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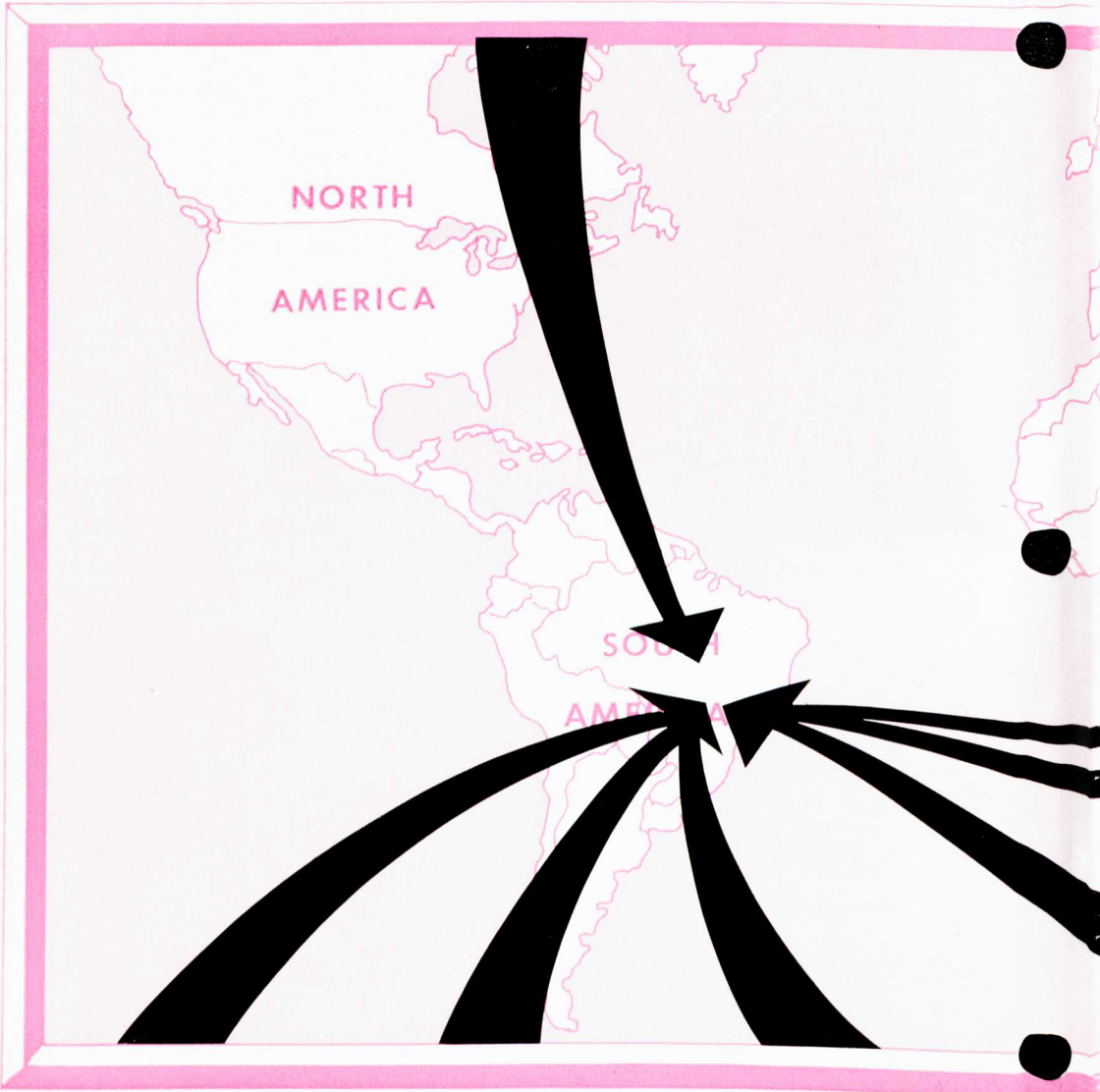
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PROGRAM



Rev. & Mrs. Ken Eagleton—Brazil



Rev. and Mrs. Poole—Brazil



Rev. and Mrs. Wilkinson—Brazil



Rev. and Mrs. Aycock—Brazil



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"God Is Able"

1961 Theme:

"Abounding to Every Good Work"

1961 Watchword:

"God Is Able" (II Cor. 9:8)

1961 Hymn:

"I Gave My Life for Thee"

W.N.A.C. Permanent Hymn:

"Jesus Calls Us"

W.N.A.C. Permanent Watchword:

"Laborers Together With God" (I Cor. 3:9)

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Editorially . . .

Response to Co-Laborer

The response to the CO-LABORER magazine has exceeded our fondest hopes. A great big "thank you" to each and every one.

See You in Norfolk, Virginia

Are you *praying* about attending the WNAC in Norfolk, Virginia, July 10, 11, 1961? We hope you are praying for and planning to attend the Convention. We can't have a convention without *you*. And—we can't have a convention that will honor God and advance His cause without *your* prayers.

WNAC Plan of Support

Flash! Support to the Co-Laborer fund grows increasingly smaller! Are *you* responsible? Well, maybe you aren't responsible for it altogether, but have you neglected to send in your contributions, too? Someone has. Perhaps you just haven't really thought about how important this fund is to this work.

It is very important. From this plan of support, funds are provided for promotional work in the Auxiliary office as well as consistent support to Foreign and Home Missions and the Free Will Baptist Bible College. Why don't *you* suggest at your next auxiliary meeting that your co-laborer offerings be increased. It is needed very much.

Letters . . .

- Praise the Lord! I do rejoice with you concerning the magazine.

—MAUDE COFFEY

- Congratulations on the first issue of CO-LABORER. We are delighted with it.

—RACHEL CRAWFORD

- I like the volume 1, No. 1 CO-LABORER fine, except for the holes which are punched in it. Will you kindly advise where to secure a notebook with rings that will fit the punched holes.

—MRS. RAYMOND T. SASSER

(Editor's Note: A binder can be purchased at Woolworth's for 79¢. Ask for Blue Horse #6336.)

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PRAYER CALENDAR

SUNDAY

Field: Africa

Missionaries: Rev. and Mrs. Lonnie Sparks and Paul Michael
Rev. and Mrs. Dan Merkh, Elizabeth, Daniel, Jr., Timothy, and Raymond
Rev. and Mrs. Bill Jones
Mrs. Josephine Stevens
Dr. and Mrs. LaVerne Miley, Lynn, Lynette and Larry
(In Language school in Paris)

Pray for the Medical Project.

Pray for the churches.

Pray for the new converts.

MONDAY

Field: Hawaii

Missionaries: Rev. and Mrs. Luther Sanders and Brenda
Pray for the purchase of church property.

Pray for the radio program.

TUESDAY

Fields: Latin America, Cuba, Miami, Spain

Missionaries: Rev. and Mrs. John Moehlman, John, Regina, Nathan
Rev. and Mrs. Thomas H. Willey, Sr.
Rev. and Mrs. Thomas H. Willey, Jr. and Alica Ruth
Mrs. Lucy Wisehart Lima, Marilyn Rhoda
Rev. and Mrs. M. Martinez and Joel
Miss Bessie Yeley
Mr. Cignoni

Pray that the Moehlman's might learn the language quickly.

Pray for Cuban leaders.

Pray for a church building in Miami.

WEDNESDAY

Fields: Colorado, Washington, Washington, D.C., New Hampshire

Missionaries: Rev. and Mrs. Roy Thomas, Patsy Lee and Mark Randall
Rev. and Mrs. Johnnie Postlewaite, Joseph, Susan, Samuel, Leah Ruth
Rev. and Mrs. Kenneth Walker
Rev. and Mrs. Mack Owens, Rebecca, Andrea Marie
Rev. and Mrs. Mark Vandivort

Pray for more workers.

Pray for souls.

THURSDAY

Pray for the other fields:

India, Mexico, Alaska, Japan and Brazil

FRIDAY

Pray for WNAC Executive Committee.

Pray for the National Convention in July.

Pray for the Home Mission Board.

Pray for the Foreign Mission Board.

Pray for the college faculty and students.

Pray for the officers of the National Association.

SATURDAY

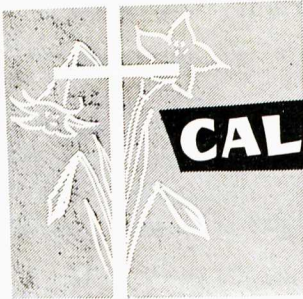
Pray for the Medical Project.

Pray for your church and Pastor.

Pray for your community.

Pray for our denomination.

Pray for our nation.



CALL TO PRAYER

for Missions

AFRICA

By MRS. JOHN WARREN

Route 2—CHARLOTTE, TENNESSEE

With the arrival of the white man in Africa also came benefits of our civilization. Slavery has been abolished, roads and communications cover the continents, great strides have been made in education and health. Still, however, the African retains his faith in the witch doctor or medicine man with his rituals and ceremonies. The missionary who works among superstitious people must show that his medical ability exceeds that of the native medicine man, else how can they accept his God?

Most of us have read articles or stories about the many diseases that abound in the tropical climate of Africa. Besides the many forms of fevers, dysentery, etc., that a person may contract, there are various insects, worms and other forms of living creatures that are harmful to man. Effective treatment depends upon trained personnel, and we have no one on the field of Africa who has received medical training. Yet in one month alone our missionaries ministered to 223 persons who had to have medical help.

A doctor is desperately needed, not only for the natives, but for our own missionary personnel. Dan Merkh writes, "The doctor problem is a major problem in our area. The nearest one is 60 miles from Koun." On December 8 a son, Raymond Earl, was born to the Merkh's. It was necessary for Mrs. Merkh to go one month early to the place where she could be near a doctor.

