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#### **HYMN FOR THE YEAR:**

"Christ for the Whole Wide World"

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by Margaret Bruce

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It isn't have for a woman of the to decide just when include in her life. The complexity of these days has made it necessary for her to make choices, often between the good and the best! Only the best is adequate.

A woman's interest, knowledge and concern usually determines what she includes in and excludes from her daily schedule. The Christian member of a Southern Baptist church can decide without misgland to include the Wiman Emissionary Society and life. It is included the Wiman Emissionary Society and life included the li

In even Baptist church there are women who are not participating in the WMS and are thereby excluding many opportunities for taking to their heafts the people of the world and sharing with them the good news of salvation.

Why are there women in your church unenlisted in the missionary is it because your society is failing in its function? Are the members more concerned with mechanics of the organization than with involvement of every woman in world missions? Is too much time given to nonessentials, and is your leadership satisfied with mediocre programs which fail to motivate women to action?

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Are women unenlisted because you have failed to be cognizant of the new and different age of the 1960's? Girls are marrying at an earlier age, women are living longer, there are more married women working, there are fewer women with help in the home. These facts make it imperative that we structure an organization to meet these changing times. These must be societies and circles suitable in time, interest, and activities to enlist every woman.

We must concentrate on the unreached women and upon those enlitted only halfheartedly, and bring them all into full participation.

#### INCLUDE EVERY WOMAN IN WMS

October is enlistment month for Woman's Missionary Society. Take as your goal "every woman a WMS member." The timid woman, the extraordinary woman, the young, the aged, the homemaker, the business woman—all need to be brought into the fellowship of your missionary society.

#### SERVING YOUTH

Marguerite Tankersley

Marguerite Ti akeraley is a member of Cliff Temple Baptiol Church, Dallas, where she finds opportunities for self-expression and Christian grawth. She works for an oil company and her habites are art, plane and sewing. I grew up in Cliff Temple with many wonderful leaders in Sunday school and Training Union. It was as one of these leaders led in a candtelight installation service that the seed was planted in my heart. I learned early that life has meaning and purpose and that God's work grows as we accept the challenge and responsibility given us from those whose lives have influenced our.

For over sixteen years I have been working with young people in our church; teathing Sunday school or working with them in Training Union, church banquets, and various other activities. I have always loved working with young people so when I was asked to serve as Young Woman's Auxiliary counselor I gave it much prayer and thought before accepting it. In working with YWAs my own horizon has been pushed back as we have opened the window to a world in need.

We have many wonderful times in YWA activities. Our regular meeting on Wednesday nights before prayer meeting, associational meetings, house parties, visiting rural churches and community missions. One of the highlights is the Gift Bible Cer-mony presenting a Bible to a YWA bride 41 of these afford an opportunity to know the girll and to realize how meaningful life can be for them. It is inspiring to watch them tow, finding places of service.

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There will be YWAs promoted to WMS and those transferred because of carriage. Organize a circle for the young marrieds or perhaps one for those under thirty.

there are the shut-ins and those confined to their homes because of illness of members of the family. The extension circle is the answer for enlisting these women.

There are mothers who need the Sunbeam Nursery to care for babies  $d_{\rm BORR}$  WMS general and circle meetings.

(figurize day-time and evening circles and societies so that no woman will be excluded from the privileges of Woman's Missionary Society.

#### TALENTS IN HIS SERVICE

() of has created us in his image and each has been endowed with talents; some large, some small; some appear glamorous and bring more worldly glory than others. But all talents are important in the eyes of the Lord and it is my belief that he expects us to develop and use every talent we have, for his glory—not ours.

There are some women who can lead a program in a most inspiring way while another sings a melody that goes straight to the heart. Arranging flowers in beautiful design can bring a sudden fleeting awareness of God's creative power. Those who teach or work with children find great delight and plant seeds which bear fruit a hundredfold sometime. Ministering to physical and spiritual needs of the lonely, sick, aged and lost originates with a compassionate heart. All women who bear the name of Christ have the knowledge, the ability as God leads, to win the wandering lost to Christ as Saviour. There are limitless ways a woman can radiate Christian faith

God endowed me with an ability to draw and paint. Before each project I pray that he will guide me so that others will be drawn closer to Him through a poster or some other work. I have been blessed as I have made monthly prayer calendars for our WMS members.

I am proud to have a husband who is a physician and who ministers to the penniless as unselfishly as he floes to those who have material blessings. We have four wonderful children, Cynthia, 14, Cheryl, 10, Hal, 7, and Caraly, 2. Here in the home I find my greatest apportunity and responsibility to fulfill mission on earth.

Mrs. W. Hat Powe, Jr., her bushand and children its members of the First Baptist Church, Greenville, South Carolina.

Reid Powe of Greenville



Use every means of communication to contact the prospects discovered by your survey. Keep in touch with absentees, and plan a weekly or monthly enlistment visitation program which will bring every WMS member into your enlistment plans. Personal contacts are best but letters. cards, and telephone calls often bring results.

Plan social occasions which will interest women-a tea, a co'tee, a hanquet, luncheon, breakfast, brunch, or some such gathering which will give women an opportunity to become better acquainted and to make meaningful friendships. These will help women to have a sense of belonging and develop a spirit of togetherness.



#### MISSIONARY AT HOME

Lina Hoppell and friends

F ive years ago Dr. William T. Watts, employed by the Home Mission Board as superintendent of Baptist Educational Center for Negroes in Oklahoma City, asked me to set up a library at the center. This I did. Then the Negro children wanted a Bible class So on my day off from full-time employment at Oklahoma City's Kentucky Avenue Baptist Church as missionary and librarian I began a Bible class and sword drill for children. Soon I was providing Bible study for adults.

Negro youth now help with this work. Two are second year students in college, one preparing to be an educational director and the other a preacher; another young man, in first year college wants to be a medical mis-

Mrs. J. E. Goodman is the associational

WMU chairman of Negro work and directs the WMU in securing workers and financial help. Twenty-three Negro churches and 26 white churches co-operate in this work of the center.

I also teach a Spanish Bible class, help with the Baptist Indian assembly each summer, and soon I will assist Mrs Haskell Aycox with the work she is doing among Japanese war brides.

In school I majored in missions and kindergarten work and had planned to be an appointed missionary of one of our mission boards, but because of an injury in youth, I was unable to go. So I try to be a missionary where I live today, offering to God whatever talents and experiences I have for Inlping all races to a broader, clearer knowledge of God's love.

### ROYAL SERVICE

The Missions Magazine for Southern Baptist Women



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COVER Never have women lived in a more challenging age Every area of life stakes out claim on her creative energies. New horizons are open in her church, home, community. Woman's Missionary Society offers unlimited opportunity for every woman's abilities. As you read "Excluded? No, Included" page 1, you will discover Baptist women at work for God.

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Arrange for someone to invite women to join your Woman's Missionary Society when they join the church. The leaflet, "Our Church Wante You in WMS," (free from your state WMU office) is an attractive invitation to place in the hand of a new church member.

Welcome YWAs to WMS by giving them a gift subscription to Royal Service. A lovely gift subscription certificate will be sent to the young woman announcing this gift from her WMS. When sending these subscriptions write on subscription blanks, "Gift for YWA entering WMS."

#### INCLUDE EVERY WOMAN IN FULL PARTICIPATION

Often WMS members are satisfied to place the names of new members on the roll and to feel that they have been successful in entisting women. The discerning leader knows that this is not true.

#### MULTIPLIED BY USE



Wilma Grove, Pleasant Hill

At the Shutteworth Memorial Bapitst Church in Pleasant Hill, Missourt, Mrs. Roy (Freve listens each Sunday to hir paster-husband preach from Godf) Word.

I love WMU; this organization took my love for reading and my limited abilities and focused them into service for my Lord. How I remember that first WMU book I taught As I stood hesitantly before my class, I saw college graduates and women with years of Christian experience and teaching. I saw myself too, with only a high school education and little confidence. As I began I noticed a sympathetic smile and a responsive interest on the faces of those lovely WMS women. I learned soon they were more interested in the meaning of what I was saying than the grammatical structure of my sentences Since that day I have had the privilege and opportunity to teach many mission study books in institutes, conferences, and camps.

Yes, it has cost in time and in preparation, but the cost has been far outweighed by the joy and results.

personally have been blessed because Woman's Missionary Union has stressed mission study and the reading of mission books. My understanding and knowledge of people has been enlarged. Through mission study books I have visited lands and become acquainted with Southern Baptist work and our missionaries. The scope of my friends has widened to include missionaries and denominational personnel. My prayer life has been deepened. My own two children are deeply interested in missions. I feel I am a better Sunday school and Training Union worker. All because Woman's Mis mary Union has patiently helped me to le rn 10 express myself through mission studi ladeed my cup has overflowed.

New WMS members need to be orientated if they are to develop their full potential through all WMS activities. Have training circles for those will have never been in WMS. Use the booklet, Programs for a New William's Missionary Society (free from your state WMU office). Assign members to experienced ones so that they may explain the purpose and plans of the society to the new members.

physover the interests and talents of every woman. A talent-search card's will help discover special abilities and the willingness of women to serve on committees.

On these pages we introduce to you five women with varied interests and abilities who have found real satisfaction and genuine joy in serving through Woman's Missionary Society. As you read about these women you will discover that there are those in your church who enjoy reading, singing, making posters, counseling youth, leading programs, making lovely flower arrangements, working for racial understanding and ministering to others for lesus' sake.

Woman's Missionary Society with its varied program of work enables a woman to develop her interests and to use her skills to promote Christian missions.

Include every woman in full participation in Woman's Missionary Union activities and continually bring others into the growing experience of missionary endeavor.

#### SINGING BRINGS PLEASURE

In t Second Baptist Church, Little Rock, I have always considered it a privilege to be able to use my voice in the work of WMU and in the music ministry. Through that ministry we have often presented women in duets, trios, and ensembles at WMS missionary programs, during Weeks of Prayer.

Presently, in my church, I am chorister for the missionary society and am GA director. This is my third year as recording secretary of Woman's Missionary Union of Arkansas. In the past I have been president of the WMU of my church.

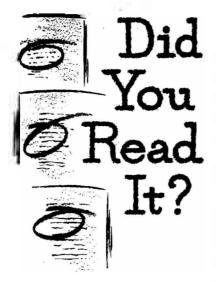
It was a wonderful experience for me to be the soloist during WMU Week at Ridgecrest in 1956. That was my second time to attend the WMU Conference there. Last year I went to Glorieta. The conferences are always very inspirational and informative.

God has given me many opportunities to use this talent for Him. I am one of the soprano soloists in the church Chancel choir, and serve as pianist in an Intermediate department of Sunday school. I have had fun this year singing with a quartet presentation of the Grasshopper opera. (Our WMU president sings alto in it.) We learned it orginally for the annual deacon's banquet.

In the Second Bap ist Church of Little Rock Mr. and Mrs. Floyd A. Chronister are faithful members.

Joan Chronister





by MRS. WILLIAM McMURRY

#### Democracy in Latin America

According to an article in a recent issue of Foreign Affairs written by Professor Frank Tannenbaum of Columbia University, Latin America bas failed to develop genuine political democracies. The only form of political authority is personal; the only way in which authority can be transferred is by force or death. Writes the Professor, "In any stable democracy there must be political parties with deep roots in local government. In Latin America there is no local government; there are only local agents of the central power. The real pattern of Latin-American history for the last century and a half has been dictatorship, rebellion and again dictatorship."

Though the Professor does not discuss what is implied by this state of affairs, if he is right in his general statements. South America may be the next continent on Russia's list. For the situation he has described is exactly the sort which breeds communism. No democratic country has ever suffered a successful Communist revolution. Most Latin American countries have rarely seen "successful democracy" in action except for short

periods of time.

#### Southern Baptist Opposition

Southern Baptists in at least four states have adopted statements opposing the presidential candidacy of any Roman Catholic. The Churchman calls attention to the consistent position of Southern Baptists in advocating strict separation of church and state.

Belief in this principle and the constitutional guarantee that no religious test shall be made as a qualification for public office was expressed by the messengers at the Southern Baptist Convention in Mismi. Part of the resolution adopted read, "... though a man must be free to choose his own church, he cannot separate himself from the beliefs, practices and principles of his church where these speak on such public issues as religious liberty, the public school, the use of public money, freedom in marriage and the separation of church and state."

There is a wast difference between sheer religious prejudice and being against a man because one believes that his religious convictions affect his fitness for high office, stated Reverent James Pike of the Protestant Episcopal church in Life magazine. Dr. Pike pointed out that when Pope Pius V sought to uncrown Queen Elisabeth I in 1570 and release her subjects from civil allegiance to

her, those Englishmen who had supported Rome were put in an impossit e situation; they became traitors either to their church or to the r nation. Since the principle of the Pope's authority over earthly rulers has never been renounced by Rome, the possibility of sucr conflict still exists.

"To ask questions about the rights of the Church in the political sphere and to weigh a particular candidate's stand on this subject is not bigotry but a responsible citizenship."

#### Job Milton on Freedom of the Press

All high school students know that John Milton was an English poet. Many know that he spoke outright for the Puritan revolution in England. And everybody probably remembers that his life ended in blindness and can quote, "They also serve who only stand and wait." But how many know that he wrote Areopagitica, a plea for liberty in printing? This word derives from Mars Hill called the Areopagus, on which the highest court of ancient Athens held its sessions. On this same hill Paul declared the truth about God. John Milton held firmly to the belief that no individual or institution should dare to stand between a man and his God.

It was June 14, 1643 that Parliament issued an order for the limitation of freedom of the press. In protest Milton wrote <u>Areo-ragitics</u>. From that day, this work has been the measuring rod for the defenders of freedom of the press. The following is a quotation from the famous work:

"Though all the winds of doctrine were let loose to play upon the earth, so truth be in the field, we do ingloriously . . . to misdoubt her strength. Let her and falsehood grapple; whoever knew truth put to the worse in a free and open encounter?"

#### World Missions at Home

Thousands of people from countries around the world are in the United States, many of whom have never before been exposed to Christianity. Each of them is a prospect for evangelism by some Baptist church. In the June 1960 issue of Home Missions magazine, C. E. Bryant challenges the reader with this statement: Each of these people can be more easily reached by Southern Baptists' home mission program than by the most adequate foreign mission post we can establish in their homeland, for thousands will be returning to their own countries. What impressions will they take back?

Many of them will see only the obvious—our skyscrapers, Niagara Falls, Detroit factories and Miami Beach hotels. They wear blinders as Edwin M. Wright expresses it in <u>Assignment Overseas\*</u>. He relates his experience with a learned Islamic theology teacher who was invited to this country by our government because he was "an opinion-maker" in his own land. The professor was completely baffled by Christianity. He could not understand how so much service and money could be spent on what he believes to be error. He quoted to Dr. Wright the famous passage from the Koran that the Jews "did not kill Jesus nor crucify Him, but an effigy appeared before them." In the Moslew's mind this heresy had made it impossible for him to find the meaning of Christianity.

