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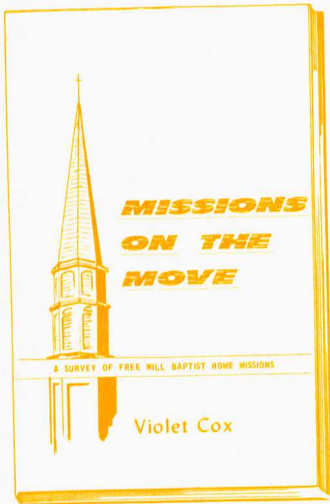
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Take an exciting armchair trip with WNAC's president, Georgia Hill, as she shares news and views of missionary activity in an exciting trip . . .

AROUND THE

A TRIP AROUND THE WORLD! Sounds exciting doesn't it? And it was! . . . a God given opportunity for my husband and myself. With the burden of the Island of Taiwan heavy upon us for many months, yet with no assurance of God's call to missionary service abroad, we were quite anxious to see the people we had so prayed for, longed to work among; and had read countless numbers of books concerning the history and work of Christianity among the Chinese. Therefore we set out on our mission, and since Taiwan is half-way around the world, our itinerate compassed two sides of the globe. My impressions, indelible and unforgettable, of fervent missionary activity, and the lack of it in many cases, are briefly described as follows:

In Hawaii we were met at the airport by the Luther Sanders' with a real Hawaiian reception—beautiful red carnation leis and fresh pineapple juice. It was thrilling to view the work which they have accomplished. We were very proud of "our" Free Will Baptist Village and of our missionaries who have faithfully worked for this reality.

Arriving in Tokyo it was a real privilege to visit with the Waids and Herseys and to stay in the Waid's home which they had only recently purchased with funds provided by WNAC a few years ago. We have two churches in that area. The one we visited is in the heart of the business district and is very tidy, though small. Tokyo is crowded beyond description, traveling by car is a harrowing experience, and the need for missionaries and effective missionary tools is great.

We arrived at Taipei, Taiwan via a brief stop on Okinawa and were overwhelmed at the large delegation from the Tien Mou Baptist Church awaiting us. The church here is effectively teaching the Gospel through dedicated lay servicemen and their families. The church building is continually over-crowded and many of the men and women teach English classes in Chinese and Taiwanese homes. They use the Bible as a textbook and John Martin, chairman of the church guiding committee, teaches the Bible to a group of officers in the Chinese Army. A Japanese man and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Yomomoto, had been attending the church for some time and following the

Three Tai girls who knew tobacco came from Richmond, Virginia, but who had never heard of Christianity.



WORLD

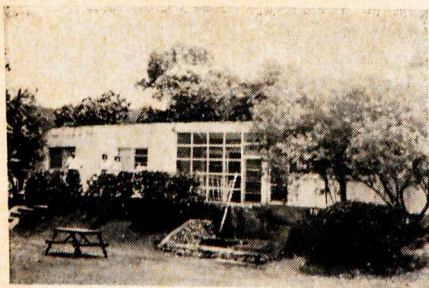
morning service on this particular Sunday, made their public professions. Mr. Yomomoto happily stated, "This is the end of a long search." On this island, there is such an outflow of missionary activity, making inroads through modern missionary tools and methods. Examples are The Mustard Seed, Inc., doing marvelous work with girls from mountain tribes, training them to go back to their people to teach Sunday schools and kindergartens; the Leprosarium sponsored by World Vision; Overseas Radio which produces radio and TV programs in Chinese and English, equaling any program we see on TV here in the states. Surely the Lord will reap a rich harvest in Taiwan. As for the Tien Mou Church, our primary interest, the laymen are doing an outstanding work for Christ, more than most our churches in the states do with a pastor. Although fundamental Baptist in belief, the families are of various Baptist backgrounds and do not want to affiliate with any particular denomination.

The modern, beautiful city of Hong Kong is British owned although situated perilously on the border of Communist

China. Ships from every nation in the world are anchored with their wares in Hong Kong Harbor.

An unprecedented challenge is presented to missionaries here where English and the Bible are both required subjects in the schools. In Hong Kong Harbor, many thousands of Chinese live their entire lives in "floating villages"—boats of various sizes and shapes. Here we viewed the Salvation Army Church and school—a floating houseboat among the sampans and fishing boats. Such a real encouragement to see the Gospel is being preached even to these who live on the water.

Arriving in Bangkok, Thailand, via a brief stop in war-torn Saigon, we were immediately struck by the sincere friendliness of the Thai people. However this is another land of tremendous, innumerable heathen temples. Everywhere, we found many people who speak English, American TV programs with the local language dubbed in, and a sense of awe and deep respect for Americans. We will not soon forget that in this land of idolatry, when we stated our home was in Richmond, Virginia, they immediately smiled and responded with "cigarettes—tobacco!"



The Tien Mou Baptist Church, Taiwan, Taipei.



Floating Villages with Salvation Army school and church in foreground, Hong Kong Harbor.

The Thai people are recipients of our tobacco industry but they have never heard of Christ our Saviour. How we have failed as Christians, to sell our product!

Dan Cronk met us in New Delhi. He took us to an English-speaking church where mostly Indians worshipped (several members of Parliament are Christians and attend this church). We met Mr. Ben Wati, director of NAE in India. One is literally struck by the poverty of India, the visibly depraved condition of the people, both spiritually and physically. One's heart bleeds for the physical needs—mothers and children sleeping on the streets with no homes or food. When such physical needs are apparent, the spiritual need is so much deeper.

We arrived in Jerusalem via stops in Karachi, Pakistan, and Beirut, Lebanon. A most striking experience here was the scene of a small shepherd boy leading a large flock of sheep with his crook under his arm, and reading a book! The scene of people reading, especially young people, was repeated many times, and we were reminded of the fact that the literacy rate is climbing rapidly, people everywhere are learning to read. They will read anything—how we need to make the Gospel available for them to read! There is only one Baptist church in

Jerusalem, Israel, which holds services on Saturday, the Jewish Sabbath. On Saturday everything is closed and even the hotel did not cook food—they served only cold foods prepared the day before.

In Rome, we were again struck by the superstition of the Roman Catholic Church. Such magnificent edifices are impossible to describe. We viewed a scene something like one described by Martin Luther. At one of the famous churches, rows of stairs take you high up to the sanctuary. The crowd makes it impossible to get through. The rows of steps were lined with devoted Catholics, climbing one step at a time, *on their knees*, and pausing on each step to say a prayer from a book held in their hands.

We were back home again by way of overnight stays in Paris and London. A round-the-world trip greatly encouraged us because of the tremendous amount of missionary activity; it challenged us as we became aware of the magnitude of the task of world evangelization, and it is an ever-present reminder of our responsibility as Christians. We have the greatest task Christians have ever faced. We face the greatest opposition ever faced. Yet we possess the greatest means of proclaiming the Gospel, and we possess the greatest power in the world today—the power of the Gospel!

STUDY COURSE TIPS



By Merlea DeFee
WNAC Study Course Chairman

THE KNEELING CHRISTIAN by an unknown Christian, is an excellent book to help us have real growth in our spiritual life. This book is highly recommended for our study on prayer during this quarter as suggested in the correlated calendar. As we study the chapters of the book, may He who said "Men ought always to pray, and not to faint," teach us to pray.

The book is divided into 12 very interesting and helpful chapters.