God has blessed us with a missionary doctor—Dr. LaVerne Miley, who is in language school in France preparing for the field. He is willing, he is capable, and he will soon be ready to take his place where God has led him to go. But how effectively can he serve without equipment? Where will he minister without a building? *That part depends upon us.*

Our 1960-1961 project is the supplying of medical supplies and equipment for the field of Africa. Our goal is \$12,200.00, but thus far we have received only \$2,910.75 of that amount. The funds are needed now to begin the work. The missionary builder says, "We will need many tons of cement, lumber, and other building supplies. The problems are immense. Please keep this before the throne". We cannot possibly be aware of the magnitude of the task, but we can place funds in the hands of people who are aware of the obstacles and how to overcome them. If you have not sent part or all of your quota, or if you *have* given and can give more, please give *now*. Following is a list of each state's suggested quota and how much has been received:

State	Suggested Quota	Amount Paid	Balance On Suggested Quota
Alabama	\$ 450.00	\$ 202.63	\$ 247.37
Alaska	25.00		25.00
Arizona	50.00		50.00
Arkansas	450.00	99.70	350.30
California	600.00	475.56	124.44

State	Suggested Quota	Amount Paid	Balance On Suggested Quota
Florida	\$ 250.00	\$ 21.25	\$ 228.75
Georgia	600.00	160.51	439.49
Illinois	400.00		400.00
Kansas	50.00		50.00
Kentucky	300.00	149.00	151.00
Louisiana	50.00		50.00
Michigan	600.00		600.00
Mississippi	400.00	101.34	298.66
Missouri	1,200.00	401.37	798.63
New Mexico	50.00	10.00	40.00
North Carolina	1,850.00	290.49	1,559.51
Ohio	200.00		200.00
Oklahoma	1,200.00	104.50	1,095.50
South Carolina	1,200.00	499.04	700.96
Tennessee	1,200.00	72.48	1,127.52
Texas	600.00	60.00	540.00
Virginia	350.00	233.38	116.62
Washington	25.00	19.50	5.50
West Virginia	100.00		100.00
Old Mexico		10.00	
TOTALS	\$12,200.00	\$2,910.75	\$9,299.25

How long has it been since you wrote to a missionary? Letters from home provide a source of strength for them. Write our African missionaries at the following addresses:

Rev. and Mrs. Lonnie Sparks
Mission Protestante Evangelique
B. P. 54, Goumere Par Bondoukou
Ivory Coast, Africa

Rev. and Mrs. Daniel J. Merkh
Mission Protestante Evangelique
B. P. 54, Goumere Par Bondoukou
Ivory Coast, Africa

Rev. and Mrs. Bill Jones
Mission Protestante
B. P. 24, Angnibilekro
Ivory Coast, West Africa

Dr. and Mrs. LaVerne D. Miley
c/o Centre Missionnaire
D'Orientation
156, Rue De Longchamp
Paris XVI, France

HAWAII

Our work in Hawaii is progressing. We now have an organized mission with thirteen members and our Sunday School enrolment now stands at 39. Each week we have a fifteen minute radio broadcast which reaches about 90 percent of the Island's population. Cost of the program is \$30.00 per month, which is paid for with offerings received at our regular church service. There are many problems on the field of Hawaii, and one is the high cost of living. Also, there is an acute land problem. Land is sold at an average of \$2.00 to \$3.00 per square foot. Since there are 43,560 square feet in one acre, you can see the immediate problem in the purchase of property for a church building. You can have a share in the church at Hawaii by purchasing one square foot of land at \$3.00 per square foot. Help us win Hawaii for Christ! Our missionaries to Hawaii are:

Rev. and Mrs. Luther Sanders
P. O. Box 1201
Waipahu, Hawaii

LATIN AMERICA

With the sailing of the John Moehlman's for Costa Rica for language study begins our missionary sojourn into the Latin American countries. The Moehlman's will be in Costa Rica for several months before continuing on to the field. Remember to pray for them that the language might come easily and that they will become oriented quickly. Write them at the following address:

Rev. and Mrs. John Moehlman
Box 2240
San Jose, Costa Rica

COLORADO

On the homefront we are still striving to move westward with the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ. Rev. and Mrs. Roy Thomas are completing their itinerant work and will soon be in Denver where they hope to establish a Free Will Baptist work. If you know of anyone in the Denver area who would be interested or has a Free Will Baptist background, please send their names and addresses to Rev. Thomas at the following address:

Rev. and Mrs. Roy Thomas
3801 Richland Avenue
Nashville, Tennessee

GOALS E'ER BEFORE ME

By MRS. LAVERNE MILEY

When a woman becomes an officer in the WNAC, she promises herself to do ten things. One of these is: *To put my goals and aims in writing and keep them before me constantly.*

This rule is good for anyone who assumes a new responsibility. It clears the atmosphere and gives purpose to daily living. Since arriving in France to begin language study preparatory to going to the mission field of Africa, I, too, have put my goals and aims for this period of one year into writing.

1. To be able to converse intelligently with the butcher, the baker, the grocer, and the laundry man. They are so kind and patient with our sign language and fumbling through the French-English dictionary.

2. Be concerned about the spiritual condition of those in our building (three floors, four apartments). For the day when I can lead at least one personally to know Him as Saviour and Lord!

3. Be able to work a French crossword puzzle.

4. Help teach the Thursday afternoon children's class in the Baptist church on the first floor of our building. A wave of desire and longing flooded me when I heard about this class. I have a trunk full of visual teaching materials that I'm eager to translate into the language of "my" boys and girls down there.

5. To encourage our children in their spiritual growth—without the aid of Sunday school teachers, youth sponsors or Child Evangelism classes.

6. To see that this apartment is in just as good a condition when we leave as it now is, leaving only a homey, lived-in atmosphere. We are the first tenants in this brand new apartment. It was built to house the church and parsonage plus quarters for missionaries on furlough and such as we. We deeply appreciate it.

7. Teach our children so effectively with the Calvert Correspondence Course that they will not be behind those in their respective age groups in the States.

8. To pass all my examinations at school with good grades. Once when I was taking the lab course at the University, we were having our devotions one morning. Lynn prayed, "Help Daddy to make 100 on his test, help me to make 100, help Lynette to make 100, and help Mama to . . . to . . . make a good grade." 100 was almost too much to ask for Mama! So, I don't strive for 100's, but I do want to make good grades.

9. Not to become so busy with things so near at hand that we will lose that vital contact with people back home—writing letters regularly (even though a one-page airmail letter costs almost 20¢ postage!) and sending slides periodically. Also tapes when we get a recorder.

10. May distance not be a hindrance in our praying. To be as faithful in praying for our friends at home as we want them to be faithful in praying for us.

WORKSHOP ON WORKSHOPS

By MRS. BILLY MELVIN, NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

INVESTIGATE MEANING OF WORKSHOP

- (1) Original definition—"A place in which manual labor is carried on." Webster
- (2) WNAC Meaning—A place where Auxiliary members share ideas and experiences; work out problems; inform; plan work for the future; inspire and challenge toward greater service for the Lord.
- (3) Compare meanings in section (1) and (2)

NOTE AIMS OF WORKSHOP

- (1) To bring the Local and District officers together in order to more effectively communicate.
- (2) To bring about the working toward a common goal.
- (3) To help the auxiliary members to assume responsibility.
- (4) Provide the members with cooperative undertakings.
- (5) Give the local officers methods to use in local work.
- (6) Seek to clearly inform members of every phase of the work.
- (7) Provide the inspiration and a challenge to all who attend.

SELECT METHODS FOR WORKSHOP PROGRAMS

- (1) Points that influence selection of method.
 - a. Size of group
 - b. Situation in room
 - c. People available to help in presentation
 - d. Materials and equipment available
- (2) Discuss what methods can be used.

PLANNING WORKSHOP PROGRAMS

- (1) Approach preparation prayerfully.
- (2) Determine the needs of your auxiliaries.
- (3) Work out a program outline.
- (4) Plan a strong introduction to secure attention.
- (5) Enrich with visuals, skits, etc.
- (6) Have sufficient material needed for study.

INFORM PARTICIPANTS

- (1) Find out what materials and equipment is needed.
- (2) Make sure each participant knows exactly what she is to do and how much time she is allowed.
- (3) Encourage the use of outlines and the taking of notes.
- (4) Close on time!

RADIATE ENTHUSIASM

- (1) Use personnel and materials that are strictly Evangelical.
- (2) Strive for student participation.
- (3) Avoid letting the program drag.
- (4) Insist on time limits as much as possible.

EVALUATE RESULTS as much as is humanly possible. This will be
ful in planning future Workshops.

ENLISTMENT WORKSHOP FOR DISTRICT WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

By MRS. J. REFORD WILSON
Enlistment Chairman, WNAC

Registration

10:00 Singing

Devotional Period, Prayer

10:20 "She Should Be . . ." (Qualifications of the Enlistment Chairman illustrated
on poster, blackboard, or flannelboard)

- 10:35 "She Should Do . . ." (Duties of Vice-President, also illustrated—mimeographed copies of qualifications and duties to give members to take home would be helpful)
- 10:50 "What If" (Playlet, or one of the other playlets offered in the Vice-President's packet)
- 11:15 "We Did It This Way" (Discussion and idea period)
- 11:45 Dismissal: Visitors may view literature exhibit in a classroom prepared by the District Vice-President. She should also have some packets and other helps to sell.

The local auxiliary prepares for the enlistment tea with the visitors serving as prospective members. Carry it out as nearly as possible to the real thing. At refreshment time have sandwiches, cookies, and fruit for lunch.

Have a short recess then close with a question and answer period. Perhaps you would like to use the "Tic Tac Toe" idea or a written "True-False Quiz" or a matching quiz. If an 11:00 worship service is desired, the playlet could be given in the afternoon along with the discussion and question periods.

DEAR YOUTH SPONSOR

IT'S TIME . . . for Daily Vacation Bible School for 1961 in more ways than one. It's time to select teachers, it's time to plan handwork, and it's *time* for the theme! The 1961 course by Scripture Press is entitled "Living by God's Time" and is clocked to the NOW-time of salvation, and the REDEEMED-time of positive Christian living. But whether Scripture Press or other literature is used, it is definitely time to get plans underway for the 1961 Daily Vacation Bible School.

It is not the work of the Woman's Auxiliary to promote Daily Vacation Bible Schools, but every Christian mother, Youth Chairman, Sunday School teacher, church member—in fact every Christian—should be interested in providing a church-sponsored school for the children of the church and those in the community. Through no other one or two-week period can so many children be reached for Christ.

If your church has never had a Bible School, or you think that they do not plan to have one this year, talk to your Sunday School Superintendent and Pastor to see if one cannot be planned. Although deciding to have a Daily Vacation Bible School is important, there is much more to it than that. The Sunday School superintendent or some other qualified person may be the director, but the success or failure of the school rests with the individual teachers and other workers who make up the school staff. You youth sponsors will probably be the first ones called upon to teach. Your first reaction will possibly be "I can't do it", so even before you are asked, prepare yourself for the task.

First of all, why not have a Workshop on Daily Vacation Bible School? This could serve to introduce Daily Vacation Bible School to those who are not familiar with it, and could also be used to present new ideas and new methods for teaching the course.

Have the workshop when the entire church can participate, or better still, make it district-wide, utilizing the most capable leaders in the district. Make sure you have some DVBS material on hand, but be careful to promote methods, problem areas which need consideration, teacher qualification, etc. A sample workshop outline follows for your guidance, but do not feel limited to its use.

WORKSHOP ON VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

PURPOSE: To familiarize potential DVBS workers with organization, materials, methods and ideas for conducting the school.

PREPARATION:

1. Secure a teacher or teachers who are qualified and prepared to teach classes on DVBS.
2. Plan and announce the time, place and date of the workshop. (Be sure and select a time suitable for as many people as possible to attend.)

