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POINT II—Celebrate the Jubilee

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POINT III—Present Post-Jubilee Program

The Post-Jubilee Program, adopted by the Southern Baptist Convention and beginning in October, 1964, is a five-year emphasis on the nature and function of the New Testament church. Yearly emphases are as follows: A Church Fulfilling Its Mission Through

1964-65—Worship

1965-66—Proclamation and Witness

1966-67—Education

1967-68—Ministry

1968-69—Evangelism and World Missions

Plans for the new WMU year are summed up in the 3-Point Program for Progress. See articles on pages 1, 10, and Forecaster as well as current WMU Year Book.

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Point

PROGRAM
For Progress

by Helen Fling

WAYMARKS

ANNIVERSARY 1963—just behind!

JUBILEE 1964—just ahead!

ANNIVERSARIES have a "before" and "after" look, like signposts along a highway. They are markers which indicate miles traveled and distances which beckon still. As Woman's Missionary Union passes her 75th Anniversary milestone and enters the Jubilee Year, there is an Old Testament Scripture verse which is especially appropriate. Jeremiah 31:21 admonishes, "Set thee up waymarks, make thee high heaps: set thine heart toward the highway."

Too often we resemble a character in one of Stephen Leacock's stories who jumped on his horse and wildly galloped off "in all directions at once." As organizations and as individuals we are tempted to try many byways, thereby losing our perspective and arriving nowhere. Yet one highway is clearly defined for every Christian in Isaiah 40:3, "Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God."

In a very real manner the Baptist Jubilee Advance years, with their emphases and goals, have served as "waymarks" to keep us on the highway. Certainly, the 75th Anniversary Year of Woman's Missionary Union, coming within this six year period, gave perspective and increased our sense of direction. Dorothy Canfield Fisher once said, "If anybody needs to look up from the magnificence and importance of details and glance

at the great horizons of life, mid-twentieth century woman needs to do so." The anniversary called us from selfish myopia to look at the great horizons of our missionary beginnings and purposes.

With deep gratitude we recounted our missionary heritage, and, on the lighter side, celebrated our anniversary with a feminine flourish. In an effort to reconstruct an era of 1888 women, to recall their problems and evaluate their contribution, we managed also to recapture a bit of their charm in the rustle of anniversary taffeta. (Surely no one enjoyed the anniversary more than I! What Eve does not enjoy wearing grandmother Eliza's gold brooch or swishing around in great-aunt Sarah's petticoat?) However, we do err if we linger too long in the lilac-scented past. The greater significance of the 75th Anniversary must never be smothered in lavender and old lace. No organization has more obligation nor will be judged with more severity than Woman's Missionary Union if she disregards her heritage and fails to act responsibly now. In truth, "what is past . . . is prologue."

On one occasion Miss Annie Armstrong declared, "Past successes are but stepping stones for future endeavors. So much is still to be done there is no time to stop even for

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congratulations or praise." There is only time for praise and thanksgiving to God, then supplication for his direction in future tasks. Our chosen hymn for 1963-64, with its "before" and "after" look, echoes this thought as we sing, "O God, our help in ages past. Our hope for years to come. . . ." Therefore, still warmed by unforgettable anniversary experiences, grateful for every gain, we turn at once to the final tasks of Baptist Jubilee Advance. Let us approach this as a climactic year—for all that has preceded it has been in preparation for the year of Jubilee!*

In *Glimpses of Glory*, Dr. C. C. Warren wrote, "The jubilee indicates an era of special importance, a time when we are expected to do more than usual. The Third Jubilee* is not just another denominational program, to be woven casually into our activities. It must be given a major place in our thoughts and prayer."

It will only be given a major place as we admit our need for improvement in specific areas and seriously undertake our objectives. Have we really grasped these objectives? Listed by Dr. Merrill D. Moore they include: "winning the lost at home and beyond the seas; interpreting the supreme lordship of Jesus Christ in our own day; making the Bible a vital reality in every relationship of life; exhibiting the nature and relevance of our historic Baptist principles; building our churches into communities of Christians who are growing in Christ-likeness. . . . These same objectives, although phrased differently, are discovered in a Three Point Program for Progress launched by Woman's Missionary Union for the final year of Jubilee Advance. Let us study and adopt these special plans for 1963-64 and use them as "waymarks" for our Jubilee journey. (See article, page 10.)

Read Leviticus 25 and recall that God instituted the jubilee as a time of "return-

ing and rest and restoration" when his children were to return to his high purposes for them. It was to be a hallowed time of personal examination that would lead to a rebirth of obedience and a desire to honor God.

In a similar spirit, Woman's Missionary Union observed her Jubilee in 1963, publishing a list of "Self-Searching Questions" for individual use and addressing some pointed questions to societies in the *Manual of Golden Jubilee*: "Does our multiplicity of activity spell true devotion? Do our far-flung projects show a worldwide vision of Christ's kingdom? Does our perfect organization embody a desire to serve Christ more efficiently?"

These questions are still relevant. Others might be added for a time of self-examination in this our 76th year, the year of Baptist Jubilee: Are we squandering our time on trivial, dissipating power generated in prayer retreats? Are we more devoted to a cause than to Christ, more dependent upon materials than upon the Spirit? Are we worthy soul-winners, planning a program for others, yet unwilling to participate ourselves? Are we exulting in Baptist beliefs while spending little time with our Bibles?

Our age has been described as "the era of the great goof-off" when we Americans stampede from responsibility. However, members of Woman's Missionary Union, sharply confronted with the misery of mankind, must forever travel the road of mission responsibility. Anniversaries and Jubilee goals mark the journey for reason but WMI Aims are sure waymarks at all times. Our program of mission study, prayer, community missions, stewardship, and educating youth in missions will argue by women of unconquerable faith and compelling witness. It cannot be marred by uncertain faith and casual interest.

Obviously, our 1963-64 task is a light undertaking. We must make the Year what it was meant to be—a year of prayer and thanksgiving. Let us affirm our clear-cut fundamentals and work out

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COVER

Mrs. Wisewoman, WMI member, is on her way. She is well prepared because she has participated in a Leadership Course. She has seriously prepared herself for participation in program discussion, visitation, reporting.

Mrs. Wisewoman knows that if a Christian woman is to make a telling contribution to the work of Christ's kingdom she must be prepared in heart and mind and spirit. Others seeing her sincerity and dedication will respond and join with her in service.

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*The year of Jubilee, 1963, marks the 150th Anniversary of the organization of Baptists for the continental level. Third Jubilee means three periods of 50 years each.

We Get LETTERS



by Marie Mathis

SOMETIME AGO I read a letter from a woman which went like this: "I'm tired of reading and hearing so much about women, the many heavy demands on modern women, the special emotional needs of women, the vast reservoir of untapped talent represented by women, fulfilling careers for women, equality for women, women for astronaut training, a woman for president. Women, women, women. Blah, blah, blah."

We trust that you do not feel this way, but that since you belong to a great woman's organization, you are interested—interested in the plans, the progress we make, the ways in which we try to carry out our purpose. Surely you are just plain interested in Baptist women everywhere.

And so are we . . . so much so that we want to bring you together through your letters. We shall read your comments, your criticisms, your words of commendation. We shall weigh them, evaluate them, and many times we shall be guided by them.

Obviously we cannot print comments from all the letters we shall receive, but we invite you to write and share with us your thinking about any subject that is of common interest to all of us.

We shall not as a practice print the names of writers. Occasionally we will give a brief answer if we feel one would be helpful.

Frequently letters contribute to better understanding of an organization's purpose. I would like to feel that this will be true of the letters we shall read and the comments that will be gathered for this page.

Please send your comments to Letters, 600 North 7th Street, Birmingham, Alabama 35203. We will not have space to print every letter, but we will select carefully from them, using a variety of subjects.

From the words "exchanged here" we should get new ideas for tomorrow, and through these exchanges of opinions we shall be able to determine what our membership thinks and wants.

Double Anniversary for Mrs. Berry

I have been a member of the WMC since 1916. It was organized the year I was born, 1888, and I have been a subscriber of *Royal Service* since its existence.

Mrs. F. L. Berry
724 Brown Street
Frankfort, Kentucky

(We extend our special congratulations to Mrs. Berry as she celebrates her 75th year along with WMC!)

Information, Please

So sorry to find in *Royal Service* that you have changed the Prayer Calendar, leaving off the information we have been having. We sure did enjoy it and felt we knew better how to pray for our missionaries. Please in the future let us go back to more information about them . . . even our folks were becoming more interested.

M. F.

(We encourage writers to follow "bent" so there will be variety.)

Paper Change Asked

I have a request to make of you. I know the slip paper you use is perfectly beautiful to look at, but to read under a lamp is something else. The glare is terrible. There must be scores of women that would say the same thing.

If you could use the same paper as in *Forecaster*, I would be grateful.

Mrs. M.

(Thank you for the suggestion, but it isn't possible right now.)

"Our Freedoms" Commended

I have spent a wonderful hour or two poring through June *Royal Service*. I have been thrilled all over again with this issue. Through its pages God speaks.

I wish especially to commend you for Mrs. McMurry's "Our Freedoms." It is magnificent! Well done! . . . We continue to look to WMC for leadership.

Mrs. O.

"Where Am I?"

Why is the table of contents on page 32 (or anywhere else) rather than in the front of the book? . . . The only change I'd ask for in *Royal Service* is to let us know in the front what's in it and where. . . . Thanks for listening!

(You will be pleased to see that this "change" came with the April issue.)

A Friend for Antonia

Dear Women:

I have already received my April *Tell*. I have just read the story "Antonia—A Lovely Filipino." This story really touches my heart. I prayed for her the moment I

finished the story, and will continue to every day. I am adding her to my prayer calendar.

If it is possible I would love to have this message given to her: "I will always remember you in my prayers, and will ask God to give you courage and strength to remain having our God as your only God."

Sincerely,

Glenda, a G.A.

"The New Secretary General"

Why do we have to have an article by a Buddhist in our *Royal Service* (April) magazine? The less said about the gentleman the better.

Mrs. S.

(The article about Mr. P. Thant, the Secretary General of the United Nations, was written by a Baptist, Mr. Cyril F. Bryant. We feel that we owe it to our readers to keep them informed about a man whose position is so influential. Although Christians lament many things existing in our world, it is necessary for us to live and work in these conditions and circumstances, and whatever knowledge we can gain fits us to do a better job in spreading the gospel.)

Brief Comments on Royal Service

I would like to see in one issue of *Royal Service* a complete rundown of all religions and their beliefs as compared to ours.

(In August no doubt you profited from the excellent program in your missionary society on "Faring Away from the Truth of God." If you could not go to your society meeting that month go back and read the program, page 34; and also "Brass Tacks," page 4.)

Dear Friends:

My only complaint is that the words used most of the time in *Royal Service* are too hard for our women to pronounce. It should be written in simpler language.

Mrs. R.



Missionary doctor Jack E. Walker and patients in front of Baptist Tuberculosis Hospital, Mbeya, Tanganyika

THE TWO HOSPITALS pictured on these pages—one in Tanganyika and one in Gaza—are representatives of the need for personnel in the eighteen hospitals, and forty-six clinics and dispensaries which Southern Baptists provide through the foreign mission program.

Six of these hospitals, five clinics, a health center and a maternity center are in Nigeria, one of our oldest mission fields. In that country a constant shifting of medical personnel is necessary because of continued urgent need for additional staff.

The hope for the future lies in the fact that national nurses are being trained at the outstanding school of nursing at Eku Baptist Hospital in Nigeria. In order to remain accredited, however, this school must have a number of well-trained missionary teachers. Other hospitals in that country desperately need more than the one or two missionary nurses now available for each.

With the realization that a school of

nursing provides not only the opportunity for Christian education for young people of a country, but also facilitates the growth of Christian witness, an increase in the development of schools of nursing in many countries is urgently needed.

There are nursing schools in Gaza, Nigeria, Jordan, Paraguay, and Indonesia in connection with Baptist hospitals. Appointment of additional nurses in the past eighteen months has made possible plans to begin a school of nursing in Mexico, Japan, and in Thailand. Other schools of nursing might be started if the shortage of nurses could be alleviated. While only one missionary nurse is available for hospitals in Tanganyika and Ghana, two each for Southern Rhodesia and Colombia, and while there are no more than two nurses in most of the other hospitals, no encouragement can be given to the pleas which come in the Foreign Mission Board for new schools of nursing and new medical work.

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by Edna Frances Dawkins

BAPTIST TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL, TANGANYIKA

Nestled among the mountains of Tanganyika, this Baptist Tuberculosis Hospital stands as evidence of the compassionate concern of Southern Baptists. This hospital was built in response to a request by the Ministry of Health of Tanganyika because there was no adequate treatment center for tuberculosis in the area.

A beautiful building with good equipment has been provided, but not the personnel to staff this hospital. When Miss Joan Collins, the one missionary nurse serving there, returns to the United States for furlough in December this year, Dr. and Mrs. Jack Walker will be the only remaining medical personnel.

Needs include a nurse, a missionary doctor for treatment of pulmonary diseases, and a hospital administrator.

The fact that patients in this hospital must stay for a matter of weeks and sometimes months affords unusual opportunity for Christian witness. This hospital is a symbol of hope to the people in this new African nation, which gained full political independence in December, 1961. But the effectiveness of its ministry is severely restricted by lack of missionary nurses.

Equally urgent is the need for personnel in the eighty-five-bed surgical hospital in



Nurse Joan Collins teaching patient to knit, to employ his time during long convalescence



Nurse Collins instructs in care of patients, medicines, and hospital procedures

Will You Go?

Nurses are desperately needed now!

