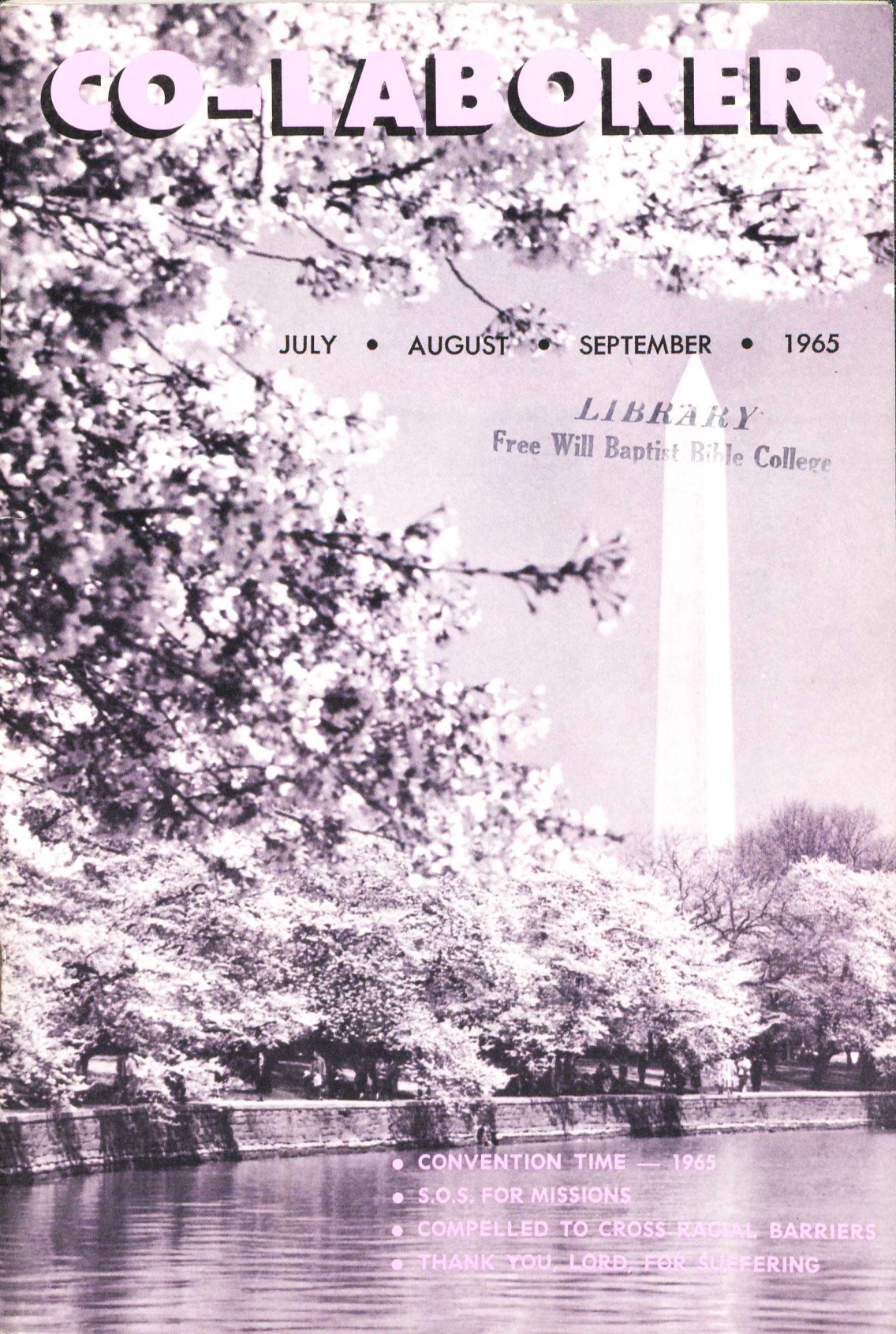


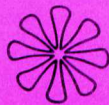
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** **REV. H. E. WILLIS**—Keynote speaker, Monday evening
Convention Theme: **The Field is the World**

* **MRS. LORENE MILEY**—Missionary to Africa and former WNAC president, will speak at the Tuesday morning service

A TRIP, A VACATION, A SPIRITUAL FEAST! ALL OF THIS IS IN STORE FOR YOU WHEN YOU MEET US AT THE 30th SESSION OF THE WNAC, JULY 12-13, IN RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA.

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By Maude Coffey
WNAC President

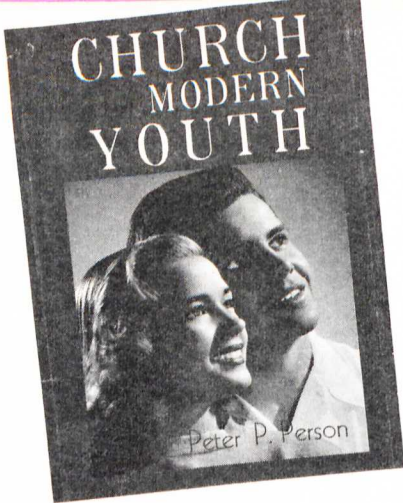
Year after year many women have enjoyed the blessings of this annual high-light of the Woman's Auxiliary. We have been *thrilled* as we have seen numerous answers to prayer and the way God has used and blessed the combined efforts of each member. One of the most enjoyable features has always been the opportunity to meet and fellowship with missionaries present, and friends from across the states. This year will be no exception. Again we anticipate another milestone in the advancement of the WNAC.

* *The WNAC Executive Committee* will meet Monday, July 12, at 9:00 p.m. State presidents and field workers are invited to attend this meeting.

* Monday afternoon at 2:30, the *North Carolina State Woman's Auxiliary Convention* will entertain with a *tea*, honoring the missionaries present, along with the WNAC officers, state presidents and field workers, at the Hudson-Belk Department Store Cafeteria.

* *A WNAC Fellowship Supper*, a 1965 first, is planned for Monday afternoon in the *Auditorium Room* of the *Hudson-Belk Department Store Cafeteria*. The theme for the program is *MISSION WINDOWS*. Several women missionaries, both home and foreign, will be featured. Since attendance at the Fellowship Supper is limited to approximately 100, it is necessary for you who wish to attend to *send your names* to the WNAC office by July 1. *This is important!* Each person will go through the cafeteria serving line and pay individually. This must be done in time to be in the Auditorium Room by 5:00 p.m.

Until then pray daily for God's direction, guidance and blessing upon this annual WNAC convention.



This book is highly recommended for a standard study course on youth, by WNAC's Study Course Chairman, Georgia Hill.

THE CHURCH AND MODERN YOUTH by Peter P. Person—\$3.00 (Order from WNAC) is recommended as a study course on youth. The following suggestions for teaching are offered

If the group cannot study the entire book, the study chairman should review the entire book and then choose chapters that will best apply to the local youth needs.

Chapters four and six of the book should be substituted with a study of the new CTS Manual. This manual will give you an understanding of our denomination's new youth program and will show you how your church should be organized for its youth ministry. Or you may ask your youth director to fully explain the new youth program. (Order the CTS Manual from the CTS Department—\$1.50).

The study course chairman may want to assign particular chapters of the book to certain people, letting them direct the study of their assigned chapters. Those who prepare for teaching study courses usually learn much more than anyone else. If several people must prepare for the presentations, your group will be better informed. This book is easily adaptable to this manner of teaching. Perhaps your youth director and/or youth sponsors will serve as instructors since they need to be informed most of all.

With a little initiative, picture scenes visualizing each chapter can be utilized and an attractive poster will result in greater teacher-learner interest.

Make good use of the topics and suggestions for discussion which are provided at the end of each chapter of the book.

This book is highly recommended for a *standard study course*. If you prefer to use either of Dr. Narramore's books, *Understanding and Guiding Teenagers*—.50¢, or *How to Understand and Influence Children*—\$1.00, consult your third quarter Co-Laborer for suggestions for teaching the courses.

A suggested *correlated program of study for the year* is found in the new *Sally Study* (available by writing WNAC—.40¢) and in the first quarter 1965 Co-Laborer.

