work began in 1948 when Miss Bertha Smith arrived in Taipei, having been forced from her field of service in North China. The Frontier Mission Board of the All-China Baptist Convention sent Pastor Yang Mei Tsai to be with her and help her in witnessing for Christ among the Chinese on the island. Miss Smith was the first Southern Baptist Mandarin-speaking missionary to enter Taiwan. This is the language spoken by nine tenths of China and has become the language of the province of Taiwan.

Together Miss Smith and the Chinese pastor began holding worship services in a former Buddhist temple. By 1949 they helped organize the first Baptist church on Taiwan.

Since most of the missionaries who came from China could speak Mandarin, and since the opportunities for witnessing among the Chinese were so great, it is natural that this group received the attention of the missionaries. However, our missionaries have been aware of the needs of the Taiwanese, the majority group on the island. Work has been started, but more missionaries who know the Taiwanese language are needed.

While the Taiwanese are Buddhist and their worship centers around the idol shelf in the home or in the temples, modern science and education are affecting many in their faithfulness to this religion. This turning away from an old religion presents a challenge to Southern Baptists to strengthen the work of the eternal God who is powerful as well as loving.

Last year Southern Baptists started work among a third group of people on the island who have been pushed back into the mountains by intruders, and are extremely anti-foreign. This was especially true during the Japanese occupation of the island. This group is composed of the original tribespeople who live in the mountains of eastern Taiwan. Until a com-

paratively few years ago, many of them were "headhunters."

Southern Baptists now have, in Taiwan, forty missionaries, five national pastors, and eighteen churches. Our work on this island will grow as we are able to send missionaries and train nationals, as we pray with greater burden, and bring gifts for Christ's kingdom work. Perhaps in no land where Southern Baptists witness are the opportunities for Christian advance greater or the "songs of the ransomed" so welcome. Traditions and cultures have been uprooted. Hardships, disappointments, and broken hearts have prepared especially the Chinese for the gospel. They can find security in nothing else, and a missionary strategically located can easily open a chapel, teach and preach, and within a short while people are won to Christ and the organization of a church takes place. All the people, Chinese and Taiwanese need and seem anxious for a new life which can only come through belief in our Saviour.

AREAS OF EVANGELISM

On Taiwan Southern Baptists from the beginning have emphasized evangelism, done chiefly through the churches. We do have some student work in the college and university centers, and five missionaries teach in government schools. And the Taiwan Baptist Theological Seminary trains Chinese and Taiwanese nationals for the important task of evangelism.

Through Churches: As has already been indicated, most of the chapels on Taiwan grow into churches. Sometimes a chapel is started from a Sunday school for children. Later evangelistic services are held and adults are invited. Sometimes a chapel springs from English Bible classes held in the homes of missionaries. Ofttimes a chapel is the result of an invitation to a missionary to teach English in a university or army center.

Grace Baptist Church of Taipei is an example of how a chapel begins, becomes a church, and grows in witness and church

PROGRAM PLANS for "The Ransomed Shall Come with Songs"

Reminders to Members: On postal cards draw a small map of Taiwan (see cover 2) and write me following:

Do you recognize this country?

It's faraway over the sea

Come to mission meeting

next

And you will learn its identity.

Program Presentation: After the devotional moments a panel chairman may take charge, assisted by three other members. She will give the introductory information in "Big Harbor Island" and "A Decade of Witnessing"; then with a sentence or two she will introduce "Areas of

Evangelism." The other panel members can alternate with the sub-topics under "Areas of Evangelism." The same person who gave devotional thoughts can close with "Living the Song." Then the prayer chairman can lead the closing meditation.

For an interest Center mount the Taiwan map on cover 2, and the front and back covers, using a colorful Chinese robe as a draped scarf, place these on a table at front of room. Oriental lacquered bowls, etc., will add to the interest.

Encourage Wild Members on program to tell in an interesting manner the information given in each discussion. Impress upon each one on program her importance in presenting missions interestingly; avoid reading.