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Nurse Collins teaching Sunday school class



BAPTIST HOSPITAL AT GAZA

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Classroom lectures are provided for nurses as a part of training

Gaza, a narrow strip of land between Israel and Egypt under United Nations supervision. The Foreign Mission Board took over this hospital which had been operated by the Church Missionary Society of England for about one hundred years when the society could no longer maintain it. In this strongly Muslim area the only opportunity for evangelical witness is this Southern Baptist hospital where refugees receive treatment. Yet, at the present time, not one missionary nurse appointee is working in this hospital. Continuing in the leadership of the school of nursing is Mrs. Carolyn Cate Farah, former missionary nurse of the Board; nursing service is carried on by two faithful Australian nurses employed by the hospital. Three nurses are needed in Gaza now! Although three surgeons are assigned to this hospital, furlough schedules make it imperative that a fourth be sent now. But Dr. Jean Dickman stresses the priority and number one need to be nurses.

Do you know a qualified missionary nurse who is ready to go out now? What about you? or a friend? or a daughter? or a granddaughter? Will you stop reading right now and pray for God's leadership as to whether or not your greatest fulfillment

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Missionary doctor James M. Young making friends with patients at hospital registration window



Nurse Dorothy Bird with missionary doctors Jean F. Dickman and David C. Dorr talk with patient

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FROM Washington

by Cyril E. Bryant
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Shame in the Nation's Capital

WASHINGTON is, in the national mind's eye, an ideal city. And when these dreams of idealism are punctured with reports of threatened race riots and a rise in the crime rate, the whole nation cringes in shock.

What are the facts about Washington?

★ Washington is a city made up of imperfect people, just like other cities.

★ Negroes moving in search of freedom and equality have migrated to Washington in large numbers. The city has several appeals: government jobs are awarded without regard to color. District of Columbia schools and all other public areas are open to all races. The welfare code is perhaps more liberal in Washington than elsewhere.

★ As Negroes have moved into the central city, the white population has retreated to the suburbs. The present population within the District of Columbia is 54 per cent Negro, and public school enrollment in the District is 81 per cent Negro.

★ Federal Bureau of Investigation figures show that during the twenty years of greatest racial change, 1940-60, the city's per capita crime rate increased 57 per cent. And the Metropolitan Police Department says that 81 per cent of the people arrested for major crimes in 1962 were non-whites.

But rational comparisons, it must be admitted, show that the city of Washington is about average or above. Of the 15 largest US cities, Washington ranks eighth in crimes per capita.

There is a great big encouraging fact about the situation in Washington. Wash-

ingtonians themselves are trying to take constructive steps. This is not an easy thing to do in a city which does not have home rule. The District of Columbia is governed by Congress through a board of commissioners. The people of Washington have no vote. Civic leaders with plans for constructive improvement are sent from one office to another, with all telling them that the final answer must come from Congress. New proposals are likely as not to die in congressional committees.

Leadership in correcting Washington's problems has come from the churches. Three hundred Negro churches in the metropolitan area have launched a city-wide movement for "moral reformation" to combat crime, and, in their words to "make Washington an ideal city." Their call for action, written by a Baptist, Rev. Colbert H. Pearson, pointed out that though the federal city grants the Negro citizen certain rights, the Negro is still a victim of discrimination in housing, in non-government employment, and in apprenticeship assignments by trade unions.

Their statement spoke also of the causes of crime. It warned that "any community where public services are not adequate or open to all, where discrimination and injustice bar the way of persons who have a contribution to make to society, where justice has become class dominance, where inadequate housing compels people to live like animals, is a tragic community—and a tragic community makes tragic men who commit tragic acts."

More recently, white and Negro ministers, priests, and rabbis of the city have organized an Interreligious Committee on Race Relations to "work for equality of opportunity for Negro citizens" in many fields. They plan more than sermons. They will face head on, they say, the Negro's problems.

The race question in Washington is a source of shame to every citizen. Serious and forthright action must be taken not only in Washington but all across our land.

by Marie Mathis

3 Point

Program

THERE IS NOTHING MORE IMPORTANT to Woman's Missionary Union than the future. We should be far more concerned about where we are going than where we have been. Among other things, experience has shown that the more specifically the course of an organization is planned, the more likely that organization will realize its purpose or destination.

WMU executive board members and the WMU staff, aware of this, have spent many hours studying the goals and plans for the final year of the Baptist Jubilee Advance (1959-64).

One major question was raised: How can

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we in 1963-64 conserve the gains of our 75th Anniversary Year and also celebrate worthily the year of Jubilee which concludes the Baptist Jubilee Advance? We realize that we also must plan carefully for the years which follow.

Therefore, Woman's Missionary Union launches for the in-between year, 1963-64, a Three Point Program for Progress as follows:

POINT 1 Aim to Advance

Every WMU organization should achieve higher recognition than that gained for the 75th Anniversary year.

POINT 2 Celebrate the Jubilee

Have a Jubilee Year Prayer Meeting. A joint Jubilee meeting of all organizations in the church for praise and thanksgiving.

Have 15 per cent increase in

Progress

AND WITNESS

1966-67 EDUCATION

1967-68 MINISTRY

1968-69 EVANGELISM AND
WORLD MISSIONS

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Co-operate in church study of graded series on Baptist Heritage as promoted by the Training Union

POINT 3 Present Post Jubilee Program

In line with the recommendation of the Southern Baptist Convention and working with the Sunday School Board and the Brotherhood Commission, we present as follows plans for a five-year emphasis on A Church Fulfilling Its Mission Through:

1964-65 WORSHIP

1965-66 PROCLAMATION

Isn't it exciting to contemplate that every WMU organization will attempt to do better than in the 75th Anniversary Year? Approved will become Advanced—Advanced become Honor—Honor become an Honor Woman's Missionary Union. An Honor WMU will strive to be a better Honor Union. This is the greatest challenge we have had to work carefully on the Aims for Advancement since they were adopted as our plan of work in 1956. Where does your organization stand? Get ready—and let's go—all of us.

Point 2 is filled with challenging opportunities. Plans have been made. New books and leaflets are on the horizon to help us. See October Forecaster for specific WMS plans.

The WMU staff in Birmingham will give suggestions for the Jubilee meeting in your church.

At the request of the Southern Baptist Convention Baptist Jubilee Advance Committee, a special committee has prepared a paper entitled "Baptist Ideals and Their Current Significance." This will be available later in a leaflet from state Convention offices. Also in Royal Service articles

Three Point Program for Progress

on Baptist ideals will be used.

Many helps are available to guide you in becoming a personal soul-winner. What an opportune time to magnify WMU participation in soul-winning plans of your church. Watch WMU magazines and see the 1963-64 Year Book for announcements about leaflets, books, and other ideas that will be helpful to you.

There are 260 chapters in the New Testament. Each of us is to read it through January-December, 1964. Call to Prayer in *Royal Service* will guide us in keeping together as we read—daily. Won't it be thrilling to know that thousands of us will be so joined together in mind and spirit?

We shall do better than ever before to enlarge our vision and our hearts through better and better missionary programs. To help us, too, there will be the last of the Aims series books, *Spiritual Life Development* by Mrs. William McMurtry. Plan Prayer Retreats. Miss Alma Hunt's WMU history will strengthen our conviction that "because much has been given, much is expected." All of these exciting plans plus many, many others you will hear about—and read about. It will be easy for you "to become better informed and more involved in your church's total mission program."

Surely every church will have the church study course using the graded series on Baptist Heritage as prepared and promoted by Training Union. This comes in April, 1964.

WMU is a vital partner in the church study course plan.

Point 3 brings a deep, soul-satisfying experience to every Southern Baptist. For a long time most of us have felt the need to plan our program in the interest of the church and each individual member. Now it is to be done. This is the Post Jubilee Program as outlined above under Point 3. It is big. It is vital. Plans are not complete but as they develop they will be given through our church organizations to all members.

Early Baptists in America were few in number. They worshiped either in the open air or in homes of their members. Not until 1700 did they have a church building and then, tradition states, "It was in the shape of a hay-rack, with a fireplace in the middle, the smoke escaping from a hole in the roof." In 1726, in Providence, Rhode Island, this makeshift structure was supplanted by a much more adequate one on the adjoining lot. This served as the church for Baptists of that area for about fifty years.

In 1775 a new "meeting house" was dedicated, and it still stands.

Through the years that have followed Baptists have moved all over America and built churches. Our own denomination has more than 32,890 churches. These are symbols of the faith of our ancestors, as often-ance dear to us all.

It is fitting that the years just ahead shall be years of praise and thanksgiving to God for his work through our witness; and that we shall also give increased emphasis to the function of his churches to whom Christ committed the fulfillment of his purposes among men.

THE

Memo to
New
WMU
President
from
Alma Hunt

YOU ARE A MEMBER OF THE CHURCH COUNCIL. Your relationships here are significant and vital.

In regularly scheduled meetings of the council you will discuss WMU work with the pastor, leaders of all organizations and representatives of the major interests of the church. Likewise you will listen to plans and discuss the work for which all the others on the council are responsible to the church. In the council you are drawn together in mutual co-operation. Problems and concerns of each organization become common challenge to all for solution. You are unified by one main objective: to build the church program through the church organizations. You will not only plan for Woman's Missionary Union's part but you will be objective in considering the other programs and give full support to the work of all church organizations.

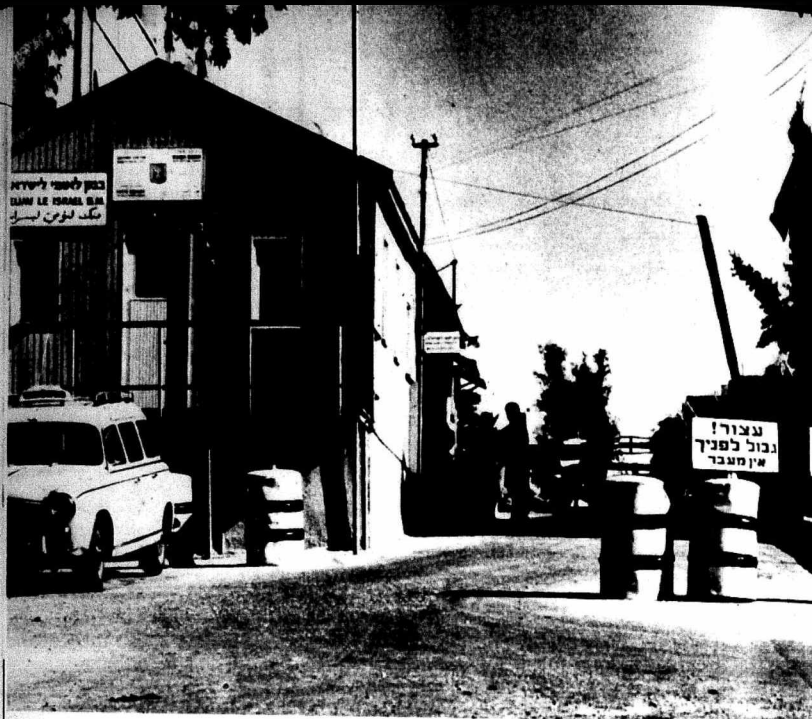
With few exceptions, the council is composed of men. Their understanding of the program and purpose of Woman's Missionary Union rests with you. You are the liaison between the Union and the council. As WMU president, you will keep the council aware of the contribution to the church which the Union makes in study, stewardship, prayer, Christian witnessing and missionary education of youth.

Among the most significant work of the church council is the recommending of objectives and goals to the church and the coordinating of the emphases and activities of all organizations through a church calendar. Such a calendar gives the leaders of organizations assurance that all meetings are scheduled and that conflicts will be avoided. This gives the WMU president perspective and helps her to avoid making undue demands on the time and abilities of WMU members.

As you make your contribution to the council, the council also makes a contribution to you and the work of your WMU. Those who work together month after month in the close association of the council have the wonderful realization of being collaborators with God in the church's ministry. Each member comes to appreciate the work of the others. Each sees the organizations in relation to the total church program. In the council, there is engendered a spirit of co-operation and involvement which motivates a church to action.

Are you saying, "But our church is small. We have a pastor but no employed staff. We have no church council."

Your church is not too small to have a council. The purposes and spirit of a council can be realized in any church where the pastor calls elected leaders together regularly to co-ordinate and schedule the work of the church organizations. An initial, good discussion may result in a church council and all the blessings it can bring to your church.



I went through MANDELBAUM GATE

IN my mind's eye, I had pictured the "gate" with tall stone arches and massive doors guarded by uniformed soldiers, perhaps. But we stopped in front of a simple wooden building painted dull green. "And this is Man-

delbaum Gate," announced our missionary friend guide.

Oh me! I thought. Before there was a plain shack surrounded by barbed wire and rubble which only a war can leave. Yes, this was Mandel-

baum Gate. Not a gate at all, but a passageway through the "no man's land" between Israel and the Arab World, set up fifteen years ago at the end of a war not yet settled by a peace treaty. In spite of unpretentiousness everyone, soldier and civilian alike, treats Mandelbaum Gate with a great deal of respect. It is the only point of contact between Israel and the Arab World. The only spot in all of Israel's 510 miles of fortified land border that can be safely crossed by anyone except United Nations personnel. And passage through this gate is restricted and closely guarded. No Jewish citizen of Israel can cross this border and no citizen of Jordan can come to Israel. Both governments however, have agreed to let tourists cross at Christmas-time to visit relatives and friends.

by Marjorie Hooper

On the morning of the crossing into Jordan of thousands of Christian Arabs a line begins to form before daylight and meadily grows as buses arrive from Nazareth, Israel, until it seems to stretch for miles in the distance. It has probably been several years since many of these people have seen their friends and relatives in Jordan. All who apply are not permitted to go each year. Families have been separated by this border —fathers, and sons, sisters and brothers, grandparents and grandchildren. Those who stand in line are laden down with gifts for loved ones. Mothers stand patiently

with babies and small children taking them to see relatives in Jordan. They stand for hours to cross for this brief visit and know that they may be turned back at the border either going or coming.

