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Editorially

Three out of every 100 children rebel against authority and are turned over to juvenile courts. What can be done to stop this alarming, fearful increase? How can auxiliary members in the local church help in this matter? What can be done to prevent a child (your child) from becoming a juvenile delinquent? There are at least three definite areas in which every member can take definite action:

1. Each member should maintain a family altar.

We must worship God **with our own children in our own homes**. Temptations come to each of us every day of the week so we need to be protected from the power of Satan every day. Protection, security and a definite sense of being a part of the family unit comes to each one as family worship is observed day in and day out. Religion is **not** a one-day-a-week business!

Discipline is learned at family devotions. No child is too young to bow in reverence to God and **BE QUIET** for at least five minutes a day. Discipline learned here will stand the child in good stead later in life when other demands are made on him. This is particularly true when a child is endeavoring to determine the will of God for his life. He won't mind, half as much, for God to discipline him if he has learned discipline at home.

2. Each member can be informed about what is being done to curb juvenile delinquency in her own community. She can become informed by:

- a. Reading the local newspapers
- b. Talking to those charged with the care of the delinquents such as policemen, judges, etc.,
- c. Attending the PTA meetings or any other groups who are pledged to help the community.

- d. Visiting the jails, reformatories, etc.,

- e. Investigating the "Youth Employment Problem" in her town.

3. She (each member) can then search her own heart before God in prayer and then offer her services **WHEREVER SHE CAN BE USED!**

Dear Co-Laborers, the task is great. Will you help us? I pray that **YOU** will. But, my dear one, **you cannot** be used until your own house is "set in order" to begin with. Then, and not until then, are you ready for **God to use you**.

RE M I N D E R ! ! !

The United States Postal Department has some A B C's of good mailing habits: **A** postal delivery zone number will help to speed your mail.

B sure to include your return address on all your mail.

C that the address is correct, complete and plainly written.

—Copied, **Program Notes**

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Sayama Shi, Saitama Ken
Japan**

GOD'S BANK AIN'T BUSTED YET!

The bank had closed; my earthly store had vanished from my hand;

I felt that there was no sadder one than I in all the land.

My washerwoman, too, had lost her little mite with mine,

And she was singing as she hung the clothes upon the line.

"How can you be so gay?" I asked; Your loss—don't you regret?"

"Yes, ma'm, but what's the use to fret? God's bank ain't busted yet!"

—author unknown

CALL TO PRAYER FOR MISSIONS



Mrs. Harold Critcher—518 Scholarship Drive—Nashville, Tenn.

AFRICA

Prayer does great wonders! With abundant and undeniable proof of the power of prayer, it is amazing that Christians should use it so little. Prayer has been referred to as "the unused weapon which Christians should wield." How true!

Our missionaries depend constantly on our prayers. We must not fail them. Let's use this great weapon! If you have not already done so, add the names of our missionaries to your prayer list—and remember them daily.

Missionaries Harold and Josephine Stevens report that the Lord wonderfully blessed in bringing 238 children from all over the district to camp. The messages

were splendid! One night 10 children were saved and another night 30 declared that they sincerely desired the Lord to be the Chief over their lives.

They have felt the cool atmosphere of African nationalism. It has not hesitated to enter the Church as well as other phases of African life. They write that, as missionaries, their white skin puts them to a disadvantage. They need our prayers for patience and great love toward the people as they adjust to the change in the times.

"Pray that our unity in the bond of Christ may not be broken and our effectiveness together for Christ in this country may continue to accomplish His purpose."

BRAZIL

Missionaries Bobby and Sue Aycock request our prayers for their work in Araras. Many times they have almost been to the point of discouragement because of opposition from various sources. But always their hearts are lifted when they read Psalm 46:10, "Be still and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the heathen, I will be exalted in the earth."

Their ministry consists mainly in "personal witnessing." The people, as a whole, will not come to the place of worship because of the strong feeling of Catholics against Protestants.

"We do appreciate very much the work of our women back home."

Missionary Eula Mae Martin is grateful for the way the Lord is using the clinic as a means of making many contacts. She is able to give Scripture portions, tracts, and talk personally with many of the people in the clinic. She asks that we pray that many of the patients will come to know our wonderful Saviour through this ministry.

"Pray for us to not allow time, pressure, fatigue, or anything to hinder our witness to them."

Missionaries Bobby and Geneva Poole rejoice because of the blessed privilege to witness to a bereaved family. Speaking to these about Jesus, they were able to lead

three precious souls (wife, daughter and her husband) to the knowledge of salvation.

"During the past few weeks these three new lives in Christ have shown growth . . . They have been faithful."

HAWAII

Missionaries Luther and Helen Sanders express their gratitude for every provision the Lord has made, is making, and will make concerning the property in Hawaii. Many of our people are responding to this urgent appeal to purchase property. By faith, the Sanders promised to pay \$50,000.00 on the property during 1963. As you pray concerning this need, ask the Lord what will He have you give?

"Don't forget us when you pray . . . We appreciate so very much all you have done for us and the work here."

JAPAN

Missionaries Wesley and Aileen Calvery feel that the time has come to formally organize our work into churches and an association. They are now in the process of making these plans. During 1963 they plan to organize and register the Hokkaido Association of Free Will Baptist Churches. They desire our prayers that they may be able to establish a church that will stand until the coming of our Lord.

"Our family is well. With Rebecca in the second grade in the Japanese school and Jonathan attending the Japanese kindergarten and their Mother and Father attending the Japanese church, it is getting more and more difficult to speak English around our house."

MEXICO

Missionaries Sr. and Mrs. Arturo Villalobos were thrilled with the attendance at their convention! Over 700 attended the services. Many things were accomplished for the Lord. The convention took on the support of two students this year. This was truly a great step because the convention is only one year old.

"Remember the school in prayer."

WASHINGTON

(VANCOUVER)

Missionaries Johnnie and Leah Postlewaite write that their church is doing very well—considering the small beginning it had. The membership has grown from 12 to 30 now. Their average attendance on Sunday morning is in the lower 40's. Most of the congregation is adults.

They report that the churches lack the enthusiasm they should have because of not having fellowship with other churches. The churches at Garibaldi, Oregon, Yakima, Washington, and Rockport, Washington are very small and especially need help.

"Please continue to remember us—our family, our church, and all the churches out here—in your prayers."

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PROJECTS ADOPTED

Virginia: State Convention—**Wheels for Waids.** Amount received: \$100.00.

North Carolina: General Conference Convention—"Wings for Rice" (a ticket to the mission field for Mary Ellen Rice.) Amount received: \$458.-26

South Carolina: State Auxiliary Convention—the raising of \$2,500.00 for Pearl Harbor Fund. (Purchase of land in Hawaii) Amount received: \$787.33

Indiana: Wabash Valley District—Financing Vacation Bible School for the Robinsons in Uruguay.

South Carolina: South Carolina and Central Districts—YPA and GTA and MM have assumed the cost of Brenda Hanna's schooling which will be approximately \$400.00.

Arkansas: State Convention—**Wheels for Deeds.** Amount received: \$22.30

Illinois: Mary-Martha District—Special offering for the Illinois missionaries—Mrs. Lorene Miley and Mrs. Evelyn Hersey—to be brought to the April Convention.

Loyal Workers District—Set a goal of \$300 dollars for their gifts to the

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"Beginnings"

by Barbara Moehlman, Panama

Prayer: That God will give His perfect leadership to our missionaries in Panama as they make initial contacts with the Panamanians.

Hymn: "Onward, Christian Soldiers"

Scripture Reading:

Business Period:

Program:

Prayer: That our Lord will truly **ENCOURAGE** each of our missionaries tonight who finds himself in a state of **DISCOURAGEMENT!**

INTRODUCTION

If I were to title this phase of my life, I would call it "BEGINNINGS!" "Beginnings" as a **missionary**—"beginnings" in a new town and a new country—and "beginning" to make new friends.

Although I grew up on a mission field and have been constantly concerned with or involved in some kind of activity associated with the foreign field, I am now truly "Beginning".

There are so many varied feelings about arriving in a "new place." Often we dread being changed and uprooted because everything will be different and new to us. My feelings as we came to Penonome are hard for me to even express now as I look back on them. There was **real** joy because I knew we were finally in a place where our witness was needed. I also felt fear. We had heard a great deal about Penonome, of its fanatical Catholicism, old Spanish culture and above all, the manner in which other evangelicals had been treated when they had tried to start a work here. There have been stoning at meetings, insults and threats made toward missionaries who had been here before. Everyone seemed to think of Penonome as a closed city. But we could not shut from our hearts the fact that here is a city of approximate 5,000 people, and as far as we have been able to determine, without one believer. We had a real struggle in our hearts before we rested on His will for us. Now there is **peace**.

GETTING ACQUAINTED WITH NINA

Often, during our first days here, we would greet someone as they passed by us on the street and they would look the other way. But there have been so many who were kind and courteous. Among these is Nina.

God gives us our children for a real reason and I have discovered a new

PROGRAM HELPS

Ask two ladies to prepare "letters" which may have been written to friends by Hannah and Job. The lady who represents Hannah begins her letter with, "I HAVE KNOWN DAYS OF BITTER LONELINESS." Then in the first person, she expresses the ideas in I Samuel 1:1-15, 20-28 and 2:19, 21.

The lady representing Job begins her letter with "GREAT HATH BEEN MY SORROW." She continues with a summary of Job 1 and 42.

These letters should be read following topic III. After the letters have been read, have a period of prayer, using the request given in the program outline.

one! We had been in Penonome only two days when I heard, "Que linda!", outside our front door. There stood a lady talking to Reggie. Soon we were friends. Teodolinda de Carles is a teacher who was trained in a convent in Colon, Panama and later she received more training in another convent in Jamaica. Needless to say, she is a strong Roman Catholic. We are the first protestants she has

known closely. Nina, as she is known to us, is curious about us and little by little has asked questions.