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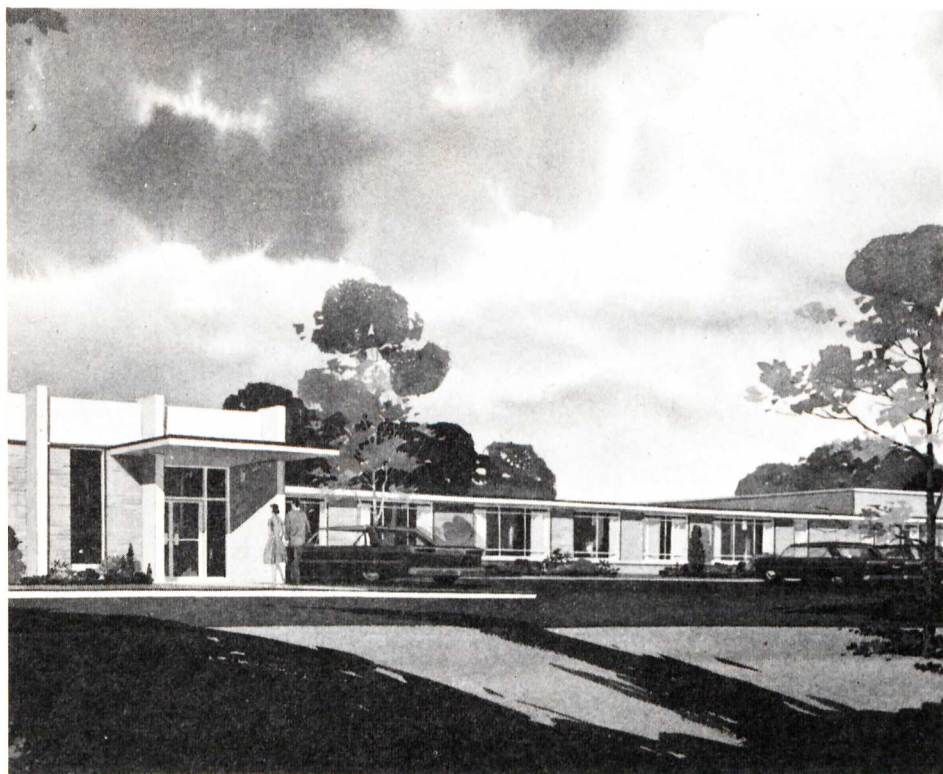
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the HARRIED- GO-ROUND

AT LAST ...

A QUIET EVENING AT HOME!

You don't have to go anywhere or pick up anybody or do anything—just relax with your shoes off and feet up . . . and then the phone rings! You reluctantly pick it up and a voice says "Hi," "I know you're busy. Hate to ask you this but will you . . . ?"

Maybe it's "bake cookies for the P.T.A.," "assist with the cancer fund drive," "chauffeur your son's cub scout den," "teach a Sunday school class," or "serve on a committee of the Woman's Auxiliary."

As you dash madly from one thing to another on the "*harried go-round*," you wonder how you ever became so involved in the first place, and secondly if it is really worth the effort.

Probably we would all recognize that living with the family comes first on a mother's list. In addition to the crowded schedule of daily domestic duties that she must perform, she must also see that the children get to school, to the dentist or to their music lessons. A mother needs to take an interest in the school and take time to become acquainted with her children's teachers. Our communities frequently need volunteer workers for worthy projects. Almost all our churches are pleading for dependable workers to teach Sunday school classes, sponsor youth groups, sing in the choir or fill some other place of responsibility.

With all of these asking a portion of her time, it is easy to become so involved that a meeting of some kind is

scheduled for every night (or day) of the week!

Because our stewardship of time is limited at most to a few short years, it is necessary that we utilize each precious moment. The first step is the simple act of offering each day to God. "My times are in thy hand," spoke Robert Browning, and so should each Christian woman speak at the beginning of each day. She must decide what is her first and most important obligations. Many seemingly important things may have to go undone.

A good plan contributes to good stewardship of time but it should be simple and flexible. Some women have become such slaves to their routines that they cannot participate in any activity of the church on Monday because they "*always wash on Monday*." The Christian steward must learn to rearrange her planned work many times to include the *unexpected*. The ability to accept a degree of inefficiency with good humor when interruptions occur will enable her to strike a happy medium somewhere between the perfectionist and the slattern. She may want to cooperate in some of the activities of the school and community. She will gladly give of her time and talents to the church. She, with her family, will attend church regularly and if possible serve in some capacity of the church, where her talents best qualify her to fill. "Be very careful, therefore, how you live; . . . making good use of your time; for these are evil days" (Ephesians 5:15-16, *Williams translation*).



by JANE B. SORENSON

Thank You, Lord,

I'M THANKFUL for many things, my home, my son and daughter, our first new car. As a Christian, I'm thankful for my church and my precious Lord Jesus. But God has taught me something I never knew before—to be thankful for my troubles. He has taught me that I can even be thankful for cancer.

It all started last year with a joke. I was waiting in the doctor's office for my annual complete physical exam and feeling in a gay mood. After all, nothing much ever was wrong with me! When the doctor entered the room, I quipped, "See what you can find this year. Everybody on my block has had an operation this spring, and it's getting so I don't have anything to talk about at coffee klatches any more!"

Before the hour was up, my remark wasn't so funny. His thorough examination had turned up a small but definite tumor. I didn't panic, but our conversation became sober as suddenly we both knew what it could mean.

"Come back in two weeks," he said. "Often they disappear. If not, we'll have to take it out."

I felt as if I were in a dream all the way home. After telling my husband I wept a few tears, not of fright or concern, but more as an emotional "bath." From then on, I felt completely normal—amazingly normal.

In Psalm 112 I read that the Christian "shall not be afraid of evil tidings: his heart is fixed, trusting in the Lord." And that's just what I experienced. I never

felt led to pray that God would remove the tumor. It was as if He were saying, "Of course, I can. But you'll miss out on something precious."

I told very few people about my trial during this period. Yet I was so unbelievably happy and free from fear that I wanted to share my peace. As I entered the doctor's office two weeks later, a couple from our couples' class met me outside.

"Anybody can have peace after the crisis is over," I told them. "I just want somebody to know that I might have cancer and I feel great!"

The subsequent examination revealed the tumor was still there. Surgery was scheduled for the next week.

But I had plenty to keep me busy, since I gave my students a final exam in our English course the following morning. Yet, there was a God-given sense of exuberance through every hour. My heart sang over and over, "I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that He is able."

I have had no experience whatsoever with crises. As a matter of fact, the thought of cancer had always frightened me when it had touched several in our community. I had never even considered that it might lay its hand upon me or my family. I had been a Christian only seven years but it doesn't take God long to take over a person's life and make it new.

The calm continued as I entered the hospital and was prepared for surgery

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yet the months ahead were glorious

for My Suffering

the following day. I slept perfectly that night.

Then the big moment arrived. Of course, I knew nothing of the four-hour long operation, complete with four blood transfusions. I knew only that I was in God's hands.

It was God's Holy Spirit, I know, that took over completely. As I began to come out of the deep sleep, I asked, "Was it malignant?"

The nurse nodded. She told me later that I smiled and drifted back to sleep, although I have no recollection of the conversation. I do remember asking my husband the same question. He said my response was the same—a peaceful smile. That was God in me. Then he said I asked if we still could go on our vacation. To his negative reply, I wrinkled up my face as if I were going to cry. That, I am sure, was "me"—the human reaction.

The months ahead were most difficult and most glorious, all at the same time.

Physically, the days were dark. I developed a blood clot in my right arm. The incision became so badly infected that X-ray treatments had to be postponed. In an effort to heal the area, skin was grafted from my legs. Less than six weeks after the first surgery, I was hospitalized for a second major operation. A month of daily radiation treatments left me burned and exhausted.

Yet, these were the most glorious days I've ever spent because God was in each situation with me. Hundreds of friends became involved in prayer and ministered to me through visits, cards, and kindnesses. The Lord met our every family need. My spirit soared as passages of

Scripture "came alive" and I experienced them for the first time.

God answered my own prayers to quickly I was often breathless with praise. He even provided "frosting on the cake" again and again in His answers to the insignificant wants and wishes of my heart. I needed a pair of slippers and a cooler gown. I walked a former college friend with both items in my size.

Another time I began thinking about a roommate as I prepared to return for the second surgery. I had shared a room with a precious older woman during the first confinement and had the joy of introducing her to spiritual things.

"I hope I get somebody again who doesn't smoke" I said rather selfishly. "And while you're at it, Father," I prayed, "how about someone young this time? And wouldn't it be marvelous if she were a Christian!"

I was full of faith, but my mouth fell open when a wonderful 18-year-old Christian was wheeled into the room. The fellowship we enjoyed must be what heaven is like.

