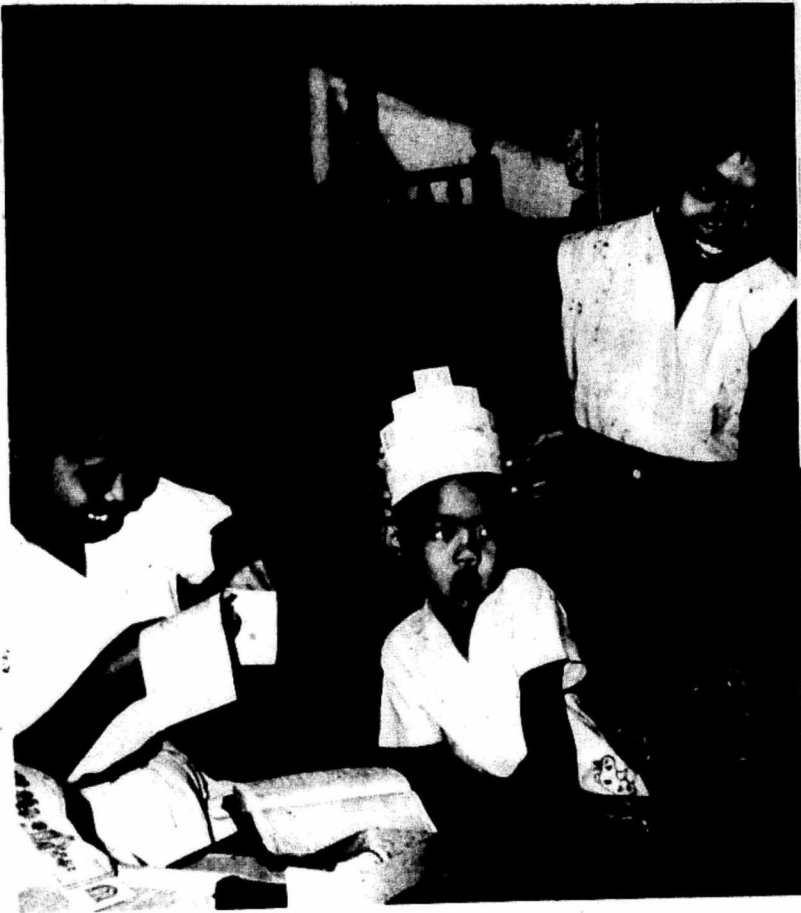


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Maximum Christian Service

MODERN WOMAN has influence and position unknown in past generations. She can render magnificent service to God, not in spite of being a woman, but because she is a woman. Every Eve needs to grasp, once and for all, the most significant fact in the Genesis story of her creation. It is not merely that she was wondrously formed from Adam's rib but that God himself created her and endowed her as a woman, different from man.

Woman has time, training, and leadership abilities which, if not given to Christ's cause, will be given to secular organizations. Yet today's "woman in transition" needs to choose wisely from many opportunities and "Prove all things: hold fast that which is good" (1 Thess. 5:21). Therefore, every Baptist woman should be lovingly and tactfully confronted with the opportunity of maximum Christian service through Woman's Missionary Union—From *Enlistment for Missions, Fling*.

15  per cent increase in members

*** Is your WMS meeting
this Anniversary Goal?**



Woman's Missionary Society at Immanuel Baptist Church, Davao, a self-supporting missionary Filipino church with many chapels and mission points

One Lord, One Faith, One Baptism for Philippine BAPTISTS

The Republic of the Philippines (no longer called the Philippine Islands) stretches over 1,000 miles from north to south and has 7,000 islands, only 11 of any considerable size. Square miles equal that of Georgia and Florida combined, but with a population three times that of these two

A beachhead for Southern Baptist work in the Philippines was established a decade ago by missionaries who had been appointed to China and were language students in China when Communists took over there. They transferred to the Philippines to continue study.

God's blessings on his work has been phenomenal. Today, mainly on the islands of Luzon and Mindanao, there are more than 53 churches and 5,328 members who have put their faith in Christ the Saviour and have been bap-

Photo Story by Mary Lucile Saunders



Sunday school Bible class member (above) at Binligan Baptist Church, M'lang, responding from quarterly prepared at the Baptist center, Manila

Baptist Hospital, Mati, (left), where Mrs. Pado, evangelistic worker on staff speaks many dialects, makes rounds twice daily. She reads from the Bible to patients and leaves tracts for study and meditation





Missionary Mary Lucile Saunders listens to a CA as she quotes from the Bible in her works on Forward Steps

YOUTH WORK in the PHILIPPINES

Materials for WMU organizations are the newest in the literature production field. They are urgently needed for the rapidly growing work. In WMS meetings women often find Christ as Saviour through the printed word.

To train and prepare those who are eager to learn, Baptists have a seminary on Luzon. But small groups are instructed in many places. The challenge to evangelical missions is very much like that of Latin America: nominal Catholic majority, large groups of students and educated people who oppose domination of the government by the hierarchy. There are pagan groups. Everywhere there is need for more and more Filipinos to be trained in the Lord's work to meet the challenge of this new nation.

A Bible school is located on Mindanao, also located on this island are a high school and junior college.

Missionary Mary Lucile Saunders teaching young people while Mrs. Leroy Benfield holds the poster



Many present leaders in Davao's Immanuel Baptist Church had not been won to Christ in 1951 when missionaries first arrived. Some were won through work of vacation Bible school, Sunday school, and WMU organizations as well as regular evangelistic services. The great missionary outreach of this church requires many trained leaders. In 1952 this work was begun by Rev. and Mrs. J. F. Jackson, Miss Elaine Crowell, and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Jowers, particularly Elaine Crowell who pioneered in Young Woman's Auxiliary and Girls' Auxiliary, as well as in Woman's Missionary Society, followed by Cleo Morrison.

For Sunday school, lesson leaflets and large teaching pictures are available in the Baptist Center Book Store, Manila.



Alva Van Watson, stationed in the Philippines, teaching primaries in Sunday school

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BEAUTIFUL (not ugly) AMERICANS



by Howard D. Olive

Baguio City, Philippines

LOCATED just outside the gate of one of the largest Air Force Bases in the Orient, Clark Field Baptist Church had a wonderful beginning, the circumstances of which are fascinatingly interwoven with missions.

It began in 1956 when a small group of Christian servicemen met together in late September for fellowship, Bible study, and prayer. God was in the midst of that group! True to their Baptist background of training in stewardship of life and the gospel, they considered at once the question of witnessing among the Filipinos and not to the Chinese as was being done by our missionaries. They set about making plans which would give practical expression to previous basic training in the command of our Lord to preach, teach, and baptize.

No sooner had their earnestness and prayer given birth to this determination

than unlimited opportunities and need for such work began to present themselves. Gladly and hopefully they accepted an invitation to conduct weekly Bible study in the home of Christian nationals in Talar, a small municipality twenty-five miles from the Air Base. The following months brought introductions to many Filipinos of varying religious affiliations. Hungry, thirsting minds and souls eagerly received the word of God, taught haltingly by these earnest American laymen.

Fired by the response of this quickly gathered group and daring to dream of a future church of baptized believers among Filipinos, an appeal went forth to Southern Baptist missionaries stationed in Manila and Baguio for assistance in this work. It was gaining staggering proportions for those servicemen who, with their families and wives, were only able to give brief



Clark Field Baptist Church, Angeles, Philippines

to this development. God had already brought a man to the kingdom for such a time, and so, Bill and Helen Tishlah accepted the challenge of the newly begun work in Talar.

The blaze of enthusiasm this mission effort had ignited in the hearts of these few service personnel was carried back to the Base and shared at the monthly Southern Baptist Fellowship meetings. In 1958, this group voted to ask the Philippine Baptist Mission to request the Foreign Mission Board to consider favorably the possibility of a church being established for service personnel at Clark Air Base, and of appointing a couple to serve there. At this juncture a typical, yet singular event took place. The wives of the servicemen, unwilling to wait for the appointment of a missionary couple, met in the early months of 1958 to organize a Woman's Missionary Society—seven members strong!

In the military service with brief two-year tours of duty, many of the interested military personnel who began this venture were rotated back to the States, but new ones were added. Bible classes continued to be organized in several *barrios* (rural communities) in Talar Province.

In June of 1959, the Southern Baptist Fellowship was informed that Rev. and Mrs. E. Allen Smith had been appointed as missionaries to do English speaking work and that they would serve in the vicinity of Clark Air Base. They arrived in Septem-

ber and by October the group was meeting in a rented building just off the Base. Land was purchased by the Foreign Mission Board in a perfect location, and the formal organization of the Clark Field Baptist Church took place on December 13, 1959. Thirty-seven of these Baptists thus "watered abroad" by the military, became charter members. One year later the membership had more than doubled, and growing pains brought about new ventures:

The rented building was too small, so a temporary building was constructed on the new church lot.



Congregation breaks up into prayer groups on Wednesday evening; pictured men's prayer group

A contract was let for construction of the main permanent structure and work was completed in November, 1960.

The church accepted the challenge of officially sponsoring mission work already started by the pastor and a young national who is now a student at the Philippine Baptist Seminary and who is continuing his efforts on the weekends in that community.

Seven deacons were ordained.

The Sunday school reached an enrollment of 160 and the Training Union 92.

Clark Field Baptist Church is three years and four months old this month. A visit last fall brought rich dividends of the past months into sharp focus. If we judge simply by a numerical plumb line, the figures



Woman's Missionary Society of Clark Field Baptist Church, Angeles, Philippines, has forty-two members organized in 1951. This picture shows the installation of new officers.

themselves speak strongly. Three additional houses have been rented to provide more educational space. However, progress cannot be registered as different from many other developing Baptist churches except for a few pertinent factors. Here in a foreign country families come for a brief stay, encircled by an environment both similar and different from that which they left behind. There is tremendous challenge here, not only from Clark Air Base, but also from the thousands of Filipinos nearby who do not know the Saviour. To fully understand and feel the source of this characteristic difference, join us as onlookers at prayer service in Clark Field Baptist Church:

Seventy-two are present at the regular midweek prayer meeting, and twelve are our leading mission services in the barrios. One cannot help sensing the earnestness with which this church meets for prayer nor can one miss the fact that the entire church is burdened for the great challenge about it. The weight of this great task is heavily upon their hearts.

Prayer meeting at Clark Field church, with the pastor, Rev. J. A. Smith at the lectern. The congregation is made up of young couples and many children.



After a period of singing and presentation of prayer requests, the pastor calls upon the group to break up into smaller units for prayer. There are two separate groups of men (about twelve each), a large group of women, another of young people, and still another for Intermediates. About twenty minutes is given to earnest prayer in this fashion, then the group reassembles for Bible study.

Perhaps the loveliest grace of this church is the perfect harmony between all races and classes within the membership. American white, Negro, French, Japanese, and Chinese have all had a part. There is no evident distinction anywhere and the fellowship is sweet. In conversation we were impressed by the earnestness of a Negro Sunday school teacher as she discussed her class, most of whom are white young people. She was overjoyed by the fact that out of her class there had been so many conversions, rededications, and commitments during the past few Sundays. She is a lovely Christian woman. One cannot help but notice that in Christ this church has conquered the problem which is so great elsewhere. How grateful we are for the witness of this church in the field of Christian race relations!

To describe these Christian American servicemen and their families away from home I would call them beautiful, not "ugly" Americans.

ENLISTMENT for MISSIONS

Blessings Are for Service

"Thank God our time is now when wrong
Comes up to face us everywhere
Never to leave us till we take
The longest stride of soul men ever took.
Affairs are now soul size"

—Christopher Fry.

by Helen Fling

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NEVER was life more precarious, more complicated, nor more challenging than in this, the most demanding of all decades. Today's woman grapples with problems and pressures beyond the imagination of her great grandmother. On one hand she is caught up in a tide of world turmoil as evil forces contend for supremacy and civilization trembles on the edge of catastrophe. The haunting specter of nuclear devastation is more real and more terrifying than any nightmare experienced by her ancestors. On the other hand she is surfeited by materialism and almost submerged in a sea of complacency. Tossed to and fro by waves of pleasure and prosperity, she is in danger of becoming human driftwood, cast upon a shore of ease.

Surely, God is speaking to modern woman. His vocabulary encompasses every blessing of contemporary life. Blessings are for service, not for self! At the most responsible moment in the world's history God has granted opportunities and freedom unknown in past generations. How will woman use her

exciting new freedoms, her increased leisure time, her many splendid possessions? Indeed, how will she use her added years of life? Will she gain the world and lose her own soul?

Paradoxical as it may seem, during times of stress and in periods of greatest difficulty, women have made their greatest contribution to the life of the nation and to the world. Never was woman's spiritual strength and service more needed than now. "When wrong comes up to face us everywhere," Never did woman herself have greater personal need—need of a warmly satisfying relationship to be gained through commitment to Christ and his mission. So it is that members of Woman's Missionary Union, believing in a sovereign God who can use chaotic circumstances to further his purpose, must say with Christopher Fry, "Thank God our time is now. . . . Affairs are now soul size."

We must regain our sense of mission with all its urgency and its obligation to enlist others. Shall we quail before the formidable task of enlistment for missions, complaining about the complexities of today and our "peculiar problems"? Women of 1888 had their own "peculiar problems," but they also had their own peculiar faith and hope. . . . and so shall we. The basic problem of enlistment is still a problem of spiritual perseverance and hope. "No man, having put his hand to the plough, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God," declares the Scripture. And no woman, having undertaken breathtaking partnership with God in his worldwide mission can turn back to a gray world of selfish interests, relinquishing hope for the enlistment of every woman.

Therefore, as 1 Thessalonians 1:3 says, "Remembering without ceasing your work of faith, and labour of love."

WORLD MISSIONS WEEK

This Month

TWO women emerged from a room in which learning had taken place. The WMS study of missions had brought new dimensions to mind and spirit—increased knowledge, changed attitudes, enlightened understanding. There was motivation "to be" and "to do." In a burst of emotion one woman said to the other, "I wish every member of our church had been a part of our study today."

Every church member engaged in an intensive study of missions—this dream has lived in the hearts of many. For some, the dream has become reality. For others, the possibility is still a thrilling thought.

World Missions Week, planned as a special feature of World Missions Year, offers every church the opportunity to engage all its members in an intensive mission study experience. Who realizes better than WMU members that praying, giving, and serving are directly dependent on motivation which issues from study and awareness? Who could understand better the significance of this study week as it helps individuals and churches catch the real spirit and possibility of World Missions Year?

And World Missions Year does have its possibilities! As WMU observes the emphasis in conjunction with its 75th Anniver-

sary, as churches are engaged in this concern, as Baptist bodies on the North American continent work together for common purposes, the impact will be felt. Dr. Baker James Cauthen expressed it, "The importance of World Missions Year is not to be measured in terms of goals which may be attained . . . The chief value of the year, however, will come in the deepening of conviction about the world mission task, conviction which will bear fruit and strengthen the cause of world missions for all the years to come."