But is it impossible? It depends on what this visitor and others see of vital Christianity in the lives of Christian Americans. We of Christian faith are having opportunities as never before in history "to communicate the witness of our faith to all Ft to of the world," for the world is coming to us.

<sup>13</sup> gament Oversear by John Rosengrant and others, price: paper \$1.95, cloth \$2.50

## GREAT DEMAND

## Bibles for Brazilians

Until shortly after World War II, when Baptists began printing Bibles on a large scale in Brazil for the first time, all copies of the Scripture to reach Brazilian readers were imported. However, during the war years and immediately following, import restrictions made it exceedingly difficult to bring Bibles into Brazil; and the demand was increasing so fast that the supply had become woefully inadequate. The American and the British and Foreign Bible Societies, now working through the Brazilian Bible Society, have done a wonderful work in distributing Bibles and Scripture portions in Brazil. However, due to import restrictions and other problems they have not been able to provide enough Bibles to meet the ever-increasing demand.

Until recently the only Catholic Bibles available in Portuguese were printed in a number of volumes and sold for a price the average Brazilian could not pay. There are now one-volume Catholic Bibles available, but even these are sold for more than three times the price of the so-called "Protestant" Bibles. All Catholic Bibles in Portuguese contain commentaries which explain away the clear meaning of many Bible texts. In addition,

by GENE H. WISE

Southern Baptist missionary in Rio de Janeiro



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Dy. J. J. Cowsert (r) entenines Bible at Baptist Publishing Meuse in Rio; a new modern Portugues translation of the Bible has just here finished.

the apocryphal books, not recognized as inspired by Protestant churches, are included.

Baptists got into the Bible printing business in Brazil simply because there were not enough copies of the Scriptures to meet the needs which they saw on every hand. Fortunately, at the time it was decided by Southern Baptist missionaries to organize the Bible Press of Brazil, they were already experienced in the publishing business and had a print shop which, with the addition of certain necessary equipment, could enterionnediately into the Bible publishing field.

Even before the year 1900 two missionaries had been energetically turning out Raptist papers and tracts in their one-man print shops. Z. C. Taylor, the second Southem Baptist missionary to arrive in Brazil and the founder of the first Baptist printmg shop in this country, located in the northern city of Salvador, Bahia, had published for a number of years a little paper called "A Nova Vida" (the new life) and had printed numerous tracts. In South Brail Soloman Ginsburg was also using the printed message to evangelize, to overcome ignorance and to combat false charges of the Catholic church. His paper was called Is Boas Novas" (the good news).

These two journals were united in 1900 form a new national Baptist paper, and

a publication society for all of Brazil was founded. With a box of lead type, a hand press contributed by Ginsburg's paper and around \$1,000 acquired through the sale of Taylor's print shop, Missionary W. E. Enteminger set up business and editorial offices in a shed behind the First Baptist Church of Rio de Janeiro.

Fifty years ago there were only two persons giving their full time to Baptist editorial and publishing work in Brazil. Today more than 240 people are employed. One hundred and sixty workers are needed in the huge new printing plant, the first unit of which was completed in 1951, with a floor space larger than the playing area of a football field, and the second unit completed in 1958, with an area equal to approximately two thirds of a football field. Eighty additional workers are kept busy in the three-story office building.

Under the direction of missionaries T. B. Stover and J. J. Cowsert, a translation of the Bible into Portuguese was obtained and the first copy printed in 1944. Since then more than 1,000,000 Bibles, 200 thousand New Testaments and 4 million Gospels have been printed by this organization. Bible Day offerings from the churches have made it possible to sell a large percentage of the Bibles below cost of production, or for less than fifty cents in American money.

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A new translation of the entire Bible in

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modern-day Portuguese has now been concluded, and the type for the new edition is being set up in the Baptist Publishing House print shop, It is hoped that first copies will be printed before the year ends.

Ever since Southern Baptists began work in Brazil in 1882 the distribution of the Bible has been an unusually effective means of winning people to Christ. In the state of Minas Gerais a young man named Manoel Goncalves read a tract in which Bible verses were cited. This led him to begin a search for the Bible, which lasted several years. Finally a neighbor gave hima copy of a Gospel, which led to his conversion before he ever came in contact with a Baptist church.

In the city of Santos in the state of Sao Paulo a man greatly feared because of his lawless past went to the home of a Baptist layman named Otavio Soares and greatly surprised the latter by addressing him as "My brother." The former criminal then told how a Bible which Otavio had given to him had led him to become a follower of Christ. He is now an active member of a Baptist church. I recently talked to a young priest from the state of Mato Grosso who had left the Catholic church because its teachings did not agree with what he found

A calumn of type (r) and the print shops of

in the New Testament. Now he is studying to be a Baptist minister.

"I've been in darkness for forty years," a man from the state of Minas Gerais wrote me recently. "I'm positive that if I do not avail myself of your offer of a free Gospel I will never have another opportunity to know the truth." This man, one of almost 4,000 who have written in response to small advertisements placed in a Sunday magazine supplement, is typical of Brazilians in general. In contrast to his North American neighbor, who can buy a Bible in any book or dime store or through a number of mail order catalogs, the average Brazilian simply does not know where he could get a copy of the Scriptures, even though he would like very much to know exactly what less and the Prophets teach.

These are only a few of the many stories that could be told to show why Brazilian Baptists are interested in placing the Bible in every Brazilian home.



Editorial Staff **Baptist World Alliance** Independence comes to Nigeria October I Independence is a magic word; Nigerian

pendence, as they work and as they walk along the streets, Independence in Africa means the end of white-man-rule through a decadent colonial system. It also means the beginning of self-government for the black man.

nationals chant its four syllables, in-de-

Nigeria is not the first country of Africa to gain freedom, but official Washington regards her as one of the most important.

As goes Nigeria in these first years of self-government, so may go the test of Africa. This land along the Niger is the most heavily populated in Africa, with 34,-000,000 people.

Christian people around the world are watching both apprehensively and hopefully, because Nigeria stands as a battleground of ideologies, the Islamitic faith on one side, Christianity on the other.

Success will come hard in a land pestered with poverty and illiteracy and even with periodic outbreaks of cannibalism. It is the type situation in which a third powerful ideology, communism, could easily take secure root

About 60 per cent of the population is Movlem, and pagans by the thousands are being attracted into this camp.

Baptists have been in Nigeria since 1850, and the present 396 Baptist churches and 600 preaching stations have a total church membership of 42,961. In 1958 there were haptized 6,682 new believers, one convert but every six church members.

There are 499 grade schools in Nigeria operated by the Nigerian Baptist Convention in co-operation with the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Con-

vention. Seven colleges, one seminary and three Bible schools, with 90,700 enrolled: four hospitals and one leprosarium add to this witness.

by CYRIL E. BRYANT

WASHINGTON

This witness of love is seen graphically in the story of the conversion of a witch doctor in Southern Rhodesia, in Central Africa. Missionary Milton E. Cunningham asked the medicine man if he had ever heard of Jesus Christ, "No," the magician said, "I haven't." Cunningham then told him the story of Jesus and read several verses from the Bible. The witch doctor's painted face suddenly glowed with a happy smile. "I've always known there is a God," he exclaimed joyfully. "I just didn't know that he loves me."

Christian schools, constituting Africa's chief educational system in years gone by, have trained many of the men and women destined for leadership in new nations,

All Nigeria is appreciative of the leadership of Samuel Ladoke Akintole, a Baptist, termed by the London Baptist Times as "a man of intelligence and straightforwardness who is held in respect by friends and opponents." He was educated in Baptist mission schools and the Baptist college of Nigeria. Becoming Central Minister of Health for Nigeria, as we told you last month, he brought public sanitation facilities, modern hospitals and maternity clinics to the people. He led, too, in development of communications and aviation in Nigeria. Now, he is the new Prime Minister of Western Nigeria.

If enough people like Prime Minister Akintole come to prominence in the new government, the future of Nigeria-and the new Africa-is more promising for the spread of Christianity.



## PROGRAM FOR CIRCLE OR SECOND WMS MEETING

Circle Unit Theme: Enlistment for Missions
October Program Topic: Enlistment for Growth
October Mission Study: Across the Bridge, Means

#### BY HELEN RUCHTI

Program Chairman: In addition to the following program, you may want to have two or three members tell how they were enlisted in WMU, how they accepted places of service, and how they feel their spiritual understanding has been enlarged as members of the society. Your circle cochairman may have ready a list of women to be visited and enlisted in your society and the total church life by the next program meeting. You might plan a special for next month in which you feature women who are not yet members of WMS.

Prepare posters to advertise the next meeting time. Give special attention to enlisting your neighbors, also brides, young working women, and women who have recently been relieved of home responsibility. See pages 2-7 for inspiration and illustrations of how women are using their talents in kingdom work.

Read without comment Mark 4:26-32.

Leader: And Jesus said, "A sower wentforth to sow his seed."

(Let the following be given by a member who sees the circle as a part of the society not complete within itself, but as a means for entisting women for growth).

A circle (or small society) is a good place to sow the seed of missions in the hearts of Baptist women. All the activities of Woman's Missionary Society are of concern in making a circle a fertile place where women eagetly engage in mission activity. There are books to read and books to study: needs in the rommunity to be discovered and met, such as helping the sick, shut-ins and destitute, promoting interracial understanding, teaching in mission Sunday schools, witnessing to the unsaved, distributing Christian literature. There is praying to be done and money to be given to missions. Sunbeam Bands, Girls' Auxiliaries and Young Woman's Auxiliaries are to be fostered through interest and leadership as well as materials.

A more informal group, usually meeting in the homes of members, it is easy to develop friendly relationship in the circle or small society. A woman will agree to take part in the small meeting when she would hesitate or refuse to partiripate in the larger meeting. There are women who will offer to make posters for a circle mission study class or sing for the program or arrange the luncheon tables when the time is due for their circle to serve.

Rev. and Mrs. W. C. Ruchti were appointed in May, 1960 by the Foreign Mission Board to a la Rome. Mr. Ruchti will be patter of the Lechinspeaking Ballist church in that ancient (it)

teaching a chapter in a mission study book a woman said, "A year ago I would have said I couldn't do what I have just done." Another said when she effectively led a devotional service in her circle, "This is the first time I have ever spoken in public."

The wife of a doctor home from a big game hunt in Africa agreed to show his trophies and other curios at a circle meeting She came as a guest, but returned as a member to share in interest, praying and pits

One young woman was enlisted by her ability to sew. The mother of five children. she seemed to have little time for anything outside the home, although she genuinely wanted to serve and felt the need for Christian fellowship. When the WMS undertook a sewing project for a missionary family, this young woman volunteered to make a blouse. When she brought the garment to the chairman she said, "I don't know when I have enjoyed anything so much in all my life. This is the first thing I have ever done for a missionary. I want to do more." It is not surprising that sevcral years later this young mother found time to become president of the WMS of her church. Women with many kinds of abilities have been discovered at circle meetings.

The circle is a place for a woman to enjoy Christian fellowship, to find experiences in training for leadership, to participate in meeting community needs, to grow on compassion for a world sick in sin as she learns about the needs through missionary programs and books.

"A wonderful thing is a seed, . . . Plant lilies and lilies will bloom Plant roses and roses will grow Plant barred and hatred to life will spring."

Plant love and love to you will bring. The fruit of the seed you sow."

Leader: Jesus continued saying, "And some

Anonymous

Sing: "Bringing in the Sheaves"

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(seed) fell on good ground and sprang up and bore fruit an hundredfold,"

(Let five women come forward impersonating Marguerite Tankersley, Mrs. Hal Powe, Jr., Mrs. Roy Grove, Mrs. Floyd Chronister and Mrs. Lina Hoppell. See pages 2-7. They may sit around a table in informal conversation exchanging experiences of how they were enlisted in the work of Woman's Missionary Union. Or they may prefer narrating the stories.)

Leader: But Jesus also said, "And as he sowed some fell by the wayside . . . and some fell upon the rock . . . and some fell among thorns."

(The woman discussing this phase may add her own experiences.)

The president of a rural missionary society called her associational president to talk about the problem of enlisting other women.

"We can't seem to do anything to get other women in our church to come," she said. "We've tried giving them teas; we've invited them; we've mentioned it in our Sunday school class. We've done everything we can think of, but the women who have never come won't come, and we can't seem to grow any as a WMS."

This seems to be a problem in many churches. Planting the seed of need within the minds and hearts of the women of our rhurches—the unenlisted women whose talents and abilities should be put to work in WMS—is necessary before they become involved in the missionary spirit. But first, this local president would remind us, we need to get them there.

There are always women in the churches who for various reasons do not respond to the efforts put forth to enlist them. The seed does not grow in the hearts of those they yearn to see become a part of the missionary organization in their church. But the good enlistment chairman and the enthusiastic regular member do not quit. They keep on loving and praying and trusting. The field can be plowed dreper if we pray more. If we realize what great poten-

tial for Christ's kingdom are the abilities of these unenlisted women.

In Woman's Missionary Society enthusiasm spills over. If it doesn't, it needs to. Enthusiasm for an organization will "sell" it to others. "Nothing succeeds like success," is an old but true adage.

If there are members on roll who are not attending circle or general meeting, the way to remedy the situation is not to sit and complain about those who are not there. Instead, feed those who are present. Then share the benefits of the program. spreading your missionary zeal in daily conversation. Possibly we can put in the educational building posters presenting facts from the program material. We might set up a telephone brigade inviting members and prospects to come. We can visit; nothing is more effective. We can send cards. We can put in the pew racks the leaflet, "Our Church Wants You in WMS." All of this will help us wage a campaign to enlist the unenlisted and to "grow" those who have been enlisted.

#### JT WILL GROW

Once a little boy, going down a road, saw a man planting seeds in a garden.

"What are you planting?" he asked the

"Mustard seeds," came the reply.

And the man opened his hand and showed the boy the tiny seeds. They were so small that the boy could hardly believe they would grow at all. But to his questions the man only answered, "Wait and see." Then he moved over and planted more seed.

"Why do you plant them so far apart?" asked the boy.

"Wait and see," was the answer.

Spring passed into summer and summer into fall. The little seeds sprouted and grew. They grew until they were knee high to the little boy, then waist high; and still they grew. By mid-summer they were al-

tities most as tall as the man and they had spread out so far that the leaves of one huto. to it. The flowers appeared and later seems to it.

Likewise, according to Jesus, is Goffe power and his kingdom. It started with One-Jesus of Nazareth-then the disciples and the early church, then his kingdom grew and grew until today it encircles the globe. Baptists alone have churches in 106 countries of the world. We learned in September that the Baptist World Allfance report made in Rio de Janeiro in the summer of 1960 showed there were 22,708,927 Baptists on all the continents of the world, There are millions of other evangelical Christians, but yet there are millions and millions who need women with burdened hearts to pray for them daily, to give of their money. God's kingdom will never stop; it will continue from day to day and age to age. There is no end until his kingdom has covered the earth.