Now, as I look back on those days, I realize that, to God, this whole experience started six months before I had that check-up. It was then, at a woman's retreat, that I was asked to write down my goals in life. On a crumpled piece of paper I had written five words from Philippians 3:10: "that I may know Him."

I realize now that it is possible to travel on beyond initial encounter to an ever fuller knowledge of God. To understand what Paul meant, "that I may know Him," we must go back to verse eight for the beginning of the thought.

Then we have something like this: "I count all things but loss that I may know Him." Or, to put it another way, "Knowing Christ is the most important thing in my life—whatever it costs."

If we mean business—if we are willing to count all things but loss to know Him more fully—then every one of life's present circumstances takes on new significance. Each blessing, each mercy, each trial provides new knowledge of Christ. Therefore, each blessing, each mercy, each trial can be an occasion for thanksgiving.

Scripture tells us to be thankful for everything. Obviously, it's easy to give thanks for good circumstances: no one even needs to know Christ at all for that dimension of thanksgiving. But when it comes to giving thanks when life has tossed you a curve, that's another story.

Then the person without an experiential knowledge of Christ must, if he gives thanks at all, skirt around the edges of the circumstances. He, in effect, gives thanks that it wasn't worse, or that it's over; or he gives thanks for friends, for doctors, or for insurance. Only the Christian can give thanks for the actual difficult circumstances.

It is only normal, without Christ, to look at the circumstances themselves. But the person who knows Him looks at Christ. Thus he can be thankful even in the midst of trials because they are the means God is using at the time to reach him and reveal more of Himself.

One of my friends traveled a similar path without Christ five years ago and she considers the experience a tragedy. I'm no stronger, no more optimistic, no braver than Marcia. And I'm not some kind of nut that enjoys being sick! Yet I am thankful that God has used this experience "that I may know Him, and the power of His resurrection and the fellowship of His sufferings."

Oswald Chambers in *My Utmost for*

His Highest says "To choose to suffer means that there is something wrong; to choose God's will even if it means suffering is a very different thing. No healthy saint ever chooses suffering; he chooses God's will, as Jesus did, whether it means suffering or not."

Not only has God used this experience to edify me, but He has also used it in the lives of friends and neighbors because they saw His grace at work.

Non-believers with problems come to me, now that I am "in the club" too. I am in a better position to share Him with those about me in the everyday "fellowship of sufferings."

I thank God for my difficult circumstances because He has used them to teach me a whole new sense of values. I have tasted heaven, and nothing is to be compared with the joy of fellowship at the feet of our Lord.

On the other hand, life has also become more precious. I have learned to value many things I formerly took for granted. I love life, but hold it lightly.

I thank God, too, for the ability to be realistic about my future. He may not see fit for me to watch my children grow up. But, again my confidence is in Him. He who gave them to me will care for them. I need never pretend that "everything's coming up roses." I instead give thanks that I know Jesus Christ who will never leave me alone.

How can we dare to give God the right to ourselves? How can we thank Him when circumstances are blackest? Over and over my heart sings the reply, "I *know* whom I have believed and am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I've committed unto Him against that day."

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SCHOOL'S out. *Camp time* is almost here! I can remember my excitement about summer youth camp when I was a child. The days would pass so slowly before camp time and when the *big day* finally came, my father seemed to be the *slowest driver in all Oklahoma!* Camp time is still precious to me.

Before I was camp age, my mother worked in youth camps and I was able to attend with her. By the time I was nine years old, camp age, I had accepted Christ as Saviour. From that time, camp was more than a time of excitement and play. It was a time of searching in God's Word, seeing the power of prayer, and seeking God's will for my life.

I especially remember my stewardship classes which were taught by Mrs. Cleo Pursell. She continually stressed, "*Christian living is full-time and the place is God's choice.*" It was during this time that I began to learn the meaning of "*Ye are not your own . . .*" and I am still learning to lean on the security of its meaning more and more.

When I was seventeen, I had a summer job and could attend only the night services of youth camp. No definite answer had come to my previous prayers concerning my college training and future vocation so I began preparing for a career in teaching.

The *last night of camp* the *Holy Spirit* impressed me with one part of the evangelists message. During my devotion that night I prayed, read scripture and went

to bed. I prayed again and read more scripture, and returned to bed. This continued on and on throughout the night. All along I suppose I knew what I had to do, but I just couldn't believe it. The words, "*Christian living is full-time and the place is God's choice,*" and "*ye are not your own,*" had prepared me for that moment. *Suddenly all my reasoning against His choice seemed so shallow and useless.* All I could say was "Yes, Lord . . . Yes." I didn't know the details of being a missionary and I probably couldn't even quote the Great Commission at that time, but I *did know God's will* and was happy.

Bible College in Nashville was the next step. One summer during those years I went to Denver, Colorado as a student missionary to teach in their first youth camp. Later I taught in other camps in my state. The importance of youth camps was greatly impressed upon me during that time.

During our deputation work before leaving for Brazil, my Husband and I visited youth camps throughout the states and we were thrilled to see young lives dedicated to a life in God's will.

Fifty per cent of Brazil's population is under the age of fifteen. Camp work among these young people is a new and vital ministry. Young minds all over the world must be challenged with the joys and opportunities of living for Christ. This must be done at any cost. *Thank God for Christian Youth Camps!*

"A long awaited experience has become a reality," wrote Shirley Combs as she and her husband Jim arrived in Brazil in December to begin missionary work. They are now in language school in Campinas.

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1965 WATCHWORD
"THE WORD OF GOD IS NOT BOUND"

BY BETTY SAWRIE

JULY

THE WORD OF GOD IS NOT BOUND BY SOCIAL OR POLITICAL BOUNDARIES

Solo: "His Eye is on the Sparrow"
Scripture: Matthew 6:26; 10:29-30

PERSONAL DIGNITY

Within the mass of people, of which we are only a speck, we sometimes feel we are just a number, that we are slaves to the social and political boundaries wherein we exist. The teachings of the Communist party are that it's members are mere robots, slaves to the party and state. Man is not a slave to the state, but a child of God and a member of the *universal* family. His interests are above all the social and political lines. There is a divine dignity in every person that cannot be destroyed by the materialism of our time.

Dignity means excellence, high rank or dignity of profession. Divine dignity belongs to those who are children of God and comes only when we are at peace with God and ourselves. Being a *born again* believer is a high rank, an excellent position and a dignified profession.

The Bible teaches that each individual has inherited dignity because God is supreme and man is the son of God. "For all who are led by the spirit of God are the sons of God." "God created man in his own image," therefore, he *must be a person of dignity*.

PERSONAL LIBERTY

Bible loving men have always been liberty loving men. Thomas Jefferson, who wrote the Declaration of Independence was a thorough Bible student.

Freedom, religious and political, was the pulsating cause of the Puritans who came to America. They had found in Christianity God's high value of the individual soul. With this understanding came a new regard for women and children, for sick, the aged and insane. Every plan to eliminate poverty, child labor, slavery, liquor traffic, disease, slums and segregation, has its taproots in the Bible which teaches the love of God who cares, and the eternal worth of man, His child. It is for the preservation of this we struggle today. It can only be done with a continued study and devotion to God's Word.

AUGUST

THE WORD OF GOD IS NOT BOUND BY TIME

Hymn: "Tell Me the Old, Old Story"
Scripture: I Peter 1:23

Robert Ingersoll, going into Denver in 1876, prophesied that in fifty years there would not be fifty Bible believers left in that city. Yet during recent years, 100,000 Bibles have been sold annually in Denver. *The Bible transcends* time, it is never out-of-date!

Scientific books of a few years ago are mostly out-of-date, but the Bible is ever up-to-date and even ahead of the time. Here are three reasons why the Bible speaks to us today.

MAN IS THE SAME

We are the same today except for some small outward difference of the age we live in. We haven't invented any new sins. People have asked the question "what is this generation coming to?" for years, yet we are no different from our parents before us. The change today may be in the speeded up reports of sins committed. Our hearts are beset by the same worries and self-concerns. If anyone will read the Scriptures with an open eye he will see a portrayal of modern life. He can see our present day delinquency mirrored there from the account of Cain who killed his brother out of jealousy to the story of Ananias and Sapphira, who through calculated deception tried to win favor and prestige.

REDEMPTION PLAN THE SAME

Education is essential today to support one's family; a good environment is a pleasant thing to have; having money makes life convenient; knowing the right people and having friends are a joy to one's heart, but none will substitute for the redemption of one's soul. No matter what our social standing we must be born again.