In anticipating this year's emphasis in the Baptist Jubilee Advance, Dr. Courts Redford wrote, ". . . by 1963 we shall be ready to devote unselfishly our lives, our houses of worship, our educational programs, our material resources, and our talents and abilities to a world missionary effort. It is the world's need! It is our opportunity! It is the Lord's command!"

All during World Missions Year, denominational agencies and church organizations will highlight the emphasis through existing channels of organization and promotion. But in one week, made special by co-operative efforts, all groups will work together in a dynamic study experience for all age groups in the church.

The Southern Baptist Jubilee Ad-

by Elaine Dickson

important period in the church calendar for 1963 is April 22-26, designated as World Missions Week by Southern Baptists. This churchwide emphasis, sponsored by the Training Union, is to be vigorously supported and promoted by all church organizations. What part will your WMU play in this significant week?

Committee for 1963, realizing one church organization should co-ordinate plans and sponsor the week, delegated this responsibility to the Training Union. The Sunday School Board has produced the new series of books for study; the Training Union department has co-ordinated the planning done by representatives of all Convention agencies, commissions, and boards. WMU leaders will keep in mind that though the week is sponsored by the Training Union, it is to be promoted by all organizations. Herein lies the opportunity and responsibility of the WMU. Woman's Missionary Union's inherent concern for missionary education should prompt energetic promotion of this week.

Mark the Dates—April 22-26, 1963!

Books for Study

The special series of books produced for World Missions Week includes one for each age group. The books for Juniors through Adults will provide credit in Category 10 of the Church Study Course. All books are listed in *The World in Books*

catalog and the reading of them by members of WMU organizations will count on Aims for Advancement as "members reading one or more books." Book titles and authors are as follows (order from Baptist Book Stores):

Adults: *Christianity and World Religions*, Luther Copeland, 75c

Young People: *Missions . . . Today*, Ross Goggins, 75c

Intermediates: *Missions and Me*, Evelyn and Amelia Bishop, 35c

Juniors: *Keep Telling the Story*, Roberta Ryan, 35c

Primaries: *God Loves Everybody*, Jester Summers, 35c

Beginners: *Helping Others Learn About Jesus*, 35c

Nurses: *My Family*, Elsie Rivers and Hazel Rowe Luck, 35c

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

To help launch World Missions Week, associational rallies will be held on Sunday afternoon. Worship services will accent the world mission theme. A suggested world mission fellowship is planned for the church family following the Sunday evening service.

Nightly emphases, centered around the Cooperative Program, are planned for the period between classes each evening.

WMU PARTICIPATION

WMU leadership will be in a "stand-by" position, ready to assume whatever responsibilities may be delegated to them. Some WMS members may be invited to teach classes, and encourage their families to attend.

Every church member engaged in intensive study of missions—this is a dream WMU can help make come true.



This Easter, as every Easter, is a time for renewal, rebirth, rejuvenation. It is a time for joy--sheer exultation. You live in a free country where you can worship as you please, where you are not persecuted for teaching your children about God, where you can kneel in prayer at the end of a church pew, at the altar, or in the secret closet of your home and heart.

Easter carries its own credentials, as does the return of spring. Each year the heart is comforted by the message that death is not final. He whom the tomb could not imprison gave this promise which John recorded: Because I live, ye shall live also.

DID YOU READ IT

by Mrs. William McMurtry

The Easter Story — Auca Style

Dayuma was the first convert to the Christian faith among the Auca Indians of Ecuador. She works with the sister of the jungle pilot, Nate Saint, who was slain with four other missionaries by the Auca in 1956 as they paved the way for the entrance of the gospel to these primitive people.

The greatest fear to an Auca is what happens to the body after death. Thus the Easter message holds special meaning for them. World Vision Magazine carried a translation of Dayuma's Easter story to her people:

"Then Jesus, he came up from being dead. He got up. But didn't stop. He went up and up. It was like . . . like . . . You know the kapok. White. Goes up and up when the sky has wind. There is the big round thing. Just quick, it is open. And the little kapoks . . . the seeds all white and like smoke . . . they go up and up . . . like a white bird . . . up toward the sun . . . and do not stop . . . they go up and up. Your body will become like that. No fear. Just good.

"That is the way it was with Jesus. And it is so with you and with me if we believe God's carvings. White going up . . . in the blue . . . past the sun into a place called heaven!"

This That Are So Daily

There was a time when the Wall Street Journal meant nothing but high finance and company mergers. This is no longer true. In an editorial of several months ago there appeared these racy words:

"First there was a coloring book for executives, to provide a few relaxing chuckles and ease the pressures of decision-making, the medium of conferences. Now we see there's an 'executive pacifier,' a piece of polished wood for squeezing in moments of stress.

"Well, this focus on executive tension is all very fine but there would seem to be also a sizable market for some sort of simple, cheap pacifier for just common folks. For people whose blood pressure rises when they are ignored by a store's sales personnel. For those who have to wait in line to eat a mediocre lunch and drink watery coffee. Or who have elevators to close in their faces with supercilious smoothness, for whom vending machines fail to vend. Or whose telephones are magnets for clumsy-fingered dialers of wrong numbers. People whose newly pressed suits get rained on.

"For it's not the multimillion-dollar decisions or who's going to be named vice-president of the firm or who isn't, or who will drop an H-bomb on whom, that give people the willies. It's the little things, the things that are just so daily."

Cuba

The organization of American States gets number one attention in this hemisphere on April 14, Pan American Day. Last October the eyes of the world were riveted on one of these states, Cuba, when Russia tried a power grab and the United States stepped in.

The world continues to wonder about the future of Cuba. Raul Chibas, former Castro supporter and high in government, now an exile, offers his opinion in The New Republic. Castro's personal prestige has been badly damaged, declares the former treasurer of the "26th of July Movement."

The first year of the Revolution, Castro was immensely popular. He stood for all the pent-up hopes of the people who had struggled for more than thirty years to achieve a fully independent Cuba. Castro committed himself to carry out reforms and the people believed him. In 1961 the anti-Castro underground was well organized. The backbone of this movement was made up largely of representatives from the middle class and Cuban laborers as well as peasants who had been promised land but did not get it.

Raul Chibas believes that a revolutionary struggle against a totalitarian system cannot be conducted by men outside. Exiles can help but "it is up to those who remain in Cuba to determine the strategy now to be followed. The future must be shaped by Cuban people. They must devise a program eliminating the evils of the present regime while preserving the positive aspects of the revolution."

Last November most Latin governments belatedly concluded that Cuba was no longer a sovereign state but an occupied country. They supported tough action against the dictator.

PROGRAM FOR CIRCLE OR SECOND WMS MEETING

MISSION STUDY BOOK:
World Awareness*
by Sadie T. Crawley

Make plans to have this Aims book taught in Circles or Society.

Circle Theme for the Year: "Unto the stature of Christ" Ephesians 4:13

ENLISTMENT for MISSIONS

by Mrs. Louis L. Dabney

Purpose: To create the desire among women to use fully their capabilities for the Lord through Woman's Missionary Union and to bring others into a growing experience of missionary endeavor and full participation.

Enlistment for Missions

Secretary: (to circle members) Welcome to the WMS Placement Service. This is a clearinghouse for two types of clients—those who are looking for places of service, and those who are looking for other women to fill places of service. I have a number of letters which our office has received this morning. Let us read them together, and then our panel of experts will help us with answers. You may hear a letter concerning some problem you have had; if so, consider yourself one of our panel and tell us how you found a solution. (Introduce panel.)

This first letter is from a schoolteacher in the Southwest. Listen:

Dear Madam:

I enjoy my work and find it rewarding

in many ways, but for some time I have had a growing consciousness that I am not fulfilling my obligation to God to grow spiritually. Guiding the intellectual pursuits of my young pupils is rewarding, but I feel I should engage in study and work to speed up spiritual maturity as well.

Mrs. A.: I would suggest, first of all, that our young schoolteacher recognize the fact that she has a great deal of ability. She has specialized training in educational methods. She obviously has great love for children; she also has expressed a dissatisfaction with her service in God's kingdom. Now, let us see. Would you not say that the place for her is in a circle of our night Woman's Missionary Society?

Our Woman's Missionary Union has provided a Woman's Missionary Society at night. This is in addition to another WMS which meets on the same day and another

To Program Chairmen:

You and three other circle members are to serve as a panel for the Placement Service. Sit at a table or desk. Each you will need a sheaf of papers representing letters from clients. Print on card and tape to table "WMS Placement Service." Have copies of *Woman's Missionary Union*, 85c; *Fling's Enlistment for Missions*, 85c; a *WMS Manual*, 65c (all from Baptist Book Stores). Ask circle enlistment chairman to have prospect cards ready to distribute. Order from WMU, Birmingham 3, Ala.: Interest Talent cards, 10 for 10c; WMS Enlistment Survey cards, 50 for 30c; WMU Enlistment Week pamphlet, 10c.

WMS for women with pre-school age children. At the time of the latter's meetings we provide a Sunbeam nursery for their children. There are many women in our church who work outside the home. And there also are some women who are not free to come to day meetings who are in the night WMS. Women in the business world often have varied interests, and their abilities and concern for others must be utilized in missionary work.

This young teacher takes the first step toward spiritual growth when she becomes enlisted in a circle in the night WMS of her church. You know, among the first words our children are taught to read are the words, "look" and "see." As she looks upon the needs of the world for Christ, she will see the necessity of becoming part of the answer to those needs. This is a good beginning.

Let us write to her, suggesting that she become a member of a night circle in her WMS; also suggest that she read of the example of business women in the Bible. There's Lydia (read *Acts 16:13-15*); and the woman described in *Proverbs* (read *Prov. 31:20, 26, 30*).

Secretary: Thank you, Mrs. A. This woman's problem is quite different. She is chairman of the nominating committee for her Woman's Missionary Union.

Dear Friend,

Placement Service helped me several years ago in finding the kind of work

best suited to my abilities. I am happy to report that from stewardship chairman in my circle, the job you suggested, I caught a real vision of the possibilities of an open heart and open pocketbook for the mission needs of the world. I want to say right now that I believe a generous attitude toward money will develop a generosity of spirit toward others which I believe is a telling mark of a mature Christian woman.

Last year I served as stewardship chairman for our WMU and worked with the church committee in planning a Church Night of Stewardship. Our church has been able to raise its percentage for missions through the Cooperative Program. Our special offerings for state, home, and foreign missions were far more than our goals. I believe these are very definite results of enlightened minds in the matter of the world's needs in direct relation to our possessions and prayers.

But I am faced with another big task now, that of working on a committee to nominate WMU officers for the new year. In a church the size of ours, I find it impossible to know the capabilities of all our women. What is the best way to find the right woman for the job, and the right job for the woman?

Mrs. B.: Let me answer that one. I have worked with a nominating committee. We found that God led us to wonderful women leaders. I came to believe that with a willing heart, God can make of any woman a leader of other women. We found the Interest-Talent cards *very* helpful. On these each woman lists her preferences and talents; she may be especially trained in business skills, or playing the piano, or in handicrafts, or simply be a dependable WMS member. These listings by the woman herself are a great help.

But the best help we found was the advice of circle chairmen. Within the circle, kept small in number to aid in the development of every individual, we found potential WMS prayer chairmen; we found social chairmen, women with a special plan

*85c and Teachers Helps, 25c from Baptist Book Stores.

for flower arrangement and a natural friendliness. We found a mission study chairman who had developed a great interest in the mission fields through reading; she had been hospitalized with a broken leg, and began reading to pass the time. She was so well informed about Baptist work and the countries in which our missionaries work that she literally asked for the job. This type of "on-the-job" training is excellent; the circles are proving-ground for leaders.

For those with ability and yet hesitant to be leaders, we found leadership training courses helpful. The more a woman knows about her work, the less timid she feels about doing it. A study of the current Year Book and WMS Manual, attendance at state and Ridgcrest and Glorieta WMU Conferences, coupled with days of information concerning specific jobs, help round out the picture of enlistment of women into responsibility for mission leadership.

One other suggestion. Before we undertake any work for the Lord, we must recognize the source of our strength and ability to accomplish any task and ask God's guidance through the Holy Spirit. There is a task in God's kingdom for every woman; we must help each other find our places of service in the kingdom.

Secretary: Thank you, Mrs. B. I'm sure your remarks have helped me to know what to write to this nominating committee and to circle chairmen who are seeking to fill circle offices and who write for help.

Now, the next letter comes from a young wife and mother who feels too "house-bound" for missionary activity. She writes:

Dear Friend,

Can every woman take part in WMS? I have two small children who keep me fairly well occupied. My Sunday school teacher has made me conscious of every Christian's obligation and privilege of spreading the gospel. She has inspired us with her men dedication and spirit. I wish I could be a part of WMS but I have my hands full. Is my attitude wrong, or am I

just a poor manager of my time?

Mrs. C.: This young mother, voicing the same sentiments I once had, "I'm just too busy. I can't take on anything else. There'll be time enough for church work later when the children are in school."

Secretary: What changed your mind?

Mrs. C.: Lucky for me I had a dear friend who was several years older and much wiser. She helped me see what was wrong with my attitude. First of all, I considered Christian service as "church work," a chore that *should be done*. I was not concerned with my spirit in doing it. I thought of it as something to "do" rather than something to "be" and to "become." It may be I had the order of "faith" and "good works" reversed. At any rate, when my attitude became right, my participation in missionary endeavor became rewarding. And I saw Woman's Missionary Society for what it really is—a framework serving as a guide to the individual woman, as well as to a group of women who must make of every circumstance an opportunity for joyous Christian living. Life is so short to waste a minute of it in anything but the best!

The WMS Aims for Advancement are personal—encouraging maturity in prayer life, perception into the needs of the world, understanding of total stewardship, reaching out to bring others into the program of missions, stretching to educate our youth in missions—all of these are personal aims for a well-rounded Christian.

I would suggest to this young woman that she help to form a training circle—a circle of members new to WMS. In this circle they may use the booklet, "Programs for a New Woman's Missionary Society" (three from state WMU offices), in which the purpose and history of WMS are explained. Another help would be the book of Miss Alma Hunt's *Woman's Missionary Union*. In the book she shows very clearly that "every Baptist woman is in possession of something needed in the world today. The need today is for our women to

apply that "something" to Christ's

work back to the young mother's letter. She is concerned about her children while she does the work of the circle and society. In many societies, the Sunbeam Bands including Sunbeam Nursery for babies and Bands for pre-school age children meet at the same time as circle and WMS meetings. She might investigate and see whether small children are being provided for at the time of meetings.

Tell her, also, that the only experience necessary for this type task is a personal experience with Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord. She must be willing to learn and serve and "become." She will "earn" as she learns, for she will be repaid for her effort in spiritual growth and understanding.

Secretary: Your remarks remind me of the old but true adage: "You get out of anything only what you put into it."