Who would not want to be a vital part of Woman's Missionary Society in a local church, a woman's organization which holds at its center the promotion of the kingdom of our Lord.

Sing: "The Kingdom Is Coming," first verse with triumph.

#### Prayer for

your local enlistment problems your church

the mission work of Southern Baptists

Circle co-chairman or enlistment chairman: Now, after the close of your program, stimulate women to share names of neighbors and friends whom they would enlist in missionary society work. Write down the names, addresses, telephone numbers. How will you invite them to your next meeting? Will each woman take a name and assume as her responsibility the bringing of a propect? Have a friendship meeting where you feature these newcomers or visitors to your circle. Be definite in plans and assignments, then call for reports on each wom a at your November meeting.

\*Order only the number you can use from your state WNU office.

Call to PRAYER

by MRS. MARSE GRANT

Missionaries are listed on their birthdays. Addresses in DIREC-TORY OF MISSIONARY PERSONNEL, free from Farsign Mission Board, Bon 6597, Richmond 30, Virginia, and in HOME MISSIONS

I SATUEDAY But when it is sown, it groweth up, and becometh greater than all herbs, and shooteth out great branches; so that the fouls of the air may lodge under the shadow of it Mark 4:32.

Like the grain of mustard seed, the work of missions is spread abroad and the name of Christ is heard in faraway places. Today. let us pray especially for MRS. SHELBY A. SMITH (b. Ps., app. 1958) appointed for Venezuela but later transferred to Guayaquil, Ecuador where she now serves with her husband and three children . . . the REV. R. MAX WILLOCKS (b. Tenn., app. 1958) a teacher in the Baptist Theological Seminary, Taejon, Korea . . . MISS HELEN MCCULLOUGH (b. Mo., app. 1935) was a teacher at the Ming Jang boy's school in Shanghai, China. During World War II she did evangelistic work in Hawaii, but went back to Shanghai in 1947 for one year. Three years ago she received a medical retirement and is now living in Houston, Texas.

2 SUNDAY And he saith unto them, Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men. And they straightway left their nets, and followed him Matt. 4:19-20.

Following Christ may mean going to a foreign land or to places of service in our own ountry. Fray today especially for MRS. GIL ALDAPE (Al-da-pay) who has "finished the course" of home mission work... for MRS. TRUMAN GRANGER (app. 1982) ev. among the French-speaking in Louisiana... for the REV. FREDERICK BROWN. teacher at Mississippi Seminary and BSU director at Jackson College for Negroes . . . for MRS. FRANCISCO PLATILLERO, ev. among Spanish-speaking in Florida, For four years she was a missionary to Spain, her husband's native land . . . for MRS. GILBERT OAKELEY (b. Tex.) ev. to Spanish-speaking in Colorado . . . for a husband and wife sharing the same birthday-the REV: (b. Fla., app. 1954) and MRS. (b. Tex., app. 1954) SAMUEL P. LONGBOTTOM. JR. He is a pastor in Honolulu and they have three children . . . for MR. DONALD L. ORR (b. Ark., app. 1951) director of the sacred music and religious education departments at Baptist Theological Seminary in Call, Colombia . . . for MRS. HAROLD DEAN DUKES (b. Ga.) appointed this year to Chile . . , for the REV. ARCHIE V. JONES (h. N. C., app. 1959 to Ecuador) attending language school in Costa Rica . . . for MRS. T. NEIL JOHNSON (b. N. C., app. 1923) now living in Chapel Hill, N. C., after 13 years in Chine.

3 MONDAY By faith Abraham, when he was called to go out into a place which he should after receive for an inheritance, obeyed; and he went out, not knowing whither he went Heb. 11:8.

Through all the years, God has guided those who have yielded their lives to Him. Often He has led to places we would not have chosen, yet there is joy and bappiness when His will is supreme. Today, let us pray especially for MRS. FRANK BAUGH,

JR. (b. Ky., app. 1859) ev. in East Pakistan ... for MRS SIDNEY FLEWELLEN (b. La, app. 1958) ev. in Ghana with her husband and two small children ... for DR. WILLIAM L. JESTER (b. Mo., app. 1946) professor in the Nigerian Baptist Theological Seminary at Ogbomosho, Nigeria ... for MRS. R. M. JACKSON, JR., ev. to the deaf in California ... REV. KENT FARIS (b. Ohio, app. 1957) ev. to the Indians, Laguna Acoma Reservation, New Mexico ... and MISS CLARIBEL JEFFERS, HMB, retired.

4 TUESDAY For I was an hungered, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink: I was a stranger, and ye took me in Mat. 25:35

Twelve Southern Baptist home missionaries work among the estimated two million migrants in our country. Pray for them, including MRS. BERTIS FAIR (b. Ky.), Ridgecrest, N. C. Pray also that your church will open its doors to any migrants who may come into your community . . . Pray for three home missionaries working with the Spanish-speaking-MRS. AURELIO DAW-KINS, Penema; REV F. M. CASSIDY and REV. FRANCISCO PLATILLERO (b. Spain, app 1960), Florida . . . for MRS, EDWARD B. TROTT (b. Miss., app. 1957), ev., Aracaju, Brazil, mother of two young children . . . for DR. JOHN A. TUMBLIN, JR. (b. Salvador, Brazil of missionary parents, app. 1956), professor at the Baptist Theological Seminary and Woman's Training School and College, Recife, Brazil . . . for MRS. RALPH BOWLIN (b. Tex., app. 1950), theological seminary teacher at Gwelo, Southern Rhodesia, now on furlough . . . and REV RUS-SELL B. HILLIARD (b. Ga., app. 1957), theological seminary teacher at Barcelone, Spain,

5 WEDNESDAY Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new 2 Cor. 5:17.

Indonesia is a new nation struggling to find its place in the world Many religions confuse the people. Pray for REV. DCUG-LAS E. KENDALL (b. Mass., app. 1955), on furlough from Surabaya, Indonesia. Through prayer, travel to Gaza, that strifetorn strip of land separating Jew and Arab. Pray for MISS MAXINE LIMDSAY (b. Ky., app. 1959), a nurse serving in our 90-bed hospital there . . . for REV. JAMES H. ROSE, ev. in Alaska . . . for MRS. JOSE M. SANCHEZ, ev., Havans, Cuba . . . and the

REV. ALCIDES LOZANO, ev., Panama ...
Pray also for three missionaries working among the language groups in California—
MRS. JOHN D. HOPPER and MRS. RAFAEL DE ARMAS, ev. to the Spanishspeaking: and REV. THOMAS LOWE (b.
Canton, China). He was won to Christ
through foreign missions and is now a missionary to the Chinese-speaking in Los Angeles ... Pray also for MRS. LILLIAN
ROBERTSON, HMB, retired, and for MRS.
AMELIO GIANNETTA (b. Rome, Italy, app.
1960). Brazil.

6 THURSDAY What doth it profit, my brethren, though a man say he hath faith, and have not works? can faith save him?

Seven so faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone James 2:14.17.

Two sisters-in-law, one born in China and the other in Texas, share birthdays today. Their husbands were born in China and the two couples were missionaries there until the Communists forced them to leave. Pray for MRS DEAVER M LAWTON (b. Shantung, China, app. 1936), now on furlough from Bangkok, Thailand and MRS. W. W. LAWTON, JR. (b. Tex., app. 1942) now in Honolulu . . . for REV. GERALD RIDDELL (b. Tex., app. 1944), teacher in the Baptist Academy, Temuco, Chile . . . and for DR. W C. NEWTON (b. N. C., app. 1902) former seminary executive and teacher in China. He retired in 1939 and lives in Richmond, Va. . . . Pray also for MRS. W. S. WALL, ev. to the Indians in New Mexico . . . for MISS HELEN STUART (b. Ala., app. 1957). worker with the little folks in the Spanish kindergarten in Dallas, Texas . . . for REV. EUGENE R. HARDY, ev. among Frenchspeaking in Louisiana . . . and for the Hawaii WMU annual meeting, 6-7.

7 FRIDAY But where shall wisdom be found? and where is the place of understanding? . . . God understandeth the way thereof, and he knoweth the place threef.

And unto man he said Rehold the feat

of the Lord, that is wisdom; and to depart from evel is understanding Job 28:12.23.28.

A great cloak of ignorance shields many people from the knowledge of Jesus. Pray for all who are teaching, including HEV.

JAMES A. LUNSFORD (b. Ky., app. 1940), pastor, teacher, and executive secret y-treasurer of Baptist work in the state of Minas Gerais, Brazil ... Across the waters from Brazil, MISS MARIE VAN LEAR b. Va., app. 1954) is a teacher in the Reagan

Men girl's high school at Lagos, Nigeri MISS ICELIA GONZALES teaches in the Spanish kindergarten at Socorro, New Mexico Pray for these who are teaching and for MRS. H. W. SCHWEINSBERG (b. Mo. app. 1941) ev., Bogota, Colombia; for Marcia and Connie Schweinsberg, Margaret Fund students . . . for REV. HAROLD RENFROW (b. Mo., app. 1951, ev., on furlough from Brazil . . . and the Washington, D. C. WMU annual meeting, 7.

8 SATURDAY For Zion's sake will I not hold my peace, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until the righteousness thereof go forth as brightness, and the salvation thereof as a lamp that burneth Isa. 82:1

Until all men are won to Christ, the work of missions must be strengthened and reinforced. This is not a time for relexed or halfhearted efforts. For Zion's sake, we must not hold our peace, we must not rest. Let us. pray today for two who are working in Africa-MRS. JOHN E. MILLS (b. Tex., app. 1947), ev., Ibaden, mother of a two-year-old daughter and MRS, JACK E. WALKER (b. Tex., app 1951), ev., on furlough from Tanganyika with her physician husband . . . for REV. ROGER DUCK (b. Tex.) now awaiting assignment . . . for two missionaries working with the Indians in this country-MRS J E HUBBARD (b. Va., app. 19521, Pawnee, Okla., and the REV. M. V. GONNSEN, Dulce, New Mexico. Pray also for REV. H. M. HARRIS (b. Miss., app. 1910) who retired in 1951 after 35 years in China. He is living in Clinton, Mississippi.

9 SUNDAY Let him know, that he which converteth the sinner from the error of his way, shall save a soul from death, and shall hide a multitude of sins James 5:20.

In Catholic dominated Spain, the doors of some Baptist churches have been locked and sealed. In our own country, the doors are open but we have yet to enter! More than three million Spanish-speaking people do not know Christ, Pray for MRS, CORNELIO RIVERA and MRS. EUGENE L. SLOAN (b. Puerto Rico), ev. to the Spanish-speaking in New Mexico . . . Pray also for two who are working in a Spanish-language country-Argentina: MRS JACK B MATTHEWS (b. Fla. app. 1949), ev., Tucuman; and MRS. S H. COCKBURN . Canada, app. 1950), ev Buenos Aires. She has four children . . . Pray for REV W. P. BRIAN, engaged in resuntain missions in Nevada . . . for MRS. FRED DAVID STULL (b. Ky.) who has just been appointed to Peru . . . and MISS DOR-OTHY LATHAM (b. Miss.) appointed in 1959 for Equatorial Brazil.

16 MONDAY A light that shineth in a dark place 2 Pet. 1:19.

An overwhelming darkness grips the lives of millions as they search for the Light. On this tenth day, let us pray especially for ten who are taking the Light to seven countries. Two of these are in Japan-MRS. W. MAX-FIELD GARROTT (b. Ky., app. 1935). mother of four and teacher at Seinan Gakuin school for boys in Fukuoka . GEORGE H. HAYS (b. Mo., app. 1948), now on furlough, is mission treasurer in Tokyo and a teacher and lecturer . . . People in Ghana, W. Africa, have a per capita income of less than \$200 per year. Pray for them and REV. DOUGLAS C. CATHER (b. Va., app. 1953), ev., Tamale, Chana ... for MRS. DANIEL B. RAY (b. Tex., app. 1953), ev. in Chonan, Korea. She has three young sons . for REV. JAMES F. MITCHELL (b. S. C., app. 1943), pastor, teacher, and field worker in Temuco, Chile . . . for Rev. J. LOYD MOON (b. Ala., app. 1951), ev., Manaus, Brazil . . . The little island of Cuba has known strife and turmoil for much of its history. Pray for Cuban Baptists and MRS. ENRIQUE (en-ree-key) VAZQUEZ, Norte and MR. FRANCISCO RIVERO, Potrerillo, Cuba . . . for MRS. J D. GRIFFIN (b. N. C., app. 1957), ev. to the Indians at Cherokee, N. C. . . . for REV. JAMES E. GALENDAR, ev. to French speaking in Louisiana . . . and for Colorado WMU annual meeting, 10-11.

11 TUESDAY Whereupon, O king Agrippa, I was not disobedient unto the heavenly vision Acts 26:19.

Paul heard and responded to the call of Christ. He was not disobedient to the will of God for his life. More than 9 million Southern Baptists have heard the call of Christ to places of service. Nearly 1500 have answered His call to a foreign land. Many others have followed Him in home mission work. Pray that our answer to Him will be in accord with His will for our lives. Pray also for these who are in mission service-MRS. ARCHIE G. DUNAWAY, JR. (b. Tenn., app. 1947), a nurse at Okuta, Nigeria with her husband and three children . . REV. OREN C. ROBISON, JR. (b. Okla., app. 1952) ev., Benin City, Nigeria . . . MRS. ROBERT C. SHERER (b. Ill., app. 1948), Kobe, Japan. They have four young children . . . and

MRS. FRANK MENDEZ, ev. to Spanish-speaking in Arizona.

12 WEDNESDAY But whoso hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him? 1 John 3:17.

Taos Indians live in the only existing fivestory adobe pueblos and family life is very different from city or country life elsewhere. Many of the old ways of living are followed today and the infant death rate is high. Pray for the Indians and MR. MICHAEL NARAN-JO, ev., Taos, New Mexico . . . From each field in South Brazil comes the appeal for more missionaries. Pray for MISS BENNIE MAY OLIVER (b. Tex., app. 1957), daughter of missionaries to Brazil and a teacher in the theological Seminary at Recife . . . for MISS MARY PAGE, worker in the Good Will Center, E. St. Louis, Ill. . . . for MRS. HOWARD L. SHOEMAKE (b. Tex., app. 1947) ev., Guayaquil, Ecuador and mother of four sons and a daughter . . . for MRS. HARRIS W. MOBLEY (b. Ga., app. 1959), ev. in Ghana.