There was only one plan made and it hasn't been revised. One must become "*a new creature in Christ Jesus*," "*old things must pass away*" and "*all things become new*." Though he be of the lower class where life is a constant struggle, the middle class with all its installment payments or the higher class with all its luxuries, the plan is the same, by *grace*.

GOD IS THE SAME

The hurry and clamor of our modern world may have deluded us into thinking that God is no longer the same powerful One who led the Israelites safely out of Egyptian bondage. If so, we need to read again the message of the prophets Hosea, Amos, Habbakuk, Malachi, and Isaiah, in order to grasp fully the fact that it is we who are dependent upon God, not He upon us. He is the same "*yesterday, today, and forever*."

SEPTEMBER

THE WORD OF GOD IS NOT BOUND

BY NATIONAL BOUNDARIES

Hymn: "Break Thou the Bread of Life"

Scripture: II Peter 1:19; Luke 4:16-21

The Bible knows no limits of territory. It hurdles all national boundaries. It is truly the Book of all nations. In every quarter of the world spiritually hungry people are receiving the Gospel eagerly. Some parts of the Scriptures have been published in 1,216 languages and dialects.

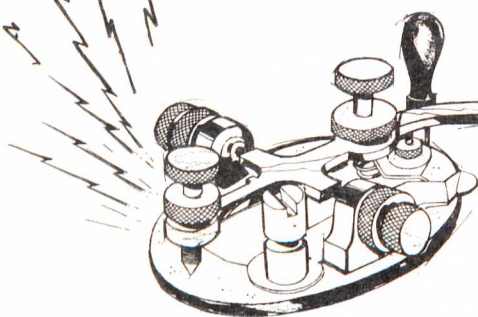
THE GREAT PRICE

To make the Bible the Book of all nations, a great price has been paid. Anyone who picks up a copy of the Scriptures in his own language, whether it be English or Hindi, should give thought to the thousands of hours of toil of translators, the blood of the martyrs, the trek of distributors and the gifts of Bible loving people which made the Bible possible.

Translation of the Scriptures is one of the hardest but most rewarding tasks in the world. **Missionaries Lonnie Sparks and Bill Jones have developed translations of Scripture in the Kulango and Agni tribal language.** A Portuguese version of Impacto, a Spanish Bible-study publication of our Foreign Missions Board, is scheduled for release this year for use in Brazil.

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SAVE OLD STAMPS

Common or commerative, used or new, these stamps can be turned into priceless tracts and Bible portions.

Here is a wonderful project for any auxiliary; it takes so little time and effort and yields so much.

Last year according to Kenny Joseph, director, REAP, worthless stamps were converted into a total of seven million pieces of Christian literature in five languages.

Mrs. Geraldine Waid, missionary to Japan writes, "These stamps are sold to stamp collection dealers and the proceeds used to print tracts and Bible portions. Being a member of the association, *we can get as many tracts as we can effectively use.* Some of the money goes for publishing gospel tracts in newspapers. This is an *effective, efficient use of the Lord's money and missionary's time.* To distribute an equal number of tracts would cost many times the money and hundreds of hours of labor. The gospel enters thousands of homes where otherwise it could not. This method was used effectively during the Olympics last fall after the distribution of free literature was banned."

Please do not send your stamps to our missionaries but to one of the addresses below. Pre-addressed, gummed labels will soon be available in WNAC office.

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Readers Write



To the editor:

It is always a blessing to find on my account sheet where the women of the auxiliary have sent to my account.

We have been up to 75 in Sunday school . . . the mission board has approved our property and building project. We have been given permission to ask our denomination to support an *Idaho Building Project*. Please make this an object of prayer there at the office.

Wade Jernigan
Jerome, Idaho

To the editor:

Thanks so much for the contribution to our account. We have seen much progress in the work . . . our church was organized January 13, with 26 charter members. We have an eager group to work with. Please remember us in your prayers.

Rev. and Mrs. E. B. Ledlow
Montgomery, Alabama

To the editor:

Our auxiliary sent a Christmas love offering to our children's home and a blanket to one of our missionary families. We enjoy Co-Laborer.

Mrs. Joyce Cariker
Tulsa, Oklahoma

To the editor:

We auxiliary members of Unity church enjoy the Co-Laborer so much. It seems

the books get better all the time. We appreciate each of our writers.

Mrs. Wayne Smith
Smithfield, N. C.

To the editor:

We are expressing our gratitude for all the nice things we received from the provision closet for our home. We are grateful also to all the people that sent them to you.

I have been using Co-Laborer in my meetings with the ladies of the church and it is a real blessing. The other ladies do not read English, that is why we don't need more than one copy. Thank you.

Carmen Rodriquez
Miami, Florida

To the editor:

We have been using the Co-Laborer since we organized our auxiliary in 1963. We have enjoyed all the issues but this first quarter is the greatest blessing yet. Every article in it is extremely good. We support the Co-Laborer fund.

Mrs. Sadie Flanagan
Ahoskie, N. C.

To the editor:

I greatly enjoy the Co-Laborer. I especially enjoy the added articles. I read *Guide Your Girls* . . . and felt it was an answer to prayer as I have a teen-age daughter . . . may the Lord continue to use the printed page to guide us.

Mrs. Jean Watson
Benton Harbor, Michigan

To the editor:

Please send me the price of the book mentioned in Co-Laborer, *Sex and the*

Bible. I would like to secure one for my daughter who is a teen-ager.

**Mrs. Cecil Horne
Erwin, Tennessee**

To the editor:

The Bethlehem Y.P.A., formerly under the supervision of the Woman's Auxiliary worked very hard the first part of the year to accomplish as many of the goals as possible before going into the new program. They conducted four study courses, sent generous contributions to Foreign and Home Missions, Bible College, WNAC Co-Laborer fund and to the Children's Home. They sent cards and prepared several sunshine baskets for shut-ins. They observed the Thanksgiving Week of Prayer and are in charge of the worship service each fifth Sunday. They publish a monthly church paper with some adult assistance . . . the membership has grown during the past years.

**Mrs. Clyde Vann, Sponsor
Ashland City, Tennessee**

To the editor:

. . . I have wanted to send a love offering for your great work for a long time and the Lord answered my prayer today. I am so thankful. Even though it is small, I send it with love and prayers that I may give more in the future to help in your wonderful work.

**Mrs. Mildred Purser
Red Bay, Alabama**

To the editor:

We just finished a four day missionary conference with Dr. Ruby Griffin, Brothers' Wilkinson, Willey and Moehlman. What a joy it was to hear these servants of God open their hearts to us. We pray that this will only be a beginning of yearly conferences and

that we will see great things done for our Lord here in Miami.

**Mrs. Barbara Thayer
Miami, Florida**

To the editor:

We the women of the East Side Church have really enjoyed the Co-Laborer books for the past year and hope the books for the coming year will be as good.

**Mrs. Reasie Lee
Florence, S. C.**

To the editor:

We are enjoying our auxiliary books. Our auxiliary is doing good.

**Mrs. J. E. Marecle
Waco, Texas**

To the editor:

We are enjoying the Co-Laborer magazine very much.

**Mrs. Alice Hoover
Liberal, Missouri**

To the editor:

Praise the Lord! He is sending us more workers. We have a standing order of 23 books and would like to increase it to 30. The books are getting better and the women are taking a more active part in our programs.

**Mrs. James P. Weir
Toledo, Ohio**

To the editor:

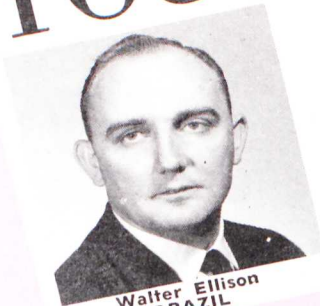
. . . You may be interested to know our auxiliary offering to the Pearl Harbor Fund for 1964 was \$165.00. I am very thankful we were able to do this much for the Lord's work.

**Mrs. Jerome Carter
Northport, Alabama**

THERE'S NO QUESTION...



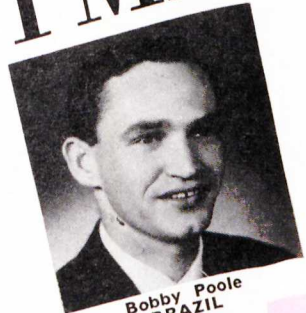
YOUR INVESTMENT



Walter Ellison
BRAZIL



Marcia Ellison
BRAZIL



Bobby Poole
BRAZIL

IN SLIGHTLY more than seven years woman's auxiliary members have invested almost \$20,000 in students of Free Will Baptist Bible College through the Student Loan plan.