Here's a letter from an enlistment chairman. What can we suggest to her?

Dear Friend,

I am a little disappointed in the results of our Enlistment coffee. Each year we do this and invite members and prospects. We visit the prospects and offer to bring them to the coffee. We haven't been getting many new members. What do other societies do to enlist new members?

Mrs. A.: would you like to answer?

Mrs. A.: I wonder if part of the trouble might be too much emphasis on the social and not enough on the real purpose of helping others become a part of our organization. The purpose of Woman's Missionary Union is Christian missions. The value of Christian fellowship should not be minimized, but our primary purpose is to enlist for missions. I believe women respond to an invitation to WMS when they understand what is involved and what this woman's organization is.

Of course, there is no substitute for visitation. It may take several home visits to a woman to acquaint her with op-

portunities for service through Woman's Missionary Society.

Enlistment chairmen promote the use of Enlistment Survey cards. These may be distributed through the Sunday school or in other ways. The cards ask for preference of meeting time, and give space for the signer to list reasons why she is not already in Woman's Missionary Society. Her reasons may point up deficiencies of the society or reveal the woman's indifference.

Mrs. B.: Perhaps this society has not had an Enlistment Week in their church. We found this a very successful means of enlisting new members and leaders for our society and our youth organizations. *If you have had Enlistment Week in your church, tell of its success; if not, consult the "WMS Enlistment Week" pamphlet, the from WMS, Birmingham, Ala., for a few important facts about the week.* At the end of a week of intensified search for members and training for leaders, we found our society rejuvenated and our hearts thrilled with the possibilities.

Secretary: These letters have reminded me of the necessity for involvement in missions for one's own sake. Several years ago I refused to take a job in WMS, which resulted in a year of feeling "out of joint." I found that when I put myself on the path of service I received God's direction for my life.

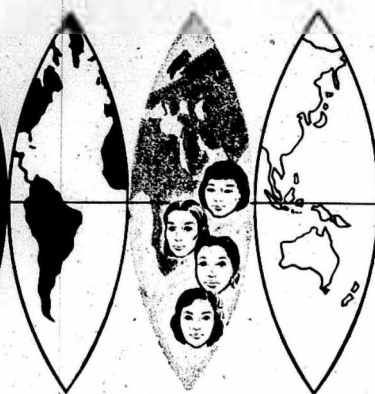
Well, we've answered all our mail. I trust we have been able to help these women.

As we seek to enlist more women let us think back to the time of our own enlistment. What influenced you to become a member of WMS? Was it a friend's visit? a special invitation? *(Give members time to answer.)* What service in our society brings to you the greatest joy? What reasons can you give others for joining our society? *(Be frank in discussion so that real answers are arrived at for the future.)*

Circle Enlistment Chairman: Distribute the names of prospects and make definite plans for reporting on results of visitation at your next meeting.

Prayer

Call to Prayer



Day by day for the
WORLD I PRAY

Prepared by Mrs. Roswell E. Owens

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

The Japan Baptist New Life Movement, a nation-wide evangelistic effort projected by Japan Baptists, is now in progress. It will continue through May 5. Dr. Baker J. Cauthen has called upon all Southern Baptists to make the Japan campaign a matter of continuing and earnest prayer.

Billy Graham is participating for about two weeks, particularly sharing in mass meetings in Tokyo and other major cities. The campaign, with the expected radio and television coverage, is intended for the entire strategic nation of Japan. Let us add our prayer support daily.

Pray for Susan Anderson, Kan., ret. after serving 44 years. Nigeria: L. N. Nelson,* ev. in Hirashima. Japan: C. H. Golden,* ev. in Honduras doing graduate study; Pablo Flores and H. T. Gruver, ev. among Sp.-sp. in Ariz.

2 TUESDAY And if, I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me. John 12:32 (read vv. 23-32).

Pray, first, that we at home may "lift high His royal banner." Pray for these messengers

at the edge of Communist China: L. G. McKinney, Jr., Kowloon, Hong Kong, and Ruth Vanderburg, RN, Baptist Hospital, Kediri, Indonesia; and ret.: Mrs. J. A. Ahernship, China, Philippines, Korea, S. L. Isaacs, Okla., HMB; Arkansas WMU annual meeting; Little Rock, 2-3. Kentucky WMU annual meeting, Lexington 2-4.

3 WEDNESDAY In every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. Phil. 4:6 (read vv. 1-7).

J. C. Bridges, Mexico, tells of this experience when he and his family were in Costa Rica in language school.

"Lia, our housekeeper, had never attended a service in an evangelical church. Every Sunday our five-year-old daughter, Becky, invited Lia to church, but she always gave an excuse. We expressed our concern for Lia's salvation in a newsletter to friends back home and requested prayer for her. The Sunday after our friends received the

Missionaries are listed on their birthdays. Addresses in **DIRECTORY OF MISSIONARY PERSONNEL**, see from Foreign Mission Board, Box 6597, Richmond 30, Virginia, and in **HOME MISSIONS**.

letter and joined us in prayer—even before Billy's usual invitation—Lia asked her, "Would you like for me to go to Sunday school and church this morning?" He adds, "We are convinced that Christians are all on the same, sharing Christ with a world that is in desperate need of him."

Pray for Mr. Bridges: Mrs. E. C. Morgan, teacher, Baptist College, Kowloon, Hong Kong; M. L. Seaborn, Jr.,* ev. Philippines; R. E. Starmer, dir. Italian Baptist pub., Italy; Mrs. P. M. Cassidy, Va., ret.; Louisiana WMU annual meeting, Alexandria, 3-4.

4 THURSDAY God hath shewed me that I should not call any man common or unclean. Acts 10:28 (read vv. 19-28).

A missionary reports:

"A week after I arrived home on furlough I attended a family reunion. As usual, many were called on to speak. When my turn came I tried to put into words my heartsickness over what the prevalent attitudes toward race relations were doing to America, and especially to the cause of Christ. I pointed out that we are all world citizens now, that our very attitudes reverberate around the world.

"They listened with well-bred family politeness, slightly amazed at my concern. Afterward, someone put it into words. 'What difference does it make what these people think of us?'" "Oh, Christian women, it makes an eternity of difference!" is the missionary's comment to us.

Pray for D. E. Johnson who works with Negroes, Dallas, Tex.; S. S. Storer,* and G. B. Scright, ev., Brazil; Mrs. R. L. Lusk and husband, app. July, 1961, Macao; C. H. Favell, Ghana; Mrs. Z. J. Deal, Jr., Colombia; D. R. House,* Japan; Florence Lide, S. C., ret. after 41 years in China and Nigeria; Illinois WMU annual meeting, West Frankfort, 4-5.

5 FRIDAY Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest. Matt. 9:38 (read vv. 35-38).

This year urgent requests have been made for 751 more missionaries to fill places of retiring workers and to man fields of missionary opportunity. Where are the hundreds whom God is calling? Let us pray for them.

Radio and television offer possibilities for gospel proclamation which we have hardly begun to exploit [in Latin America], reports

Frank K. Means, sec. for Latin America. Where are the specialists who are needed? Pray that young people will heed God's call.

Thank God for these: H. C. McConnell,* radio and other work, Santiago, Chile; R. L. Kolb, ed. ev., Baia, Brazil; T. E. Savage, Mufulira, No. Rhodesia; H. L. Redd, ev. among Ind., Gallup, N. M.

6 SATURDAY His truth shall be thy shield and buckler. Psalm 91:4 (read vv. 1-4).

Many have been won to Christ through the printed page, for it often goes places where neither nationals nor missionaries can carry the message of salvation. Pray that God will empower Christian literature to serve as a "shield" of Christ who is the Truth.

Pray for Mrs. M. A. Sanderford, first served in Uruguay—now with husband and four children in El Paso, Tex., as librarian in Sp. pub. work; Mrs. R. Z. Chamlee, Jr., and Mrs. L. E. Lee, Peru; Mrs. W. R. Hull, Kenya; E. L. Oliver, Japan; Mrs. S. K. Wood, RN, Japan; C. T. Gunn, ev. among Fr. in La.; Mrs. George Hook, Ind., Ariz.; J. O. Lumpkin, mission center, Va.



7 SUNDAY Now therefore go, and I will be with thy mouth, and teach thee what thou shalt say. Ex. 4:12 (read vv. 1-12).

Zeb V. Moss and his family arrived in November, 1959, in No. Rhodesia shortly after the country was opened to Southern Baptist foreign missionaries. Because the missionary's effectiveness is greatly increased when he knows the language of the people with whom he works, the first year is set aside specifically for language study. The new language often presents peculiar problems. For instance, in one of the Bantu languages, "Let us all pray" can be changed by the lengthening of one vowel in the sentence into "Let us all smoke!"

Pray that the Lord will give patience and alertness to missionaries studying languages; for Mr. Moss: J. E. Giles,* prof. International Baptist Seminary, Columbia, Kathleen



Mrs. Roswell E. Owens Call to Prayer Writer

I am a part of five continents; my parents and ancestors were born in Ireland, my mother, Ella Elizabeth Good, while yet single, served in Liberia (West Africa) as a teacher and medical missionary. (The only "fairy stories" of my childhood that I remember were of her experiences there.) When equatorial fever took its toll, she was invalided home to Ireland. Later she married my father, Robert Sangster Horsford, who had gone out to Argentina in 1896 to carry the gospel, although without any financial backing from the home base. (Baptists were weak in Roman Catholic Ireland in those days.)

My father was on the field seven years before S. M. Sowell, first Southern Baptist missionary, was sent to Argentina in 1903.

I came to the USA to "complete" my education in 1922, and at a Student Volunteer Convention in Kentucky, met my husband, Roswell E. Owens, a native of Georgia. We served in Palestine for thirteen years, until World War II drove us

out. We have served in pastorates in Alabama since our return.

We have four children: Laurella, our oldest, now editor of *The Window*. She originally went out with us to Palestine, and three younger children, all born in Palestine.

All in all we probably might be considered a rather cosmopolitan family, my parents having been born in Ireland, I in Argentina, my husband in the USA, and most of our children in Palestine. It only sounds confusing! In reality it has been a perfect blending. We consider ourselves citizens of the world, and have reported to find that in the kingdom of God there are no foreigners.

For the past three years I have served as WMU prayer director in Alabama. (My term was up in March, 1962.) During our furlough in 1936-37 I wrote *The Camel Bell** and *The Village Oven** for the Foreign Mission Board graded series. (*The Camel Bell* has been translated into Spanish and is now making the rounds in Latin America.)

More recently I have written a number of times for *Open Windows*, and in 1957 a sketch of Laurella's life "I Remember . . ." for *The Window* of YWA.

*Out of print

Jones,* staff doctor at Kediri Baptist Hospital, Indonesia; E. O. Ray, English language work, Trinidad; Daniel Gomez, ev., Calif.; Mrs. H. D. Stein, Fla., ret.

8 MONDAY The righteous shall flourish like the palm tree: he shall grow like a cedar in Lebanon. They shall still bring forth fruit in old age. Psalm 92:12,14 (read vv. 1-15).

In retired missionaries we find a fulfillment of the above words of the psalmist. Missionaries approach retirement birthdays with

mingled emotions. They are joyful and full for the privilege of having served Lord in a world task. However, they do not remain at their posts where success still needs to be done.

"There is no way," says Dr. B. J. Carter, "to measure how much the united prayer retired missionaries means to the advancement of world missions." As we have opportunity to surround these missionaries with their fullness and love.

Pray for Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Quarles

and in Argentina and Uruguay for 44 years, now ret.; Mrs. V. O. McMillan, Jr., ev., Japan; P. S. Moody, ev., Thailand; Mrs. C. T. G. Moore, among the Fr., La.; Evelyn Stangor, GWC, Fla.; Mrs. J. C. Willard, ev., among the deaf, Tex.; W. R. Young, ev., among the Ind., N. M.

9 TUESDAY And whatsoever he shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son John 14:13 (read vv. 1-14).

Mrs. R. L. Lyon and her husband serve in Mexico. Pray for them. They testify: "Prayer opens more doors than dollars. As important as your gifts are, and as much as we need them, yet when all is bought that they can buy, they still cannot purchase the souls of the lost, nor open eyes blinded by idolatry. God alone can do that."

"If you forget to give we may be able to get along without your money, but if you forget to pray we shall be left destitute of spiritual power."

Pray also for Mrs. C. L. Neal, MD and teacher for 38 years in Mexico, ret.; Mrs. J. A. Paul, mother of five, serving in Brazil; P. W. Stoffer app 1961 to Brazil; C. R. Crowder, ev., Ogbomoso, Nigeria; Mrs. H. C. Brent, ev. among the Sp-sp. in Tex.; Edward Davis, ev. among Negroes, Ga.

10 WEDNESDAY And heal the sick that are therein, and say unto them, The kingdom of God is come nigh unto you Luke 10:9 (read vv. 1-9).

Southern Baptists began their first medical work in Ghana in 1957. While the small hospital was being constructed in Nalerigu, the doctor held clinics from a mobile dispensary. Thank God that this hospital now has been built.

Pray for Diana Lay, RN, app. June, 1961, to Ghana; R. W. Fields, app. 1962 to Israel; Mrs. J. D. Cave, ed. app. 1961 to Argentina; Mrs. J. D. Luper, ev. Brazil and mother of four children; Mrs. H. D. Griffin, new app. Japan; M. J. Wright, Jr., ev. Japan; three missionaries among Sp-sp.: Mrs. David Esmerina and Daniel Centu, in Tex., and Mrs. Robert Fricke, Fla.

11 THURSDAY And the word of God increased, and the number of the disciples multiplied in Jerusalem greatly Acts 6:7 (read vv. 1-7).

Thirty-seven Baptists, meeting under a

borrowed tent, organized the twenty-third Baptist church in Guatemala May 25, 1962. The following Sunday two more persons joined the church by letter and fourteen confessed Christ as Saviour. The church members are now making cement blocks for a permanent building. Baptist work in this mountain city of Quezaltenango was begun about two years ago by Rev. and Mrs. Chester S. Cadwallader, Jr. This church sponsors several missions and preaching points. Guatemala's Baptist churches report an annual ratio of one baptism for every seven members. Thank God for these witnessing Christians.

Pray for Mrs. Cadwallader: R. L. Locke, ev., Nigeria; H. D. McCamoy, DDS, Nigeria; Faye Tumire, a home missionary at Rachel Sins Mission, New Orleans, before going to the Philippines to teach in a Baptist college; Mrs. Cleodas Castano, ev. in Cuba; Mrs. Altraham Wright, Ill., ret.

12 FRIDAY Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the Lord of hosts Zech. 4:6 (read vv. 1-10).

Your help is needed in Malaya. You can give money to support the work. Are you still under thirty-five? You can join the missionary ranks. The most effective thing you can do right now is to pray! The missionary task is basically spiritual and only the power of God's Spirit prayed down by his people can win Malaya to Christ.

