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Unlike marijuana, heroin is a depressant drug. It causes a feeling of physical and mental well-being through dulling of the senses. There is an absence of worry; all problems seem solved until the addict's whole life centers about the overwhelming problem of where to get the next "fix." Withdrawal symptoms are so severe that an addict will do anything to avoid experiencing them. Twelve to eighteen hours after the last dose of drugs, uncontrollable twitching of the muscles begins. Addicts complain that their skin feels as though it were crawling with insects. Vomiting and diarrhea and extreme loss of weight occur, also excruciating pains in back, legs, and abdomen. There is fever,

BETTY

A TEEN-AGE DRUG ADDICT

and hot and cold flashes. The victim longs for death to end his suffering. The sickness lasts a week or ten days. Physical rehabilitation may take from four months to a year. Spiritual and mental rehabilitation may require much longer. Some medical authorities are of the opinion that an addict cannot be assured of cure in less than five years of abstinence.

by Leo Rosenhouse

BETTY, a teenage, blond-haired girl, looked frightened as she was ushered into the police interrogation room by the stout, stony-faced man. At the far end of the room the girl saw several police officials, a doctor, and a nurse. Seated near a desk was also the hunched figure of a sad, distraught, tired woman, her mother.

Lowering her eyes to avoid her mother's probing glance, the teen-ager followed instructions from the doctor and slid onto an examination table which had been brought into the room.

Someone flicked a switch, and a circle of bright lights bathed the girl, causing her

to blink her eyes many times. She suddenly stiffened as the doctor and nurse stepped forward, wheeling a medical cart before them.

"I'm not spilling anything to cops!" Betty cried, "I'm a 'chick.' Don't you see? You can't hold me for that!"

The girl was using the vernacular of an addict. To be a "chick" or "chicken," implied she was the user of drugs, but the captain had reason to suspect otherwise.

The physician carefully injected the contents of the hypodermic syringe under the skin of the girl's forearm and then stepped back.

"I have just given this young woman a

most remarkable drug," he announced. "If Betty is not an addict, as she insists, there will not be any tetralic symptoms, nor will she exhibit any harmful effects from the injection."

Betty sat quietly for about thirty seconds, and a silence fell over the room. Every eye was on the girl. Suddenly there was a transformation. Betty groaned and clutched at her stomach. The change which then followed was as startling as a Dr. Jekyll-Mr. Hyde description. The girl's hair was now ruffled and stiff, and her skin was taking on an ugly, yellowish tinge.

Everyone stood transfixed as Betty exhibited the characteristic withdrawal symptoms suffered by a narcotics addict when deprived of drugs. Her pupils had dilated so much they gave the teenager a weird, witch-like look. Then came rapid yawning, chills, nausea, and vomiting. Even her eyes and nose were wet and running.

"OK," she moaned, "I'm hooked on heroin. I've been on the habit for two months."

She looked beseechingly at the doctor. "What did you do to me?" she ranted. "I've got a monkey on my back. Take it off!"

This was more of the lingo Betty had picked up from her association with peddlers and users. The "monkey on her back" was the pain and agony she was suffering for need of a shot to quiet her wild, torn nerves.

"The torture racking your body will leave you soon," the doctor replied. "I've given you an injection of a wonder drug. It is a narcotic-deterring chemical that has definitely proved you are an addict."

Betty broke down. Her story was not unusual; it followed a consistent pattern, but was important because it can happen to any boy or girl, and to adults as well.

A peddler of living death, as a dope pusher is called, had paid a high price for a smuggled shipment of opium. After diluting it with milk sugar, a white powder, he went seeking victims who would pay him high prices, too. The vicious cycle had

been started, and Betty was among the first of the victims.

The peddler met her one afternoon on the street and induced her to try a marijuana cigarette for "kicks." Later he enticed her to sniff powdered cocaine, then heroin, until finally she was anxious to take an injection of heroin into a vein in her arm.

In less than two weeks Betty had become a "mainliner." Anyone who resorts to taking drugs by means of a main blood vessel is classified as "hooked." The dope peddler knew he had acquired a steady customer, and from now on Betty would have to pay high for her supply of drugs, anywhere from \$25 to \$50 a day.

Betty's body craved a shot every few hours; and to buy the drugs she needed, she first committed petty thefts, then major robberies with a gang of toughs. The price and frequency of her shots increased. Betty turned to prostitution. The nineteen-year-old girl offered herself for sale in taverns until an alert plain-clothes man caught her as she tried to proposition a drunk. He saw the tiny puncture marks on her arm and turned her over to the narcotics squad.

Later, Betty's testimony and her complete confession led to the arrest of a vicious narcotics gang. The dope den in Betty's town now has been destroyed. Had Betty been found a few weeks earlier, the youngster might have been saved. Betty is now confined in an institution for addicts in the Midwest. She is trying to return from hell, but her doctors say Betty is so enslaved to dope that they are afraid any rehabilitation program they work out for her will be in vain.

Sad experience has taught them that girls who have been on the dope habit as long as Betty, break down and return to dope in from five weeks to five years. Betty may have a chance to live as a human being again if she submits to constant treatments. She will need help for a long time, perhaps for the remainder of her life.

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Edgar Hallock and Andre Peticov of the Alliance Coordinating Committee examining Alliance posters

BRAZIL'S Baptists ARE MISSIONARY

by Edgar F. Hallock

THE Rio Congress of the Baptist World Alliance on June 26-July 3 brings new vision of the world and its spiritual needs to Brazilian Baptists. Brazilian Baptists are missionary Baptists. One of the reasons for the rapid growth of Baptist work in Brazil is the evangelistic spirit of every Christian. Winning people to Christ is a task not just for the pastor but for every believer. Laymen often vie with one another for the privilege of preaching in the open air meetings so common in Brazil. Young people take pleasure in the privilege of speaking for Christ. Every church has its loyal group of soul winners, and it is this characteristic of Brazilian Baptists which has stood out since the first churches were organized in this country almost eighty years ago.

When the churches of Brazil organized themselves into the Brazilian Baptist Convention in 1907 one of the first Boards to come into existence was a Foreign Mission Board. It was decided to help the struggling group of Baptists in Chile and also to try to open work in Portugal. On March 21, 1908, a representative of the Brazilian Board left for Chile, and as a result of his work Baptists there were unified into a "Baptist Union," and the Brazilian Board helped in the development of this group until the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention took over in 1947.

EVANGELISTIC fires have burned in the hearts of many Brazilians who look to Portugal as the land of their origin. Many Portuguese have come to the "new world," heard the message of hope



Maracana Stadium where the Billy Graham evangelistic Alliance meeting will be held

and love and salvation, and have readily accepted the Saviour who also died for them. In turn they yearn to be able to help their kinsfolk in Portugal, and the result has been that Brazilian Baptists have co-operated with mission work in that land also. On November 2, 1908, Z. C. Taylor, missionary to Brazil, arrived in Portugal, baptized various candidates who were ready as a result of the preaching of a British Baptist, and organized this group into the First Baptist Church of Porto. The first Brazilian missionary was a native Portuguese. One of his first converts, Antonio Mauricio, became a pastor, and after having come to Brazil for his seminary preparation in Rio de Janeiro, returned to Portugal in 1919 where he continues his work.

In 1916 the first Brazilian couple was appointed for Bolivia, and this has been the field with most evident results in the comparatively short time missionaries have worked there.

BRAZILIANS are dedicated also to the evangelization of their own country. The Home Mission Board was organized in the first convention of 1907. The convention took up an offering and received a donation of a box of Bibles. With this it made its beginning, and now there are more than 180 workers proclaiming the Gospel message throughout the interior of Brazil. Their work is centered principally in the two great river valleys of the Tocantins and San Francisco rivers. In these valleys are found churches, schools, orphanages, medical dispensaries, and a Bible

Outdoor preaching by nationals in Rio de Janeiro



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COVER Brazil offers great variety to any visitor—from old Bahia to new Brasilia: (a) Beaching a jaguada (fishing raft) after day's catch in Equatorial Brazil, (b) Salvador (Bahia) is a city of two levels, with elevator connecting, (c) Presidential palace in new capital, Brasilia, at left—president's church (Mankmeyer photo), (d) Cable car ride to Sugar Loaf in Rio de Janeiro, (e) Monument to Brazilian independence stands in Sao Paulo, site of declaration, (f) Baptist Publishing House in Rio prints Bibles and literature in Portuguese, (g) Boat trains on the Amazon River carry produce to markets at Belem, (h) Interior of Catholic church in Bahia, covered with gold leaf and saints, (i) Many churches start from evangelistic service in a home or front yard, (j) Colegia Batista in Rio and in other cities train fine Christian youth, (k) Coffee is a major product of Brazil and well known to North Americans! Photos by Colvin and Foreign Mission Board.

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... Brazil's Baptists Are Missionary

Institute to help in the preparation of other workers.

This missionary zeal and vision needs deepening and broadening however. With the missionary potential that Brazil has, the World Alliance Congress will loosen new sources of spiritual power and activity that to this date we have not known. The Baptist World Youth Conference which met in Rio in 1953 was a great inspiration to all. With representatives from 30 nations present, eyes were opened to the fact that our Saviour is a world Saviour, that the Baptist cause is the cause of Christ carried to the uttermost parts of the world, and that we have our privilege and responsibility to take part in this task. This Congress of the Baptist World Alliance should bring together representatives from most of the more than 100 countries where Baptists have work, and just that fact should be an inspiring revelation of the universal character of the Gospel of our Saviour.

Brazilians will come to Rio from all corners of their land to attend the sessions of the Congress. Some by river canoe, others by truck, many by buses and trains, large numbers by plane from distant points, all will come to make their contributions to the Congress and receive inspiration from

Brazilian missionary to Bolivia



their Christian brethren from other lands. As they come they will be witnessing to their fellows. And, this witness is what we expect also from our North American and other visitors. Tracts and Gospels will be available in Portuguese and Spanish for all who come to Rio and continue their visit to other countries of Latin America. Great curiosity is already being aroused in the minds of thousands who are reading about the Congress. People in all walks of life will become aware of this great movement of tourists and natives, and the result will be an unparalleled opportunity for each Congress delegate to witness of his faith. In airports and on streets, to taxi drivers, porters, and hotel employees, in stores and stations the Word of God can be proclaimed in a simple personal testimony evidenced by the very manner in which you ask for assistance. Especially effective is the testimony that concludes with the leaving of a piece of literature in the hand of the listener. We believe that just this personal witnessing aspect of the Congress will bring uncounted blessing not just to those who hear, but to our churches and people also.

THE closing service of the Congress will be held in the largest covered stadium in the world, the athletic stadium of Rio. Billy Graham will be the speaker. Hundreds of churches everywhere have been praying for months that God will pour out His Spirit in power during the Congress and especially in the closing service. Thousands of unmet will be present to hear the message. We have no doubt but that this closing evangelistic service will bear fruit for eternity.

Therefore, we especially request the prayer of all not just for this closing hour, but for all the aspects of the Congress. May it be for us all another manifestation of our Lord's power and grace for His sojourners.

ROYAL STYLITES



Rembrandt

CENTER and Fringe

BY SIMEON STYLITES

I have been to the dentist, so have had a good chance to catch up on my reading. I mean the reading I might have done nine or ten years ago. No, it was not a National Geographic magazine from 1918. I read that at the dentist's last year. This was a woman's magazine of much later date, 1951. My heart leaped up when I beheld an article that was not about a new hair rinse or a much tossed salad. This was on the subject "Lighting in the Home." And I was the point. It was an earnest plea to the architect and the home designer to follow the new style in lighting, "light at the center and at the fringe." The plea was: don't have the living room lighted from the ceiling by a searchlight till it looks like

the Union Station waiting room, but have spots of light and pools of semi-darkness at the edges and fringes of the room. That makes the room far more interesting and alluring.

A good idea in lighting. And a good idea in many realms of living. Take painting. A great painting is not one in which we hear the click of a camera shutter every time we look at it, with every detail revealed by the glare of a noonday sun, but one with light in some central spot, shading off into a darker mystery. Or look at literature. The book men take into their affections and return to again and again is not one that is as explicit about every point as a Dow-Jones stock average, but one that

stirs wonder. A few lines of poetry vividly picture this theme:

*Said Life to Art, "I love thee best
Not when I find in thee
My very face and form expressed
With dull fidelity;*

*"But when in thee my longing eyes
Behold continually
The mystery of my invaries,
And all I crave to be."*

The idea applies emphatically to marriage. A good motto for every married person is, "Light at the center and mystery at the fringe." Do not floodlight every recess of personality. If a partner in a marriage wants to "get everything out in the open" with a pitiless barrage of probing questions, "Why do you do this?" or "Why did you do that?", the marriage will soon be a corpse.

A tale told at a midwestern university concerns two members of the psychology department who decided to get married. Both of them had a flair for and great skill in analyzing people, and some of their friends saw a sad vision of the marriage ending up on the operating table. The story goes that the minister who performed the ceremony said at the conclusion, "I now pronounce you man and wife, and may God have mercy on your souls!" For every husband the program should be: Light at the center, a great love, and mystery at the fringe, all the way from the manner in which the wife does not balance a checkbook to the wonder in the inner room of the spirit.

This is just as true of Christianity. Light at the center, a steady glow of faith. But, please, some mystery at the fringe! Do not try to spell out every detail of speculation as though it were a proposition in Euclid, to be tied up with a tight little Q.E.D. Remember that great is the mystery of godliness, and that some of God's ways are past finding out—*from The Christian Century. Used with permission.*

The Glorious Years

BY CAROL HUNT

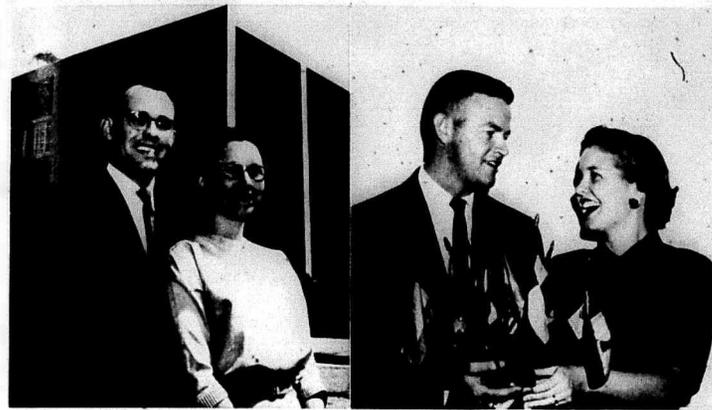
"The glorious years" is the way one member of a missionary characterized the close but distant days of her childhood.

"Parents should begin missionary education in the home, in the children's very earliest years and continue through adolescence. These are the glorious years!"

It has been the joy and privilege of concerned parents to see examples of obedience to God's will and to realize how often the best people are the fruits and lives of their own and other young people.

The Jerry Keys in Brazil

After Jerry Key's parents dedicated their lives to



Young foreign missionaries—the Jerry Keys and the Justice Andersons

their schedule came to include attendance at all church services, Sunday school, Training Union, and prayer meeting. They started reading the Bible together and having family prayer. When the children were small, Jerry and his brother Jimmy heard Bible stories each night. Visiting missionaries and evangelists were invited to the Key home and the boys benefited from their influence.