PROGRAM

- 10:00 a.m. Hymn
Prayer
Greetings
Introduction to Workshop
- 10:15 a.m. Part I—Vision and Possibilities
(Can show filmstrip with record giving preview of the course "Living by God's Time." This can be borrowed from Free Will Baptist Headquarters, 3801 Richland Avenue, Nashville 5, Tenn.)
- 11:00 a.m. Special Music
Part II—Preparation and Organization
- 12:00 Lunch
- 1:00 p.m. Hymn
Prayer
Part III—Daily Conduct of the School
- 2:00 p.m. Special Music
Part IV—Other Important Considerations
(This should include making arrangements for transportation, refreshments, if they are to be used, and taking care of other details which make the school move along smoothly.)
- 2:30 p.m. Discussion Period
- 3:00 p.m. Adjourn

A LIST THAT LASTS

While making out your special shopping lists, you may want to note this one for club leaders. We might call it a "Personality Shopping List for Auxiliary members."

A large box of cooperation. This is one thing you just can't do without. It seems to be a basic ingredient in every successful venture.

Two dozen (mixed variety) ideas plus inspiration. You can't find these on every shopping tour, so it's best to pick them up whenever you see them. You'll find that ideas can be stored for awhile, but inspiration is best when it's served fresh.

One gallon of enthusiasm. This is to be sprinkled liberally on program projects. It is astonishing what even a few drops can do.

A soupcon of compromise. At first this may appear to be a bitter pill to swallow; actually it is often a magic catalyst which results in a good program, and good human relations.

Wrapping material of tact and tolerance. A wrapping can be as important as the package inside, and you may be surprised to find that just a little of this one will go a long way.

Several packages of patience. Best to keep a good supply on hand; this is such a useful item and it's so very easy to run out of it at the most inconvenient times.

A matched pair of appreciation and interest. No matter how these two are used, they are invariably "seasoned to the taste" of everyone.

A spool of understanding. For mending hurt feelings and patching up torn situations, this spool is absolutely indispensable, (in fact, you'd better get two spools).

Little jacket of hope. A jacket which is smart to wear for any occasion. Be sure to try it on for size, it isn't wise to get a size that is too large.

Two orders of confidence and poise. Although you don't want to use too much of

these at any one time, you'll find that each of them will provide a certain balance and stability. (You may have to order these ahead of time and wait for delivery, they seem to be much wanted items.)

Large economy size of common sense. This item can be used in so many ways, and often comes in handy when other ingredients are not available. Be sure to get the largest size, for this is something you simply cannot afford to be without.

A jewel of humor. Treat yourself to this "gem" which can be used at almost any time and will always add sparkle to any circumstance. It's nice to know that even though this is "dear" it is not expensive. Like pearls, it should be worn often to maintain its special glow.

Perhaps you can't check off every item on this list on your first shopping tour, but do keep trying even if it takes awhile—"for this is a list that lasts."

PROGRAM FOR APRIL, 1961

THE BOOK THAT LIVES

By MRS. AGNES FRAZIER, Box 85, Ashland City, Tennessee

Scripture Medley

Prayer

Hymn: "Jesus Calls Us"

Business Period

Prayer

Hymn

Program Period

Closing Feature

Benediction

PROGRAM HELPS

1. On a flannelgraph place a picture of a Bible in the lower left hand corner, a world in the upper right. Underneath have the words "The Word to the World—How?" Then give each person on the program a step with the key words of her topic on it. As she presents her topic, she places the step on the board. Thus when all the topics have been presented, the steps from the Bible to the world will read "Believe the Word;" "Obey the Word;" "Know the Word;" "Hold the Word;" "Live the Word."

2. Have an "Opinion Test" (See program for details.)

1. Scripture Medley. Have the narrator read the following scriptures impressively as the pianist plays softly "Open My Eyes."

Matt. 13:16-17

John 14:15

John 15:27

John 15:11

Matt. 9:37,38

John 13:17

Matt. 28:19-20

Matt. 13:9

2. Prayer in unison "The Lord's Prayer"
3. Sing: "Jesus Calls Us"
4. Business Period
5. Sing Stanza 1 of "Wonderful Words of Life"
6. Pray that the:
 - a. Speakers will be mightily used of God to present the truths of this program.
 - b. Christians will be more keenly aware of their personal responsibility as stewards of The Word.
 - c. Missionaries will be strengthened in their witness of The Word.
 - d. Woman's Auxiliary groups will be increasingly used of the Lord as instruments to meet spiritual needs even unto the uttermost part of the world.
7. Sing Stanza 2 of "Standing On the Promises"
8. Program Period:

INTRODUCTION

One of the aspirants for the presidency of the United States in the November 1960 election has been reported in the daily press as saying, in answering a question about his religious affiliation, that it is of no legitimate concern to anybody else what a man does on Sunday.

Now, this is a disturbing answer, partly because it sounds to many people like a highly sensible one. The fact that it seems sensible indicates the degree to which our people really believe that religion is a marginal matter. Religion, they think, has to do with specialized days and specialized places, rather than with the total life of the individual and society. A man's religion is not really important, according to this conception, because religion to such believers is what a man does in his spare time on Sunday.

Acceptance of marginal religion may be actually more damaging to society than outright infidelity. Often the best way to oppose a movement is to accept it in a mild form. The current heresy of America, is, therefore, *mild religion*.

Belief seems to make a difference in everything except what a man believes about religion. When we come into the realm of the spiritual, where the uppermost concern is the destiny of the soul, the way of salvation and life, many people taboo conviction and rush to declare that it doesn't make any difference what a man believes so long as he is sincere in his convictions.

What people believe made a difference to Jesus for He said: "I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh to the Father but by me." It made a difference to Peter and John. It certainly made a difference to Paul.

Belief made a difference with Martin Luther, John Knox, John Calvin, with Carey, Judson, Finney, Spurgeon, Sampey, Torrey; also with Truett, Rice, Le-Tourneau, and with all other dynamic personalities past and present.

It makes all the difference what a person believes about religion. The Bible is shorn of its authority and is brought down to the level of any other book if we do not believe it to be the *inspired Word of God*. Christ is robbed of His unique person and mission if we believe Him to be only a great, inspired teacher like Confucius or Shakespeare. The church is hardly more than an earthly club or fraternity if we do not believe that it is a divine institution, bought with the blood of Christ.

Great deeds, mighty advances, will disappear if belief makes no difference. If belief makes no difference, then men are not lost, evangelism is useless, missions are out of date, and the power of God's program of world redemption is utterly neutralized. But thanks be unto God belief makes a difference to some people. Our program was prepared to show that God's plans, purpose and goals for world peace are still unchanged, and that His children are still the only stewards of the Word.

Topic I: **WE ARE TO BELIEVE THE WORD**

The Bible is the very word of the living God. Over 2500 times in the Bible we have such expressions as, "Thus saith the Lord", "The Lord spake these words," and "The Word of the Lord came unto me saying." However, in addition to these statements, God has given us many infallible proofs whereby we can know that the Bible is the very *Word of God*.

The fact of fulfilled prophecy gives us indisputable evidence that the Bible is the Word of God. Prophecies that were

given in the most minute detail concerning the nation Israel and other nations, have been and are being fulfilled in the exact manner that the Bible predicted.

How many writers were used in writing the Bible, and how many years was the Book in the writing? Yet there is one harmonious theme from Genesis to Revelation. How did these men know what to write? Where does the transforming power come from? Through the messages recorded on its pages, thieves have been made over into honest men, drunkards have been made sober, fallen women

have been made pure. Read its pages with an honest heart and see if you are not convinced that it is the *Word* of God and that every Christian is a steward of this word.

(Sing to the tune of "Open My Eyes" or read as a prayer.)

Open their eyes, that they may see
Glimpses of truth that come from Thee:
Place in their hands the Wonderful Key
That shall unclasp, and set them free.
Silently now I wait for Thee,
Ready, My God, Thy Will to see;
Open my eyes, illumine me,
Spirit Divine.

Amen.

Topic II: **WE ARE TO OBEY THE WORD**

Not only are we to believe that the Bible is the very Word of God, we are to obey it. We are to be doers of the Word and not hearers only, deceiving ourselves (James 1:22). God's purpose in redemption is to restore us to obedience and through the ministry of witnessing to reproduce His life in others. Christian stewards are elected unto obedience (I Peter 1:2). We are to express our belief in obedience just as Adam and Eve expressed their unbelief in disobedience. The Bible is a lamp unto our feet and a light unto our pathway. It is the only book in the word that tells us where we came from, why we are here, and where we are going. We must believe it to be saved; study it to be approved workmen, and practice its teachings faithfully to be awarded finally by the Master Steward.

"It is required in stewards that a man found faithful" (1 Cor. 4:2), was written for the instruction of us here at this meeting as much as for those of the Corinthian church back during Paul's day. Faithful obedience to the Word is still a requirement of each believer.

Moffatt's translation of John 9:4 reads: "While daylight lasts, we must be busy

with the work of God: night comes, when no one can do any work". In this statement Jesus Himself is admonishing and warning us to be obedient to the Word. These are harvest days for each one of us. Soon the dark night of tribulation will come, ending our opportunity for service and ingathering.

We everyone have a task to fulfill. We, as laborers together, have a voice that can and should cry out against the onslaughts of liberalism, selfish pleasure and cults in the church. We must all work together and be found faithful in our stewardship of the Word lest we receive the award: "Depart from me, ye workers of iniquity."

There is much of God's work for Free Will Baptist stewards to do through the Woman's Auxiliary plan of work. Study these plans until you know them by "heart". (Would that they were constantly on every member's heart.) These plans have been prayerfully wrought out; all are important; all are aimed at helping Free Will Baptist women become better and more faithful stewards of the Word. They are far-reaching in scope; and if faithfully and enthusiastically carried out, they will go far toward producing missionary obedience in the churches of today and of tomorrow. Oh, that our people could realize that whole-hearted missionary obedience is vital to our welfare, both economically and spiritually. There is no other task as important as this. Whatever else you leave undone in your auxiliary, do not fail to bring your members to be good stewards of the Word.

(As heads are bowed, soloist sings to the tune of "Open My Eyes" or read as a prayer.)

Open my mouth and let me bear
Gladly His Truth—out everywhere.
Open their hearts and help them to know
Love which the Saviour came to show.
Silently now we wait for Thee,
Ready, our God, Thy will to see.
Open our hearts, illumine us,
Spirit Divine.

Amen.

Topic III: **WE ARE TO KNOW THE WORD**

We shall never know the message of the Bible until we desire and seek after knowledge and lift up our voice for understanding. We must search for truth as we would search for hidden treasure (Prov. 2:3,4). We recommend the Navigator's five-fold method for taking in the Word: (1) Hear the Word, (2) Read the Word, (3) Study the Word, (4) Memorize the Word, (5) Meditate on the Word.