Aboriginal congregation of the Bunun Tribe (see cover). Believers zealously seek to win others

membership. The initial group met in the home of our missionaries, Misses Josephine Ward, Ola Lea, and Inabelle Coleman. When Miss Coleman arrived in Taipei, missionaries Lea and Ward already had a well established Sunday afternoon Sunday school meeting in the yard under a bamboo tent and in the house.

Miss Coleman considered beginning a Sunday morning Bible class in the living room of their home. To this class she invited her students from the University of Taiwan where she was teaching and some Chinese friends she had known on the mainland.

After a few months, students wanted to have worship services in English every Sunday morning. With the help of Dr. C. L. Culpepper, Sr., and other missionaries, preaching services were held on Sunday

mornings in the living room. The congregation grew from the group of 14 students to 103 charter members who organized Grace Church eleven months later. Of this number about one fourth had formerly attended the University of Shanghai on the mainland of China. Many of these were Christians of some experience, and most of the first leaders were chosen from that group. From this group came the president of the Woman's Missionary Society, the superintendent of the Sunday school, the director of Training Union, chairman of the baptismal committee, the director of student work, and the church secretary.

Competent leadership in the beginning made conditions favorable for rapid growth. It was not long before the congregation could not get in the house and plans were made for a building. This con-

gregation wanted their own church, but they did not have enough money to build. The Foreign Mission Board made a loan to the church which has since been repaid. In order to keep the current expenses of the church going and the building fund increasing, some of the members sold precious family jewels which they had hoped to pass on to their children. Others sacrificed watches and rare paintings.

One of the early converts was a young scientist, Hsu Huai Chun.

Although his wife was a Christian, this young man held to his doubts and demanded proof of a personal Saviour. The type proof he sought could not always be given. Finally, through the Bible class and the worship services, this young scientist began to find answers to his doubts. His thinking changed and he accepted Christ as his Saviour. Hsu Huai Chun has proved himself to be true to the faith he professed. He has served as superintendent of the morning Sunday school, as chairman of the missions committee in his church, and in other important places of leadership.

But Hsu Huai Chun's faith is also seen every day in his business. He is the director of a large fertilizer factory which employs more than two thousand men. There are about thirty top executives in this large factory who get their instruction from Hsu Huai Chun. This Christian became concerned first of all for these well-educated and trained executives. He asked the missionary to come once a week and teach the Bible to these men. "I feel that these men are my responsibility," he said, "and I cannot be happy until I have helped them to know my Saviour."

These classes were well attended. The interest of the men was so great that they began to think about their wives and wish for them the same privilege. They approached the missionary concerning this and a class was started for the wives. The women naturally thought about their children and asked for something to be done for them. All of these opportunities opened

because one man felt responsible for the souls of his fellow-workers, and a missionary used God's opportunities.

This church not only provides an adequate church program, but also conducts a kindergarten and a medical clinic.

Through Student Work: The students in colleges and universities will fast become the leaders in all phases of life on the island of Taiwan. Contacts by missionaries and national Christians with these students are bringing souls into the kingdom, and as they become Christians they become ardent soul-winners. So, as the number of conversions among the students grows, so will Christian witnessing grow.

Four missionaries represent Southern Baptists among the students in Taichung, four in Tainan, and 16 in Taipei. A new student center chapel was dedicated in Tainan in April of 1957, and another has recently been constructed in Taichung.

Young people in Taiwan are studying for a purpose. A Christian leader looked over some of the freshmen students' biographies of Taiwan University a few years ago, and this was his comment: "Some want to be engineers, some physicians, some lawyers, some businessmen. Different as their ambitions may be, they all want to serve their country and their people. No one has said anything like, 'I want to be a doctor or a lawyer or so and so because I want to make good money or to live a comfortable life.'"