One day while we were discussing what we believed she asked almost imploringly, "You are not like Protestants are you?" You see, they have been taught by their church to hate all Protestants, without knowing what Protestants are like. As we talked on about the term Protestant and about the Reformation, Quique, Nina's husband, who was reading about Martin Luther in the Encyclopedia, exclaimed in surprise, "Protestants believe in God! The priest say **from the pulpit** that you don't. That's a lie!"

Not long afterwards, we were talking about the Bible and I told her that to us it is the basis of our belief, for it is the Word of God. "Oh, I can see how John and maybe you too from your education could understand the Bible, but can you imagine anyone as ignorant as my maid understanding it?!" This probably sounds harsh to you but they have been taught that only the clergy can understand God's Word; therefore, it is closed to all others. I tried to tell her that we had the Holy Spirit as our Guide into all spiritual matters but her mind was closed to all I could say. I know that only as the power of the Holy Spirit works in her heart will these chains that have bound her heart for so long begin to break. She will not read anything pertaining to the Lord Jesus as we know Him. Therefore if she is to see Him, it must be through our lives and testimony. We cannot help but see the sadness in her life and know of her fear of death from her conversation. I long to tell her of the peace that comes from knowing our Lord Jesus but I can only pray and day by day live before her, seeking to reflect the love of the Lord in my life.

The plight of the believer in Panama is hard. Often a believer cannot find a job unless he renounces his profession and returns to the Catholic church. His children in school will be openly ridiculed, fail to pass, and receive physical punishment for their faith. Our maid's little sister had to be taken out of school

recently because the teacher had beaten her so severely. The teacher's reason was that she was not going to mass at the Church. Protestant churches are stoned and Christians are ridiculed for their testimony.

Sis Cleo Russell

2 THE PANAMANIAN'S INDIFFERENCE

Nina asked me not long ago what I thought of Panamanians and before I could answer she said, "They are either fanatical or indifferent." From what I have already said, you can see their fanaticism. I'm afraid that their state of indifference is worse than their fanaticism. The main purpose for life seems to be the fiestas and drunkenness. This drunkenness is accepted with a shrug of the shoulders or a smile—"Well, life is that way!" And yet, I know that down deep in their hearts there is a sadness and fear that drinking cannot erase. Nina's husband, although he is very well educated and holds a good job, spends many week-ends drunk. At these times she shuts herself in her room and takes out her altar to the Virgin Mary. Not long ago, he carried one side of the pavilion covering the priest in a procession and afterwards he laughingly remarked that he had been absolved in his sins for the year by doing so. How sad is their plight, for he knows that this cannot cleanse him. And yet, they know no other way. There are very few men who truly believe in their church. They see the hypocrisy there but they do not have another place to turn, so they become more indifferent and seem to live only for drink and the fiestas.

From what we have been able to observe in other Evangelical missions, the men seem to be the first to become interested in the Gospel and their wives follow them. I do not mean to insinuate by this that they are easily reached for the Lord. Very often they are completely indifferent to their souls' need or else seek a philosophical reason for life. An example of the indifference is found in a young man John is helping to learn English and thereby finding a way of witness.

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"Hawaii: A State Of Diversity"

Scripture Reading:

Prayer: That our missionaries in Hawaii will have clear direction in the building program there.

Hymn: "Work for the Night Is Coming"

Business Period:

Prayer: For increased vision of the needs in Hawaii.

Program:

PROGRAM HELPS

"Hawaii: a state of Diversity"

Across the face of a large map of the world, write "HAWAII: A STATE OF DIVERSITY." Beneath this program title, place paper strips, showing the titles of the four topics in tonight's program. Fold the strips in the center, right to left, so that the titles are concealed. Place the map on the wall.

Unfold the title strips, one at a time, as each lady gives her topic.

INTRODUCTION

Our theme for this year "BLESSED ARE YE THAT SOW BESIDE ALL WATERS . . ." has a special meaning for us here in Hawaii. Daily we have the privilege of reaching so many different nationalities and religions. For example, in our Sunday School we have **Japanese, Chinese, Filipino, Korean,** and occasionally **Hawaiian, Negro,** and **Caucasian.** This also applies to my two children's Bible Clubs as well as our Ladies Bible Class. We have Buddhists, Catholics, Jehovah Witnesses, Mormons and many Protestants.

As you can well imagine with all of this variety, we have many interesting and varied experiences. In John 14:6 Jesus said, "I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life . . ." These words of Jesus have come to mean much to us in our ministry here in Hawaii. They have become as basic in our teaching and our thinking as John 3:16. The people of Hawaii are exposed to every religion known to man. Because of this, the people are confused and have a tendency to "shrug off" all religions and say that one is as good as another. They conclude that not any of them is too important after all.

In the three years that we have been in Hawaii, we have often been asked: "HOW CAN I KNOW THE TRUTH?" "WHY DO YOU SAY YOUR TEACHING IS THE ONLY WAY?" We explain that Jesus is the Truth and He is the Way to God—not a church nor a doctrine, nor a creed, but JESUS!

Of course, none of the other religions can produce the CHANGE in people's hearts and lives that is needed; therefore, they do not satisfy the deepest longings and hunger of the soul. Sad to say, far too many of the Christian churches fail to teach the true Gospel. Many professing Christians who are members of these churches are in just as pitiful and lost condition as the followers of the heathen religions. It is our task to teach and preach the Gospel and produce followers of Christ who have experienced the "BORN-AGAIN" change in their lives. This proves to people that our "religion" is different! It is a slow process—first the converts must be won and then taught.

▶ A JAPANESE CONVERT

I wish I could share many of the experiences we have had to further explain

just what it is like. I will try by using only one!

Toshiki, a young Japanese mother, is

married to an American sailor. They met and were married in Japan while he was stationed there.

One evening in May, 1961, Sachiko Black, another Japanese lady who is one of our members, called about eight o'clock to say that she had been talking to one of her neighbors about Christ. She went on to say that her neighbor was interested! "Can we come out to your house so you can explain to her how to become a Christian?" she asked. Of course, we were anxious for them to come and about thirty minutes later they were at our house.

Luther and I never felt our inadequacy and our dependency upon the Holy Spirit as much as we did that night. How thankful we are that the language barrier does not affect the workings of the Holy Spirit!

Do you wonder who Sachiko's "neighbor" was? It was Toshiko! She had been in the United States about four years (three of these were spent in Texas) and did not understand the English language very well nor was she able to speak it well. She had never come in contact with a Christian nor the Bible until her neighbor began to witness to her. As a child, she was exposed to the teachings of Buddha—and even into adulthood she continued in these teachings. Slowly we began to tell her about the Bible, God's written Word to us,—about Jesus, God's only Son who came and died for us,—about Heaven, and how we can go there. She listened eagerly to the truth! After a little while she confessed that she did not understand the religion she had been taught all her life and that it did not satisfy her—nor did it give her the answers to her questions about **life**. Her fears of what happens after **death** kept driving her to seek an answer.

We soon found ourselves on our knees by our living room sofa and as best she could, **SHE ASKED CHRIST TO COME INTO HER HEART!** He did just that! The radiant glow that came over her countenance left no doubt in our minds that it was real! She said later that she did not understand what it was all about,

but she knew that Christ came into her heart and forgave her sin and gave her peace. Her fears and questions pertaining to the hereafter are lost in her assurance that she will go to be with the Lord and whatever else happens will be all right.

2 THE CONVERT BECOMES A FOLLOWER

Christ's presence in Toshiko's heart continues to be real! She is reading her Bible and becoming better acquainted with God and His ways daily. She has called me on the telephone several times to ask questions. Often she has made me ashamed of myself as she would tell about reading her Bible sometimes until 2:30 in the mornings. We secured a Japanese Bible for her. As we discuss the Word of God we have a difficult time—she with a Japanese Bible and I with the English version. But the Holy Spirit is always present to bless our efforts. At first she had difficulty praying, but I told her God would hear and understand her prayers in Japanese as well as in English and that if she could best express herself in her native language, to go right ahead and pray in the Japanese language.

Shortly after her conversion when we were visiting in her home, she gave us several books about Buddha and the teachings she had been studying and asked us to use them as reference books or to destroy them. She did not want them in her house anymore. This was another sign to us that her experience was genuine. She did not hesitate to follow the Lord in baptism. This has great significance to her Buddhist family and friends. It means that she has severed all ties with the Buddhist religion.

Toshiko is faithful in her Sunday School and Church attendance on Sunday mornings. She seldom ever misses one of the Ladies Bible Classes. She also attends our other services when she can. She is constantly telling us of personal experiences and blessings the Lord gives her and the many answers to her prayers. To be sure, she has grown a lot since she came to know the Lord a little more than a year ago.

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"Their Words Reveal Their World"

by Josephine Stevens, Africa

Hymn: "He Keeps Me Singing"

Scripture Reading:

Prayer: For continued strength and wisdom for the missionaries we have in Africa as they continue meeting their daily challenges.

Business Period:

Program:

Hymn: "Others"

DIAGRAM ON THE CHALKBOARD THE EQUATIONS SHOWN BELOW:

(Or you may use a poster).

Eleven-year-old Hillwood Free Will Baptist Woman's Auxiliary + concern for missions =

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- 2.
- 3.

Calaboner

PROGRAM HELPS

Find out if your auxiliary is fulfilling its purpose in "helping the church to teach and promote MISSIONS." Report on these questions just before the program is presented:

1. Is the "aim" of the auxiliary constantly kept before our ladies?
2. What have we done to promote missions in our local church?
3. What have we done to promote missions "world-wide?"
4. How are we planning to promote missions in the future?

*James Palmer
Belle
Indie
hosted*

(Insert the name of your auxiliary and list what you have done for missions so far this year.)

*Name
Paymer*

INTRODUCTION

When a missionary meets an African along the way, he quietly greets him and then they take turns relating all the news they know. During the past month I have chatted with many Africans! For tonight's program I have chosen only a few of those with whom I have held conversations. Each one reveals one of three things:

1. Their Need
2. Their Darkness—or
3. The Power of Christ

THE AMAZONI

Three days ago while at Enkovukeni outstation, Harold and I took a walk along the sandy beach one night. As we were returning we suddenly were startled by wild beating of drums pealing forth from the low sand dunes just a hundred yards away! We quickly spotted the crowd of women with our flashlight and walked up to them.