The Bible is not a book that can be understood by the natural mind. If the Christian is to enter into the deep things of God, he must learn to be taught by the Spirit of God (I Cor. 2:12). Jesus has promised that the Holy Spirit would guide us into all truth (John 16:13). He will take the things of Christ and show them unto us. When taught by the Spirit of God, we will find Christ in every book of the Bible. He is the Living Word of God, even as the Bible is the written Word of God. All history is His story.

Knowledge is essential in any field of endeavor. Whenever, for example, the medical profession endeavors to combat a serious disease, the first essential is a vast program of research into the nature of the disease, its cause, the laws of its development, conditions favorable to its spread, and wherein is its weakness so that it may be attacked and defeated. Likewise the serious disease of sin must be attacked with spiritual knowledge and defeated "in the power of His might" (Eph. 6:10) because it is with "spiritual wickedness in high places and rulers of the darkness of this world" (Eph. 6:12) that stewards of the Word wrestle.

The Bible must be taught; and it must be taught as it was written, as it was intended to be taught, primarily as a book of religion and for the inspiration and edification of the saints as well as for the inspiration and guidance of the whole world.

As stewards of the Word in and through the Woman's Auxiliary, we would consider our very first purpose the

helping of every member both adult and youth, to gain a deep sense of the nearness of God and of close personal relationship to Jesus Christ. As a very near second, because it is essential to these first aims, we should put the helping of every member to enjoy the Bible and to use it intelligently.

It is a great privilege to be numbered among those who reveal the message of the Book, and adapt it to fit all ages and conditions of life. What, then, is involved in this high appraisal of our responsibility as stewards of the Word leading into the Bible those who are less mature Christians?

It involves, first of all, something in our attitude toward the Bible. When we, as stewards of the Word, take the Bible seriously, when we show that the use of the Bible is a source of daily strength for us, it will become more naturally the guide of our friends and associates. If people can see that exasperation and an ugly disposition are absent from Bible users, and that the Bible they know creates inner calm and outward goodness, they will be more anxious to take it into their own lives. We as stewards must be constantly alert to show that the Bible is not a museum piece, that we ourselves are accustomed to frequent study and use of it, and how the Bible helps us. Indeed, before we can lead others into an appreciation of this Book, we shall have to make certain of our own devotion to it and our belief in its ability to show us the Father and to guide us in Christlike living. In a word, it is not fair to try to introduce others to the Bible if the Bible is a stranger to us.

Some Christians have a very short Bible! That is why they know so little of the program of God and are being led into countless heresies and "fads". The system of Bible study which has been pursued in Sunday schools for many years is largely responsible for this condition. The church has been studying a shorter Bible.

There was never a time in the history of our nation when less Bible was taught in the home, the school, and yes, even

in the church than is being taught today. We are told by an eminent jurist that this sad deplorable neglect more than anything else, is what has made America the most lawless civilized nation on the globe. The Bible and the Bible alone is the religion of Protestants and any course or method of study which minimizes rather than magnifies the place and proportion of the Bible in the growth and development of Christians is to be deeply deplored.

Americans, yea, Free Will Baptist Woman's Auxiliary members everywhere are wilfully ignorant today concerning God's Word. They dislike study classes; they refuse to read books that will enlighten and illumine God's Word; they prefer to be talked to and then call this *lecture* a study class. This is not the truth for unless the members really study the textbook that is being talked about to them, it is not a *study* class. Is a sermon a study class? Neither is a lecture! Hosea 4:1,6 was written for modern-day children of God just as for the children of Israel, and we modern-day children had better heed this warning from our Heavenly Father and stop rejecting knowledge of God's Word before He pronounces on our church of today the same judgment recorded in Rev. 2:5 and removes our lamp.

"Why build these cities glorious, if man unbuilded goes? In vain we build the world, unless the builder also grows."—Edwin Markham

In view of the urgent need then of the church today for a safeguard against spiritual peril, is there any other task quite so imperative as that of awakening believers everywhere to their privileges and obligations as stewards of God's Word, and to the vital relationship of this stewardship to all forms of Christian advance?

"How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,
Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word!

What more can He say than to you He hath said,

You who unto Jesus for refuge hath fled?"—George Keith.

9. Special Musical Feature—"Blessed Book, Precious Book" (Sing as a duet).

Topic IV: **WE ARE TO HOLD THE WORD**

Since the Bible is the foundation of the Christian faith, the Devil makes his first attack here. He whispers now to us as he did to Eve in the Garden of Eden, "Hath God said?" Many are the adversaries who would attack the Word of God. Some would add to it; some would take from it. Some deny and ridicule it. Others make it of none effect by their traditions. Many twist and pervert its messages so they can use it for their own selfish ends. But we, as stewards of the Word, must be faithful to ever "contend for the faith once delivered to the saints."

Some, however, are so busy holding the Bible fast that they never have time to hold it forth. This glorious message is to be proclaimed to the ends of the earth. Men in every nation, God says, are to be taught, baptized, and built up in the faith. Christ still is saying to every born-again child: Go—make disciples in every nation. Are you doing it? The Word must go forth by preaching, by teaching, by radio, by press. Let us unite and hold forth the Word of Life in this crisis hour! This is the most important job facing Christian people in 1961!

And it can be held forth, not only by your own personal testimony, but by the placing of effective printed witnesses (tracts and mission books) in the hands of your friends and loved ones. Be a book missionary! Do for others what God, through others, has done for you. Yes, you and I are responsible!

Topic V: **WE ARE TO LIVE THE WORD**

What a world: from lamplight to satellite in one generation! You may well have a serious question as to whether this change is for the better—if it constitutes genuine progress—but nevertheless we are living in the most rapidly changing era of the world's history.

Amid all of this, one thing remains changeless—the Word of God. Today through the efforts of this program it is hoped a renewed emphasis to the uncompromising stand of Free Will Baptist Woman's Auxiliary for the changeless Word as the only answer for a world that has lost its way, will send forth stewards of the Word who will be found more faithful to their charge.

Above all we must let the living Christ live in us so that a disbelieving world will be convinced of the truth of the Bible. If we preach love, and hate our brother, we shall be a stumbling block instead of a stepping stone. If we talk of consecration and live in sin, our lives will be a stench instead of a sweet-smelling savor. If we meet, and then our meeting has no creative after-effects in real service, then our meeting has been a futile gesture, having the form of religion but lacking power.

It is through the written Word that we come to know the Living Word. It is only as He lives in and through us, His stewards, that our lives will be a testimony of the Grace of God.

You know the devices of Satan. He is using atheistic communism, bigoted Roman Catholicism and self-pleasuring compromising Protestants to try to destroy or diminish God's Word. These satanic attacks are not imaginary. They are real as revealed in the slaughter of Christians in Korea and Red China; the persecution of Protestants in Colombia, Spain and Italy; the effects of liberal councils of churches to control and direct American Protestantism, promoting ideas contrary to biblical truths, and by the practice of hedonism by far too many in the church. A standard must be raised against these and it must be done cooperatively by stewards of the Word through church groups such as the Woman's Auxiliary.

Our only hope for new vitality is to return to the strategy of the primitive gospel, according to which we understand the responsibility of the Christian is one of participation in an assigned task.

A Christian, in the original sense, is an ordinary person who, in spite of his personal inadequacy, is engaged in the task of trying to extend, rather than merely perpetuate, Christ's Kingdom. He is a missionary, an evangelist, a witness, a trustee, a fisher of people. The gathering of the faithful is not an end in itself, but a starting point for the penetration of the whole world, by ordinary men and women who are committed to Christ's life and work.

If we will read, believe, obey, and hold forth the Word of God as faithful stewards; we will become convicted of how much time, energies, and money we are wasting on passing things. Instead of using our Woman's Auxiliary meetings as a place to discuss and make plans for suppers, pianos, nurseries, rugs, pews, dishes, curtains, etc., for the church, our meetings will be used for their intended purpose—a place where Christian women gather together to study God's plans and purpose, and the spiritual needs of a lost world, and what they as His stewards and witnesses can do to carry out His, not their, plans.

The preaching and teaching of biblical stewardship of the Word will issue in lives joined in sacred partnership with God. The sense of a "divine partnership" springs up in the life. Life becomes a sacred trust. The steward becomes in a very real and hallowed sense "God's man".

Over our land are many examples of men and women, in all walks of life, who are working together with God. Whether preaching or teaching, whether making small salaries or great, whether wage earners or capitalists—this conception of life's stewardship brings them rich spiritual experiences. "Puny hands may thus link up with the pierced hands of the divine Son to accomplish heavenly purposes on earth".

Will you have an even greater part this year with me and with all of God's great family in this great work? Yes, there are those who will not listen. But the Lord commands that we get the message to "every creature." Among the multitudes

are those who will listen and heed. They will love our Lord and live for Him if we will but pray for them and give them the light that will lighten their way.

"Only one life, 'twill soon be past.
Only what's done for Christ will last."

Set Us Afire, Lord

*It is strange we trust each other,
And only doubt our Lord;
We will take the word of mortals,
And yet distrust His Word;*

*But, oh, what light and glory
Would shine o'er all our days*

*If we always would remember
That God means just what He says.*
—A. B. SIMPSON, D.D.

10. Special Feature—"An Opinion Test"
Distribute papers containing 10-15 statements from or about the Word of God. Have members to check those with which they agree; put a question mark after those about which they are doubtful. (Anyone desiring a ready prepared "Opinion Test" may write the W.N.A.C. office for one copy.)

11. Benediction

PROGRAM FOR MAY, 1961

BUILDING BRIDGES

MRS. J. B. HALL, 3606 West End Avenue, Nashville 5, Tennessee

Hymn:

Scripture: Matthew 18:1-14

Prayer: That we may have a burden for lost children everywhere.

Hymn:

Business Period

Program Period

Introduction

Topic I: The Importance of Teaching the Children

Topic II: Teach by Precept—the Word of God

Topic III: Teach by Practice

Topic IV: Teach in a Language They Can Understand

Topic V: Teach from a Heart of Love and Compassion

PROGRAM HELPS

1. As a special feature, have recitation of a poem.

2. Have the program in the form of a puppet show. Make children puppets, let auxiliary members on the program give their parts behind the puppet box to make it appear that the puppets are speaking.

INTRODUCTION

Materials and methods used in teaching would vary according to age groups. However there are some general principles of teaching applicable to all ages. In this lesson we will be considering a few of these principles.

Topic I: **THE IMPORTANCE OF TEACHING CHILDREN**

Our theme reminds us that we should abound in every good work; but we can never boast of abounding in every good work when our children are being neglected—by the home and by the church. In this present age it seems as if the children and young people are running rampantly into every type of crime and wickedness that one can imagine. We stand, looking on, with our mouths open in amazement saying, "Where are our children heading?" That is easy to answer. They are heading in the direction we lead them, or at least where we allow them to go. ". . . whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap. For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting." (Gal. 6:7,8). We have sown to the flesh, and we are now reaping corruption.