Through the Seminary: The Taiwan Baptist Theological Seminary was opened in 1952 under the leadership of Dr. C. L. Culpepper, Sr. Thirty-four students attended that first year. This past year there were sixty-five students. The students must attend three years before receiving their degrees. There have been four graduating classes thus far, and although the number has not been large, the work of evangelism has grown through their efforts.

This fall the Seminary will open on a new campus. This much-needed campus is located on the northeastern outskirts of

Taipei. A move away from the noisy, crowded downtown section. The new site could be more conducive to study and spiritual growth, as well as afford better facilities.

But as another missionary, Mrs. C. L. Culpepper, Jr. puts it, "You can organize, establish, and finance a fine seminary, but unless there are called and dedicated students, there can be no results. We thank God that He has, in response to the prayers of many—both in America and the Orient—called out workers for the abundant harvest in Taiwan."

The future of our mission work in Taiwan and in China, when a better time comes in China, lies in the hand of God—called young people who are well-trained for his service.

Two seminary students, Tai Jin Shen and Dai Shion Shen are sisters who recently graduated from the Taiwan Baptist Theological Seminary. Mrs. C. L. Culpepper, Jr. taught music to these sisters. She also worked with them in the mountain mission for the Taiwanese farmers and their families. "These sisters were truly an inspiration to me," Mrs. Culpepper said.

"They were reared in a Christian home by a devoted and saintly mother, and had a hunger to know more of the Lord. There was a well-to-do home of what might be called the upper-class. They are Taiwanese, having a background of 300-year ancestry on the island. With a father who is a doctor, they had privileges socially which many others lacked.

"But they considered their greatest privilege that of being called of God to give their full time to His work. This meant seminary training, but here they were faced with a dilemma. Being Taiwanese, they did not speak the official Chinese language which our seminary uses exclusively. Beginning their courses under this tremendous handicap, they took notes as they could, then spent long hours of study and preparation, trying to catch up in the Chinese language. Term papers and examina-

tions were under the same difficult conditions.

"Through three years of study I never saw either of these girls without a ready smile and a pleasantness that spoke solely of nearness to their Lord. They radiated a quiet peace and happiness which was inspiring and helpful to all."

Also during the time these sisters studied at the seminary they took part in the social life of the students, found time for music, and were active in church activities.

Although their training had been acquired in the Chinese language, their hearts yearned for their own Taiwanese people, to whom Southern Baptists had not then appointed a single missionary. These girls taught at a small mission among the Taiwanese farmers in the mountains just outside Taipei.

Even before graduation from the seminary, they spent week ends in visiting and soul-winning. Since their graduation, they have been giving full time to work among the Taiwanese people. Discouragements only seem to make them work harder. The chief discouragement is the stronghold of Buddhism on the people.

Taiwan's Home Mission Program: The Taiwan Baptist Convention, which has been organized only four years, consists of eighteen churches and a total of 5,685 members! Even in the beginning the idea

To the passerby this new location for the Seminary indicates its importance in Baptist life



of definite home mission work was in the minds of Baptist leaders. Dr. Chon Lieu Hwa, the first president, though already busy teaching in the seminary and serving as pastor of several congregations, offered to go out to nearby islands to find where the first home mission center should be started.

While Dr. Chon Lieu Hwa was making the survey, God was preparing his man for Green Island. This man was in the senior class at the Seminary. In February of that year Dr. Joseph Carroll preached for a week in the Seminary. Miss Olive Lawton, one of our missionaries now home on furlough, interpreted for him. Mr. Yu, a student, went to Dr. Carroll with great concern. "I am not satisfied with my morning devotions," he said. "Can you help me?"

"What is your motive in your devotions?" Dr. Carroll asked.

"To know the will of God," answered Mr. Yu.

"Your purpose is wrong," Mr. Carroll reminded the young man. "The morning devotions are God's time. He loves you and wants to talk to you. He is our Heavenly Father. As we come to Him in the early morning, our position is clarified and our relationship strengthened. Praise him and worship him and listen to him. Our thoughts should be on him."