"You frightened us! What are you doing here in the darkness?" we asked.

"We have come to worship. Others are on the way. Our preacher is out there fishing," a large woman replied for all

the others.

There were about eleven women in the group. Three had drums made of goats' skins stretched over hollow logs. Several of the women were very young.

"You worship at night? The Bible says that men love darkness better than light because their deeds are evil," Harold replied.

"Oh, we will worship all night and in the morning we shall go into the water there."

"And what will happen in the water?" we asked.

"We will drink the salt water until we

vomit and until all of our sins and sicknesses come out. Then we will be well," they answered.

This was the perfect opening for a short sermon which my husband gave to them. Then we left.

All night long we heard the sound of the drums beating and the now larger crowd dancing and shouting. Early in the morning we again wandered down the beach and saw them gather at the side of the sea. They were beating drums and singing "snatches" of hymns they had heard somewhere. **NO BIBLE WAS IN SIGHT!** One man led the group of females. He waded into the water and was soon joined by two women who apparently were "prophetesses." He first baptized the babies who were three months old and up by dunking them three times under the salty water. His matronly helpers helped push the older ones under five times! Each time they went under they had to drink!

The observers on the beach thought it was great fun! One bedraggled woman who had just been baptized showed how well she could "dogpaddle"—by taking off from the "prophetess" and swimming around a bit to the amusement of her friends on the beach. Then the "prophetesses" were baptized. They all left then and returned to the bush above to empty their sins and sicknesses!

2 THE OKOZILE

She is very old—but the love of Christ shines through all of the leathery wrinkles on her face. As Harold walked up to her she began clapping her hands for joy! Her missionary had arrived! We were not acquainted with her. She lived miles from the mission. We had come here to distribute food to the starving people. There were six huts in this group of huts.

The dear old lady told us that when she was young she had been one of the first "believers" under Umfundisi Keyes who opened the Mseleni work. For years she walked to the mission for Sunday services. Now for equally as many years she had been crippled with age and had to sit home. "But I still pray and I still sing

the songs of Jesus!" she said. "Today God loves me for He has sent my missionary from Mseleni to see me and to pray with me," she continued. How humble we felt as we sensed her JOY at our presence. We never knew the dear soul existed. We prayed with her and had a service for the observers. In parting we gave her and the others a pound of protein enriched food to **add** to their own food. This special mixture is supposed to keep a person alive if he has one pound a week. We explained how it was to be used **WITH OTHER FOOD ONLY!** "What other food, Umfundisi? We don't have any other food! But thank you very much for this!! Hurry and return with some more!" they exclaimed.

Three days later we returned to the district for further business. We were surrounded by the same people wanting their **second** pound! "But the week is not finished! Where is your food?" we inquired.

"Umfundisi, when you are hungry, you do not cook a little and save for tomorrow. You eat until you are satisfied. We have eaten it all and are hungry again. Haven't you brought anymore?" they asked.

Unfortunately we had no more to give them. There were hundreds of others who had not received the first pound.

(I later mentioned to Tema that these old ones would die during the famine. "No," she replied, "the old ones will just sit through this famine and use little energy. The children will be fed fruits from the forest and what food there is available. It is the young **active** ones who will die during this famine.")

3 SHIPHILE

"Oh! Shiphile, it has been years since I saw you! Where have you been and why haven't you come to the mission?" These questions poured out from my heart as I came face to face with a woman whom I had known during the latter part of the 1940's.

"It is true, Inkosikazi, that I have seen much trouble in the past years. For a long time I came to the mission to
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CIRCLE PROGRAMS

Two separate program outlines for each month. Use either one or both.

April—"Sowers All"

"Blessed are ye that sow beside all waters." Isaiah 32:20

Preparation: Place a map of the United States and a world map on the wall at the front of the meeting room.

Program: Sing a missionary hymn
Read from Isaiah 55, verses 10 through 13.

Pray especially for all of our missionaries on the foreign and home fields. Call on various women who will pray specifically for the missionaries on each field.

Conduct a "who am I" quiz on Free Will Baptist Missionaries by giving clues to the identity of each missionary. As soon as someone reveals the correct missionaries' name, place his or her photograph on the map, as near the correct location as possible. When the quiz is completed, the group will be inspired as they witness the scene of our missionaries stationed in various parts of the world.

Close with this definition of a missionary: "A missionary is God's man, in God's place, doing God's work, in God's way. Are you one?" (Mrs. J. E. Frazier).

Optional program: Order and read a copy of UNTO THE UTTERMOST by Jerry Ballard, and/or any recommended missionary or devotional book. Present a book review in an interesting manner, arousing the women's interest in the book. Such books convey messages to hearts which no other means can con-

by Mrs. Robert Hill,
3240 Moorewood Dr.
Nashville, Tennessee

These programs are built around the 1963 theme: "Sowing beside all waters." Suggestions will be given for using visual aids in presenting them. A good devotional period may be experienced without visual aids, but with a little time and effort, the presentation may be made much more effective and the impressions more lasting. Each program may be adopted to either a short devotional period or a complete program.

vey, and are worth the time and money spent.

UNTO THE UTTERMOST is especially recommended because it contains a history and up-to-date information of Free Will Baptist Missions. Order this and the missionary photographs from Free Will Baptist Headquarters, 3801 Richland Avenue, Nashville, Tennessee.

May—The influence of the sower

"Whatsoever a man (woman) soweth, that shall he (she) also reap." Galatians 6:7.

Sing: Faith of our Mothers

Read: Matthew 5:13-16

Pray: That real Christian influence will accompany efforts of those who sow the good seed.

Preparation: Use three objects to illustrate: a box of salt, picture of a city on a hill, and a lighted candle as the program progresses. Pictures or drawings may serve as aids rather than real objects.

Program:

I. A Christian's influence is like salt.

1. Salt tends to make things more palatable.

Application: One Christian in any group should tend to make things more pleasant.

2. Salt is a defense against corruption: The presence of a Christian woman in a company of non-Christians should hinder the Devil in doing his work.

II. Christians are like "landmarks"—"a city that is set up on a hill."

1. One's position in life affects his influence: (the pastor's influence is greater than the average layman's).
2. Landmarks sometimes fade away—so can the influence of a Christian.

III. A lamp (candle) dispels darkness.

1. A light brings comfort, cheer, and happiness—A Christian woman should radiate such influence in her home.
2. A light forms the center of activity—The Christian woman may have to be the center of spiritual activity in her home.

Close with these lines from A. E. Hamilton:

This learned I from the shadow of a tree

That to and fro did sway upon a wall;

Our shadow selves, our influence, may fall

Where we can never be.

June—The Sower finds fertile soil (youth)
"But other fell into good ground . . ."
Matthew 13:8

Preparation: Place on a center-of-interest table: a poster or picture of a small child and a Bible opened to Proverbs 22:6. These words may be printed in large letters on the poster or picture.

Special feature: Invite cradle roll mothers to this program since it should be beneficial to them. Each may be recognized and presented with a small gift.

Program:

Introduction: In Isaiah 11:6 there is this phrase: "A little child shall lead them." While children are often used by God to bring adults to Himself, the Word clearly teaches that it is the parents duty to teach and train the child so that "when he is old, he will not depart from it (the right way)."

Biblical examples:

1. Abraham and Sarah so instructed Isaac that he was obedient to the will of God, choosing to suffer the afflictions of God's people than riches. Hebrews 11:23-27.
2. In I Samuel 1 and 2, we have the story of Hannah dedicating Samuel to the Lord.
3. Mary and Joseph brought the infant Jesus to the temple for dedication. Luke 2:22.
4. Paul, in II Timothy 1:5, spoke of Timothy's training in the Holy Scriptures.

God's plan has not changed. It is still Christ. We cannot force, but we can teach.

Words To A Young Mother

Go daily to an altar, there to pray

That you be worthy of the sacred task
Of Motherhood. Ask wisdom for the day,
And heed the answer to the thing you ask.

So soon a child's grave eyes will watch to see

Life's meaning in your voice, your smile, your face.

Each moment you will make some memory

That all the coming years will not erase.

You will engrave upon a young child's heart

Deep lettered words, carved there for good or ill,

Oh, Mother, do you know how great a part

You are to play, how much you will distill

Of truth and beauty in the empty cup

That your child's hands will soon be holding up!

Author Unknown

Closing: Since many children receive no spiritual training in the home, the churches must assume the responsibility of seeking them out and training them. Volunteer your assistance now to your church Daily Vacation Bible School, visitation and training programs.

Suggested Circle Programs

by Mary Wishart, 3606 West End Ave., Nashville 5, Tenn.

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April, 1963

Esther—A Woman in Crisis

Song: "Wherever He Leads"

Scripture: Joshua 1:9

- I. A Challenge
Esther 4:8, 13, 14
- II. A Courageous Stand
Esther 4:16-5:1-2
- III. A Rich Reward
Esther 7, 8, 9

May, 1963

A Virtuous Woman

Song: "Faith of Our Mothers"

Scripture: Proverbs 31:10-31

- I. A Good Wife
Prov. 31:10-12, 23, 28

II. An Industrious Housewife
Prov. 31:13-15, 24, 27

III. A Wise Provider
Prov. 31:16-19, 21

IV. A Kind Heart
Prov. 31:20, 26

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Prov. 31:29-31

June, 1963

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Song: "Faith Is the Victory"

Scripture: Matt. 15:21-28, Mark 7:24-30

- I. Her Persistence
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DEAR SPONSOR YOUTH

by Mrs. Chester Phillips
1500 Spruce Street
Greenville, N. C.

"Suffer the little children to come unto me . . ."

"Train up a child in the way that he should go and when he is old, he WILL NOT DEPART from it."

Little children can have such an intimate walk with the Lord. They have *no doubts, no pride, and no restraints* to keep them from showing their love and their trust.

Last week my husband was out of town. For the first time, I found it necessary to go across town to the school to get my little boy. As I rode along with my four-year-old son, I said, "I really don't know the way to the school. I hope we don't get lost."