Mrs. Key started going to the Woman's Missionary Society, and the boys belonged to the Sunbeam Band and Royal Ambassadors. Always ties were close between boys and parents.

The summer Jerry was nine, he had his first experience in a church camp. His mother took the boys and lived with them in a tent for five days so they might attend. In 1917, both boys surrendered for special Christian service. Jimmy is now a minister of music in Austin, Texas, Jerry a missionary in Brazil.

Jerry knew he was to preach," his mother recalls. "From the first, he talked of missions. He prepared for missionary service from that time on. He and his family (three children) are very happy in Brazil."

"I shall eternally be grateful for my wonderful Christian home," Jerry says. "I am positive I would not have applied for foreign mission appointment except for the strong spiritual and missionary influence my parents provided."

In Argentina the Justice Andersons

Justice C. Anderson is a missionary who treasures warm memories of a happy Christian home. But his parents answer, "Give the credit to God, not us; we just followed along," when friends ask how they brought up two sons to devote their lives to Christian service. Their younger son, Gene, teaches school in Hawaii and is an active layman in Olivet Baptist Church, Honolulu.

"We do not claim credit for what our boys are today," they say, "although we saw to it that they had every Christian influence. We wanted our children very badly, and before the birth of each we told God they were his. We never mentioned our desires for them, but we prayed constantly that God might use them as he desired.

"Of the things we as parents did I believe family altar had the greatest influence on



The Peacocks leave home for Brazil

our children. We never missed it though it was held at different times of the day as the boys grew older and began to participate in sports and other activities. We used every means we knew to show them how dependent we are on God and how he leads us."

Some of the essentials of the Anderson "plan for boys." "We were a happy family. We loved our boys deeply and were interested in their problems and let them know it. We gave them time and did many things with them, such as going on picnics and weekend trips. We trusted our children and expected them to do right. When they didn't, we punished them. We offered substitutes for activities we considered wrong for them, and provided wholesome activities such as photography, model airplanes, and sports as well as good books, children's magazines. We opened our home to their friends.

"We are glad to tell what God has done and is doing for our boys," say the Andersons. "Although both are so far away, we are happy and we feel that God has richly repaid us for all we've tried to do as we followed along."

The Earl Peacocks of Brazil

"Mother, I know God wants me to preach," Earl Peacock told his mother one day.

As a young bride, before any of her children were born, Earl's mother had prayed that God would give her a son who would be a preacher. As her family grew she took all the children to Sunday school and church and tried to teach them aright. It was her fifth child who was God's answer to her prayer. Earl began to preach when he was fourteen years old. During college and seminary days he was a student pastor, then later pastor in Griffin, Atlanta, and Ben Hill, Georgia. "All the time having success," his proud mother noted.

Then something happened. This was more than she had prayed for. The day came when Earl confided, "I hate to leave my loved ones, but the Lord has spoken to my heart and I must go to a foreign mission field."

Surely the news could not have come at a more unfortunate time. Earl's father was desperately ill.

When the doctors said that his father had only a short time to live, Earl thought maybe he should put missionary service off for awhile. But his mother said, "You cannot do any good here." He and his wife went ahead with preparation for missionary appointment. They were on the field in Brazil when Earl's father died.

"God answers prayer—he does for me," Mrs. Peacock writes. "Earl is happy in Brazil. He is working for our Lord, which we all must do."

New missionaries try to explain forces, drives, and desires that lead them to appointment for service overseas and it becomes apparent that their commitment is often the answer to the prayer of parents and the fruition of Christian upbringing.

And as parents describe reaction of missionary children, they see themselves as partners in Christ's kingdom with their children overseas. Parents and children know these are glorious, fruit-bearing, art-

Latin America—Land of Great Promise



by Cyril E. Bryant
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Washington, D. C.—Political revolutions come often in Latin America. Newspapers headline these sensational uprisings against organized government. Official Washington watches cautiously but without particular alarm. For revolution is a natural process of growth, and the 20 republics of Central and South America are just now coming of age.

It is not wrong, I think, to compare young nations to adolescents, growing to maturity. Such youngsters are often arrogant in pride and determination to win and preserve absolute independence. At the same time, continuing the analogy, these peoples are looking for a Big Brother to give them guidance.

Some three thousand to four thousand North American Baptists are traveling this June to these lands of the South, visiting the mission churches, schools and hospitals their title and offering dollars have helped to build. Their destination is Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, for sessions of the Tenth Baptist World Congress, but the whole panorama of Latin culture, material growth, and personal conflict will be entered before them.

Latin America is that vast stretch of continent and people reaching from the Rio Grande on Texas' border to the southernmost tip of Cape Horn. It is, undeniably, a booming giant destined to play increasingly prominent roles in world affairs.

Sao Paulo, Buenos Aires, Rio de Janeiro,

and Mexico City rank with New York and Chicago as the largest cities of the Western Hemisphere. Modern architecture and jet aircraft testify to material accomplishments. But amid this material gain, each of Latin America's 20 republics anxiously seeks the answer to poverty, disease, illiteracy, economic chaos and political instability.

Latin America is, therefore, in this conflict of progress and inertia, a twentieth century battleground for ideologies. Democracy, typified by the ideals of the United States, battles communism for the hearts and minds of men and governments.

Evangelical Christianity, including 80 years of Baptist mission activity, has much to gain or lose in the conflict.

What then, we justly ask, is the United States doing to keep Latin America in the folds of democratic governments?

US policy toward these southern neighbors first took sharp focus in what we know as the Monroe Doctrine. President James Monroe, observing the revolt of these colonies from the domination of Spain, France and Portugal, persuaded the Congress to declare in 1823 that no American country, north or south, was open to further European exploitation. President Theodore Roosevelt, the man with the "Big Stick," put bars in that declaration when he planted US armies here and there to ward off aggression—but such acts served also to make Central and South America wary of

the "Colossus to the North." President Hoover softened the tone in his administration, asserting that the policy was against European invaders, not against Latin America itself. And President Franklin Roosevelt called Latin America our Good Neighbor and initiated a policy of helpfulness. President Eisenhower's tour of four Latin American countries last February strengthened the government's present position "the US seeks to co-operate in achieving a fuller life for everyone in this hemisphere," and "our desire to work closely with them in the building of universal peace and justice."

Communism, on the other hand, seeks daily to alienate these people from the United States and to win them as her own allies. That battle is going on most forcefully at the moment almost at our very border in Cuba. And, it must be admitted, communism has considerable appeal when it dangles in front of these people its false promises of relief from poverty, disease and economic insecurity. This appeal, pointing to the United States as a wealthy but greedy neighbor, doubtless was responsible for the demonstrations against Vice-president Nixon on his visit to Latin America two years ago.

We are encouraging trade with Latin America. We are, also, giving a tremendous

"What the United States needs most in its Latin American policy is greater understanding of the problems and hopes of the Latin American people and greater evidence of sympathy with those problems and hopes"—Senator George D. Aiken.

boost to Latin American self-sufficiency through technical aid programs, wherever requested—teaching the people to help themselves. John M. Cabot, now the US ambassador to Brazil, described it clearly:

"Tools are useless to one who does not know how to use them. Men, not material resources, make great nations. As sturdy young nations our sister Republics are not

only eager to acquire tools; they are even more eager to acquire knowhow. I wish that you might see, as I have seen, what our Point Four work is accomplishing in Latin America. Let us not think of what it is accomplishing in terms of governmental relations, important though that may be. Let us not be unduly concerned at the cost. Let us think of it in terms of the child cured of yaws, the village freed of malaria, the farmer whose increased crops can better feed his family. Let us think of it in terms of the man who never attends an official banquet and yet who knows that through American co-operation he has been directly aided to have better food, water, health and education. That to my mind is Pan Americanism in action."

Private US industry meanwhile accelerates the pace of development by investing billions of dollars in factories and other commerce in Latin America. Such factories provide jobs for the unemployed and teach trades, all without expense to the government of any country.

Inter-American relations have been strengthened also through the exchanges of personnel and ideas, now reaching full fruition in the Pan American Union, established in 1890, and the Organization of American States, organized in 1917. These are things envisioned as early as 1820 by the Great Liberator of Bolivia, Simon Bolivar, who reminded the world the all residents of the Western Hemisphere had a common stake in the future and that we are all Americans, North and South.

Neither can anyone ignore the tremendous contribution Baptists and other evangelical Christian missionaries have made



Zoologist on a UN disease-control mission project searches for disease-carrying insects

sharing the gospel and its message of salvation and of human dignity with these neighbors. Southern Baptists have been in Brazil since Dr. and Mrs. W. B. Bagby went in 1881, and the denomination's mission outreach touches at least 15 of the 20 Republics.

This Christian mission has, oddly enough, found its most severe opposition not from government or communism, but from the Roman Catholic Church which claims 90 per cent of the Latin American people as its own. Despite that high "membership" percentage, we are told that fewer than ten per cent of the people attend Catholic services. The result: a tremendous spiritual vacuum!

I remember well my impressions when I visited Rio de Janeiro a year ago. The first person I met at the airport was a skycap who had been alerted to my arrival. Proudly he shook my hand—a thing skycaps do not usually do, and, patting his chest, said "Me Baptist." He introduced a

worker and explained that he was Baptist, too. Missionary Edgar Hallock, who had not been privileged to come into the immigration area, later explained to me that these men had been given jobs in Immigration and Customs because of their faith.

"Baptists have a reputation for being honest," he said, "and these men were hired because the officials knew they could be trusted with another man's baggage."

Next day I watched the people crowd into Baptist churches. I could not help but contrast them with those I had seen

earlier on the street. Those in church had clean faces and clean clothes, and hope and ambition shone from their eyes. When the service was over I asked Mr. Hallock if the church was appealing only to the upper class of the population. Mr. Hallock, a missionary with a warm heart, smiled. "These people you see in church were just like those others," he said. "Christianity changed them. Christianity gave them hope and taught them the significance of the individual before God. Once they catch this vision, they seek jobs and an education. Life with Christ is a life with purpose."

Baptists traveling to Rio for the Baptist World Congress will see these things. And, I think we all will be more understanding of the headlines we read about revolutions and nationalistic demonstrations. These people, long enslaved to primitive culture, have caught visions of potential greatness. Latin America, is indeed a land of great promise.

Campaigns against diseases call for more doctors and for the building up of adequate medical services. To help governments achieve this UN World Health Organization teams have contributed to the establishment of several demonstration and training centers

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DID YOU READ IT?

by MRS WILLIAM McMURRY



Anti-Jewish Outrages

Whether psychopaths, Nazis, or delinquent youths were to blame for the symbols of anti-Semitism which appeared on the wall of a synagogue in Cologne, Germany on Christmas morning in 1959 is debatable. Anti-Semitic incidents took place in other German cities including West Berlin and the Federal capital of Bonn. In less time than a month the plague had grown to epidemic proportions. Crooked crosses or anti-Jewish slogans were painted on public buildings in Melbourne, Australia, on the gates of a synagogue in Athens, on a pillar of the opera house in Graz, Austria, on synagogues in cities of South America and England. Fifty swastikas were chalked on the walls of stores in a Jewish quarter of Paris. The United States was not exempt from these outrages. Swastikas appeared on Jewish temples and community buildings in many sections of our country.

Everywhere Christians were outspoken in protest against these expressions of senseless vandalism. Jews reacted in different ways. "Malicious mischief," said the national chairman of the Anti-Defamation League, "characterizes the US desecrations; they are not symptomatic of growing, organized anti-Semitism." From Tel Aviv, Israel, the Foreign Ministry prepared identical notes of "shock and concern" to be sent to all the countries where outbreaks have occurred. Kay Boyle, author of a recent novel on Germany, stated in an interview with a Newsweek correspondent that she did not believe the outbreaks of anti-Semitism in that country were the pranks of little boys. "It's there," she said, "and always has been."

It is well to remember that the Christian cause is not anti-Semitism but understanding and love in a work of reconciliation.

Trick Steps

The Rhodesian Herald, central Africa newspaper, carried a story about some trick steps in the Tower of London. These steps are found on the staircase which leads from the room where Sir Walter Raleigh wrote his History of the World to the room above where he slept. The steps are built in a spiral with two of them about an inch higher than the rest. Anyone who took it for granted that the steps were all the same height was in for a shock or maybe death. When the invader stumbled the man on the steps was ready to run him through with a sword or disable him with a stone.

The writer of this intriguing piece could not refrain from moralizing, and effectively, too. One needs to be on the look-out for trick steps, for it is not possible to march through life with a uniform step or a uniform anything else. There are people to be considered, situations to be assessed, new circumstances always arising which alter the tempo and reduce the pace.

The Bible Versus Communist Literature

Christians have been distressed by a claim that the works of well-known Communist writers have outstripped the Bible as best

sources. Information from the Library of Congress based on Russian sources shows that over a billion copies of the works of Marx and Engels, Lenin and Stalin were published from 1917 to 1954 in 101 languages. From 1917 to 1957 the American Bible Society distributed near to four million volumes. To this should be added the distribution of the British and Foreign Bible Society which was slightly larger than that of the American Society, and of other Bible Societies. In addition there are the commercial Bible publishers who do not release their figures. All together "the total would certainly be a billion and a half." So that even for a period from 1917 to 1957 it still appears to be true that the Bible out-published Communist literature."

The Bible Society Record reminds readers that the Bible was being printed nearly 500 years before 1917 and parts of it had already appeared in more than 750 languages and dialects whereas the publication of Marx Communist Manifesto reaches back to 1848. Between this date and 1952 more than 1,000 editions of the Manifesto in 77 languages were published. Records show that no book but the Bible has been published, even in part, in more than 1,100 languages and dialects.

Brasilia

In the far, deep hinterland of Brazil 600 miles from Rio lies Brasilia, the new capital of the republic. Like our own Washington, D. C., the capital was built from scratch and is a long-time Brazilian dream. When Kubitschek became president in 1956 he breathed new life into the idea which had been stubbornly fought by vested interests in Rio de Janeiro. He argued that Rio was essentially a commercial city; that the government needed a home of its own. Rio was overbuilt, its water and power supplies skimpy, its traffic terrible; the unexplored hinterland of Brazil had enormous potential wealth but was undeveloped because it lacked population centers.

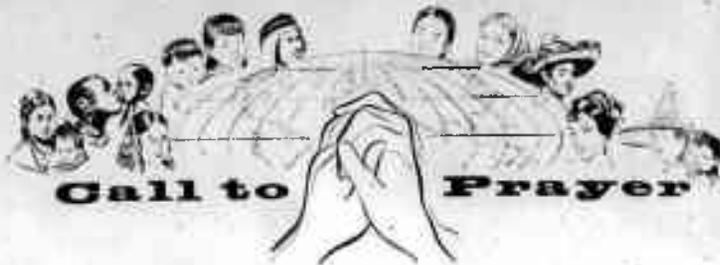
Kubitschek pushed the project through congress. He put in charge of design the famous Brazilian architect, Oscar Niemeyer. The architect who won the competition for the plan of the city submitted his blueprint in the shape of an airplane, an appropriate design for the first capital of the air age, the Brazilians say.