- ▶ God's Great Need
- ▶ Almost Incredible Promises
- ▶ Ask of Me and I Will Give
- ▶ Asking For Signs
- ▶ What is Prayer?
- ▶ How Shall I Pray?
- ▶ Must I Agonize?
- ▶ Does God Always Answer Prayer?
- ▶ Answers to Prayer
- ▶ How God Answers Prayer
- ▶ Hindrances to Prayer
- ▶ Who May Pray?

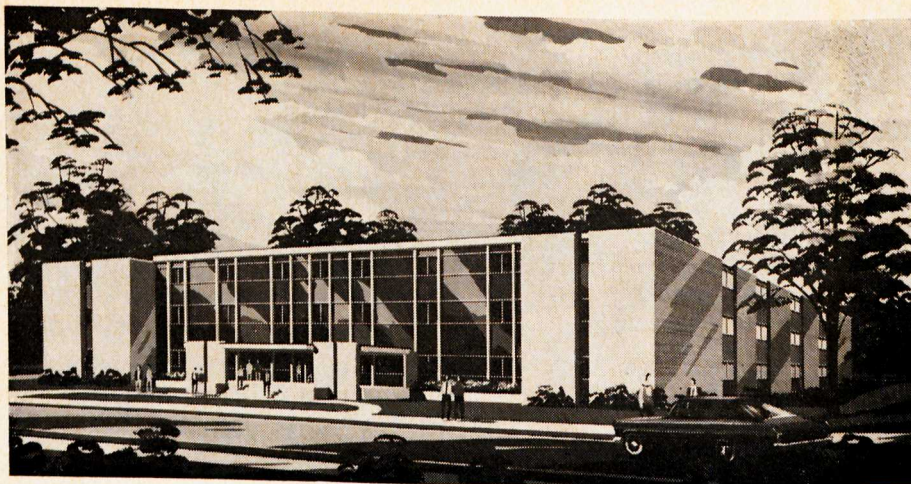
As we study the pages we find what prayer really is. It is a definite gauge of our spiritual life. Our spirituality and our fruitfulness are always in proportion to the reality of our prayers. God does all He can to induce us to pray and to trust and yet how slow we are to do so. Oh what we miss—victories over temptation, repose of spirit in times of great disappointment or loss—through lack of

faith and want of prayer. No one can have real and deep communion with God who does not know how to pray so as to get answers to prayer. Since our spiritual battles are not fought with the sword, let us resolve in our hearts "I will arise and go unto my Father, and say unto Him, Father . . ."

THE KNEELING CHRISTIAN is available from the WNAC office, P.O. Box 1088, Nashville, Tennessee, 37202, in paper back for \$1.00. Since it contains such a wealth of material, try having four forty-five minute periods for study and earn a gold seal for your standard of achievement chart. (See the Manual for other requirements for a standard study course.)

Secretaries and Treasurers

- State recording secretaries and state treasurers should send in their annual reports and membership fees (dues) *before* the first of July (preferably by June 20) if they wish them included in the report to the national convention.
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Proposed boy's dormitory to be constructed by Free Will Baptist Bible College, Nashville, Tennessee. The structure will house 120 students. There will also be a large center lounge and apartment for the dormitory supervisor.

LOOKING FOR A PROJECT?

By Maude Coffey
Missions Chairman, WNAC

FREE WILL BAPTIST WOMEN have always been faithful in helping to supply the many needs of our denomination. In order to help your group select a project, whether it be local, district, or state, we have secured some suggestions for you to pray about and consider.

FREE WILL BAPTIST BIBLE COLLEGE

These provisions will be needed for the new men's dormitory:

- To furnish a student's room—\$300 per student, or \$600 per room. (Bed—\$75, chair—\$18, desk—\$50, chest—\$60, lamp—\$5.)

- For the dormitory supervisor's apartment—\$2,500. This will provide for two bedrooms, a dinette set, living room, and a washer-dryer (\$328). Some groups might like to take some specific item or room. Send your designated gifts to the WNAC office.

- To furnish the lounge—\$1,500 to \$1,800.

FOREIGN MISSIONS DEPARTMENT

- Tracts and books distributed by department, \$400.

- Filmstrip: India, Africa, \$1100 each.

- Sunday school literature, Junior series in Tamil for South India—\$1000.

- Readers in Agni and Kulango, \$500.

- "Faith for Today" by Dr. O'Donnell, in Spanish (1000 copies) \$850; in Portuguese, \$800.

- Sunday school literature in Portuguese, \$1200.

- Child evangelism materials for Brazil, \$250.

- Medical dispensary in Kishanganj, \$240; in Sonapurhat, \$295; Uruguay, \$240.

- Radio and literature ministry: Tokyo, \$600; Panama, \$450.

- Radio equipment for Bill Phipps' plane, \$800.

- Equipment for new missionaries: Tape recorder, typewriter, camera, radio.

WNAC:

- Equipment for WNAC: typewriter, camera, projector, adding machine.

HOME MISSIONS DEPARTMENT

- Camera, \$100—The Johnnie Postlewaites, Portland, Oregon.

- Typewriter, \$175—The Larry Powells, Virgin Islands.

- Sunday school bus, \$2000—The Luther Sanders.

- Tape recorder (for language study), \$175—The Harvey Aquirres, Mexico.

- Folding Chairs (100), \$400—The Bill Adkissons, Canada.

- Down payment for Seattle land fund, \$5,000—The Lloyd Plunketts, Washington.



Maude Coffey

By MAUDE COFFEY,

MISSIONS CHAIRMAN, WNAC



MISSIONS WORLDWIDE

BRAZIL

The Bible school opened here in March with Bobby Aycock as its' new director. Teaching on the faculty is Jim Combs, Bobby and Sue Aycock.

An association of Free Will Baptist churches is being formed here. Don Robirds has been working on translating the Free Will Baptist Treatise.

The year 1968 will mark the tenth anniversary of our work in Brazil. There is an ever increasing need of extending our witness here. It is hoped this can be done through trained national workers, which will thus release our missionaries for further opportunities. Pray concerning these needs.

FRANCE

The Dan Merkh's continue in language school. At the present time, he is working with a Baptist pastor, Rev. Collot, in Grenoble, France. The winter Olympics of 1968 will meet in this city and it is hoped that we can have a fruitful literature ministry during that time. All the children are with the Merkh's, except Beth who is with relatives in the states.

IVORY COAST

Lonnie and Anita Sparks are due home around the first of June for furlough. The Lonnie Palmers will be returning the latter part of the summer. Their account needs additional support, so we ask that you pray concerning this need.

Norman and Bessie Richards will be leaving during the summer for language study in France.

The Howard Gages are in the Ivory Coast at this time for two-year term of building ministry. One of the main construction items will be a patient pavilion in Doropo.

JAPAN

Jim and Olena McLain have arrived in Tokyo for orientation. The pastor's wife of Bihoro is in a tuberculosis sanitarium and needs our prayers.

Our ministry in Japan is being extended by means of radio. A fifteen minute broadcast is aired daily in the Abishari-Kitami area sponsored by Free Will Baptists. A correspondence course

is offered also, and is being directed by the Free Will Baptist pastor at Bihoro.

The life-line of our mission program is prayer and we hold the key. Let us be faithful in this ministry.

INDIA

The Dan Cronks will be coming home around the first of August for furlough. There is a continued need for workers in this country. Pray the Lord of the Harvest. It is believed that educationally skilled men would have a better opportunity to enter this country. Pray!