My little boy didn't answer me. Instead, he closed his eyes and began to pray out loud, "Dear Lord, help my mother to know how to go. Don't let us get lost. For Jesus' sake. Amen."

He opened his eyes. "Jesus will show you the way," he said without a doubt in his little mind.

Children pray easily. Talking with God is a very natural thing with them. They believe the Word easily. The Bible is holy to them. That is why it is important to WIN THEM TO CHRIST during those early years. It is true that they will not understand everything, but they will be setting patterns in their lives that they can follow in years to come.

Youth sponsors, use your youth auxiliaries (from Missionary Midgets to Y.P.A.'s) to win boys and girls to a SAVING KNOWLEDGE of the Lord and to implant in them a desire to serve Him.

Your missionary programs should be so well prepared and presented that they will make the child feel that telling others about Christ is the greatest job in the world.

Be on the lookout for special talents and abilities. Channel these into Christian work. (Look for hidden talents in young people who are not already in the "limelight.")

A man who has done outstanding youth work in our denomination recently said, "A church that is really doing something for the Lord will consistently have young people going into Christian service." This does not mean that *all* of the young people in your church will feel led to be preachers, educational directors, or missionaries; but *some* will all along. Every graduating class should have some who will be planning to offer their lives in full-time Christian work.

Youth Sponsor, you can hope for a fruitful ministry among older boys and girls ONLY when you have begun early in their lives. The earlier you start, the better!

WIN YOUR LITTLE ONES TO CHRIST AND FOR CHRIST.

NO NATIONAL YOUTH RALLY

Because of certain reasonable drawbacks, the National Youth Rally will *not* be held during the July, 1963 session of the Woman's National Auxiliary Convention in Detroit, Michigan.

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STUDENT LOAN FUND PROGRAM

Secure in advance current information from the Free Will Baptist Bible College, 3607 West End Avenue, Nashville 5, Tennessee. Perhaps you would like to ask for averages about enrollment, gifts to the college, operational expenses, etc., over the past five years.

Use the information for topics. After these topics have been presented (a panel would be very good for this type program) then give at least two topics from the Scriptures showing the need for preparation for efficient, maximum Christian service.

September is designated as Memorial Student Loan Fund month and gifts are encouraged at that time. However, the aim and intent of this program is much broader than merely support for the Student Loan Fund. It is to be hoped that regular, systematic prayer and financial support to the entire program of religious education be given new impetus.

Eunice Edwards

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WHY I BELIEVE IN MISSIONS

—Joan Warren

It was a cold night in February, 1945. The evangelist preached loud and long, emphasizing the awfulness of dying without Christ, a sinner, condemned before God. A 9-year-old girl listened with fear and trembling as the sermon drew to a close. She was restless during the long invitation. Would the singing never cease? She slipped outside quietly, hoping that the chilly winter air would clear her mind of the feeling of condemnation.

The stars twinkled brightly. The world was the same—and yet it wasn't. For guilt had descended upon one who had not known the meaning of paying the penalty for sin. The night could not cleanse the child. Realizing this, she slipped quietly back to the pew where she had fidgeted so uneasily all during the message. The invitation went on. What were they singing? The girl heard no words, the only sound she could hear was the echo, "lost, lost, lost". She could

stand it no longer. With a quick movement the girl tossed her coat aside, and with a hurried word to her sister, "I must go", she made her way to an altar of prayer and found the Lord Jesus as her own Personal Saviour.

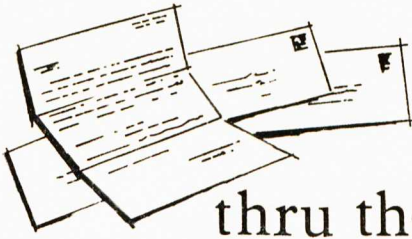
That night, 18 years ago, there was a new name written down in Heaven. Joan Lomenick became a member of God's family. How do I know? Because I was that girl.

The night seemed changed as we walked home that night. But the night had not changed, I had! I had become a new creature in Christ. We walked quickly, for the night was cold. I was so wrapped up in my new-found joy that we were halfway home before I discovered that a brother and sister had also accepted Christ that night!

You might ask what all this has to do with my feeling about Missions. It is simply this: I will never forget how I felt when I realized that I was condemned before God, lost without hope, with Hell as my destiny. But because some of God's people were obedient to His command, I heard the gospel and can sing with a host of others, "Redeemed, how I love to proclaim it! Redeemed by the Blood of the Lamb!" Yet as I sing, the thought comes to my mind, "But for the grace of God I might never have heard. But for the obedience of others the gospel might never have reached me." Then I picture a shadowy, faceless figure on some distant continent, and the knowledge strikes my heart with a piercing blow, "There is none other name under heaven, given among men, whereby we must be saved. . . . He that believeth not is condemned already . . ."

There but for the grace of God go I! And I fall upon my knees in thanksgiving to God for His salvation. As I am humbled before Him, I hear the words of the Master as He commands, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." A personal charge, and it requires a personal commitment. My heart beats heavily, my eyes sting with tears, a lump fills my throat as I wonder, "How many souls have died without

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thru the LETTER BOX

Wenatchee, Wn.—A gift of more than 750 pounds of fruit was canned and shipped to Free Will Baptist Bible College in Nashville, Tenn. . . For the closing service of their pre-Thanksgiving season of prayer several G.T.A. members dressed in costumes of foreign lands and told of missionary needs in those countries.

Vancouver, Wn.—The Auxiliary is making robes for their twenty-five member Junior Choir. Pastor Postlewaite is teaching a study course for the ladies on Wednesday mornings.

Tulsa, Okla.—The Missionary Midgets were organized in August of '62 with eighteen members. They now number twenty-five members.

Ardmore, Okla.—A new Y.P.A. was organized here with Wanda Dillard as Sponsor.

Holdenville, Okla.—A new Y.P.A. was recently organized here with eleven members. Sponsors are Mr. and Mrs. Holman. They joined with the GTA's and Missionary Midgets to assist the adult auxiliary in their pre-Thanksgiving week of prayer. They report very good attendance at the meetings.

Mountain Grove, Mo.—The Auxiliary is sponsoring a project of securing canned meats for the mission fields. They also provide flowers for the sanctuary each Sunday. They combined their groups for the pre-Thanksgiving week of prayer services.

Columbus, Miss.—The Northeast District Convention has just finished a project for CERF in Miami.

Norfolk, Va.—Mrs. Ralph Staten was elected president of the auxiliary at Fairmount Park Church.

Sesser, Illinois—The first Youth Rally sponsored by the State Convention was conducted at the Camp Grounds in Benton. Jerry Norris served as emcee and the Salem church won a trophy as first place winner in a talent contest. The program was followed by a time of fellowship in the dining hall.

The Loyal Workers District Convention met with Bear Point Church. The theme for the program was, "Faith Works!" Rev. Lawrence Thompson was the speaker for the eleven o'clock hour. An offering of \$58.27 for the National Headquarters building was received. In the afternoon session the presentation of their Christmas gifts for the orphanage was made.

The Mary-Martha District Convention met at Oak Grove Church. Their theme was, "In The Service of The King". The morning offering was sent to CERF. Mrs. Allene Hanna brought the morning message and the afternoon message was brought by Rev. Elmer Turnbough of Desloge, Missouri.

Petaluma, Calif.—"All who attended our pre-Thanksgiving Week of Prayer received many blessings."

Ontario, Calif.—Four families of the church were in charge of the pre-Thanksgiving Week of Prayer services. Rev. Joe Slaten spoke at the closing services on Friday evening.

Huntington Park, Calif.—The Woman's Auxiliary and the Master's Men are growing. During the pre-Thanksgiving Week of Prayer, Rev. Harris from Garden Grove was a guest speaker.

Bell Gardens, Calif.—The Auxiliary reports their quota on the Boy's Hostel in India has been met.

Ceres, Calif.—Village Chapel auxiliary reports a successful study course on Prayer taught by Mrs. Teddy Davis. The GTAs and YPAs are working on their Faith Promises made during their recent Missionary Conference.

"BEGINNINGS"

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One night as John witnessed to him, he said, "Do you really believe that Jesus lived!? I have always accepted that as fantasy! I do not like to think about God or things of that sort because I am afraid I will get too far off course!" As we witnessed to him, we began to see him really become interested and we are praying that the Lord will work in his heart. On the other hand there is Nina's father. He has been quite a politician here in Panama. He says that he is not a Catholic—he is a free thinker. He believes that by doing good and living a clean life he will be saved. Others say they do not believe in God because they cannot explain Him—theirs is a belief in the goodness of man and salvation through their morality.

On the other hand, the women are very Catholic. In order to truly understand why this is true, we must realize that the Catholic church has been the only church here for centuries. Although there has been evangelical work here for forty years, very little has been done, even in Panama City. The works in the interior are small and widely scattered. There are very few national workers and of these only a small number are trained.

PANAMA—A NEEDY FIELD

3 Everywhere we look there is a need. Our hearts have been so burdened as we have seen so many young people and children all around us who have never truly heard that the Lord loves them. I have looked into their sweet smiling faces, not yet marked by the ravishes of drinking, immorality and gross sin, and pray, "Oh, Lord, help us to reach them now before it is too late." So often we feel like we are such small lights in such a great darkness and yet this Light is the light of the world, able to dispel all darkness.

I do not know if Nina will ever come to know our Lord as Savior. I can only pray for her and seek to show her the love of Christ in my life. But, oh how rewarding it is to know that we are promised, "Blessed are ye that sow beside all waters" and that His Word

will not return void! May God lay the great burden of Panama and the many like Nina and Quique upon your heart. As for me—

This is the place where Thou didst bid me stand;

And work and wait;

I thought it was a plot of fertile land,
to tend and cultivate:

Flowers and fruits, I said are surely there,

In rich earth stored,

And I will make of it a garden fair,

For Thee, my Lord!

Lo! it is set where only bleak skies frown,

With rank weeds sown,

And over it the vagrant thistle-down

Like dust is blown;

Long have I labored, but the barren soil

No crop will yield:

This have I won for all my ceaseless
toil—

A bare ploughed field!