We approached our first visit to Jordan from Israel with apprehension. There were so many things to remember! We must put away our passports with Hebrew on them before we reached the Jordanian officials and use our specially prepared visas. Over and over we reminded ourselves not to use our newly acquired words in Hebrew, of which we were so proud. The older members of the mission added to the suspense with "tall tales" of what happens to people who are mistaken for Israelis!

After showing our documents to the Israeli officials we walked the few feet of "no man's land" alone, surrounded by tank traps and under the watchful eye of armed sentries on rooftops. Soon we were greeted cheerfully by the Jordanian tourist police and entered into the ancient city of Jerusalem without mishap. Within the thick stone walls of the Old City we had the sensation of having traveled thousands of miles from our modified western atmosphere in Jerusalem, Israel, to this exotic place with its market stalls, street vendors, and veiled women. But nothing in our delightful visit could quite dispel the isolation we felt in passing through Mandelbaum Gate and our sadness for the tragedy of this closed border which separates people and keeps them from understanding and loving one another.

Ms. Marjorie Hooper and Mr. Hooper are missionaries in Israel.



"The seed is the word."

The seed sowed by preaching of the Word in churches, schools, on street corners, in chapels, homes, ships, hospitals, and jails

Call to Prayer

Day by day
for the World I Pray

Prepared by Hannah Plowden

1 TUESDAY Behold, there went out a sower to sow Mark 4:3 (read vv. 3-9)

Pray for M. N. Alexander, ev., Bangkok, Thailand; R. M. Willocks, ed., Taejun, Korea; Mrs. R. W. Smith, homemaker, Uruguay; Mrs. S. A. Smith, ev., Guayaquil, Ecuador; Helen McCullough, ret., China and Hawaii; T. K. Muskrat, ev. among his own Ind. people, Lawrence, Kan.; Pray for 683 Chaplains who serve in the Armed Forces, hospitals, institutions, and industries under supervision of Home Mission Board.

2 WEDNESDAY The sower soweth the word Mark 4:14 (read vv. 14-20)

Pray for national co-workers of missionaries

Pray for A. V. Jones, ev., Guayaquil, Ecuador; D. L. Orr, music ed., Cali, Colombia; Mrs. H. D. Duke, med. ev., Temuco, Chile; S. F. Longbottom, Jr., ev. and pastor, app. in 1954, served in Hawaii until transferred to Dalat, Vietnam, in 1960; Mrs. S. F. Longbottom, Jr., mother of three children, ev., WMU worker, Dalat, Vietnam; Mrs. T. N. Johnson, ret., China; Mrs. Francisco Platillero, Sp. sp. ev. among Cubans in Miami, Fla.; Mrs. Gilbert Oakeley, Sp. sp. ev., Espanola, N. M.; Frederick Brown, center director, Mobile, Ala.; Mrs. Truman Granger, Fr. ev., Lawtell, La.; Mrs. Gil Aldape, ret., Tex.

3 THURSDAY Take heed what ye hear, and unto you that hear shall more be given Mark 4:24 (read vv. 24-25).

Pray for the Christian ministry of TV and radio in our own and other lands.

Pray for W. L. Jester and the Nigerian Baptist Theol. Sem., Ogbomosh, Nigeria; Mrs. S. R. Flewellen, ev. and homemaker, Ghana; Mrs. J. F. Baugh, Jr., teacher and ev. mother, Faridpur, E. Pakistan; Kent Paris, Ind. ev., Cubero, N. M.; Claribel Jeffers, ret., Tex.

4 FRIDAY If [the kingdom of God] is like a grain of mustard seed Mark 4:31 (read vv. 30-32).

Pray for missionaries among the Indians. Pray for Mrs. E. B. Trott, ev., Ancaju, Brazil; Mrs. J. J. Hartfield, app. 1960, just completed language school, Mexico; Mrs. J. E. Taylor, ev., Mexico; R. B. Hilliard, teacher at Bapt. Theol. Sem., Barcelona, Spain; Mrs. R. T. Rowlin, teacher at Theol. Sem., Mexico.

app. appointed	Ind. Indian
BA business administration	MA Missionary Associate
BSU Baptist Student Union	med. medical
ed. educational	ret. retired
ev. evangelism	Sp. sp. Spanish
Fr. French	° furlough
GWC Good Will Center	

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So Rhodesia; Mrs. C. M. Hobson, H. A. Fox, J. C. Brown, Jr., all app. by FMB in May, 1963; F. M. Cassidy, ret., Cape Charles, Va.; Mrs. Aurelio Dawkins, pastor's wife, Chilibre, Panama; Francisco Platillero, works with Cuban refugees as Sp. sp. pastor in Riverside Bapt. Church, Miami, Fla.; Mrs. Bertis Fair, N. C. migrant ev.; R. B. Hooper, Jr., teacher missionary, N. C.; Attis Mae Popwell, nurse among unwed mothers in Sellers Home, New Orleans, La.; District of Columbia WMU annual meeting, Washington, 4

5 SATURDAY Go home to thy friends, and tell them how great things the Lord hath done for thee, and hath had compassion on thee Mark 5:19 (read vv. 19-20). To every Christian the Master says, "Go... tell."

Pray for Maxine Lindsay, nurse, Ajloun, Jordan; D. E. Kendall, ev., Lusaka, No. Rhodesia; Mrs. A. A. Giannetta, for nine years with HMB now with Italian sp. people, Campinas, Brazil; B. W. Coffman, ev., Dominican Republic; Alcides Lozano, ev., La Chorrera, Panama; Mrs. Robert Gross, ev., Mission Center, Albuquerque, N. M.; Thomas Lowe, pastor to Chinese, Los Angeles, Calif.; Mrs. C. H. DeArmas, Sp. sp. ev., Fla.; Mrs. Lillian Robertson, ret., HMB, La.; Mrs. J. M. Sanchez, ev., Havana, Cuba; Mrs. G. D. Herrington, app. June, 1963, by FMB

**SUNDAY
OCTOBER 6** Oh that men would praise the Lord for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men! Psalm 107:8 (read vv. 7-9)

Pray for the South, both whites and Negroes in the fearful conflict that is trying the Christian integrity of both races.

Pray for Helen Stuart, Sp. sp. ev., Balboa, Canal Zone; Mrs. R. J. West, Sp. sp. ev., Tex.; J. F. Butler, deaf ev., N. C.; Mrs. J. B. Horton, ev. among Cherokee Indians, N. C.; Mrs. C. T. Hopkins, ev., Ibadan, Nigeria; Mrs. D. L. Hill, ev., Philippines; W. C. Newton, ret. after 37 years in China; Mrs. D. M. Lawton, ev., born in China, served there and in Thailand before he and her husband, who also was born in China, were transferred to Taiwan. Mrs. W. Lawton, Jr., served in China and

Hawaii. She with her husband (brother to D. M. Lawton) now serve in Kowloon, Hong Kong. G. F. Riddell (twin brother to Mrs. W. W. Lawton) is administrator, Bapt. Academy, Temuco, Chile

7 MONDAY Serve the Lord with gladness Psalm 100:2 (read vv. 1-5)

May we pray for ourselves and all Christians that unsaved people may see the reflection of God's face in ours.

Pray for D. J. Rollins, pastor under HMB in Ft. Yukon, Alaska; F. W. Johnson, Jr., Sp. sp. ev., Tex.; Mrs. L. F. Lawson, GWC, Ky.; Marie Van Lear, who was app. in 1954, has taught in Abeokuta Elem. School, Reagan Memorial School, and is now in headquarters office in Ibadan, Nigeria; Mrs. H. W. Schwensberg, ev., Bogota, Colombia; J. A. Lunsford, ev., Brasilia, Brazil; H. E. Renfrow, ev., Niteroi, Brazil; Mrs. M. J. Ledbetter, ev., Guatemala; Colorado WMU annual meeting, Cheyenne, Wyoming, 7-8.

8 TUESDAY I will love thee, O Lord, my strength Psalm 18:1 (read vv. 1-3) Pray for love as the abiding incentive for every daily task.

Pray for Mrs. J. E. Walker, office worker, Mbeya, Tanganyika; Mrs. J. E. Mills, homemaker, Ibadan, Nigeria; R. G. Duck, ev., Barranquilla, Colombia; Mrs. J. F. Spann, ev., Campinas, Brazil; M. V. Gonsen, ev. among Indians, Albuquerque, N. M.; Mrs. J. E. Hubbard, Ind. ev., Pawnee, Okla.

9 WEDNESDAY I will bless the Lord at all times, his praise shall continually be in my mouth Psalm 34:1 (read vv. 1-4)

Pray for students in seminaries at home and abroad that they may be loving, faithful, and zealous.

Pray for Mrs. S. H. Cockburn, ev., Argentina; Mrs. J. R. Matthews, ev., Buenos Aires, Argentina; Dorothy Latham, GWC, Manaus, Brazil; Mrs. F. D. Stull, ev., Lima, Peru; J. D. Hooten, ev., Mombasa, Kenya

10 THURSDAY The Lord hath made known his salvation, his righteousness hath he openly shewed in the sight of the heathen Psalm 98:2 (read vv. 1-2)

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HANNAH
PLOWDEN

AT HOME IN MANNING, SOUTH CAROLINA, I am living with my sister Camilla, Mrs. J. Alton Eadon, and my beloved brother-in-law. They have two children and now five grandchildren. Through the years Camilla, Alton, and I have shared many things. We have always said "our children" and now we say "our grandchildren." They have come to know and love many missionaries and local Christians much as I love them, and we have had the pleasure of entertaining many of them in our home.

I became a Christian when I was eight years old, and was called as a missionary when nine years of age. I graduated from Winthrop College, and WMU Training School in Louisville, Kentucky, and was appointed to China in 1921 where during my first furlough I received my Master's Degree from the University of North Carolina. I served in evangelistic and educational work until 1931 when I came home on furlough in ill health. After two years of convalescence, I was invited to teach at New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary where I continued for four years when I applied and was reinstated by the Foreign Mission Board to take up my work in China.

Mrs. Theron Rankin, her young daughter, and I started back to China in October, 1940. Political conditions worsened so rapidly, however, that by the time we reached Hawaii our Board and the US government told us to discontinue our journey to China and to disembark in Honolulu. Mrs. Rankin returned to the States. I remained in Hawaii where the Foreign Mission Board opened up the first of many new Pacific area missions with missionaries withdrawn from China.

I had the rich experience of twenty years of service in the Hawaiian Islands where I saw mission born, grow up, and assume autonomy. Hawaii is a state in the Union with its own Baptist convention.

Now, I am retired. I'm spending happy days in the homeland in rich fellowship with Christians.

Pray that grace and love in hearts of our missionaries in every contact that they shall make to the world.

Pray for G. H. Hays, ed. and treas. of Japan Baptist Mission, Tokyo, Japan; Mrs. W. M. Garrol, ed., Fukuoka, Japan, mother of four children of her own and a wonderful Japanese adopted daughter; Mrs. D. B. Ray, ev. and mother, Chonan, Korea; D. C. Cather, field missionary, Tamale, Ghana; J. L. Moon, ev. on Amazon River, Manaus, Brazil; J. F. Mitchell, ev., Temuco, Chile; Mrs. Enrique Vazquez, pastor's wife, Pinar del Rio, Cuba, and Francisco Rivero, pastor, Mutanzas, Cuba, both of whom are serving in midst of Communists; Mrs. R. B. Alvarez, Sp. sp. ev., Texas.

11 FRIDAY Bless the Lord... who crowneth thee with lovingkindness and tender mercies. Psalm 103:1-4 (read vs. 1-4).

Pray for the lost.

Pray for Mrs. A. G. Dunaway, Jr., mother and nurse in hospital, Okuta, Nigeria; O. C. Robison, Jr., ev., Benin City, Nigeria; Mrs. R. C. Sherer, ev., app. 1948, mother of four children, Kobe, Japan; L. M. Krause, ev., Germany; V. W. Chambliss, Jr., business manager and legal consultant, Mexico Mission.

12 SATURDAY And he took them up in his arms, put his hands upon them, and blessed them. Mark 16:16 (read vs. 13-16).

Pray for work with little children on all mission fields. They are the easiest to reach, the quickest to learn the story of Jesus. They are our key to many homes.

Pray for Mrs. H. W. Mobley, med., dental assistant to her husband, mother and homemaker, Dunkwa, Ghana; Bennie Mae Oliver, music teacher, third generation missionary whose parents and one brother also serve in Brazil; Mrs. H. L. Shoemaker, homemaker and ev., Dominican Republic; R. W. Smith, after completing language study he has begun ev. work, Uruguay; R. A. Holifield, ev., Rome, Italy; Mary C. Page, social worker with children, GWC, St. Louis, Ill.; Mrs. Edmon Burgher, Jr., Russian ev., Los Angeles, Calif.; Mrs. Richard Mazanec, Czech ev., Fla.; Mr. G. F. Tyner, Jr., app. June, 1963, by FMB.

**SUNDAY
OCTOBER 13** The Son of man is Lord also of the sabbath. Mark 2:28 (read vs. 23-28).

Pray that men everywhere may get the fullest blessing from right use of the Lord's day.

Pray for Mrs. B. L. Nichols, ed., Semarang, Indonesia; Mrs. O. J. Quick works in TU and WMU and helps her husband in supervision of a large field of new churches, and homemaker, Taichung, Taiwan; Mrs. H. H. Holley, ev., Kula Lumpur, Malaya; Mrs. G. S. Williamson, kindergarten-nursery work, Torreón, Mexico; Evelyn Schwartz, ev., Djakarta, Indonesia; Mrs. R. H. Stuckey, Bandung, Indonesia; E. C. Morgan, dean of Bapt. Theol. Sem., Kowloon, Hong Kong; Mary Elizabeth Truly,* principal and teacher in Woman's Training College, Abeokuta, Nigeria; R. C. Henderson, ed., Ghana; Mrs. P. J. Tchernyshoff, ev., Campinas, Brazil; Mrs. J. W. Gardner, ret. HMB, Tex.; Esperanza Ramirez, Sp. kindergarten ev., Waco, Tex.