13 THURSDAY Thou therefore endure hardness, as a good soldier of Jesus Christ 2 Tim. 2:3.

Missionaries in Southeast Asia have no doubt said these words over and again. Shintoism, Buddhism, Spiritualism, Communism, Animism-so many isms to fight every day. Let us pray today especially for five who are working in that part of the world -MRS. HUBERT HOLLEY (b. Ala., app. 1956), mother of three young children, Singapore, Malaya; REV. CARTER MOR-GAN (b. Shantung, China, app. 1948), dean at the Baptist Theological Seminary, Kowloon, Hong Kong, now on furlough; MRS. BUFORD NICHOLS (b. Tex., app. 1936), formerly in China but for the past six years teacher in the Baptist Theological Seminary, Semarang, Indonesia. Mrs. Nichols has two sons. David and Buford Lee, who are Margaret Fund students; MISS EVELYN SCHWARTZ (b. Tenn., app. 1949), also in Indonesia at Djakarta. She writes Sunday school material and translates for work with Indonesian children; MRS. OSWALD J. QUICK (b. Mo., app. 1946), former missionary to China now in Taiwan. She has four young children . . . Pray also for MISS MARY E. TRULY (b. Tex., app. 1938), principal of the Baptist Women's Training College in Nigeria, now on furlough . . . MRS. J. W. GARDNER (b. Ark., app. 1938) felt called to China but a hearing defect of her husband's, which later led to deafness, caused them to become missionaries to the deaf. Although their dreams of going to a foreign field were never realized, they helped those in their own land to know the Gospel as special messengers. They are now retired and living in Little Rock, Ark.

Pray also for MISS ESPERANZA RAMIREZ, teacher in Spanish kindergarten, Waço, Texas.



14 FRIDAY And one cried unto another, and said, Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord of hosts: the whole earth is full of his glory Isa. 6:3.

The whole earth is full of God's glory today, but millions live in spiritual darkness and cannot see it. Even in Nazareth where Jesus played as a child, the predominant religion is not Christianity. Pray for MRS. DWIGHT L. BAKER (b. Va., app. 1950) who with her husband and four children has been in Nazareth working in the church and in nearby villages . . . for MRS. CARL HUN-KER (b. Tex., app. 1946), ev. in Taipei, Taiwan. She has a son 15 and a daughter 12... for REV. KENNETH EVENSON (b. Okla., app. 1957), ev. in Tacuarembo, Uruguay . . . for MRS. GEORGE B. COWSERT (b. N. C., app. 1952) field worker in Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil, and mother of three young children . . . for MRS. THOMAS O. HIGH (b. N. C., app. 1955) mother of two young sons and teacher in the theological seminary at Ogbomosho, Nigeria. If given government permission to enter, the Highs will transfer to the Republic of Guinea after their current furlough in the States . . . for REV. J. BOYD SUTTON (b. Va., app. 1959) in language school in North Brazil . . . for REV. DON-ALD R. NICHOLSON, student mission pastor in California . . , and for JOSE ISAAC SORIA, ev. among Spanish-speaking in Texas.

15 SATURDAY As thou hast sent me into the world, even so have I also sent them into the world John 17:18.

There is little space in Hong Kong where children can play in safety or sleep in com-

## FORECASTER

Prepared by MARGARET BRUCE, WMS director

## Love Controls, Urges. Impels

Why did you agree to be president of your WMS? or circle chairman, or program chairman? or . . .? Was it prestige? contacts, opportunities? I think not. Wasn't it because "the love of Christ constraineth us"? The Amplified New Testament translates 2 Cor. 5:14 "For the love of Christ controls and urges and impels us." It is our hope and prayer that every WMS leader will be motivated this year by love. May our 1960-61 watchword become a daily reminder of His love . . . controlling, urging, impelling!

"If the praise of man elates me and his blame depresses me; if I cannot rest under misunderstanding without defending myself; if I love to be loved more than to love, to be served more than to serve, then I know nothing of Calvary love.

"If I covet any place on earth but the dust at the foot of the cross, then I know nothing of Calvary love.

"If I put my own happiness before the well-being of the work entrusted to me . . . then I know nothing of Calvary love."

-Amy Carmichael in If.

## This Month

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Publications Committee—Include It in the Budget

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#### PRESIDENT

#### INSTALL NEW OFFICERS

### COMMUNITY MISSIONS COMMITTEE

### Each One Teach One

Resulting from October's missionary program, "The Message of God's Son," printed in Spanish and Portuguese, WMS members will plan projects to teach those in their communities who cannot read or write. (See the article, "Teach Us to Read," in Royal Service.)

"Each one teach one" is the slogan of those who have adopted the Laubach literacy plan. It's a good slogan for every WMS member, too!

To help women teach the plan of salvation there is a Gummed Sticker with Bible references presenting the plan of salvation. The sticker is to be pasted in your Bible for constant use. Order from Woman's Missionary Union, Bifmingham 3, Alabama, price 25 for 25c.

"Save your visitation evangelism for a rainy day" says a leader of evangelism. "Not only are people more likely to be home, but they will know you are in earnest."

When WMS members get in earnest about "each one teach one" the kind of weather won't matter

Outgoing president or pastor may give briefly the purpose of Woman's Missionary Union. (See WMU Year Book, 25c, WMS Manual, 65c or Woman's Missionary Union, Hunt, 85c, from Woman's Missionary Union, Birmingham 3, Alabama.)

Recognize each officer, circle chairman, committee chairman, and youth leader by name and position.

Give a charge reminding these of their responsibility for leading women and young people in an aggressive program of missionary education in the church, and for enlarging the vision of the church to Baptist responsibility for carrying out the Great Commission of Jesus the Saviour. These objectives may be realized as the WMU leadership does well its work of mission study, prayer, community missions, and stewardship.

You may want to close the service with this meaning of service:

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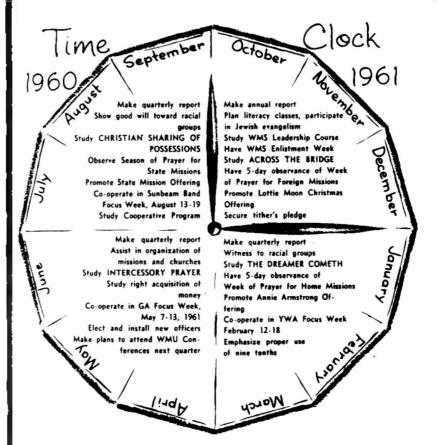
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Enthusiasm, meaning "God in us."

Have a prayer of dedication.

Or, see August, 1960 Forecaster, pages 7-8, for "Your High Calling," a suggested commitment service for new officers.



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## DIRECTIONS

FOR EVERY COMMITTEE



Be faithful in daily prayer and Bible study

Study the WMU Year Book, WMS Manual, and helps available from state WMU office

Have regular committee meetings for planning and promoting WMU work

Subscribe to and read Royal Service, The Commission, Home Missions, and state denominational

Be faithful in daily prayer and Bible study

Be loyal in attending meetings and in carrying out responsibilities

Co-operate in making quarterly and annual reports

Attend associational, state, and Convention-wide WMU meetings and conferences

Assume responsibility for Aim relating to your committee

Take WMS Leadership Course in a class, or individually

Help enlist every woman in full participation in WMU activities

Become familiar with all materials relating to your work

Bring to your office spiritual depth, understanding of the work. and dedication to the task

#### -orecastina **NEW MATERIALS**

On the way-grocery bags which may be converted into toys for the children as aprons, bibs, baskets, or rainy day covers

-walls and floors that light up with a soft green or light blue glow, called "mood" lighting

On the way-WMS Manual, 65c, for every WMS member

-Doorknob Calling Card, 2c each; \$1.60 for 100, providing place for visitor's name and church

-Gummed Sticker, 25 for 25c, with Bible references presenting the plan of salvation, to be pasted in your Bible

-Series of Posters for use in teaching the WMS Leadership Course, \$1.10 per package

(Order priced materials listed above from Woman's Missionary Union, Birmingham 3, Alabama.)

-Leaflet, "How to Organize a WMS" (free from state WMU office) -WMS President's Packet of Leaflets for Leaders (free from state WMU office)

#### SECRETARY

The right way for your annual report is the write way-write clearly, write correctly, write carefully. And October 5 is the date for annual reports to be sent to your associational WMU president Be sure to include your record of advancement and application for Honor WMU if your Woman's Missionary Union qualified for this high recognition.

### ENLISTMENT COMMITTEE

oals tor 1960-61

**Enlistm** ommittee, Aim 6, Enlistment for Missions, is yours. You have 6 goals-3 basic objectives and 3 electives. Here they

#### 1. Definite program of enlistment visitation throughout the year.

Underscore the words definite and throughout. A Doorknob Calling Card, giving place for visitor's name and church, is available for your enlistment visitation from Woman's Missionary Union, Birmingham 3, Alabama, price 2c each: \$1.60 for 100.

#### 2. Annual increase in membership untess all resident women members are enlisted

Seek to enlist all resident women members in full participation of all WMU activities. Interpret WMS opportunities to every woman and give her a broader understanding of our purpose and membership.

#### 3. An average attendance for the year of one third of the members at the ten general missionary program meetings of the society

Help your program committee realize the relationship of effective missionary programs to high attendance. There will be no absentees when you have programs you can't afford to miss.

#### 4. An enlistment survey

Discover prospects in the Sunday school, Training Union, and from church file. WMS members have unenlisted neighbors and friends which you will not overlook. As you visit take along the leaflet. "Our Church Wants You in WMS" (free from state WMU office).

#### 5. Organisation of additional circle(s)

Have a personal preference survey. Find out when women prefet attending WMS general and circle meetings. Provide a convenient meeting time for every woman. (See "Excluded? No, Included!" page 1, RS.)

#### 6. An average attendance for the year of one third of the members of each circle at the ten general missionary program meetings of the society

Emphasize the importance of each circle having its members attend the general missionary program meetings of the society. This is where we develop the spirit of togetherness-"Laborers together with God" and with each other to promote Christian missions through world awareness, spiritual development. Christian witnessing, and sharing possessions.

#### PRAYER COMMITTEE

## Prayer Partners

It is estimated that 235,000 are participating in the Prayer Partner Movement which is a part of the Decade of Prayer launched last winter by the Methodist General Board of Evangelism. "In the a five-year Era of Prayer, Begin

prayer partner movement two people pray for each other daily by name. They also pray for others and witness to others about Christ and the church."

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a Prayer Partner Plan in your WMS. Encourage members to choose a prayer partner from the WMS membership and another from our home and foreign missionaries.

Prayer committee, continually remind WMS members that they are a part of a group of 756,382 women in 23,237 societies who are prayer partners with 1626 home missionaries and 1447 foreign missignaries.

The Call to Prayer, found in Royal Service, used faithfully each day keeps this powerful chain of prayer continuously encircling the globe. Help women form the habit of daily use of the calendar of prayer in their homes.

Begin making plans for your five-day observance of the Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions. November 28-December 2. The theme this year is "His Peace for the Multitudes." The daily topics will interest you:

Monday-"Seeing the Multitudes Hungry"

Tuesday-"Seeing the Multitudes Diseased"

Wednesday-"Seeing the Multitudes Afraid"

Thursday—"Seeing the Multitudes Without a Shepherd"

#### Friday-"Seeing the Multitudes with Compassion"

Try to keep this week free from all other activities so that the whole church may enter into a Week of Prayer for Foreign Mis-

Begin an Intercessory Prayer League if you do not already have one. Include those in this prayer fellowship who desire to dedicate themselves to united intercessory prayer.

It is the responsibility of the prayer committee to keep the group informed (1) on national and international affairs having direct bearing on world missions. (2) on urgent needs in the state and community, (3) on causes and individuals in the church family,

Explain the purpose and plan of the Intercessory Prayer League at general and circle meetings. Keep a list of names, addresses. and telephone numbers of those expressing a desire to be a part of the League. Make regular contacts. presenting objects of prayer and relaying answers to prayer. (See WMS Manual, 65c, from Woman's Missionary Union, Birmingham 3. Alabama, for additional information concerning Intercessory Prayer League.)

"Lord, in this hour of tumult . . . Keep open, oh, keep open, my eyes, my ears"-Prayer by Guion.

MISSION STUDY COMMITTEE

#### EVERYBODY'S READING

There's good news from the Mission Graded Series. Have evof books were sold last year. Annual sales were up about a third over 1955-57.

Mission study committee, let's "up" the sale of the 1960 Foreign

book publishers. A record number erybody reading about Spanish America, our neighbors to the south. (See Cover 3 RS) for list of other books in 1960 Foreign Mission Graded Series.

Encourage every woman to buy

and read Across the Bridge, by Dr. Frank K. Means, the Foreign Mission Board's Secretary to Latin America (price 85c from Baptist Book Stores).

#### Teaching Aids:

Latin American Neighbors Puzzlemat, 50c dozen Latin American Napkin, 50 for 80c Mexican Design Motifs, 10c a sheet, Creative Uses for Christian Mission Accessories, folder giving ideas. natterns, suggestions for using these extras, 10c

#### Visual Aids:

Eves South—a new motion picture, color, sound, 30 minutes. Rental.

\$5.00

The Challenge of Latin Americanew filmstrip, 50 frames, color, manual, \$3.50

World Evangelism in Latin America-new filmstrip, 50 frames, color, manual, \$3.50

Order books, teaching aids, and visuals from your nearest Baptist Book Store.

Qualifying for recognition on WMS Mission Study Chart will be the goal of the mission study committee. See WMS Manual (65c from Woman's Missionary Union, Birmingham 3, Alabama) for full explanation, and begin working toward this goal immediately.

#### STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

### MY STEWARDSHIP Covenant

Our WMS stewardship covenant outlines briefly the objectives of the stewardship committee, which are leading women to:

- (1) use Christian means in acquiring money
- (2) pay the tithe to support His kingdom's work
- (3) bring love gifts in addition to the tithe.

During October encourage every woman to become a tither. "A Woman Looks at Tithing" and "The Whole Family Tithing" are free leaflets which may be used in your tithing campaign. Order from your state WMU office. The Stewardship Covenant Card (right) may be secured free from your state WMU office, also.

Begin promoting the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for Foreign Missions. Our 1960 goal is \$8,700,000. This is a 13 per cent increase over the amount given last year. To reach the goal each society must give 13 per cent more than was given last year.

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a m child of God, I recognize His consenship, and that I am a steward of all powersions in my care.

THEREFORE

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I will consider the tithe as a minimum in support of His kingdoms work \_\_

I will be aware continually of the lost world and will bring love gifts in addition to my

I will try with crads help to be a faithful steward of all the money entrusted to me

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COMMITTEE

## INCLUDE IT

Churches throughout the Convention include the state denominational paper in their church budget and make it possible for every family in the church to receive it. There are more and more churches including The Commission (\$1.50 a year, \$3 for 3 years, from Foreign Mission Board, Box 6597, Richmond 30, Virginia) and also Home Missions (\$1 a year, \$2 for 3 years, from Home Mission Board, 161 Spring St., N.W., Atlanta 3, Georgia). This has proved to be an effective way of getting information to the people.