Pray for Mrs. C. H. Morris, ev. Malaya; T. C. Bennett, a pioneer in East Pakistan, serving as treasurer of the Baptist Mission; Mrs. J. F. Mitchell, mother and ev. in Temuco, Chile; T. E. Dabberly, ev., Uruguay; Bertis Fair, migrants, N. C.; C. K. Kraus, ev., Fr.-sp., La.; Fred Ellis, ev. Sp-sp., N. M.

13 SATURDAY How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings. . . that publisheth salvation Isaiah 52:7 (read vv. 7-10).

The world's people are hungry, who will feed them? sick, who will heal them? naked, who will clothe them? illiterate, who will teach them? lost, who will tell them of the Redeemer? Only Christ is adequate for every need. It is God's plan that each Christian is to tell others.

Thank God for Mrs. R. F. Elder, answered God's call to Argentina in 1901, now ret. Pray also for Mrs. L. G. Keyes, Honduras; Betty Jane Hunt, Korea; Camarra Guerra and J. H. Saenz, among Sp-sp., Tex.



14 SUNDAY We do hear them speak in our tongues the wonderful works of God. Acts 2:11 (read vv. 1-11).

Jane Averitt Parker and her husband, Wendall, are area missionaries in the Panama interior. At first, Wendall was pastor of a church where US military and civilian personnel in the Canal Zone attended. They are the first home missionary couple to take the full course at the language school in San Jose, Costa Rica, for intensive language study. Pray for Jane, her husband, and six-year-old daughter, as they witness in a new tongue.

Pray that the power of the risen Christ may be made manifest in the life of Mrs. C. W. Shaw, a young missionary in So Rhodesia. Mrs. G. A. Bowdler, Sr., Iowa, ret. from service in Argentina; Rita Duke, student worker in Taiwan.

15 MONDAY And he saw that there was no man, and wondered that there was no intercessor. Isaiah 59:16 (read vv. 1-16).

There is one country for which we ought to concentrate prayer. This is the great land of China. Pray with compassion for those people who are under the burdensome yoke of communism. Many Christians as well as others are still in prison. Christians' struggle to carry on, but they face many problems.

Pray also for nurse Edna E. Teal, Ga., ret. after 33 years in China; R. E. Beatty, ev. in Bulawayo, So. Rhodesia, on furlough with wife and four young sons; R. C. Covington, ev. in Singapore, Malaya; D. R. Kammerdiener, app. Oct. 1962 to Colombia; Mrs. Plantaleon Molina, ev. among Sp-sp., Tex.

16 TUESDAY The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted. Luke 4:18 (read vv. 16-21).

"Don't forget to pray for home missionaries too," writes a former foreign missionary now serving in Texas. "Often people think only foreign missionaries have problems of loneliness, discouragement, and exhaustion." But these are common to all of us.

Pray for A. H. Foster, migrants, La. St. L. McKay, ev., Anchorage, Alaska, asks us to "pray for Eskimo missionary volunteers, that they will persevere in school until graduation and return to serve here."

Pray also for Mrs. E. O. Whitfield, exst. missionary, and E. M. Treadwell, GWC, N.M.; Mrs. Reinaldo Medina, and Elva D. Chavez, ev. in Cuba; E. B. Dozier, pastor and educator, Fukuoka, Japan; Darline Elliott, librarian, and Crea Ridenour, director of women's dept., Baptist International Seminary, Cali, Colombia; Mrs. J. L. Riffe, field ev., Brazil; Mrs. C. W. Wiggs, Korea.

17 WEDNESDAY Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word. John 17:20 (read vv. 11-20).

Every Christian can take his place by the side of other missionaries through intercessory prayer. Too little have we measured the tremendous power of God in prayer. What a glorious privilege to intercede for the kingdom!

Pray for F. A. Hooper, III, interested in student work at Hebrew University, Jerusalem, Israel; H. L. Shoemaker, formerly in Colombia and Ecuador, now assigned to the Dominican Republic where Southern Baptists have recently opened up work; Ann Davis, GWC, Lexington, Ky.; Mrs. Roy Muncy, among Ind., Cuba; Mrs. C. E. Ponce, Havana, Cuba.

18 THURSDAY Thou therefore endure hardness, as a good soldier of Jesus Christ. 2 Tim. 2:3 (read vv. 1-10).

The missionary in the tropics needs good physical stamina. Others live with the biting cold of humid winters, enervating sticky summers, strange foods, diseases which the Westerner has not become immune. All of these take their toll. If the missionary is not sound physically, he will break down. If he isn't stable emotionally, his colleagues may break down. Pray for the well-being of Mrs. D. W. King, a first-time missionary, in Beirut, Lebanon, where her husband teaches in the new Baptist seminary; Mrs. R. B. Wilford, ev., Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, the mother of three children.

19 FRIDAY Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven. Matthew 5:16 (read vv. 13-16).

On March 2, 1881, Dr. William B. Bagby sailed into the harbor at Rio de Janeiro to inaugurate Southern Baptist work in Brazil. He prayed, "O God, hasten the day when this great country shall know Jesus Christ... and the gospel, from the north to the south, and from the Atlantic to the Andes."

In partial fulfillment of this prayer a Brazilian woman recently testified to some of our missionaries, "I tried every kind of meeting and many religions and found them all inadequate until this afternoon I have been so impressed by the expressions on your faces and by your words and prayer that I think I have at last found what I have been seeking all these years."

Thank God today for those who radiate the spirit of Christ: Mrs. E. G. Berry, Brasilia, and Mrs. C. R. Bumpus, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil; Mrs. J. W. Turner, Lebanon, Virginia; Wm. R. Rine, Haiti; Edmon Burgher, Jr., ev. in Calif.; Mrs. A. M. Lago, ev. among Sp-sp. in Tex.; E. R. Hill, ev. among Sp-sp., N.M.; Mrs. S. T. Mayo, HMB, ret., Ga.

20 SATURDAY One of his disciples said unto him, Lord, teach us to pray. Luke 11:1 (read vv. 1-4).

Let us paraphrase the model prayer which Jesus gave his disciples:

Our Father who art in heaven
Hallowed be Thy name
in the thoughts and desires
of these Thy messengers
Today may Thy kingdom come
and Thy will be done in all
they say and do,
even as it is done in heaven.
Give them this day their daily nourishment

that their bodies may be strengthened
and kept in health; that their minds
may be inspired and directed;
and that their souls may be filled
with Thy love toward all mankind.
Forgive them for displeasing Thee,
or hurting any of Thy children.
Even as they have forgiven those who have
hurt them. Lead them into paths of service.
And should evil await them, deliver them
from its power; for Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory, for ever.
Amen.

Pray for Mrs. Servando Mireles, ret., Tex.; Philip Aaron, ev. among migrants, Calif.; Beverly Lutz, app. October 1962 to Paraguay.



21 SUNDAY A great door and effectual is opened unto me. 1 Cor. 16:9 (read vv. 5-11).

Hawaii, the youngest state, has ceased to be called a foreign mission area and is known instead as a "pioneer state." Hawaii is a most challenging and promising field. One of her most pressing needs is for capable pastors with missionary vision to go there in response to the call of young churches.

Pray for Mrs. Victor Koon, ed. ev. in Hawaii; Mrs. P. S. Moody, RN, Bangkok, Thailand; two in Japan, Mary Neal Morgan in Osaka and Elizabeth T. Watkins in Shikoku; Mrs. E. W. Nelson, teacher in seminary, Santiago, Chile; Mrs. J. S. Oliver returned to Brazil after the death of her missionary husband; Letha Saunders, sec.-treas. of state WMU, Sao Paulo, Brazil; Rose Marlowe, ret. after 35 years in China-Japan; Mrs. L. E. Johns, Ind. missions, Ariz.; G. D. Pringle, Sp. missions, N.M.; Rodion Beresov, Russian ev., Calif.

22 MONDAY Spare not, lengthen thy cords, and strengthen thy stakes. Isaiah 54:2 (read vv. 1-5).

Some Southern Baptist statistics should undergo noticeable changes for the better as a result of the impact of this World Missions Year. We are one of the largest denominational groups in the world, yet, for every foreign missionary we support there are more than six thousand of us at home. Our annual per capita support of foreign missions is still, to our shame, less than two dollars.

Let us pray that World Missions Year will be our Lord's greatest opportunity to draw Southern Baptists out of themselves and into the mainstream of his redemptive purposes. The hour is very late, and our privilege to use it may quickly disappear.

Pray for Southern Baptists and for Mrs. C. S. Bantwright, Japan; Mrs. W. H. Parkman, Manila, Philippines; W. W. Logan, Nigeria; Ismael Negrin, among Sp.-sp. in Fla.; A. Pucciarelli, H&B ret., Fla.

23 TUESDAY It is not the will of your Father which is in heaven, that one of these little ones should perish. Matt. 18:14 (read vv. 10-14).

Seinan Jo Gakuin, Baptist girls' school in Kokura, Japan, celebrated its 40th anniversary last year. It offers work from junior high through junior college. Enrollment now exceeds 2,000. M. F. Moorhead, missionary director of religious activities on the campus, reports that Seinan Jo ranks high among mission schools in Japan in percentage of students who are Christians.

Pray for this school and for Mr. Moorhead; W. H. Jackson, Jr., pastor of English-language Baptist church, Tokyo, Japan; S. G. Rankin, MD, Kowloon, Hong Kong; J. L. Smith, ev. in Indonesia; Blanche Walker, Tex., ret. after 28 years in China; F. L. Hawkins, Jr., Rio de Janeiro, Brazil; Mrs. B. H. Welmaker, Cali, Colombia; F. H. Heiney, Ind. mission, Okla.; Augusto Martinez, ev., San Blas Islands, Panama.

24 WEDNESDAY God forbid that I should sin against the Lord in ceasing to pray for you. 1 Sam. 12:23 (read vv. 20-24).

W. C. Hunker, pres. Baptist seminary, Taipei, Taiwan, says, "We need more than anything else your earnest, devoted, daily prayer. Pray intelligently and sincerely, not from habit or routine, but as you would if you pled for the life of a loved one or a dear friend. In such a day as this there is but one hope, a renewed commitment to prayer for one another." Prayer is the answer. It is ours to use.

Pray for Mr. Hunker; Mrs. E. C. Smith, Indonesia; Mrs. J. W. Carney, ev. in E. Pakistan; J. R. Estes, Baptist seminary, Zurich, Switzerland; N. H. Eudaly,* dir. Baptist Spanish Pub. House, El Paso, Tex.; Lena V. Lair,* women's college, Nigeria; W. J. Williams, MD, Baptist hospital, Eku, Nigeria; Blanche Simpson, Brazil; Paul S. C. Smith,

Jordan; Arturo Carugedo, ev., Cu-

25 THURSDAY Fear none of the things which thou shalt suffer . . . he that is faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life. Rev. 2:10 (read vv. 8-11).

National pastors and other Christians around the world sometimes suffer persecution for their faith, and make great sacrifices. Pray for Marcos Rodriguez, Cuban pastor, his wife Sara, and their three children. In a recent letter Senor Rodriguez wrote:

"Sara and I have decided to stay on in Cuba in order to preach Jesus Christ to our people. We love our Cuban people. As with the early Christians, we today have the blessed privilege to preach and martyr die for Christ's sake."

Pray also for Mrs. Atilio Rivera, San Blas, Panama; G. L. Stanley, Phoenix, Ariz.; Mrs. A. C. Castillo, Tex.; Mrs. Don C. Jones, Korea; Mrs. M. A. Mobley, Tokyo, Japan; Mrs. A. B. Seidl, Indonesia; Mrs. H. P. Reeves, Bangkok, Thailand; Mrs. D. J. Richards, Recife, Brazil; M. J. Ledbetter, new appointee to Guatemala.

26 FRIDAY So they read in the book in the law of God distinctly, and gave the sense, and caused them to understand the reading. Neh. 8:8 (read vv. 1-8).

Missionary Merna Jean Hinson reports that more than two hundred people enrolled for activities at the Baptist Good Will Center in Natal, Brazil, during its first month of operation. The center was opened under her leadership last year. She was recently elected director of the department of social service for the Baptist convention of the state. Pray for her.

Pray also for J. G. Fielder, Fukuro, Japan; H. L. Sinclair, DMD, Kowloon, Hong Kong; E. C. Smith, Baptist seminary, Semarang, Indonesia; Mrs. D. E. Kendall, B. No. Rhodesia; Mrs. A. S. Patterson, ret., Lima, J. D. Rathiff, Lima, Peru.

27 SATURDAY Come over into Macedonia and help us. Acts 16:9 (read vv. 8-15).

H. Cornell Goerner reminds Southern Baptists, "It is increasingly recognized that post-war Europe is no longer a vital center of Christian faith and needs once more to be evangelized. Europe is a mission field no more—a home mission responsibility of European Baptists and a challenge to the

Americo to join hands in a co-operation." Pray that Europe may once again be a base for blessing the whole world. Pray for J. G. Stertz, West Germany; Mrs. J. Jackson, Jr., Japan; J. T. Lockridge, Philippines.



28 SUNDAY Go ye therefore, and teach all nations. . . and, lo, I am with you alway. Matt. 28:19-20 (read vv. 16-20).

Mrs. W. E. Wyatt, whose birthday was last February, writes, "How I looked forward to my first birthday on the mission field. I had always heard wonderful missionary tales of almost miraculous experiences on their birthdays. I just couldn't wait for the day to dawn. And do you know, it was absolutely the worst day I have spent in Nigeria! Everything went wrong. And then I realized God does not bless us on just one day of the year. He did not say 'I will be with you on your birthday,' but 'Lo, I am with you alway.' This realization was perhaps the greatest gift your prayer brought me that day."

Pray for W. E. Wyatt and his wife; Mrs. H. E. Renfrow, Brazil; Mrs. Leoncio Vaguillo, Cuba; and two GWC missionaries, Sarah Frances Diaz, Granite City, Ill., and M. L. Pratt, Washington D. C.

MONDAY Be filled with the Spirit: speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs. Eph. 5:18-19 (read vv. 16-20).

When the Navajo people requested a week's special classes so they could learn to read, preparations were made for the study. But it was soon discovered that their sheep were on co-operating. The week fell during the busiest lambing season. Even so, there was an average attendance of forty each night

and some Indians requested that the classes be extended another week so they could attend. They so much want to learn to read the Bible and sing in Navajo.

Pray for V. M. Kancubbe, among Navajos, Farmington, N.M. He too, must learn to speak Navajo, because he is a Choctaw; Colleen Crowley, GWC, New Orleans, La.; Margaret Collins, RN, Philippines; two missionaries in Japan; R. D. Hardy and Rosemary Lambert; three missionaries in Recife, Brazil; D. J. Richards, Cathryn Smith,* and Miss Onis Vineyard; Mrs. L. C. Quarles, Va., ret. after 44 years in Argentina.

30 TUESDAY How shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach, except they be sent? Rom. 10:14-15 (read vv. 11-15).