14 MONDAY ... for my sake, and the gospel's. Mark 16:29 (read vs. 28-31). Missionaries are often faced with the question, "Why did you become a missionary?"

Pray for J. B. Sutton, music teacher in two of our Baptist schools, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil; Mrs. G. B. Cowser,* mother of four children, Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil; R. K. Evenson, ev. work in prisons, app. 1957, Montevideo, Uruguay; Mrs. W. C. Hunker, homemaker, seminary teacher, TU and VBS worker, Taipei, Taiwan; Mrs. D. L. Baker,* mother of four children, ev. among Arabs, Tel Aviv, Israel; Mrs. T. O. High,* mother, teacher in Theol. Sem., Ogbomoso, Nigeria; Mrs. S. D. Clark, ev., Argentina.

15 TUESDAY For he that is not against us is on our part. Mark 9:40 (read vs. 38-42).

Pray for harmony, mutual respect and fine co-operation between local (or national) pastors and missionaries.

Pray for B. W. Hunt, BSU Director, Taipei, Taiwan; Mildred Lovegren, ev. student work in Kowloon, Hong Kong; J. D. Belote, pres. Hong Kong Bapt. Theol. Sem. and pres. of Asia Baptist Graduate Theol. Sem. of the Orient, served in Hawaii before going to Hong Kong; Mrs. G. R. Wilson, Jr., ed., Hong Kong Bapt. College, Martha Hagood, obstetrician in Bapt. Hospital, Kyoto, Japan; Mrs. J. C. Bridges, mother of three small children, serving in Mexico; Carol Henson, teacher, Theol. Sem., Santiago, Chile; O. W. Brady, ed., British Guiana; J. F. Plainfield, HMB ret., S. C.; Mrs. R. C. Hensley, app. June, 1963, by FMB.

16 WEDNESDAY He that hath ears to hear, let him hear. Mark 4:9 (read vv. 3-9).

Pray for people who are hearing the gospel for the first time.

Pray for Mrs. R. F. Starmer, work with young people, Rome, Italy; J. M. Carpenter, ev., Greenville, Liberia; Mrs. E. B. Kimler, Jr., ev., mother of three small children, Caracas, Venezuela; H. L. Hardy, Jr., Temuco, Chile; Mrs. G. M. Bridges, Campo Grande, Brazil; Mrs. Benjamin Valdes, ev., Havana, Cuba; Mrs. W. J. Blair, Bapt. Sp. Pub. House, El Paso, Texas; Freddie Mae Bason, GWC work, Atlanta, Ga.; C. W. Stumph, HMB, ret., Albuquerque, N. M.

11 THURSDAY The cares of this world, and the deceitfulness of riches, and the lust of other things entering in, choke the word, and it becometh unfruitful. Mark 4:19 (read vv. 18-19).

Pray for unenlisted, "unknown" church members everywhere.

Pray for F. C. Parker, ev., Japan; Don Reece, missionary-adviser, Nigeria; Mrs. S. M. James, nurse, Dalat, Vietnam; Mrs. L. E. Ledford, mother of four children, ev., Piura, Peru; E. O. Sanders, ev., Jogjakarta, Indonesia; W. A. Solesbee, ev., Makati, Philippines; R. E. Shelton, teacher-director of primary school, Conchillas, Uruguay; L. R. Brock, Jr., ev. work in Brazil; Mrs. J. D. Carter, ev., husband is an agricultural missionary which also determines Mrs. Carter's means of service, Baja, Brazil; Mrs. Aurelio Hurtado, Sp. sp. ev. He has served a generation of people in the Southwest, Taos, N. M.; Mrs. Isaias Valdivia, Sp. sp. ev., San Antonio, Tex.

18 FRIDAY The Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life. Mark 10:45 (read vv. 42-45). A minister reading this verse might close the Bible and say, "No comment. The simple words mean just what they say—for Christ's servants."

Pray for H. E. Hardin, ed. ev. with Negro race at Morris College. The school has been under strong criticism during recent months. Sumter, S. C.; Mrs. Carter Bearden, deaf ev., Decatur, Ga.; Mrs. R. B. Estes, Ind. ev., Eagle Butte, S. D.; Mrs. Rugelio Paret, ev., Las Villas, Cuba; Mrs. J. A. Yarbrough, ev., WMU advisor, Kaduna, Nigeria; Eunice Fenderson, ev., who has taught Jewish, Catholic, Evangelical, and Moslem children together in peace in VBS in Jerusalem, ret., Minneapolis.

Minn.; Rennie Sanderson, music, ev., Fukuoka, Japan.

19 SATURDAY And Jesus answering saith unto them, Have faith in God. Mark 11:22 (read vv. 20-23).

Missionaries depend on your prayers. At every meeting they attend, when at home or furlough, someone says, "I want to ask you to pray. . . ." We are laborers together with God . . . in prayer.

Pray for Mrs. B. A. Clendinning, Jr., ed. Theol. Sem., Zurich, Switzerland; R. W. Fuller, ed. in China, Macao, and Hong Kong; R. H. Wolf, ev., Iguala, Mexico; Mrs. W. B. Sherwood, mother of ten children during 31 years in Brazil, ret. in Dillon, S. C.; Mrs. J. B. Dutton, MA, Naha, Okinawa; R. A. Hernandez, Sp. sp. ev., Tex.

SUNDAY OCTOBER 20

This was the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes. Mark 12:11.

Pray that in everything that fills our lives we may see God's hand of love.

Pray for Lolote Dotson, nurse, Oshogbo, Nigeria; Doris L. Knight, ret., China, Manchuria, and Nigeria, now in Quitman, Ga.; E. J. Tharpe, pastor, English-speaking church in Hong Kong; Mrs. L. C. Bell, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil; Mrs. J. L. Moon, ev., Brazil; W. L. Conper, ed. Theol. Sem., Buenos Aires, Argentina; Mrs. J. C. Calhoun, Jr., ev., Malaya; Mamie Nell Bouker, GWC, New Orleans, La.; J. R. Zellner, juvenile rehabilitation worker among Jewish people, La.

21 MONDAY Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength. Mark 12:30 (read vv. 29-30).

Many people who have never seen a missionary, and have never heard a sermon preached have through the word learned that the missionary message is love. Pray that all Christians that we may exemplify love.

Pray for Hilario Valdes, Marianao, Cuba; Ruby Miller, ev., Cuba; Eunice Heath, VC, Chattanooga, Tenn.; Carrie Buckelmaier, MB, ret., Ga.; Mrs. W. P. Mahone, Jr., ev., N. Y.; Argentina; J. H. Sullivan, publisher and translation work, Ibadan, Nigeria; M. A. Brown, Jr., ed., Minna, Nigeria; mother of a twelve-year-old daughter, Mrs. C. A. P. medical doctor in Dacca, East Pakistan; L.

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by Helen Fling

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activities on the scale of true mission values. Let us look again at Christ's purpose for this church, reexamine our motives, and rediscover the true essence of Christian service. Let us pray with the same attitude that prompted Grace McBride to write from China: "The task here is such an enormous one that we cannot expect to accomplish much without prayer. . . . I used to work and pray, but here, I believe, I shall pray and work."

Indeed, let us set up waymarks, both organizational and personal goals, and set our hearts toward the highway, making no provision for arm-chair travelers. Ours is a highway of royal service, of individual mission responsibility, of personal growth.

Therefore, as the Spanish say so beautifully in bidding Godspeed to those who start on a joyful journey, "¡vaya con Dios!" . . . "go with God!"

Medcalf, medical doctor serving many leprosy patients in Bangkok, Thailand; Annie Hoover, ev., Sapporo, Japan; Mrs. E. E. Brown, Sr., ev., Bahamas; Oregon-Washington WMU annual meeting, Vancouver, B. C., Canada. 21-22

22 TUESDAY Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. Mark 12:31 (read vv. 31-33). To love is better than whole burnt offerings. Yes, some missionaries today are faced with the unlikely, the unloved, the socially outcast.

Pray for Mrs. W. A. Solesbee, ev., music, Makati, Philippines; Mrs. S. C. Jowers, ed. teacher in Bible school, Davao City, Philippines; Fay Laird, MA, Philippines; H. R. Tatum, pastor, Kailua, Hawaii; G. R. Wilson, Jr., ed. Bapt. College, Kowloon, Hong Kong; Mrs. Anne S. Margrett, ed., Buenos Aires, Argentina; granddaughter of Dr. and Mrs.

W. B. Bagby, pioneer missionaries in Brazil; Mrs. R. B. Robertson, ev., Argentina; Mrs. V. O. Vernon, ev., Fortaleza, Brazil; Mrs. T. J. Kennedy, ev., Zaria, Nigeria; Nina Gillespie, Chinese ev., Tucson, Ariz.

23 WEDNESDAY For ye have the poor with you always, and whatsoever ye will ye may do them good. Mark 14:7 (read vv. 6-8). We live in a poor world. More than half the population has never had enough to eat.

Pray for W. H. Congdon, architect builder for Nigerian Convention, Oshogbo, Nigeria; G. W. Carroll, ev. and mission treasurer, Dar es Salaam, Tanganyika; D. E. McDowell, surgeon and director, Bapt. Hospital, Asuncion, Paraguay; Mrs. B. R. Lawton, teacher in Bible School, Rivoli, Italy; Josephine Harris, ev. and BSU director, University of Hawaii, Hilo, Hawaii; Bertie Lee Kendrick, ev., worker on Island of Maui, founder of three kindergartens, trainer of kindergarten workers, Pukalani, Hawaii; R. K. Parks, teacher in Theol. Sem., Semarang, Indonesia; Mrs. R. M. Wright, nurse, Bapt. Hospital, Pusan, Korea; Mrs. H. L. Stevens, ev., Turren, Mexico; Mrs. C. J. Kraus, Fr. ev., La; Mrs. Elias Delgado, ev. among Spanish-speaking people from many Latin American republics, Calif.; Alejandro de Puy Valdes, Sp. sp. ev., Panama.

24 THURSDAY I will not deny thee in any wise. Mark 14:31 (read vv. 29-31). Oh that we will be humble, acknowledging the sad fact that in ourselves we do not have strength or wisdom enough to resist the wiles of Satan. We conquer only through His grace.

Pray for B. W. Orrick, was ev. in Uruguay, now ret. in Waco, Tex.; T. S. Green, ev., Asuncion, Paraguay; C. W. Dickson, teacher and field missionary, Brazil; Mrs. L. R. Brothers, teacher, mother of four children, Ibadan, Nigeria; Joan Collins, nurse, Tuberculosis Hospital, Mbeya, Tanganyika; M. E. Phillips, Kisumu, Kenya; C. W. Wiggs, hospital administrator, Baptist Hospital, Pusan, Korea; Addie E. Cox, ret., China and Taiwan, now in Carrollton, Ala.; Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Johnson, ret., China and Indonesia—he with two others pioneered in opening Indonesia for Baptists on Christmas day, 1951; J. W. Smith, ev., Nazareth, Israel; L. H. Morphis, MA, Germany; Michael Naranjo, ev. among his Indian tribesmen, Taos, N. M.; Mrs. Andres Garcia, ev., Mrs. Moises Gonzalez, ret., and Mrs. Luciano Marquez, ev., all three in Havana, Cuba. They are subjected to great trials.

25 FRIDAY Peter followed him afar off Mark 14:54 (read vv. 27-54). "Afar off" . . . "afar off" and "he sat." The spirit of Jesus must prevail with missionaries as immature Christians stumble and fall.

Pray for Mrs. V. W. Chambliss, Jr., home-maker, Mexico Mission; Margaret J. Pemble, ev., director GWC, Teresina, Brazil; J. A. Parker, pastor, ev., Santiago, Chile; Mrs. D. C. Cather, Tamale, Ghana; Mrs. P. H. Pierson, HMB ret., Dallas, Tex.; Eulogia Garza, pastor-evangelist among Sp. sp., Calexico, Calif.; L. F. Lawson, GWC, Louisville, Ky.

26 SATURDAY He saved others, himself he cannot save Mark 15:31 (read vv. 29-31). That was true for our Lord. Christians must live in that consciousness.

Pray for E. P. Doshier, doctor and supt. of hospital in Shaki, Nigeria; J. G. Goodwin, Jr., BA Baptist Mission, Kwangju, Korea; W. C. Grant, pub., Tokyo, Japan; E. E. Hastey, ed. and ev. director for Mexico Mission, Torreon; Mrs. J. L. Bice, ret., Brazil, now in Longview, Tex.; Aurelio Dawkins, pastor, Chibire Baptist Church, Panama; J. A. Cooper, deaf ev., Ky.

SUNDAY OCTOBER 27

And many other women which came up with him unto Jerusalem Mark 15:41 (read vv. 40-41). They followed him in their day. Now is our day. Dr. Baker James Caithen says, "It is our prayer that the Baptist Jubilee Advance emphasis will cause Southern Baptists to see and feel what their place is in the Great Commission and that it will arouse an awareness of their responsibility to do something vital about this whole world in our day."

Pray for Mrs. T. E. Savage, ev., Mufulira, No Rhodesia, Evelyn Stone, ed. ev., GWC director, Ejura, Ghana; Olive Allen, after eleven years as kindergarten director and church evangelism in Hawaii was transferred to Bangkok, Thailand, to carry on a similar work; Mrs. S. T. Tipton, ev., Tanganyika; W. P. Malone, Jr., Neuquen, Argentina; L. E. Ledford, ev. work in Piura, Peru; Mrs. Eddie Savoie, French ev., Lafayette, La.; Josephine Strickland, GWC, Wash.; Valeria Sheppard, Kiana, Alaska, ev.; visitors in Alaska, speaking of her work say, "lonely," "isolated," "hard." Let us sustain her with our prayers.

28 MONDAY Who shall roll us up the stone? . . . And when they looked they saw that the stone was rolled away Mark 16:3-4 (read vv. 1-4). Let us look to God, the source of all strength, for the help we so sorely need.