Nay, even here, where those thou didst
strive and weep,

Some sunny morn

Others shall come with joyous hearts and
reap

The full eared corn;

Yet is their harvest to thy labour due;

On me 'twas spent—

Are not the furrows driven straight and
true?

Be thou content!

—A Tiller of the Soil (copied)

PROJECTS ADOPTED

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Illinois missionaries to be brought to their April Convention.

North East Mississippi: District—Project for next four months sending supplies to the Provision Closet for the Missionaries.

Georgia: State Convention—the purchase of a 35mm Camera, Tape Recorder, for the Wilkinsons and the Calvert School Course for the Wilkinson children.

California: Golden Gate District—Purchase of an Electric I.B.M. Typewriter for the California Bible Institute and night stands for the dormitory.

State Conv.—Boy's Hostel in India.

HAWAII

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Last spring Toshiko went back to Japan for a visit with her family. We watched her go with grave concern because to us she was still a "child" in the faith. We could not help but wonder just what effect it would have on her new found relationship with Christ. Going back to her family, back to the old environment, back in the very midst of practices of her old religion would put her to the TEST! We wondered if she were established enough in the faith to resist all of these things. While she was away, we prayed earnestly for her. God heard and answered our prayers! She returned to us a stronger Christian than when she left!

3 THE CONVERT: HER FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Toshiko's husband, Don, is stationed on a submarine and is away from home most of the time—leaving Toshiko alone with their two children. This was, very difficult for Toshiko, especially before she became a Christian. Now that she is saved, she says it is not as hard as it was and that she is not as much afraid as she was before her conversion. If she awakens during the night, she just prays to God and He is always with her.

Not long after she became a Christian, she gave birth to a premature baby and had a very difficult time. Her husband was at sea and she had to remain in the hospital several days. She said she would read her Bible and pray—and that God just blessed her and gave her peace in her heart. Although she suffered much, the Lord was real to her and she said it was not **too bad**. The faith she manifested during this time in the hospital was a real joy to our entire church family. Even though the doctor advised against it at this particular time, she gave up the habit of smoking. She knew Christ was displeased with this habit. God did give her complete victory and made her a testimony to the doctors and nurses.

She has a daughter, Marcia, about three years old. She loves Jesus and loves to sing "Jesus Loves Me." Although she is so young, she refuses to eat until she

asks the blessing on the food. Not long ago, she was playing with a friend—a little Japanese girl who does not attend any church. They were given some cookies. Marcia refused to eat and insisted that her little friend bow her head while she asked the blessing. Her little friend, not knowing what it was all about, began to count 1-2-3-4, etc. until Marcia was through. Marcia's dad is not a Christian, but he is learning that he, too, must wait until the blessing is said before they can eat.

Toshiko was telling us the following incident the other day that made us again recognize our great responsibility: One of their friends had a birthday and in the conversation Marcia mentioned something about God's birthday. Toshiko, wanting to explain to her and yet not get her confused, told her, "No, it isn't God's birthday! But there is another name that He is called." Still trying to get her to say "JESUS" Toshiko asked her what other name was there for God. Marcia said, "Brother Sanders." To Marcia—we are God's representatives. Please pray for us that we may be true representatives.

At times Toshiko's husband makes things very difficult for her by laughing at her and making fun of her faith in God. But more and more he is beginning to see that what she professes is real and genuine, and regardless of what he does, he cannot destroy her new relationship with Christ. We are praying for Don along with Toshiko and I am sure God will not let faith such as hers go unrewarded.

4 A CONSTANT CHALLENGE *Ch*
We are very much aware that Hawaii is one of the fifty states and that this is a "Home Mission" field according to classification. I beg you to not let this mislead you. It is one of the greatest and most needy mission fields. Today only 2% of the people of Hawaii are classified as Protestants, and less than 1/2 of 1% are classified as **EVANGELICAL CHRISTIANS!** The language barrier presents a real problem to us. The many and varied religions found here make our task even more delicate and difficult. The high cost of living also presents a grave problem—not only to us—but to many of

our people. Many have to take part time work on the weekends along with their regular jobs. And in order to "make ends meet" many wives have to work. In spite of all these problems, Hawaii presents a great and wonderful challenge!

Most of our converts come from Buddhist or Catholic backgrounds and some with no religious background at all. What a joy and thrill it is to watch them as they learn of the Gospel and its effects on the lives of people for the first time! The eagerness of the men and women to study God's Word keeps Luther and me on the go constantly.

For about one and a half years, our women have met every week for about two hours to study the Bible and pray. I keep thinking that soon it is going to get old to them and they will get bored. Because of this I have tried other programs. But they INSIST that we study the B.ble! Our attendance has remained 100% and our number continues to grow. How wonderful the Word of God is!

I trust this will be a challenge to each of you that God will become more real and wonderful to you! As He does, it is sure to spread. Too long we have permitted Christianity to be a dormant, routine sort of thing—when it should be a live, vital, active, working force that lets all those about us become aware that "WE SERVE A RISEN SAVIOUR—HE'S IN THE WORLD TODAY!"

THEIR WORDS . . .

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worship. Some years ago I started having great pain in my hips and my feet. I found it too painful to walk the long distance to the mission. Now the pain is gone, but I cannot move my legs well and walk long distances, you see," she responded.

She demonstrated the short steps she must make and the deadness of her hips. (We know that this is a local disease familiar only to this one district. "Mystery Disease" we call it because no doctor yet has been able to label it.)

Shiphile continued to tell me the story of her life during her absence from the mission.

"My husband died leaving me with no children. I was alone. I had nothing. I was a cripple and had no one to look after me when I became an old woman," she sadly continued.

With a startled look (I'm sure I did not conceal my expression!) I could not quite connect what she was saying with the sucking baby at her breast. So, I asked, "But Shiphile, this baby—where did he come from?"

"Oh!, Inkosikazi, I was tempted and I got this baby in the forest. God has now blessed me with this child. My own husband did not leave me a child," she explained as she stroked the black shiny back of the fat baby boy.

MALOYI

It was a sad day indeed! We were leaving for furlough and found it very difficult to leave the African Christians whom we had grown very fond of and had become very close to. The women had come to have a special "farewell" meeting for me—as different ones stood to say "good-bye."

There stood Maloyi. She was a young woman—mother of three children. She was gaily dressed, but tears began rolling down her face. She wiped them away as she began to speak

"I thank God for sending Inkosikazi Stevens to Africa, for if she had not come, I would still be a heathen. She led me to the Lord Jesus Christ!"

Tears also coursed down my face as in gratitude I quietly **PRAISED GOD** for sending me all the way to Africa—many miles—to help Maloyi find Him. It was not difficult to recall the day she appeared at my door with a child in her arms and one on her back—asking for clothes. She was dirty outwardly—symbolic of the **SIN WITHIN!** I talked with her about the Lord Jesus Christ and what He was able to do for her. She willingly accepted Him.

Her words will forever be an encouragement to me and an inspiration to others: "I THANK GOD FOR SENDING THE MISSIONARY—FOR IF SHE HAD NOT COME, I WOULD STILL BE A HEATHEN."

WHY I BELIEVE IN MISSIONS

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Christ because I have not done all I could to further the gospel in the world?" And a still, small voice reminds me that, "If you sound not the warning, their blood will I require at thine hands."

Why do I believe in missions? Because as I received Salvation, I also received a Commission. The Holy Spirit reminds me of my obligation to God and to those teeming millions who will die without Christ—unless someone goes to them with the gospel.

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DEAR YOUTH SPONSORS

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It is hoped that *all* of the young people who happen to attend the convention will be able to meet together at some time for fellowship and inspiration. Plans for such a "get-together" are being definitely made.

No special provisions can be made for lodging the youth. Refreshments will be served by the Central F.W.B. Church. Young people do profit by seeing our denomination "at work"; therefore those who have parents and friends attending and can arrange to come *should be encouraged* to do so. I shall look forward to seeing many of our young people there.

An early morning meeting for YOUTH CHAIRMEN AND SPONSORS will be held Tuesday morning. The meeting place will be announced the opening night of the WNAC.

REMINDER: *All States*

Please see that your declamation winners are sent to the convention in July. They deserve this.

Be a proud state; give us the winner this year!

Send your essay entries to:

Mrs. Chester Phillips, Youth chairman,
W.N.A.C.

1500 Spruce Street
Greenville, N. C.

A LETTER FROM LYNN

Protestant Mission
Doropo, Ivory Coast
December 4, 1962

Dear Mrs. Edwards,

The Lord has been real to me in these last two years. He watches over his own.

While in France there was no church which we could attend. We prayed and the Lord answered. You know we lived in an apartment with a chapel on the first floor. Outside of town there was an American church which agreed with the French pastor to have Sunday evening services in the chapel. Thus the Lord answered prayer.

You know I had meningitis. Although many people were dying from it the Lord restored me to health with a little help from penicillin.

The Lord has answered prayer in a special way. Before I could go to school in Guinea, I had to finish eighth grade. I had to get a visa, my clothes, and permission from the school to go. I finished eighth grade about a week before I left, I got my visa in half the time it usually takes, I got my clothes the day before I started to leave for school, and I received permission to go to school just before I left.

I praise the Lord for his blessing and thank Him for his goodness.

Love,

Lynn

P.S. Now I'll tell you things you didn't ask for.

The school at Mamou is very nice. There are two main buildings, the Foyer and the Villa. The Foyer contains the dining room, the recreation room, the clinic, and the living quarters for grades one-eight. The Villa is a two storied house in which the high school lives. The girls on the top floor the boys on the bottom floor.

At school I was president of M.Y.F. It is a youth group for grades six up.

Friday I arrived in Abidjan by plane. I enjoyed the trip very much. Now I am looking forward to a four month vacation.



Pre-Thanksgiving WEEK OF PRAYER

By Mrs. Joe T. Hurst—East Wenatchee, Wash.

THEME: "Withhold Not Thine Hand"
Eccle. 11:6

WATCHWORD: "Blessed Are Ye That
Sow Beside All Waters." Isa. 32:20

"Atmosphere" can be a great aid to any program. Set the background for these programs by displaying full page food advertisements and table decorations of traditional Thanksgiving properties. It is suggested that the final program be presented by members of the youth auxiliaries, so plan ahead with them about costumes, topics, etc. Each program is brief so that you may add poems, music, or other features to make the programs really "yours."