Miss Volena Wilson continues to be at home in the states. You may write her at 118 State St., Marion, North Carolina 28752.

CHURCH EXTENSION

Our church extension projects in Trenton, New Jersey; Seattle, Washington; Portland, Oregon; and Lexington, Kentucky; are heavily burdened with the great expenses and other difficulties associated with obtaining property.

CANADA

God has been blessing in our ministry in New Brunswick. The Millville church has been growing stronger and new doors of opportunity have been open for services in Woodstock.

Pray for the potential of the young people in our Canadian work. Pray for the parents of some of our young people that they might be saved. Mack and Jackie Owens in Nova Scotia request your prayers as they study in the French language to help prepare themselves to minister to the French communities of Canada.

HAWAII

Praise! During the seventh anniversary service in our Hawaiian church the Lord blessed as a young Japanese college student told how she had been saved out of Buddhism and the teachings of Christianity had been made plain and real to her. Another lady told how God had saved her entire family through the ministry of the church. She reported that her husband who is in Viet Nam is conducting a weekly Bible class when possible. There is a burden on our Hawaiian workers to complete the land payments. Many of the auxiliaries have made the Hawaiian land a special project. We urge you to continue to pray that within the next few months this land indebtedness of \$14,000 will be eradicated through gifts to the Hawaiian land fund.

OREGON

Postlewaites—Praise! God has blessed the recent itinerate of Mr. Postlewaite. Pray for the financial needs of Rev. Postlewaite.

ALASKA

Godwins—Praise! Rev. Godwin has recovered from an injury received in an accident. Pray for his continued strength as he and Mrs. Godwin labor in Alaska.

Johnsons—Praise! God has greatly blessed Rev. Johnson's recent itinerate. The Johnsons have now returned to Alaska and need your prayers as they work with the people there.

Fairbanks—Pray that the Lord will supply a pastor for the church. Miss Dixie Myers has been faithful in working with the church but they are desperately in need of a pastor.



WOMEN *in* ACTION!



The Woman's Auxiliary of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Florence, Alabama, and their pastor, Rev. Justice, received a blessing when they visited one of the local nursing homes for the aged. They presented their Pre-Thanksgiving program and each patient was given a fruit basket.

Mrs. Joyce Armstrong reports that they have also sent their monthly offerings to the Children's Home, Eldridge, Alabama; to superannuation; to the Ledlows' in Montgomery; and prepared a box of groceries for a needy family.

TOWARD NEW FRONTIERS was the theme of the Georgia State Woman's Auxiliary Convention which convened in November at Damascus, Georgia. The registration was 125. Rev. Mark Vandivort, field secretary of the National Home Missions Department, spoke on "The Challenge of Your Jerusalem." He emphasized the need for women to become more concerned about taking the gospel to the unsaved in their own communities through Bible classes, husband and wife visitation, and child evangelism.

The state project for the year is to purchase a Volkswagen bus for the Larry Powells, missionary appointees to the Virgin Islands (\$2000); and to furnish a room in the new dormitory at Free Will Baptist Bible College (\$600).

Officers of the Georgia State Women's Auxiliary Convention from left to right: Mrs. J. E. Wood, study chairman; Mrs. Lola Hand, historian; Mrs. Edward Kimbrel (seated), corresponding secretary; Mrs. O. B. Everson, field secretary; Mrs. G. N. Fowler, treasurer; Mrs. Billy Hatcher, vice president; Mrs. G. C. Lee, president; Mrs. Harold Swann, stewardship-prayer; Mrs. Damon Dodd, recording secretary; and Mrs. Eloise Wainwright, personal service-evangelism. Not pictured are Mrs. J. M. Creech, assistant recording secretary and Mrs. J. E. Blanton, missions chairman.



CONFUSED ... ABOUT DUES?

Q. Is it true WNAC voted last year to increase the national membership fees from 10¢ to 75¢ per member per year?

A. Yes, unanimously.

Q. Why was this necessary?

A. There had not been an increase in 30 years, and 10¢ per member per year was no longer adequate to meet the rising costs of materials, mailing supplies, printing, literature, salaries, postage, rent, and other operational and promotional costs.

Q. When will this be in effect?

A. At the national convention, July, 1967.

Q. How will those states (or districts) which are a year behind with their reports, raise the additional 65¢ per member before July?

A. It is suggested that the executive committee of each state (or district) set a date for the additional fees to be

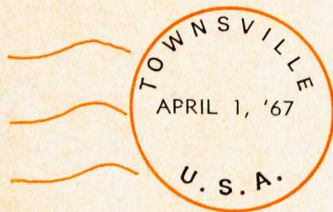
sent to their respective treasurers and notify them of the same.

Q. What provision was made for states (and/or districts) which need additional operational funds?

A. It was recommended that those states increase local membership fees to \$1.25 per member per year. This would mean 25¢ would be retained in the district treasury, 25¢ in the state treasury, and 75¢ sent to the national treasurer.

Q. Are those states (and/or districts) which do not desire additional funds obligated to raise the entire \$1.25 per member fees?

A. No. The difference in the circumstances in each state may necessitate the adaption of the fees to the needs of each state. A state may retain the former membership fees of 10¢ per member to the district and 10¢ to the state, increasing only the national fee to 75¢. This of course would make a total of 95¢ per member per year.



OUR READERS WRITE US

FROM ARIZONA

... The Women of Arizona have banded together and formed a State Woman's Auxiliary Convention. We will meet together twice a year in connection with the Quarterly State meeting. We are trusting the Lord to use us to accomplish great things for Him. Our state officers are: Lou Spears, president; Cathryn Thorp, vice president; La Rue Horn, recording secretary; Mary Lee, assistant recording secretary; Thelma Chambers, treasurer; Mae Fry, stewardship-prayer chairman; Jane Norris, missions chairman; Clara Gregg, study course chairman; and Johnny Jenkins, personal service chairman.

*Mrs. La Rue Horn
Tucson, Arizona*

FROM ARKANSAS

Please accept our small offering from our Pre-Thanksgiving Week of Prayer ... our prayers are with you. We are just a small group yet we love the Lord and are trying in our weak way to serve and help just a little.

*Mrs. Martin Tucker
Star City, Arkansas*

Our ladies here really enjoy studying together from the Co-Laborer. Each program gets better and better. This first quarter issue is really and *eye-opener*.

Thank you all for the Co-Laborer. God bless you all.

*Mrs. Cathy Smith
Fort Smith, Arkansas*

FROM CALIFORNIA

Our auxiliary is growing for which we are so thankful. I would like to take this opportunity to once again tell you how much we all enjoy the Co-Laborer. The lessons are so good. We appreciate the job you are doing in getting such a good magazine to us each quarter.

*Pansy Cravens
Pomona, California*

I am enjoying the Co-Laborer more each quarter and all the added features and information it contains are a blessing. Having the hymn for the year printed on the fly-leaf was a good idea.

May God so direct you in this great work that His kingdom will be increased here on earth and many souls won through all our united efforts.

*Winnie Yandell
Tulare, California*

FROM CANADA

... I began my Good News Club ... with six children. Please pray that as we try to reach the children for Christ, we can get closer to parents. We really need adults here in the church.

*Peggy Adkisson
Millville, New Brunswick*

FROM MISSISSIPPI

We certainly have been thrilled with the Co-Laborer for this quarter. We thank you for such attractive and well planned programs for each occasion.