Pray for Mrs. R. W. Terry, ev., Ghana; Mrs. C. G. Tabor, nurse in hospital in Pusan, Korea, working with her husband who is a doctor; Everley Hayes, like many nurses on foreign fields, specializes in the wide outreach of hospital service, before transfer to Indonesia she served in China; Mrs. T. V. Farris, ev., Sapporo, Japan; Wanda Punder, director of nursing service and training, Baptist Hospital, Asuncion, Paraguay; T. S. Berry, teacher, Theol. Sem., Recife, Brazil.

29 TUESDAY Go your way, tell his disciples and Peter Mark 16:7 (read vv. 1-8). In Christianity, the place of women has always been one of honor, devotion and service.

Pray for J. D. Cave, app. for evangelism in Argentina where a major evangelistic effort was made during 1962; D. L. Miller, ev., Campinas, Brazil; Mrs. H. L. Smith, ed., Kumasi, Ghana; Josephine Ward, teacher, BSU work in University of Taiwan, Taipei.

30 WEDNESDAY And she went and told them that had been with him as they mourned and wept Mark 16:10 (read vv. 9-10). Let us tell the glorious story of the resurrection to hearts saddened and in need.

Pray for Mrs. J. D. Teel, Jr., Buenos Aires, Argentina; J. W. McGavock, founder of Theol. Sem., did publication work in Chile now ret., El Paso, Tex.; Hannah Phowden was ed. ev. and editor of Hovan Baptist now ret. (Call to Prayer writer this month); Manning, S. C.; Rebekah Lambert, nurse, Taejon, Korea; P. L. Lewis, ev., Indonesia.

"Census figures in Indonesia for 1962 show over 95,000,000 people," said Dr. C. W. Cliney. "This means that the population of Indonesia has now passed that of Japan, ranked fifth among the world's nations. It is the most populous nation in which Southern Baptists have a regular program of work. We have 68 missionaries serving there."

Mrs. R. B. Hilliard, ev., Barcelona; Mrs. J. W. H. Richardson, Jr., doctor, dispensary and hospital, mother of three children, Shaki, Nigeria; Margaret Fairbairn, Liberia; J. T. Norman, app. to missionary work in Colombia; J. J. Rodriguez, Havana, Cuba; J. W. Gardner, HMB ret., ex.

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26 SATURDAY He saved others; himself he cannot save. Mark 15:31 (read vv. 29-31). That was true for our Lord. Christians must live in that consciousness.

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SUNDAY
OCTOBER 27 And many other women which came up with him unto Jerusalem Mark 15:41 (read vv. 40-41) They followed him in their day. Now is our day. Dr. Baker James Caulhen says, "It is our prayer that the Baptist Jubilee Advance emphasis will cause Southern Baptists to see and feel what their place is in the Great Commission and that it will arouse an awareness of their responsibility to do something vital about this whole world in our day."

Pray for Mrs. T. E. Savage, ev., Mufuhira, No Rhodesia; Evelyn Stone, ed. ev., GWC director, Ejura, Ghana; Olive Allen, after eleven years as kindergarten director and church evangelism in Hawaii was transferred to Bangkok, Thailand, to carry on a similar work; Mrs. S. T. Tipton, ev., Tanganyika; W. P. Malone Jr., Neuquen, Argentina; L. E. Ledford, ev. work in Piura, Peru; Mrs. Eddie Savore, French ev., Lafayette, La.; Josephine Strickland, GWC, Wash.; Valeria Sherard, Kiana, Alaska, ev.; visitors in Alaska, speaking of her work say, "lonely," "isolated," "hard." Let us sustain her with our prayers.

28 MONDAY Who shall roll us away the stone? . . . And when they looked, they saw that the stone was rolled away. Mark 16:3-4 (read vv. 1-4). Let us look to God, the source of all strength, for the help we so much need.

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29 TUESDAY Go your way, tell his disciples and Peter. Mark 16:7 (read vv. 1-8). In Christianity, the place of women has always been one of honor, devotion and service.

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30 WEDNESDAY And she went and told them that had been with him, as they mourned and wept. Mark 16:10 (read vv. 9-10). Let us tell the glorious story of the resurrection to hearts saddened and bereaved.

Pray for Mrs. J. O. Teel, Jr., Buenos Aires, Argentina; J. W. McGavock, founder of Theol Sem., did publication work in Chile, now ret., El Paso, Tex.; Hannah Plowden, was ed. ev. and editor of Hawaii Baptist, now ret. (Call to Prayer writer this month, Manning S. C., Rebekah Lambert, nurse, Tanjon, Korea; F. L. Lewis, ev., Indonesia).

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CAN YOU READ? HOW FORTUNATE FOR YOU! You can read road signs and directions on medicine bottles. You can follow a recipe to its conclusion in a

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delicious casserole.

You can help your children with their lessons and use with profit new products and gadgets.

You are among the fortunate indeed! But did you know that seven out of every ten persons in our country cannot read? It is amazing, isn't it, to realize that ten million Americans cannot read and write!

Some of these are your neighbors. Among them are people who may be well educated—but not in English. Some of these are from many countries of the world, the wives of doctors, scientists, other students who are studying in the schools and hospitals of our country. Others are the foreign-born who recently have come to live permanently in our country, some of whom are naturalized citizens.

But a large group of the illiterate, those who do not read and write, are native-born Americans who have reached the age of adulthood without learning to read.

These—all of them—are a mission opportunity. A community missions emphasis this year is literacy missions. What can you society do to help these who need you? What can you do to help others learn to read and write? Some of these adults want desperately to acquire these skills, but they are embarrassed to reveal their deficiency.

The Home Mission Board's literacy worker, Miss Mildred Blankenship says, "The experience of others in literacy missions, my own experiences, the very purposes of this ministry contribute to the conviction that there is only one beginning—in prayer. In prayer each member of a society makes herself available to be used of God however he may lead."

Now—how to begin. Write to the Department of Associational Missions, Home Mission Board, 161 Spring Street, N. Atlanta 3, Georgia, asking for a few. "An Approach to Literacy Mission" leaflet will help you to begin. Pray as a society, as a community mission committee, in Intercessory Prayer. Learning what you should do to help learn to read and write. Then act

CIRCLE PROGRAM

OR FOR SECOND WMS MEETING

MISSION STUDY BOOK:
*Mandelbaum Gate**
by M. Lee Eddleman
Make plans to have this Foreign
Mission Graded Series book taught
in circle or society.

by Mrs. Louis L. Dabney

Program is based on the book **Grace McBride, Missionary Nurse**, by Lila Watson

OUTLINE for MEETING

Circle Chairman in Charge

Call to Prayer, reading Scripture passage for day

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Song

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*Order *Mandelbaum Gate*, Eddleman, 85¢, and *Circle*, 25¢, from Baptist Book Stores.

Devotional Thought: Jesus was often called the Great Physician. His human understanding and divine power combined on many occasions to show his concern for the total health of mankind. In Matthew 4:23 we read: "And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people." Here we see in a single sentence the triple ministry of Jesus—teaching, preaching, and healing.

Twenty-nine of the recorded miracles of healing done by our Lord bear out the relationship between spiritual and physical health. The woman healed from the issue of blood was told: "Daughter, thy faith hath made thee whole; go in peace, and be whole of thy plague" (Mark 5:34).

Jesus also revealed an awareness of the needs of others for physical restoration. He and his disciples were accompanied by a great crowd of followers as they walked toward Jerusalem. But above the noise of

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travel and talk. Jesus heard the voice of the blind Bartimaeus pleading for help. "And Jesus stood still, and commanded him to be called. And they call the blind man, saying unto him, Be of good comfort, rise: he call-eth thee" (Mark 10:49). Jesus was sensitive to the needs of those in distress and responded by healing the afflicted.

And then Jesus acted with compassion. His great heart overflowed with empathy for others. The leper (Mark 1:40-41), coming to beg for relief from his affliction said: "If thou wilt, thou canst make me clean." And Jesus, moved with compassion, put forth his hand, and touched him, and said unto him, "I will: be thou clean." Jesus' heart, as the heart of the great loving Father, was moved to act to alleviate suffering.

We find these same three motives—desire for physical and spiritual wholeness of man, awareness of the need, compassion for the suffering—undergirding and uplifting medical mission work today. And we see these motives in a specific way in the life of a young missionary nurse, Grace McBride.

Program Chairman: By what standard do we judge greatness? The world may use material measures of money, power, and fame, but we Christians have only one standard—the extent of one's service to God and to his fellowman. In our circle programs for this quarter we shall consider the lives of three great Christians, two men and one young woman, who gave their lives fully and completely in service to God and man. Today we look at Grace McBride, and find marvelous proof that God can use a life dedicated to him with results that far outweigh the short span of years of that life.

Review the book, *Grace McBride, Missionary Nurse*:

Lila Watson, the writer of our book,* arrived in North China as a missionary in 1919, the year after the end of World War

*The reviewer needs to study the book and add information.

I, and also the year after the death of Grace McBride. She heard other missionaries speak of the great devotion and genuine compassion of this young woman, one whose total experience on the field was but two and a half years, and yet whose influence and fruitful ministry continued to grow even after her death. Miss Watson, in her travels in China was intrigued by bits of information she gleaned from associates and former patients of Miss McBride. She had occasion, after her return to the States, to visit Miss McBride's family in Mansfield, Ohio, and to know former teachers and classmates. The more she learned the more she determined to set down the facts of this life, that others might be blessed by her example.

To understand the motivation and action of an adult, we must study her childhood. Grace McBride was born in Mansfield, Ohio, on December 11, 1885, the fifth of ten children born to Mary and Washington McBride. There were also four half-brothers and sisters in the McBride household, so that there were always plenty of children to share chores and games.

The parents gave to their children a rich legacy of love, of appreciation for good books, a deep spiritual faith in God, and concern for people. Grace's childhood was a happy one, filled with the normal everyday happenings typical of all children born near the turn of the century: games, give and take, relationship between Grace and her sisters, warm worship experiences which were important in the McBride home.

One particular event shows the direction in which Grace's life was to move. Her older brother, Dr. Franklin McBride, had dedicated his life to medical missions in China, and one day he pointed out on a map the place of service that was to be his. He listened as he talked of the needs of the people on the other side of the world, then she vowed with a child's sincerity to be found in a five-year-old: "When I am big I will go to China and help you make the sick folks well." This vow was fulfilled in part. For while Grace did grow up to help

"make the sick folks well," her brother was not the one to share the experience with her for he died of typhus after one short year of service in China. Grace repeated this vow at intervals throughout her youth, and kept her goal in mind in every decision.

Let us recall a little Chinese history at this point, for changes in the political structure of a nation have always had a direct effect on our mission work. In 1900 when Grace was fifteen years old, the news came of the Boxer Rebellion in China. By imperial decree all foreigners became enemies of the Chinese and were to be treated as such. Christian missionaries and Christian Chinese were persecuted. Grace saw this as another reason in God's chain of cause and effect for her going as a missionary to China. These people needed to know of the love of Christ and to see it expressed through the ministry of healing. After high school graduation Grace took a teaching job for a year that she might earn money to pay for training as a nurse, keeping before her the goal of being a missionary to China.

Another highlight which impressed Grace as being significant in the plan for her life came after her graduation from nursing school. She was working as supervisor of the psychiatric ward at Bellevue Hospital in New York, and was attacked by an insane patient. She was rescued, but interns and nurses worked for some time to bring her back to consciousness. Grace felt this to be a reminder that she was called for a specific task for the Lord, and renewed her childhood vow to go, and as soon as possible, to China to witness for Jesus Christ through medical mission.

Again, the political climate of China changed, this time in favor of Western ways and the gospel. Dr. Sun Yat-sen became president of the Chinese Republic in 1912, and welcomed progressive ways from the West. Grace realized that she needed experience in training nurses and in practical witness, both of which ministries would be part of her responsibility in China. Miss Watson accounts Grace's further training in

supervising nurses and in the WMU Training School at Lewisville, then quotes from the *Foreign Mission Journal* concerning her appointment to China in September, 1913: "Miss McBride is now on the waiting list but is greatly needed on the field. Will not those who read this pray that the means may soon be provided for sending her to the front?"

Grace arrived at the Southern Baptist Mission at Hwanghsien, China, in May, 1916. You will enjoy reading of the very warm welcome she received from missionaries and the Chinese people themselves—of her experiences during those first few months, of the Chinese name chosen for her, of her unforgettable adventures in a Chinese marketplace, of her attempts to learn the language. You will be especially touched by the family life of her missionary associates. They became one family, not through blood ties but through heart ties, for their united purpose was to give to the Chinese a picture of Christ's love and compassion through every area of life (*show book*).

The need most often mentioned by the missionaries was for medical missionaries to assist in training medical personnel. Grace saw this as being part of her purpose in coming. She also heard of the overwhelming need for evangelistic and educational workers, and she wrote in a letter back home: "The task here is such an enormous one that we cannot expect to accomplish much without prayer." Plans began to shape up by which Grace could superintend the training of Chinese nurses, but an illness in the family of Dr. T. W. Ayers, the only missionary doctor in Hwanghsien, made it imperative for the Ayerses to return to America. The secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, in answering Dr. Ayers' letter concerning the hospital, wrote, "I see no other course open to you but closing the hospital, if you are to come home. Isn't it a sad commentary upon the supply of our medical missionaries that in a crisis like this we haven't enough missionaries to transfer one of them from his work even temporarily?" How this situation was met

by Grace and Mrs. W. B. Glass, another nurse (tell how), proves again the depth of the young nurse's devotion to God's call.

Grace spent two and a half years in China preparing for supervision of nurses, learning the language, and in a healing ministry. In the late summer of 1918, she went to Dr. Ayers with the news of her call to go with Red Cross volunteers from China to accompany the American Expeditionary Force to Siberia. The call had come for nurses already in China, because of the urgent need and because of the rigorous training nurses on the field had already survived. Dr. Ayers regretted seeing Grace leave, but he could not stand in her way when she spoke: "Dr. Ayers, just as definitely as I was called to China, have I been called to Siberia. Whether I live or die, I dare not disobey the call."