June 30, 1958 marked the inauguration of the first two buildings of Brasilia, the Presidential Palace and the Tourist Hotel. Five hundred political and diplomatic dignitaries gathered for the event. A Newsweek correspondent cabled, "The rest of Brasilia looks like nothing so much as nothing right now." Today the thriving city looks like something that is prophetic of a great future. Here in the wilderness a metropolis grows.

Dr. T. F. Adams Honored

On January 29, 1960 Dr. Theodore Adams, pastor of First Baptist Church, Richmond, Virginia and president of the Baptist World Alliance was cited as "the leader of the year in world Christian fellowship" by Upper Room, devotional booklet published by the Methodist denomination. In the ten year history of the citation Dr. Adams was the first pastor ever chosen for the honor. Previous selections include John R. Mott, international missionary leader, Warren Sallman, artist and painter of a famous head of Christ, and Frank Laubach, world literacy expert. Dr. Adams was given the parchment citation at a dinner in the Hotel John Marshall, Richmond. The pastor of The Upper Room presented the award.

This month Dr. Adams is in Rio, the Brazilian host city to the Baptist World Alliance.



Prayer Motto: Day by Day for the World I Pray

Prepared by Dr. Carrie U. Littlejohn

1 Wednesday Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen Heb. 11:1. (Read vv. 1-13.)

Our missionaries in the Philippines live and work by faith. There are fifty of them located in eight cities. We should pray as they struggle against great difficulties. Work with Chinese people goes slowly because of their materialistic attitudes. The Catholic Church claims 80 per cent of the Filipinos, though only a small proportion are practicing Catholics. There are large Moslem groups in the southern part of the islands and pagan tribes in the mountains. On the other hand, there are factors that encourage us. Because of close association with the United States since the turn of the century, the people are friendly to missions, and the work is growing. *Pray for the 36 churches and 66 chapels in our work, for more nationals to volunteer for the ministry.*

PRAY for Theresa Anderson, Manila, Philippines, ev.; Olive Riddell, China, retired

2 Thursday My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge Hos. 4:6 (Read vv. 1-9.)

As people are destroyed for lack of knowledge, by the same token they grow intellectually and spiritually as they learn more of God's truth. Missionary B. F. Fail in Redlands, California, tells of growing interest of their young people in people of the world. Through missionary organizations these boys and girls become aware of world conditions. Sharing the gospel is like throwing a pebble in a lake: the outward ripples go on and on. As the Spanish-speaking people receive and accept the Words of Life they in turn pray and give and go, and others are blessed.

Pray for these young people in the La Vida Baptist Chapel in Redlands, that their Christian influence may be a telling force in their homes and among friends.

PRAY for B. F. Fail, Redlands, Calif., ev. among Spanish-speaking; Mrs. A. H. Foster, HMB, ev. among migrants; Mrs. J. B. Gaultney, Eku, Nigeria, Mrs. W. T. Roberson, Vietnam, ev.; Pauline Jackson, So. Rhodesia, RN; Cornelia Lussell, Honolulu, Hawaii, ed.

3 Friday And Jesus, when he came out, saw much people, and was moved with compassion toward them, because they were as sheep not having a shepherd: and he began to teach them many things Mark 6:34. (Read vv. 30-34.)

In downtown Honolulu a Sunday school is held in a public school building because there is no church in the area. There Mrs. Frank T. Woodward teaches a class of 24 Intermediate boys and girls. Six of the group are fine Christians. Mrs. Woodward writes: "... There are several thousand in that same area untouched for the Lord. And this is the section where many of our young servicemen spend their free time seeking pleasure and release from loneliness." Mrs. Woodward concludes: "Please pray with us that we may have a good will center or church for witnessing to the last as well as to those who are in the defense of our country."

PRAY for Mrs. F. T. Woodward, Honolulu, Hawaii, ed.; Robert Mackett, Sells, Ariz., ev. among Indians; Bibiano Molina, Pinar del Rio, Cuba, Mrs. P. C. Mosteller, Bangkok, Thailand, R. B. Fryer, Jr., Djakarta, Indonesia, R. L. Rummage, Central Africa.

4 Saturday But watch thou in all things,

Missionaries are listed on their birthdays. Addresses in Directory of Missionary Personnel, from from Foreign Mission Board, Box 6597, Richmond 30, Virginia, and in Home Missions.

endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of thy ministry 2 Tim. 4:5 (Read vv. 1-8.)

In a fertile farming valley several miles away, the First Baptist Church of Pikeville, Kentucky, is conducting a mission Sunday school. The mission was opened four years ago in a rented store building. Three years later they reported 25 conversions. Now the sponsoring church has bought a well-located lot to be used for a future building site.

Suppose this mission had not been opened. The people of this prosperous mountain community would not have been evangelized. These new Christians would still be living outside the kingdom of God. *Pray that your church will seek out unevangelized areas in your community.*

PRAY for Mrs. Carlos Pierson, San Antonio, Tex., Mrs. L. H. Soliz, Pomona, Calif., ev. among Spanish-speaking; Mrs. D. Bejarano, HMB, retired; C. R. Bumpas, Campina Grande, Mrs. David Mein, Brazil, L. P. Marler, Korea, ev.



5 Sunday But now in Christ Jesus ye who sometimes were far off are made nigh by the blood of Christ Eph. 2:13. (Read vv. 1-22.)

Though our work in Nigeria was started more than a hundred years ago, we have been slow in getting into many parts of that thickly populated country. Let us thank God, therefore, today for the good news of progress in Kaduna the capital city of northern Nigeria. The pastor, E. O. Akingbala of First Baptist Church reports the best revival in the church's history. The visiting preacher was a South Carolina pastor, Mr. M. T. Hudgins. Among the fruits of the revival were 35 conversions and 76 rededications. *Pray for these new Christians and their pastor. Pray for our missionaries in Nigeria and the national pastors.*

PRAY for Mrs. C. R. Crowder, Keffi, Nigeria, Mrs. W. M. Matthews, Cotabato, Philippines, Mrs. W. D. Moore, Rome, Italy, ev.; Charlotte Ann, Marylu, and William D.

Moore, Jr., MF; Stella Austin, Oshogbo, Nigeria, Mrs. A. J. Glaze, Jr., Argentina, ed.; Quinn Morgan, Bakersfield, Calif., ev. among Spanish-speaking; Virginia Opietree, St. Louis, Mo., GWC

6 Monday Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord 1 Cor. 15:58. (Read vv. 50-58.)

Missionary Carlos Owens in a recent letter said: "Recently we have been doing some survey work. Everywhere we saw overwhelming need for the gospel and ministry to the whole man. One area alone reports over a million people and only one out of a thousand knows Christ. After two years of local opposition from Catholic and non-Christian groups we are being granted a plot on which to build our church here in Mbeya, Tanganyika. We consider this a real victory. In two of the village buildings are being constructed and recently we baptized eleven. Others are almost ready and will be baptized soon."

Let us join Mr. Owens in prayer of thanksgiving that opposition has been overcome and new churches are being built in Tanganyika; pray for new churches and new Christians.

PRAY for C. R. Owens, Mbeya, Tanganyika, J. W. H. Richardson, Jr., Nigeria, J. A. Jimmerson, Indonesia, S. C. Jowers, Davao City, Allen Smith, Manila, Philippines, ev.; T. E. Halsell, Belem, Brazil, ed.

7 Tuesday Be not forgetful to entertain strangers: for thereby some have entertained angels unawares Heb. 13:2. (Read vv. 1-9.)

There are more than 47,000 foreign students studying annually in the United States. Each year at Thanksgiving and Spring school holidays student retreats for international students are fostered by the Baptist Student Union. Miss Eunice Parker, director of International Student Ministries in Texas, says that students from more than 70 countries and eight major religious groups attend these retreats. In pointing out the far-reaching influence of this ministry, Miss Parker tells of a young man from Pakistan. He impressed her "as the most convinced Moslem that I had ever met, and one who could speak most ably for his faith." Yet a year ago at Christmas he wrote her, revealing the deep yearning of his heart to know Christ. *Pray for this young man and other foreign students to be won to faith in Christ while they are here.*

PRAY for Eunice Parker, Austin, Tex., inter.; Mrs. W. H. Congdon, Oshogbo, Nigeria, ed.; Mrs. H. P. McCormick, Honolulu, Hawaii, RN; O. W. Marson, Ft. Yukon, Alaska, W. H. Ferrell, Cordoba, Argentina, Mrs. D. J. Spiegel, Teresina, Brazil, ev.

8 Wednesday And I will bring the blind by a way that they knew not; I will lead them in paths that they have not known; I will make darkness light before them, and crooked things straight. These things will I do unto them, and not forsake them Isa. 42:16. (Read vv. 10-16.)

If we could ask missionaries on today's calendar if they have found God's exalted promises true in their own experiences, we know they would reply in glad affirmative. Pray for the missionaries in Indonesia that they will have light along the untried ways in a new mission field. Pray for the missionaries in Mexico and Brazil as they strive with Christian nationals to evangelize the unreached millions, for the missionaries in Costa Rica and the homeland that difficulties may be overcome through radiant faith.

PRAY for Mrs. Reynaldo Gurnie, Phoenix, Ariz., Mrs. Rudolph Rangell, San Jose, Calif., ev. among Spanish-speaking; Callie Brown, New Orleans, La., GWC; Martha Bell, Kediri, Indonesia, RN; Nadyne Brewer, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, ed.; Mrs. M. L. McKay, Anchorage, Alaska; Mrs. T. W. Hill, San Jose, Costa Rica, Mrs. O. W. Reid, Guadalajara, Mexico, ev.

9 Thursday And when he was come near, he beheld the city, and wept over it Luke 19:41. (Read vv. 41-48.)

As in the days of his flesh, the compassionate Christ must yet weep over our modern cities. Bangkok, the capital of Thailand, is one of the great oriental cities, with a population of more than a million people. Our witness in this city with its multitudes of Chinese and Thai people includes 27 missionaries. Some of them teach in the Seminary in both Thai and Chinese languages. Others are trying to reach students through a challenging program in the student center. Still others prepare the literature for churches and missions. Pray for this small band of missionaries who tell the gospel story to the people of Bangkok.

PRAY for Mary Frances Gould, Bangkok, Thailand, pub.

10 Friday Beautiful for situation, the joy of the whole earth, is mount Zion Psalm 48:2. (Read vv. 1-14.)

It can be said of Hawaii, our fiftieth state, that it is also "beautiful for situation" this Paradise of the Pacific. We can express thanks today for the growth of our work there since beginning in 1840. Now that Hawaii is a state, the Foreign Mission Board is transferring responsibility for the work to the Hawaii Baptist Convention. The date for the transfer is set for January, 1961.

Let us pray for this youngest state, for missionaries and pastors, and for all Christian churches that altogether we may make Hawaii Christian, not only "beautiful for situation" but for the joy of our bringing men to a knowledge of Christ as Saviour.

PRAY for Mrs. R. C. Davis, Jr., Hilo, J. H. Ware,* Hawaii, F. H. Ossa, San Blas, Panama, J. H. Hammett, Taipei, Taiwan, ev.; Annie Hagstrom, Nalerigu, Ghana, RN; Mrs. G. O. Foulon, HMB, L. E. Blackman, China-Hawaii, retired

11 Saturday The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge Psalm 46:7. (Read vv. 1-11.)

Located in the crowded city of Tainan, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Raley are completing a first term of service in Taiwan. Mrs. Raley is busy maintaining a Christian home for her husband and three sons, Lynn, Bruce and David. She teaches a Sunday school class and works with the women in the Tainan church. This church is fortunate in having for its pastor, Roland Chang, a most capable national pastor, a graduate of Taiwan Baptist Seminary. He is the first national pastor to be ordained in Taiwan. Much of Mr. Raley's work is in Kang Shan, a military center. Pray for Mr. Chang and the other ordained national pastors as they preach and visit among their own people.

PRAY for Mrs. Harry Raley,* Tainan, Mrs. R. D. Hardy, Kyoto, Japan, ev.; Mrs. John Arnold, Calif.; Mrs. Oscar Hill, Alamosa, N. Mex., ev. among Spanish-speaking



12 Sunday For I the Lord thy God will hold thy right hand, saying unto thee, Fear not; I will help thee Isa. 41:13. (Read vv. 10-13.)

Few mothers have contributed more to missions than Mrs. W. L. Walker. Sr. Her son, W. L. Walker, Jr., is in Japan, and a daughter, Catherine, is in Indonesia. Another

daughter is a missionary in Costa Rica. Last year Mrs. Walker had the privilege of visiting her three missionary children in their widely scattered fields. She spent two months in Japan with the Walkers in Oita, a city of more than 110,000 people in southern Japan. Mrs. Walker was disturbed over the hold that Shintoism has on the Japanese people. There are 86,000 Shinto shrines in Japan and 15,000 Shinto priests, while we have only 87 churches and 113 missionaries. Pray for these dedicated missionaries and especially for the Walkers as they minister to these spiritually hungry people.

PRAY for Mrs. W. L. Walker, Oita, Japan, Mrs. Francisco Diaz, San Blas, Panama, ev.; Mildred Crabtree, Agbor, Nigeria, ed.; Mrs. M. G. White, Brazil, retired

13 Monday And so were the churches established in the faith, and increased in number daily Acts 16:5. (Read vv. 1-8.)

Early Christian history repeats itself today in the planting and growth of new churches. Five years ago a mission was opened in Clinton, Maryland, with a membership of 18 and a Sunday school enrolment of 43. In five years the church membership grew to 175, the Sunday school enrolment to 240. A year ago the church bought a five acre tract of land and started its building program. Now the first unit has been dedicated. So a new church is ministering to a community whose people had been neglected. Is your church providing for a churchless community?

PRAY for Mrs. R. A. Miller, Kwiqak, Alaska, ev.

14 Tuesday The blind receive their sight, and the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, and the poor have the gospel preached to them Matt. 11:5. (Read vv. 1-8.)

In writing of the ministry of the Good Will Center in East St. Louis, Mr. John W. Bram said: Its total program "is planned to meet the spiritual needs of the family in this area. Here we have many people who are underprivileged materially and neglected spiritually. Our program seeks to reach these with the message of Jesus." The program, planned for all ages from kindergarten to golden-agers, includes a medical clinic, counseling, Bible classes, recreation and group activities. Pray for the workers there.

PRAY for J. W. Beam, E. St. Louis, Ill., GWC; Mrs. B. F. Fail, Redlands, Calif., ev. among Spanish-speaking; Mrs. Raul Gonzalez, Havana, Mrs. A. T. Bequer, Cienfuegos, Cuba, ev.

15 Wednesday For the Son of man is come to save that which was lost Matt. 18:11. (Read vv. 10-14.)

Did you know that one half the population of San Antonio, Texas, is Latin American? This is one of the most important centers for our Spanish-speaking work. According to the latest report, there are ten organized churches and 18 missions for Spanish-speaking people in San Antonio. Other ministries are the Mexican Baptist Orphans Home which takes care of more than a hundred children; the Mexican Baptist Bible Institute trains Mexican men and women for religious service. These young people help in all our mission work while they study at the Institute. Pray for students, for the pastors of Mexican churches and missions in San Antonio.