PROGRAM NO. 1

Theme: Withhold Not Thine Hand—For
We Are Chosen of God
Hymn: "My Name's Written There"
Scripture: John 15:16
Prayer

Introduction—by Program Chairman

A wonderful season approaches in America with the coming of Thanksgiving time. Although other nations have harvest feasts and festivals, the observance in America is meant to be different. Ours is a time of expressing thanks to our creator for the bountiful provisions we enjoy. At least it was meant to be so by our Pilgrim ancestors. Oh! that the nation of America would kneel as one man, low and reverent, before our loving God.

At the Thanksgiving season the foremost product kept before the public eye by merchants is food. They do not spare the advertising dollar and, consequently, extremely appealing advertisements are presented to the homemaker. Let's lift

a few of the fancy descriptions given to food items from the newspaper. If we may apply them to ourselves as God's Co-laborers, perhaps we shall see new ways to "declare His glory."

SPEAKER'S TOPIC: "Specially Selected"

Only A-1 merchandise wears the label of "Specially Selected." It indicates that someone with authority has walked among the many specimens offered for sale. Carefully, he has selected this one and that one to represent his firm when the all important customer comes to shop.

Do you know that Christians are "specially selected"? Jesus assures us in the scriptures (John 15:16) that we have been chosen by Him and are ordained by Him to bring forth good works to glorify the Lord.

This does not mean that God has ordained only certain people to be His children. For unlike the vegetables selected by the merchant, we have been given a power of will which is controlled only by ourselves. And whosoever will may become a child of God. The salvation of Christ is offered to all mankind. But we who have responded to His call are "chosen" by Him to represent Him and to tell His gospel to all the unsaved multitudes of the world.

In realizing that we Co-Laborers are "specially selected," may we have greater confidence as we "sow beside all waters."

PRAYER SUGGESTIONS: Pray that each Co-Laborer will realize her special place in the heart of God and will not withhold her hand to serve in everyday life. Pray for those of our own faith who have been "specially selected" to take the gospel to other nations.

PROGRAM NO. 2

Theme: Withhold Not Thine Hand—
For He Leads Us In His Way

Hymn: "God Leads His Dear Children
Along" or "Follow On"

Scripture: I Peter 2:1-2

Prayer

Introduction

This program follows the suggestion that the advertisements of food products be applied to Christian living. The first program dealt with the fact that Christians are "Specially Selected" by the Lord for the task of evangelizing the world. That is why Co-Laborers share in the effort to "sow beside all waters."

SPEAKER'S TOPIC: "Tenderly Fed"

Who wouldn't want to buy a nice plump turkey which had been carefully fed and individually cared for by the farmer's kindly hand as this ad declares?

It is for that very reason that many housewives drive to the country and order their Thanksgiving bird directly from the farmer instead of buying a frozen one at the market. It does not matter that more bother, expense, and time are required by driving to the farmer's home. The extra quality in the product is well worth the extra effort.

Christians, too, are "tenderly fed." This, of course, does not refer to physical feeding, but spiritual. Christ not only chooses us to do His work on earth, but He feeds us with His living Word.

With much tenderness—but not meekly—Christ leads us in the paths where we are to work. His many promises are food to the soul of a struggling Christian.

A dedicated Co-Laborer is a happy one. For she is a person who has learned that it does not matter if much bother, expense, and time are required in order to accomplish the will of the Lord. She has learned the faithfulness of the Lord to always be with her. Christ not only chooses us, but He leads us in the way. And He gives the increase to our labors.

Therefore, let none "withhold thine hand."

SPECIAL FEATURE: Prepare in advance to tell an experience of one of the missionaries in which they felt the definite leading of the Lord. Perhaps a visiting missionary in your area would speak to the auxiliary. Or invite the pastor to share an experience of his.

PRAYER SUGGESTIONS: Pray for individual wisdom in seeking and following the leadership of the Lord. Pray especially for missionary wives today. Name them personally to the Lord. Ask that His grace be given them to "tenderly feed" those whom He has entrusted to their care.

PROGRAM NO. 3

Theme: Withhold Not Thine Hand—For
His Word Is Truth

Hymn: "Open My Eyes"

Scripture: John 17:17, Psalm 119:130

Prayer:

(It would be interesting to have some of the younger children of the church sing a number of choruses about the Bible such as, "Thy Word Have I Hid In My Heart," "The B-I-B-L-E," "One Book and Only One," etc.)

Introduction

At this season when we take more time than usual to express our thanks to the Lord for many of His blessings, let us never forget our gratitude for the Bible. Although God's Word is intended for every one, it has not always been available to everyone. When the Scriptures had to be copied by hand they were too expensive for most of the people. Then, in another era, the common man was told that he did not have enough education nor understanding to interpret the Bible, so he was denied the privilege of owning one. Let us not forget, then, that the printed scripture in our own language at a price all can afford, is a costly privilege paid for by those Christians who have lived before us.

SPEAKER'S TOPIC: "Preserved In Freshness"

As we continue to search the food ads for slogans which apply to Christian living we find this one is applicable. Every housewife who preserves the food for the family pantry realizes the importance time plays in that process. If the foods are underripe, the flavor is not grown. Something will be lacking in taste. But if the foods are overripe there may be a great amount of spoilage as well as loss of flavor. So, it is very important that the foods be "preserved in freshness."

The Word of God—our guide, rule book, directory, instructional manual, or any descriptive term we apply to it—is "preserved in freshness." If any one says that she finds the Bible to be dry and dull, she is one who has not yet even tasted of its contents. Her spiritual eyes are still unopened.

Not only are the Old Testament records of God's people thrilling accounts to read, they also give great meaning and much instruction for modern living. Would anyone dare to read that Jesus knelt and prayed so fervently that sweat like drops of blood fell from his face, and call it dull reading?

Could one read that the leper, suffering that most hideous disease, was cleansed instantly by the Master and say that it was dry? We can be sure the lepers did not think so. Neither did the blind who were made to see, and the lame and the afflicted who were healed.

We suppose that every Co-Laborer has one or many favorite scripture verses that hold special meaning for them. No one can convince them that those verses are dull and dry and have no living meaning! No—for the words of the Lord have been "preserved in freshness." The freshness was supplied by God in the beginning to benefit His people. It has been preserved by Him for the same purpose. Because God's Word is "preserved in freshness," we are better able to "sow beside all waters."

PRAYER SUGGESTIONS: Thank God for the Bible. Pray for those who work with the American Bible Society in trying to translate the scriptures into the language of every man. Also, pray for

all those who have the responsibility of "breaking the bread of life"—pastors, home and foreign missionaries, teachers, and others.

PROGRAM NO. 4

Theme: Withhold Not Thine Hand—For We Shall Give Account

Hymn: "Whiter Than Snow"

Scripture: Romans 14:12

Prayer

Solo: "I Would Be True"

Introduction

God uses many means of teaching and leading His Co-Laborers along. We should form the habit if we have not already done so, to see the little every-day things about us to teach us new things and strengthen our faith. A little child may learn of God's care as he watches a snow bird through the window. Co-Laborers may learn through everyday household chores. This week we have looked for lessons in the food advertisements. We have applied such slogans as "specially selected," "tenderly fed," and "preserved in freshness." Let us ignore the "boneless ham" ads and suppose we have no application for it!

SPEAKER'S TOPIC: "Inspected and Graded"

The United States government has taken certain steps to protect the citizens when they purchase food. This is particularly true of meats and the regulations are very strict. That is why we find the words, "inspected and graded" stamped upon the meat or printed on the labels.

When Co-laborers seek to make this applicable, they must surely think of that time yet in the future when each shall stand an "inspection" of her works. The Lord has made every provision for the happiness and success of His children. He has forgiven their sins, given them His Holy Word for instruction in righteous living, and sent unto them the Holy Spirit as their comforter, leader and guide. He has told them that they shall be blessed with happiness and all good things for living righteous lives. He has

warned them that they shall be chastised when they disobey.

Furthermore, God has assured the world that whosoever will believe in His Son Jesus as a personal saviour shall have an everlasting life in His presence. He has also told them that each shall give account of his deeds. (Romans 12:14 it is stated that "God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be good or whether it be evil.")

It is important in view of God's forewarning, that Christians work the works of righteousness in this life against that day of judgment. For every work that we do or fail to do shall be rehearsed before us or "inspected" as it were. And the faithful Judge shall declare the worth thereof. When we see the label of "inspected and graded" perhaps it will serve as a reminder that our works are yet to be judged. It is in this knowledge that we "withhold not our lands."

PRAYER SUGGESTIONS: Pray for strength to be faithful to the work Christ expects of His Co-Laborers. Pray for our missionaries since they depend upon the prayers of those at home, and it is a work which all of us can engage in.

PROGRAM NO. 5

Theme: Withhold Not Thine Hand—For He Has Blessed Our Nation

Hymn: "America" or "America The Beautiful"

Scripture: Psalm 34:8-15, Psalm 33:12

Prayer

Introduction

The final program of the week has a patriotic theme. We ought always to be thankful for the great nation which God has blessed richly from its foundation. Christ taught His disciples to be good

citizens and to be obedient to the country's laws.

It is a false teaching to say that it is unChristian to salute the American flag. Rather, it shows respect and honor for the nation God has given us. Apparently, each of the twelve tribes carried a standard when they moved from the land of their bondage. Their flags went before the men in battle and floated in the breeze above their encampments. We may defend our use of the flag with the words of Psalm 20:5, "We will rejoice in Thy salvation, and in the name of our God we will set up our banners."

FEATURE: (Let members of Y.P.A. or G.T.A. present the "History of Thanksgiving" if they are available. They may wish to fashion costumes to add to the program. Have several children each carry an item of harvest foods and deposit it on a central table. These may be pumpkins, berries, ears of corn, paper turkeys, or pictures may be substituted. As the "Pilgrims" stand about the table have three speakers relate the history of the first Thanksgiving. The facts may be found in encyclopedias or history books.)
Speaker I—Tell of hardships and religious persecutions in the old countries which caused the Pilgrims to make the hazardous journey to the new land.