*Mrs. Barbara Howland
Smithville, Mississippi*

FROM NORTH CAROLINA

We enjoy our Co-Laborer so much. The programs and articles are very interesting. We always receive a blessing from them. We thank the Lord for each one of them and pray that they may be richly blessed.

Our auxiliary is interested in sending some things for the Provision Closet. Would you be so kind as to send us a list of the things?

May the Lord continue to bless you and your work with WNAC.

*Mrs. Bonnie Williams
Asheville, N.C.*

FROM PANAMA

I was truly delighted with the things sent from the missionary provision closet and they came at a time of real need ... thanks to all the women who have so generously provided these items in order to meet our needs here on the field.

*Barbara Phipps
Panama*

FROM SOUTH CAROLINA

Inclosed is a money order for \$21.00 which is to be used for Bibles, which will be distributed by our missionaries overseas. "Double Bible Sunday" is a wonderful way to show our faith and love and we feel that we are sharing in the missionary program and are grateful for this opportunity to serve. We pray that you will continue to have "Double Bible Sunday" every year.

*Gayle Hughes
Whitney FWB Church
Spartanburg, S.C.*

FROM ALABAMA

We really enjoy the Co-Laborer and appreciate each of the writers.

*Mrs. Joyce Armstrong
Florence, Alabama*

FROM TEXAS

Thank you so much for the gift that you sent us. Everything became a good and great help to us. We are still starting here and everything is a great help to do the Lord's work ... God bless every one of you.

*Osmundo Corrales Family
Bryan, Texas*

FROM WEST VIRGINIA

We had a revival and took offerings for missionaries so we are sending the money we received (\$40.00). Hope God will get a great work out of it for He really did bless in our revival.

*Della Mae Dickens
Naoma, W. Va.*



The combined ages of the three eldest members of the Woman's Auxiliary Extension Circle, East Nashville Church, represent 243 years. From left to right, Mesdames O. C. Briley, Marie McGuire, and M. B. Batson.

THE AGING ... A NEW FRONTIER

"The church which seeks to make not only the young, but the old, to feel that they are valued members will acquire a new dimension in Christian fellowship."

A revolution is sweeping the country today, because of the population explosion by increased birth rate and the increased life span. The aging constituency is an ever increasing number of our population. In 1900 persons sixty-five and over constituted 4.1 per cent of the United States population. In 1958 it was 8.6 per cent. Population experts predict by 1980 the population of the aging will increase 15 per cent.

Statistics, we often find uninteresting. Yet, when certain facts are brought to our attention, they often jar our senses and bring about action.

The hidden anxieties that grow with the advance of years are not new. Job once said, "Men listened to me, and waited, and kept silence for my council . . . But now they make sport of me, men who are younger than I." The Psalmist prayed, "Do not cast me off in time of old age; forsake me not when my strength is spent." It seems this has been the cry of the aging through the ages.

Our Senior Citizens are fast becoming cogs, cards, or numbers in the stream of life. This isn't the will of God for them. He gave each a personality, a body, and a soul for which Jesus died to redeem. The church which seeks to make not only the young, but the old to feel that they are valued members will acquire a new dimension in Christian fellowship.

Older persons need to love and be loved. They need friends and companionship. Yet, while their needs are many they also have much to give. With reasonable health and absorbing interest, the years beyond sixty can be the most satisfying of a life time. Freed from responsibilities of their earlier years, they are blessed with that rare thing called *time*. Time to pray, to study God's Word, to visit, and to perform the many acts of kindness which we so often fail to do because we don't have time. Too, how often have you found in an older

person a deposit of wisdom, and strength that has helped you along life's way? What can we do to lend a helping hand to these who have given so much?

Many denominations are creating new facilities to help in meeting the needs of the aging in form of housing, recreation, health-care, counseling service, and many others. However, most churches agree that the problem can best be met in the life of the local church, because the aging need the religious and pastoral ministry of the church. Too, many of the elderly prefer to be integrated into the whole life of the church when they are physically able to participate. Perhaps transportation is their big problem, as is so often the case, but this can be easily solved with a transportation committee in the church.

Perhaps your church would like to begin in some way to seek out these elderly persons. If so, it would be well to have a committee to make a survey and collect the names and addresses, together with specific needs of the elderly in your church and community.

Then hold a consultation covering needs and problems. Next bring a recommendation for action to what ever authority the church would recognize. I'm sure you will find the effort rewarding, for God loves all of His children, regardless of age. He has a place and purpose for each of them.

Circle members from left to right, Mesdames Bob Briley, Henry Melvin, Theron Bradley, M. E. Buford, Curtis Cantrell, Marie McGuire, Bennie Smith, O. C. Briley, M. B. Batson (seated).



To me, this opportunity for aiding the aging is a most effectual door opened to our Woman's Auxiliary. The challenge is in keeping with our theme and watchword for 1967, "Toward New Frontiers." and "To All Men—By All Means."

We so often find more women than men in our local congregations, since women outlive men. Looking out from the choir one Sunday morning, I became aware of the large number of women that we had who were not enlisted in our Woman's Auxiliary. As I inquired why, I learned that some were unable to get out at night, which was the meeting time for the Auxiliary. Others gave various reasons, but all expressed an interest and desire to organize a day group. So, to "enlist all women, by all means" we organized a day group.

Since the organization, we have had one meeting. The women are enthusiastic about their new organization and the privilege of having a part in the Woman's Auxiliary work. One lady said, "I have often wondered why we didn't have something like this a long time ago." This lady is handicapped from polio, but the Lord has blessed her with a persuasive voice which she uses to enlist others by means of the telephone. This lady was elected vice-president of the organization. The recording secretary and the treasurer had been in the Auxiliary in previous years, but were not able to attend the night services. The remaining officers are being filled by officers of the regular Auxiliary.

The group chose the name, "The Fannie Polston Circle."

EVENTIDE

God loves the aged.
He gives them greater vision than the young;
He puts the words of wisdom on their tongue;
And keeps His presence ever by their side,
From dawn to dusk, and on through eventide.
God helps the aged.
Within their home His Spirit dwells;
Their mellow hearts are touched like chiming bells;
He calms their fears, their worries disappear,
Because they know His help is always near.
God keeps the aged.
With hearts of gold, and silver-tinted hair,
And earnestness, and greater faith in prayer;
He keeps them as a shepherd guards his sheep,
'Til in His fold they gently fall asleep.

... Charles W. H. Bancroft



Our writer and her husband, Rev. Henry Melvin, pastor of East Nashville Free Will Baptist Church. Mr. Melvin is a staunch supporter of the Woman's Auxiliary.

Our Programs For First Quarter

INTRODUCING OUR WRITERS



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Dear Co-Laborers:

Only three months remain in WNAC's current fiscal year! Our goals this year have been to help our churches take the Gospel "to all men by all means," and to push toward new frontiers of service. Looking back, can we see where progress has been made in reaching these goals?

This quarter's writers share new and challenging ways and means of serving and witnessing to the lost of our communities as well as those in our newest distant mission field—Europe!

Has your auxiliary ever participated in a mission vacation Bible school? Are the members willing to become involved in the lives of those in *special need*? For the first time in history *older persons* have become a significant group in the total population. This constitutes a challenge to the church and its auxiliaries. What can be done to help our senior citizens enjoy a richer and more satisfying life? To enable those physically able to make a worthwhile contribution to work of the church—to help those who are shut-in to know the church still loves and cares? Carefully study the programs and feature articles in this issue to discover how other groups are meeting these needs, and how your auxiliary can best fulfill its responsibility toward them.