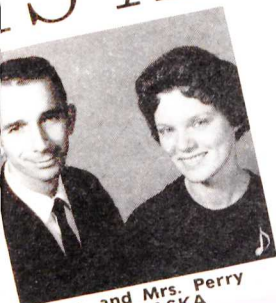
These dollars have been doing what every investor expects his money to do—drawing dividends. Not monetary dividends, but dividends in the form of lives trained to more efficiently serve Christ and our denomination.

Many are serving in places of leadership in denominational enterprises. Others are in the pastoral and evangelistic fields. At least six are serving on the mission fields.

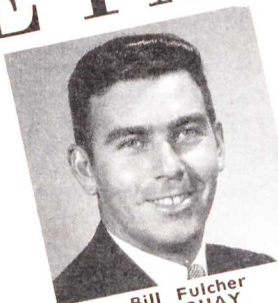
And what of the girls? Was this "money down the drain?" A recent survey revealed one foreign missionary, two in nurses' training, two serving in responsible positions in Free Will Baptist Bible College, one working for Free Will Baptist Children's Home, one school teacher and at least four pastor's wives.

This is just part of the story. We have told it to assure you that the dollars which you have given to assist Free Will

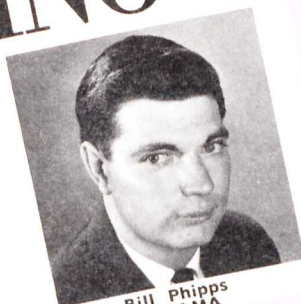
ARE PAYING OFF



Rev. and Mrs. Perry
NEBRASKA



Bill Fulcher
URUGUAY



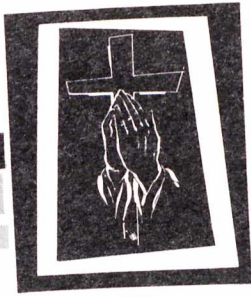
Bill Phipps
PANAMA

Baptist Bible College students have been working hard—and have been spent wisely.

Another part of the story is yet to be told. Another chapter is being written now as a record-breaking student body meets in their classes. The fact that it is a record-breaking enrolment promises that our dollars will be working harder than ever.

Right now we are faced with the challenge of assisting more and more students—all *worthy*. Many of you have discovered what a rich and satisfying experience it is to invest in the ministry of these dedicated young lives.

We must count on you to do *something extra* in September, **Student Loan Month**.



Call TO PRAYER FOR MISSIONS

"Call unto me and I will answer thee . . ." (Jer. 33:3)

CANADA Herman Brooks is pastoring the church at Hawkins Corner, New Brunswick while he is attending school at the New Brunswick Bible Institute.

Pray that new support may be raised for his account.

KANSAS Rev. Richard Shade reports they are having some all night prayer meetings at his mission in interest of the work in Kansas.

Pray for sufficient funds to meet his expenses.

NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE The General Director-Treasurer of Home Missions and Church Extension, Homer Willis, requests all our women to *pray for more laborers to be called into this ministry.* At the present time men are needed who have had experience and are willing to go into church extension work.

Pray for the members of the Home Missions Board and the office personnel.

URUGUAY The Bill Fulchers have recently opened a church in the city of Rivera. Interest has also been shown in its twin city of Livramento located just across the Brazilian border.

Pray for grace and strength for the missionaries to enter the doors God opens.

IVORY COAST Bill Jones entered Dallas Theological Seminary to pursue studies which will help him in translating the Bible into Agni, and which will better prepare him for ministering

with the Bible institute. *Pray as he and Joy resume their work in Africa.*

Dr. and Mrs. Laverne Miley will soon return home on furlough. Pray for a safe passage and for those who will minister in the clinic in their absence. Sandra and Eddie Payne must have a good grasp of the Lobi language to effectively minister in the Doropo Clinic.

Pray for physical and spiritual strength as well as mental alertness for these workers.

INDIA Dan and Trula Cronk are making special efforts to reach Pakistan's refugees. They are in need of physical strength to meet the constantly changing situations of witnessing.

There is need for a revival spirit in the midst of never diminishing problems in the work at Sonapurhat according to Carlisle and Marie Hanna.

Volena Wilson is ministering in several Sunday schools and churches among the Tamil people. She especially needs Bible women to work with her in South India.

Pray that Susheela Bai, who graduated from Bible school in May, will know God's will concerning entering this work.

JAPAN Last year while missionaries Geraldine and Herbert Waid were home on furlough their daughter, Darlene, had to have surgery on one of her ears. It now appears that she may have to have further surgery.

Pray that God will take care of her problem without more surgery if it be His will.

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THE OWNER

The ultimate price paid for the Bible is always the life of the one who reads. If a man really *owns* the Bible, he will become the *servant* of the *Lord of the Book*. The price we pay for a Bible is a life surrendered to Jesus Christ. He who *possesses* a Bible must pay the price of earnest study. We do not actually own anything until we make it ours. *Owning* a Bible means reading it every day and letting the message of the Book speak to us. He must claim the Scripture as written just to him.

Our Lord intended that we should tell the "Good News," to others. He made no other plan for its spread throughout the world. He has appointed us to be stewards of the Gospel.

Probably the most effective witness that one can bear is that of a Christ-like life. Are we like Jesus in having real compassion for those who are needy and those who are sinful? We are to witness not only by our lives but by our words as well. We should witness in our *homes* to unsaved loved ones, in our *communities* to lost men, women, boys and girls, regardless of age, race, color or creed. Our cosmopolitan American is full of people who need the message of the Bible. All around us are Europeans, Orientals, Negroes, Indians, who do not know Jesus Christ. God sends the world to our doors and expects us to witness. He may not call us in person to distant fields but every one of us is responsible for sending the Gospel "into all the world." By our gifts of money we can circle the globe with the Word of God.

(Heads bowed while soloist sings softly, "Speak to My Heart").

Mrs. Sawrie is president of Arkansas State Auxiliary Convention.

A MESSAGE FROM WNAC RECORDING SECRETARY

By Wanda Rogers

"Each local auxiliary in good standing with its representing higher body, (district or state)", *has the privilege of sending a delegate to this convention* by paying a representation fee of \$3.00. Make sure *your auxiliary* is represented at this convention with a delegate.

Send your annual fees, ten cents (10¢) per active member and treasurer's reports to WNAC, P. O. Box 1088, or to 1134 Murfreesboro Road, Nashville, Tennessee, 37217. Send the recording secretary's reports to Mrs. Wanda Rogers, P. O. Box 464, Mountain Grove, Missouri.



Mission Flashes

FROM AROUND THE WORLD

JAPAN

Wesley and Aileen Calvery are enjoying their second furlough and looking forward to their third term of service in Japan, which they hope to begin September, 1965.

Geraldine Waid is working especially with *the women* in the church in Tokyo. They recently had their first woman's auxiliary program and used the Co-Laborer magazine as a guide. The pastor's wife does not speak much English but understands written English and is doing most of the translation. She and Mrs. Waid are *co-program chairmen*.

TENNESSEE

Two new filmstrips are ready for booking according to the Foreign Missions Department. *THE NEW JAPAN*, a documented presentation of Free Will Baptist missions and *FRONTIERS UNLIMITED*, a joint presentation by the Home and Foreign Missions Boards, cites neglected areas in the denomination's outreach. Both are 35 mm. with recorded soundtrack.

A new church has been organized in McMinnville, Tennessee. The Pastor is Rev. Kenneth W. Kirby.

TAIWAN

Bill Timmis, Christian service man, has organized a Free Will Baptist Sunday school for Americans here.

BRAZIL

Ken and Marvis Eagleton are superintending the newly opened Bible Institute located on a 43-acre tract of land on the outskirts of Jaboticabal.

ALASKA

The Kirby Godwins are attempting to organize a work in Juneau. They have had opportunity to witness to a Mormon family. Sunday school averaged 24 for the month of January in Fairbanks. The temperature was 50 degrees below zero for two of the Sundays.

IDAHO

The new church in Jerome now has 26 members and are in their new building. In a recent communion service, every member is reported to have participated. The youngest (a nine year old boy) washed the feet of the oldest (an eighty year old man).

HAWAII

Rev. Luther Sanders has been teaching special classes at his church in Waipahu, Oahu. The average Sunday school attendance is now 41.

ECUADOR

John Moehlman made a survey trip in January to further investigate possibilities of denominational witness there. Funds are badly needed for their account.