PRAY for Mrs. A. G. Ortiz, Bishop, Tex., Frank Browder, III, Tucson, Ariz., ev. among Spanish-speaking; F. C. Rowland, Cuba, N. Mex., ev. among Indians; Mrs. I. V. Larson, China-Philippines-Taiwan, retired; A. B. Scull, Bandung, Indonesia, ev.

16 Thursday Except the Lord build the house, they labour in vain that build it: except the Lord keep the city, the watchman waketh but in vain Psalm 127:1. (Read vv. 1-5.)

Buenos Aires is one of the great cities of the world with more than 3,700,000 people. In this beautiful and progressive city we have 24 missionaries. In his last annual report Dr. Frank K. Means, secretary for Latin America, said: "The capital area has made good progress under the leadership of Jim and Frances Watson. For the first time Buenos Aires had an association-wide group training school for Sunday school workers. Most of the churches participated. A new camp for this area was officially opened and dedicated. Several building projects are in progress." We can thank God for the progress of our work in Buenos Aires, Argentina.

PRAY for Mrs. J. O. Watson,* Argentina, Mrs. L. C. Atmp,* So. Rhodesia, ev.; Mrs. Michael Naranjo, Taos, N. Mex., ev. among Indians; Tito, Tessie, and Rina Naranjo, MF

17 Friday And he is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world 1 John 2:2. (Read vv. 1-6.)

National Christians in the younger churches often put us to shame in their devoted service. Several months ago the Baptist church in Miyazaki, Japan, met for a farewell serv-

ice for their beloved pastor and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Hotai who were led to another city to begin a new work. Until the Hotais came to Miyazaki eight years before there was no Baptist church. Now almost one hundred of those attending the farewell service were men and women led to Christ by Mr. and Mrs. Hotai. Pray for the new field, and for the continued growth of the work in Miyazaki.

PRAY for Leslie Watson, Miyazaki-shi, Japan, Mrs. Antonio Santana, Bejuco, Cuba, Mrs. H. L. Adams, Kabba, Nigeria, Mrs. P. C. Bell, Jr., Barranquilla, Colombia, Mrs. F. P. Lide, Baguio, Philippines, Mrs. W. G. Henderson, Korea, ev.; Mrs. Leohardo Estrada, Pico Rivera, Calif., Celso Villareal, Albuquerque, N. Mex., ev. among Spanish-speaking; Betty Jane Ewen, Abeokuta, Nigeria, Minnie Lou Lanier, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, ed.; J. L. Bice, Brazil, retired

18 Saturday And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people. Matt. 4:23. (Read vv. 18-25.)

A few modern disciples of our Lord are finding new ways to take a vacation. Last summer Dr. John Miller, physician, and Dr. D. J. Sawyer, dentist, of Arkansas spent a few days at their own expense in a ministry of healing in the San Blas Islands. Holding clinics on six islands, Dr. Miller performed eight operations and treated 750 patients, while Dr. Sawyer extracted teeth for 400 patients. Dr. Miller says: "The burden of my heart is that other medical laymen will feel led to go to the San Blas Islands on a working vacation." Pray for God's continued blessing on this ministry.

PRAY for Carlos Perez, San Blas, J. A. Solana, Panama City, Panama, Benjamin Valdes, Batabano, Cuba, Mrs. E. L. Hollaway, Jr., Tokyo, Japan, Mrs. G. T. Turner, Argentina, ev.; Rafael Miranda, San Bernardino, Calif., ev. among Spanish-speaking, Catherine Bryan, China, retired, Mrs. W. A. Hatton, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, ed.



Call to Prayer

19 Sunday Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for theirs is

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the kingdom of heaven. Matt. 5:10. (Read vv. 1-12.)

The daily newspapers recently carried a story of a Baptist minister in Spain. The police had sealed his church in Madrid without explanation. After some months the seal was not visible, so he opened it to hold services. He was arrested and brought to trial. Dr. H. C. Goerner, secretary for Europe, commented: "The publicity given to the trial seemed to be an embarrassment to the prosecution who could not present a strong case against the young pastor without further exposing themselves to charges of intolerance and bigotry. The small fine and light jail sentence which were imposed were promptly suspended by the court, giving to the procedure the aspect of a face-saving device." Pray for this pastor Rev. Jose Nunez and his church in Madrid. Pray for national pastors in Spain and their churches during these days of persecution.

PRAY for Mrs. J. W. Mefford, Jr., Valencia, Spain, H. W. Mobley, Sekondi, Ghana, Mrs. C. L. Whaley, Jr., Japan, ev.; Richard Sanchez, Phoenix, Ariz., ev. among Spanish-speaking; Mrs. H. L. Petty, Haifa, Israel, ed.

20 Monday Now when the sun was setting, all they that had any sick with divers diseases brought them unto him, and he laid his hands on every one of them, and healed them. Luke 4:40. (Read vv. 38-44.)

In Kyoto, a city in Japan of more than a million people, there is located our Baptist Hospital. All the Japanese staff are Christians. The three-year-old hospital is working to reach required standards for an approved center for training nurses, staff of the hospital and for service throughout Japan.

PRAY for the hospital, the doctors, Japanese Christian staff members.

PRAY for C. P. Clark, Jr., Kyoto, Japan, MD; Mrs. Francisco Morales, El Paso, Tex., Mrs. J. B. Williams, Williams, Ariz., ev. among Spanish-speaking; Mrs. Ruby McGhee, HMB, retired; Mrs. W. T. Heni, Mbandao, Philippines, Harriett King, Kuala Lumpur, Malaya, ev.; Mrs. Gerald Ridgell, Temuco, Chile, W. M. Garrott, Fukuoka, Japan, ed.; Elizabeth Ann Garrott, MF.

21 Tuesday I will praise thee, O Lord, among the people: and I will sing praises unto thee among the nations. Psalm 108:3. (Read vv. 1-13.)

In telling of the sixth annual convention of the WMU of Southern Rhodesia, Dr. Wanda Ann Fort not only points up the growth of

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THIS MONTH

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FORECASTER

Prepared by Elaine Dickson, WMS Promotion Associate

The Mighty Minute

"I am always quarreling with time," said Queen Charlotte. "It is so short to do something, and so long to do nothing."

Time is precious, not because of itself, but for the opportunities it brings. What we call time is in fact motion—advancement, progress toward something.

This is summertime! Three brief months as we measure seasons, yet time enough to make progress and advancement in WMS. After all, "Our days are like identical suitcases—all the same size, but some people can pack more into them than others."

Stewardship Chairman

The YWA hymn, "O Zion Haste," earnestly urges "Give of thy sons to bear the message glorious; give of thy wealth to speed them on their way . . ." It is hoped that the June WMS program will cause women to be concerned that God will call young people into his service. Stress the necessity for sufficient money to send young people to mission fields and to support their work. Show how the Cooperative Program, the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering, and the Annie Armstrong Offering "speeds them on their way."

Christian brothers in Korea, the missionaries, the problem of refugees and displaced persons.

PRAY for Mrs. J. G. Goodwin, Jr., Korea,

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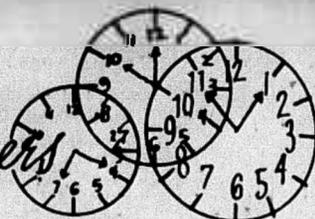
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ROYAL SERVICE

• Presidents and Circle Chairmen

Wanted: *Clock Watchers*



In business the term "clock watcher" has undesirable connotations, but it can become a compliment in referring to WMS leaders.

Nothing so dampens the ardor of busy women or so disastrously throws a wet blanket over the spirit of a meeting as the lack of punctuality. This is particularly true of church meetings. Here we deal with things of ultimate concern, yet how careless we tend to be about our appointments. A "Janie-come-lately" can relegate WMS activities to a less important place in the minds of women, invoking indifference and non-participation.

The most important time for the leader is "on time"—in beginning and ending the meeting. When the meeting is supposed to end at 11:30 A.M. or 8:30 P.M. keep your word. In a day of busy and tight schedules, women appreciate knowing how they can plan their day or night. A late meeting can conflict with other appointments. And once a meeting runs over the "closing time" it rapidly diminishes in effectiveness.

Be a "clock watcher" . . . on time from beginning to end!

Wanted: *Calendar Watchers*



Punctuality is not only related to the clock but to the calendar as well. June marks the end of another quarter—the third quarter. The "calendar watcher" is aware that it is report time again.

Check with your secretary to see that . . .

- Reports are filled out promptly.
- Reports are filled out accurately.
- Reports are sent in on time.

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Something to use in designating a WMS meeting place at the church

Something attractive, distinctively WMU

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Program Chairman

BOOKS *That Make Good Reading*

The last quarter of this WMU year is fast approaching. At the June meeting, why not preview the program areas and topics for the next three months? (See WMU Year Book, p. 39). Encourage women to build background for fuller appreciation of these programs by reading books relating to the program areas. The following are suggested from *World in Books*.*

July: Topic—Good Will Centers

The New Orleans Story, Loyd Corder, 75c, tells how Baptist work in New Orleans developed; Good Will Centers presented.

History of the Home Mission Board, J. B. Lawrence, \$3.50, from 1845 to present, tells of struggles and growth of all phases of work at home.

Home Missions: U.S.A., Courts Redford, 75c, general survey of Home Mission Board work.

August: Topic—Japan

Japan Advances, W. Maxfield Garrott, 60c, tells of Baptist work today.

Japan's New Baptists, Carl M. Halvarson, 60c. Experiences of young Baptists today against their environment.

Cross and Crisis in Japan, Charles W. Iglehart, \$2.50. Christians in Japan, their faithfulness, their strength, their weakness, their problems.

In the Gray Rain, Hazel Severson McCartney, \$3.75. Charming stories from real life in Japan by a missionary.

Ten Against the Storm, Marianne and Norman Prichard, pa. \$1.00. Stories of ten Japanese leaders, both men and women, and their contributions to missionary investments in Japan.

The Japanese Woman, Japan Travel Bureau edition, \$2.75. Beautiful pictorial book of Japanese life, especially as it relates to women.

September: Topic—Baptists of the World.

Baptist World Fellowship, F. Townley Lord, \$1.75. History of the Baptist World Alliance from its beginning in 1905 to 1955, its Jubilee year.

From London to London, Blanche Sydnor White, \$1.00. About the beginning and development of the Baptist work around the world with special attention to women's work.

*Available from Baptist Book Stores or your church library

PROGRAM CHAIRMAN (Continued)

Enrichment Materials For the Program Plus

The following materials are available free from the mission boards to help with programs in June through September:

From the Home Mission Board, 161 Spring St., N.W., Atlanta 3, Ga.:
"Good Will Center" (leaflet)

From the Foreign Mission Board, Box 6597, Richmond 30, Va.:
"Know Your Baptist Missions—Latin America" (1960 Edition)
"North Brazil: A Challenging Road to Advance" (leaflet)
"South Brazil: Colossus-in-a Hurry" (leaflet)
"Southern Baptist Missions in Brazil" (map)
"Know Your Baptist Missions—the Orient" (1960 Edition)
"Strategic Japan: Oriental Treasure" (leaflet)
"Southern Baptist Missions in Japan" (map)

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COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

Guilty? Your Meeting's the Answer

When it is time for your committee meeting, do members approach it with confident anticipation or just plain dread?

A good committee meeting requires preparation made well in advance—by the chairman and members alike. If meetings drag, if enthusiasm lags, if plans sag—someone is guilty of shoddy preparation.

Dr. Harold F. Zelko of Pennsylvania State University says: "Most committees fail because both the chairman and the participants have failed to give adequate thought to the subject or purpose

of the meeting. It is a mistake to assume that you can lead or participate in a committee meeting by relying solely on your background and work experience. Careful thought should be given to the agenda, purpose, persons in attendance. It is better still to do some organized preparing on paper." (*Adult Leadership*,* February, 1960, p. 233.)

The wise committee chairman can do two things in preparation for each committee meeting: (1) list the items which need atten-

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tion and (2) notify members of topics for consideration. A brief note on a postal card can remind committee members of an approaching meeting and list for them the tentative agenda. This allows time for preparation and

is a reminder for members to start thinking and preparing before the meeting.

When is your next committee meeting? Will it render the verdict "Not guilty of inadequate preparation"?

ENLISTMENT AND PUBLICATIONS CHAIRMEN



Something Old

Something Blue

Something Borrowed

Something *NEW*



June is the month for brides. After the wedding and honeymoon the "something new" in the bride's life can be Woman's Missionary Society.

Most brides will be YWA members under 25 years of age. At marriage they should automatically be transferred to WMS membership. Because the society is made up of older women as well as younger ones, some YWAs feel insecure in this transfer. The WMS should see that the new bride is welcomed and immediately made to feel she has a contribution to make along with other women enlisted.

Even before the wedding initial enlistment contacts can be made—a visit from the WMU president or a circle chairman, invitations from members. Why not decide which circle would be the best one in which to enlist the bride? Assign that circle the enlistment responsibility. The circle might follow through with a "recipe shower" or "kitchen shower" for the bride in connection with a regular circle meeting at which time the prospect can be introduced to WMS.

The publications committee can lead the society to provide a gift subscription to *Royal Service*. This is a gesture of welcome and at the same time provides a continuing flow of missionary information and inspiration to the young woman's life.

A lovely gift certificate will be sent to the young woman announcing this gift from her WMS.

When sending in these subscriptions* write on the subscription blank, "Gift for YWA (or bride) entering WMS."

Mission Study Chairman

Wonderland of Learning

There's something about human nature that fails to appreciate what is near at hand. People will travel thousands of miles to remote corners of the world to

*Remember, allow four to six weeks for first copy of magazine.

admire the marvels of foreign lands, yet be completely unaware of what is in their "own back yard."

As follow-up activity in connection with the study of *Educating Youth in Missions*, 85c from Baptist Book Stores, encourage members to include visits to home mission points in conjunction with family vacations during the summer. This is one way to build mis-

PRAYER CHAIRMAN

Intercessory Prayer

How is your Intercessory Prayer League functioning?

If properly utilized this praying group can release an ever increasing spiritual power, bringing blessings at home and around the world.

Keep in mind that the objects of prayer should center in:

1. National and international affairs having direct bearing on world missions.
2. Urgent needs in state and community.
3. Causes and individuals in the church family.

Societies have developed many plans for circulating prayer requests among those participating in the league. Some of the most used plans are suggested below:

1. Telephone Chain

Participants in the league are given a list of all those committed to the ministry of intercessory prayer. Requests are relayed by telephone from one person to the next, as each participant telephones the person whose name appears directly below hers on the list.

sionary understanding and concern in the family group. Home missions is close to home, yet it embodies some of the same exciting experiences as missions thousands of miles away.

For planning vacations with a missionary plus, order the "Home Missions Travel Guide," free from the Home Mission Board, 161 Spring St., N.W., Atlanta 3, Georgia (see RS cover 2).