Grace with doctors and seven nurses boarded the Red Cross train in Vladivostok on their way to Siberia. Miss Watson's description of the train and its passengers, the changes in the countryside over which they traveled, the fellowship of the medical personnel, all add greatly to our understanding of the times and conditions under which they lived. On October 29 the train arrived in Tumen, where a hospital was to be set up to take care of the wounded and diseased. Typhus was beginning to be a problem, this same disease that had taken Grace's brother many years before.

The first patients were brought into the improvised hospital November 10, 1919, just the day before the Armistice was signed, ending the war. News of cessation of war did not reach the hospital officially until six weeks later. The staff was kept busy with patients, and had little time for recreation.

On the happy occasion of the wedding of a former patient and a local Russian girl, the nurses off duty attended the ceremony. Several days after the wedding, Grace became ill. Her temperature soared, and at times she seemed delirious. Her illness was diagnosed as typhus, and it was suspected that she had contracted the disease at the

wedding. During her last days, Grace spoke to her friends: "If I get well, it will be all right, and if I don't get well, it will be all right, too." Grace died on December 29, leaving friends and co-workers greatly saddened. Commenting on her death, one doctor wrote: "We will miss her presence with us very much, but she was well fitted for higher service and her Commander called her to it."

On the permanent marker above her grave are these words: "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends."

Program Chairman: This is not the end of the story of Grace McBride. She lived for a short period of time as we measure it, but her influence and example will live on wherever young nurses consider God's plan for their lives.

About five years after Grace died, a group of young nurses in training in Birmingham, Alabama, met together to plan for an organization which would help them find God's design for them. They wanted Bible study and prayer to undergird their spiritual growth, and missionary activity as a means of expressing that growth. Juliette Mather, WMU young people's secretary for Woman's Missionary Union at that time, suggested that they use the name of Grace McBride to identify their YWA group as one for nurses. This name was officially adopted by WMU. That same year a group of nurses in Memphis, Tennessee, and in Lynchburg, Virginia, organized their own Grace McBride YWA. Today there are forty-three of these Auxiliaries, and opportunities for many more. For wherever there are Christian girls in nurse's training there is a need for them to express their concern for others through mission participation, and to ask themselves where God would have them serve. Many members of Grace McBride YWA serve Christ on the mission field and in hospitals in our own country, remembering their aim "to consider it a high calling to work

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**Nurses are desperately
needed now—in 18
hospitals!**



Tanganyika missionary doctor Jack Walker examining child

might be found on this frontier of human need.

There are so many possibilities! A missionary nurse carries a responsibility in the field of administration and supervision, as well as in training of aids or student nurses. What training does a missionary nurse need? A degree from an accredited senior college is required. The B.S. in Nursing is preferred for this enables a missionary nurse on her own to work toward the master's degree. In addition, the missionary nurse must have one year of study in a Southern Baptist theological seminary and one or two years of full time work experience. (Further information may be found in the pamphlet,

"Missionary Nursing, This Career for You," which is available through the Department of Missionary Personnel of the Foreign Mission Board, P. O. Box 6597, Richmond 30, Virginia.

With the hope of meeting emergencies now, the Foreign Mission Board has established a category of Missionary Associate

for the person who has passed the age of thirty-five and who otherwise meets the qualifications for appointment. Such a person may be employed for one or two terms of service to an emergency need where English can be used. It is hoped that some of the existing emergencies may be cared for under such a program.

Some local churches have expressed concern for the student nurses by providing scholarships for those completing the diploma course who wish to go on to study for the B.S. in Nursing.

Leaders of WMU youth organizations, mothers, and grandmothers can mean a great deal as they seek to challenge those whom they influence.

Surely members of Woman's Missionary Union will continue to be burdened with this particular need for missionary personnel and will continue to pray and to challenge young people to find joy through healing which comes in witnessing of Christ's love.

—including
**TANGANYIKA
and GAZA**



GAZA chapel services for hospital personnel

Operating rooms—a part of any hospital industry



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There is a consideration that we as members of Woman's Missionary Society should face: what part we adults have in the support of our medical missions program. Many of us are past the age for considering going ourselves as volunteers for missions, but there are definite ways in which we can contribute mightily in this work. Miss Edna Frances Dawkins, Foreign Mission Fund, has given us at least two specific ways we can help. First and most important, we can pray. There are now urgent requests for twenty to fifty nurses who will be needed in the next five years. There is a critical shortage of nurses on the mission field. At the hospital in Gaza there is not a missionary nurse. In East Pakistan, a country of over ninety million people, there are missionary doctors now under appointment but not one missionary nurse. We must pray that those whom God has called will answer wholeheartedly.

Second, we can encourage our nursing students in our own community. They need to be urged to work toward their B.S. degree in nursing. This gives them the academic background needed for the best service for Christ. All of those interested in nursing will not feel called overseas, but there is also a great need for Christian professors in nursing schools in this country.

There is a third definite way women can help where there are hospitals in your community. Baptist girls and others in every hospital will be blessed by a Grace McBride Young Woman's Auxiliary. Help them organize one at once.

WMS members can join hands with our Foreign Mission Board in its effort to "head the whole man"—both spiritually through a personal knowledge of Jesus Christ and physically through the best possible practice of medicine."

Prayer: for the specific needs mentioned, in the matter of nurses for the mission fields; for perception to find and fulfil my obligation to our world mission program.

IN APPRECIATION

Mrs. R. L. Mathis



ON May 7, 1963, in Kansas City, Missouri, in the same city in which she was elected president of Woman's Missionary Union seven years earlier, Mrs. R. L. Mathis brought to a close her presidency to become director of the promotion division of Woman's Missionary Union. The Union expressed appreciation by a standing vote in adoption of the following:

"In the words of the apostle Paul, 'We give thanks to God always for you all, making mention of you in our prayers. Remembering without ceasing your work of faith, and labour of love' 1 Thessalonians 1:2-3.

"Mrs. R. L. Mathis came to the office of president in 1956 as a prepared person. In nature she possesses a love for people, a warmth of personality, keenness of mind, organizational ability, a courageous spirit, and physical stamina—all of which have enhanced her services as president these seven years.

"Her potential in formal education titles was recognized when in 1955 the Doctor of Laws degree from Hardin-Simmons University and the Doctor of Literature Degree from Mary Hardin-Baylor were conferred upon her.

"Having taken advantage of the program of her church, she has an understanding and love for our great denomination. Likewise her experiences as a wife and mother and later as a career woman have given her a depth of understanding which we appreciate.

"Participation in the Woman's Missionary Union in her church as a young woman soon led to a wider field as into associational work. The Woman's

Missionary Union of her native state of Texas, recognizing her unusual ability, elected her as young people's secretary, and later as executive secretary. In 1949 she was elected president of Texas Woman's Missionary Union, which office she held for six years.

"During these years she began visiting mission fields in our country, and she has now seen our mission work on every continent. These travel experiences have given her a world awareness and sense of urgency in giving out the Word.

"Her labors of love have exacted many thousands of miles of travel, teams of written communications, countless speaking engagements and committee meetings, days spent in planning for messages, music, and dramatic presentations in annual meetings, and weeks in our assemblies and state conventions. In addition she has served as a worthy member of our denominational boards.

"Also we appreciate her marked ability to labor with other members of Woman's Missionary Union as well as state and Convention leadership.

"That 'togetherness' in co-operation and understanding, toward which she has led us, has made us better stewards of our possessions as reflected in tremendous increases in the special offerings.

"As an officer of the Women's Department of the Baptist World Alliance, our president has strengthened the ties that bind all Baptist women of the world.

"Through her commitment to the will of God she has led us with one consuming purpose—that the world through Him might be saved.

"We will continue to feel the impact of her leadership upon our beloved Union as she works in still another capacity.

"However, our most significant appreciation is not in word but rather in dedicated lives of service as we reach from yesterday into tomorrow."

The Southern Baptist Convention also recognized Mrs. Mathis' leadership of WMU by formal resolution adopted on May 9, 1963.

Resolution No. 4—Recognition of the 75th Anniversary of the Woman's Missionary Union

WHEREAS, Woman's Missionary Union auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention, has just celebrated its 75th anniversary, and

WHEREAS, The Union has had as president for the past seven years a woman of unusual capabilities and a deep sense of dedication,

We therefore congratulate Woman's Missionary Union on its growth and achievements and express sincere appreciation to Mrs. R. L. Mathis for her Christian devotion through these years of leadership, and for her untiring efforts which brought us into a deeper awareness of our Baptist heritage and of our responsibility in world missions through the presentation of the 75th Anniversary Pageant.

WHEREAS, Mrs. Mathis has been elected promotion division director of WMU and therefore brings to a close her tenure as the Union's president and as a member of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention; therefore be it

Resolved, That we recognize her loyal support of the Convention's total program and the strength of her leadership on Convention committees.



Receiving certificate is GA Counselor,
Mrs. Anis Sharrash

Alice Kavar, Zahiyah Mousa, Mrs. Ruth Roper

IN JORDAN

WMU Leaders...Learning



Girls' Auxiliary members with their counselor
Mrs. Raouf Zamei

GAs of Taiybeh with counselor, Mrs. Anis Sharrash



Officers of Ajloun Woman's Missionary Union



Young Woman's Auxiliary members from
seated: Leila Manna, Wafa Shahadeh, Afefeh
and standing: Victoria Awais and Ruth Roper

Mrs. H. Cornell Goerner (center) with missionaries
Mrs. L. Aune Lovegren, Mrs. Russell R. Morris, and
Mrs. John A. Roper, Jr.



by Mrs. Russell R. Morris

We observed a very important day in the life and work of the women and girls among Baptists in Jordan. Twelve women and young women received certificates of award upon the completion of the first unit of the Leadership Training Course for women and girls' work. This year they continue to enlarge their understanding of ways in which women and youth can witness.

It was a special blessing to us to have for the awarding occasion Mrs. H. Cornell Goerner, wife of the area secretary for Africa as our guest speaker. Mrs. Russell Morris, director of women and girls' work in North Jordan, assisted Mrs. Goerner in presenting the awards to each of the twelve. The women who received certificates of award were:

Miss Victoria Awais, Bible woman for the

Ajloun WMU. She received credit in both the G.A. and WMU Leadership Courses.

Mrs. Jerius Daleh, vice-president for Ajloun WMU, Junior G.A. counselor, and pastor's wife. She is the founder of G.A. work in Jordan.

Mrs. Hani Nasrallah, G.A. counselor in Irbid, pastor's wife.

Miss Werdeh Aboud, G.A. counselor in Irbid, registered nurse trained in our School of Nursing in Southern Baptist Hospital, Ajloun, Jordan.

Mrs. Raouf Zamei, G.A. counselor in Jerash, pastor's wife.

Mrs. Anis Sharrash, G.A. counselor in Taiybeh, pastor's wife.

Miss Daoudah Karkuchian, Intermediate G.A. counselor in Ajloun, teacher in Ajloun Baptist Girls School.

Mrs. Alta Lee Lovegren, Intermediate G.A. counselor, Ajloun, and missionary.

Miss Afefeh Fakhoury, president of Ajloun YWAs, teacher in Ajloun Baptist Girls School.

Miss Victoria Awais, second vice-president and program chairman in Ajloun YWAs, registered nurse trained in Southern Baptist School of Nursing in Baptist Hospital, Ajloun.

Mrs. Ruth Roper, missionary YWA counselor, Ajloun, WMU adviser in Anjara. She received an award in both the YWA and WMU work.

Mrs. Salim Kavar, WMU president and leader in Anjara, and pastor's wife.

We do sincerely cover your prayer for each one of these women that they may continue to serve the Lord with all of their hearts and lives and that they will be definite influence for Christ.

WMU MISSION STUDY this fall: Mandelbaum Gate, by Eddleman (85c from Baptist Book Stores, Teacher's Guide 27c is about the Near East, where Jordan is located).

MISSIONARY PROGRAM

THE YEAR OF JUBILEE

by Elaine Dickson

Psalm 106:1. May the year be, for all of us,
a year of thanksgiving and praise.

President: The 75th Anniversary Year of Woman's Missionary Union has passed. The six-year period of Jubilee Advance is reaching its climax as we enter the year of Jubilee, marking 150 years of nationally organized Baptist life in America. This is a time of joyous celebration of God's bountiful blessings during this era of advance.

The WMU watchword for 1968-69 sets the pace for this year of Jubilee. "O give thanks unto the Lord; call upon his name; make known his deeds among the people."

Elaine Dickson is WMU promotion secretary.

BIBLE MEDITATION

The following meditation based on the WMU watchword and other passages from the Psalms, is arranged for a speech choir of five voices. It also may be adapted for presentation by two people, one taking the parts marked for voices 1, 2; the other taking the parts marked for voices 3, 4, 5.

All: O give thanks unto the Lord; call upon his name; make known his deeds among the people.

(pause)

O give thanks unto the Lord,

1, 2: The Lord is good.

3, 4, 5: His steadfast love endures forever.

All: Give thanks unto the Lord!

1: To him who alone does great wonders

2: To him who made the heavens

4: To him who spread out the earth upon the waters

5: To him who created man in his own image

All: O give thanks unto the Lord; call upon his name; make known his deeds among the people.

(pause)

Call upon his name!

1, 2: Hear our prayer, O God

3, 4, 5: Hear us when we call, O God
... have mercy upon us, and hear our prayer

1: Teach me the way I should go

4: Teach me to do thy will

5: Create in me a clean heart

2: Restore the joy of my salvation

(pause)

3, 4, 5: The Lord is near to all who call upon him.

1, 2: Call upon his name!

All: O give thanks unto the Lord; call upon his name; make known his deeds among the people.