Then Mr. Carroll explained that many times this attitude could be developed by singing a hymn like "My Jesus I Love Thee."

The young man thanked Mr. Carroll, and as Miss Lawton puts it, "the practice of the presence of God grew clearer in his life."

Mr. Yu went to Green Island, eighteen miles off the east coast of Taiwan, where many political suspects and criminals lived. He lives among them for Christ. Later he came back to Taipei to get his bride (tell story on page 12).

These missionaries are working hard on Green Island, the site of the first home mission work of the Taiwan Baptist Convention. So far some twenty have accepted

Christ and been baptized. They are in this work under the guardianship of the True Light Baptist Church of Taipei.

Last year the Baptist churches and chapels observed a Week of Prayer for Home Missions. They prayed for remote islands, the mountain area where the original tribes live, and for the east coast Miaoli Section.

When the Taiwan Convention met last year the members adopted an item \$3,000.00 (US money) for work on offshore islands, the Pescadores, among the Hakka people and mountain tribesmen.

Already a missionary has been sent to work with the Hakka dialect people, and this past March Mr. and Mrs. Barnabas Yang were sent to Hwa Lien on the east coast of Taiwan.

Not only have the Baptists of Taiwan prayed for this work. They have also given sacrificially. One old grandmother even sold the gold filling that dropped out of her tooth and gave that for missions!

Evangelistic Crusades: May 5, 1957 was the beginning of a two-week simultaneous revival on the island of Taiwan. Revivals were held during the first week in nine churches in the northern part of the island. The next week there were revivals in seven churches in central and southern Taiwan. These days of preaching, under the leadership of nine visiting evangelists, brought more than eighteen hundred professions of faith. Six of these leaders were from other fields of the Orient, and three were Americans, Searcy S. Garrison of Georgia, Vernon B. Richardson of Maryland, and Leonard Sanderson of Texas. Missionaries and national pastors already on the island also helped in these revivals.

Thorough planning and preparation were accompanied by fervent prayer for these revivals. All of this was under the leadership of Dr. C. L. Culpepper, Sr.

Even with preparation, the Baptists of Taiwan did not leave all the work to the visiting evangelists. Chapel members and seminary students continued to do personal work all through the revivals.

Dr. Vernon B. Richardson, University Baptist Church, Baltimore, Maryland has shared some of his impressions with us. First of all, he was impressed with the questions asked by the reporters for the daily papers.

"Significantly, the reporters wanted to know first of all something of what they called our experience in the Christian religion. They were not interested in 'book learning' but in what our faith actually meant when translated into daily living."

Dr. Richardson was impressed with government leaders in Taiwan. "Surely it must be safe to say that no government in the world has a more active Christian leadership on the top levels than does the Republic of China. This is the more surprising when it is noted that only about one per cent of the population is Christian."

It was interesting also to visit Madame Chiang Kai-shek's prayer group which meets every day in her office to pray during one hour for designated objects. Before and during the revivals, this group included these in their prayers. Hanging conspicuously above Madame Chiang's desk is this reminder:

"This is my Father's world,
O let me ne'er forget
That though the wrong seems oft so strong,
God is the Ruler yet."

—MALTIE D. BARBOCK

And these are some impressions which will never become blurred: "Faces looking up eagerly but without understanding as I preached each sentence, and then turning to brightness as the words came through the interpreter to them."

"An old chin-whiskered paralytic man, looking like some character out of the Bible, hobbled down the aisle leaning on his cane to profess Christ."

"Small groups of fifty or so praying aloud each in his own words, producing a joyful noise unto the Lord."

"A little Taiwanese girl edging up at one of our services to ask, 'Can a Taiwanese believe in Jesus?'"

But these two weeks of preaching did not close the revivals on the island of Taiwan. The same plan was repeated in 1958, using local pastors. In March the churches in the northern part of Taiwan held simultaneous services. In the month of June all the chapels planned similar services. And plans were made for simultaneous revivals this fall among the churches in the southern part of the island. Many of the seminary students have been active in these revivals this year.