2. Newsletter

Some prayer chairmen send a newsletter type communicate periodically to members. This brief letter reviews answers to prayer as well as adding new prayer requests.

3. Prayer Folders

This plan uses a folded sheet of heavier paper similar to the formal note type stationery. A prayer promise from the Scriptures is given, along with a listing of prayer requests. The folder is suitable for placing in a Bible or standing on a bedside table for easy reference.

4. Word of Mouth

In the small society with few members of the prayer league, the chairman calls each member or sees them personally in relaying requests.

The important thing to remember in circulating requests is that it should be done in a spirit of concern and in confidence.

If your society does not have a prayer league, why not begin one? Order the leaflet "Intercessory Prayer League," free from your state WMU office.

COMMUNITY MISSIONS CHAIRMAN

Witnessing—Around the Clock

There is a witnessing ministry in which the society can engage "around the clock." It is in the distribution of religious literature to traveling Americans—in motels, hotels, bus and train stations, and airline terminals.

June is the beginning of the heavy vacation season; the weather brightens and hearts lighten—time for the wander-lust to set in. What provisions are made in your community for witnessing through religious literature to these traveling multitudes?

Here are some suggestions for extending this "around the clock" witness:

1. Check to see if tract racks are available for your use in transportation terminals. If not, ask if they might be installed if furnished by your society. Your Royal Ambassador Chapter might welcome the opportunity to make some, or they may be ordered

through your Baptist Book Store for \$3.50.

2. (Ask your church office to obtain supplies of evangelistic tracts from Tract Editor, Sunday School Board, 127 Ninth Ave., No., Nashville 3, Tenn.) Designate circles or individuals responsible for keeping the racks filled.

3. Secure permission from motel and hotel managers to place a copy of *Home Life* (annual individual subscription, \$2.50 from 127 Ninth Avenue, North, Nashville 3, Tennessee) in each room for bedtime reading by guests. Supply this magazine regularly.

4. On each piece of literature distributed stamp the name and address of your church (and your pastor's name if it meets with his approval). This gives the individual reading the literature a point of contact should he desire further information.

YOUTH DIRECTOR

Opportunity Knocks

By now your society is studying/has studied *Educating Youth in Missions* by Mildred McMurry. Have you stopped to realize what this can mean to your youth work? With this interpretive study should come new insight and appreciation for WMU youth work. Use this period following the study to:

1. Evaluate your organizations. Will you need new organizations when the new WMU year begins? Do present ones need dividing?

2. Appraise your leadership. Do you have an adequate number of counselors, leaders and assistants? Do they need additional training opportunities which the society could help provide? (Like WMU Conferences at Glorieta July 28-August 3, and at Ridgcrest August 11-17.)

3. Check your fostering. Is fostering adequately cared for by the society? Are there special projects which could be undertaken with

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help from the society? (Like sending YWAs to YWA Conference at Ridgecrest June 16-22, or GAs to camp.)

Someone has said "Opportunity knocks, but we must get up and open the door." The study of *Educating Youth in Missions* might well be opportunity knocking. Wise directors will open the door to future possibilities in youth work while WMS members are still thinking about the book study.

In Your Hands

When the WMS elected you a YWA, GA, or Sunbeam Band director, the organization thoughtfully and prayerfully placed in your hands the responsibility for the age group with whom you work. In your hands are young lives to be molded, channeled into constructive paths of service.

The general missionary program this month has as its secondary emphasis: "Missionary Education of Youth." The action motivated by that program is: concern that God will call more of your young people. As the society's "chosen one" to work with the missionary education of your age group, what have you done to encourage young people to respond to God's call?

Southern Baptists have set a goal of 1800 foreign missionaries under appointment by 1964. To reach this goal will require every year an average of 140 new appointments. In addition the Home Mission Board needs scores of new appointees.

John M. Tubbs, Church Related Vocations Counselor at the Baptist Sunday School Board, has asked each church — "Is your

church supplying its share?" Youth directors might make the question more personal and ask, "Is our society helping to supply its share?"

Here are some suggestions to help you keep before society members and young people alike the opportunities of mission service:

1. Lead adults and young people to understand that God has a plan for every life.
2. When possible, arrange personal contacts with missionaries—to discuss mission service, its possibilities, etc.
3. Help provide information in church library (biographies of missionaries, etc.)
4. Help parents through parent-leader activities and personal counseling to become willing for God to call their children into mission service.
5. Arrange for young people to attend conferences, camps, and house parties with missionary emphases.
6. Encourage family visits to home and foreign mission points.
7. Pray that God will call someone from your church to serve as a missionary.

When a young person from your church indicates an interest in mission service guide her to write the Personnel Secretary of the Home or Foreign Mission Board, depending on the type of missionary service in which she is interested. Addresses:

Mr. Elmer West, Foreign Mission Board, Box 6597, Richmond 30, Va.

Mr. Glendon McCullough, Home Mission Board, 161 Spring St., N.W., Atlanta 3, Ga.

the work in general, but she tells of remarkable development of the women. The Forts are in one of the most remote sections, the Sanyati Reserve. Though Dr. Fort is busy in the Sanyati Hospital, she is not too busy to give time to helping the women in their work. At this sixth convention the African women presided at all the sessions and gave most of the program, a remarkable evidence of growth.

PRAY for Mrs. M. G. Fort, Jr., Gatooma, So. Rhodesia, MD

22 Wednesday And the gospel must first be published among all nations Mark 13:10. (Read vv. 9-23.)

Missionary S. Dan Sprinkle is one of our 24 representatives in Buenos Aires. At present he is serving as the pastor of the church ministering to English-speaking people. This is a new development in our work there, but most important since so many American people are engaged in business in this great cosmopolitan city. In addition to this responsibility Mr. Sprinkle is the treasurer of the mission and helps in the preaching and teaching ministry in all our churches and chapels in the city. *Pray for the work of Mr. Sprinkle and this new church which ministers to the spiritual needs of American business and diplomatic personnel.*

PRAY for S. D. Sprinkle, Jr., Buenos Aires, Argentina, BA; Mrs. E. P. Doshier, Shaki, Nigeria, ev.; R. R. Harvey, Dallas, Tex., ev. among Spanish-speaking

23 Thursday The grass withereth, the flower fadeth: but the word of our God shall stand for ever Isa. 40:8. (Read vv. 1-8.)

Baptist mission work in Korea was begun in 1890 by an independent missionary from Canada. The work spread rapidly. At the death of this missionary in 1936 there were about 250 Baptist churches in Korea. Due to suffering and persecution during the war years, many of the churches were unable to carry on. In 1949 Baptists of South Korea asked Southern Baptists to send missionary co-workers who arrived in 1950. At that time there were only 40 Baptist churches in South Korea. There are now 147 churches in the Korean Baptist Convention, with 39 national pastors and 185 evangelists and Bible women. Again it has been proved that the kingdom grows under trial. *Pray for our Christian brothers in Korea, the missionaries, the problem of refugees and displaced persons.*

PRAY for Mrs. J. G. Goodwin, Jr., Korea,

S. L. Jones, So. Rhodesia, T. C. Hollingsworth, Buenos Aires, Argentina, B. L. Spear,* Thailand, Mrs. J. S. Key, Campinas, Brazil, ev.*

24 Friday Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits: Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases Psalm 103:2,3. (Read vv. 1-14.)

Dr. Joanna Maiden at the Baptist Hospital in Joinkrama tells of two men whose lives were saved by quick treatment and essential drugs. She concludes: "We are grateful that along with the chance to live, these two pagan men could hear the gospel, and we pray that they will continue to think on what they have heard, and believe it. Your witness here is not only through us, your representatives, but what you are doing and saying yourselves is broadcast and printed here. *Pray with us that we may do our work with skill, that we may speak with clarity and conviction of our experience with Christ, that we may witness with tact and wisdom.*" *Let us pray that we will not make more difficult the work of our missionaries abroad.*

PRAY for Joanna Maiden, Joinkrama, Nigeria, MD; Fausto Morales, Palmira, J. B. Perez, Cataline de Guines, Cuba, ev.; Mrs. D. M. Kim, Los Angeles, Calif., ev. among Koreans; Mrs. James Huse, Albuquerque, N. Mex., ev. among Indians; Mrs. W. H. Sears, China, retired; Mrs. T. L. Watson, San Jose, Costa Rica, lan. st.

25 Saturday Wait on the Lord: be of good courage, and he shall strengthen thine heart: wait, I say, on the Lord Psalm 27:14. (Read vv. 1-14.)

There are many developments of Baptist work in Cuba for which we can be grateful. *Pray for the churches and their pastors.* Mission school attendance is growing. Last year there were eleven schools with an enrolment of 853 pupils. *Pray for the teachers in these schools.* A Baptist book store has been opened in Havana, the only evangelical book store in the city. *Pray for its ministry.* The English-speaking First Baptist Church in Havana has entered its new building. *Pray for its ministry among the American and British.* *Pray for the government of Cuba.*

PRAY for M. A. Calleiro, Jr., Guines, Cuba, ev.; T. J. Wamego, Red Rock, Okla., ev. among Indians



Call to Prayer

26 Sunday And the word of the Lord was published throughout all the region Acts 13:49. (Read vv. 44-52.)

Today the Tenth Baptist World Congress opens its meetings in the great city of Rio de Janeiro. Baptists from all parts of the world have come together for inspiration, Christian fellowship and conference on matters of mutual interest. Pray that the Congress will make a spiritual impact on Rio, the entire continent of South America.

PRAY for Mrs. T. C. Hollingsworth, Buenos Aires, Argentina. Mrs. Casio Lima, Remedios, Cuba, ev.; N. M. Carter, Selma, Ala., ev. among Negroes; Mrs. Pedro Hernandez, Tucson, Ariz., ev. among Spanish-speaking; W. W. Logan, Nigeria, DDS; C. A. Leonard, China-Hawaii, retired; G. W. Doyle, San Jose, Costa Rica, lan. st.; Baptist World Alliance Congress, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, June 26-July 3

27 Monday And he saith unto them, Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men Matt. 4:19. (Read vv. 18-23.)

Mrs. H. H. Pike tells of the faithful witnessing of many Christians in Brazil. She and her husband attended an associational meeting in a remote rural community. They found the church packed with people eager to hear. After the meeting they went to the home of a deacon. They learned that when he moved into the community 22 years before, he was the only Christian, but he was faithful. After twenty years a church was organized, which has grown to 135 members. It is customary, when a Baptist moves into an area that has no church, to begin services in his home. "A Christian here is a real missionary," says Mrs. Pike. Pray for the many growing churches in Brazil, for the witness of the members.

PRAY for Mrs. H. H. Pike, Vitoria, A. B. Oliver, Campinas, Brazil. Mrs. C. S. Ford, Opoja, Nigeria, ev.; Mrs. L. W. Crews, Lawrence, Kan., ev. among Indians; L. C. Turnage, B. E. Adams, San Jose, Costa Rica, lan. st.

28 Tuesday Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path Psalm 119:105. (Read vv. 105-112.)

Mrs. W. L. Crumpler, Jr., working among Spanish-speaking people in Barstow, Calif., tells of a teen-age girl, a new convert, who did not have a Bible. At the Christmas party, when she received her gift, she exclaimed, "Oh, I do hope it is a Bible." Mr. Crumpler concluded, "Sure enough it was a Bible. While Anglo boys and girls are thrilled with

toys, I'm willing to believe that none knew the thrill this Mexican girl did who received her first Bible at our Christmas party."

Pray that this Bible may be a light to this Mexican girl in her contacts with her family and among friends.

PRAY for W. L. Crumpler, Barstow, Calif., ev. among Spanish-speaking; Mrs. L. H. Gunn, Jones City, Okla., ev. among deaf; Margaret Jean Gunn, MF; Mrs. C. W. Bryan, Lima, Peru. L. B. Akins, Chajil, Taiwan, Mrs. W. P. Carter, Jr., Santiago, Chile, R. R. Stewart, Bangkok, Thailand, Ruth Walder, Asagba, Nigeria, ev.; Violet Popp, Ajloun, Jordan, RN

29 Wednesday For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved Rom. 10:13. (Read vv. 1-15.)

Virginia Bean Bailey, for some years a teacher in a mission school in Honolulu, tells of a young woman who came over to the mainland a year ago. "Margaret became a Christian when we were in Hawaii, and we think the world of her. She is a great inspiration to all who know her. Although she was born in Hawaii, she was living in Hiroshima when we dropped the atomic bomb there." Pray for Margaret Tanaka and other young Hawaiians studying on the mainland.

PRAY for Evelyn Epps, Tampa, Fla., GWC; Mrs. W. McKinley Gilliland, Oghomesho, Nigeria, MD; Mrs. G. A. Nichols, Asuncion, Paraguay, ev.

30 Thursday For we are labourers together with God; ye are God's husbandry, ye are God's building 1 Cor. 3:9. (Read vv. 1-9.)

It is heartening to read reports of progress in the Taiwan Baptist Convention. Last year three new churches entered the Convention. Now there are 18 churches and 35 chapels with a membership of over 7,000 and a Sunday school enrollment of almost 5,000. One of the new churches among Formosan Chinese got off to a good start with 82 charter members under the leadership of a fine national pastor, Mr. Daniel Chen.

Pray for this church and pastor, Pray for more nationals to be called into the ministry.

PRAY for H. E. Spurgeon, Taichong, Taiwan, Katherine Cozzens, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, ev.; Mrs. J. L. Nollette, Richmond, Calif., ev. among Japanese; Delbert Fenn, Brigham City, Utah, ev. among Indians; Mrs. P. W. Hamlett, China, retired

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BA business administration
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CIRCLE PROGRAM

Circle Unit Theme: Educating Youth in Missions

June Program Topic: Our Missionary Youth

June Mission Study: Educating Youth in Missions

BY MRS. ERNEST PIERCE

This is the third and last program of this quarter based on Educating Youth in Missions.

Song: "O Zion Hasten"

Introduction: (Have ready pieces of cardboard, pencils, and scissors. Ask each one present to remove one shoe, on cardboard trace the outline of her foot and cut it out.) Discuss the size and shape of footprints: some are small, others larger, some are long, some narrow. Regardless of shape or size of one's footprints there are those who walk behind us, following after. As members of Woman's Missionary Society our footprints must lead youth to take with dedication and enthusiasm the pathway clearly defined by Christ for his followers.

Meditation: Let us consider these comments from God's Word. "The steps of a good man are ordered by the Lord; and he delighteth in his way" Psalm 37:23. "Order my steps in thy word; and let not iniquity have dominion over me" Psalm 119:132.

Vocation may mean any number of things to you. To some the word suggests teaching, selling, nursing, law, or the ministry. But vocation has a deeper meaning for the Christian.

The verses read indicate that men of old believed that all of life was to be lived in the light of God's will. The early Christians believed that God calls each one to a life of obedience and service which is his vocation. In the broadest sense, then, every Christian is called to follow his Christian vocation in the home, at work, in play; to live what he believes.