5: Declare his glory among the heathen, his wonders to all people.

1: Sing unto the Lord.

3, 4, 5: Show forth his salvation from day to day.

1, 2: Give unto the Lord the glory due his name

All: Bring an offering . . . Worship the King!

(pause)

1, 2: The Lord reigneth;

Let the earth rejoice!

Let the multitude of isles be glad thereof!

3, 4, 5: For he cometh.

For he cometh to judge the earth

He shall judge the world with righteousness, and the people with his truth.

All: O give thanks unto the Lord; call upon his name; make known his deeds among the people.

O give thanks unto the Lord,

PROGRAM SUGGESTIONS

This program requires the help of all officers and chairmen of the society. It is suggested the president preside during the presentation, but program plans and arrangements remain the responsibility of the program committee.

In making assignments, instruct participants to add to the written program material any specific plans they have made for the year.

SETTING: In center of the room place an easel or table to hold the poster described below. Ask the president, as narrator, to stand to the left of the center poster. Other participants stand on the right of the center poster, opposite the president, as they enter.

POSTER FOR CENTER EASEL. On a large background, made from heavy poster board or cardboard covered with wrapping paper, print the WMU watchword across the top. Below the watchword, sketch charts to illustrate society advancement during the past five years (see discussion under "Charting Your Progress"). Cover the charts with a large sheet of paper, leaving the watchword the only thing visible as the program begins. Later the sheet of paper can be flipped back to reveal the charts.

CHARTING YOUR PROGRESS: Work with the vice-president and secretary in checking WMS records for the past five years. Record statistical information on small bar and line graph charts to show some of what has been

Make a graph
chart to help
members visualize progress

done. During the program the vice-president and secretary interpret the charts. Instruct them to be brief (limit five minutes) and to emphasize especially any progress made during the anniversary year. In summary they can tell the group whether or not the society attained recognition on anniversary goals. After showing the charts cover them again with the sheet of paper so only the watchword is visible above them.

POSTER FOR PROGRAM TOPIC: See Forecaster, page 4 for poster ideas. If posters cannot be made, use monthly calendars with the general WMS meeting date circled in red and the program topic written across the page.

POSTERS FOR STUDY, PRAYER, AND GIVING: These may be three lollipop type posters on sticks. On the front side place the number (1, 2, 3 and on the back the corresponding word (study, prayer, giving).



President: To celebrate the Year of Jubilee worthily requires a backward glance. What has happened in the life of our organization during the past five years to help us live in a spirit of thanksgiving and praise? How much have we accomplished during the Baptist Jubilee Advance?

We cannot take time today to check on all the goals year by year for the past five years, including our 75th Anniversary goals, but we will evaluate our progress in a few areas of work. Our vice-president and secretary will guide us as we take this backward glance.

Vice-president and Secretary: (See Program Suggestions, pages 15, "Charting Your Progress." Use graphs and charts to show some of the achievements of the past five

years. Keep this presentation brief. Present both successes and failures, but major on progress which has been made. If charts cannot be made, list "successes" and "failures" on chalkboard or posters.)

President: We respond with praise and thanksgiving for blessings on us in the past—"O give thanks unto the Lord." We acknowledge our need for God's leadership in the days ahead—"call upon his name." We sense the great purpose which unites us in service "make known his deed among the people." (Call on three members to lead the group in prayer.)

Prayer Time: (Ahead of the meeting, ask three members to lead the prayer time. The first person may offer a prayer of thanksgiving for God's blessings on your WMU and church. The second person may pray for God's leadership in the year ahead. The third person may pray for the missionaries on the calendar of prayer and for the work of our Foreign and Home Mission Boards.)

(Pianist begins playing "O God, Our Help in Ages Past" while president speaks.)

President: The WMU hymn for this year offers the assurance we need as we turn from our glance at the past to look at our plans for the present. "O God, Our Help in Ages Past" (If more information is desired in introducing the WMU hymn, see WMU Year Book.)

Sing "O God, Our Help in Ages Past"

President: We want to make this Jubilee Year, called the year of prayer and thanksgiving, the most meaningful in our future history. An acceptable spirit of thanksgiving finds expression in worthy action. In order to achieve, we must have an objective in mind, a purpose to attain, a plan of work worthy of wholehearted support. The 1963-64 Year Book contains these elements. Let us now preview some of our officers and their plans for the year ahead. We will hear from the program chair-

SPICING YOUR PROGRAM

JUBILEE FAIR

With a little extra time and effort you can give the October program a "new look" for the new year.

Turn the program into a WMU fair. See that booths are prepared for featuring programs, mission study, prayer, stewardship, and community missions plans for the coming year. Rooms opening off a large assembly room would make excellent booths. Ask each committee to be in charge of preparing the display or exhibit for its booth.

If you use this technique, let all society members and visitors assemble for the WMS meeting and the beginning of the program. Keep the group together for the opening meditation, charting of progress and prayer time. Then divide the audience into small groups with a leader assigned to each. Instruct the leaders to take the groups around on a pre-arranged schedule to visit each booth. In the booths, chairmen can present features similar to those suggested in the program, repeating them enough times to accommodate all the small groups.

If a social time is planned as suggested in Forecaster, let groups move from the last booth to the place where the fellowship takes place. End the social hour with the suggestions given in Forecaster or the closing meditation in the program material.

IF AS for the displays or exhibits in the booth

PROGRAM: Use a series of posters to present the program topics for the coming year. (See Forecaster.) An amateur photographer might like to make a color slide set of the posters to be projected, with narration pre-recorded on a tape recorder to go with the slides.

MISSION STUDY: Display the books, or replicas of them, suggested for study during the four quarters of 1963-64. Display also some books for reading, with the caption "Let's Be 100% in Reading a Mission Book."

STEWARDSHIP: Make a large target board with the "bull's eye" labeled "15% Increase." Place a dart in the center labeled "church." Use this to talk about the target your church will be aiming for in the Lottie Moan Christmas Offering for Foreign Missions and the Annie Armstrong Offering for Home Missions.

Other possibilities are to make a large replica of a dollar and show how it is divided in your church budget, or enlarge your church's pledge card and write across it "Every WMS Member a Tither."

PRAYER: Display Call to Prayer in "Royal Service" and themes for the Weeks of Prayer. See WMU Year Book for Themes.

COMMUNITY MISSIONS: Exhibit a large map of the community. Mark on it the areas where needs exist that you will attempt to meet through WMS community missions.

(See Forecaster for suggestions of posters to be made and displayed as program topics are introduced. These posters may be placed on an easel in the order they will be used. After a program area is discussed, that poster can be removed to reveal the next one. An alternate idea is to use monthly calendars with general WMS meeting date circled in red and the program topic written across the page.)

Program Chairman: (Show November poster) The fascinating journey in World Awareness for 1963-64 takes us first to Japan. In a look at this intriguing country next month, we will see how our Baptist missionaries with leaders in the Japan Baptist Convention are "Partners for Progress in Japan."

(Show January poster)

Our January program will be the Southern Baptist version of "How the West Was Won." In a study of "Southern Baptists in Northwest and Midwest" we will gain appreciation for those who have pioneered and sustained the expanding Baptist witness in these areas.

(Show February poster)

Did you know that 683 Southern Baptist ministers are now serving full-time in the chaplaincy? Long recognized for their notable service in the Armed Forces, chaplains have added new dimensions to their service as they minister in penal institutions and in business and industry. Our February program, "The Chaplain and His Work," will introduce us to the work of the chaplain and our part in it.

(Show April poster)

Belden Menkus makes the following statement about our relationships with Jews: "At the heart of the problem is the fact that we don't really know the Jews and they don't know us. . . . If Baptists and Jews don't know each other it is up to us to do something about it."

The program topic for April is "Our Jewish Neighbors."

(Show May poster)

In May we travel to the tip of South America as we look in on the mission work being done in four countries there—Chile, Argentina, Paraguay, and Uruguay.

In these countries where 153 missionaries serve, we will spot "Encouraging Trends in Baptist Missions."

(Show June poster)

Our June program is appropriately named "Awakening Brazil, a Challenge to Advance." As Brazil awakens to her full potential as the largest independent nation in South America, we Southern Baptists must do some serious thinking about the part God would have us play in determining whether Brazil will become a Christian or an atheistic nation.

(Show July poster)

In Europe a Baptist church was closed and sealed by government order, prohibiting worship. . . . in Latin America a worship service was disturbed by stones hurled by hostile mobs. . . . in still another place a package of Baptist literature was confiscated from the mail because its message ran counter to the majority religion of the country. The July program, "Religious Liberty, a Baptists Heritage," will show the relevance of religious liberty to the missionary task.

(Show August poster)

As Southern Baptist business and military personnel have traveled over the world, they often have taken Christians and church loyalty with them. Dotted around the world are English-language Baptist churches which find their early beginnings and main support from these significant world missionaries. The August program will provide a glimpse of our English-language Churches Overseas.

(Show September poster)

The September program will be this year on an urgent note—"Race Relations: A Determining Factor in World Missions." This topic will show that an effective mis-

sion witness anywhere transcends the barriers of culture and race.

You will agree—this WMU year offers interesting journeys to World Awareness.

President: All of us recognize the importance of good programs. They provide a base of missionary information on which we build our experiences in prayer, giving, and service. We look forward to the programs for this year: not only in the society, but in our circles as well.

While previewing the programs, you probably noticed we skipped two months—December and March. These are the months for the observance of the Weeks of Prayer for Foreign and Home Missions. When I think of these special occasions, I think not only of a Week of Prayer, but of the mission study which precedes it and the offering which follows it. To get a view of these study, prayer, and giving plans is as easy as 1-2-3 when we call on our mission study, prayer, and stewardship chairmen.

(Chairmen stand across the front in a straight line—mission study, first; prayer, second; stewardship, third. They carry posters with large numerals, 1, 2, 3, on one side and study, prayer, giving on the other.)

Mission Study Chairman: (holding poster with "1" on it, then turning it over to show "Study.") A famous gate stands as a mute reminder of the tension which exists in the Near East. And that landmark, *Mandelbaum Gate* (hold up book) has become the title for our Foreign Mission book for study this fall. Written by Dr. H. Leo Fiddleman, president of New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary and a former Southern Baptist missionary in the Near East, the book is a survey of mission work in the Near East as seen through the eyes of three American tourists. "This book is an effort to help Americans to understand the complicated and explosive situation in the Near East, and, in particular, to help American Christians understand how political conditions affect the work of Christian missionaries who are living in that part of the world."

(Tell about your society's plans for studying the book.)

An intriguing title is given to the Home Mission book we will study before the Week of Prayer for Home Missions. It's as current as the space age. The title is *Apogee* (hold up book), meaning the farthest or highest point, Kate Ellen Gruver, Editor. The book presents the seven programs of the Home Mission Board. You will find the approach, format, and content of this book just as up-to-date as the title.

Prayer Chairman: (holding poster with "2" on it) Dr. Samuel Zwemer, a missionary, said "the smaller the diameter of our knowledge of human need and human suffering, the smaller will be the circumference of our petitions. The larger the diameter of our knowledge, the larger the area of our intercession." Prayer grows out of study. (Turn poster over to show "Prayer.") It is appropriate that WMU set aside during the year periods for prayer. These become a time of intercession—praying for others. We have marked these weeks on our church calendar. They are dates for all to remember: December 9-13, Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions, and March 1-8, 1964, Week of Prayer for Home Missions. (Add date for your State season of prayer.)

The theme for our foreign mission week will be "Crown Him Lord of All." This observance will be meaningful prelude to the Christmas season. The home mission theme will be "In Freedom's Holy Light."

As we pray during these weeks—as individuals, families, organizations, and church—we will claim God's promises concerning prayer. (Tell briefly of your church's plans for observing the weeks of prayer.)

Stewardship Chairman: (holding poster with "3" on it, then turning it to "Giving") Prayer and giving have been related throughout the history of Woman's Missionary Union. After Christians have become aware of Jesus' Commission and the needs of the world, they have prayed. After they have prayed, they have given of themselves and their substance. When we pray we call

upon God to do what he will do. When we give we do what we can do, because God has entrusted to us as Stewards the material blessings of life. Giving is helping to answer our own prayer as our gifts are used to meet mission needs. (Discuss your plans for the Annie Armstrong Offering for Home Missions and Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for Foreign Missions goals, etc.)

President: If we gave them opportunity, these chairmen could talk all day. There are more books to tell you about, more prayer plans, more aspects of stewardship. The minds of all our chairmen are buzzing with ideas. What we hear today is only a small part of the total plans of our society for the Jubilee Year.

Our Community Missions Chairman will speak next.

Community Missions Chairman: Mrs. Robert Fling, new president of Convention-wide Woman's Missionary Union, said in her acceptance speech in Kansas City that one of her greatest desires is to be a personal soul-winner. Hearing this reminded me of what she wrote recently for *Royal Service*, which is an expression of her personal response to Christian witnessing. She said: "Christian witnessing in one's neighborhood is both the starting point in personal growth and the first step in mission concern. It is impossible to look at world missions through Christ's eyes and not see community missions. Believing that 'profession of faith imposes a spontaneous missionary obligation,' Woman's Missionary Union also believes that every real need constitutes a call. Christian witnessing is more than the testimony of convincing lips. It is the response of a convinced life. It is 'consecration in overalls,' love in action, performing the necessary task at hand without thought of personal preference. It is abiding in Christ and taking up his mission. . . ."

(Briefly outline the community missions plans of your society for the coming year. Include consideration of the two emphases for this year—literacy and organize and/or sustain missions.)

President: Our preview is over. Now we anticipate the full picture of WMS activities which will unfold for us month by month in the Jubilee Year.

One of the things you will be hearing about this year is our "Three Point Program for Progress." This plan will keep before us the need to conserve past gains and to plan for future achievement. The three points are: Aim to Advance, Celebrate the Jubilee, and Present Post-Jubilee Program. I think you would enjoy reading the article on page 10 in this (hold up October Royal Service) magazine, which outlines these plans.