Woman's Missionary Union recommends that Royal Service be included in the church budget and in this way give every WMS member an opportunity to have her own copy.

Publications committee, be mindful of your basic objective, "Continuous emphasis on every member's receiving Royal Service." This may be done by:

- 1. Urging the church to include Royal Service in the church budget
- 2. Encouraging every woman to include it in her budget
- Suggesting that the society include in its budget gift subscriptions for YWAs entering WMS.

A lovely gift subscription certificate will be sent to the young woman announcing this gift from her WMS. When sending these subscriptions write on subscription blank, "Gift for YWA entering WMS." Send subscriptions to Woman's Missionary Union, Birmingham 3, Alabama. Allow four weeks for delivery.

## Wing Climate

Last spring at the White House Conference on Children and Youth President Eisenhower in his address to the delegates charged them "to expand the creative potential of children and youth in freedom and dignity." Throughout the conference adults were urged to devote more study, prayer, and time to seeking effective ways to provide a Christian "growing climate" for children and youth that they might be strengthened and undergirded for their responsibilities as adults.

Woman's Missionary Society seeks to provide a missionary "growing climate" for children and young people through WMU youth organizations for all age groups in the church four years and above.

WMS members are responsible for securing a YWA director, GA director, Sunbeam Band director, counselors, leaders and assistants as needed. These need their respective leadership courses and opportunities for developing their leadership potential.

WMS members are responsible for sustained fostering of all WMU youth organizations in the church, but YWA, GA, and Sunbeam Band committees direct the fostering activities.

WMS members co-operate with youth leaders in working toward having an Honor WMU in the church.

All WMS members, regular members, extension circle members, and members in service need mutual concern in the missionary "growing climate" of the church. Then there will be young men and young women saying, "Here am I, send me."

fort. The fortunate ones have a glass of powdered milk a day, provided by relief agencics. Thousands live in crowded rooms and many sleep at night on the streets. Pray today especially for three missionaries working in Hong Kong-DR. JAMES D. BELOTE (l) D. C., app. 1940), president of the Hong Kong Baptist Theological Seminary , . . for MISS MILDRED LOVEGREN (b. Yachow. China of missionary parents, app. 1944), ev. particularly with students in Hong Kong for MRS. GEORGE R. WILSON, JR. (b. Fla., app. 1956), mother of four (Richard Wilson is a Margaret Fund student) and teacher in the Baptist College in Hong Kong with her husband . . . for REV. OTIS W. BRADY (b. S. C., app. 1946) in Nassau, Bahamas doing ed. ev. . . . for MRS. JULIAN C BRIDGES (b. Ga., app. 1959) in language school in Costa Rica preparing for work in Mexico , . . for REV. J. F. PLAINFIELD, retired from the Home Mission Board . . . and DR. MARTHA HAGOOD (b. Ala., app. 1953) Baptist Hospital, Kyoto, Japan.

16 SUNDAY Wherefore he is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them Heb. 7:25.

In spite of centuries of Roman Catholic domination, many Italians are accepting Christ as Saviour and the Bible as their guide. Pray for Italian Baptists and MRS. ROY F. STARMER (b. Tenn., app. 1938), a teacher at the Armstrong Memorial Training School in Rome. She has two sons and a daughter . . . Chilean Baptists reported 740 baptisms last year. Pray for REV. HUBERT L. HARDY, JR. (b. Ky., app. 1950) ev., Temuco, Chile . . . for MRS. EUGENE B. KIMLER, JR. (b. Tex., app. 1958), in Venezuela with her husband, young son and daughter . . . for MRS. GLEN R. MARTIN (b. Ill.,

app. 1956), ev., Penang, Malaya, mother of four young children . . . for MRS. GLENN BRIDGES (b. Tex., app. 1948), on furlough from Campo Grande, Brazil . . . for MRS. BENJAMIN VALDES, ev., Batabano, Cuba . . . for MISS FREDDIE MAE BASON, Good Will Center, Atlanta, Georgia . . . for REV. C. W. STUMPH, HMB, retired.

17 MONDAY For a great door and effectual is opened unto me, and there are many adversaries 1 Cor. 16:9.

Many doors are open in South America, but there are many adversaries. Pray for Baptists on this huge continent, including MRS. LOWELL E. LEDFORD (b. Ark., app. 1955), ev., Lima, Peru, mother of three young children , . . for MRS. DALE CARTER (b. Tex., app. 1957), Cidade da Barra, Brazil . . . for REV. L. R. BROCK, JR. (b. N. C., app. 1953), Arcoverde, Brazil . . . for MR. RAY E. SHELTON (b. Tenn., app. 1949), teacher, Montevideo, Uruguay . . . In Nigeria, Africa, many places of leadership in the government are being filled with Christian men and women. Pray for them and the REV. Z. DON REECE (b. N. C., app. 1959), ed. ev. in Nigeria . . . for MRS. CALVIN PARKER (b. Tenn., app. 1951), ev., Kanazawa City, Japan, mother of four young children . . . for REV. W. A. SOLESBEE (b. Ark., app. 1947), ev., Davao City, Philippines . . . for REV. EDWARD O. SANDERS (b. Okia., app. 1959) Indonesia . . . for MRS. ISAIAS VALDIVIA, San Antonio, Texas; MRS. AURELIO HUR-TADO, Taos, New Mexico; REV. SAMUEL ORTA, Texas, ev. to the Spanish-speaking . . . Oregon-Washington WMU annual meeting, 17-18.

18 TUESDAY So built we the wall; and all the wall was joined together unto the half thereof: for the people had a mind to work Neh, 4:6.

Mr. and Mrs. Marse Grant with their lovely daughters live in Raleigh, North Carolina, Mrs. Grant will write Call to Prayer for six months. Mr. Grant is editor of the North Carolina Baptist paper, BIBLICAL RECORDER.



Where there is a mind to work, much can be accomplished! In many parts of the world today, nations are becoming free for the first time. New governments are being established. People are working for freedom and a better way of life. Through missions, the true Way is being shown. Pray for MRS. J. A. YARBROUGH (b. Fla., app. 1959) ev., Nigeria. for MISS EUNICE FENDERSON (b. Minn., app. 1936), ev., Israel... for REV. HENRY E. HARDIN, ev. to Negroes in Sumter, South Carolina. for MRS ROGELIO PARET, ev., Santo Domingo, Cuba... and MRS. CARTER E. BEARDEN, ev. to deaf, Decalur, Georgia.

19 WEDNESDAY He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing John 18:5.

Perhaps no other race has suffered greater persecution than the Indians did in early America. Today most of them live on reservations; gradually some are moving out and becoming self-supporting. Pray for MRS. RODERIC COLEMAN, Arizona and REV. DAVID WARREN (b. Tex., app. 1956), Lawton, Oklahoma and the Indians with whom they work . . . Pray also for MRS. B. A. CLENDINNING (b. Miss., app. 1958) ed. ev., Ruschlikon-Zurich, Switzerland for the REV. HENRY WOLF (b. Okla, app. 1956), student work, Iguala, Mexico . . . for REV RONALD W. FULLER (b. Minn., app. 1948). professor at the Baptist Theological Seminary and paster in Hong Kong, now on furlough . . . for MRS. W. B. SHERWOOD (b. S. C. app. 1921), in Brazil before her retirement in 1952. The mother of six sons and four daughters, she is now living in Dillon, S. C.

28 THORSDAY I will surely buy it of thee at a price: neither will I offer burnt offerings unto the Lord my God of that which dath cost me nothing 2 Sun. 24:24

Brazil is a rich and growing country but it is seriously beset by the feverish activity of a number of seets trying to establish themselves there. Pray for MRS. L. C. BELL 4b. Okla., app. 1950), ev. and WMU worker in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. She has four sons for MRS. J. LOYD MOON (b. Ala., app. 1951), ev. Manaus, Brazil, mother of three young sons . . . for DR. W. L. COOPER (b. Miss., app. 1939), president of the Baptist Theological Seminary in Buenos Aires . . for MISS DORIS E. KNIGHT (b. Ga. app. 1920), teacher in the Elementary Training

Center for Women at Abeokuta, Nigeria before her retirement. She went there from China where she served many years and was interned for two years ... for MISS BETTY HODGES (b. Miss. app. 1857), ed. ev. in Santiago, Chile ... for MISS LOLETE DOT. SON (b. Ale., app. 1956), a nurse in the newly established hospital in Kontagora, Nigeria, now on furlough ... for REV. EDGAR J. THARPE (b. Ga. app. 1947), ev., Koneohe, Hawaii ... for REV. E. J. COMBS (bf Mo. app. 1955), former missionary to Colombia, now director of foreign language missiong in California.

21 FRIDAY Wherefore he is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them. Heb. 7.25.

The first Southern Baptist missionary to Thailand was sent in 1949. Today, 36 are under appointment to this colorful country, Last year, DR. W. L. MEDCALF (b. Okla.) went to Thailand as a medical missionary. Pray for him as he learns the difficult language . . . for MRS. HOMER A. BROWN. JR. (b. III., app. 1948), teacher in the Baptist boy's high school at Oyo, Nigeria . . . for MR. HARTMON SULLIVAN (b. Tenn., app. 1958), in Ibadan, Nigeria . . . for REV. JOHN COUCH (b. Mo., app. 1958), ev., Irbid, Jordan . . . for MISS ANNIE HOOVER (b. Ark., app. 1949) on furlough from Sapporo, Japan . . . Two years ago MRS WILLIAM P MALONE, JR. (b. Tex.) was appointed to Argentina. She has a young son and daughter ... MISS CARRIE BOCKELMAN is with the Good Will Center in Atlanta, Georgia and MISS EUNICE HEATH with the Good Will Center in Tennessee Pray for these and REV. JAMES A. COATES, ev. to French-speaking in Louisiana . . . for MR. HILARIO VALDES, ev., Cotorro, Cuba and MISS RUBY MILLER, ev., Cabanas, Cuba.

22 SATURDAY For what is the hope of the hypocrite, though he hath gained, when God taketh away his soul? Job 27:8.

Five years ago MRS. S. C. JOWERS (b. La., app. 1946), her husband and five same went to Davao on the island of Mindanao in the Philippines to open the Baptist Bible School, a branch of the seminary. Last year thirty people were enrolled. Pray for them and MRS. W. A. SOLESBEE (b. Tex. app. 1947) also in Davao City and the mother of two children . . . for MRS. THOMAS J. KENNEDY (b. Tex., app. 1954), ev. Zaria, Nigeria. She has three small children . . .

for MRS. H. G. MARGRETT (b. Buenos Aires Argentine, app. 1941), on furlough from International Baptist Theological Seminary Buenos Aires. She has one married daughter . . . for MRS. R. HOYD ROBERT-SON (b. Tex., app. 1850), ev., Mendoza, Argentina. She has four children . . . for REV H R. TATUM (b. Ga., app. 1949), ev., Lanikai, Hawaii . . . for MRS. VANCE VERNON (b. Ale., app. 1946), ev., Fortaleza. Brazil She has two daughters and two sons ... Hong Kong Baptists, 12,527 strong, are hoping to send a missionary soon to Borneo. Working with them is REV. GEORGE R. WILSON, JR. (b. Okla., app. 1956), teacher in the Baptist college at Kowloon where his wife also leaches . . . for MISS NINA GIL-LESPIE, ev. to Chinese-speaking in Tucson, Arizona.

23 SUNDAY Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life John 8:12.

More than 90 per cent of the people in Indonesia are Moslems. More pilgrims to Mecca come from Indonesia than from any other country in the world. Pray for the Christians there including DR. KEITH PARKS (b. Tex., app. 1954), professor at the Baptist Theological School at Semarang, Indonesia . . . for MISS JOSEPHINE HAR-RIS (b. Ark, app. 1946), director of the Baptist Student Center in Hawaii . . . for MISS BERTIE LEE KENDRICK (b. N. C., app. 1945), ed. ev., Wailuku, Hawaii . . . for DR. DONALD E. MCDOWELL (b. Md., app. 1954), surgeon in the Baptist Hospital at Asuncion, Paraguay . . . for REV. G. WEB-STER CARROLL (b. W. Va., app. 1956), ev., Tanganyika . . . for MR. W. H CONGDON (b. Colo., app. 1937), ed. ev. and architect for the Nigerian Baptist Convention . . . for MRS BEN R. LAWTON (b. Nigeria, app. 1947), ev., Italy She is author of a book on her father's life, Alonzo Scott Patterson of Africa and has three children . . . for MRS. R M WRIGHT (b. Tex., app. 1955), a nurse who serves with her physician husband in Korca for MRS. ELIAS DELGADO, ev. to the Spanish-speaking in San Francisco, California . . . for REV \_ALEJANDRO VAL-DEC. ev. in Panama . . for REV. SAMUEL TATLOR FONTNOTE, ev. to the Frenchspinking, Louisiana . . and MRS. HOWARD L STEVENS (b. Ga.) appointed in May to Latin America.

24 MONDAY Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature 2 Cor. 5:17.

In spite of unrest in Cuba, Baptists there are making progress. Pray for MRS. MOISES GONZALEZ, MRS. ANDRES GAR-CIA, and MRS. LUCIANO MARQUEZ in Cuba . . . for MRS. FRED A. BLOOMER, ev. to the Indians in Grants, New Mexico . . . for a husband and wife celebrating the same birthday-REV. W. B. JOHNSON (b. N. C., app. 1925) went to Indonesia from China after being interned for a time during World War H. MRS. JOHNSON (b. Va., app. 1925) also served in China and went to Djakarta, Indonesia in 1952. They have two daughters ... for REV. CHARLES W. DICKSON (b. Tex., app. 1947), Joso Pesson, Brazil . . . for MRS. L. R. BROTHERS (b. Fla., app. 1948), education work in Ibadan, Nigeria. She has four young children . . . for MR. T. S. GREEN (b. Tex., app. 1958), ev., Paraguay ... for REV. JAMES W. SMITH (b. Ga., app. 1955), pastor and mission treasurer in Jerusalem, Israel, now on furlough . . . for REV. B. W. ORRICK (b. Ark., app. 1920), retired in 1957 after service in Uruguay He is living in Waco, Texas . . . for MISS JOAN MARIE COLLINS (b. Pa., app. 1959), a nurse at the Beptist hospital at Dar es Saleam, Tenganyika . . . for REV. CHARLES W. WIGGS (b. N. C.) who was appointed this year for Korea . . . for MISS ADDIE E. COX (b. Ala., app. 1918), retired in 1955 after teaching in China and Taiwan. She is living in Berkeley, California . . . for MRS. D. G WHITTINGHILL (b. Va., app. 1905), retired 21 years ago after service in Rome, Italy. She is living in New York . . . and for New Mexico WMU annual meeting, 24-25.

25 TUESDAY For therefore we both labour and suffer reproach, because we trust in the living God, who is the Saviour of all men, specially of those that believe ? Tim.