God may call youth to any occupation that serves society rather than self. It is the solemn duty and thrilling privilege of Woman's Missionary Union to help the youth in our churches recognize that God calls. They must be led to see that every vocation over-

seas or at home offers an opportunity to serve the cause of Christ. The propagation of the gospel is not set apart as the exclusive right of missionaries alone but all followers of Christ wherever they work. Scientists, engineers, doctors, teachers, diplomats, preachers will see that through their calling they can live by Christian standards and witness to the power of the gospel of Christ.

Life commitment may take many of our youth to mission fields. Such a vocation will require all that they have.

More than one hundred years ago Adoniram Judson summarized the requirements of a missionary with these words: "He must be willing to take the lowest place, to be least of all and the servant of all . . . who live near to God and are willing to suffer all things for Christ's sake without being proud of it."

Only God-given self-discipline and consecrated joy in serving people can keep the Christian, the missionary at the task.

Prayer

Challenging Steps: The young Christian who goes out on strategic frontiers is up against different circumstances and new challenges. No matter whether he goes as a missionary under either mission board or as an employee of a private firm he will discover that he must work with people; not over or for them.

Our world is now so small that whatever happens here or elsewhere is known everywhere almost as soon as it happens. It is not easy to explain to twentieth century revolutionists the hungry hordes, millions of illiterates, the fear-ridden and discriminated against masses. Our youth need to have a worldwide outlook and way of thinking which takes in respect and Christ-like concern for all people.

It is a large order to help prepare our young people to answer God's call which may come suddenly and in dramatic fashion or come slowly while following a humdrum

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Student summer worker in New Mexico

job. Either way, God will use the young person's interests and talents plus everyday experiences to point out the path he shall take in following His will.

Guiding Their Steps: To young people who experience a call to vocational Christian service all of us have special responsibility. We need to prepare ourselves to counsel with them as they share with us their hopes and dreams. Youth wants practical suggestions on how to get started.* Preparation may begin with missionary camps and assemblies. Every year in these summer retreats thousands of young people experience persistent wooing of the Holy Spirit who would lead them to make a life commitment to spreading the gospel. Though only a small percentage actually go to the mission fields, many dedications result in greater witnessing in the vocation that they have chosen under divine leading.

We can further help young people by de-

*The Foreign Mission Board, Box 6297, Richmond 30, Virginia, will send you on request "Needed Overseas," listing of mission opportunities for different vocations, also from the Home Mission Board, 161 Spring St., N.W., Atlanta 3, Georgia, secure "Whom Shall I Send?" and "Ten Weeks a Student Missionary." Also write the Education Division, Sunday School Board, 127 Ninth Ave., North, Nashville 3, Tenn., for vocational guidance leaflets.

veloping opportunities of contact with people who have experience in vocational Christian service. We need to invite missionaries to our churches as often as practical. Many are on the mission field today because they were helped in making God's call sure by a missionary in service.

Our denomination provides exceptional opportunities for college students who will give their summers for their Saviour. The Home Mission Board employs between four and five hundred of them every summer to work under the direction of home missionaries and pastors in mission situations. Many of our state boards have summer vacation Bible school programs in which they use college students. (If any of your young people have participated in these programs, tell about them or ask them to visit with you.)

In a very real sense Christian youth not only is meeting the challenge of the day; it is giving it. For members of Woman's Missionary Union the pertinent question is: "Have we offered young people of our churches a real challenge to worthy Christian living?" To help ourselves to answer this question in the affirmative, it is not too late for us to make plans to send some of them to camps and assemblies.* It is not too late for some of us to say we will go as sponsors and counselors. It is not too late for you to accept a place as counselor or leader of that auxiliary which needs your leadership. It is not too late for you to give of yourself in helping to guide the steps of youth in the Lord's way.

Dedicated Steps: This is the story of dedicated steps meeting the challenge, as told by Roger Hill, a mission volunteer of Corpus Christi, Texas:

"Roger, this is probably the most dangerous trip you'll ever take! These words were spoken to me shortly after I had been chosen a BSU summer missionary to Hawaii in 1958. I knew the speaker wasn't thinking of the thousands of miles of travel or any physical dangers I would face but rather of the challenge of missions I would discover.

"I am the son of a Baptist minister and have an uncle and aunt who are missionaries to Uruguay, and I know these words to be true. I found I had studied missions, prayed missions, taught missions, and given to missions but I had never discovered missions for myself.

"As I traveled to Hawaii I discovered a

*Give dates for your state and associational W.M.U. camps. YWAs also go in July-Aug. this year. 1958-59.

beautiful island and a dedicated group of missionaries serving against great odds in local churches. I discovered many races of the world living and working together, and other religions whose followers taught their beliefs as zealously as we teach ours. I not only discovered these, I discovered more, much more.

"I discovered a world of people. I discovered that they laughed as I did, cried as I did, loved as I did, and died as I would have to die. I discovered that a person who is another color, with a different heritage and who worships a different god is still a person. I discovered the people of the world as people like those at home with heartaches, problems, and the need of Christ as their Saviour.

"Not only did I discover while in Hawaii a world hungry for the gospel but I discovered what Southern Baptists are doing toward answering needs.

"I discovered that Southern Baptists have 28,600 pastors for their homeland and 122 missionary pastors in the rest of the world. I discovered that Coca-Cola is available in every village of the Philippines, but there are only 50 of our missionaries to preach the unsearchable riches of Jesus Christ!

"I discovered that it required 2,700 Southern Baptists to send one foreign missionary and that Southern Baptists only gave annually an average of \$1.56 per person for foreign missions.

"At each discovery I found myself searching deeper into my heart. As I asked young people to give their lives in service to their Lord I asked myself, 'Have I given my life?'

"On the way home from Hawaii, I attended Foreign Mission Week at Glorieta. There I heard the missionaries saying words like these: 'It is not a question of whether to go but a question of whether to stay. If I saw ten men carrying a tree and nine were on one end and one on the other I know which end I would get on to help.' I also heard the words of Jesus, 'Go ye therefore, Ye shall be witnesses unto me,' 'Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest,' 'The harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few; Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest.'

"I discovered my place in missions as I bowed my head and prayed, 'Send me, O Lord, send me.'

Closing Prayer: Pray that we may lead our missionary youth in the right steps.

As We Go to Press the Foreign Mission Board Reports . . .

that the missionaries under appointment by that board have now reached a total of 1390.

When you read this, the number of foreign missionaries will be more than 1400, no doubt.

Rev. Frank Brander, III
work among Spanish-
speaking
Tucson, Arizona



Mary Alice Dilworth
Indonesias
Appointed 1956



Josephine Seaggs
Nigeria
Appointed 1958



Elizabeth Hale
Malaya
Appointed 1954

The Home Mission Board reports more than 1500 missionaries now appointed for Home Mission work.

Many seasoned missionaries and youthful new recruits are doing the Lord's work under direction of these boards. But there is pressing need for many more volunteers.

More and more are needed. The goals for the Jubilee years, which end in 1964 are 3,000 for the Home Mission Board and 2,000 for the Foreign Mission Board.

Will you pray that God will call young men and women as missionaries from your church? Will you use your influence to encourage youth in your home and church to hear and heed God's call?

"Fala Portugues?"

DO YOU SPEAK PORTUGUESE?

The following conversation is reported to have taken place during the World Baptist Youth Congress which met in Rio in 1953:

"Do you speak English?"
"Nao—o senhor fala portugues?"
"No—uh, well—goodbye."
"Ate logo."

It is hoped that messengers, both American and Brazilian, will be more voluble when they get together in June for the meeting of the Baptist World Alliance. In fact, many North Americans will be able to carry on at least a limited conversation with their South American neighbors because they have been studying Portuguese for the last several months. At the same time a number of Brazilian Baptists are working hard at learning English. For example, a group of young people is meeting twice a week to study English with Rev. Bill Warren, missionary pastor of the English-language Copacabana Baptist Church in Rio de Janeiro.

In order that all who attend the Congress may understand each other better and enjoy sightseeing more, a special committee is preparing a list of most-used phrases, and plans to publish the list both in Portuguese and English. The booklet will include one section which will give general information for a foreigner, which you will be in Rio. Some suggestions given are:

"It is generally advisable for the newcomer to drink boiled or mineral water. Never drink water from the faucet."

"Foreigners unaccustomed to the tropical sun should take suitable precautions on the beach."

"Milk in Brazil is generally not pasteurized and, if used, should be boiled."

"Tipping in a restaurant varies from 10 to 15 per cent. When paying a taxi, add 10 per cent over the price indicated on the meter."

Some of the basic phrases to be included in the booklet are as follows:

"Fala ingles?"—Do you speak English?"
"Como se chama o senhor?"—"What is your name?"

"Obrigado."—"Thank you."

"Bom dia."—"Good morning."

"Boa noite."—"Good evening."

"Ate logo."—"So long."

"Quanto e?"—"What is the price?"

"Quero ir ao Estadio Maracana."—"I wish to go to the Maracana Stadium."

Since water is generally not served in restaurants unless ordered, the following expression will be used frequently by Americans in Rio:

"Quero um copo de agua, por favor."—"I would like a glass of water, please."

Another phrase that Americans will probably be using daily is:

"Bife com batatas fritas, por favor."

BY GENE WISE, BRAZIL

"Steak and fried potatoes, please."

In the churches Americans will readily recognize many hymns, and many words will be easily recognizable also; but some may prove confusing.

"Igreja Batista"—"Baptist church"

"Cena do Senhor"—"Lord's Supper"

"Escola Dominical"—"Sunday school"

"Crente"—"Believer" (common name for evangelical Christians in Brazil)

The language guide will also provide some information on sightseeing trips in Rio. Some of the most popular are:

Corcovado—mountain with the statue of Christ which is 2,259 feet high.

Pao de Acucar—Sugar Loaf Mountain reached by cable car and offering an excellent view of the city.

Copacabana—world-famous beach bordered by mosaic sidewalks.

It is hoped that all who attend the Congress will visit some of the Baptist institutions which are the fruit of Southern Baptist mission work in Brazil. These include:

Casa Publicadora Batista—Baptist Publishing House

Seminario do Sul—Baptist Seminary of South Brazil

Instituto de Treinamento Cristao—WMC Training School

Colégio Batista—Baptist grade and high school.



Hostess for Baptist World Alliance.

DONA RUTH

by Alice Tumblin, missionary

North American travelers to the Baptist World Alliance in Rio de Janeiro in June 1960, are going to be pleasantly surprised at the number of Brazilians who speak English.

One of the most charming bilingualists you will call Mrs. Ruth Menezes, or Dona Ruth in Portuguese. Last January she was elected president of the Brazilian Woman's Missionary Union. For nine years she has represented Brazil in the Woman's Department of the Baptist World Alliance.

Her father is Baptist Pastor Joao Martins de Almeida. As a promising young woman, Senorita Ruth de Almeida received a scholarship to Mary Hardin-Baylor, Belton, Texas. It was there she perfected her English, which she will use at the Alliance.

In 1936 she married a fellow-college teacher Dr. Jose Alfredo Mariz de Meneses.

Dr. Menezes was not a Christian when he and Dona Ruth were married, although he had a deep respect for Christianity because of his long association with Baptists. It was through the quiet example of his wife and the job of helping Miss Onis Vineyard translate a life of Lottie Moon, that he in 1938 came to accept Christ publicly.

If you are in Rio for the Alliance, you will be warmly welcomed by this dark-eyed woman who is in a unique way your hostess.



Harbor and Airport at Rio de Janeiro

by Mrs. Lamar Jackson

PROGRAM OUTLINE

- Opening Remarks
- Prayer
- Sing 2 verses "Christ for the Whole Wide World"
"Jesus Shall Reign"
"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"
- Devotional Thoughts
- Brief Report
- Prayer
- Brief Remarks
- Letters from Brazil
from Belém
from Salvador
from Rio
from Porto Alegre
- Meditation: Sing or read with music "I Would Be True"
- Closing Remarks
- Prayer

Unto the Children's Children

Opening Remarks: An event of historic significance is taking place in Brazil June 26 through July 3 of this year. For the first time the Baptist World Alliance Congress is being held in mission territory. Brazilian Baptists feel that this experience, when 20,000—25,000 Baptists gather in Rio could indeed be a second Pentecost. Dr. Edgar Hallock, missionary from Brazil says, "One of the reasons for the pouring out of divine blessing at Pentecost was the prayer that went up from the disciples at the throne of grace." He urges that we pray that God will use this congress to glorify his name. Dr. Hallock says, "If we pray and we give our Heavenly Father a chance to work in our midst we can rest assured that this rally will be the greatest event in the history of Baptists since Pentecost." Out of such a spiritual experience Baptists will return home with renewed devotion to carrying out Christ's command.

Prayer

Sing 2 verses each "Christ for the Whole Wide World," "Jesus Shall Reign," "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name."

Devotional Thoughts

I'm glad I was asked to lead the devotional discussion today because it gives me a chance to show you my favorite book. It's called the SOG with PIP: Silly Old Grandma with Pictures in Pocket. Now that I have the floor, I'm going to talk about my grandchildren. But don't get nervous, I'm not really off the subject, because our topic for today is "Unto the Children's Children." We're thinking about Brazil and how second and third generation missionaries and nationals are taking the gospel to this second largest of the American republics. Their witness reminds us of our responsibility in the missionary education of our youth.

Perhaps there has been misunderstanding of the fundamental purpose of a Woman's Missionary Society. Our Year Book states it clearly: "Its purpose is to promote Christian missions through a program of mission study, prayer, community missions, stewardship and missionary education of youth." Oftentimes our youth organizations go begging for leadership and lack the real mothering of the WMS.

It is a lack of understanding on the part of children that causes much amusement. The other day two five-year-olds were discussing an adopted child in the neighborhood. One said, "Have you ever been adopted?" The other replied, "No, but I've been vaccinated." Is it stretching the illustration to say that we must adopt our young people and vaccinate them with a missionary vision? It is not amusing but tragic when mothers and mother-organizations fail to understand their privileges and responsibilities (read 2 Chron. 22:3).

As we think of Brazil, we are particularly impressed by the influence of dedicated parents. Dr. and Mrs. William Buck Bagby, pioneer missionaries, had five children to follow in their footsteps, four to

Brazil and one to Argentina. Their first Brazilian convert was a servant in their home. One of the daughters said of Mrs. Bagby, "A servant never left our home without a full saving knowledge of the Saviour." Other missionary families whose influence extends through second and third generations are the Meins, Jacksons, Bratchers, Deters, Olivers, Morgans and Maddoxes, all of whom have had sons or daughters to serve as missionaries (read Prov. 22:6).

A preschooler was giving her cat a saucer of milk on the kitchen floor. "Now see here, don't spill that milk," she said. "I'm not the servant around here, you know." Instead of feeling imposed upon by the difficulties of their early experiences, these families inherited a vision of fields white unto harvest. They have the invaluable help of able nationals who realize the task is not completed. Their support is best illustrated by these figures. Although Brazil is second to Nigeria in number of missionary appointments, it has four times as many churches and six times as many missions (read Deut. 4:9).