It was after ten o'clock at night. Buddhist priests and the family of the deceased, wearing the robes of mourning, came out onto the sidewalk and began the funeral ceremony. Almost life-sized paper-over-bamboo replicas of a rickshaw, a car, a Chinese servant, and a small house, complete with tiny furniture, were on hand ready to be burned so that the deceased would have them in the spirit world.

A young Chinese, standing in the group of onlookers, gestured toward the scene and spoke two words: "No use!" and quickly walked away. His words express the feeling of many in the Orient. Dissatisfied with the worship of ancestors and of idols, many do not believe in anything. They are ready for the gospel, but "how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard?"

Pray for volunteers, and thank God for those who have gone to carry the message glorious. T. S. Adkins, Hong Kong; Mrs. W. H. Cam, who, with her husband, are our first missionaries appointed for the French West Indies; R. A. Fowler, Brazil; Sarah L. Henley,* Nigeria; Mrs. P. H. Hill, Nigeria; T. L. Pfeiffer, ev. among Negroes, La.

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ed educational	
ev. evangelist	
Fr. French	
GWC Good Will Center	
Ind. Indian	
MD doctor	
pub. publication	
ret. retired	
RN nurse	
Sp. Spanish	

Mr. Carlos and the IDOLS

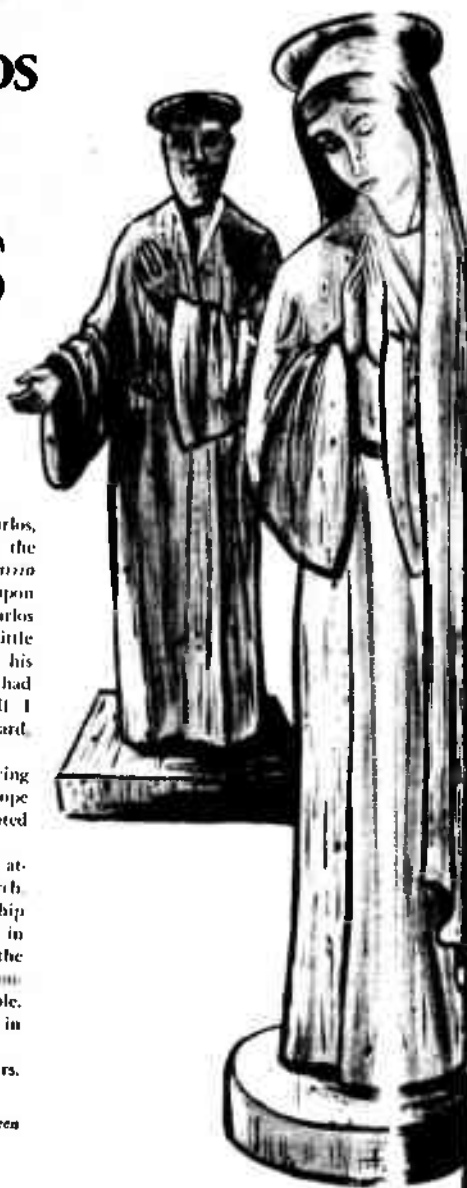
MR. CARLOS, who lives in San Carlos, Philippines, had been reading the Bible which Dr. de la Cruz of his *barrio* (native village) had lent him. Later, upon his doctor friend's suggestion, Mr. Carlos invited Mr. Mamaril, pastor of the little Baptist church nearby, to preach in his backyard. After Pastor Mamaril had preached, Mr. Carlos commented, "If I were to grade the preachers I have heard, you would top them all."

"Never mind the grade you are giving me," Mr. Mamaril responded. "I only hope you will accept the one I have presented to you—Jesus Christ."

Mr. Carlos, and later his wife, began attending services at the Baptist church. Weeks passed and in a morning worship service both made a profession of faith in Jesus Christ. "Mr. Mamaril, you're not the one who converted me," Mr. Carlos said to his pastor friend. "It's the Bible. Once I was in darkness. Now I walk in light."

Before this, throughout the barrio, Mrs.

Mrs. J. Earl Posey and her husband have been missionaries since 1936.



Carlos, a Roman Catholic, had been known for his novenas (prayers), which she led in his home. As a devout Roman Catholic, Mrs. Carlos' first concern had naturally revolved around her idols. After accepting Christ as her Saviour, she asked, "Is it necessary that we pray to idols when we trust in Christ?"

After the Carloses decided that they should not keep idols in their home, they wondered what they would do with them. They knew people who would like very much to have their idols. "We don't need them any more," Mr. Carlos told Pastor Mamaril one day. "Is it proper to give them away?"

"Suppose you have food that has spoiled. Would you give it to others to eat?" Pastor Mamaril questioned.

"Of course not, I'd feed it to the pigs," was his reply, followed by a slow smile of understanding, and Mr. Carlos commented, "I know what you mean now."

Three days later Pastor Mamaril visited the Carlos home. The first thing he noticed upon entering the small *nipa* (thatch made of palm leaves) house was that the table was cleared of idols. Mr. Carlos was reading the Bible to his wife when Pastor Mamaril arrived. "You see that table?" he asked. "That used to be the altar for our idols, you know. We have burned the idols."

Among the idols was a very special one, the Virgin Mary. It had been handed down through several generations, and a novena had been offered to that idol every year. The people had been taught that if a novena were sincerely said each year, then

they would be saved. "When we found our Christ is a sufficient Saviour we don't need it any more," Mr. Carlos explained.

"Had we known you were going to burn your idols we would have taken them," many of the barrio folk complained. Criticism for the burning of the idols mounted. Despite increasing ridicule and ostracism, however, the Carlos family regularly attended the Baptist church and they continued to witness to the barrio people of their new found Saviour.

But soon after the burning of the idols the Carloses experienced a severe testing of their faith. Their youngest daughter had a fever, which the parents unwittingly attributed to a blister on her foot. Bronchial pneumonia developed, and several days later the young child died. Neighbors and one-time friends accusingly pointed to the child's death as certain punishment for the idol burning.

Pastor Mamaril and his wife helped Mr. and Mrs. Carlos to find comfort in the Word of God, the same Book that had guided them in their search for Him. They assured the parents further that since they had trusted in Christ they would see the small child again some day. The funeral services in the home and at the graveside were very simple. There was not the usual burning of candles and the throng of loud mourners. In the darkness of their sorrow, Mr. and Mrs. Carlos received strength from the one who said, "I am the resurrection and the life." They realized that Christ alone, not the Virgin Mary or any other idol, is victorious over death.

by Mamie Lou E. Posey



Pastor and Mrs. Mamaril who helped Mr. Carlos to rid himself of his idols

A heart-felt JOURNEY concluded

by Mrs. R. L. Mathis

ON the recent trip which Mrs. Bates, Mrs. Hodge, and I made on behalf of the Women's Committee of the Baptist World Alliance, once again the Lord allowed me to visit the Near East. First we went to Lebanon, then Syria, Jordan, and Israel. In June, 1952, Mrs. George R. Martin, then president of Woman's Missionary Union, and I visited a group of seventeen Baptist women in the home of the Finlay Grahams in Beirut, Lebanon. There we encouraged them to organize the first Woman's Missionary Society of Lebanon.

In July, 1959, Miss Alma Hunt and I were back in Beirut to assist in the organization of the Woman's Missionary Union of Lebanon.

Now ten years from my first visit, Mrs. Bates, Mrs. Hodge, and I met with the women of Beirut in the chapel of our new seminary. How excited I was, as we drove up through the winding hills overlooking that beautiful city on the blue Mediterranean Sea, to come to the seminary which was only a "too-faraway dream" in 1952, an "olive grove on a hill" in 1959, and a reality in 1962.

Mrs. Mathis is president of Woman's Missionary Union and treasurer of the Women's Department, Baptist World Alliance.

Smiling, familiar faces greeted me—so many that I could not refrain from asking how many were present when Mrs. Martin and I were there in 1952. Ten stood! I couldn't believe it! I asked how many were present when we organized the WMU of Lebanon in 1959; seventeen stood. And so we had a glorious reunion where we ate their favorite party food, *tabook*.

Finlay and Julia Graham drove us to Byblos, to Baalbek, to Damascus (where I bought two pieces of pure Damascus brocade in the "street called Straight" to Jerash, and to Ajloun.

Here again memories took over! In 1952 Mrs. Martin, Dr. Rankin, and I visited the then new Southern Baptist hospital which had been turned over to us by a British doctor who had operated in it for fifteen years.

While there the leading men of the village, about forty-five in number, petitioned Southern Baptists to build a school. We promised this, and also to put screens on the windows of the hospital, furnish a power plant (mules were hauling water up the hills from Ajloun to the hospital), and

to build a home for the nurses.

All of this has been done, and more—a beautiful church which overlooks the main portion of Ajloun. A meeting had been arranged with the women of the town plus many who came by bus or were brought in mission cars from nearby villages—about one hundred and fifty.

Some were Christian—many were Moslem. Some were in Western dress; many were in the black Moslem robes and veils covering half of their faces. They were so very friendly and were so eager to hear about Baptist women. I recalled my first visit, and their interpreter expressed appreciation for all that has been accomplished in these eleven years. I shall never forget their good-bye's as they went away walking, in buses, and in cars. So many of them need Christ in their own hearts and homes. Please remember to pray for them and our missionaries there.

In the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, our journey included Amman, the capital city, the ancient city of Philadelphia, Petra, Jericho, Bethlehem, and Jerusalem.

Petra means "rock" and surely no city was ever more aptly named. But "rock" only conveys half the picture of the city. The wild, fantastic shape of the hills, the great chasms which cleave them, the brilliant rose-red coloring.

Driving from Amman, which we left at 4:00 p.m., we came to the little village of Wady Musa, where soldiers are stationed. From there we wound our way down through the valley where the narrow gorge

often closed in overhead. The road twisted and turned, barely wide enough between the mountains for us to get through.

As we came through the clearing we gasped at the beauty of the carved buildings on the rock-faces of the mountains. Here on the slopes we saw the remains of the ancient city: its temples, palaces, baths and private homes occupied from about the fifth century B.C. to the fifth century A.D. The finely detailed work of the sculptors who carved out the columns, porticos, and doors of the buildings seemed too fantastic to be true.

Occasional flights of steps were seen winding their way up the sides of the mountains. They were paths up which the worshippers climbed to places of sacrifice, tombs, or more important buildings.

Petra, at the top, is five thousand feet above sea level. I am not sure from where we started but we climbed to the monastery, the largest of all the monuments. Sometimes we found the remains of steps—most of the time not. Over and over again I told Finlay Graham I couldn't make it, and I don't believe I could have had it not been for Fatima, a young Moslem woman, who started climbing with us. From her camp, composed of a pallet or two, some pots and pans and two small children, she came along mainly to get *bakshish* (money) for bottled soft drinks which she had stored in a cave at the top.

Soon she saw my difficulty in keeping up and she reached out her hand. I took it and almost dropped it because it was so

Mrs. Hodge, Mrs. Mathis, Mrs. Graham, Fatima, Mrs. Bates



rough inside. However, I held on, and she and I made it to the top and back down. We became friends (talking in Arabic and English) through our smiles.

Yes, I paid her in *baksheesh*, but I shall always feel that she would have helped me without it, for we had made no bargain. I cannot forget her: her slender feet, bare and sure; her rough hands, helping and holding me steady; her young face, old enough to be twenty years more than her age of twenty or twenty-five (she didn't know for sure); her children waiting for her by the camp. I cannot forget that she does not know the Lord and perhaps never will.

Jerusalem, the Holy City, has grown so much since 1952, or even for that matter since 1959. Buildings stretch almost to Bethlehem. It has become a law that the children cannot beg in the streets, so it was much easier to wander from place to place, especially along the Via Dolorosa and across the Temple area to the Dome of the Rock where once stood Solomon's Temple. With mingled emotions we looked at the Hill of the Skull, the Garden of Gethsemane, the Mount of Olives, and Bethany. We spent an afternoon in Bethlehem.

How delighted I was to see Baptist Book Store over the front of a small building not too far from the Damascus Gate. The lower part of the building is used for a chapel. Our missionaries, the Bill Hens, have begun a marvelous work there.

His Honor, the Lord Mayor of Jerusalem, Mr. Rouhi Khatib, and other city officials gave a dinner for us at the Ambassador Hotel. They were very gracious, and they spoke words of appreciation for our book store and our missionaries. They are looking forward to having many of our young people visit Jerusalem in June of 1963 when the BWA Youth Congress meets in Beirut, Lebanon.

Jerusalem, the Golden City, is still cut in half by a strip of no-man's land where soldiers stand behind the barbed wire entanglements and bombed-out brick buildings. On one side is Jerusalem, Jordan;

on the other side is Jerusalem, Israel. Through this no-man's land, out of the Mandlebaum Gate, we entered a different world, the state of Israel.

Again, I could compare what I saw with what I had seen ten years ago. It was unbelievable! Such changes: buildings, buildings everywhere, new cities, new roads, new trees grown up and others being planted, irrigation along all roads. We spent four days driving from Jerusalem to Petah Tikva (to see our George W. Truett Children's Home and School), to Haifa, to Tel Aviv, to Caesarea by the Sea, to Nazareth, and to Tiberias on the Sea of Galilee.

I saw the young people at Petah Tikva whom I had seen as small children in 1952. I met with a wonderful group of women in the church at Nazareth. The women were of Cana and Tiberias and Nazareth.

We stayed overnight in the hotel right on the Sea of Galilee, where we could look across at the lights of towns in Syria and in Jordan. If there had been no haze and no twilight had been and good perhaps we could have seen the hospital on the hill at Ajloun, for it isn't too far from Tiberias.

After a short visit and a fine meeting of Baptist women in Lisbon, Portugal, and days in Rome where Southern Baptist missionaries and women gathered in our honor, journey's end came with a few days in Paris, London, and Ireland.

As the jet plane came down through a storm into Idlewild Airport in New York City, I said to Mrs. Bates and I say it again to you—we who travel so far and so fast should realize more fully than ever before the significance of Christ's ministry and the marvel of all that he did in three short years of teaching, preaching, and healing with only a donkey and his own two feet for transportation.

The experiences of this journey have deepened my understanding of our work and will live on and on in my memory. I have an abiding sense of joy in our Baptist fellowship and a continuing pride in our Southern Baptist missionaries and progress of the Foreign Mission Board.



by Cyril E. Bryant

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The New Secretary General

U THANT, age 53, a Burmese Buddhist, is the new Secretary General of the United Nations. He was elected as Acting Secretary General in November, 1961, to fill the unexpired term of Dag Hammarskjöld. In November, 1962, the General Assembly voted 109-0-0 to remove the word "Acting" from his title and give him full authority. He will serve until November 3, 1966.