Before we can successfully teach children, we must be convinced that they need teaching, that they need to be made conscious of sin and the need of a Savior. The Scripture says that "even a child is known by his doings, whether his work be pure, and whether it be right". (Prov. 20:11). If their work is to be pure and right, they must be taught of the Lord and brought to the Savior because the Bible also tells us that ". . . there is none righteous, no, not one: There is none that understandeth, there is none that seeketh after God. They are all gone out of the way, they are together become unprofitable; there is none that doeth good, no, not one." (Rom. 3:10-12). "All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; . . . (Isa. 53:6). "For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God;" (Rom. 3:23).

Whenever we say that children need

teaching, almost everyone will agree; yet there is so little teaching done. Very often we hear parents say, "Oh, I'm not going to try to influence my child. I want him to grow up unbiased, then he can make up his own mind." How foolish can we get! It is utterly impossible for a child to grow up unbiased in his attitude toward Christ. If he isn't biased "for" Christ, he will be biased "against" Him. There is no middle ground. The Lord said, "He that is not with me is against me;" (Matt. 12:30).

Satan would love to keep us deceived with this "unbiased" thinking. If he can accomplish this, much of his battle is won because a child, without Christian teaching until he is old enough to make his own decisions, will definitely be against Christ since his natural inclinations are sinful rather than Godly.

This kind of thinking, our complacency, our unconcern, our lack of love for the lost, etc., has brought to us a generation described so well in Proverbs 30:11-12,14. "There is a generation that curseth their father and doth not bless their mother. There is a generation that are pure in their own eyes, and yet is not washed from their filthiness. There is a generation, whose teeth are as swords, and their jaw teeth as knives, to devour the poor from off the earth, and the needy from among men."

Oh, if we could only experience the burden of Jeremiah which caused him to be called the "weeping prophet". "Arise, cry out in the night: in the beginning of the watches pour out thine heart like water before the face of the Lord: lift up thy hands toward him for the life of thy young children, that faint for hunger in the top of every street." (Lamentations 2:19).

Look around you, parents, pastors, teachers! How oft do you see the children fainting and falling by the wayside

because of a lack of the Bread of Life. They hunger and thirst, but we do not give them bread, "For the bread of God is he which cometh down from heaven, and giveth life unto the world" (John 6:33). Neither do we give them water. Jesus said, "But whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life." (John 4:14). "And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take of the water of life freely." (Rev. 22:17). "Ho, everyone that thirsteth, come ye to the waters . . ." (Isa. 55:1).

The message from the Savior to the children is "come". "But Jesus said, Suffer the little children, and forbid them not, to come unto me: for of such is the kingdom of heaven." (Matt. 19:14). How miserably we have failed in delivering that message!

Topic II: **TEACH BY PRECEPT— THE WORD OF GOD**

"Whom shall he teach knowledge? And whom shall he make to understand doctrine? them that are weaned from the milk, and drawn from the breasts. For precept must be upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, and there a little:" (Isa. 28:9,10).

As teachers we must realize the great responsibility that is ours in handling the Word of God. The issues are heaven and hell. We must present the truth. "And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make ye free. If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed." (John 8:32,36). It is not necessary that the simple truths of God's words be watered down. Teach the Word. It may be presented in various ways—flannelgraph, object lessons, flash card lessons, etc.—but the truth should remain the truth. Regardless of the method used in teaching, you should always be sure that your teaching is according to the Word.

"Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it." (Prov. 22:6). Much of this job of training will fall on the parents, but some will fall on the teacher. Dr. Clarence Benson, in *Introduction to Child Study*, said that "telling is helping to know; teaching is helping to know and grow, and do."

When we have *trained* our children with the Word of God as our guide and textbook, we have no need for concern that they will depart from that training. God, in His Word, has said, "they shall not depart," and God is truth. Much of our so-called training is merely telling, or at the most teaching. Very seldom do we train. It requires too much of our time. What a shame!

Topic III: **TEACH BY PRACTICE**

In their early years children learn much by imitation; therefore, it is necessary that our lives be consistently Christian. A child can learn to bow his head and fold his hands at the table long before he knows the meaning of saying grace. It will be a natural thing for him to realize that the family altar is part of his daily routine before he understands its full meaning if he is a part of that worship time every day. As he grows older, he will begin to ask questions, then the teacher or parent has opportunity to do some "precept" teaching. The Lord told the children of Israel, concerning the Passover, "And ye shall observe this thing for an ordinance to thee and to thy sons for ever. And it shall come to pass, when your children shall say unto you, What mean ye by this service? That ye shall say, it is the sacrifice of the Lord's passover . . ." (Ex. 12:24, 26, 27). Whenever the children saw this ordinance observed time after time they would question the parents concerning the service. This would afford a wonderful teaching opportunity.

Children can learn many helpful lessons by observing consistent Christian lives around them. If we try to teach them to trust God, in order for the lesson to be effective, they must see trust

manifested in our own lives. They must see the fruit of a prayerful life in us if we are to convince them that prayer is important. We must also have a thorough knowledge of God's Word if we are, through our teaching, to instill in them the desire to read the Word.

The teacher should always be on time, refreshed by proper rest, well prepared—both mentally and spiritually—and show interest in the task before him. The teacher who arrives late on Sunday morning, weary and red-eyed from loss of sleep, and unprepared is no witness for the Lord. In fact, his influence will teach negative lessons rather than positive ones. He will be teaching one thing and his life will reveal another. Children are quick to discern inconsistencies.

Topic IV: TEACH IN A LANGUAGE THEY CAN UNDERSTAND

Sometimes the teacher fails to teach because he “talks over the heads of his children.” Too often we try to impress our audience with our knowledge. When the teacher does this and fails to bring the Gospel to the children so that they can understand it, he defeats his purpose. Knowledge dedicated to the Lord is a wonderful thing, but knowledge undedicated is a dangerous thing. The teacher must learn to think as children think and talk in child language (not “baby talk”, mind you) in order for them to get the most from it. Very often we've heard that missionaries must learn not only the customs of the people whom they serve, but also to think as they think in order for their ministry to be most effective. So it is with the teacher of children. He must learn their ways, their talk, and the way they think so that he can share their experiences with them. There is a difference in being “child-like” and “childish”. The teacher is not to be “childish” under any circumstances. The children will lose respect for that teacher.

Even when a teacher realizes that language is so important, he feels that it is undignified for him to talk to his children in child language; therefore he goes on “beating the air”, trying to im-

press the children by expounding in big, impressive, flowery terms. It does not lower the teacher's dignity to talk in child language when teaching children; actually it enhances the dignity of the teacher who realizes the great responsibility of his task and is willing to pay whatever price is necessary in order to do a good job.

Topic V: TEACH FROM A HEART OF LOVE AND COMPASSION

Children are creatures of love. They readily respond to it whenever and wherever they find. They are hungry for it; and in many instances the love of the teacher is all that they will experience. The break-down in our modern home life is producing more and more love-starved children. The teacher whose heart is full of love may be able to supply the love necessary to satisfy that hungering and craving of the children, and in turn bring them to the Savior who loves little children. Someone has said that a child first loves his teacher, then his teacher's Bible, then his teacher's Lord. It all begins with love.

The teacher's love must be genuine. There is no pretending with children. It doesn't take them long to sense that love is real or “put on”. In fact, they are much like that about anything, so don't try to fool them. Once they see that you are false and unreal, you will have very little influence in bringing them to the Lord. There will be some children in our classes who are not loveable if we consider our “natural” likes and dislikes, but when we try to look at them with the eyes of Christ, they will become beautiful to us—precious pearls. In class there may be a child who is dirty and ragged, with stringy, unkept hair, and looks as if he hadn't had a bath for months. When you look at this child, your “natural” self finds him repulsive, and a feeling that you dare not touch him possesses you. You feel that he may have some disease and you certainly do not want it. A child can sense this withdrawing attitude of the teacher, and much harm has been done. However,

the teacher who is dedicated to the Lord and to the task of winning the children will remember that Jesus said, "Even so it is not the will of your Father which is in heaven, that one of these little ones should perish" (Matt. 18:14), and that includes the little ragged fellow. Christ died for him just as he died for that beautiful little golden-haired doll with long curls, sparkling, blue eyes, dressed neatly in a clean, pretty little dress. This is the one to whom the "natural" self will lean, but the love of Christ in our hearts will help us to lean to the other also.

As we look around us at the teeming thousands who are following the ways of the world, not taught the Word of God, let us ask the Lord to give to us that love and compassion for them which He had when He walked this earth and

wept over Jerusalem. May this be the prayer of each of our hearts:

*Dear Lord, I do not ask
That Thou shouldst give me some high
work of Thine,
Some noble calling, or some wondrous
task.*

*Give me a little hand to hold in mine;
Give me a little child to point the way
Over the strange, sweet path that leads
to Thee.*

*Give me a little voice to teach to pray;
Give me two shining eyes Thy face to
see.*

*The only crown I ask, dear Lord, to wear
Is this: That I may teach a little child.
I do not ask that I may ever stand
Among the wise, the worthy or the great;
I only ask that softly, hand in hand,
A child and I may enter at the gate.*

—AUTHOR UNKNOWN

PROGRAM FOR JUNE, 1961

WHAT DOES THE BOOK SAY?

MRS. CARROLL ALEXANDER, Route 1, Kinston, N. C.

Hymn: "I Gave My Life For Thee"

Prayer: That this program will grip the heart of every reader and listener and result in souls being saved.

Scripture: John 4:34, Revelation 7:9, 10

Business Period

Program Period

Chorus: "Everybody Ought to Know"

Topic I: The Bible Teaches Missions!

Topic II: The Bible Teaches that Missions is the One Business of the Church!

Verse 1. "To the Regions Beyond"

Topic III: The Bible Teaches What I Can Do—Praying!

Verse 2: "To the Regions Beyond"

PROGRAM HELPS*

The Program Prayer Chairman, with blackened face and wearing African dress, escorts the women from their business meeting to a room that is in semi-darkness. A black kettle is in the middle of the floor with a red light bulb or a bulb wrapped with red paper on underneath it to represent fire. Heathen music is heard in the background. As an introduction, the woman may give some brief information about Africa and say "I am lost. Can you help me?" After each topic she asks the next person the same question. As a closing feature she may make an appeal to the entire group. "My destiny depends on you. Do you believe in missions?"

*Submitted by Mrs. Nancy Hancock

Topic IV: The Bible Teaches What I Can Do—Giving!

Verse 3: "To the Regions Beyond"

Topic V: The Bible Teaches What I Can Do—Going!

Verse 4: "To the Regions Beyond"

Prayer: Each praying that the Lord will direct us and that we will do our part for Him and the lost world.