Ella Rae Jones and Patsy Tyson, both registered nurses, will soon arrive to begin their assignment as medical missionaries in the first denominational ministry to this South American republic.

CUBA

A dozen Cuban Free Will Baptist pastors continue the denomination's ministry in this Communist stronghold. Praise God for souls being saved. Other Cuban pastors who had to flee their homeland have been relocated for effective ministries in California, Texas and Panama.

MEXICO

Another Free Will Baptist church was dedicated to the Lord in February. Missionary Arthur Billows directed the service for the El Canelito church. With the exception of \$1,000 given by the Woman's Auxiliary of Monterrey and \$65 from a church in Elizabethton, Tennessee, this beautiful building was paid for by members of the church.

PANAMA

Free Will Baptists saw prayers answered as the first converts were witnessed upon the arrival of former Cuban pastor Estenio Garcia. Mr. Garcia is in urgent need of monthly support.

Missionary Aviator Bill Phipps has joined the Panama team. Funds are needed to replace plane crashed last year in Costa Rica.

the Bible in Christian education

By W. Dean Moore



“THE FEAR of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; and the knowledge of the Holy One is understanding” (Proverbs 9:10).

The current agitation about Russia's superiority in certain areas of education, has brought into sharp focus some of the deficiencies of our own program of public education. The criminations and recriminations, charges and counter-charges, involving school boards, teachers and parents, educators and legislators, will doubtless result in the elimination of the more glaring evils of our boasted educational system.

However, the most significant and vital deficiency is one which only Christians can supply, and that only in private schools.

A writer in *The International Review of Missions*, January, 1956, describes the change that has taken place in educational philosophy since post-apostolic times. In the article, **What Is a Christian School?**, he declares that the definitive period of Christian education was in the second and third centuries when the question of the relation of the gospel to secular learning was worked through. It was then, he says, that the concept of **liberal Christian education** was born in the catechetical school of Alexandria, and was developed around Origen's principle of “the integration of learning by the gospel.” This means simply the recognition, and application to learning, of the truth that, **“The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; and the knowledge of the Holy One is understanding.”** This principle was recognized and applied with varying emphases until the latter part of the nineteenth century.

However, caught between the principles that education must be universal and compulsory for all citizens, and the principle that church and state must be

separate institutions, modern, **state supported education has been squeezed bone-dry of the integrating element of divine revelation.** This is the Achilles' heel of Democracy: Intellectualism enamoured by Learning divorced from ultimate Truth! This is the weakness which may well prove fatal, for higher education from which God and His Truth have been banished can never keep the Western World from being overrun by equally educated atheists from behind the Iron and Bamboo Curtains.

I believe the preservation of a Biblically integrated education is essential for the preservation of everything we value in our Western civilization, and that this constitutes a worthy motive, although certainly not the highest, for maintaining schools where the whole academic program is centered around the principle that, "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom . . ."

While the world may train our scientists, it cannot train His servants! Their education is our task, and in that education, the Bible is indispensable.

A generation ago, when German rationalism had flooded this country until school after school sank under the deadly tide of religious liberalism, **God raised up, here and there, a Bible Institute.** Out of these emerged young men and women whose general education was often extremely meager but whose knowledge of the Bible and proficiency in its use enabled them to do exploits. They pastored churches, permeated the mission fields, planted schools, and spearheaded reform movements within their denominations, organized new evangelical bodies. In short, they became the vital, valiant, victorious arm of the Lord enlisted under the banner of the cross and wielding the Sword of the Spirit.

A school is not made Christian by merely calling it so, nor by employing Christian teachers who teach secular subjects from text books written, for the most part, by non-Christian authors. A school is Christian in the truest sense only when the Bible is not merely peripheral (the rim of the wheel), nor one of the courses (spoke of the wheel), nor even the core curriculum (the hub of the wheel), but when Revealed Truth becomes the divine Catalyst which enables us to synthesize the diverse elements of the academic program into one unified, homogenous substance from which the whole wheel is moulded. Thus we have done in the Bible college. On the principle that "The fear of the Lord is beginning of wisdom . . .", we have fashioned one of the wheels on which Christian education may advance over the rough terrain of the future.

The late distinguished educator, William Lyon Phelps once said: "I thoroughly believe in university education for both men and women; but I believe a knowledge of the Bible without a college course is more valuable than a college course without the Bible."

With that statement I am in complete agreement. But what a tragedy it will be if, because of our apathy and indifference, or because of our preoccupation with other tasks, or because of sheer selfishness and love of ease, we make it necessary for some of your young people tomorrow to choose between those two alternatives: "a knowledge of the Bible without a college course" or "a college course without the Bible."

Rev. Moore is former president of California Bible Institute and is now pastor of Free Will Baptist Church, Richmond, California.

ENCOUNTER WITH TRUTH

Estenio Garcia is maintaining a fifteen minute weekly radio broadcast on the program, Encounter with Truth, over station HOXO, a part of World Radio Missionary Fellowship, in Panama City, Panama.

His wife Anita and Mrs. Ruth Willey are co-laborers in a weekly program on the same station. It is an informal, **woman to woman type program**, household hints coupled with a Christian message. Mrs. Willey writes: "I prepare

the material and Anita makes the tapes. Preparing something which we feel is a worthy presentation of the gospel takes a lot of time, but we feel this door has been opened to us and we must take full advantage. Mrs. Willey with her husband, Tom Jr., are working in two villages outside



Estenio delivered the Baccalaureate sermon for the graduating class of the Pan-American Institute in Panama City, a school of approximately 1600 students.

Panama City.

The Garcias are formerly of Cuba where Mr. Garcia was an outstanding pastor. Pressure from the Communist regime stymied effectiveness and endangered the welfare of his church. He was transferred to Panama where, since his arrival, first converts in the Free Will Baptist ministry have been witnessed. A strategic downtown location has been rented and Mr. Garcia is holding regular services. They are the only evangelical witnesses in the area.

The Garcias' account is in the deficit. Designated gifts are urgently needed to reduce this deficit.

Meet Our Writers

Grateful recognition is awarded our four program writers this quarter. Monthly programs are based on the yearly theme: "Compel Them to Come In." The Circle Programs use this year's Watchword as a basis, "The Word of God is not Bound."

You may wish to refer to the program helps on page 32 when preparing the monthly programs.



MORRIS



WISEHART



DAVIDSON



SAWRIE

THIRD QUARTER CALENDAR

JULY

Woman's National Auxiliary Convention—July 12-13
Raleigh, N.C.

National Association of Free Will Baptists—July 13-15
Raleigh, N.C.

AUGUST

Christian Camp Month

SEPTEMBER

Christian Education Month
Stewardship Emphasis

National Sunday School Week—September 27-30
Memorial Student Loan Fund Month for WNAC

A Compelling Witness

BY DONNA MORRIS

Song: "Make Me a Channel of Blessing"

Prayer:

Scripture: Acts 9:36-42

Business:

Program (Character study: Dorcas)

INTRODUCTION:

Often when we think of witnessing for Jesus, we think of cornering someone and cramming the ABC's of salvation down them in a twenty or thirty minute session. We think of knocking on doors and waiting in great fear and anxiety to walk in and try to sell our bill of goods. There may even be a great deal of dread before such an ordeal and a sign of relief after. To a real witness for Jesus however, there is a lot more involved. There is a courtship period to almost any sinner we win to Christ. Our effectiveness as a witness for Jesus is our every day dedication to obeying *all* His commandments, and not just our adeptness at handling the Word in a counselling room.

The program title, *A Compelling Witness*, brings to mind the scripture in 2 Corinthians 5:14, "For the love of Christ constraineth us." The word "constrain" means *compel*, or to force in an unnatural manner. If you are a parent, I am sure you have done things for that child and put up with things you never felt possible or tolerable. But *love* made you sacrifice for that child, and your patience has been developed in tolerating some things that are *against the grain*. No matter how weary and tired, you minister to your little one's needs. *Love* drives you and *love* sustains you. No tongue nor pen can describe the love of Jesus. And "such love constrains me to answer His call, follow His leading and give Him my all."