Speaker II—Tell of the hardships endured by the settlers and the habit of worship which they never neglected.

Speaker III—Tell of first Thanksgiving dinner; the Indians who came and the foods that were served.

PRAYER SUGGESTIONS: Make this a prayer of gratitude. In addition to personal and family blessings, pray for our nation. Confess its sins and pray for its return to God. Pray especially for the home missionaries that this season may aid them in their labors.

Central Auxiliary has Prayer Partner Tea



A real blessing plus good food and fellowship were enjoyed by those 100 or so women and girls who braved Michigan's snow-covered, slippery streets on Friday night, Jan. 11th to attend our Annual Prayer Partner Tea.

Mrs. Myrtle Fry was in charge of the service and Mrs. Eunice Edwards of Nashville, Tenn. was our quest speaker, climaxing her 4-day visit with us.

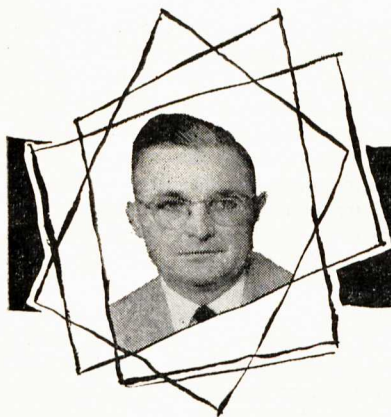
The Prayer Partners had been chosen beforehand by a committee and were revealed in this meeting. As their names were called, they stood together and exchanged artificial corsages as a pledge of their prayers one for the other.

The order of the service, our excellent speaker and the beautiful gold and white decorations all tended to make this a very impressive and heart-warming service.

After the Tea, a new Circle was organized for the young women from graduation to marriage called the "Rhoda Circle". This makes a total of four Circles in the Auxilairy, a G.T.A. and a Y.P.A. at Central Church.

"The Lord hath done great things for us whereof we are glad."

—Mrs. Mildred Daniel, *President*



suffer the children

PARENTS RESPONSIBILITY

SGT. DELMER T. PRIEST

I would first like to quote a statute enacted by the Puritans of New Haven Colony for the control of delinquent behavior. Although the treatment was severe, it still indicates that juvenile delinquency was a problem at that time. "If any man have a stubborn rebellious son, of sufficient age and understanding, namely 16 years old or upward, which will not obey the voice of his father or the voice of his mother, and that when they have chastened him will not harken unto them, then shall his father and his mother lay hold on him and bring him to the magistrates assembled in court and testify unto them that their son is stubborn and rebellious and will not obey their voice and chastisement and lives in sundry notorious crimes; such a son shall be put to death."

It is interesting to note that this statute was taken almost word for word from the Bible (Deut. 21-17, 19, 20, 21). Although this is drastic treatment of the juvenile offender, there is little doubt that this treatment affected the amount of recidivism.

We who are in this field of working with youth are constantly asked, "Why are these youngsters this way?", or "What makes a juvenile commit these serious crimes which are daily making headlines in our local press." We, of course, have our "pat" answers such as lack of love, recognition, security, desire for new experiences, etc. We also have the strong influence of the home, the gang, the community, the lack of recreation. We will concede no child is inherently bad. He is then made what he is by his up-bringing and his surroundings. It is apparent that something has gone radically wrong with the environment of a good many youngsters; otherwise, we wouldn't be confronted with such a delinquency problem today.

For a generation, the American public has been exposed to attempts to destroy, deflate and besmear formerly universally accepted concepts and revered institutions, through every media available, i.e., popular fiction, newspaper, movies, radios, television, and even the text books in our schools. The targets for attack

have been everything from patriotism to our accepted moral codes and from business integrity to our system of justice. Our parents and our youngsters are daily subjected to the influence of television which teach us to win the battle regardless of how the battle is won. This is evidenced by our wrestling and roller derby programs where the dirty player attempts to win through the use of every foul technique that is not observed by the referee. It is true that most of this is "just an act" but many people do not understand this and are consequently affected by it.

Even during the war years our national heroes were taught to win the battle even if called for dirty fighting, as evidenced by the training of our Marines and when these attitudes are implanted in our youngsters, it may take years for these attitudes to change. When children grow up among adults who refuse to recognize anything as fine, good, or worthy of respect, it is not surprising that a certain number fail to develop high moral standards or even to distinguish between right and wrong.

Too often when we handle youngsters we observe an attitude on their part which can be summed up in two words—"So what!" I have been told many times by juveniles that, "You can't do anything to me, I am a juvenile." Many of these youngsters have been conditioned by parents or companions to be disdainful of law enforcement, while others are never taught to have any sense of responsibility.

How are we to overcome the attitudes of youngsters who are exposed to parents who show little respect for anything? or who rationalize the blackest of crimes as due to psychological disturbances for which the wrong doers are not really responsible. These youngsters do not learn to recognize any real difference between good and evil. They see no reason why they should not do anything they feel like doing. These youngsters reflect what they see around them and only through a general acceptance of higher moral values can we solve this problem.

There are several solutions suggested for combating the rising tide of juvenile delinquency. First, I feel that it is imperative that we return to religion to acquire a new set of moral values and I am happy to say that this country is observing a movement in that direction as evidenced by increasing attendance at our churches. Second, there should be a tightening of family ties, as the home is where the pattern of life is developed. It is here where the child develops attitude and behavior patterns which follow the child through his or her entire life. It is here also where it is imperative that discipline be administered. Many children today are being raised with little or no discipline, or if it is administered, it is not consistent. We all know that both positive discipline and negative discipline have their place and that positive discipline should be used whenever possible and is fine as long as it works, but when positive discipline fails to work then negative discipline is indicated. Every child has to know the limits beyond which he must not go and this knowledge gives the child a sense of security.

The Scriptures tell us our responsibility toward our children. I have outlined some of our responsibilities as follows:

"To teach at all times" (Deut. 6:7) And thou shalt teach them (Scriptures) diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou riseth up.

"To train as a child" (Prov. 22:6) Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it.

"To provide for our children" (2 Cor. 12:14) For I seek not yours, but you: for the children ought not to lay up for the parents, but the parents for the children.

"To nurture" (Eph. 6:4) And ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath: but nurture them in the chastening and admonition of the Lord.

"To control little children" (1 Tim. 3:4) One that ruleth well his own

house having his children in subjection with all gravity.

"To love our children" Real love does much in controlling children, and in our own controlled discipline; an example (Titus 2:4) speaks of us loving our children. If we do love with a Godly love in our hearts it will bring forth proper correction as the Scriptures tell us. (Prov. 13:24) He that spareth his rod hateth his son, but he that loveth him, chasteneth him betimes. (Prov. 19:18) Chasten they son while there is hope, and let not thy soul spare for his crying. This is very important, for too often we parents are softened by a child's cry. But remember God causes tears and heartaches in grown-ups—to chasten and reprove to bring us into reconciliation with Him and to bring us into perfection. This word "perfection" does not mean without fault, but rather to be mature or of full stature. (Prov. 29:15) The rod and reproof give wisdom, but a child left to himself bringeth his mother to shame. Here we see the disastrous results if we don't follow God's instructions.

Now to drive home a point to parents, we must be a true example before our children. How can we teach them a thing we haven't learned? How can we discipline effectively when we can't discipline ourselves? A teacher cannot teach with confidence or gain confidence unless the teacher has mastered the subject matter first. You cannot train a pupil to do some act you have not been trained in yourself. We must first learn how to provide for ourselves before we take on the responsibility of providing for others. We are chastened by the Lord that we may be able to chasten in the Lord. And indeed it takes self control in order to control. So you see, our example before children is the first requisite. We have seen over and over that influence does as much in a child's life as heredity. Proper influence will channel inherited traits into the proper goal. There are examples of parents of evil influence in the Scriptures

Such as 1 Kings 22:52 and 2 Chr. 17:3, and 2 Tim. 1:5. However, it is vital that our influence and example be consistent. We cannot have it on Sundays only! Teaching in the Sunday School is not sufficient! Eli taught Samuel in the temple, but he neglected his own sons in the home. 1 Sam. 3:13. For I have told him that I will judge his house for ever for the iniquity which he knoweth; because his sons made themselves vile, and he (Eli) restrained them not.

May I thrust out one more challenge to you as parents who can rightly love your children in God's love because you know personally God's love in the Person of Christ Jesus. God has given us our own children to care for and return unto Himself. Let us remember the parable of the talents as found in Matt. 25. Let us liken the talents to children. Yes, we are obligated to return unto the Master the talents He has given us. Let us be so stirred by the Holy Spirit and so filled with the fear of God's wrath that we bring unto Him our own number multiplied. Yea, let us be far reaching through praying in the Spirit of the Lord by precept; an example, that our influence will go to our neighbors children and reach them for Christ. Let us not meet our Creator so empty handed!

New Missions Series In Production

NASHVILLE, TENN.—A new, two-color, eight-page pamphlet series on the various mission fields is in production by the board of foreign missions.

The first booklet, **Brazil '63**, is now available. It contains background information on the country—its economy, its politics, its religions, its cultures. It also has an account of the history of Free Will Baptist work in the area and presents the present operation. A brief biographical sketch of all members of the Brazil staff is included.

A large map covers the middle spread with photos of missionaries locating them at their stations.

Other booklets to be available include **Africa '63**, **India '63**, **Japan '63**, **Uruguay '63**, and **Panama '63**.

They may be ordered from Free Will Baptist Foreign Missions, 3801 Richland Avenue, Nashville 5, Tennessee. No charge is made for the materials, but contributions to defray costs are appreciated.

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NOTICE: Please give the following your prayerful attention. This will be offered to the convention for consideration in July, 1963 while in session at Detroit, Michigan.