Topic I: **BIBLE TEACHINGS ON MISSIONS**

The message of the Bible is God's love for the whole world even to the extent that He gave His only Son to die for the sins of all humanity. (John 3:16). "And he is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world." (I John 2:2). Therefore the Bible is a book of missions from first to last. It has always been God's desire that all the earth hear of His great provision of salvation and accept His Son. "The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is long suffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance." (II Peter 3:9).

In the days of the flood God gave the message of salvation to the ungodly through His servant Noah. In II Peter 2:5 he is described as a "preacher of righteousness." Although they did not heed the message, God was faithful in warning them.

In the days of the Egyptian Captivity the people of God were a witness to the lost Egyptians about them. Exodus 12:38 says, "And a mixed multitude went up also with them; and flocks, and herds, even very much cattle." Many Bible scholars believe this mixed multitude was composed not only of Israelites but also Egyptians who had accepted the Lord and had chosen to leave with His people.

In the days of the Babylonian Captivity Daniel and the three Hebrew children were missionary witness for the Lord. Although we cannot in this short article even scratch the surface of Old

Testament missions, the writer recommends this for your personal study. Another example, however, is the message of Isaiah. "Look unto me, and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth: for I am God, and there is none else. (Isaiah 45:22).

In the Gospels we see the mission emphasis on every hand. There are many things which the writers of the Gospels did not record (John 20:30,31), but all of them were led of the Holy Spirit to record the commission to evangelize the earth—(Matt. 28:18-20, Mark 16:15, Luke 24:46-48, John 20:21).

Someone has given the following facts on New Testament missions: God had one Son; He became a foreign missionary from Heaven to a sin-cured earth. He chose twelve disciples; all of them became foreign missionaries except one. His name was Judas, and he became a traitor. The Gospels give us the accounts of the life, death, and resurrection of God's missionary Son. The Book of Acts gives us the record of the New Testament missionary church and Paul's three missionary journeys. Almost all the epistles are letters from foreign missionaries to foreign-missionary converts. The last book of the Bible gives the consummation of God's missionary plan for the whole world—"After this I beheld, and, lo, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands; And cried with a loud voice saying, Salvation to our God which sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb." (Rev. 7:9, 10). Yes, missions and the Bible are inseparable.

Topic II: THE BIBLE TEACHES THAT MISSIONS IS THE ONE BUSINESS OF THE CHURCH

In Acts, chapter one we find Jesus standing with a group of His followers on the Plains of Olivet. While they quibbled about the coming Kingdom, He said, "It is not for you to know the times or the seasons, which the Father hath put in his own power, But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witness unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth." (Acts 1:7-9). He then ascended into Heaven and two angels appeared to promise His return. The last command of a commander in battle takes precedence over all former orders. Jesus' last command was for us to be witnesses for Him to the ends of the earth.

Jesus once said, "My meat is to do the will of him that sent me, and to finish his work." (John 4:34). This finishing of the work of God is described in Rev. 7:9 where we find those in Heaven from every kindred, people, and tongue. This was the "meat" of Jesus. In other words, it was that which strengthened Him and also that which satisfied Him. The word Christian means "Christ-like." Therefore the consuming passion of the Christian is to be the finishing of the evangelization of the world.

This writer believes that in every generation God calls enough to pray, give, and go to completely evangelize the world. Yet today, at least one-half the world has never heard the message of salvation. Why? Because most of God's people do not make the salvation of souls their main business. Our Free Will Baptist Church Covenant says, "We will everywhere hold Christian principle sacred and Christian obligations and enterprises supreme; *counting it our chief business in life to extend the influence of Christ in society;*" The next paragraph further underlines the above by the words "*the support of Missions.*" Everything in the life of a Christian should have as its ultimate goal the evangelization of the ends of the earth.

Let us take heed lest we be ashamed at His coming (I John 2:28).

Topic III: THE BIBLE TEACHES WHAT I CAN DO—PRAYING

The Bible says:

"For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach, except they be sent? . . ." (Rom. 10:13-15a).

"And how shall they preach, except they be sent?"

A vital factor in the sending of a missionary is prayer. It is probably this one thing which most of us fall short in. There are two aspects to prayer. First, it hinders the work of Satan. Eph. 6:12 says, "For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places." Therefore Paul requested. "Finally, brethren, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may have free course, and be glorified, even as it is with you." (II Thess. 3:1).

Our prayers cast restraint upon the working of Satan and his spiritual beings. There is no doubt that we ladies can shoulder a great part of the responsibility of world evangelization by faithful, consistent, daily prayer.

The second aspect of prayer (Isa. 6:1-9a) is a perfect example of this. Here we see more clearly that vision comes by prayer; he saw the Lord in all His purity, his own sins, and the needs of his people. We see also that a burden comes by prayer; ". . . Here am I; send me." (Isa. 6:8b.) Then he received his directions from God through prayer; "And he said, Go, and tell this people . . ." (Isa. 6:9).

Once a man prayed for a friend, "Lord touch that man with Thy finger." Receiving no relief he prayed the same prayer again. Later, after continuing to carry the burden, he again returned to

his place of prayer and prayed fervently, "Lord, please touch that man with Thy finger!" Then it seemed the voice of the Lord replied, "*Thou art the finger!*"

Topic IV: **THE BIBLE TEACHES WHAT I CAN DO—GIVING**

"And how shall they preach, except they be sent?"

Money is a subject which has to be preached loud and long in relationship to the evangelization of the world. However, when one compares the figures to see what small amount per capita goes for this greatest of all tasks, it is surprising that we have to say so much about it and constantly be working on a new drive to get our people to give. Our foreign mission quota for 1960 was \$222,990.08. This is less than 50¢ per Free Will Baptist for a whole year. The sad fact is that so many who profess to be Christians and Free Will Baptists just do not love Jesus. Jesus said, ". . . if a man love me, *he will keep my words . . .*" (John 14:23).

It is also appalling and heart-sickening to see what people spend for other things and then piously bemoan their deepest regrets that they are just not able to give in the mission offering. For instance, very few of our churches support as many as one missionary. A missionary's allowance is \$75 per month. However, there are also few churches which do not have as many as ten persons who smoke at least one package of cigarettes daily and thereby smoke up the \$75 monthly which could be given as the missionaries' monthly allowance. This merely shows where people's heart and love is. It also must be said that this is a sin and shame before Almighty God and will have to be answered for in this day of judgment.

Very often we hear complaints of missions costing too much. It costs no more than it is worth! If it cost us the whole world to get just one soul saved it would be worth all it cost (Mark 8:36).

Neither does it cost any more than we have to pay out somewhere else anyway if we refuse to give it. Read Malachi 3:8-11. Here God promises to "rebuke

the devourer" for our sakes if we put Him first in our giving. He promised Israel that if they would tithe He would restrain the crop failures and diseases which plagued them. Many of you today are paying out extra money for expenses of various kinds which God has allowed to befall you because you have robbed Him.

Before World War II a missionary of the China Inland Mission said, "Give us 1,000 missionaries for Japan or later you will have to send 10,000 soldiers." We ignored the plea of this dear missionary which also was the command of our Lord nearly 2,000 years ago. As a result we had to send many times more soldiers than he warned to kill and destroy the nation which God had called us to save. Many of our precious boys had *to die* at the hands of those whom we were not willing to send laborers *to live* with to preach the Gospel of Jesus.

The cost of the two atomic bombs dropped on Japan was \$2 billion. This would have equipped 50,000 missionaries for 20 years each and would have finished the evangelization of the world. The total cost of World War II was \$300 billion. This would have equipped 7½ million missionaries for 20 years each and would have finished the evangelization of the world 23½ times. Jesus just said do it one time. We are now "gripping" about our taxes and paying on our national debt which probably will never be paid—all because we said 1,000 missionaries for Japan cost too much.

At this writing we have approximately 25 candidates and children which hope to be on the field within a year. "How shall they preach except they be sent?" They cannot be sent unless we give the money!

Topic V: **THE BIBLE TEACHES WHAT I CAN DO—GOING**

" . . . how shall they hear without a preacher?"

In light of the importance of the message of salvation, there is no doubt that God calls many more to go than respond to His call. Maybe there is someone

reading these lines at this moment who can go. Perhaps you have always thought of someone else going but have never even thought seriously of going yourself. The question that each of us should ask ourself is, "Can I afford to stay at home?" A dedicated child of God needs as good a reason for staying as he does for going.

The needs of the mission field are varied. One need not be a gifted speaker to be helpful. If you can talk, you can witness, and personal witnessing is one of the greatest needs of this day. If you love the Lord, you can let your life shine for Him, and a faithful life often reaches the hardened sinner who is skeptical of the message he hears. There are numerous jobs that one can do to forward the Gospel on the mission field. Doctors and nurses are needed. Builders, farmers, teachers, pilots, secretaries, and many other type workers are needed. Perhaps it can be said that any knowledge a person dedicates to God can be helpful to some degree or another in meeting the broad need of the mission field.

If the Lord does not call you to go He wants you to work faithfully where you are and to pray others into the harvest fields (Matt. 9:37,38). You may have children that could be great instruments in God's hands in evangelizing the world. Whether or not they do may depend much upon how well you train

them now.

Do not make the mistake which many parents have made. Many have refused to surrender their children to God to go to some foreign land to carry the message of salvation and have later had to surrender them to die on foreign soil in war. One woman refused to surrender her one year old baby to the Lord but twenty years later had to surrender him to the state in the electric chair. The Bible says that children are an heritage from the Lord (Psa. 127:3). Jesus said, "He that loveth father or mother more than me is not worthy of me: and he that loveth son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me." (Matt. 10:37). God knows how we love them, but even as He gave His only Son to die for us, may we be willing to give ours to live and die if necessary for Him and others.

Often mothers are discouraged because their work is so routine that they seem to accomplish so little. Take courage, dear friend, because as you care for that little one: wash the dishes, iron the clothes, and sweep the house, you might be preparing another one of God's great soldiers for the battle. Through your children and future generations it is possible for you to be carrying the message of salvation even until Jesus comes.

Whatever we can do—let us do it with all our might for Jesus' sake and for the sake of those for whom He died.

SUGGESTED CIRCLE PROGRAMS

By MRS. ROBERT HILL, 124 Hart Lane, Nashville, Tennessee

APRIL: *Abounding As a Witness*

Read the Scriptures: Luke 14:23; Acts 1:8 and Dan. 12:3

Pray

Sing: "I Love to Tell the Story", "Bring Them In", "Jesus Calls Us"

Aim: To teach that there is a territory where every Christian can be a missionary.

Program: By church visitation leader or group discussion

1. We witness by the kind of person we are
 - a. Our character
 - b. Our personalities
2. We witness by what we do
 - a. Way we conduct our business
 - b. Manner in which we run our homes
 - c. Pattern of our recreation
3. We witness by passing on the Good News
 - a. By conversation
 - b. By writing
 - c. By going, giving, praying

Witnesses in action: If your church takes a community census, take part in it. Visit a new family, unsaved family, take along tracts ordered from National Home Mission Board, "Who Are These Free Will Baptists". Make sincere efforts to win someone to Christ.