LIVING THE SONG

One would never know that attractive, smiling Sue Chen had ever had a worry. Indeed it took a great deal of talking and questioning before she revealed some of them. Then she added, "So you see, God

must have some special work for me."

She is interning in pharmacy at Duke University in North Carolina in preparation for this special work. She hopes to teach pharmacy in the National Taiwan University from which she graduated. She hopes also to do some work in the university hospital.

Originally Sue wanted to be a doctor. She had a special interest in biology, chemistry, and other sciences which are needed in the medical course. Sue's father had been a doctor and was especially anxious for her to become a doctor, too. But Sue and two sisters, one younger and one older, are dependent upon the salary of their mother who teaches in a nursing school in Tainan. "I felt it would be so hard on my mother for so long, if I trained as a doctor, that I decided I could still accomplish my original purpose of service by cutting some years off my training in becoming a pharmacist," Sue explained. And through the years, Sue has done what she could to help with expenses by tutoring while she was a student at the University of Taiwan. Working one's way through college is not popular in Taiwan as it is in our country. Usually the young people can afford to go or they refuse to go when the parents cannot send them.

Sue is thankful for her godly Presbyterian parents and grandparents. It was her older sister who led her to Christ when she was a high school senior. While she was attending the university in Taipei her first year and likewise attending the Bible class she became a Baptist.

Sue's childhood days were not happy—far from it. During her early school days she attended the Japanese schools and remembers how the Japanese tried to make the students change their names to Japanese.

The Japanese promised more food and other favors to those who would assume Japanese names. And during the last two years of the war especially, Sue and her family, along with many others, did not have enough food. It is easy to see that

this situation might be a temptation to many Chinese and Taiwanese.

During the last year of the war, Sue's home was bombed while she, her mother, and two sisters were there. They were not hurt except for a few scratches, though with difficulty they crawled about to find an opening for escape. They left the house with only the clothes they were wearing, and went to live in a small cottage with relatives. They came back to discover that the house had burned, destroying all their earthly possessions. Then followed a siege of dysentery and malaria when the whole family felt they would surely die. But their strong faith in God gave them strength to endure.

Sue vividly remembers one incident in her early childhood. As a child of six, soon after her father died, she often awoke at midnight or later to see her mother still awake, reading the Bible. Many times as her mother held the Bible, Sue saw tears streaming down her cheeks. "I could not understand it," said Sue. "Of course I knew my mother was reading the Bible, but to be up so late reading, and to be crying, that I could not understand. Later I knew that was the source of her strength." Then she added, "My mother is a very great woman."

Meditation by Prayer Chairman:

Let us pray for the missionaries and national pastors at work on Taiwan (pause).

Let us pray for the Seminary and that the students may continue to find Christ Pre-eminent on the campus (pause).

Let us remember our student work and pray for those who are studying in our own country (pause).

As we thank God for the evangelistic fervor which exists among the redeemed, let us pray that efforts may be multiplied as we realize that the annual population increase on the island exceeds the annual growth in church membership (pause).

Repeat in Unison: "Sing unto the Lord, bless his name; shew forth his salvation from day to day."



Missionary
Martha Frank
leads Taiwan
women in
making visual
aids for
church activities

by Mrs. R. L. Mathis, president, Women's Missionary Union

Increasingly, I am convinced that those of us in Woman's Missionary Union who share the blessings of participating in the Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions and the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering are missing a great opportunity each December to tell others about it. There are thousands of Southern Baptists who do not join us in praying and in giving.

In WMU we find it easy to pray as we study. We find it easy to give because our hearts are moved to share. But there are others in our churches who should have the same experiences.