1. LOVE IS THE KEY

The Christian has responded to the love of Christ by giving his heart and life to the Lord. In our efforts to be good witnesses for Him, we need only to study Him for our pattern. "I must needs go through Samaria," said Jesus (John 4:4). What was the compelling force? He knew that poor sinner woman was there. He had a longing to give her the water of life. So if we content ourselves just to go to church, we may not come in contact with very many sinners. If we don't want sinners to go to hell, we must go out in the *highways and hedges*. Acquaint yourself with your neighbors, your milkman, service station man and grocer. A tract will help him to know what you stand for and provoke his thinking concerning his own soul's condition. Jesus met the tax collectors, the harlots, the lepers, the maniacs; all

were potential candidates for heaven. He looked on them and was "moved with compassion," for he saw them as sheep without a shepherd. His love ministered to them, healed their bodies, fed the hungry, raised the dead. If a love for Jesus, yea, the love of Jesus has filled our hearts, when we look on the masses and see them as poor, lost sinners doomed to an eternal hell, we too will be moved with compassion.

Such a compassion will fill the most timid soul with courage to speak. I knew a young Christian girl who was burdened for her unsaved mother. She followed her for days longing to tell her of Jesus and to beg her to get right with the Lord. She sought opportunity in fear and trembling. Finally she erupted one day as she watched her mother washing her hair. She started abruptly with, "Mother, somebody's going to hell and it's not me. I'm saved." With the mes-

sage delivered she fled to her own bed room sobbing. She had done the best she knew how. The mother was convicted when she saw her daughter's concern and was saved.

2. A SECOND-MILE CHRISTIAN

"For if ye love them which love you, what reward have ye? do not even the publicans the same?" (Matthew 5:46). "Bless them that curse you," and "him that taketh away thy cloke forbid not to take thy coat also" (Luke 6:28-29). This is saying, in essence, that the difference between the Christian and an ordinary person is that the Christian goes beyond the necessary thing. He will always go a step further. A good Christian cannot look upon the helpless, needy creature and bid him God's blessing and really mean it, without ministering to his needs to the best of his ability.

Dorcas looked upon the little children and saw their need for clothes. With her own hands she made clothing for them. She was greatly lamented at her death. Weeping women showed Peter the garments she had provided for their little ones. "Her own works shall praise her" (Proverbs 31:31). Indeed, her compassion and kindness was a great testimony.

Doing good and spreading the good news becomes such a part of a dedicated Christian that he is not aware of doing it. Remember, the righteous will answer, "Lord, when saw we thee an hungered and fed thee? Or thirsty, and gave thee drink? When saw we thee a stranger, and took thee in? Or naked, and clothed thee?" (Matthew 25:37-38). Then the King shall answer, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me." Let us take advantage of every opportunity to do good. It could mean picking up some older person every Sunday and taking him to church. It could be baby sitting with some little delinquent so an unsaved Mother can hear the gospel. It could be almost anything, for love finds

so many expressions. But remember to do all in the name of the Lord Jesus that He might be glorified. Even a cup of cold water given in His name will not go unrewarded.

3. BEHIND THE SCENE WITNESSING

There is a witness that shouts louder than words and kind deeds. Our dispositions reveal a great deal. Are we down in the mouth and mumbling continually about our circumstances? Are we pessimistic about the outcome of things? Or can one depend on a cheerful greeting from you? Is your mouth filled with praise and your heart with hope? I am sure the latter exemplifies a better testimony for the Lord than the first.

The things we love reveal our dedication and zeal for the Lord. Do you appreciate the opportunity to visit other churches? Do you love the fellowship of other Christians? Many other similar questions could be asked.

Recently one of our church ladies lost her elderly mother. She had been a bed patient for over two years. The daughter could not even get out to go to church. But the patient, gentle care she gave her mother, the longsuffering without complaining was a beautiful testimony. It is good when our lives show forth the attributes of Christ.

Our faithfulness to pray, to read the Word and give is perceived by all. All the talking and good deeds you can do will never cover up for a lack of these.

In summing up I'd like to say once again that love is the key. We may speak with the tongues of men or angels, bestow all our goods to feed the poor and give our bodies to be burned, but if we do not *love* it profits us nothing. Love is the essence of God's nature, the perfection of human character, the most powerful ultimate force in the universe. "For the love of Christ constraineth me" to be a faithful witness.

Mrs. Morris is an active member of the woman's auxiliary in the Immanuel Free Will Baptist Church, Durham, N. C.

A Career For Christ

BY MARY RUTH WISEHART

Scripture: Acts 16:11-15; 40

Prayer: Pray that the **Lydias of today** will maintain a faithful witness for Christ

Hymn: "Take My Life and Let It Be"

Business:

Program: (Character study: Lydia)

INTRODUCTION

Several women of Scripture met and dealt with certain of the individual problems of career and business. Among them was Lydia, the first convert of Christianity in Europe. She was probably one of the most successful and influential women in Philippi. Her experiences are well worth our prayerful study.

1. HOUSEWIFE

A woman is surely the crown jewel of the home. The career of housewife is a demanding one, but it also has some of the greatest rewards. The woman who keeps her home is a partaker in her husband's work. A wife should realize that those who work with her husband feel the kind of atmosphere she provides for him at home. She may never discuss his business or his profession with him, but her influence is there. The husband needs to know his home is a place where he can go and not be expected to face the stresses and strains of the competition he faces all day long at his work. He needs to feel that home is indeed his castle.

A housewife also has the opportunity of teaching. The scripture says that children are a heritage of the Lord. Thank God for children and bring them up under His direction and care. What more precious task, what more rewarding one, what more thrilling one than bringing up a child. Here is a living, breathing human being whom God has allowed you to have a part in bringing into the world. From the day that child is born the mother has the opportunity and the high privilege of molding that life in any way she chooses. She may determine whether the child will be able to live a happy, well-adjusted life, and what he will con-

tribute to others. A mother determines many things. What a task and what a joy to seek to bring up that child so he will live his life to the fullest. A mother has every opportunity to point children to God and bring them to a knowledge of Him.

2. A WOMAN'S HOME AND HER HANDS

A woman's home can be used of the Lord also. Mary and Martha ministered to the needs of Christ in their home. In one story of Jesus' visit, you remember that Martha was concerned about the serving, but Mary was concerned about the Master. Women should remember that being *with* Christ comes before working *for* Him. As we are with Him, our work becomes a joy instead of a concern which weighs us down.

Lydia did God service by entertaining the servants of God in her home. The new Testament often mentions women who helped Jesus in His ministry or who helped the apostles (Mark 15:40-41). Don't you suppose that help was the kind that *women* could give? Perhaps they took care of His clothing, or prepared His meals, or gave Him a clean bed. A woman's home can become a place of refreshing for servants of God.

You have visited a home where you felt at ease, where everyone seemed to think of those things necessary for your well-being and comfort. Is your home that

kind of home? Is your home open to those who have need?

Lydia was not ashamed to open her doors to Paul and Silas, even though they had been thrown into jail. She knew they were God's men. By inviting them into her house, she identified herself with them.

3. CAREER GIRL

Today it seems more women are working outside the home than ever before. Some women have chosen to hold two positions: housewife and career. Some women are concentrating on a career other than that of housewife.

Lydia was a career woman, a seller of purple. That is, she owned a dye business. Perhaps necessity had forced her into this position, or perhaps she was there by choice. We do not know, but we do know that she yielded her life to God.

Her business must of necessity, then, have become His also. When Christ takes possession of a life, business tactics may have to change. Zaccheus' did. Operating a shop assumes a new purpose when Jesus reigns in a heart.

The career woman has great opportunity for contacting people and witnessing to them of Christ. Her very life may be a rebuke to those around her. Her Christian love and concern for fellow workers, her genuine peace and joy in Christ will show through to those about her. Perhaps this way will be one of her greatest opportunities for witnessing.

She should be on the alert, however, for opportunities to do other witnessing. The career woman with a knowledge of the word and a rich prayer life can be a means of bringing others in her profession to know Christ.

The career woman has her own money. This income may be a blessing or a curse. If God has blessed you with a substantial income, remember, it comes from Him (Deuteronomy 8:18). Use it for His glory. Some of those women who followed Christ were able to use their wealth to further the gospel. While the

career woman may not be actually involved in full-time work for the church, she can have a definite part in furthering Christ's work. One way is by using her money wisely. If you earn your own money and have not learned the joy there is in giving that money to God, begin today. Start with the tithe. Give God the tenth. No doubt you will find you can give more than that. Share what God has given you with someone in need. Help spread the gospel by giving to missions. God bless that woman who reaches out to bless others.

4. A WOMAN'S HEART AND MIND

A woman's heart seems naturally made to be a giving heart. She knows what it means to be submissive. This knowledge should give her an advantage as a follower of Christ. Christ demands complete submission from those who would follow Him. Lydia's heart was open that day to the gospel. She heard and believed, and gave herself to Christ.