MAY: *Abounding With Christian Homes*

Sing: "Faith of Our Mothers"

Read: Proverbs 31:10-31; Joshua 24:15

Pray

Program: For leaders and 3 persons

1. Choose some mothers of the Bible who were Godly mothers (Mary, Elizabeth, Hannah, etc.) and tell about each and their influence on their children.
2. Choose some ungodly mothers of the Bible (Jezebel, Lot's wife, Eve) and discuss their lives and their influence on their children.
3. Ask a Christian mother of your circle or church to give the testimony of her life.

Conclusion: Discuss the role of a mother in a Christian home.

Thought: The homes of the people are the soul of the nation.

Action: Take part in your church plans for Christian Home Week. Order Family Altar Tracts and hand out to church-goers on Sunday (or place them inside the bulletins).

JUNE: *Abounding With Faith*

Read: Hebrews 11:1

Pray

Sing old hymns

Program:

A qualified person should lead in a discussion of Hebrews 11, called the "roll call of faith". Answer these questions:

1. What is the definition of faith?
2. Which personality or experience related here influences your faith most?
3. How is faith related to Matthew 6:33,34?

Project: This is superannuation month. Send a card or gift to a retired minister in appreciation of his services as a faithful minister.

SUGGESTED CIRCLE PROGRAMS

By MRS. CARL DUDLEY, Fuquay Springs, North Carolina

APRIL: *Calvary's Call*

Hymn: "At Calvary"

Scripture: John 3:16 & 17

Prayer

Program:

1. Calvary's Call to Look
 - a. On the road to Calvary
 - b. Jesus forsaken—Peter's denial
 - c. The Crucifixion
2. Calvary's Call for True Discipleship
 - a. Repentance (Mark 1:15)
 - b. Self-denial (Matt. 16:24)
 - c. Follow Jesus (John 12:26)
3. Look to Calvary
 - a. For cleansing (Zech. 13:1)

- b. For salvation (Heb. 9:24-28)
- c. For rest (Matt. 11:28-29)

MAY: *The New Creature in Christ*

Hymn: "Take My Life and Let It Be"

Scripture: John 3:1-9; II Cor. 5:17

Prayer

Program:

1. Has God's Word Abiding in Him (I John 2:14; I Peter 2:2)
2. Has Overcome the World (Rev. 2:7; Rev. 21:7)
3. Is Led by the Spirit (Romans 8:14; John 16:13)
4. The New Creature Is Free (John 8:36)
 - a. Free from sin (Romans 6:22)
 - b. Free from the Law (Gal. 5:1)
 - c. Free from darkness (Col. 1:13)
 - d. Free from condemnation (Romans 8:1)
 - e. Free from death (John 11:25-26)

JUNE: *Walking in the Light of the Lord*

Hymn: "Stepping in the Light"

Scripture: Isa. 2:5

Prayer

Program:

1. Walk in Love (John 13:34-35; I Cor. 13)
2. Walk in Obedience (Proverbs 22:6; Deut. 6:7 and II Chron. 7:14)
3. Walk in Faithfulness (Parable in Matt. 25; Rev. 2:10)

Alternate suggestion: *The Rejected Christ*

Hymn: "What Will You Do with Jesus"

Scripture: Isa. 53:3, John 12:48

Program:

1. People Reject Christ Because of Love for Sinful Pleasure (II Tim. 3:1-5)
2. Because of the Natural Heart and Unbelief (Isa. 53:5; John 8:24; John 3:18)
3. They Are Not Willing to Pay the Price (Luke 9:23-26; Acts 24:25)

PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE

We should know how to conduct a business meeting because: (1) it helps an auxiliary transact business with speed and efficiency; (2) it protects the rights of each individual member therein; (3) and it preserves a spirit of harmony among the members.

SCENE: A regular auxiliary meeting room

CHARACTERS:

A Narrator

Robert

Mrs. March, president

Mrs. Quill, recording secretary

Mrs. Flutterbee, vice-president

Mrs. Crosspatch, a member

Mrs. Youngheart, youth chairman

Mrs. Bookworm, study course chairman

Mrs. Dogood, personal service chairman

Mrs. Newcomer, a visitor

PREPARATION: From a piece of red-orange poster board, sketch a duplicate of *Robert's Rules of Order*. Punch two holes across the top and thread a string through in order to fasten it around a person's neck.

NARRATOR:

Ladies and gentlemen, it gives me great pleasure
To present to you a fabulous treasure.
Its value is not measured in dollars and cents,
But to possess it means you have lots of good sense.
Some say it helps the president most;
But without it, others would fear to boast.
The cost is small—little more than two and a quarter

(Pull curtain to feature Robert)

I give to you—*Robert's Rules of Order!*
To witness the worth of this valuable book
Into an auxiliary meeting let us take a look.
A regular business meeting is scene number one,
Let's watch the business proceedings to come.

President: Our meeting will now come to order. Our secretary will read the minutes from our last meeting. Mrs. Quill.

Secretary: (Standing) The regular business meeting of the First Church woman's auxiliary was called to order on March 15 in the auxiliary room at the church, by the president, Mrs. March. Following the roll call, the minutes of the previous meeting held in February 12, were read. The minutes were accepted as read.

There was no unfinished business, so the departmental chairmen were recognized for their reports.

Mrs. Flutterbee informed us of her enlistment work. Motion carried that she be reimbursed \$5.00 for the enlistment tea sponsored in January.

Mrs. Youngheart requested some awards for the youth auxiliaries. It was moved that she be given \$5.00 for this purpose. The motion carried.

Mrs. Bookworm reported on the Study Course on Prayer which was held in connection with the weekly prayer meeting. She also announced a course on missions which will be presented by Mrs. Jones. Motion carried to present her with a book at the close of the course.

Mrs. Planner encouraged participation in the week of prayer programs to be held next month.

Mrs. Dogood announced a work meeting Tuesday morning March 5 at 10:00 to make pillow corsages to take in connection with a service at the Sunshine Nursing Home.

Motion carried to adjourn until the next regular meeting.

President: Are there corrections to the minutes? (Pause) If not, they will stand approved as read.

Robert: Hello! If someone makes a correction in the minutes, then the president says, "The minutes will stand approved as corrected."

(Robert will not be present during the meeting. He erupts from the side of the stage at the appointed time, faces the audience, and then disappears after he has spoken his lines.)

President: Since most of our business comes through the departmental chairmen, we'll have their reports at this time, beginning with the enlistment chairman, Mrs. Flutterbee.

Mrs. Flutterbee: (Standing) Madam President. This has been a most interesting month. (Speaks in an all-a-fluttering voice and using that type of manner.)

We had a new family move into the neighborhood, and 'twas a wonderful opportunity for our committee to visit this lovely home. Let me introduce you tonight. Mrs. Newcomer, will you stand, please? (She does so and then is seated) Thank you. We will expect you next month. She has been attending the Dorcas circle.

(She pauses, looks around, and then continues)

Madam President, the enlistment committee has a resolution: "We the enlistment members who are shut-ins and are unable to attend the circle or auxiliary meetings. Be it resolved, therefore, that an extension circle be formed for these shut-ins. Signed, Mrs. Flutterbee, chairman." Madam President, I move the adoption of this resolution. (She hands the resolution to the secretary and is seated.)

Mrs. Bookworm: (Without rising or addressing the president) I second the motion. *President:* It has been moved and seconded to form an extension circle to be composed of the shut-ins of our church. Is there any discussion?

Mrs. Crosspatch: It doesn't seem to me that—

President: Mrs. Crosspatch, you are out of order as you did not stand or address the chair.

Mrs. Crosspatch: (Standing and in a sarcastic manner) I beg your pardon, Madam president.

President: You may continue, Mrs. Crosspatch.

Mrs. Crosspatch: (In a complaining tone) It seems to me like this is going to be a lot of work for someone. I'm sure I don't have time to do it. Who will be in charge?

President: Mrs. Flutterbee, would you answer the question?

Mrs. Flutterbee: (Standing) Madam President. Of course, the general oversight would be under the enlistment committee, but each chairman would be responsible for her work—for instance, the study course chairman should see that they participate in the regular study courses and so on.

President: Is there other discussion? (Pause) If there is no other discussion, all those in favor of forming an extension circle, say "aye". Those opposed, "no." The motion is carried and the enlistment committee is entrusted with this responsibility.

Robert: (appearing from the side and facing the audience) Hello! Announcing the vote is a very important part of the vote. It should always be made clear what action was either accepted or rejected.

President: Our youth chairman, Mrs. Youngheart, will give her report.

Mrs. Youngheart: (Standing) Madam president. The Lord has been blessing our dear young people. Each of the three groups is head over heels in missionary projects. How thrilling it is to see those young heads bent over stuffing a sock monkey or plunking away at the typewriter getting a newsletter in form. It is thrilling indeed!

I'm sure that each of you want to encourage our young people as much as I do, and one of these ways is through good Christian films. There is one film called *Silent Witness* which, I feel, would challenge all our young people to personal witnessing. I move that we rent this film and show it at a special meeting for our youth.

Mrs. Bookworm: (without rising or addressing the chair) I second the motion.

Mrs. Crosspatch: Well, I don't know. It seems—

President: Mrs. Crosspatch, you did not—

Mrs. Crosspatch: (standing) Oh, yes, I remember. Madam president. (Emphatically)

President: Mrs. Crosspatch.

Mrs. Crosspatch: I don't hold to all them movie pictures. I think it's a bad influence for our young ones.

Mrs. Youngheart: Madam President.

President: Mrs. Youngheart.

Mrs. Youngheart: This is a film written, produced, and acted out by Christians. It has a strong Christian message and challenge. It cannot be a bad influence.

Mrs. Dogood: I rise to ask a question, Madam president.

President: What is your question?

Mrs. Dogood: (still standing) I'd like to ask Mrs. Youngheart how much this film will cost?

Mrs. Youngheart: It rents for fifteen dollars.

President: If there are no further questions, we shall proceed to vote. All in favor of renting the film please raise your right hand? Fine! The youth chairman will see that this is taken care of and the program planned.

Mrs. Quill: Madam president, I rise to a point of order.

President: State your point.

Mrs. Quill: The president failed to call for those opposed to the motion.

President: The point is well taken and the chair stands corrected. All those in favor of the motion say "aye". Those opposed "no." The motion is carried.

Robert: Hello! There are four ways of taking a vote: (1) by voice, as this auxiliary has done. The negative vote is always "No" instead of "by the same sign." (2) by rising to the feet or raising the right hand; (3) by roll call; and (4) by secret ballot. The first two are the most common.

Mrs. Quill: (standing) Madam president (she waits for recognition) May I have the report slips now?

President: Surely. We will now have our report slips and the offering.