When ten small advertisements about Baptists and Christ were placed in Brazilian papers over a period of one year, more than 2,000 inquiries were-made People in Brazil are hungry for the gospel. Pray for MISS MARGARET JOYCE PEMBLE (b. Fla., app. 1952), worker in the Good Will Center and school in Teresina, Brazil . . . for MRS. DOUGLAS C. CATHER (b. Tenn., app. 1953) ev., Tamale, Ghana. She has two small daughters . . for REV JOHN A. PARKER (b. Miss., app. 1942), education work and pastor of the First Baptist Church, Santiago, Chile, now on furlough . . . for REV. EULO-

GIO GARZA, ev. to the Spanish-speaking in San Antonio, Texas . . . for MRS. P. H. PIERSON, HMB, retired . . . and for Aluska WMU annual meeting, 25.

26 WEDNESDAY Every man's work shall be made manifest ... and the fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is 1 Cor.

The mother of missionary to Japan Worth C. Grant (b. N. C., app. 1950) wanted to be a missionary. Instead, she has one son in Japan and two others in Christian work. Pray for REV. WORTH GRANT, ev. . . . for DR. E. P. DOSHER (b. Tex, app. 1956), acting-superintendent of the Baptist Hospital in Shaki, Nigeria . . . for DR. JAMES G. GOODWIN, JR. (b. N. C., app. 1958) who has served as business manager of the Baptist Hospital at Pusan, Korea . . . for REV. ERVIN E. HASTEY (b. Okla., app. 1952) teacher at the theological seminary in Torreon, Mexico . . . for REV. AURELIO DAW-KINS, ev., Panama . . . for MISS RUTH O'DELL, former missionary to Cuba, since 1953 a worker with international students at the University of California, Berkeley . . . and for MRS. J. L. BICE (b. Tenn., app. 1923) who retired four years ago after teaching in Brazil. She is living in Longview, Tevas



27 THURSDAY Be strong and of a good courage, fear not, nor be afraid of them: for the Lord thy God, he it is that doth go with thee; he will not fail thee, nor forsake thee Deut. 31:6.

In recent years the Moslem religion has sent more than 2,000 missionaries into Africa Communists are flooding the country with literature. A spirit of nationalism is rising up to fight strong feelings of racial prejudice and ignorance. Pray for MRS. THOMAS TIPTON (b. Ky., app. 1959), ev., Tanganyika and mother of one son . . . for MISS MARY EVELYN STONE (b. Ga.). special appointee to Ghana in 1859 . . . for MRS TEDDY E. SAVAGE (b. Okla.), appointed last May to Central Africa . . . for REV. LOWELL E. LEDFORD (b. Ark., app. 1955), ev., Lima, Peru . . . for MR. WIL-LIAM P. MALONE, JR. (b. Tex., app. 1958). ev., Argentina . . . for MISS OLIVE ALLEN

(b. Tenn., app. 1951), ed., Thalland . . . for MISS VALERIA SHERARD, ev., Alaska and MRS. EDDIE SAVOIE, ev. to Frenchspeaking in Louisiana.

28 FRIDAY Yet if any man suffer as a Christian, let him not be ashamed; but let him glorify God on this behalf 1 Pet. 4:14

People in Korea have had untold suffering and poverty in recent years. It is impossible to dent the surface of Korea materfally, but we can give them a faith that will help in troubled times. Pray for MRS. CHARLES G. TABOR (b. S. C., app. 1957), a hurse working with her physician husband in the hospital in Pusan. They have two sons When the modern-day martyr, Dr. Bill Wallace, met death in China in 1947, MISS EVERLEY HAYES (b. III., app. 1947) was there also. Having to leave China, she went to Kediri, Indonesia where she is a nurse in the Baptist Hospital . . MISS WANDA PONDER (b. Okla., app. 1950) is director of the nursing school at Baptist Hospital, Asuncion, Paraguay ... MRS THERON V FAR-RIS (b. Tex., app. 1957) ev., Tokyo, Japan, is mother of two young children ... REV. TRAVIS S. BERRY (b. Ala., app. 1956) et., Recife, Brazil . . . Pray for these and MR. FRANK S. ARCHBOLD, ev., Entrega Genera), Panama.

29 SATURDAY And deliver them who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage Heb. 2:15.

MISS JOSEPHINE WARD (b. Mo., app. 1922) spent most of her missionary years as a leacher in China. She was interned in 1941 and repatriated in 1942 Today she is a teacher and student worker in Taiwan University and Provincial Normal University at Taipei, Taiwan . . . The state of Texas has 362 churches for the Spanish-speaking yel millions still do not know Christ. Pray for MISS MARTHA THOMAS ELLIS (b. Ala.) executive secretary, Spanish-speaking WMU of Texas. She was principal of the WMU Training School in Buenos Aires before going with the Home Mission Board in 1943 . . . Pray for these and MRS. H. L. SMITH (b. Tex., app. 1957), ev in Kuması, Ghana.

38 SUNDAY In all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us Rom. 8:37.

MISS HANNAH PLOWDEN (b. S. C., app. 1921) went to Hawaii in 1940 after 19 years (continued on page 36)

GOD LED US HERE



Spanish Publishing Work

by Dorothy Hicks and Edna Mae Franks, Publication Missionaries

The night of March 16, 1950, thirty-five young men and women were on the platform of the Foreign Mission Board chapel in Richmond, Virginia to receive the charge for mission service. We, with our husbands, were among that group. With similar backgrounds and the same sense of God's call, the four of us stood together to receive appointment for missionary service in Chile.

Some two years before on Seminary Hill in Fort Worth, Texas we had first met. Pasturing churches in the same association of northeast Texas, we sometimes traveled together to church fields. Together we four discussed the future, together we talked of the spiritual need of the world, together we fined our places in that world of need, and together we rejoiced when we had made together we rejoiced when we had together we had together we rejoiced when we had together we rejoiced when we

lattle did we dream at that time how patablel would lie our paths in God's will.

To begin study of the Spanish lauguage

we and ten other Southern Baptist missionary couples arrived in San Jose, Costa Rica. Within a short time, we became aware of line printed materials available for use in the churches—Sunday school and Training Union quarterlies, tracts, promotional items. These carried the imprint "Casa Bautista de Publicaciones, El Paso, Texas."

One of the first opportunities to use, and to appreciate these materials came when Marlin Hicks and Wilson Ross, a missionary appointee at that time for Mexico, were asked to teach for the first time a Suntay school lesson in Spanish. They laboriously studied the teacher's quarterly in preparation. One took the first half of the lesson to study and present, and the other the last half. The only teaching method which they darred use was the lecture method. No questions could be understood or answered in the Spanish language at that time.

We became even more grateful for these materials as we assumed our responsibilities on the mission field in Chile. Soon after arrival in that shoestring republic, the Frankses became connected with the seminary in the capital city of Santiago.

It is not always possible on mission fields for a missionary teacher to have textbooks in the language of the people. Oftentimes, he must use his seminary notes, translating and adapting them to the language. Ruhen was asked to teach a course in evangelism. Fortunately for both teacher and students several books in Spanish on the subject were available, one having been written by Dr. J. E. Davis, founder of this Spanish Publishing House, now located in El Paso.

In addition to evangelism, Ruben also had responsibility for music. On numerous occasions, he placed orders with the Publishing House for choral music to use with the Seminary and radio choirs.

Seminary students made evangelistic trips into Southern Chile during the winter vacation period. They carried tracts which were distributed in the plazas of small villages and towns. Bibles were sold from house to house. Conversions reported by the students on their return showed again the mighty power of the printed word.

While the Frankses were in Santiago, three years of the Hickses' first term were spent 1,000 miles north in the great desert area and mining section of Chile where Marlin was field missionary.

Shortly after arrival the number of organized churches in this section doubled from one to two churches. These churches were supporting nine mission points scattered throughout that vast area. With only one national paster and one lieft missionary, groups depended on lay leadership and Study courses (books printed in El Paso) helped tremendously in training workers. Evangelistic, doctrinal, promotional materials secured from that publishing house were invaluable.

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literature to carry on full-time programs

All too soon, from our human viewpoint, our service in this interesting and beautiful republic of Chile was brought to a close. Only seven years following appointment, and within a month's time, Ruben and Marlin's service in Chile and on this earth was brought to a close.\*

It was then that separately their when faced anew God's place in his missionary program. For a number of months, we sought guidance from Him who had led us thus far. Without realizing the feeling of the other, there was a growing sense in each of our hearts that God was leading us to continue serving the Spanish-speaking people. In consultation with the Foreign Mission Board and with the Spanish Publishing House, the decision was treached and the transfer was made for both of us to work here.

As missionary mothers, our first task in El Paso was that of making a home for our children. For over a year the children (three Hickses and four Frankses) had not seen one another, and these missionary "cousins" eagerly anticipated being together once again.

To learn about our new work, we touted the Publishing House, operated in the large building which was once a hospital of the Home Mission Board.

\*Ruben 1, Franks died on August 7 and Marlin R. Hicks on September 16, 1957, both in Southern Baptist Hospital, New Orleans.

The Roben I. Franks family: Mike, Judy, Mrs. Franks, Jimmy and Randy



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Those in the M. A. Hichs family Cecelis, Mrs. Hicks, Kenny and Russell

In the business office mail and orders are received. The ten employees in this division open and route mail, post accounts, and start the necessary procedure for filling orders.

The editorial department employs 16 people who do writing, translating and adapting, proof-reading and layout. Articles are used from both national leaders and missionaries from the many Spanish-speaking fields.

The composing and press rooms are fascinating. There manuscripts are set in type, the type locked in forms, and the printed pages come from presses.

Quarterlies are assembled in the bindery, and books are put together, stitched and covered.

These first impressions of the Publishing House at work prepared us for the needs which we were to hear presented later in the annual mission meeting.

We listened in amazement at reports. During the preceding year, 1957-58, an average of a book a week and 18 periodicals each quarter had been printed, in addition to approximately 4 million tracts, promotional materials, record systems, etc. We were surprised to know that the Publishing House serves 41 countries. As we became aware of the increased production of this service institution, we rejoiced in the real-

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on the field, so must our production increase to meet their needs.

The ten missionaries who constitute this mission each have served in some Spanish American country before coming to the Publishing House.

At the meeting we heard the requests for personnel and we began to wonder which of the many needs for more missionaries we could fill.

A library was imperative—set up and maintained, not only for use by those in the editorial department, but also that the book department might know exactly what evangelical books already were available in the Spanish language.

A love for books and the desire to see them made available to Spanish-speaking Christians has made this responsibility a delightful one for Edna Mae. In addition, she has assumed responsibility in the editorial division by becoming associate editor of the religious education magazine, El Promoter and assisting in the preparation of vacation Bible school materials.

Although Dorothy had always had an interest in art and had studied art in school, she never dreamed that this was to be her task in mission service. The person who had been doing the art was soon to leave and Dorothy accepted this responsibility. It includes the designing of book covers and the preparation of drawings for periodicals, tracts and general materials. She also prepares ads for published books and materials. This includes advertising on periodicals, preparation of a new catalog.

Certainly God has shown us that even those talents we considered unimportant can be called into service for Him as we link hands and hearts with missionaries and nationals to give the message of salvation to Spanish-speaking peoples.

Today we find ourselves in a place that we had not anticipated ten years ago in receiving a missionary charge. However, there is within our hearts the same sense of divine appointment we experienced on that spring night in 1950, the same feeling of satisfaction in being within His will.

## PROGRAM

## The Message of God's Son

### THE PRINTED WORD IN SPANISH AND PORTUGUESE by Mrs. Lamar Jackson

BEFORE YOU MEET: Send the message about your meeting on telegram blanks to all members. Sending through the mail would be too expensive, so type or print messages to be handed out at circle meetings if they meet prior to your general meeting. If not, hand them out in all the women's Sunday school classes. This might interest some new members. Sunbeam Band boys, dressed as messengers, handing these out would attract attention.

Bible Display: Since the Bible is the "Message of God's Son," display different translations, versions, and interesting editions. Old family Bibles will prove of interest. The following are available from the American Bible Society, Box 98, New York 16, N. Y. Order three weeks ahead of time if you need these:

Chronology of the English Bible (chart on history of Bible, G-628, \$1.00)

History of the English Bible (set of twelve photographs and famous paintings in Bible history, G-530, 75c)

The History of the English Bible (eight-page booklet to go with above cards or alone, giving details about various versions, G-532, 2 for Ic)

Chart of the English Bible (development of the Scriptures from A.D. 40 to present day, G-533, 5 for 10c)

A Seripture card exhibit, including a set of 22 color cards, each with a specimen page of an interesting language (arrier No. E.2 if wish free loan; if purchased, G-559, \$1.00)

These free leaflets: "Now in More than 1100 Tongues" (G-645) and "Spreading the Light" (G-572) from American Bible Society.

May, 1956 The Commission is devoted to printing. See if you carr locate this in your files or borrow it from some devoted member who knows these materials are 100 valuable to throw away!

Order one copy of the leaflet "Sowing the Word in Spanish" from the Department of Missionary Education and Promotion, Foreign Mission Board, Box 6597, Richmond 30, Virginia. This has perture of the work in El Paso and will be valuable if you arrange a display, but not much additional information is given for program purposes, but see story page 25

PRESENTING THE PROGRAM: Use four people: the leader presides through the mayer; three others give The Message of Coal's Son, Senders of the Message in Portuguese, and Senders of the Message in Spanish. The leader again presides over The Message Received and the closing monerats. Paste these "messages received" on cords, post to individuals not generally taking part on programs, and use as many as time permits. Call on them to stand where they are and give story briefly.

#### OUTLINE OF PROGRAM

Cala to Worship: "Jesus Shall Reign" Primer: Psalm 67 with Call to Prayer

The Message of God's Son Senders of the Message

In Portuguese: Publishing House in Rio In Spanish Publishing House in El Paso

The Message Received Reports from the Field

Messengers Needed

Sing first verse: "Christ for the Whole Wide World"

#### JN I RODUCTION

Call to Worship: Read first and last verses of "Jesus Shall Reign." Use musical background. Comment: Isaac Watts, the writer of these immortal words, died almost fifty years before the beginning of the modern missionary movement in 1792. Perhaps his vivin stirred William Carcy's desire to take the message of God's Son to "people and realms of every tongue."

As we sing this hymn, will you pray that we shall have vision to translate God's message into a thousand other tongues than those languages and dialects available in print today? A Guatemalan Indian asked, "Why hasn't God learned our language?" Another stated, "We must have committed some great sin for God to keep his Word hum os." One old woman clasped a Bible to ber heart. She had just learned to read. With tears of joy, she shouted, "God speaks

to me."

May he speak to us as we sing a testimony to our faith that "Jesus Shall Reign" (sing quietly and thoughtfully).