A three-year-old drew a rat. Her critical brother asked, "Where's the tail?" She replied, "It's still in the pencil." So many of our good intentions and opportunities are "still in the pencil," still undeveloped and awaiting action. You have probably heard a parent say, "I'm not influencing my child in his life work or his religious beliefs or his selection of a mate." Why not? We influence them in other life activities. Why not influence them in these most vital decisions? As members of the WMS we have as our purpose developing missionary interest of our young people. Think for a minute of the heritage of Timothy (read 2 Tim. 1:5).

The Brazilian Baptist Convention, meeting in Porto Alegre (*PORE-toe ah-LAG-geh*) in 1955, gave special recognition to a couple whose eleven children and their families were all active in local churches. The Gonçalves family of Vitoria has a son who edits the national Brazilian Baptist

paper, another son who is vice-moderator of the First Baptist Church and a daughter who is emeritus president of her state WMU. All eight of her children are active Christians. One is professor in the state School of Nursing and serves as an itinerant worker for the WMU. Another daughter is married to a Baptist pastor of San Paulo and writes for Sunday school, Training Union, and GA magazines. Both sons are bankers and deacons in their churches.

As Christian women, we must accept our responsibility for the "missionary education of our youth." We must hear the voice of Jesus speak to us as he spoke to Peter long ago (read John 21:15).

Brief Report: Let YWA, GA, and Sunbeam directors each give a one minute, enthusiastic challenge for specific help with WMU youth work in your church.

Prayer: for those who serve on mission fields (use calendar of prayer), for parents, teachers, and leaders who influence young people, for a vital concern and interest in the missionary education of youth in our church, for ourselves that we may be enthusiastic and informed so that our lives will be a joyous testimony to the reality of the living Christ.

Brief Remarks: Let us imagine today that we have received letters from a friend who is today in Brazil anticipating the wonderful sessions of the Baptist World Alliance. Of course, enroute she will stop off at other towns and cities, and there she will view firsthand the work of missionaries, the way God has answered our prayer through the years and used the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering to answer prayer. Let us hear our first letter from _____ (an imaginary

name of a person whom you know who is attending the Congress). She is in Belem (pronounced *LEEM*), Brazil today (locate it on map).

Belem, Brazil
June 18, 1960

Dear WMS Friends,

Here we are in Belem, Brazil. This is siesta time here on the Amazon, but I must write before our plane leaves for Recife (*in-SHE-fee*). Although we have been away from home a week, we have spent these days in another world! The food has been "out of this world" too. For lunch I had steak fried in coconut butter, boiled hearts of baby palms with a creamy sauce, fried banana garnished with fresh coconut, sliced Brazilian oranges, thin strips of pineapple and mango sprinkled with chipped Brazil nuts.

Don't think I'm splurging; this is a

"packaged tour" I'm taking, with meals included. I left my diet back home along with my lipstick, high heels, and my husband's cigars. Before leaving, we read that Brazilians maintain strict church discipline. In most churches, this means that members refrain from drinking, smoking, movies, and carnivals; too much make-up is also discouraged. It is customary for those desiring church membership to appear before a committee to answer questions about what they believe and whether they are ready to tithe and submit to church discipline. A missionary told us-it was easier to be voted out than into a Brazilian Baptist fellowship.

We also learned that "all Brazil is divided into three parts" by our Foreign Mission Board. We have been seeing the Equatorial Mission, the largest in land

Ideas for Your Program Plans

This program consists of letters that might have been written from Brazil by a Southern Baptist attending the Baptist World Alliance in Rio de Janeiro this year, June 26 through July 3. Create an informal atmosphere by a living room stage setting. The scene is a circle meeting where the women have been asked to bring letters received from someone in their church or association attending the BWA. You may wish to add actual or imaginary names. Letters may be folded and placed in envelopes.

Notice that the devotion should be given by a SOG (Silly Old Grandma). Don't think we're being disrespectful. Books by this title can be purchased and have spaces for grandchildren's pictures. If you do not have a SOG in your society, adapt the first paragraph and proceed as usual. A SOG, of course, will have choice illustrations of her own that would be far more clever and appropriate than those given! She may bring her own picture album! Or let everyone provide pictures of children and grandchildren and display them for all to enjoy.

\$2.00 from Baptist Book Stores

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ADD TO PROGRAM INTEREST

Order from the Foreign Mission Board, Box 6597, Richmond 30, Virginia (free) the following: "North Brazil: A Challenging Road to Advance" by Raymond Kolb and "South Brazil: Colossus in a Hurry" by Gene Wise. Also the map "Southern Baptist Missions in Brazil." Allow six weeks for delivery. The leader should use these as the basis for informal discussion or comments between the reading of the letters. Current newspaper stories should also be used. Also cards or letters from friends attending the Alliance will add interest.

Colorful Atmosphere: WMS members may wish to wear "Latin American" dress such as full, colorful skirts and full-sleeved, low necked blouses.

Music: A member may have a record of Latin American folk songs. Or "Singing America" collection of 120 folk songs, old timers and ever popular songs from North, Central and South America, with vocal parts and explanatory notes may be secured from National Recreation Association, 8 West Eighth Street, New York 11, for 90c. Accompaniment book, \$4.50.

Serve a Drink: As women arrive, or at close of meeting you may wish to serve in demitasse cups black, black coffee or Brazilian chocolate.

How to Make Brazilian Chocolate

Heat 2 squares unsweetened chocolate, 1½ cups double strength coffee (6 level tablespoons to 2 cups water), 4 tablespoons sugar, and a few grains of salt in top section of a double boiler, stirring until the mixture is well blended. Continue cooking for five minutes. Add 1 quart whole milk gradually, stirring constantly; then heat until mixture is hot. Add a pinch of cinnamon. Beat with a rotary egg beater until frothy. Chill. Four to six servings.

Fiesta Time: If you make this a fiesta meeting in someone's back yard or patio you may want a few Latin American games. Try these.

The Guessing Bottle. The players form a circle. One player in the center spins a bottle that is lying on the floor, asking as she does so, "Who in the circle talks the most?" or "Who has the best disposition?" or similar questions. The person toward whom the mouth of the bottle is pointing when it stops spinning is the answer! This person then spins the bottle and asks another silly question. "Who has the biggest feet?" etc. Thus the game continues.

Chicos. A bowl is placed on the floor. A line is drawn about six feet away from the bowl. The players take handfuls of twenty red beans called chicos and, standing on the line, one at a time, throw the whole handful of one. Each bean that

lands in the bowl counts one point. The player scoring the most points wins.

Honor Your Leaders: Honor your WMU youth organization leaders at this meeting. Special recognition might be given to all who have served in this capacity. Select several to tell what a blessing it has meant to their own lives to work with youth and children. Also, some of the young people from the organizations may tell what a blessing particular leaders have been to them. Have an honor roll call of all the youth of the congregation who are engaged in full-time religious work at home or abroad.

Or invite youth leaders as guests of the society to a Brazilian luncheon. The coffee must be "black as midnight, strong as love, and hot as fire." The national dish of Brazil, feijoada, must be served. This is made of black beans flavored with ham bone, onions, and garlic, cooked until they are soupy. Smother cooked rice with the beans and build a levee around them with beef and ham. Sprinkle grated cheese over all!

Play Brazilian music. Give orchids to your leaders—that is, if they grow free in your back yard as they do in Brazil—or make corsages using big stickers of the WMU organizations instead of flowers. Large seals of each organization are available, 25 seals for 30c from Woman's Missionary Union, Birmingham 3, Ala.

Let's Talk About...

President: Ask your mission study chairman to present enthusiastically your summer plans. Will you study during July, August, and September the new study book *Woman's Missionary Union* by Alma Hunt, 85c from Baptist Book Stores? *Teacher's Helps*, 25c. This is one of seven WMU Jubilee Series books which are being written during these Jubilee Advance years. This is a bonus book—not on one of the Aims. Every WMS member will want to study this interpretative book on the work of our organization. Have plans for study ready to present at this meeting.

Your program chairman can preview your July and August program plans also.

The president and the executive board can encourage the mission study and program chairmen to make these occasions unique this summer. What about neighborhood study of *Woman's Missionary Union*? Why not have your July and August programs at night in a large back yard? Invite prospects to one of them.

area but youngest in organization. When I tell you that it covers an area 2,400 miles from east to west and 900 miles from north to south (almost the size of our own USA), you will understand why I have not seen everything that our missionaries are doing. Their primary means of travel are by motor launches and airplanes. If you could see the size of the Amazon you would realize the blessing of modern transportation—only most of the transportation here is still primitive. Our guidebook gives these figures on the Amazon River: 3900 miles long from the Andes to the sea and 150 miles wide at the mouth. I wondered how 39 missionaries could hope to evangelize the area drained by this mighty river.

My question was partially answered when I saw the Theological Institute at Belem. In 1955, the Institute was established here in this Amazon port city. Belem is a town about the size of Memphis, Tennessee and was founded before the Pilgrims landed at Plymouth. We saw the lovely campus that will soon provide for 100 students. Another answer is in more adequate

church buildings. We were pleased to see the First Baptist Church in a new building on the main square. This offers a striking contrast to the warehouse Erik Nelson rented seventy years ago and furnished with empty boxes from the American Bible Society.

Another answer to few missionaries and vast need is in the strengthening of missionary personnel. When Nelson died in 1939, there was no one to take his place. Even ten years ago, only two couples served this mission. However, high schools, clinics, a leper colony, a small orphanage, book stores and gospel work centers now help the Baptist witness.

We visited the school and churches in Santarem (san-tah-REHM). I knew this was in the same state as Belem, but I did not realize it was 150 miles down the Amazon. Even here, the river is more than 20 miles wide. Santarem is a town where two hundred planters from Southern USA came after the American Civil War.

Time did not permit a visit to Manaus (mah-NOW), the magnificent rubber town

1000 a thousand miles down the Amazon. Perhaps it was a good thing, as I see now that I will never be able to "tell all."

Sincerely,
(supply a name)

Salvador, Brazil
June 25, 1960

Dear Friends:

This morning we arrived in Salvador. Much has happened since I wrote last. I'm happy to report, however, that all our flying has been in clear weather. It is winter here in Brazil, yet the temperatures have been in the 70's. From around the hump to the Uruguay border, most of the inhabited portion of Brazil is on a plateau that rises abruptly near the coast. This insures a temperate climate although a look at your globe will show the equator running through the Amazon area. The globe will also remind you that Brazil is the closest of any American country to Africa and Europe. For this reason, as well as for her resources of rubber and raw materials, we valued Brazil as an ally in World War II.

We have been touring the North Brazil Mission. Our first stop was Recife, so named because of the coral reef on which the old part of the city is built. Over 522,000 live in this "Venice of South America." Here we saw a strong Baptist witness that extends to the third and fourth genera-

tions. The Colegio (ko-LEZH-ee-o) Batista with 1160 students, a seminary with 163, a training school for 50 young women who reached 5,000 enrolled in vacation Bible school work last summer, a good wilderness center for training workers in addition to the usual activities, and 122 churches in the surrounding area: these make Recife a strong mission base. Last fall, a thousand decisions were made in a simultaneous evangelistic crusade. More than 1500 were reported in the two previous years.

We North Americans, as we are called here, get criticized for putting too much emphasis on numbers and I know that each convert is precious in our Lord's sight. But I have to confess I love a "Success" label, and I saw it in Recife.

This city of Salvador is interesting. It was the first capital of Brazil and the place where Baptist work began. It is built half on the narrow shore and half on the bluff. To reach the upper town, you climb or drive 300 feet up the narrow streets, or take one of the four large elevators. When I remarked on the number of Negroes, I was reminded that one of the largest slave markets in the world was once located here. The Portuguese were later than the Spaniards in discovering gold, so took to the more unromantic task of farming. Large feudal estates required slave labor. Brazil was the last country in the new world to free its slaves, not until 1888.

First Baptist Church is one of the state of Rio's 300 Baptist churches





Brazilian mother in Fortaleza named her children Adoniram and Ann after the famous Judson couple

I was not surprised to see many dark-skinned Christians in the service Sunday morning for I had heard our missionaries speak of the lack of race prejudice in Brazil. However, it was interesting to learn that traditionally Negroes do not serve in the diplomatic service or as Naval officers. Also laws prohibit job discrimination so this is evidence that some exists. The greatest percentage of Negroes are found in this budge section. The Amazon is largely Indian and from Rio south, predominantly white.

In 1882, the Baghys, Taylors and a converted priest began work in Bahia. It was their decision to start in the most fanatically Catholic section of the land. Today more than 10,000 believers, 120 churches, schools and a theological institute are laying foundations for a more effective witness.

This trip is a thrilling experience. We've got it "covered" in our notebooks and with colored slides, so watch out for our return!

Sincerely,
(supply a name)

Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
July 3, 1960

Dear Friends,

Beautiful, beautiful Rio! How inspiring these meetings have been. Oh! I wish every one of you could have come too! God has blessed in a mighty way. Surely his work in this great country will grow faster as a result of this Congress.

The Baptist World Alliance had its closing session tonight. It will never meet in a more beautiful place than Rio. Remember those travel folders we looked at last fall! This city lives up to all the superlatives, and I could add a few of my own. Most of my adjectives, however, would be used to describe the Baptist witness. I have met capable nationals whose training and ability equal that of our best leadership back home. I understand now why nearly all our missionaries in Rio are engaged in work of national scope or in advisory capacities.

An outstanding example of Brazilian leadership is Dr. John Soren. We attended services at the First Baptist Church and were impressed by its beauty and strategic location. The auditorium will seat 2,000. Dr. Soren's father had been pastor of this church before him. Father and son have both been president of the Brazilian Baptist Convention. Another son was president of Rio's Colegio Barista for many years and the mother is associated with the Girls' School.

We were told about an attractive Brazilian housewife who won national recognition on one of Brazil's most popular quiz shows. Her category was the Bible. She was the producer of a Baptist home and schools. Before each appearance, she gave a brief testimony. When she missed a question which could be answered several ways, there were storms of protest from all over the country. It was interesting to learn that Baptists in many parts of Brazil are called "Bibles." Since its founding in 1911, the Bible Press here in Rio has printed more than a million Bibles and close to three million gospels. The publishing house

cannot keep up with demands that come as a result of radio correspondence courses, newspaper advertising, and widespread interest created through faithful witness.

This "faithful witness" reminds me of the number of Brazilians who are foreign missionaries. During the Week of Prayer last December I remember looking at the world map showing Southern Baptist mission areas and wondering why there was a blank space in the very heart of South America. This is Bolivia, foreign mission field of the Brazilian Baptist Convention; we do not have missionaries there. "Like father, like son," these spiritual heirs of our pioneer missionaries have sponsored work abroad for more than 50 years. As early as 1908, Brazilian missionaries were sent to Portugal. The churches established back in the fatherland inherited the missionary spirit and by 1935 were organizing churches in Angola, Africa!

As we talked with Brazilian Baptists, we found ourselves becoming enthusiastic over their plans for the future. I don't know of another country in the world where great cities are built in unsettled areas like these planned cities of Brazil. Streets are laid out, office buildings constructed, homes and apartments erected, churches and schools built before the town is opened to the public. Such a city is Brasilia, future capital of the nation. It is not completed, but already the First Baptist Church, organized for workmen two years ago, has four missions.