Prayerfully,



Cleo Russell

Executive Secretary

MINISTERING TO THE DEPRIVED

By Eunice Edwards

Song: "Make Me a Channel of Blessing"
Scripture: James 2:14-24

WHAT DOES CULTURAL deprivation mean to you? It certainly isn't a new term, or a new problem, since Christ Himself spoke of it quite often. In this age, however, one finds quite an array of ideas regarding this subject.

To the wealthy, cultural deprivation may mean they just don't have the time to attend another European festival. To the hungry man, it may mean he can do without a tablecloth if he can only get food on the table.

Usually, in speaking of the culturally deprived, we refer to the poverty stricken. But to say that a man is culturally deprived because he is a poor man is to be absolutely unfair. Perhaps social status is not as important to him as to another man.

Stereotypes are unfair and your writer has no interest in generalizations, but in dealing with those whom we Christians term "deprived" we are a notorious bunch of "do-gooders." We want to make that person over into what *we* are, or like, or enjoy. It just might be that he would like to choose his own ways.

HOW?

How then, can we help those who are in need of help without violating the inherent rights of that person?

In the first place, recognition of his inherent rights is a must, if we are to serve well. Any approaches to change should be done in the manner that will cause the *least* adaptive changes for the person.

When Jesus dealt with the Samaritan woman, He took first things first. He was kind enough to take the time necessary for her to recognize Him as her Friend, her Helper.

How long has it been since you realized you didn't have enough time, to waste it hurrying through this business of winning souls? Wise is the woman who realizes she "must make haste slowly."

This is vitally important when dealing with the less fortunate, and especially those who are mentally, or emotionally, disturbed. Isaiah said, "In quietness and in confidence shall be your strength."

RECOGNIZING THE REAL NEEDS

Beneath the facade of many apparently "happy" people are real, deepset needs. There is the teen-ager who is so ashamed of her drunken mother that she won't permit even her school teacher to visit her at home.

There is the child who quickly and positively justifies his parents' absence from Sunday School or church because he realizes his parents are without excuse for their conduct.

There is the aged person who is desperately trying to make ends meet on a totally inadequate pension, but who still loves her church and will give over and above her ability to every object the church suggests. In your opinion, what is the real need of each of these people?

THE COMPLEXITY OF THE PROBLEM

Our industrial society has created some problems. The chronically deprived suffer from various kinds of fatigue, such as, lack of hope, lack of material needs, and lack of recreation. In other words they are socially, economically, and emotionally poor.

Two-thirds of our children live in homes where matriarchy rules. Divorce has taken fathers out of the homes—not necessarily husbands. Occupations have divorced still more fathers from their families. For example, the long-distance truck driver "stops over" at his home occasionally; not by choice but by necessity. Think too, of his unmet needs. You know, laughter should be more than a lack of tears.

DON'T WASTE YOUR EFFORTS

The deprived, the handicapped, the less fortunate, have many things in com-

mon. Your writer shall list only a few: (1) They see themselves as victims; (2) They believe that society is arrayed against them; (3) They don't accept the worker at face value; (4) Their judgments are usually based on rumors; (5) Most of this group are shrewd enough, but they doubt the sincerity of simplicity.

Then, if Christian women are to help relieve these needs, they must be prepared to (1) Speak their language. Communications must be clear. Jesus practiced this art. He always made His meaning clear. So speaking their language will conserve your efforts. (2) Help this family, or person, to discover their hidden strengths. The greatest help you can give to any family is to help them discover that with Christ's help they can handle most of their own problems. (3) Place yourself in the other fellow's place. How would you like to be helped if you were on the receiving end? And, but for the Grace of God, places could be reversed! (4) Approach this service optimistically and with the expectation that it will help, that what you are offering is good and realistic. (5) Set a figurative table. Have something there for each member of the family. Have it attractively arranged so they will want to take at least a small serving of each. (6) There are other people trying to help, too. Accept their cooperation.

All of heaven's power is on your side and waits to assist you to help others. God wants to be their very own Father. He can be, too, when they know Christ as Saviour. The Holy Spirit hovers close by to point them to Christ.

The disciples asked Christ why He talked with the Samaritan woman. They knew why! You, too, should know your reason for service. Why do you wish to help?

Is Your Auxiliary *Out of This World?*

By Mildred Daniel

Song: "Jesus Calls Us"

Scripture: John 15:19

Solo: "Open My Eyes"

OUR TITLE HAS a modern-day sound—or does it? In the 15th, 16th and 17th chapters of the Gospel of John, the word "world" is used 32 times. Therefore, we conclude that it is a very important word and it takes on an even greater significance when we view some of the phrases connected with it in these three chapters, such as—"If the *world* hate you," "The *world* would love his own," "Of the *world*," "Not of the *world*," "In the *world*," "Out of the *world*." Do these statements conflict? To understand, we must look deeper into the world itself.

THE "WORLD"

The word "world" comes from the Greek word "kosmos," meaning "order" or "arrangement." Translated "world," the word can be applied in three different ways: 1. Referring to the global earth, 2. Referring to the world system as governed by Satan, and 3. Referring to mankind, the creation of God.

As our astronauts circle the globe, it is now possible for a photograph to be taken from hundreds of miles above the earth which will cover a geographical area of 1,000 to 1,500 miles in scope in a single exposure. Man's accomplishments of the last decade in the light of jet, rocket and missile propulsion, make the phrase "It's a small world" more than a mere cliché.

However, while our global world tends

to shrink in size and scope because of these recent discoveries and inventions, the "world system" with Satan in control as the "prince of the power of the air" (Ephesians 2:2) has certainly not diminished. This can also be said of the "world" as referring to mankind. The alarming population explosion is a prime concern of all governments, as each struggles to provide a sufficient amount of food, pure water and employment for the ever increasing numbers.

IN THE WORLD BUT NOT OF THE WORLD

We, as Christians, have been taught to fear and shun any form of "worldliness," or, we might term it "world-like-ness." It was the "kingdoms of the world" you recall, that Satan used to try and tempt our Lord with in the wilderness (Matt. 4:5). It is true that our Bibles teach us that the "friendship of the world is enmity with God" (James 4:4). However, in our fear of conformity we have taken an opposite extreme position. The ever increasing tendency on the part of those in fundamental Christian circles is to withdraw into what might be termed, a religious shell. As Mr. Bear safely hibernates in his den during the winter, we too are more or less shut away, enjoying one another's fellowship, while the world of mankind at the rate of 125,000 souls a day are marching one by one away, into a Christless doom! To be "shut in" with the Lord and His people is certainly a joy and a time of refreshing for God's child while we are in the world. But, can we afford to "shut out" those all about us that God so loved, while we as Christians feast on our spiritual blessing in Him? Can we rest

and relax when the Lord left us to work and win those for whom He died?

With most of us, our church and social schedules are busy with almost nightly activities which pivot around our own local assemblies and membership. To those "outside our fold," it must seem, as it did to David on one occasion, "*No man careth for my soul!*" To determine whether or not our church, our Auxiliary, and, we ourselves, have fallen into this trend towards "religious isolationism," take inventory of your time. How much is allotted to others who are not in our family or church fold? Are you, in a sense, out of this world?