Prayer: Psalm 67 is a prayer for the enlargement of God's kingdom. It has been called "a heam from the unrisen sun of Christianity." There is a message that "saving health" is possible for "all nations" and "all people." There is also the understanding that messengers will make known God's way upon earth. The responsibility is on "all the people." Each of us is to be a missionary until "all the eads of the carth shall fear him."

This Psalm is read as our prayer. Conclude with Call to Prayer.

#### THE MESSAGE OF GOD'S SON

You may have heard the complaint that Gold does not speak to us in as direct a way as he did in the prophets of Old Testament times. The actual situation, however, might be compared to the ignorant man who brought a message to a telegraph operator. He hecame impatient as he waited for the reply. The operator told him, "Your answer is coming now. I am taking it." The ticking of the instrument meant nothing to the man. He could not recognize the message when he heard it.

Or perhaps our condition is more like that of the Colombian couple visited by Missionary Ben Welmaker after both had made a public profession of faith. They told him they had never before heard the gospel. When the missionary opened his Bible, the wife remembered that a similar book was in the bottom of a bedroom chest. The Bible had been there for twenty years, but they had never read the message!

After the resurrection, Jesus instructed messengers to take his message beginning in their own communities and extending "unto the uttermost part of the earth." There was no doubt about who the messengers would he: "Go ye." Neither was there any doubt as to the message. Both John and Luke have a summary of these

final instructions

Read John 20:19-22. Notice the repetition of "peace be unto you." Jesus began his message where he had left off three nights before in the upper room, but how much had happened since then! This peace meant the presence of love and kindness. As the Father had sent him, so now he gave to believers "the ministry of reconciliation" (read 2 Cor. 5:18). John states with beautiful simplicity, "Then were the disciples glad, when they saw the Lord."

It was to be their privilege to make others glad to see the resurrected Lord with the word of pears in his mouth. Even today a woman alcoholic, surrounded by the love and kindness of the Christian witness, can say, "My life was a mess, but now I have a message."

Luke gives a more detailed summary (read Luke 24:36;44:49).

The first gifts of the Holy Spirit to these messengers was that of "tongues." "every man heard them speak in his own language." Bible translation has always been one of the most successful methods of mission activity. By the third century the Christian message could be read in Greek, Syriac, Armenian, Coptic, Ethiopic and Latin. A leader stated: "In prayer we speak to God, but in reading the Scriptures, he speaks to is."

Wherever missinnaries have gone, gospel tracts and Testaments have helped prepare the way. The message is now published in 1,151 languages and dialects. The desire of people everywhere to read is one of the great world trends of modern times, Frank Laubach, using a simplified syllable method of language study, has taught to read 60 million people speaking 168 different tongues. His system is used by our missionaries in many parts of the world. It is used in our own country to teach adults who want to read and write (see page 38).

In Spain, Nella Dean Whitten and Joe Mefford wanted to be able to appreciate the difficulties illiterates might have in using Laubach tharts. They decided to by a foreign language, and found that they could read Hebrew after four and a half minutes of study. A Peruvian Indian ordered his daughters to be "guinea pign" for a reading experiment. He thought them incapable of learning. They "made the book speak" so quickly that he accused them of having been able to read before without his knowledge.

In a small town in Venezuela, a police truck with a loud siren was used to take people to prison. Today the truck carries reading materials. When the siren blows folks come running from all over the neighborhood to check out books and namphlets. The local dictator, himself an illiterate, has ordered that everyone between six and sixty must learn to read or leave town. A list of the names of persons living in each house is fastened to the door. A "cross" indicates those who can read and a "hall" those who cannot read. Local police inspect these lists every three weeks, and penalties are attached to those who are slow to learn.

We can find meaning in the symbols employed, for the sign of the cross carries with it an obligation to put God's message in the language of the believer. So strongly do the Brazilians emphasize Bible study that Raptists are called Biblias (Bibles) in Brazil. On Sundays and other days when there are activities in the churches. Chritians carry their Bibles and song books with them on street cars, busses, and commuter's trains. Thus it is easy to distinguish them Irom non-Christians (see page 10).

I would like to draw these conclusions from what I have been saying: the message of God's Son is clearly stated; the messengers are appointed; the world is eager to learn; we must teach them about Christ. Our program tells of the work of two publishing houses, one in Rio de Janein Brazil, and one in El Paso, Texas, and the testimony that they spread throe shoul Portuguese and Spanish-speaking hads.

#### ORTUGUESE OF THE MESSAGE

All the early missionaries to Brazil agreed on the importance of publications. It is significant that the first pamphlet printed by pioneer Baptist missionaries William Bagby and Z. C. Taylor in 1882 was written by the first national Brazilian convert, Teixeira de Albuquerque. He had been a priest. His pamphlet is still considered a classic.

The first property bought by the Baptist denomination in Brazil was an old Jesuit prism in Bahia. Taylor established a printing press in one part of this building. Here he published S. H. Ford's Origin and History of the Baptists, Harmony of the Gospels by Broadus, and hundreds of leaflets and tracts. He also edited a monthly eightness and tracts.

A great help to Taylor in these early days was Solomon Ginsburg, a converted Polish Jew who had learned the printing husiness in England. Serving in Rio at first as a Congregational missionary, he had borrowed some slides from Dr. Bagby. One of these showed a representation of John baptizing Jesus in the River Jordan. Ginsburg Hashed the slide on the screen and stated, "You have no doubt heard of spoken lies and also of written lies, but never perhaps of painted lies, but if you look upon the picture before you, you will no doubt see one."

Bagby wrote him a scathing letter which made Ginsburg so angry that he determined "to study the question of baptism and proclaim the errors of the Baptists and their evil doings to the whole world." He had no book to guide him but the Bible. So he set to work, Its study convinced him that he himself was wrong, and he became an ordained Baptist minister. After settling in Campos, Ginsburg purchased a French exhibit paper, "The Good News." To backets, judges, police authorities and parents, lie sent free copies with invitations order free Bibles and tracts. The re-

sponse was heartening. He also published a hymnal.

In 1900, the Brazilian mission decided to combine these scattered efforts and locate a central publication office in Rio. W. E. Entaminger was put in charge with Ginsburg serving as field representative and sales manager. A national paper, G Jornal Balista, was started."

This brief history has been given as background explanation for the present work of the Casa Publicadora Hatista—Baptist Publishing House in Rio de Jancito, Brazil, the largest operated by Baptists anywhere. The present director is Missionary Edgar Hallock. Just as the first tract was written by a national, Brazilians have been extensively employed in both translating and sales. Some 240 are now on the publication staff as compared to 12 missionaries.

From the humble beginnings of the Jesuit prison and the Ginsburg home, the printing shops in Rio's suburbs are housed in two Quonset-type buildings larger than football fields. Headquarters are in a four-story building near the Plaza of the Flag in downtown Rio. There are thirteen book stores (see page 19).

The modern counterparts of the Bagby slides number now more than a dazen colored filmstrips available from the visual aids department. This past year \$5,000 religious recordings were sold to churches and individuals. Many of these are used in broadcasts by local churches scattered throughout the country. In addition, the National Baptist Radio Program, "The World in Review," has been on the air daily since 1946. All these services are a natural outgrowth of the Publication Department and are located in the Publishing House.

Another valuable contribution is made by the Aclas News Service which reaches leading newspapers with religious news releases and short evangelistic sermons. The largest newspaper in North Brazil, published in Belem, uses these complete releases each Sunday. This is the city which



was host to the National Eucharistic (Catholic) Congress in 1953.

Under the caption, "A Congress Without Fat Government Funds!" this paper published a pre-conference story on the Baptist World Youth Congress meeting in Rio. This was news to the editor, since practically all Roman Catholic congresses had received heavy subsidies from the Brazilian government, even though church and state are presumably separate.

Until 1942, our Brazilian missionaries used the Bibles in Portuguese supplied by the British and American Bible Societies. These publications had no concordance or lesson helps and did not have the simplified spelling required by the Brazilian government in all schools. Also the Bible societies could not furnish enough copies to satisfy the great demand in this Biblehungzy country.

The Bible Press, started in 1942 to meet these needs, has published more than a million Bibles and three million Gospels. The first edition was printed on cigarette paper because regular Bible paper was not available during the war. Not until 1958 could they advertise Bibles for sale as a sufficient number could not be kept in stock. One small ad in a Rio paper brought in over a thousand requests for the gospel of John. Dr. J. J. Cowsert has been in charge of the Bible Press and retires this year after 31 years with the publishing house. Dr. Cowsert's successor will be appointed by the Brazilian Baptist Convention.

Bible Day in Brazil is celebrated each December. The mass meeting in Sao Paulo was attended by thirty thousand people who blocked an eight-lane thoroughfare across this progressive city. Two planes from the Brazilian Air Force scattered two million leaflets advertising the meeting. A 200 piece band and a quartet led in the closing hymn. The offering made possible the sale of more than 100,000 Bibles below cost. Each year every Christian is urged

either to sell or give a Bible to some unsaved person.

The message of God's Son, published in Rio, is sent to Portugal, Angola, Marian (off the coast of China) and to the Portuguese-speaking congregations in our own country. Through millions of quarterles, WMU literature, tracts, Bibles, study course books, newspapers, films and recordings, these people are receiving in their own "tongues the wonderful works of God" (Acts 2:11).

#### SENDERS OF THE MESSAGE IN SPANISH

The Baptist Spanish Publishing House in El Paso, Texas, began in a woman's kitchen. Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Davis had done some printing while in the pastorate in Missouri. Before leaving for the Mexican mission field in 1905, they bought a larger press which was set up in the kitchen of their new home in Toluca, Mexico. The next year they moved to Leon where ther expanded their business to include books as well as tracts and quarterlies. Pancho Villa occupied this town during his rebellion and forced the Davises to print revolutionary posters. They escaped but could only take out of the country what they could carry in their hands.

Because unsettled conditions continued in Mexico, the publishing business was moved to El Paso, Texas, in 1916. This move proved wise for many reasons. Mexican law states, "Any building built or designed for the administration of propa ganda or teaching the tenets of any religious sect shall forthwith vest, as of full right, directly in the nation." With this law on the books and a million dollar investment at stake, the publishing business needed to be in a country where it legal rights would be protected.

As long as it was located in Mexico, it was looked upon as a part of that mission while it was actually doing a greater built-ness among the Spanish-speaking it the United States and in Cuba than in Mixico.

Today it serves 41 countries and more than 100.000 Spanish-reading Baptists. Its volume of business is tremendous: 1 million periodicals, 6 million tracts, 183,000 copies of 52 books—all printed this past year. Until her death in 1958, Mrs. Davis never ceased to be amazed at the miracle of this growth. She loved to reminesce about the times she carried all the daily output to the post office in her arms.

The Publishing House in El Paso is located on the barren slopes of Mt. Franklin overlooking the Rio Grande Valley and the plains of Mexico in the distance. The property had originally been purchased for a TB sanatorium sponsored by the Home Mission Board and is a Spanish stucco structure. "It is a quarter of a mile walk around the outside of the main building," business manager Hoyt Eudaly states. He also reports, "In the past six years more religious material was distributed by the Publishing House than in all its previous 46 years." There are 54 nationals employed here along with 10 missionaries of the Foreign Board (see page 25).

Both the Eudalys and the Frank Pattersons served in Mexico before being assigned to the publication business. Director Patterson emphasizes the importance of this work: "The printed page is a power for developing the churches through providing doctrinal and stewardship education by means of study course books and textbooks for the seminaries. The printed page is a force for encouraging the widely cattered groups of believers and cementing them into a denominational fellowship with a common purpose."

Harold Hurst tells of conducting a Sunday school teachers' clinic in a jungle village of southern Monduras. An all-day Jeep ride down from the heights of Teguigalpa found him in "that part of the country where human suffering is at its reak and where death and disease are rampant." Hurst received "an extremely warm velcome—an 120 degree one." The students were already on hand with their hammocks swinging from trees or rafters

and their supper of beans and tortillas cooked. The classes were to start the next morning, but they begged to begin that night although some of them had ridden thirty miles on mule back over mountainous trails. Hurst had plaffned two study sessions each day with evangelistic service at night, but he found that four and even five sessions could not satisfy the demand. At night 180 people crowded into the chapel built to accommodate 60 and there was not standing room for fifteen feet outside the building. This story illustrates the hunger of the people to learn and the way literature from El Paso is taking the message of God's Son into the far places of the world.

Contrast this scene with students gathered in the lovely new seminary buildings in Cali, Colombia, where textbooks from the Spanish Publishing House are used. Interdenominational ministerial students using these texts in both Costa Rica and Guatemala were convicted that their faith was similar to what Baptists believed. This resulted in the beginning of our mission work in these countries.

Because the Spanish Publishing House serves 41 different national conventions, it cannot meet all the publication needs in these areas. The different national papers, Woman's Missionary Union periodicals and some tracts are produced in other localities.

In Saltillo, Mexico, La Voz Misionera Bautista (the missionary Baptist voice) is published for WMU organizations. It contains program material for Royal Ambassadors also. Senora Octavia D. de Villarello is the editor. Books, tracts, booklets are also printed in Guadalajara. In Santiago, Chile an international committee directs the publication of WMU literature for much of Spanish-speaking America. Mission study books, program magazines for all the WMU family and handwork for the children have stimulated growth in missionary vision. Miss Roberta Ryan succeeded Mrs. R. Cecil Moore as director of WMU publications. La Ventana (the window), the publication for women, is widely circulated in Argentina, Uruguay, Paraguay, Colombia, Venezuela.

In Spain Woman's Missionary Union publishes a monthly magazine Nuestra Labor (our cask) with programs and articles. How grateful the Spanish Baptists are for Christian literature. Many times a pamphlet or book is read and passed on until the pages fall apart. The Baptist magazine with a monthly circulation of 1500 is a dynamic missionary force in isolated churches.

In El Paso there is no attempt to publish Bibles as in Brazil although the American Bible Society can supply only about one half of the demand in these Bible-hungry lands. But the volume of business from El Paso is greater than that of any other Spanish publishing house of any denomination. National groups depend on it for Sunday school. Training Union, varation Bible school materials, and for graded study course books.

There are either book stores or national deposits in all Spanish-American lands for El Pavo publications. In Mexico, one book store is in the RSU Center at the University of Mexico. Thirty-five thousand students are enrolled at the modernistic new campus built on black volcanic ash at the cost of \$50,000,000. There is another at Torreon in front of the Municipal Palace. Chile has five book stores. Costa Rica's new store is located by a main bus stop in San Jose. Window displays and a good line of school needs have attracted many "Nicodemuses" who would not think of attending a Protestant service.

In these ways, Southern Baptists are true to their commission to "publish glad tidings" in Spanish throughout the lands to the south.