The crowds of people we have seen in Rio, this city of three million, remind us of how much work must be done before we have "possessed the land." All of us here felt a great gratitude in what has been accomplished yet we realize the actual numbers are few: 163,081 Baptists in a land of 97,000,000. We wish, however, that all the nine million believers we claim in the States could have the optimism, faith, and dedication that we have seen among Baptists in Brazil.

Sincerely,
(supply a name)

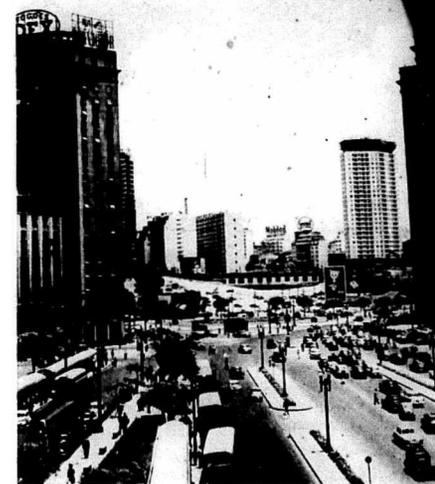
Porto Alegre, Brazil
July 10, 1960

Dear Friends,

I'm writing from Porto Alegre. We leave Brazil tomorrow after a month in this great republic. A missionary told us last night that now we could qualify as "experts" on Brazilian life and culture but that if we stayed a few more months, we might not be so sure of ourselves!

There have been both small towns and great cities on our tour of the South Brazil mission. Our route has followed the Atlantic area. Along this coastal fringe live 90 per cent of the people in just one third of the territory, leaving the vast interior undeveloped. Experts estimate that 600 million more people could easily live in Brazil. In the last decade, some of these southern states have tripled in population growth through European immigrations. This presents great opportunities as well as

More than 600 million US dollars are invested in Sao Paulo, Brazil. We are investing only seven missionaries



great problems to Baptist work. In the state of Sao Paulo, for instance, there are 10 million people and only 11 missionaries. However, preaching by missionaries and nationals is done in more than 700 localities each Sunday. The state convention supports two orphanages which care for a hundred children. In the center of Sao Paulo is the beautiful Colegio Batista Brasileiro, founded as a girl's school by the Bagbys but now a large co-educational institution.

This city is a surprise to most tourists. It is modern, aggressive, the industrial heart of Brazil and capital of its wealthiest state. Many American firms do business here. We were told that more than 600 million US dollars are invested in Sao Paulo alone. We drove past two big Sears stores and learned that everything Sears sells in this country is manufactured in Brazil by Brazilians. Ford uses 34 per cent local materials. We saw other familiar signs: Firestone, Goodyear, International Harvester, DuPont, Armour, and Pullman. United States manufacturing investments in Brazil have increased 325 per cent since World War II.

I thought of the number of North Americans who come to establish these businesses and wondered if they brought Christianity with them. I was reminded that it was a US citizen who opened her home to the Bagbys upon their arrival in Brazil in that long ago day. It was a Southern Baptist from Baltimore who gave Dr. F. F. Soren passage on a ship so that he might attend William Jewell College in Liberty, Missouri and Southern Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky. A Baptist from the States served as Sunday school superintendent at Rio's First Baptist Church for many years. An MK (missionary kid) whose husband is with the US state department has been an active worker back in her "homeland." These are just a few examples of laymen who witness for Christ in faraway places. May their tribe increase!

Planters who migrated from southern USA actually established the first Baptist

church in Brazil when one group settled near Sao Paulo around 1870. This church later became a union church and died. German and Lettish Baptists also witnessed to their faith by establishing churches when they migrated to south Brazil. These have affiliated with the Brazilian convention.

Not only have these foreigners been faithful through the generations but Baptists are reaping a harvest of sound leadership from graduates of outstanding educational institutions. We visited Colegio Batista Americano in Porto Alegre, "Happy Harbor." Over 600 students are enrolled. Its athletic field is sometimes used for national tournaments. Two second generation missionaries serve at this school, and one of the field missionaries dedicated his life while serving with the US Navy in Brazil.

Much that we have seen during the past months has made us want to renew our dedication. It has made us wonder if we have a faith strong and are enthusiastic enough to strengthen our young people in their desire to live for Christ.

Sincerely,
(supply a name)

Closing Remarks: I keep thinking "the fellowship of kindred minds is like that above"—and I also realize with conviction that Baptists of the world must invest more in the training of our youth. God needs more Brazilian missionaries, more from our country, more from every Baptist church where the 23,000,000 Baptists of the world worship. Let us be faithful in guiding young men and women to hear and heed God's call.

Meditation: Sing or read, with music "I Would Be True"

Prayer for the thousands of Baptists from all over the world who attend the Alliance for their Christian witness among the people of Brazil and other South American mission stations, for their renewed missionary influence at home as they return.



It was not the first time the young Baptist supply-preacher had used his notes on Psalms 23, nor the first time the prayer meeting group had heard the Psalm expounded. But it was the first time the three words, HE LEADETH ME, had struck him or them so forcibly.

HE LEADETH ME

So gripped was Joseph Gilmore this time by the three words, that he ignored his outline of the rest of the Psalm and spoke only on the truth and beauty of the simple thought: HE LEADETH ME.

After the meeting he went with some of the group to the home of a deacon where, while conversing in the parlor, he penciled words which became a hymn sung more than 95 years: HE LEADETH ME. Has it struck you that as a believer you can say, "He leadeith me"? Not by a great man's hand, not by an angel's; but "By His own hand He leadeith me."

Has it struck you that you can say, "He leadeith ME"? He leads many, but—as personally as if you were His only follower, He leads you. And "HE LEADETH me." Not "He led me." not "He will lead me." But "He leadeith me"—a real today fact.

So what better response than the one you voice when you sing the refrain of Gilmore's great hymn:

"His faithful follower I would be,
For by His hand He leadeith me!"

—Author Unknown

The Finest Missionary of Us All

"Three of us Bosticks went to China as missionaries," Mrs. T. J. League was saying, "but my sister Judie was the finest missionary of us all, and she never left the homeland or knew a well day." Mrs. League was my Ridgcrest roommate.

My curiosity was stirred. "Tell me about Judie," I suggested. So Mrs. League who, as Attie Bostick had spent 43 years of her life in China, told me the story of Judie Bostick.

"Her name was written Judith in the long list in our old family Bible, but we called her Judie. There were fifteen of us children," she began, "eleven lived to be grown. The four oldest were boys, then Lou, and next Judie. Our home was near old Floyd's Creek Church, in Rutherford County, North Carolina. I was the youngest of the eleven children. All her life Judie was so frail it looked like a feather would knock her down. But her spirit was gay and strong. She had laughing gray eyes, and curly reddish hair. The other children could help in the cotton fields, but Judie stayed at the house and loved and mothered the younger children while Mother washed and cooked and sewed. With eleven children there was always plenty to do!

"Perhaps because Judie was sickly she had a fascination for faraway places. She loved everything about the church and foreign missions was her glory. That was before the days of the Cooperative Program, and missionaries were sent to the churches to stir up the giving. As she looked after us younger children she would talk about foreign countries, and missionaries, and what a wonderful thing it was to be a mis-

sionary, and tell people about Jesus, China was her favorite country.

"My brother, George Pleasant, was the first of us to hear God's call. I can see Judie now, how she rejoiced when Pleasant told us that he had volunteered for service in China. She couldn't have been happier if she had been going herself!"

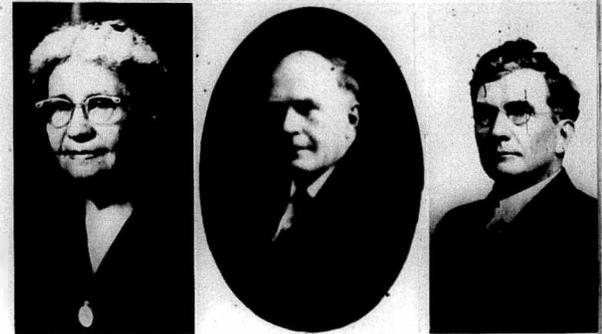
Mrs. League paused, thinking of those old days on the farm in North Carolina, when the family thought and talked of little else than the brother who would soon be half a world away, perhaps never to return. I waited quietly, watching the life of Ridgcrest throngs from our window. Again my roommate picked up her story.

"We were all so proud of Pleasant," she repeated. "I was just a little girl—let me see, I was about 13 years old. But I would gaze in awe at my big brother, and think of the Chinese girls and boys he soon would be seeing.

"Well, finally the day came when Pleasant left us, and I can remember how we watched for a letter from him. There was no airmail in those days, of course, and it took a long time for a letter to come from China. Sometimes I'd see my mother wiping away the tears on her apron as she worked. I'd snuggle up to her quietly and kiss her. I knew she was thinking of Pleasant. He had a wife and a baby daughter, and Mother worried about them, too.

"It was a day of rejoicing when there was finally a letter with a Chinese stamp. We almost wore it out reading it, and passing it around. Judie slept with it under her pillow. Of course we all wrote to Pleasant,

Edith Limer Ledbetter



Bostick Baptist missionaries to China—Attie, Wade, and George Pleasant



Attie and Judie with Bruno in 1895

but it was always Judie who was the faithful letter-writer of the family. Then she would tell people about the things Pleasant wrote in his letters. We didn't have such wonderful mission literature then as we do now, but Judie was a missionary person in herself.

So the weeks and the years went by. The Bostick children were growing up and maturing. China was very near and dear

to us, in our thoughts and prayers. At last Pleasant came home on his first furlough.

"All her life Judie was a great one for flowers. She couldn't do too much work in her garden, but she would coax the rest of us to work her flowers. She always had flowers for the church and for folks who were sick or in trouble. When she knew Pleasant was coming home she clobbered her garden of all the finest flowers, and filled every room in the house.

"Much of the time he was home he was traveling around speaking in churches, telling of China's lost millions. When he spoke anywhere near our home we would all ride, in luggies and carriages, to hear him.

"I'll never forget one sermon he preached. He used the text 'She hath done what she could.' That day God spoke to me, and said that I would not be doing all that I could unless I was willing to go to China, too."

"Do you suppose your brother had you in mind when he preached that?" I questioned.

She smiled gently. "I've never known," she answered, "but it seemed to me that the Lord told him to talk right to me. Judie was not there that day, and I could hardly wait to get home and tell her. I had been her pet from the time I was a baby, and I knew she would rejoice with me.

Of course she did! But her cup was not full yet, for the day came when another brother, Wade, was to surrender his life to China's call.

"Well, the years went on. There were letters, and furloughs for all of us. Our parents walked more slowly. One by one the other children married and went to homes of their own. All but Judie.

"One time when I came home on furlough it seemed to me that my parents were failing fast, and Judie was not at all well. I wondered if I should stay at home, and I asked Judie about it.

"Oh, no!" she said. "I can't go to China myself, but I can take care of them and let you go. The other children are all good about helping. I'd feel like I was failing God if I let you stay home." So I went back to China. I tried to write more often. I wrote to Wade and Pleasant, and told them to write as often as they could, for I knew that our letters were Judie's lifeline.

"First our father and then our mother slipped away. When it was all over Judie lived in the old home with Bertha, a niece who had been with them since the year before Father's death.

"About six months later I had a letter from Judie that had such exciting news. She was going to be married! She was 66 years old, and she had fallen gently and happily in love. One of my sisters wrote me, 'J. D. and Judie are so crazy about each other that they are like a pair of teenagers.'

"Two years later, when I came home, I visited them in their home. It was a little heaven of peace and love. Judie had rejoiced unselfishly when romance came to the other brothers and sisters; now she had the complete devotion of a good man of her own. I sailed away from America that time with a light heart.

"Then a water heater exploded just a few feet from where Judie was standing, scalding her terribly, and throwing her against the wall so hard both arms and one of her legs were broken like matchsticks. They sent me a cable, and I came as

quickly as I could."

Mrs. League wiped away the tears, and got up to hunt a handkerchief, then continued. "I had always enjoyed the ocean crossings before, but this time the ship seemed to crawl through the waves. By the time I reached North Carolina gangrene had set in, and Judie's leg had to be amputated. She was overwhelmed with joy to see me; never in my whole life has anyone been as glad to see me as Judie was then. She was suffering terribly, but brave as always. When she couldn't sleep or rest she would say, 'Tell me about China!'

"I was never far from her side as the weeks and months went slowly by. Our brothers and sisters were in and out; Bertha kept the home going. There was a gentle, faithful Negro woman, Mittie, who had helped in the home for years. I couldn't have managed without her. Together we watched Judie gain some measure of health and strength.

"In the meantime I was getting urgent letters from my fellow-workers in China; I was badly needed in the work there. One day I was reading a letter that had just come, and Judie's gray eyes were watching me keenly. 'They need you over there, don't they?' she asked.

"I can't leave you—ever again," I told her firmly.

"You must!" she said very gently. "I've been thinking about it, and you must go back! You know the language and the people. Remember, you are in China for both of us. While you are there I am a missionary, too. Mittie will stay with me, and the others will all help!"

"A few years later when I came back home, they took me out to the old family graveyard, to a small stone that read 'Judith Bostick Eskridge.' I couldn't see to read what else it said for several moments. It just didn't seem possible that Judie's gay spirit was away.

"Then I smiled through my tears and said to my brother: 'It ought to read: *J. D. Bostick Missionary*. She was the finest of us all!'"

WHAT DO YOU KNOW About Baptists in Brazil?

Baptists of the world are flying and going by boat to Rio this month for the Baptist World Alliance Congress, June 26 to July 3. From the impact of world Baptists on life in Rio, Baptists of Brazil expect great blessings.

1. There are now over 163,000 Baptists in Brazil. Although Baptist work has grown fast, there is still only one Baptist to every 400 Brazilians.
2. There are now approximately 1,500 Baptist churches in Brazil. For each Baptist church there is one mission and two preaching points. Some churches support as many as twelve missions.
3. At present we have only one pastor to each three churches and missions. There is probably not more than one full-time pastor to each ten churches and missions. One of the greatest needs in Brazil at the present time is for more trained pastors.
4. In spite of the scarcity of full-time pastors, Brazilian Baptists are zealous evangelists. For that reason over 13,900 baptisms were reported last year, one for each 13 church members.
5. Though most church buildings are small, inadequately furnished, and have little space for religious education, a large percentage own loudspeaker systems to enable them to "preach from the housetops."
6. Parking space is no problem for Brazilian Baptist churches. Almost all members come to city churches on street cars or buses and to country churches on foot, horseback, oxcart or canoe.
7. The Baptist Publishing House in Rio printed and sold over 100,000 Bibles last year. However, at that rate it would take more than 100 years to place a Bible in each Brazilian home, without considering the tremendous population increase predicted.
8. One state in Brazil has no Baptist missionary at present, the State of Santa Catarina, which has a population of over 1,500,000. Most states in Brazil have only one or two field missionaries. Some states are much larger than Texas, and two states have a total population of over 20,000,000 people.
9. There are still over 1,000 counties in Brazil without any Baptist church.