WHY NOT, "OUT OF THIS WORLD?"

In John 17, we have recorded the real "Lord's Prayer," the one He prayed for His children He must soon leave behind. Look particularly at verse 15. Jesus implores His Father, "I pray not that Thou shouldst take them out of the world." Instead, He prays that God will keep us from the evil, *while in the world*. In other words, we have to remain in the world, work here, live here, be surrounded by its good and its evil, knowing of a surety, that our God IS able to keep and to deliver us in the *midst* of it all.

How far we have drifted, in a practical sense, from the pattern set for us by the early church. They "tarried" only until they were "filled," then *they went out!* " . . . Daily in the temple and in every house, they ceased not to teach and preach Jesus Christ" (Acts 5:41, 42). Saul, before his conversion, "made havoc of the church." What then, was their reaction? "They that were scattered abroad went *everywhere* preaching the word" (Acts 8:3, 4).

This, then, is the conclusion of the matter; we are to be *in* the world, but not *of* the world, and yet, not *out of* the world either. These three facts should be reconciled and applied, in a practical way, to our daily lives.

Are we as faithful as our missionaries? Can you imagine the furor that would be

caused, if we should get a letter from one of our missionaries in a field such as Brazil, stating that each of the several missionary families had recently all moved into one small area, had established their own exclusive church, and were feasting on the Word of God and enjoying the fellowship of their missionary friends very much? In reality, do they not have as much right to expect us to work and win the lost at home as we do to expect them to work and win those on the foreign fields?

Of course, there is a "secret to success." "Love one another as I have loved you" (John 15:12). This type of love comes from God and is a compelling force that will not be silenced! It will motivate us (when convenient and when not convenient), not only to the house of the Lord and into the companionship of Christian brothers and sisters, but also, out to that neighbor with the incorrigible husband who needs our friendship; on to that woman down the street with a housefull of children and plenty of housework to do, but who never has found any higher purpose and meaning to her existence; on to the ever-searching young teenager with no foundation on which to build his life. These, then, are *our* world, and we need to get back *into* it and get busy! Some needs are physical, but more often, it is rather, a need for *someone* to care. David cried out, "I looked on my right hand, and beheld, but there was *no* man that would *know* me, refuge *failed* me; *no* man cared for *my* soul!" Even so, souls are crying this day. What an indictment against you and I as Christians, for even our Lord came not to be ministered unto, but to minister and to give His life a ransom for all.

Are you out of touch, or in isolation from, the world about you?

"O Lord, forgive us for being so heavenly minded, that we are no earthly good, and help us henceforth to hear, to sense and to see the desperate needs of those about us that You came to seek and to save!"

Europe— A New Mission Field

By Agnes Smith

Song: "The Regions Beyond"

Call to Prayer: Acts 16:6-12

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THE APOSTLE PAUL had been very successful as a missionary in Asia. Great numbers had professed faith in Christ and churches had been established.

Paul had plans for extending his work into the northern provinces of Asia. However, his plans were changed by the Holy Spirit and he and his companions went to the city of Troas instead. It was there that he received the plea of the man from Macedonia, Greece, asking him to "Come over and help us."

Being convinced that the Holy Spirit was leading, they immediately headed that way. They preached the Gospel of Christ and many believed and churches were established. The early churches in Greece became very strong and it was from them that Christianity spread into the other countries of Europe.

Does it not seem strange to refer to the continent that received the Gospel in the early days of the Christian church as a "new mission field"?

Although Christianity very early became corrupted in form and content, it was effective enough that most of the continent of Europe became nominally Christian within a few centuries after the birth of the Christian church. However, pagan concepts gradually infiltrated Christian worship. The very character of salvation was altered until it hardly resembled Christianity. It is small wonder that the continent of Europe was soon plunged into the Dark Ages.

Christianity was almost lost to the continent but God raised up men of real faith whose efforts to revive Christianity were not totally in vain. During the period of the reformation the basic message of "salvation by grace through faith" once again flourished and many were won to Christ. Since that time of revival the Christian church in Europe has had her ups and downs. The continent of Europe is responsible in a great measure for introducing and reviving Christianity in our own country but it is considered a mission field by spiritual leaders today.

An outstanding leader of Europe's largest Protestant church refers to his country as "the new Europe turned pagan." The era when Europe was a Christian continent lies behind us.

Dr. Robert Evans, founder and European Director of Greater Europe Mission, states very emphatically in his book *Let Europe Hear* that "the oldest mission field is now the newest."

Let us take a look at Europe's major free countries and get a better picture of their spiritual condition.

FRANCE AND GERMANY

It is a commonly accepted fact that morality in France has always been low. Of course this is due to her impoverished spiritual condition. There is widespread religious indifference and atheism.

France is the most alcoholic nation in the world! Teen-age violence is almost

uncontrollable. Police say that of the young people they arrest most of them average seeing six movies a week.

It is indeed sad to think that "teen-agers of France, who learned many of their ways from American films, music and magazines, hear nothing of the Saviour some Americans know. France needs a thousand missionaries." (Dr. Evans.)

Germany's situation is indeed a pathetic one. Only 250 years after Luther, the country had drifted into liberal theological thinking. This was followed closely by Nazi barbarism and today only five percent of Germany's population attend a church. Surely Germany needs a revival of Christianity.

SPAIN AND PORTUGAL

The total picture of Spain may be summed up in the words of Roy Wyatt, Jr., who wrote: "It is dark in Spain, dark in the churches, dark in the simply adorned houses, dark in the narrow, cobblestone streets. And the most ominous darkness is in the people's hearts and minds.

Conditions for the normal church witness is a little better in Portugal spiritual darkness is much the same.

ITALY

The great American humorist Mark Twain was dead serious when he wrote in 1869, "As far as I can see, Italy, for fifteen hundred years, has turned all her energies, all her finances, and all her industry to the building of a vast array of wonderful church edifices, while starving half her citizens to accomplish it. She is today one vast museum of magnificence and misery."

Although the material situation of Italy has improved somewhat since Mark Twain's time, her spiritual state is little better.

Italy is a land of great churches, ritual and glory—but almost totally devoid of true religion. With close to thirty-five percent Communists and less than one-half of one percent Protestant, Italy is surely a needy mission field.

HOLLAND AND SCANDANAVIA (Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Finland)

Holland's spiritual need is great because of secularism, Romanism and Protestant liberalism. Although about forty-five percent of Holland's people are nominally Protestant, they have a "form of godliness" and many have had no personal experience with Christ as Saviour.

The small countries (Norway, Sweden, Denmark and Finland) of the Scandinavian peninsula are almost totally Protestant in name but cold and irresponsible to the Gospel.