U Thant (U is a title of respect in English), comes from one of the "neutral" or "unaligned" nations in the power struggle between Communist and Western nations. His land also, one must note, is a country of venerable age as nations go, and its people have learned through centuries of good times and bad the art of getting along. Mr. Thant is, therefore, a man whose cultural background lends itself to the mediation of international differences.

After the Assembly's unanimous vote was announced, making him the top diplomat in world politics, U Thant spoke humbly to the hushed audience. He hopes, he said, that "I may be able to play a role, however humble, in the easing of tensions" in the world.

When Mr. Thant's name first blossomed in the news headlines more than a year ago, many of us wondered hopefully if he were one of the 207,000 Baptists in Burma



U Thant

—for we knew that the Word of God planted by Ann and Adoniram Judson on those shores 150 years ago this year has reaped a wonderful harvest of souls. I phoned the UN information office and asked, "Could you tell me please, if Mr. Thant is a Baptist?" And rather than evade the issue as many government offices dodge religious questions, the man on the phone answered directly, "No, U Thant is a Buddhist. But he has many Baptist friends in Burma, and he has always felt kindly toward Baptists."

Buddhism is an Oriental religion, which listed 153,310,000 adherents when statistics were compiled for the 1963 World Almanac (as compared with 901,332,500 Christians at the same time). It is akin to Hinduism (335,802,300 adherents), but has less formalism and places greater emphasis on self-denial and compassion. Buddhism reached its greatest strength in India in the Third Century, B.C., and later died out there, though it has remained strong in Burma and Ceylon.

Mr. Thant began public life as an educator, and became headmaster of the National High School at the age of 22. He later was secretary of Burma's national board of education, then director of the government's press, broadcasting, and information ministries. He was secretary to the prime minister of Burma 1953-57, and came to the United Nations as ambassador from Burma in 1957.

He and Mrs. Thant are the parents of two children, but their son died in a traffic accident in Rangoon in May, 1962. Their daughter, Mrs. Tyn Myint, was in New York at the time of her father's election to the full secretaryship. Mr. Thant and the delegates of the United Nations need the prayers of all Christian people.

Retrospect

1888-1963



THIS 75TH ANNIVERSARY YEAR has caused us to "look in the trunk long stored in the attic." It contains treasures, as full of meaning for Woman's Missionary Union as old pictures, pressed violets, the wedding blouse, baby's first cap are for women everywhere.

In the day before office equipment included orderly files, scrapbooks were kept. Three of these are in our possession.

THESE WERE NOT HOMEMADE SCRAPBOOKS. Because every reference to them in the record calls them a "Mark Twain Scrap Book," we believe this was a well-known label of the day.

The first has a cloth cover of soft natural linen color and black, elaborately decorated with a gold peacock, gold flowers, and silver leaves which have retained their brightness to this day. Inside is pasted the bookplate type of marker identifying it as a Mark Twain Scrap Book, patented in the United States, England, and France. Its gray pages had the "modern" self glue feature which has stood the test of time.

The second scrapbook bears the Mark Twain label. Inside it is the same as Number One. The outside dark red cover with a neat design in black has no silver to adorn it but is made striking by the words Scrap Book in fancy gold script.

By the time the third was needed, the volume of printed matter had grown beyond Mark Twain's dimensions and a handsome ledger was selected.

In Scrap Book One there is a pamphlet printed in November, 1888, after the organization of Woman's Missionary Union in May. It sold for 5c and was entitled "Chips from Many Workshops." As we thumbed through it we found it contains bits that in retrospect fit charmingly into the era of our beginning. One is Sewing at Meetings: "After opening religious exercises, sewing is distributed,



and while the fingers are occupied with missionary sewing, the programme is carried out with intervals for conversation." After several hours of sewing and programme, the ladies produced their basket suppers, formed "little parties and much sociability" resulted.

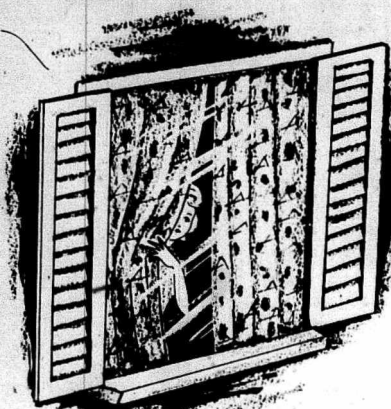
A PUBLIC MEETING WAS SUGGESTED for Sunday evening on occasion of the anniversary of the Woman's Missionary Society. The place of the female membership in such meetings is seen in the suggestion: "The Annual Report of the secretary and treasurer can be read by the pastor or some other friend. . . . Addresses can be made by gentlemen interested in the work."

One chip was entitled "Suggestions to Members of a Society." Using no subtlety it said, "Try to make any remarks in a simple manner, and directly to the point. Do not try to go on after you have finished what you have to say. In reading, or speaking, or leading in prayer, do it in a way that your voice may be heard." And concerning discipline of oneself and of meetings it said, "When one has something to say, let her address the president, while the others keep silence. . . . The meeting should be opened promptly at the appointed hour and closed at the appointed hour. If this be done it will win a constant and increasingly large attendance."

TWO SCRAPBOOKS LATER in the publication "Mosaics" the idea of Praise Meetings was projected--a worthy suggestion for our day. The suggested keynote: "What shall I render unto the Lord for all his benefits?" was to be answered by songs of praise, testimonies of remembered mercies, and prayer of thanksgiving.

As we prepare for the 75th birthday of Woman's Missionary Union next month we can well afford to look back at the Public Meetings in which the work of WMU was brought before the congregation and to the Praise Meetings which are as appropriate today as in the long ago.

Marie Mathias and Alma Hunt



Reluctantly Enlisted

by Kathryn Bullard

I had made such preparation for my first program at circle meeting. I could have taught a seminary class," exclaimed enthusiastic Helen.

During Helen's early adulthood, attendance at church was merely form and burdensome. Any kind of missionary meeting was tolerated only when she could not find an excuse to give the friend who never failed to invite her. But one circle meeting stands out in her memory. "I do not recall everything," she said, "but the program chairman had colored candles representing various

nationalities. As we watched the flames, the chairman said, 'The colors of the candles are different but the flame is the same. Christ is the Light of the world and we are his instruments.'"

"Oh yes, I do recall something else about that meeting—the friendly women I felt completely at home with them."

Shortly after this experience, Helen had a personal encounter with Christ. When she started looking for avenues of service, her first opportunity was to help teach mission study for a group of Intermediate GAs. She was frightened by this big assignment. Next she was asked to help with the program at a circle meeting. "Before Adults!" she exclaimed. "Oh, the preparation I made! And the programs I have planned since that day! We never have enough time for a program. There are so many things we need to learn."

"Let me tell you about a most interesting experience," she said, eyes twinkling.

Helen had gone out of town and when she returned she learned that the WMS in her church had divided one of its large circles and was looking for a chairman. The nominating committee was confident that Helen was the person and that she would accept. And she did! The group began with an enrolment of thirteen members and after months of hard work the circle grew to twenty-nine—(enough to form at least two and perhaps three circles). "Everyone assumed her responsibility and it seemed that the women just came," was her reply. But we know that God used Helen's enthusiasm and love for missions to attract others into vital spiritual experiences.

Presently Helen is program chairman of a circle and a Sunbeam Band leader. She teaches a class of young married women, works in the Intermediate Training Union Department and often leads conferences at associational mission study institutes.

The persistent, loving concern of a friend helped Helen to find that through Women's Missionary Union she could be awakened to a deeper understanding of her responsibilities in her church.

Mrs. Bullard is WMS Director for Women's Missionary Union of North Carolina.

Contributors to Program

Mrs. Miles Seaborn, Mati, Philippines
Mrs. Gray Benefield, M'lang, Philippines
J. Allen Smith, Clark Field Baptist Church,
A. Angeles, Philippines
Frank P. Lide, Baguio City, Philippines
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Baptist College, M'lang, Philippines



In the Philippines . . . Baguio to Cotabato

by Mrs. Ralph Gwin

PROGRAM OUTLINE

First Session

"Philippine Annual Mission Meeting"

Theme: His Will . . . Our Way

Opening Hymn

Devotion on Theme: His Will . . . Our

Way

Announcements and Roll Call

Welcome to Baguio and the Philippines

Who is the Filipino? Panel Discussion

His Will . . . Our Way

1. By Way of Print
2. By Way of Medicine
3. By Way of Education and Agriculture
4. By Way of Air Waves

Benediction—A prayer of thanksgiving

For the Program Chairman

Invite your members to participate in a make-believe annual Philippine Mission Meeting. Each member may represent a missionary (two or more if your membership is small). Pin names of women missionaries on members who will answer roll call (see page 34).

Order the Foreign Mission Board map "Southern Baptist Missions in the Philippines," also one copy of the leaflet "The Philippines: A Goodly Pearl for Christ" from the Foreign Mission Board, P. O. Box 6597, Richmond 30, Va., and place these on display.

Make the placards suggested for panelists

Missionaries in the Philippines

Theresa K. Anderson—Manila
Mr. and Mrs. Ted O. Badger—Cavite City
Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Benefield—M'lang
Margaret Collins—Dagupan City
Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Cross—Makati
Mr. and Mrs. James A. Foster—Baguio
Mr. and Mrs. R. Edward Gordon—Dagupan City
Mr. and Mrs. W. Eugene Grubb—Baguio
Mr. and Mrs. W. Bryant Hicks—Baguio
Mrs. Edith J. H. Humphrey—Baguio
Mr. and Mrs. Walter T. Hunt—Davao City
Mr. and Mrs. S. Clyde Jowers—Davao City
Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Lawton, Sr.—Palo City
Mr. and Mrs. Francis P. Lide—Baguio
Mr. and Mrs. James T. Lochridge—M'lang
Mr. and Mrs. Calvin C. Martin—Manila
Virginia B. Malmis—Manila
Mr. and Mrs. W. Harold Matthews—Davao City
Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Miller—Cebu City
Mr. and Mrs. W. James Moorhead—Quezon City
Mr. and Mrs. Howard D. Oliver—Baguio
DeVellyn Oliver—Manila
Mr. and Mrs. W. Hugo Parman—Manila
Victoria Parsons—Manila
Mr. and Mrs. J. Earl Poley, Jr.—Baguio
Mr. and Mrs. James L. Reeder—Manila
Mr. and Mrs. Robert F. Ricketson—Baguio
Mary Lucile Sanders—Manila
Mr. and Mrs. Miles L. Seaton, Jr.—Manila
Mr. and Mrs. J. Allen Smith—Angeles
Mr. and Mrs. W. A. S. Stebbins—Manila
Mr. and Mrs. Ellis B. Todaro—Tarlac
Faye Turner—M'lang
Mr. and Mrs. William R. Warfield—Manila
Mr. and Mrs. Elbert H. Walker—Baguio

in "Who Is the Filipino?" page 36.

The program will be suggestive of what happens during the ten days of a Philippine Mission Meeting. The theme is taken from the actual meeting last May.

Philippine Annual Mission Meeting

(Mrs. Allen Smith, wife of the Philippine Mission Chairman, opens the meeting.) Ladies and gentlemen, let us begin the annual meeting of the Philippine Mission by singing the theme hymn, "Have Thine Own Way, Lord," after which Mrs. Howard Oliver will lead our devotions.

Sing: "Have Thine Own Way, Lord"

Devotion on Theme:

(Mrs. Oliver) The theme for this meeting

is "His Will . . . Our Way," based on Isaiah 50:21 (read). As missionaries we have chosen His will. It may not be the easiest life, but what could be harder than the life of one who knows God's will, yet refuses to follow it? God's Holy Spirit is my helper.

My birthday, on Saturday, was so busy that I might easily have forgotten it was my day. But supper was festive with a birthday cake made by a friend. However tired, preparations for Sunday included study of my dialect Sunday school lesson, with thoughts of my pupils forbidden by the priest to attend.

Sunday a drop in attendance was disappointing. And such an uncooperative group! The whole program was adapted to the moment. Later I learned of opposition from neighbors as well as priests. A large stone had been thrown through the church roof.

Returning home my low spirits revived when I found several birthday cards in the mail. Only then did I realize it was November 7 in the States (8th in the Philippines). My birthday! My name on the prayer calendar! Concerted prayer being made for me! How could I be cast down? Whatever the burden, the Lord would sustain me. The message, "We are praying for you," comes all the year. But prayer on my birthday is very special.

Do you think we could turn the tables in this meeting? The people at home pray for us. Let us pray for them! (Speaker bows for Southern Baptists to be faithful in support of mission advance, that workers may be sent and lost people saved.)

Announcements and Roll Call:

(Mrs. Smith) We are opening the annual Philippine Mission Meeting in an unusual way this year. Women have the privilege of conducting this session. We want it to be informal but informative. Some announcements are necessary. You have the information about the vacation Bible school for the children. . . . Committee appointments will be announced by the chairman tomorrow. Each missionary has a responsibility on the committee

which plan for all of the mission work. Time is allowed for these meetings. . . . Now don't miss any recreational features! You must not get dull for there is work to do here. Fellowship hours are planned, as well as ball games and other things for both men and women. . . . Don't overlook the (don't [EE go ROTE] exhibition of crafts. . . . You will be on time for the morning sessions so you won't miss a minute of the Bible study. . . . The vacation Bible school commencement, as usual, will be on the last day.

Now I know you have not had an opportunity to greet each other and you are anxious to see everybody, so as the roll is called will each of you stand? It is thrilling to have three new families who arrived recently. Following the roll call Mrs. Edith Humphrey, our hostess, will welcome everyone.

Roll Call (Refer to list, page 34. Each "missionary" stands as her name is called. Use only the names of women.)

Welcome to Baguio and to the Philippines

(Mrs. Humphrey) We are always glad to have you in Baguio [BAM gee ol] at our Baptist Theological Seminary, and glad to have the missionary family together again. Southern Baptist work in the Philippines had its beginning here as the missionary language students, appointed for China, began to witness to the Chinese. Later, displaced China missionaries began to branch out in a little work with Filipinos who asked, "Aren't you going to preach to us too?" So Baguio is home ground, and you will feel at home on the Seminary campus. Enjoy our cool mountain air and beautiful scenery, and when you go home take the inspiration of these ten days with you, and the reassurance that we work together with our great God in carrying out His will for the Philippines.

A welcome address usually tells many old things about a city or country. Will you help me in welcoming our new missionaries? Some of you just stand up where you are and tell the newcomers something

which impresses you about these islands. (Assign statements to "missionaries" who will give them spontaneously.)

1. The Republic of the Philippines include more than 7,000 islands. Only eleven are of major size. More than 6,600 are smaller than one square mile, and 1,600 islands are not named. All of them, pushed together, would be a bit larger than the state of Arizona. They spread over an area that would touch our eight mid-western states of the Dakotas, Nebraska, Kansas, Oklahoma, Colorado, New Mexico, and north Texas.

2. The Philippines have about the same tropical latitude as Puerto Rico (southeast of the US coast). Generally warm, it is a relief to get to Baguio in the mountains. South of Formosa and northeast of Borneo, it is about 600 miles from Manila west to the coast of Indo-China (Viet Nam and Laos).