A woman's heart can be enlarged to love by a knowledge of Christ. A woman's heart can be changed by a knowledge of Christ. She can learn to control her emotions, her nerves. She can allow the Holy Spirit to teach her to be concerned with true values rather than the vanities of life. She can open her heart of love to others. So many in our world are in need of love.

God gave woman intelligence and a will. She can use these to glorify Him also. That mind is to be yielded first to Him so that He may renew it. Every thought is to be brought under His control. So many times a woman's mental energies are dissipated on light frivolous, worthless things. The Spirit should control the mind and lead it into the things of God.

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COMPELLED TO CROSS *Racial*

Song: "Bring Them In"

Prayer: Pray that Christians may stand firm on the principles set forth in God's Word concerning those of other races.

Scripture: Acts 17:26

Business:

Special music: "Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life"

Program (Character study: Pharaoh's daughter, Rahab and Samaritan Woman)

INTRODUCTION

From the very beginning God has told us we were created in His image and after His likeness (Genesis 1:27). "There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male or female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus" (Galatians 3:28). Science puts man in one main classification, *Homo-Sapiens*, and yet we have hatred in our hearts toward those who were created in the same manner we were.

In the Bible we find many instances of interracial contacts varying from integration to bitter antagonism. A number of the most suggestive incidents involve women. We shall consider some of these situations, confident that from them, helpful conclusions may be drawn for our own approach to the problems of race relations today.

1. THE DAUGHTER OF PHARAOH

The daughter of Pharaoh was a privileged young woman of her day. She lived in a palace and had anything life could offer in material possessions. The Hebrew women were not so fortunate for they were a hated race, ridiculed and despised. But the blessing of the Lord was upon them in that they multiplied and "waxed very mighty" (Exodus 1:20).

As Pharaoh's daughter saw the baby Moses floating in the water among the bul-rushes, she saw only an innocent child who needed her love and care. No inner religious convictions prompted her to save the baby's life. It was purely human compassion and a woman's love which prompted her to overcome all barriers which had been set up by her society. She was even willing to violate the *royal edict* of her father ordering the death of every male baby born to a Hebrew mother. Mutual human respect was here and there was not only recog-

Barriers...

nitition of a need, but also the glad and unselfish willingness to meet the need. The result of this act was the saving of the life of a mighty man of God. Can we, like Pharaoh's daughter, look at those around us and forget our hatred? Can we see simply a soul without Christ, doomed to an eternal hell? How can we face our Lord if we have failed to carry the gospel to our neighbor because he is of another race? The world might lose a 20th century Moses because we nursed our prejudices and refused to witness.

2. RAHAB OF JERICHO

Another deed of outstanding bravery, involving the clashing interests of religion, race and war, emerges in Rahab's care of Joshua's spies at Jericho. The King of Jericho sent guards to Rahab demanding that she reveal the men who had come into her home. But instead, she hid the spies and sent the King's men in another direction searching for them.

Joshua's spies brought a strange language and culture and even a strange God to Rahab, but in spite of these diversities she risked her life to hide them. She had been an idolator and an immoral woman and they were worshippers of Jehovah to whom idols were an abomination. When Rahab came in contact with Joshua's spies she confessed freely, "the Lord your God, He is God in heaven above and in earth beneath" (Joshua 3:11b). Rahab found a new and steadfast faith in Jehovah and was eager to serve her God to the extent of daring to harbor enemies of her country.

As a reward for her faith and service Rahab was brought out of the city before it was destroyed by the Israelites. So complete was the transformation in her life, she became the wife of Salmon,

the mother of Boaz and thus the great-great grandmother of David. And was included in the number of "heroes of the faith" (Hebrews 11:31).

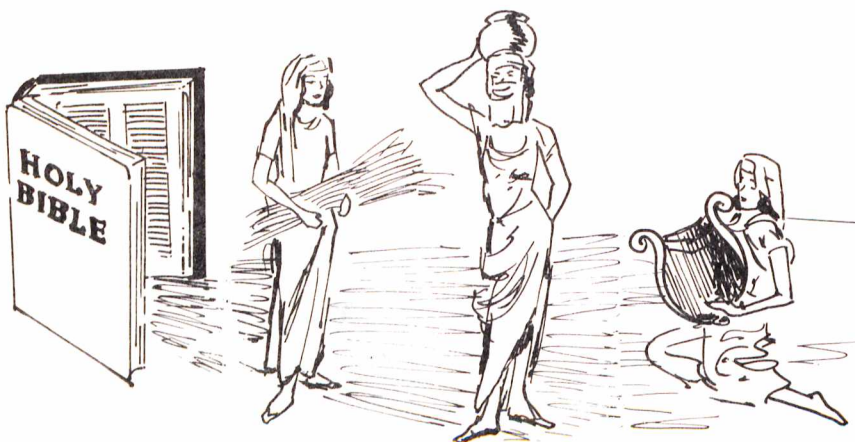
3. THE SAMARITAN WOMAN

Jesus felt compelled to go through Samaria. The Samaritans were a hated people. The Jews refused to have any dealings with them because their Jewish blood was impure and tainted. They had become half-breeds through the intermarriage of their ancestors with the pagan nations around them.

Jesus became weary and sat down to rest beside the well dug by Jacob many years before. When the woman of Samaria came, Jesus ignored the racial and religious differences and won her to a belief in himself as the Son of God. She became a faithful witness of the Saviour. She may never have heard the gospel if Jesus had harbored racial prejudices in His heart.

The principles established here by the Master have been the heart and soul of the missionary enterprise of the church since that time. We have missionaries in Brazil, South America, India, Africa, Panama and Japan. Here in the states there are those working with people of other languages, races and cultures. Our missionaries are working on these fields because they were compelled by *love* and a *compassion* for these souls *regardless of the barriers* set before them. Are we actually reaching those in *our own Samaria*, or do we pass them at a safe distance and fail to recognize that the same God who created us created them also.

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PROGRAM HELPS

JULY

Use the continuing interest center suggested last quarter. Stand a partly opened Bible on end, and place small dolls, (dressed to represent the Biblical characters upon which the monthly programs are based), on the table as though they are walking out of the Bible. Last quarter you portrayed Mary Magdalene, Abigail and Hanna. This quarter you may represent Dorcas, Lydia, the Samaritan woman, Pharaoh's daughter and Rahab.

The dolls may be made from clothes pins. Paint faces, use yarn for hair, pipe cleaners for arms and stand in modeling clay or gumdrops.

AUGUST

Ask a business woman to discuss the avenues of Christian service open to a working woman. Here are some suggestions. *Missions* should be of concern to the working woman. She can invest her money and spend time in intercessory prayer and letter-writing to our missionaries on the foreign fields. A consistent life of integrity in business dealings and honesty and Christian love in human relationships makes a deep impression on people. She should pray for guidance of the Spirit of God for discernment as to when to be vocal in her witness for Christ and when to live Christ silently. She can participate actively in her Church's ministry.

SEPTEMBER

Study the parable of the Good Samaritan (Luke 10:25-37), making an outline of the attitudes of segregation on the one side, and of human kindness on the other, as exemplified by the various characters. Consider the effect of Jesus, having indicated the *despised Samaritan* as the one motivated by human consideration and courtesy, uncontaminated by racial prejudice.



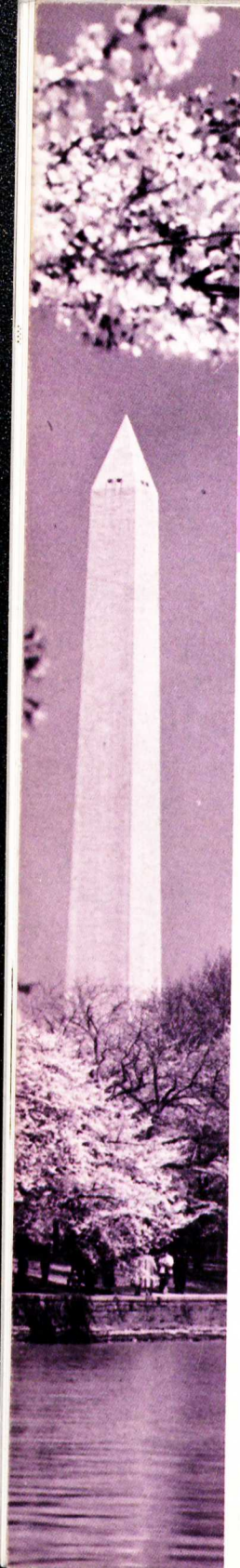
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