There are many means by which we can stimulate the interest of others. I know of one faithful WMU president who found a way last Christmas time. Following the Week of Prayer and the ingathering of the offering she learned that her WMU was short of its goal. So she sent letters, written by hand, to some of the men of her church. She carefully explained about the Week of Prayer and the Lottie Moon offering. She gave information about the allocations. She asked for a gift, an over-and-above gift for foreign missions. You know already what happened. There was a warm-hearted generous response!

I want to tell you of another way and a very fine way I think of securing the attention and interest of church members who are not now participating in the Week of Prayer and the Lottie Moon Christmas

Offering.

The Foreign Mission Board has prepared slides* that set out the offering—what it is, what it means, how it began, what it does, and where it goes.

Don't you know that people will be thrilled to see a picture of the Memorial Tablet at Viewmont, Albemarle County, Virginia, birthplace of Miss Lottie Moon, missionary to China from 1873 until her death in 1912?

And there is a picture of a paragraph from Miss Moon's letter written in Pingtu, China, in 1887, the paragraph which really inspired the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.

Other pictures include Dr. Cauthen pointing to the 1958 Lottie Moon Christmas Offering goal which is \$6,800,000.

These will be extra for your church. You might arrange to have them shown on the Wednesday evening preceding the Week of Prayer; or there might be other occasions, in meetings of your society and youth organizations.

This is just one way to tell others, and invite them to join in the observance of the Week of Prayer and the offering. Let us be sure that our fellow church members are given the opportunity to know and respond this Christmas, as we all join together in winning lost people all over the world, for there is such heartbreaking need!

*Slide set: The Lottie Moon Christmas Offering, 1958: Typical Projects, \$3.50 from your Baptist Book Store.

KNOW Your Missionaries

The Russell Morris Family
Now Living in Lebanon

Old Friends and the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

"Sharp new fighting is underway near Beirut, Lebanon." Suddenly the news commentator shattered the tranquility of our breakfast.

"Are Louie and Betty Dale getting to watch the fighting?" our six year old asked eagerly. Remembering irrepressible little Betty Dale, I knew that if there was any excitement, she would be there if possible!

The night before, Russell's name was on the WMU prayer calendar. The Morrises might hear fighting nearby, but I felt a peace in my heart that our friends were in God's hands.

Until their appointment to the Near East in July, 1957, Betty and Russell Morris lived less than twenty miles from us where he was pastor of the First Baptist Church in Sonoma, California. Once in a while we could juggle our schedules so that our families could spend Saturday afternoons together.

I remember one Friday evening when my husband returned from a meeting. "Did you know the Morrises have a new boy?"

"They couldn't!" I interrupted.
—and three new girls?"

Early the next morning we were on our way to Sonoma. Russell worked for the city social service. They had frequently been concerned about foster homes new they had been asked before to take foster children. Their own three children were small, Timmy not walking.

The Chew children's mother had passed away and according to the social worker they were unruly, undisciplined children. Their father could not control them and their grandparents didn't want them. Finding a foster home had been impossible. "It is as simple as that," Betty said, nonplused.

But seven months later when the children visited their grandparents, they were invited to stay. No one will ever know how Betty and Russell worked, loved and prayed for those children and God brought about a miracle.

Betty and Russell are both graduates of Hardin-Simmons University and Golden Gate Seminary. In addition to all her other abilities as a missionary's wife, Betty also holds a private pilot's license.

In Lebanon, according to the custom, Russell will grow a mustache as soon as he learns Arabic. Betty never wears make-up or sleeveless dresses. Because of their zest for life, they have enjoyed learning the customs of a new country. When they finish language school in 1959, they will be connected with the future Near East Baptist Theological Seminary.

I remember their first letter from Beirut. "It seems hard to believe that last December we were leading our church in California to give to the Lottie Moon offering—and now we are receiving a portion of that very offering!"

"How good God is to us!"

by Lila Belle Hopkins

TAIWAN

Island off China's coast, is inhabited mainly by people of Chinese stock. There are also 180,000 aboriginal tribesmen, among whom Southern Baptists have only a beginning witness.