(The pianist plays a hymn as these are received. This also offers a period of diversion for the audience. The secretary receives the slips and then gives the offering to the treasurer. She may be another member or one of the other officers designated for this.)

President: Now then we are ready to hear from the study course chairman, Mrs. Bookworm.

Mrs. Bookworm: Madam president. (at this point the treasurer begins to noisily count the money) Mrs. Jones taught us a most interesting course in Missions last month. We are planning an Evangelism class next month. This course will follow a luncheon in the community room of the First National Bank, Front and National. The luncheon begins at 12:00. Our pastor, Rev. Williams will teach the course. I have the books with me and they may be purchased at the close of the meeting.

Mrs. Crosspatch: (rising) Madam president, I rise to a point of order.

President: State your point. (Mrs. Bookworm is seated until the point of order is decided.)

Mrs. Crosspatch: My point is that I can't hear what Mrs. Bookworm is saying. The treasurer is making so much noise counting the money.

President: Your point is well taken. The treasurer will wait until the meeting is adjourned to count the money. Mrs. Bookworm has the floor.

Mrs. Bookworm: I want to conclude by saying the books are \$1.00.

President: In the absence of the program chairman we will move to receive the report from the personal service chairman, Mrs. Dogood.

Mrs. Dogood: What a blessing it was to check over the report slips last month and find that 75% of our members are engaged in soul winning activities. Last month we visited the Sunshine Nursing Home. Next month the younger children will claim our attention. Permission has been granted for us to conduct

a service at the Crippled Children's Hospital, Tuesday morning at 10:00. Give me your name at the close of the meeting if you can help with the program.

Robert: Hello! No motion is required to accept this report since it is given as information and instruction. The fact that it has been given shows that it has been received.

President: That concludes the report. Is there other business to come before our meeting?

Mrs. Crosspatch: (rising) Madam president, I move we adjourn.

Mrs. Youngheart: (without rising) I second the motion.

President: It has been moved and seconded to adjourn. All those in favor, would you stand? Those opposed, by the same sign. The motion is carried and the meeting stands adjourned.

Robert: Hello! The proper way to propose a motion is to rise, address the presiding officer and say, "I move that . . ." To say, "I make a motion" in a business meeting is as incorrect as saying, "I done it" in an ordinary conversation.

(Pull curtains)

Narrator:

So there you have it—a mere introduction
 Into the treasures of parliamentary action.
 There's more to know—a variety of motions,
 Amendments, debates, and a host of law potions.
 So go to your book store to become the informed one,
Robert's Rule of Order will make you a reformed one.

—MRS. LAVERNE MILEY

DENOMINATIONAL CALENDAR

APRIL—Foreign Missions Month

Bible Conference at Free Will Baptist Bible College, Nashville, Tennessee
 (April 2-6)

Pre-Easter Season of Prayer

Foreign Missions Sunday (Easter Sunday)

MAY—Christian Home Month

Family Week (May 1-7)

JUNE—Free Will Baptist League Month

Superannuation Sunday (June 18)—Father's Day

JULY—Woman's National Auxiliary Convention, Norfolk, Virginia, (July 10-11)

National Association of Free Will Baptists, Norfolk, Virginia, (July 11-13)

SUGGESTED CHURCH LIBRARY LIST

BIBLE STUDY

The Minor Prophets—Morgan (Revell) \$2.75
 First Corinthians—Laurin (Van Kampen) 3.50

CHRISTIAN LIVING

Victorious Christian Service—Redpath (Revell) \$3.00
 How to Understand and Influence Children—Narramore
 (Zondervan) Paper, 1.50

DEVOTIONAL

Strictly Personal—Price (Zondervan) \$2.50
 Messages That Matter—Bobby Jackson 2.50

FICTION

Turbulent Waters—Livingstone (Moody) \$3.00

MISSIONS

Let My Heart Be Broken—Gehman (McGraw-Hill) \$4.95

Tried in the Fire—Anderson (Moody) 2.95

YOUTH BOOKS

It's Your Business Teen-ager—Anderson (Moody) \$2.00

Sugar Creek Series—(Erdman) 1.25

BIOGRAPHY

For One Moment—Kauffman (Herald Press) \$3.25

Lady on a Donkey—Howell (Dutton) 95

AN OMISSION

The Program Helps last quarter were contributed by Mrs. Reedy Saverance, 305 Kershaw, Timmonsville, South Carolina. The omission of Mrs. Saverance's name was an oversight, please accept our apologies.

HOW ARE YOU WITH NUMBERS?

Some have numbers and some don't. We have—they go like this:

3801 Richland Avenue

Nashville 5, Tennessee

Do you have a postal zone number, or a Post Office box number, or a street number? Please don't forget to put our street and zone number when writing to us. (Nor yours.)

NEWS - - from here 'n there

The Land of the Rising Sun

On Saturday, November 5, 1960 the Y.P.A.'s of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Newport News, Virginia enjoyed a Study Course on Missions at the home of Mrs. W. O. Deuell.

The Setting for the Study Course was in Japan. At the door was a Torii with the words "Welcome to the Land of the Rising Sun". We were greeted by the hostess, dressed as a Japanese with the salutation "Koan-Wee-Chee-Wa O-Ha-Ee-Ree-Koo-Da-Sa-Ee" translated as "Good Afternoon, Please come in." Then, in Japanese, we were invited to have a seat. After removing our shoes we put on Getas and were given a Japanese Tunic apron to wear.

The devotions were brought by Jane McDaniel using for her scripture Ecclesiastes 9:10. Emphasizing in her talk the first part of the verse, "Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might". She stressed the importance of Christian young people living daily so their classmates would see Christ living in them. Also, the importance for Him who died for all.

After the devotions we were invited to the table for "Tea." This was served on the floor in Japanese style with an authentic Japanese Tea Set and Japanese food. The Place Mats, Place Cards, Napkins, Kokeski tooth picks and Kokeski

Doll Erasers, as favors, all of Japan, made us conscious of other countries and how much we had to be thankful for. As we ate and enjoyed the Japanese food we discussed the customs, foods and habits of Japan. The Place Cards had Scripture written in the place for our name. Each person read their scripture and we discussed how each verse stressed the importance of witnessing for Christ.

In our discussion, while seated at the table, we were told how the people would go through the Torii to get to the Shrine to buy their fortune and if the fortune was not what they desired how they would hang it on the Fortune Tree. Each person took a fortune from the Fortune Tree and we discussed how the Gospel would help in each of these instances.

We also studied about the location and work of our Missionaries in Japan.

Now that had finished our "Tea" Mrs. Deuell taught us the book "God and Missions Today" by Arthur Pearson. This was a most interesting study. She brought some very good points that made each of us realize more the importance of missions.

When we said "Good Evening" at the door we felt that we had spent a most profitable afternoon in the study of Missions.

Mrs. J. K. Bryan, Jr.
Youth Chairman

DEBATE MAKES INTERESTING PROGRAM

ASHLAND CITY, TENN.—The February meeting of the Womans Auxiliary met with Mrs. J. T. Hurst who was also in charge of the program. The program which had the theme of child evangelism, was presented as a debate on the question, Resolved: A Child Can and Must Believe in Christ. Mrs. Eunice Edwards and Mrs. Billy Melvin argued the affirmative versus Rev. J. T. Hurst and Rev. Billy A. Melvin. Members of the Auxiliary found the debate a very interesting and informative program. Rev. and Mrs. Melvin and Mrs. Edwards were visitors from Horton Heights church of Nashville.

CHURCH SHARES IN PROJECT

The Womans Auxiliary of Ashland City, Tennessee, church has displayed a large poster designed to create interest in the national project of providing medical supplies for the hospital in Africa. Mrs. George Van Hook, president, stated that this served to acquaint church members who were not in the Auxiliary with the need and provide them an opportunity to give. An offering box was placed nearby and has proven to be quite helpful.

NASHVILLE, TENN.—The February meeting of the East Nashville YPA's featured a theme of love. Their guests for their annual semi-formal social were the YPA's from Cofer's Chapel. The meeting was held in a private dining room at the B & W Cafeteria which was beautifully decorated in red and white valentines. Mrs. Edwards was the speaker.

Change of Address

President.....Mrs. Rufus Coffey, 1413 King Ave., Florence, S. C.



Rev. and Mrs. Bill Jones—Africa



Dan and Margaret Merkh—Africa



Rev. & Mrs. Lonnie Sparks—Africa



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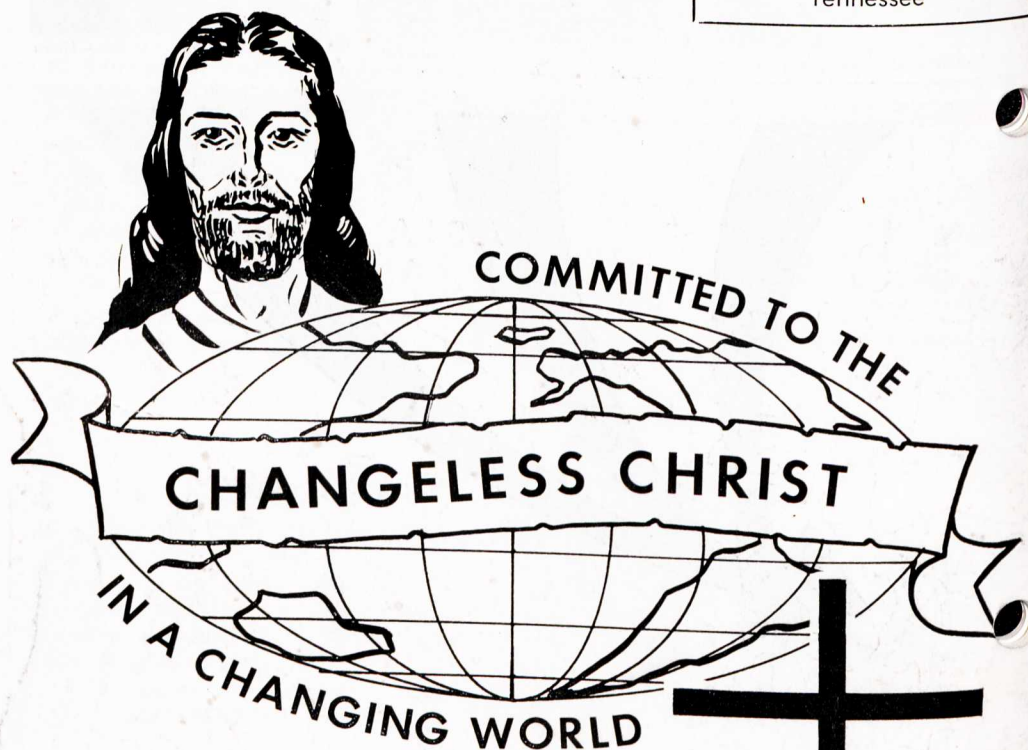
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