3. A legend of the origin of these islands relates that an angry giant threw a mass of rock into the sea which broke into pieces and formed the mountainous land. A more scientific explanation is that this is a range of mountains rising from the sea. Even the rugged mountains are inhabited, but the mass of the population lives in the coastal lowlands and plains, such as the large plain where Manila is built.

4. Resources include rich forests, but farming is the chief industry and rice the main crop. Also the main food, quantities of rice, are imported to meet the demand. Rice terraces on northern Luzon Island, in use for centuries, are called the eighth wonder of the world.

5. Fishing, pearl diving, and coral gathering in coastal waters are important occupations. On Mindanao Island the translucent, flat shells of one of the marine animals are often cut and fitted together for window panes.

6. Nearly 28 million people live in the

islands, mostly in rural areas and small villages, called barrios. Six distinct languages are broken down into about ninety dialects. The official language is Tagalog [ta GAH log], spoken by a fourth of the people. English, widely used, is the chief language of education and commerce.

Who Is the Filipino? (Panel discussion)
(Mrs. Smith) The next item on the program is a panel discussion led by Mrs. Miles Seaborn. Four panelists will assist her in answering the question, "Who Is the Filipino?"

(Panel Leader) The people of the Philippines are even more interesting than the islands, but now we want them to meet the people. Four women will represent four major groups of people found here. They will wear placards to indicate these groups. Will the panelists come now? Before they sit down we will ask each to tell her name and nationality. (Four panelists come from audience wearing placards to show they represent "Igorot" [EE go ROTE], "Chinese," "Christian," "Moro.")

Igorot: My name is Ameliana Asil [ah me lee ah nah Ah seal]. My nationality is Filipino.

Chinese: My name is Ts'ai Chin. My nationality is Filipino.

"Christian": My name is Maria Lopez. My nationality is Filipino.

Moro: My name is Felicia Fortura. My nationality is Filipino.

Leader: Thank you. You may be seated. Now these panelists are required to tell the truth, so we know they have done so. Yet how can each of them be Filipino? After a few questions which each panelist will answer, we will see if the new missionaries can tell which is the true Filipino. First, will each of you tell us where you live? (Leader may point out places on map.)

Igorot: I live in the mountains of northern Luzon Island.

Chinese: I live here in Baguio, but others

like me live in cities throughout the islands.

"Christian": I live in Manila, but many of us are scattered all over the islands.

Moro: I live on Mindanao, the large island to the south.

Leader: Now we will ask you in turn to tell a little of the racial background and ancestry of the group you represent. Tell how you came to be here in the Philippines, and also something of your religion.

Igorot: You would be very confused by many names and classifications given to the tribes of the Philippines. There are many tribes with as many names. Therefore we will let one name, Igorot [EE go ROTE] include them all. The name means "mountain dweller" and in this broad sense it is used to designate the various tribes of northern Luzon.

These tribes have kept their early cultural patterns, and some are among the most primitive peoples in the world. Some think they came here from the mountains of South China and Indo-China, bringing with them the knowledge of rice culture in the famous rice terraces. Imagine the view of one valley where thousands of miles of terraces are visible.

These people are among the earliest inhabitants of the islands. Through the centuries they have escaped the domination of other national groups. Spain could not conquer them. Any American penetration has been through general good will, doctors and medicines, and medical programs.

Only a few hours away from the modern city of Manila, the Igorots amuse themselves, dress, and farm as they have for centuries. One tribe is adept in copper and silver work. Until a few years ago some of the tribes were headhunters, justifying their acts by their religion which is largely animistic and polytheistic. In pagan superstition they take precautions to please, not offend, ancestral spirits. Pigs and chickens are often used as sacrifices.

Chinese: Chinese people in the Philip-

pines are quite numerous, particularly in the cities. It is said that 90 per cent of the nation's retail trade is in their hands. Some Chinese may be recent immigrants, but many are descendants of earlier migrations. Authentic Chinese accounts tell of trading voyages here as early as the 10th and 13th centuries.

Intermarriage with Tagalog [ta GAH log], and other people of urban and lowland areas, has produced a large class of Chinese mestizos [mas TEE zos]. The Philippines has been a melting pot through the centuries. Numerous influential citizens are mestizos. A few years ago an outstanding Philippine president was a Chinese mestizo. Others have been Spanish mestizos. One very handsome president had both Spanish and Chinese blood, as well as Malay. Many business and political leaders come from such mixed stock.

The religion of the Chinese, generally, is Buddhism, but their absorbing interest in business supercedes religious concern. They work seven days a week, often living in quarters above their places of business. Bound by ancestral tradition and family ties, it is not easy to reach adults with the gospel. Some Chinese, married to Malay wives, have become Catholics.

"Christian": The Philippines became known to the western world through their discovery in 1521 by the Spanish explorer, Magellan. Twenty-one years later another explorer named the islands "Philippines" in honor of Spain's King Philip II. The peo-

ple, basically of the Malay race, were called "Filipinos" (spelled with an "F" instead of "Ph"). Before 1600 all the islands were in possession of the Spanish, although they did not penetrate deeply into the interiors. Except for Mindanao and the Sulu Islands, the invaders were accepted rather easily by the native populations.

With the Spanish came priests and friars who converted the people to their religion. Today it is said that nine out of ten Filipinos are Christians, and that 83 per cent of the population are Roman Catholics. Hundreds of beautiful stone Catholic church buildings may be seen.

The main population of the Philippines is generally called "Christian" to contrast with the pagan Igorots and the Moslem Moros. Of course it means only that the people are of nominal Christian background and culture. It does not mean necessarily that they know Christ as Saviour.

Recurring revolts to Spanish rule always failed, and Spain's influence is everywhere apparent. Although their population in the country was never more than a few thousand, they left their descendants, influence of their language and literature, their civil and social institutions and organizations as permanent evidence of their presence, alongside the older Malay culture.

Spanish rule ended in 1899 when Spain ceded the island to the United States for a price of \$20,000,000. The influence of American culture has now been added to earlier cultural patterns. US promise of independence was fulfilled in 1946.

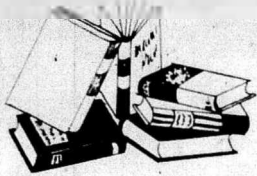
Proposed Amendment to By-laws of Woman's Missionary Union

Contingent upon action of the Southern Baptist Convention in session in May 1963 regarding the proposed merger of Carver School of Missions and Social Work with the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, the Executive Board recommends the following amendment to the By-laws of Woman's Missionary Union, SBC:

Amend Article VIII by striking out Section 2 as follows:

The executive board shall submit annually

to the Committee on Boards of the Southern Baptist Convention the names of the nominees of Woman's Missionary Union selected by the executive board to serve as trustees of the Carver School of Missions and Social Work. These nominees shall be members of Woman's Missionary Union. The executive board may appoint such committee or committees and prescribe such procedure for making nominations to it as, from time to time, may seem to be advisable.



Books for Cotabato

Southern Baptist College in the Philippines is in need of books for its library. Textbooks in the areas of education and the sciences would be especially useful. Any books given should be such as would be found in a high school or college library including such books as **ROBINSON CRUSOE** or **LITTLE WOMEN**. Do you have a few books which need a good home?

(Inquire at your post office about postage rates and how to pack books.)

Send them to:

**Southern Baptist College
M'lang, Cotabato
Philippines**

Moro: The Spanish invaders met their greatest resistance on the island of Mindanao, where the people belonged to a number of tribes of varying customs. Naturally war-like in nature, they resisted the outsiders, and their Moslem religion made them innate enemies of the Catholic conquerors. The Spanish gave the name "Moros" Spanish for Moors, to these Islamic inhabitants of Mindanao.

In earlier centuries Islam had swept into southeast Asia and the East Indies, from whence people migrated to Mindanao bringing their religion with them. Or, having already moved to the islands, were converted to Islam by Moslem missionaries who came to the Philippines in the 1300 and 1400's. The Spanish invasion stopped the expansion of Islam to other islands.

Moros then, are the Moslem people who live on Mindanao and the Sulus. They are not unlike other Filipinos in ancestry, but their culture, growing out of their religion, is different. There are also other tribes-people in the same islands who follow their pagan, animistic rituals and beliefs.

Leader: Doubtless we are guilty in this discussion of over-simplifying the very com-

plex racial background of the Philippines, but we do not wish to be confused. Have our new "missionaries" decided which representative they think is the true Filipino? (No answer.) Very well, will the Filipino stand? (All panelists stand.) There is the answer. One is as truly Filipino as another.

His Will . . . Our Way

(Mrs. Smith) The inspirational feature is a natural follow-up. We have seen some of the people. Now we are to hear a little about our way—the ways we work with the different groups here in the Philippines. (Names of missionaries may be given to the speakers, or they may speak without introduction. You may use the same panelists if you wish.)

1. By Way of Print: On a mission field like the Philippines where so many dialects are spoken, the need for literature and printed supplies is multiplied several times over. How would any church in the United States get along without Sunday school and Training Union quarterlies, WMU magazines and supplementary materials for teachers and leaders? Without song books? Without record and report forms or church bulletins? Without Bible, mission study, doctrinal, and numerous other study course books? Without vacation Bible school materials?

The Baptist Center in Manila is the agency which is attempting to supply the literature demands throughout the Philippines (see page 1). It includes the Baptist Center, book store, Baptist Center Press, business office and editorial and promotional department. Expansion is now in process. "And the work is just bubbling over for expansion," says Miss Mary Lucile Saunders. "We are requested to do two more dialect areas (Pampango and Ilocano) beginning with Sunday school materials. These are truly the food that sustains churches. Missionary organization or pleading for graded materials in the dialects. . . . Purchases of dialect materials account for a high percentage of our sales."

We are grateful to nationals who do the translations, who write materials, and who the missionary staff carry the production load. . . . Over 115 places are ordering Sunday school, Training Union, and WMU materials. More than 150 vacation Bible schools were held, reaching 10,000 people.

Also, we have increasing orders for our literature and books from other evangelical groups. "God's will has been manifested in providing a new location for the Baptist Center to allow expansion of all departments with the construction of a new building. Even in present crowded quarters, publication figures total 26,550 periodicals, 10,650 books, and 131,200 tracts.

On the last night of a revival at the church in Baguio, missionary Bill Tisdale preached in English. A seminary student interpreted into the Ilocano dialect. Another young man interpreted into Tagalog. Others in the audience spoke only Pangasinan [pahn GAH see nahn] and understood very little. Strong churches need dialect literature for evangelism and religious education, as well as trained leaders who speak the dialects.

2. By Way of Medicine: A Filipino woman who could not deliver her baby was brought to the Baptist hospital at Mati. It was too late to save the baby for the quack doctor had treated the mother in a misguided effort to help her. But the mother was saved and returned to her large family.

The 30-bed Mati Baptist Hospital last year treated 1,066 inpatients and 7,300 outpatients. Located in an isolated, difficult area on Mindanao Island, the hospital is the wedge which is opening doors and hearts to the gospel. Patient load is increasing annually as people are being educated slowly to the good medical practice available there. The hospital, eight years old, has been under the direction of Miss Victoria Parsons, missionary nurse-administrator, assisted by Miss Dee Oliver, director of nursing services. National staff members are two doctors and eight nurses.

Eighteen churches and chapels have been developed in the Mati area, some resulting from contacts made through the hospital service. This is quite a change, as Miss Parsons pointed out in her report last year. She had just attended a Christian wedding and a Christian funeral in the church at Mati, and was struck with the contrast. "I remembered my first Sunday in Mati," she said. "There was no evangelical church service, nor anyone to read the Bible with me. I did not know a single Christian. A little girl across the street died with measles. There was no medicine. I read the Scripture and talked to the family because there was no preacher. That same day I attended my first wedding in Mati. The couple signed some papers and the city official said, 'Now you are married.' Eight years later, sitting in the church, listening to the choir and the pastor's message, I thanked God for Southern Baptists, the Cooperative Program, Lottie Moon Christmas Offering, and for people who care."

3. By Way of Education and Agriculture: Space limitations have made it necessary to turn students away from Southern Baptist College at M'lang, Mindanao, where both Moro and Catholic students are enrolled. Many Moros prefer the Baptist school to the Catholic one nearby. Evangelistic opportunities are plentiful in the student body of nearly seven hundred. Last year sixty students trusted the Lord as personal Saviour in the Religious Emphasis Week. A Student Gospel Team conducts many services in outlying barrios. Through the college's director of religious education, some students have been assigned as Bible teachers in released time in the public schools.

The widening influence of the Agriculture Department of the college is being felt by the island people who need instruction in modern methods to improve production from their small farms. The agricultural director has spent much time bringing the farmers into contact with the Philippine government's Bureau of Agriculture. Institutes to teach adult farmers

have been held throughout Cotabato Province, plus one as far away as Dagupan (Dah GOO pun) on Luzon. Garden seed are distributed to encourage year-round gardening. Purchased hogs and chickens have been distributed to crossbreed with native stock. To increase the farmer's profit, emphasis is given to disease control in livestock and poultry.

The agriculture department proves profitable for the school also. Food for the cafeteria comes from the school garden and excess produce is sold. Labor on the experimental farm provides work grants for fourteen students. Income buys needed tools and equipment. A new \$10,000 agriculture building has improved both looks and efficiency of the department.

4. **By Way of Air Waves:** "Radio's slim fingers" can reach people the missionary will never see. Imagine the consternation on Sunday of missionary Howard Olive, producer of the taped messages for the Baptist Hour of the Philippines, as he realized the tape at the Dagupan station was being played backwards. A hurried call advised the technician of the error. He thought the message was in Chinese!

Mrs. Leroy Benefield tells this happy story. A retired American Navy man, having served in the Philippines, decided to return and marry the Filipino woman with whom he had fallen in love. Mr. A, as we shall call him, ran away from a fine Christian home as a young man. If he went back he knew he would still have to face the question, "What will you do with God?"

The couple traveled by boat to Mindanao, rode a bus all day, then walked into the mountains to start a cattle ranch. But Mr. A took a radio! During a Baptist city-wide revival in Davao City (DAH vow) he heard the daily sermons of missionary Leroy Benefield. The statement, "A man cannot run away from God," was disturbing.

A few weeks later Mr. Benefield drove a distance out to inspect a lot purchased for construction of a Baptist chapel. He was surprised to see an American emerge from an unfinished house next door. Mr.

A introduced himself and at once recognized the name of the missionary. "Why did you stop so soon?" he asked, beginning to weep. The missionary read the Bible and prayed with Mr. A, answered his questions, and prayed more. Mr. A was happily saved.

But that is not all. Soon Mr. Benefield received a letter from America which read: "Last week while teaching a youth class on missions I again became much concerned about my brother-in-law in the Philippines."