SWITZERLAND, BELGIUM, LUXEMBURG, AUSTRIA

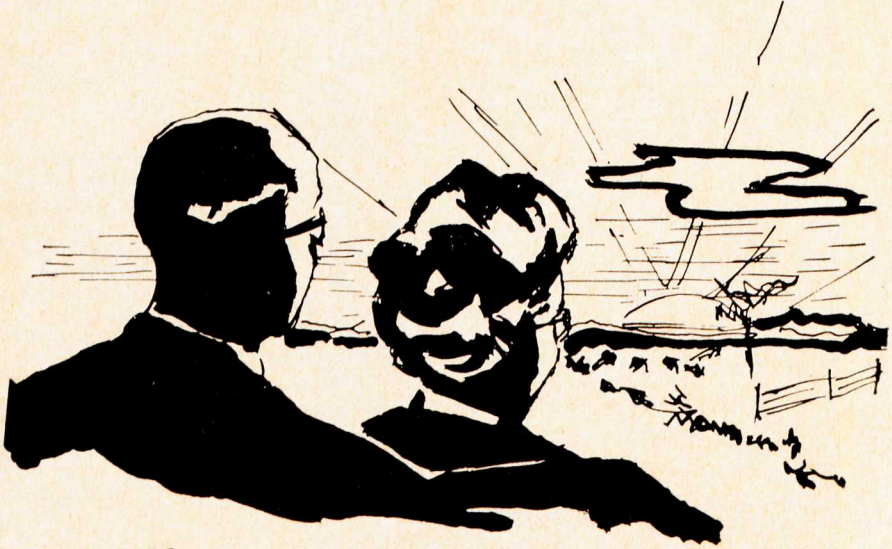
The small country of Switzerland is a land of wealth and beauty—almost literally a land flowing with milk and honey. But this country has the world's fourth largest suicide rate. Why? Simply because the people do not have the peace and security that comes from having a personal saving relationship with God.

Belgium, Luxemburg and Austria have many things in common. They are considered to be the most totally Catholic countries in Europe with over ninety-five percent of their population professed Catholic. However, few are loyal and many find no satisfaction in what the church has to offer and are openly critical of it.

CONCLUSION

These brief bits of information have been presented to help us see the urgency of again presenting the good news of salvation through Christ to these hungering millions of Europe, the *new* mission field.

As we see what has happened to once Christian Europe let us take a new look at the moral and spiritual condition of our own beloved country. May we realize that unless professing Christians take their religious responsibilities more seriously and become more dedicated to the living God and His plan for evangelizing the world, *our own country may one day become more pagan than Christian*. If and when that happens, who will re-evangelize America?



... if any provide not for his own ...

CARE OF AGED and retired ministers, missionaries and other Christian workers is the ministry of our Superannuation department. Provision for income at retirement is available.

One of the large responsibilities of this department is an educational program to keep both our churches and pastors aware of the importance of adequate provision for retirement.

Is There Any Difference?

By Chester A. Huckaby

Chairman National Superannuation Board

Genesis 30:30b, Matthew 10:9, Romans 12:17b

II Corinthians 8:21, I Timothy 5:8

God has provided ways and means from time to time whereby His ministers could be provided for in an honorable way. I think if you will closely observe these passages of Scripture you will fully realize that it does make a difference how it is to be done.

Perhaps ministers are living in luxury today compared to the ministers of 50 to 75 years ago or even 25 years ago, but even at the best most ministers are in debt, and live from pay day to pay day, without saying anything. Eighty percent of the Free Will Baptist ministers which I have met have no savings whatever and can hardly pay their bills and some do not. It is surprising how few of our ministers have Social Security, or any type of provision for retirement.

The foregoing statement may sound unreasonable but we should face the bare truth, the facts, about this very important part of the support of the Gospel ministry within the Free Will Baptist church. Every church member should be fully conscious of the responsibility of each and every member toward the *life time support* of every minister who devotes his full-time service to that call and work, whether he is a pastor, missionary or other full-time worker. There is a great difference in the person who earns his or her living and serves part-time in the church as pastor or some other worker, and the person who gives his entire life, full-time, to the Lord and the church. While others are building a home and paying into some plan of retirement so

they will have an income when they become old and disabled, the minister, missionary or other full-time worker will have no income or home whatever unless they pay Social Security or enter into the Annuity Pension Plan arranged for by the Board of Superannuation of the National Association of Free Will Baptists.

This is the question asked “. . . When shall I provide for mine own house . . . ?” (Genesis 30:30b) We as Free Will Baptists should ask ourselves the same question, “When will Free Will Baptists provide for their own house?” We are so proud of the great number of preachers and missionaries that we have sent out for the past 25 years, but it is our responsibility to not only support them while they are serving, but also when they become disabled or too old. Jesus taught that the worker should be provided for. “. . . Provide things honest in the sight of all men” (Romans 12:17.) “. . . not only in the sight of the Lord, but also in the sight of men” (II Corinthians 9:21). *We are falling far short of this responsibility, every one of us should rally to the cause, give at least one offering each year from each church and encourage every pastor, missionary and full-time worker to apply today for an application and enter into the Retirement Plan for our denomination. “. . . if any provide not for his own, and especially for those of his own house, he hath denied the faith, and is worse than an infidel” (I Timothy 5:8). May we not be guilty of this wrong!*

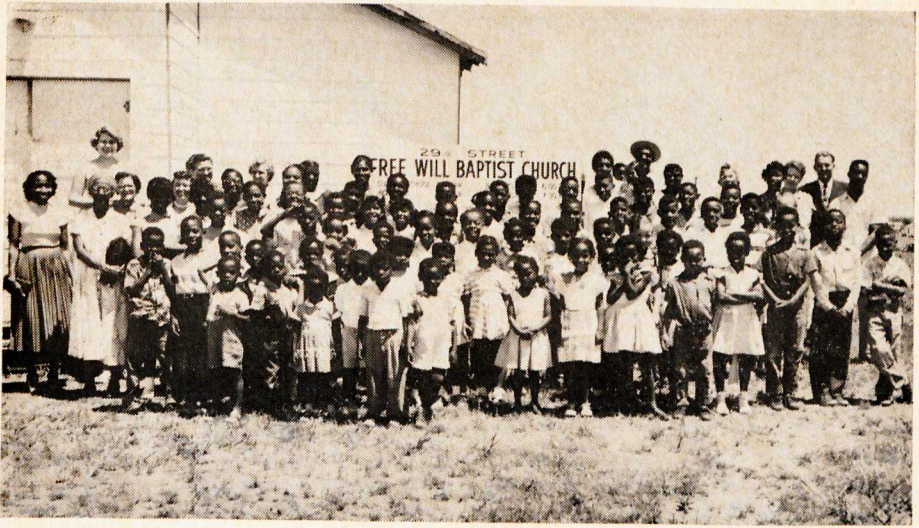


The Woman's Auxiliary held their first mission vacation Bible school at the Airport Mission which is now a thriving church.

MISSION VACATION

Among the varied ways that women can help the church fulfil its mission responsibility is the conducting of *mission vacation Bible schools*.

Several years ago, Rev. John H. West, pastor of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Tulsa, Oklahoma, had a burden to establish a church in the airport area. He states: "The Woman's Auxiliary took a census in the community and found that we could operate there without objection. After making many trips into this area and after much prayer, we found some lots that we could buy. These lots had been ignored by the builders of the community because the titles were no good, but we bought them,



The second school was a colored school. Enrollment was 165, many of them seniors. Twenty-five accepted Christ as Saviour.

BIBLE SCHOOLS

had the titles cleared and built the Airport Mission.

"Immediately after the mission was established, we sponsored a vacation Bible school with success.

"The next school was a colored school. This was a real undertaking for the women, but it payed big dividends.

"These people were meeting in a very small shack that they called a church, but the weather was good so we had classes in the yard and everywhere we could get a group together. We enrolled 165 colored children, many of them were senior boys and girls."

On the last day of the school as Rev. West spoke to the group, the power of the Lord was really present. Twenty-five

knelt in the altar for prayer and they all accepted Christ as Saviour.