**PROPOSED
AMENDMENTS
TO THE CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS
OF
W.N.A.C.**

The following was adopted at W.N.A.C.—July 10, 1962 “Be it resolved that the present **Manual of Methods** be revised. That Mrs. H. B. Sloan serve as chairman of the Revision Committee, that Mrs. Rolla Smith work with her, and that they have the privilege of selecting others to work with them. Motion carried.” (The chairman selected Mrs. Eunice Edwards to work with this committee.)

**THE WOMAN'S NATIONAL
AUXILIARY CONVENTION**

Actually, the most important organized group in the woman's auxiliary work is the local auxiliary. Without strong local work there can be no successful district, state, or national work. As the local goes, so go the district, the state, and the national. But perhaps the most influential organization in the woman's auxiliary is the national convention.

**I. IMPORTANCE OF THE WOMAN'S
NATIONAL AUXILIARY CON-
VENTION**

The importance of the national convention is seen in at least four things which are realities because of its existence.

1. It is the Planning Agency for the Auxiliary

While it is true that local, district, and state groups should and do make plans of their own for the promotion of their work, actually the major and the more far-reaching plans are made in the national convention itself. This organization fosters and promotes the **Plan of Work** which all state, district, and local groups embrace.

2. It Lends Inspiration

Regional conventions and organizations other than the national convention often receive their inspiration stimuli from the “mother” body. Officers and promotional chairmen of the national convention extend their inspirational influence deep into the

hearts of hundreds of local auxiliaries. The program material found in the **Co-Laborer Magazine** and program books sets the pace for the spiritual development of members. Keynotes and watchwords, convention themes, all are afforded by the national convention.

3. It Provides Literature and Supplies

The greatest influence and importance of the national convention is found in its literature and supplies. The thinking of thousands of auxiliary members is largely shaped by the printed word issued by the national convention through the **Co-Laborer Magazine**, its many helps, its study course books, and through myriad other ways. Thousands of letters reach the offices of the convention each year requesting printed materials such as manuals, playlets, leaflets and folders of various kinds. Many of these letters request simple information on many subjects. The W.N.A.C. serves as a clearing house for ideas, information, and help. No W.N.A.C. literature is to be stocked for resale or distribution through any agency except the W.N.A.C. office.

4. Is the Promotional Force

The W.N.A.C. serves as the force that promotes the work in general. Through its departments, the work of stewardship, missions, benevolence, and other phases of the work are promoted.

II. CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS OF THE WOMAN'S NATIONAL AUXILIARY CONVENTION

The constitutions listed in chapters four and five for the district and state conventions are merely suggested outlines which may be adapted to the desire of the concerned group. The constitution and by-laws given here are the officially approved constitution and by-laws of the W.N.A.C. They are given here primarily to acquaint the reader with the structure of the convention, and secondarily for the benefit of those who will appoint delegates to the convention. The constitution and by-laws should enable the state convention to make a wiser choice of delegates, and better instruct them in their duties.

Article I. Name

This organization shall be known as the Woman's National Auxiliary Convention of the National Association of Free Will Baptists.

Article II. Purpose

The purpose of the Woman's National Auxiliary Convention shall be twofold: First, to cooperate with and to promote the work of our denomination as set up by the National Association of Free Will Baptists.

Second, to distribute missionary information and to secure earnest, sympathetic cooperation of women and young people through state woman's auxiliary conventions in supporting all missionary endeavors of the denomination.

Article III. Officers and Executive Committee

The officers shall be a president, vice president, recording secretary, assistant recording secretary, executive secretary-treasurer, promotional secretary, youth auxiliary chairman, study course chairman, stewardship-prayer chairman, and personal service chairman. These shall constitute the executive committee, seven of whom shall be a quorum for the transaction of business.

Article IV. Membership

This convention shall be composed of the officers of said convention together

with the field secretary and president of each state convention, and the ten (10) delegates from each state which has paid in full its membership and representation fee.

Article V. Annual Meeting

The National Auxiliary Convention shall meet annually at a time and place selected by the National Association of Free Will Baptists subject to the approval of the executive committee of the W.N.A.C.

Article VI. Amendments

This constitution may be amended at any annual meeting of the convention by a two-thirds vote of the members present.

BY-LAWS

Article I. Duties of Officers

Section 1. President—The president shall preside over all meetings, appoint such committees as may be needed, call the executive committee together when necessary, be ex officio member of all standing committees, and perform all duties usually pertaining to such an office.

Section 2. Vice President—The vice president shall act as president in the president's absence or by request. She shall also serve as chairman of the registration committee.

Section 3. Recording Secretary—The recording secretary shall keep an accurate record of all proceedings of the convention and executive committee meetings, preserve all valuable papers and turn same over to her successor in office.

Section 4. Assistant Recording Secretary—The assistant recording secretary shall serve as chairman of the credentials committee. In the absence of the recording secretary the assistant recording secretary shall serve in her place.

Section 5. Executive Secretary-Treasurer—The executive secretary-treasurer is entrusted with the general administration of the whole W.N.A.C. Plan of Work. She shall edit and supervise publications of all W.N.A.C. literature. She shall keep an accurate account of all receipts and disbursements for each W.N.A.C. publication, and also shall receive directly from the state treasurers and other donors

all Co-Laborer Fund receipts, convention fees, seasons of prayer offerings, Student Loan Fund gifts, etc., and shall present a detailed written report of all these accounts to each annual meeting. She shall prepare an annual Budget which shall be presented to the Ex. Com. and upon approval will be presented to the W.N.A.C. She must be bonded and all books must be audited annually.

The executive secretary-treasurer shall be given the power to employ office help to work in the W.N.A.C. office when necessary.

Section 6. Promotional Secretary—She shall promote, through personal contact and literature, the W.N.A.C. Plan of Work. Shall help state officers in organizing state and/or district auxiliary conventions. She shall serve as chairman of the Enlistment Committee.

Section 7. Youth Auxiliary Chairman—The youth auxiliary chairman shall have general oversight of youth organizations of the Woman's National Auxiliary Convention. She shall cooperate with national and state study course chairmen and youth auxiliary chairmen in promoting missionary education of Free Will Baptist youth.

Section 8. Study Course Chairman—The study course chairman shall suggest and plan all study courses for the year. She will select and recommend textbooks to be used. It shall be her duty to prepare suggested themes for quarterly workshops and secure the cooperation of state chairmen in promoting such workshops in their states.

Section 9. Stewardship-Prayer Chairman—The success of all Christian endeavor depends on being good stewards, not only of money, time and talents, but the spending of much time in prayer as well. The W.N.A.C. revolves on this axle. Therefore it is the duty of the stewardship-prayer chairman to promote good stewardship in all of these things and to promote family altars and special seasons of prayer.

Section 10. Personal Service Chairman—The personal service chairman shall encourage state personal service chairmen in assigned and directed com-

munity missions which include soul-winning efforts, benevolence and orphanage work.

Section 11. Executive Committee—The executive committee shall hold annual and semi-annual meetings for the transaction of business and shall report through the secretary at each annual session of the W.N.A.C. what has been done toward carrying out the purpose of the organization. It shall be the duty of the executive committee to maintain an oversight of the work at large, have authority to call extra sessions of the committee when necessary and act for the convention, to introduce recommendations to the convention concerning any matter deemed important to the interests of the convention and its committees, to prepare the program for the regular annual meeting of the convention, and to fill any vacancies occurring between elections.

Article II. Chairmen of Standing Committees

The standing committees are composed of the national chairmen and the state chairmen of each department of work as set up by the W.N.A.C. working together as co-laborers, i.e., the promotional secretary is chairman of the enlistment committee which is composed of all state enlistment chairmen. The National Chairman of each committee shall plan and direct work in her department in harmony with the W.N.A.C. Plan of Work. These committee plans shall be arranged and presented to the executive committee meeting at its regular session prior to the annual convention. Plans approved will then become recommendations to the convention.

Each chairman will secure and compile facts and reports from the state chairman concerning her committee's work which will be informative and inspirational to the national convention.

Article III. Elections

The general officers, with the exception of the executive secretary-treasurer, and promotional secretary shall be nominated by a nominating committee and elected every two years by acclamation, unless

there are other nominations. In case of more than one nominee for any particular office, a vote will be taken on each. Nominations for executive secretary-treasurer and promotional secretary shall be made by the executive committee. All elections shall be held at the closing business session of the annual convention.

Article IV. Expenses

Annual appropriations shall be included in the budget as approved by the convention.

Article V. Committees

Section 1. Nominating Committee—The nominating committee shall be composed of one member from each state. This nomination shall be submitted with the State's annual report. An alternate's nomination can be made from the floor and elected by the body in the absence of the regular nominee.

Section 2. Credentials—The assistant recording secretary shall be the chairman of the credentials committee, and two other members may be appointed by the president.

Section 3. Registration—The vice president shall be chairman of the registration committee, and two other members may be appointed by the president.

Article VI. Fees

Ten cents (10¢) per active member shall be paid yearly to the Woman's National Auxiliary Convention by the state conventions for membership and convention representation fees.

Article VII. Gifts

The Co-Laborer offerings sent monthly

to W.N.A.C. executive secretary-treasurer and offerings for missions sent following each special season of prayer constitute the gift plan of the Woman's National Auxiliary Convention.

Article VIII. Amendments

These by-laws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of members present at any regular meeting of the National Auxiliary Convention.

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INFORMATION ABOUT THE "PROVISION CLOSET"

Supplies for the Provision Closet for the missionaries have been coming in quite well. We have received a nice amount of linens, especially towels and face cloths. We could use more bed linens. We are in need of tupperware, stainless steel flatware, melmac, pressure cookers, etc.

Several new missionaries will be going out to their fields in 1963. Among those going out probably in the first half of the year will be: Miss Mary Ellen Rice to Brazil; Rev. and Mrs. Jimmy Aldridge to Africa; Rev. and Mrs. Eddie Payne and daughter, Laura to Africa; Rev. and Mrs. Earnie Deeds and children, Linden and LaDonna to Brazil; Rev. and Mrs. Bill Phipps to Panama.

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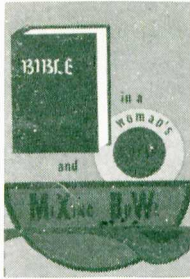
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