... It was his mother's last prayer that he might come to know the Lord. I have studied the map. . . . If you have time, would you please witness to him? I will continue to pray for you and him." The letter was written the day Mr. A was saved!

Mr. A was the first person baptized in the new chapel next door. Also, boys of several tribes now live in his house. He sends them to school so they may return to teach their own people. In the meantime, Mr. A pays part of the salary for a Filipino pastor who preaches in the mountains.

Benediction

(Mrs. Smith) We have sought and felt God's leadership. In closing let us pray with thanksgiving for the accomplishments of the year. (Let the prayer mention these items:

The 45 per cent increase in church membership to total of over 5,300

Eighty-two ordained nationals serving the churches and 106 in church related vocations

The Seminary and Bible school where workers receive training

The 59 missionaries under appointment
The missionary doctor for the Mati Hospital

The missionary working with students in Manila and Dagupan

The couple for work in the island between Luzon and Mindanao

New buildings for English-language churches at Clark Field and in Manila

For God's continued blessings in the Philippines and for greater advances in the future.)



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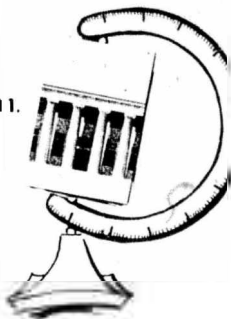
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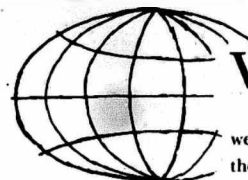
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World Missions PROCLAMATION



WE PROCLAIM 1963 to be a year of special outreach by our church in world missions. In this year we shall deepen our understanding of the word of God for the world. We shall study to learn the character of our world and the needs of the world's peoples. We shall obey our Lord in our daily living, so that our lives will illustrate God's word even before we speak. We shall then speak the urgent word that our Lord commands us to speak, and we shall send missionaries and give our tithes and offerings to support them, so that people everywhere may learn of Jesus Christ and confess him as Saviour and Lord.

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World Missions Week

April 22 - 26

As a part of World Missions Year, 1963, April 22-26 has been designated as World Missions Week. The purpose of the week is to encourage the entire denomination to study world missions. Books have been prepared for each age group. These are listed on page 9, April Royal Service.

At executive board planning session decide on best ways for WMU to help promote attendance at the Associational World Missions Rally and at the mission study class sessions.

Keep in mind the definition of world missions, the objective of the year, the slogan, song, and over-all goals of World Missions Year as you assist in teaching the books, promote attendance at the classes, and participate in all the activities related to World Missions Week and World Missions Year.

Definition:

World missions is the presentation of the gospel of Jesus Christ to all the peoples of the world, both at home and abroad, with the purpose of leading them to personal

faith in Christ and obedience to his will.

Objective:

The enlistment of all our Baptist people, churches, associations, conventions, and institutions in the evangelization of all the peoples of all the world.

Slogan:

"Sharing Christ with the Whole World"

Song:

"Ye Christian Heralds!"

Over-all Goals:

- Increase in mission volunteers
- Increased personal and concerted prayer for missions
- Increased giving for missions
- Establishing new churches and missions
- Increased mission and Bible study
- Increased circulation and use of mission magazines
- Acceptance of personal responsibility for world missions
- World missions made vital in each church

The Extension Member — *the Intercessor*

The enlistment chairman or the prayer chairman may use the following letter to enlist extension members as participants in the

Intercessory Prayer League.

Dear Friend:

You are one of many women in

our church who is shut in. Perhaps you have thought "My active days of service are over." If so, let me remind you that right now, where you are, you have an opportunity to enlist in the mightiest and most far-reaching service of your life.

One shut-in has discovered that while she was in active life she was too busy to devote much time to prayer; but now that she is confined to home she has become an intercessor. Her room has become a gallery of pictures of missionaries and by her bed there is Royal Service with Call to Prayer and a globe of the world with certain mission stations marked.

Another says, "While reading in the Psalms I called upon the Lord in my distress; the Lord answered me, and set me in a larger place. I discovered that living within four walls is no longer a small place; I can roam the world with God, and talk to him about the missionaries,

the churches, schools, and the lost people around the world."

A young woman, a paralytic says, "I don't really feel like a shut-in; I have prayer partners all around the world."

Another shut-in spends every Saturday night in prayer for her minister and the activities of her church. This undergirding by prayer has helped to give power to her church.

This is our invitation to you to join in this glorious prayer work for God and with God. God needs you. You are important to him and to his cause around the world. Here is one of your opportunities to work with Woman's Missionary Union members in your church. Will you accept it?

Prayerfully yours,
(prayer chairman or enlistment chairman)

(Adapted from "An Invitation to You" in Stewardship Facts)

This Quarter

I. Study right acquisition of money

The following outline may be presented at promotional time in circle or society meetings:

CLEAN MONEY

I hold in my hand this dollar bill. As to whether it is clean or not, depends upon what answer I can give to two questions:

How did I get it?
What will I do with it?

1. How did I get it?

A. By gambling? Then it is not clean. Charles Kingsley said to his son: "Of all habits, gambling is the one I hate most and have avoided most."

B. By dishonesty? Then it is not clean. Comment upon refined forms of robbery common today, e.g. "chiseling."

C. By borrowing? Then it is not clean until I pay it back. A warning against living beyond one's means! Henry Ward Beecher said to his son: "Avoid debt as you would the devil. It is better to pay as you go. If things are charged and bills submitted later, pay the bill by return mail."

D. Did I earn it? Did I give value for value received? Then it is clean.

II. What will I do with it?

A. Will I hoard it? Then I will soil it. Illustrations: The Parable of the Rich Fool, Silas Marner, by George Eliot.

B. Will I waste it? Then I will soil it.
Illustration: The Prodigal Son
C. Will I use it as "God's Trustee"?
Then I will not soil it. Illustration: The
Parable of the Talents

—Rev. John Calvin Reid

2. Promote reading of a stewardship book
Choose from the following list and order
the books from your nearest Baptist Book
Store.

Stewardship Enriches Life, Hatch, \$1.25

Found Faithful, Moore, 75c

Christian Sharing of Possessions, Usery,
85c

Sacrifice and Song, Farmer, 35c

My Money and God, Hastings, \$2.50

Partnership with Christ, Conrad, 50c

Let's Think About Money, Cowling, 75c

God's Wealth and Ours, Bowen, 50c

The Larger Stewardship, Cook, 50c



Jewish Fellowship Week

April 15-21

At present there are more than 5,500,000 Jews in America. Baptists believe that without Jesus Christ as their Saviour they are lost, for Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me" John 14:6.

Under the direction of the Home Mission Board we have a Jewish mission program. The general objectives of the program are:

- To persuade Jewish people to accept Jesus Christ as the Messiah and as their personal Saviour.

- To encourage Christians to assist Jewish people in making public profession of their faith and in uniting with the local Baptist church.

- To prepare the local church and its members to receive Jewish people after they believe in Jesus Christ.

- To provide places of service in the church for Jewish converts after they have had an experience

of salvation.

Jewish Fellowship Week, April 15-21, can be one step forward in achieving these goals. During this week encourage WMS members to visit in the homes of Jewish neighbors, visit Jewish business associates, visit those who are ill. Visit the synagogue or temple in your area and learn more about Jewish beliefs. Invite Jewish friends and acquaintances to the services of your church and help them to understand our beliefs. Plan a social occasion in order that WMS members may become better acquainted with Jewish people in the community.

The following Scripture passages are helpful to those seeking to win Jews:

Isaiah 53:1-12; Hebrews—Chapters 9 and 10

a. The promised Messiah, Isaiah 7:14; Matthew 1:18-23

b. His work of redemption, Isaiah 53:7; 1 Peter 2:22-24



Glorieta WMU Conference
Glorieta, N. Mex.
July 18-24, 1963

Write Mr. E. A. Herron
Glorieta Baptist Assembly
Glorieta, N. Mex.
for reservations

Ridgecrest WMU Conference
Ridgecrest, N. C.
August 8-14, 1963

Write Mr. Willard K. Weeks
Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly
Ridgecrest, N. C.
for reservations

Go West or East to WMU Conferences:

methods conferences
missionary conferences
Bible study
promotional features
missionary messages
prayer periods

Progress Reports

Two copies of the midyear progress report on WMS Aims for Advancement (blanks found in the WMS Report Book) must be given to the WMU president by April 5. She keeps one for her files and sends the other to the associational WMU president, along with YWA, GA, and Sunbeam Band midyear progress reports. Do not forget

the date, April 5.

The WMU year 1962-63 is half over. This look at the work of the first six months of the year will show you the progress your society has made on the anniversary goals and on Aims for Advancement. We hope that your report indicates real progress in every phase of the work.

Three E's

Three anniversary goals bring three E's to our attention this month: Enlistment, Enrichment, Enlightenment.

1. Enlistment—15% increase in members

This increase in members is for all WMU organizations—not WMS alone. The total WMU membership must increase 15 per cent over that of last year if this goal is to be attained.

(1) Have an enlistment survey. Order the WMS Enlistment Survey Card, 50 for 30c; 100 for 50c (packaged only as listed) and find out the relationship of every woman in your church to Woman's Missionary Union. Have an enlistment week in your church. Order the pamphlet, WMU Enlistment Week (price 10c from Woman's Missionary Union, Birmingham 3, Ala.) which gives step by step plans.

(2) Have a definite program of enlistment visitation planned and directed by the enlistment committee for every Thursday, or the first Monday in each month, or at some regular time convenient to the largest number of members. Take with you the Doorknob Calling Card (2c each; \$1.00 for 100 from Woman's Missionary Union, 600 No. 20th St., Birmingham 3,

Ala.), and leave a message for those you fail to see. When visiting women who are not acquainted with WMS, leave the leaflet, "Our Church Wants You in WMS" (free from your state WMU office).

(3) Organize additional circles to encourage members to work at enlisting all prospects.

(4) Maintain good attendance at circle and society meetings by having interesting programs and doing challenging work.

2. Enrichment—At least one Honor WMU organization

If all WMU organizations in your church are striving diligently to achieve Honor recognition then your organizations are being enriched and the quality of WMU work in your church is improving. If at least one Sunbeam Band, Girls' Auxiliary, Young Women's Auxiliary, or Woman's Missionary Society is Honor at the close of the WMU year 1962-63, this anniversary goal will have been attained. It is hoped that you will have an Honor WMU. If so, then your Woman's Missionary Union will help the associational WMU attain the associational anniversary goal—At least one Honor WMU.

3. Enlightenment—Study of World Awareness

WORLD AWARENESS by Sadie T. Crawley

is the fifth in the Aims Series. The book is due to come from the press April 1. Select a good teacher; schedule the teaching of the book; order books (price 25c) from your nearest Baptist Book Store. (Teacher's Helps will be available after April 1 from Baptist Book Stores or Woman's Missionary Union, 600 No. 20th St., Birmingham 3, Ala., for 25c.) Publicize the claim and encourage every WMS member to read this new book.

Royal Service

75th Anniversary Year



WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Our PURPOSE

"And Moses led Israel onward" and he said to them "diligently hearken to the voice of the Lord thy God, and . . . give ear to his commandments."

From the mountainside of Galilee to which Jesus directed them, his disciples met him there to hear his last commandment: "Go forth therefore and make all nations my disciples: baptize men everywhere in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, and teach them to observe all that I have commanded you. And be assured, I am with you always, to the end of time" (The New English Bible).

When purposes are born of God, they are not variable, tossed about by the waywardness of his creation. They remain constant, and God is with his children always as they obey him. God-called preachers, Spirit-filled leaders, dedicated church members heed God's commands and "Go forth therefore."

"Laborers together with God . . . that the world through him might be saved" 1 Corinthians 3:9;
John 3:17.

PROGRAM

Woman's Missionary Union 75th Anniversary Annual Meeting



Even before 1888 women took along their children with them to missionary meetings.

May 6-7, 1963
Kansas City, Missouri
Municipal Auditorium



75th Anniversary Annual Meeting

MONDAY Morning 9:30 o'clock

Opening Prayer President of Woman's Missionary Union

Song Service Director, Dr. Claude Rhea
Organist, Mrs. Lydia Lovan

Call to Worship Trumpets

Come Women Wide Proclaim

Laborers Together With God in Europe Mrs. Charles Whitten, Spain

Tributes and Messages

Mrs. W. C. James, President 1916-1925

Mrs. W. J. Cox, President 1925-1933

Mrs. George R. Martin, President 1945-1956

Recognition of Local Committees Mrs. C. S. Crinklaw, Chairman

Beginnings in Africa Dr. I. N. Patterson

Glimpses of Our Work in Africa, Europe, and the Near East Dr. H. Cornell Goerner

Today I Serve Mrs. Mabola Ayorinde, Nigeria

Closing Meditation

Laborers Together

Roll Call—Africa, Europe, Near East

Tomorrow I Serve—New Missionary

MONDAY Afternoon 2:00 o'clock

Song Service

Call to Worship Trumpets

Come Women Wide Proclaim

Laborers Together With God in the Orient Mrs. J. A. Foster, Philippines

Messages from Overseas Woman's Missionary Unions

Beginnings in the Orient Miss Blanche Sydnor White

Glimpses of Our Work in the Orient Dr. Winston Crawley

Today I Serve Mrs. Rosalind Lam, Hong Kong

Closing Meditation

Laborers Together

Roll Call—The Orient

Tomorrow I Serve—New Missionary

MONDAY Evening 7:30 o'clock

Theme: For Liberty and Light

Song Service

Call to Worship Trumpets

Come Women Wide Proclaim

Laborers Together With God President's Message

Messages from Overseas Woman's Missionary Unions

America, the Beautiful William Jewell College Choir

Glimpses of Work in Our Homeland Dr. Courts Redford

Today I Serve Dr. Leobardo Estrada, New York City

Mrs. Louise W. Propst, Atlanta

Rev. D. J. Rollins, Alaska

Rev. A. Allen Elston, Oregon

Closing Meditation "The Testament of Freedom," Thompson

William Jewell College Combined Choirs

Director, Wesley Forbis

TUESDAY Morning 9:30 o'clock

Song Service

Call to Worship Trumpets

Come Women Wide Proclaim

Laborers Together With God in South America Mrs. Gerald Riddell, Chile

Business

Election of Officers

Beginnings in Latin America Mrs. Helen Bagby Harrison

Glimpses of Our Work in Latin America Dr. Frank Means

The Singing Churchmen of Oklahoma

Directed by James D. Woodward, Tulsa

Dr. John Soren, Brazil

Today I Serve

Closing Meditation

Laborers Together

Roll Call—Latin America

Tomorrow I Serve—New Missionary

TUESDAY Luncheon 1:30 o'clock

Hotel Muehlebach

Songs of Yesterday

75 Years of Fashions

Recognitions of WMU Leaders of Other Years and Missionaries Alma Hunt

Glimpses of the Past

TUESDAY Evening

Southern Baptist Convention Opening Session

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