But this is enough of plans right now. Let's turn our attention to people—us. We are the ones for whom the plans exist, the ones who can breathe life into them. In considering this, it is imperative that each member of our society dedicates herself anew to the purpose of our organization and to the purposes of the church of which we are a part—and, most of all, that we dedicate ourselves to God whom we serve.

In a little while we all will stand for a period of prayer and commitment. First, we will have the officers and chairmen stand as I call their names, after which all of us will stand, pledging to them and to God our dedicated service during the coming year.

(Call names of officers and chairmen, giving the office each holds; ask these leaders to repeat in unison: "In the name of Christ our Lord and for His glory, I pledge myself to . . . give thanks unto the Lord, call upon his name; make known his deeds among the people." Now ask our members to stand.)

In closing, may we leave the meeting with the message of our watchword in our minds and the prayer of our hymn in our hearts. (ask the entire group to repeat our watchword, Psalm 105:1, in unison).

Prayer: (Pause for silent prayer and devotion, then as heads are bowed, sing the first verse of "O God, Our Heavenly Father" closing with "Amen.")

MISSION STUDY:

MANDELBAUM GATE

by H. Leo Eddleman



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and Teacher's Helps, 25c, from
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*much money but
surprising results--"*

By the close of 1963 the Foreign Mission Board expects to have at least 1,800 missionaries under appointment. If you give 5c, 1c, or 10c for the work of each missionary, you will be surprised at the amount of your Lottie Moon Christmas Offering this year.

Figure it for yourself:

*1800 missionaries
5¢
\$90.00 to LM Christmas Offering*

*1800 missionaries
1¢
\$18.00 to LMCO*

*1800 missionaries
10¢
\$180.00 to Lottie Moon Christmas Offering*

Begin now to save

Figure the amount you will need to save each day between now and the end of the year in order to give \$90.00, \$18.00, \$180.00 or more to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.

Begin today to save for your goal.

**1963 Lottie Moon Christmas Offering
GOAL \$11,850,000**

*Hats Off to the Past...
Coats Off to the Future*

Observance of the 75th Anniversary of Woman's Missionary Union has ended. Again we praise God for the past and thank him for the challenge of the future. Now we approach the "Year of Jubilee," the last year of the Baptist Jubilee Advance.

For twelve months, and more, we have been hat-waving (and working too) and now as we face the future, let's take off our coats, roll up our sleeves, and buckle down to a successful completion of the Baptist Jubilee Advance with our "Three Point Program for Progress."

FORECASTER

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3 Point Program for Progress

To conserve the gains of our Anniversary Year and to more fully implement the 1963-64 Jubilee goals, Woman's Missionary Union has adopted a Three Point Program for Progress for the Year of Jubilee.



Point I—Aim to Advance

Achieve higher recognition on Aims for Advancement than that attained for the 75th Anniversary Year.

Organizations having attained no previous recognition on Aims for Advancement should strive to become Approved, Advanced, or Honor.

Approved organizations should become Advanced or Honor.

Advanced organizations should become Honor organizations.

Honor organizations should seek to have an Honor Woman's Missionary Union.

Honor WMUs should strive to do even better work.



Point II—Celebrate the Jubilee

Have a Jubilee Year Prayer Retreat.

Have a Jubilee gathering of WMU organizations in the church (Suggested plans to be presented

in Local President's Bulletin).

Have a 15 per cent increase in Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.

Have a 15 per cent increase in Annie Armstrong Offering.

Lead every member to study Baptist Ideals.

(Individual study to be encouraged through a series of interpretive articles in *Royal Service* beginning in January).

Lead every member to participate in personal soul-winning (Forecaster will give soul-winning helps and will promote the use of soul-winning materials).

Lead every member to read the New Testament through during the year.

(Follow readings in *Royal Service* Call to Prayer).

Lead every member to become informed about and involved in her church's total mission program.

(Study and participate in church budget support of missions, and the church's local mission outreach).

Co-operate in church study of graded series on Baptist Heritage (Study book, *Religious Liberty* by C. Emanuel Carlson and Barry Garrett, April 20-24, 1964, as promoted by Training Union).



Point III—Present Post Jubilee Program

The Post-Jubilee Program, adopted by the Southern Baptist Convention and beginning in October, 1964, is a five-year emphasis on the nature and function of the New Testament church. Yearly emphases are as follows:

1964-65—"A Church Fulfilling Its Mission Through Worship"

1965-66—"A Church Fulfilling Its Mission Through Proclamation and

Witness"

1966-67—"A Church Fulfilling Its Mission Through Education"

1967-68—"A Church Fulfilling Its Mission Through Ministry"

1968-69—"A Church Fulfilling Its

Mission Through Evangelism and World Missions"

(WMU participation in the Post-64 plans will be previewed in WMS circle programs in July, August, September, 1964.)

Madam President

A brand-new WMU year begins October 1. This may be your first year to serve as president. If so, you may feel a bit uncertain about presiding over your first WMS meeting.

Here is a suggested agenda for your October meeting:

- Call to order
- Opening prayer
- Business session

Reading of minutes of last meeting (secretary)
Report of treasurer
Report of executive board
Reports of committees
Unfinished business
New business

• Announcements and promotional features: publication, enlistment, social (see suggestions for features on pages 3 and 6).

Time your meeting carefully. Allow two or three minutes for the publications chairman, three minutes for the enlistment chairman, and two or three minutes for the social chairman. Form the habit of beginning on time and closing on time!

• Missionary program from *Royal Service*
• Adjournment
(See WMS Manual, pages 17-18 and 133-134, for discussion of society meetings.)

Publications Committee

Plan a short "I like *Royal Service*" presentation. Ask six or eight women to bring copies of the magazine, and as soon as the publications chairman comes to the front of the room, have each woman stand in quick succession, hold up *Royal Service* and say, one after the other, "I like *Royal Service*" and then sit down.

The publications chairman asks, "Why do you like *Royal Service*?" Quickly each one rises again, one

after the other, and says, "I like the programs," "I like Call to Prayer," "I like Forecaster," "I like the articles," etc.

After the women have finished their statements, the publications chairman says to the audience, "You'll like *Royal Service* too. You can have your own copy every month for just \$1.50."

Hand out *Royal Service* subscription blanks and ask that they be filled in and returned to members of the publications committee at the close of the meeting, with \$1.50. Or, if your church budget provides *Royal Service* for WMS members, omit the subscription blanks.

Program Committee

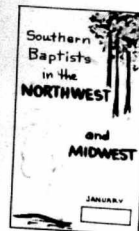
You will need some posters (make them a do-it-yourself project or get the publicity committee to help you) for use in previewing 1963-64 program topics at the October society meeting. See program, "The Year of Jubilee," page 34. After the program, the posters can be used month by month to publicize the meetings.

Program Poster Suggestions



October—The Year of Jubilee

November—Partners for Progress in Japan



January—Southern Baptists in the Northwest and Midwest

February—The Chaplain and His Work



April—Our Jewish Neighbors

For month by month use of posters to publicize meetings, see the small white square provided on the poster for the date, time, and place of meeting.



May—Encouraging Trends in Baptist Missions: Argentina, Chile, Paraguay, Uruguay

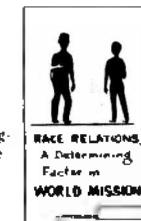
June—Awakening Brazil, a Challenge to Advance



July—Religious Liberty, a Baptist Heritage



August—English-language Churches Overseas



September—Race Relations, a Determining Factor in World Missions

Programs for Circle or Second Society Meeting

FIRST QUARTER—Programs based on three biographies

October—Grace McBride, Missionary Nurse, Lila Watson

November—Bill Wallace of China, Jesse Fletcher

December—M. Theron Rankin, Apostle of Advance, J. B. Weatherston

SECOND QUARTER—Programs on Citizenship

January—I am a citizen

February—I must be an informed citizen

March—A citizen must act

THIRD QUARTER—Programs on Bap-

tist History

April—Baptists Emerge Into Modern History

May—Baptist Beginnings in America

June—Baptists in America and Their Conventions

FOURTH QUARTER—Programs on WMU and Post-Jubilee

July—Total Concept of the Post-Jubilee

August—The Church Magnified Through WMU

September—WMU's Participation in Post-Jubilee

Enlistment Committee *

During the promotion time welcome all visitors and new members. Invite the visitors to become members and the new members to participate in all society plans and activities.

Ask members of the enlistment committee to give to the visitors the leaflet, "Our Church Wants You in WMS" (free from state WMU offices), and to the new members the Membership Folder containing Statement of Aims for Advancement (15c dozen, packaged only as listed, from Woman's Missionary Union, 600 North 20th Street, Birmingham 3, Alabama).

Social Committee *

During the promotional period invite WMS members and visitors to a fellowship tea. Have each member of the social committee

After the folders have been given to the new members, read the statement on the folder, or have it duplicated on a large poster board and ask WMS members to read it together as soft music is played. The poster may be used throughout the year. Ask each new member to sign her card and place it in her billfold for future reference.

If there are no new members or visitors present, use the leaflet and the Membership Folder to encourage WMS members to use them when visiting prospects.

hold a link, or links, in a chain. Make the links out of gold cardboard and cut them so they may be linked together. Print the words as illustrated below on the links.

Let's Form a Chain of Friendship

As the chain is held so that it may be clearly seen, the social chairman reads:

"Let's form a chain of friendship
In today
(the social hall)
And close our meeting in a
happy sort of way
You'll like the fellowship and
The cup of tea we're brewed
So linger with us and we'll
form
A chain of friendship true."

On the handle of each cup place a link on which there is the name of a member or a visitor. As each person is served a cup of tea she is asked to locate the person whose name is on her cup. After a brief time of conversation, have a group sing the song, "Let's Form a Chain

of Friendship," then have the group join their links together and close with a word of prayer or "Bless Be the Tie."

"Let's form a chain of friendship
To reach the world around,
To take the message of salvation
to all mankind.

We'll work and pray and witness
too

Wherever we may be
Let's form a chain of friendship
To reach the world around"

- Adapted from "World Friends Song" (Music may be found in World Friends booklet, price 25c from Woman's Missionary Union, 600 No. 20th St., Birmingham 3, Ala.; or in Missionary Studies, out of print.)

Adjustments in Aims for Advancement

Slight adjustments have been made in WMS Aims for Advancement. These will be in effect October, 1963. They are as follows:

AIM I

Elective I

Monthly circle meetings as outlined in *Royal Service*

or

in society without circles, a second meeting of society each month as outlined in *Royal Service* except those months in which the Weeks of Prayer for Foreign Missions and Home Missions are observed.

Elective 2

Delete the present elective and substitute: Use of relay, extensive, or intensive method of teaching two or more books listed in *The World in Books*.

(The following changes have been made in definitions of extensive and intensive types of classes: "An extensive class must meet a minimum of five clock

hours. Every member of the class should be encouraged to read the book and participate in class discussion and activities. The church School of Missions provides an excellent opportunity for this type of class. An intensive class must meet a minimum of seven and one half clock hours. The class should be planned to include outside assignments and group participation. Every member should be encouraged to read the book. Any circle or society can undertake an intensive course. Members may want to meet every week for eight weeks or they may prefer having eight one-hour sessions over a longer period of time, depending on the book.")

AIM VII

Basic Objective 1

Participate in annual meeting of officers, chairmen, counselors and leaders for making broad plans based on current WMU Year Book.

APPROVED?

Advanced?

HONOR?

The 1962-63 annual report is due by October 5. Check carefully on each basic objective and elective to be certain of your attainment. The society achieving 17 basic objectives, including one under each Aim, is recognized as an Approved WMS; the society achieving 17 basic objectives and 9 electives, including one under each Aim, is recognized as an Advanced WMS; the society achieving 17

basic objectives and 18 electives, including one under each Aim, is recognized as an Honor WMS.

WMU presidents will review carefully the progress each organization has made on its Aims for Advancement. An Honor WMU is one with an Honor WMS, YWA, GA, and Sunbeam Band, with all other organizations, except Sunbeam Nursery, working toward recognition according to Aims for

Advancement. An exception is made in the case of a church in which it is not possible to have each one of the youth organizations because there are not as many as three people of Sunbeam Band, GA, or YWA age. If there are

three or more prospects for a Sunbeam Band, GA, or YWA, there must be an organization for the group, qualifying as Honor, before the WMU can be recognized as an Honor WMU.

Community MISSIONS EMPHASES

Two community missions emphases for 1963-64 are:

- Organize and/or sustain missions
- Literacy work

See the Royal Service article, "Can You Read?" page 24, and lead your WMS to make plans for a literacy workshop or to investigate possibilities for literacy missions in your community. See the 1963-64 WMU Year Book for additional information.

The other community mission emphasis is one in which Woman's Missionary Union has been involved since the beginning of the 30,000 Movement. If your WMU has participated in this phase of mission work, continue the good work; if this is to be a new adventure for your WMS, see the leaflet, "Woman's Missionary Union in the 30,000 Movement," free from state WMU offices, and organize and sustain a mission.

Publicity Committee *

歓迎

Whether you say
it in Japanese
or English, this is
an invitation to our
next WMS meeting
on November

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at (place)
at (time)

We are studying
about Japan

Oide Kudasai (please come)

Begin your publicity early for the November program on Japan. Why not design an invitation post card especially for this meeting? The cards can be distributed to society members in circle meetings in October, so they in turn can

mail the card to prospects with a personal invitation to the meetings. Make the post cards out of 3" x 5" note cards, or print the message on stamped post cards. On the left of the card print some Japanese characters. On the other side print "Whether you say it in Japanese or English, this is an invitation to our next WMS meeting on November _____ at _____ (place)

at _____ We're studying (time) about Japan. 'Oide Kudasai' (translated, 'please come').

Later I'll call you and see if you can attend the meeting with me.

(signed)

Elaine Dickson