#### THE MESSAGE RECEIVED

#### By an Illiterate Woman

Illiterates are not hard to find in the Sao Francisco Valley of Brazil. One afternoon a woman appeared very much interested in tracts and Bibles displayed by our missionary. The woman walked to a cabiner and took out an old copy of the Bible. From the way she bandled it, Letha Saunders was led to remark, "You can't read can you?" She clutched the Bible to her heart, "No, I can't read, and it makes me very sad, but my son can read. He fludied three months last year and three months the year before at the Baptist school. When he comes home next month, he will read to us all."

The woman walked to the river where a raft was waiting to take the missionary home. As Miss Saunders floated out into the corrent, she saw the woman clasping the Bible to her heart and prayed that Hittruth might penetrate that heart.

#### By a National Leader

Abnir Goncalves of Brazil fifty years ago read a copy of the Jornal Batista and other Baptist literature which had been sent by a friend in Rio. Until he read this material, he knew nothing about biblical Christianity. He read the Jornal over and over until he knew it by heart. Today he is editor of the paper which made such a deep impression upon him.

#### Through a Hospital Experience

Elaine Joiner tells this story from Ecuador: "Bibles and Testaments are mighty factors in winning lost souls. Through our weekly radio program which has reached into many homes, we have offered Bibles to those who have requested them. Recently a man who attended our services said that one of these Bibles was the first be had seen in his life. While he was a hospital patient, he saw the man in the bed next to him reading the Bible. He asked to see it and noticed the address of our church."

A Christian hotel manager in San Paulo recently requested the Rin Publishing House to send 2000 Gospels of John to replace those left in his 60 month in the Gideons and subsequently taken off by his guests.

#### By Hanger for Bibles

One Sunday afternoon a young man was standing in line to buy his ticket to go to a maje. Nearby in the public square Brasibate young people were conducting open air services with the aid of a loud speaker, At the close of the service, they announced that they had Bibles for sale, saying that if anyone did not have enough money to pay for the Bible, he could still get one if he so desired. One young man left the line to the movie and purchased a Bible even though he lacked five cruzeiros having enough money to pay for it. The next Sunday he came to services and paid the rest. He is a loanth year medical student in Rio and had wanted a Bible for some time but did not know where to find one.

#### By a Nightelub Dancer

At a street preaching service in one of the surburban areas of Rio, a woman listened from her apartment window upstairs. At the close of the preaching she went downstairs to the street to inquire about the church and where it was located. She began attending church, was converted and baptized. She had been a nightelub dancer. Every Sunday at church she would buy a number of Bibles from her pastor. He wondered what she was doing with so many Bibles. She told him that she was giving them to her former friends. When asked further how she could afford to pay for so many, she replied: "This is my heer money," Before becoming a Christian, she

drank habitually. Now she could use that money to buy Bibles to give to her unsaved friends and acquaintances.

#### CONCLUSION: MESSENGERS NEEDED

Our thoughts have concentrated on the message of God's Son, the way this message is being sent by our great publishing houses in Rio and El Paso, and the variety of ways in which this message is received, in conclusion, a word must be said about the need for messengers. Jesus did not intend for the message to be left as a responsibility for the appointed missionary alone. His command, "Go ye" and "ye are witnesses of these things" must be shared by all helievers.

Paul had this to say about the messenger and the message (read 2 Cor. 5:14,15,-20).

In our land, 95 per cent of the native white citizens are literate, but 16 per cent of our Negroes cannot read and write. Could you teach someone to read or supply a Bible to a family that does not have one? You are a witness "of these things." "Love constrains us" to be concerned. (If there is a Literacy Council in your town or area, tell about its work. Write to Mr. Richard Cortright, Baylor University, Waco, Texas, for information about how to begin literacy work among those in your community who cannot read and write.)

In our land, we have an abundance of



Mrs. Clifton J. Aller wrote words for ou liyms for the year (cove 2) and Dr. B. B. McKin may the music magazines and books to read. Ninety million comic books are published each month. Hollywood and romance magazines run well over the million mark. What do you read? Do you choose only the best to read? A person who will not read is no better off than a person who cannot read. Our Bible warns, "give attention to reading" so that we might rightly interpret the message of God. You are a witness "of these things." Love constrains us to read and study the best.

In our day, there is lack of peace both among individuals and on the national and international levels. Article 57 of the UN Charter states, "Since wars begin in



in China where she was a teacher at the University of Shanghai Now she is secretary of religious education in Honolulu . . . DR. MARGARET S. (MRS J. W. H.) RICHARD. SON (b. S. C., app. 1944), now on furlough, is a physician at the Baptist dispensary and hospital at Shaki, Nigeria. She and her pastor husband have three children . . In Spain. Protestants number only 20,000 among 30 million people. Pray for MRS. RUSSELL B. HILLIARD (b. Ga., app. 1957), ev., Spain. She has two young children ... for MISS REBEKAH LAMBERT (b. Tenn., app. 1957), a nurse in Taejon, Korea for REV FRANCIS L. LEWIS (b. Okla., app. 1958). Indonesia for MRS. J. O. TEEL, JR (b. Tex., app. 1958), ev., San Joan, Argentina, and mother of four young children . . REV. J W. MCGAVOCK (b. Ark., app. 1922) was founder of the Baptist Theological Seminary in Santiago, Chile. He retired in 1953 and is living in El Paso . . Pray for these and REV. JOAQUIN RODRIGUEZ, ev., Cuba . . . and REV. J. W. GARDNER, HMB, retired. He worked among the deaf for many years.

31 MONDAY Lo, children are an heritage of the Lord . As arrows are in the hand of a mighty man; so are children of the youth. Happy is the man that hath his quiver full of them Psalm 127:3-5.

Children are a blessing to the missionary. Many times the child can enter homes and

the minds of men, it is in the minds of men that the defenses of peace must be constructed.... The wide diffusion of culture and the education of humanity for justice and liberty and peace are indispensable to the dignity of man and-constitute a sacred duty.... Peace must be founded, if it is not to fail, upon the intellectual and moral solidarity of mankind.

As the minds of men are turned toward Christ, as men come to read the gospel truths for themselves, the world will have peace. You are a witness of these things. Love constrains us to "Go" and "publish glad tidings, tidings of peace, tidings of Jesus, redeinption and release."

Sing first verse: "Christ for the Whole Wide World"

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hearts that are closed to the missionary adult. Pray today especially for these missionery mothers-MRS. A. BEN OLIVER (A. Campinas, Sao Paulo, Brazil, app. 1935), ev., Rio de Janéiro, Brazil She has three children, two of whom now serve as missionaries . . MRS S. S. STOVER (b. Tex., app. 1940), ev., Juiz de Fore, Brezil, four children . . . MRS. GRAYSON TENNISON (& Tex., app. 1949) who, with her husband and three children, went in May to begin work in Lisbon, Portugal . . . MRS. W. J. WEBB (b. La., app. 1941), ev., Caracas, Venezuela, two children . . . and for 'REV. JAMES D. JOHNSTON (b. Ky., app. 1958), ev., Nigaria ... REV. BUFORD L. NICHOLS (b. Tex., app. 1936), president of the Baptist Seminary at Semarang, Indonesia . . . REV. HUBERT NEELY, resident missionary in Tennessee REV. JOHN L. ISAACS (b. Ark) who, before his retirement, was director of Baptist Indian Center and pastor to the Indiana in Oklahoma. He is living in Citronelle, Alsbame . . . for MISS SOPHIA NICHOLS (b. S. C., app. 1947), executive secretary of the WMU in Brazil . . . and for MISS ELIZA-BETH B. PROVENCE, New Orleans, Louisiana. Before becoming director of Bachel Sims Mission in 1980, she was youth director of Florida Woman's Missionary Union

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## The Charles Whittens of Spain

by LILA BELLE HOPKINS

"We have lived in more houses during the past thirteen years than you can count on two hands," Nella Dean Whitten was telling us.

The Whittens were appointed as missionaries to Latin America in 1947 and after a year of language study in Colombia they spent four years in Argentina. In 1952 the Foreign Mission Board asked them to consider going to Spain.

Charles is secretary-treasurer of the Spanish Baptist Mission and legal representative of the Foreign Mission Board before the Spanish Government, dealing with government officials in regard to buying of property and problems of closed churches. He has served as interim president of two seminaries, one in Buenos Aires, Argentina and the other in Barcelona. Spain.

Nella Dean's by-line is familiar to readers of Royal Service. She does a great deal of writing in Spanish also but recently her talent and enthusiasm have been dedicated to the worldwide publicity campaign for religious freedom in Spain. Needless to say, bor letters are filled with the burden of their hearts.

"But our people are not unduly discouriged," Nella Dean declares. "They have seed with persecution for centuries, and hey give thanks for a warmed-over tolerance that only faintly resembles freedom." September 4, 1959, the Whittens had an

experience which strengthened their knowledge that God takes care of his own.

They were returning to Madrid, when

they were involved in a head-on crash. Charles was critically injured. For four hours the family waited on the highway for the ambulance to take him to the Air Force Hospital in Zaragoza.

The floctors gave him only a 30-70 chance for recovery. Nella Dean wrote to friends: "Charles was conscious all the time, and we felt we were literally standing at the gate of heaven looking in. The story was picked up by United Press International. The State Department in Washington called, cables poured in and I hardly left the phone in Zaragoza."

The family found strength in the knowledge that the day of the accident was Charles' birthday and his name was on the calendar of prayer!

God answered the prayer of his people, for by January Charles assumed his full responsibilities in Madrid.

"You ask if it takes courage to be a missionary," my friend, Nella Dean, wrote me. "Yes, and each day I realize my own inadequacy. How precious are the words, 'My grace is sufficient for theel!"

ROYAL SERVICE

## Reach Us toRead."

### by JACQUELINE DURHAM Editorial Assistant, Home Missions

A new cry and a new challenge have gone out all over the world. The cry: "Teach us to read!" The challenge: people concerned enough to teach the millions of illiterates.

A pilot program to teach illiterates, using the Frank Laubach method, "Each One Teach One," has been launched by the Home Mission Board for a six-state area in the southern Appalachian Mountains. This work began last June under the direction of Miss Ann Grove of Waco, Texas. Miss Grove is the lint literacy specialist to be employed by Southern Baptists to work on the field.

The program will function through Baptist association and churches to reach people who cannot read and write. Already Woman's Missionary Unions of Georgia and Kentucky are making concrete plans to use Miss Grove in associational literacy workshops. Miss Grove also will deal with civic literacy councils in communities, cities, and larger areas.

Why was the pilot program in literacy located in the Appalachian area? Because already there is demonstrated here active interest and concern for illiterates says M. Wentell Belew, sectetary of the Associational Missions Department of the Home Mission Board. Mr. Belew's department will direct this work.

Woman's Missionary Union of the Bell County Baptist Association in Kentucky spearheaded the whole thing, under the leadership of Mrs. John Isaacs. Their concern for illiterates in Bell County led them to seek methods to meet the needs. This resulted in a Literacy Workshop conducted by Dr. Richard Corright, director of the Baylor Literacy Center in Waco, Texa. This sparked interest of other groups and the Bell County Literacy Council was formed with literacy classes provided. Noon a larger council, the Appalachian Literacy Council, was formed with D. M. Aldridge, president of Clear Creek Baptist School, Pineville, Kentucky, serving as president. The Bell County WMU adopted LITERACY as a major community missions project for 1960.

"Write to Mr. Cortright for information about bow to begin literary wask in your area.

This story was repeated in Atlanta and other places in the southeast, with local Baptist women taking the lead.

As Miss Grove guides this pilot project, she will rely on the resources and dedication of Baptist groups like those who see the challenge of using literacy as a means of evangelism.

The Laubach method of teaching illiterates was devised by Dr. Fronk C. Laubach, whom *Time* magazine called the world's "literacy missionary." It is a quick and interesting way to learn to read, and it is being used all over the world where an estimated hillion people cannot read and write.

"We feel that this is truly a program of missions," said Mr. Belew. "A Baptist church can be found in almost every community in the South, where the highest percentage of illiteracy is found. No other organization has contact with every community, therefore it is our responsibility to free these people from illiteracy."

One out of every ten adults in the United States is illiterate. Miss Grove and Home Mission Board personnel see the possibility of the use of programs similar to this pilot one in all areas of the country.

In the area where this new program will operate, an average of more than 19 per cent of the population is illiterate according to a release from the United Nations which reported the following percentages of illiteracy in the six states: Georgia, 24:20; Kentucky, 10:06; North Carolina, 21:05; South Carolina, 27:40; Tennessee, 19:30; and Vir-

ginia, 17:10.

Five representatives from these southern Appalachian states were able to study literacy at Carver

School of Missions and

MISS ANN C. GROVE

Larrescy work under quidance of Home Missian Board began last June with Miss Grave



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Social Work in Louisville, Kentucky, this past summer, according to Nathan C. Brooks, president of the institution. Dr. Brooks says the school paid one half the expenses of those who came to take this four-week course taught by Dr. Cortright. Literacy Workshops and discussions on illiteracy were held during Home Mission Weeks at Glorieta and Ridgecrest Baptist Assemblies in August. Frank Laubach led the workshop and discussions at Ridgecrest, Richard Cortright at Glorieta.

Miss Groves' headquarters will be at the Clear Creek School in Pineville, Kentucky, which will provide her room and board. The Home Mission Board pays her salary, but Mr. Belew says it will be possible for churches or associations who wish to help with her travel expenses.

Miss Grove is a graduate of Peabody College, Nashville, Tennessee. She has Maters Degrees from Peabody and New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisiana. She was employed by the Home-Mission Board for two years as director of the Carver Baptist Center for Negroes in New Orleans before joining the Literacy Center at Baylor.

Dr. Laubach said of the illiterate halt of the world's people "They start with their heads down." But when the literacy workers come with self-help books on a variety of practical subjects, "their faces immediately beam with new hope, for they know that learning to read will provide release from their poverty, ignorance, and disease."

Story 1

This is a page from a Laubach sudden

A new legreer finds tramendous satisfaction in gaining reading skills. He must begin with simple contents

Repetition is an aid to faster leaving

This is a bird.
This is a cup.
This is a dish.
This is a fish.
This is a girl.
This is a hand.

The girl has a bird.

The girl has a cup.

The girl has a dish.

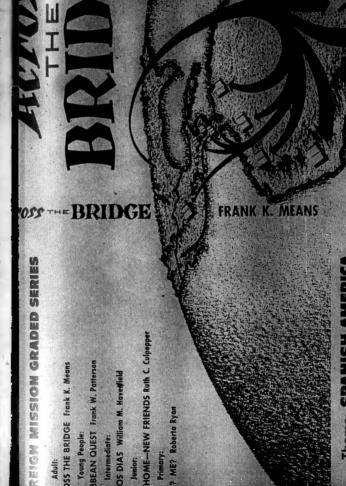
The girl has a fish.

The girl takes the bird in her hand.

The girl takes the cup in her hand.

The girl takes the dish in her hand.

The girl takes the fish in her hand.



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