"The next year," Rev. West continued, "The Woman's Auxiliary sponsored another school with a like number enrolled and twenty three were saved. The closing night of the school had to be held in the yard and we took moving pictures of them.

"Last year we held another colored school in a different part of town. We only had 60 enrolled and not as many saved, but a great school. We thank the Lord for these opportunities that our church has had in sponsoring *Mission vacation Bible schools*. We have held four and the Lord has really blessed our women in their efforts."



Circle Programs

OR FOR SECOND AUXILIARY MEETING

By Nora Lee McCarty

APRIL / PEOPLE OF SPECIAL NEEDS

Song: "Somebody Cares"

Scripture: Matthew 25:40

EVERY COMMUNITY has people who have needs that can be met by members of the Woman's Auxiliary. The Christian or group that shares concern for persons in need, fills a missionary role in a unique way. A missionary tells of Christ, a Christian is Christlike, so by our Christlike ways and actions we are telling those about us of Christ's love. The Bible encourages this type work (Proverbs 11:25-30).

WHO CARES?

Modern social agencies have many ways of providing professional care for those who need it. Many secular organizations composed of unsaved people often show concern and compassion for human needs (thank God for this concern) but certainly Christians have more reason for caring than anyone else. The social

agency can provide food and clothes for the needy, they can even provide brief companionship, but what about the spiritual needs of these dear people? What about their souls? What about the warmth and joy that a lost, unhappy world cannot give? Who is to give this if we as Christian women do not? Did you say that you would like to be a missionary? Dear Christian co-laborer, you may be. Look around you! The Harvest is ripe!

WHO ARE THEY?

Needs confront us on every hand. Persons of spiritual need are those who for one reason or another, do not find it possible to attend and participate personally in the life of the church—that woman in the hospital, the crippled child, the lonely elderly lady, the delinquent

boy, the alcoholic, the mother who is frustrated and alone because of an unfaithful husband, the new Christian, and the many others that need someone to talk to and to pray with them.

WHY SHOULD WE CARE?

Because of the teaching and example of Jesus. He healed the sick, opened blind eyes, cast out demons and spent time encouraging and lifting up people. *The Bible admonishes us to care.* "Bear ye one another's burdens" (Galatians

6:2). James 2:15, 16 says that our faith will be revealed in work for a destitute brother or sister. *There is such a great need!* These people are so often neglected. In a recent regular monthly service at a home for the aged, an elderly lady came to my husband and thanked him for taking the time to come and worship and talk with them. "But," she continued, "you won't have to come much longer for me." These people are crying for love and affection. What a large *mission field* we have friends!

MAY / NEEDS OF OUR SERVICEMEN

Song: "Onward Christian Soldiers"

Scripture: Ephesians 6:10-18

A CHRISTIAN we have a responsibility to our armed forces—Men in training, on the battle field, and to chaplains. Each of these has a definite need that we can fill. Whether saved or unsaved the serviceman needs the support and prayers of his friends and family.

THE CHRISTIAN SERVICEMAN

One who has been saved and is a member of our church wants to know what is going on at home—that CTS had an extra good program last week or that someone was saved in the church (especially one his friends)—all the good news of the church.

We can do this by sending letters, tapes, birthday and Christmas cards; by seeing that he receives all church bulletins, denominational newsletters, papers, magazines, mission papers and even the local newspapers.

He is a missionary and as he testifies of God's love he will need good literature and spiritual food. Encourage him to go to church even though the services are different than those he is used to—God's Word is the same. Share prayer requests of the church with him so he will feel he is a part of the church.

THE UNSAVED SERVICEMAN

The unsaved serviceman needs our prayers, good literature, letters, tapes, and cards, the same as the Christian does. Be sure he has a Bible. When sending a gift, tuck in a good salvation tract.

THE CHAPLAIN

There is a great need for Christian chaplains in all the branches of service. We Christians can help by praying for the chaplain, that he will teach God's Word; by corresponding with him concerning our boys' needs and discourage-

ments; by asking him to encourage their faithful attendance at church services either at the base or nearby; by guiding our young God-called Free Will Baptist ministers to consider the great need for chaplains.

One of the boys of our church serving in Ecuador, recently wrote that a church of another denomination had adopted this group of boys and was writing and sending gifts. The armed forces is truly another mission field!

JUNE / NEEDS OF THE FAMILY

Song: "My Mother's Prayers Have Followed Me"

Scripture: Luke 10:38-42

W E CHRISTIAN MOTHERS, at times, become so involved in things that we fail our own families. We fail by robbing them of the things they have a right to expect of a Christian mother.

WHAT ARE THE NEEDS?

How do we rob them? Women are prone to believe that if all the ironing isn't done, all the dishes washed, all the floors spotless, that they are failing and that they must not go to church or auxiliary until this is done. I do not believe that this is what Jesus teaches. Look at the story of Mary and Martha. I believe what Jesus is saying is that the serving has to be done but the most important and lasting thing in our life is to worship Him. It is important that our families be fed and clothed, that our houses be kept clean, but it is more important that our families serve God!

Family devotions, grace at the table, bedtime prayers, regular church, CTS, and Sunday school attendance are necessary for a Christian home. The ironing left undone, the unwashed dishes or the unwaxed floors will not cause a child to be lost but unsaid prayers, unread Bibles, unattended church services will!

HOW CAN WE MEET THESE NEEDS?

We can meet these needs in the following ways: *By attending to the spiritual needs as well as the natural needs of our families.* Of course our children must be fed, bathed, clothed, and they must be taught good grooming, but let us not put

any of these above their spiritual needs. If the house is piled up or the dishes undone and our child has a question on spiritual matters or doesn't understand the Sunday school lesson, just remember which is lasting and see to the questions!

By seeing that our families are in all services of the church. Don't ever be fooled in thinking that the young child cannot understand church services (that is the devil's big lie).

By not neglecting family devotions, grace at the table, questions, Woman's Auxiliary meetings (Oh yes, women need this good fellowship with our sisters as we meet to worship, study, and to pray together). It will enable each of us to better serve our family and others, if we take time to enrich our own spiritual values—we will have more to give.

We serve by being an example of what we teach; by being consistent in our discipline and in our spiritual worship; by attending all church services regularly not spasmodically; by not neglecting family and personal devotions.

We women have a great influence on those about us. It may be a good influence or it may be a bad one but nevertheless we are an influence! Which kind are you? The do-as-I-say group, or the do-as-I-do group? The good or the bad influence group? The truly missionary-minded group or the group that says "We would love to be missionaries." You take inventory, you decide.

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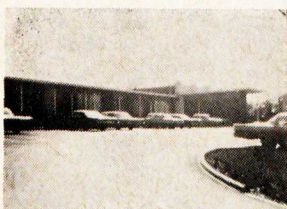
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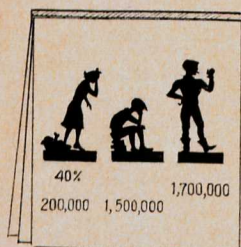
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APRIL EMPHASIS / THE DEPRIVED



Make a set of posters or charts using pictures from magazines or draw silhouettes depicting the following: unmarried mother, child from broken

home, juvenile delinquent, the aged, disabled, blind, alcoholic, mentally disturbed, and dope addict. Use only statistics under the pictures but discuss these needs. To illustrate: *Unwed Mothers*—200,000 babies are born to unwed mothers each year in the U.S. About 40% of them teenagers. *Broken Homes*—One and one-half million children in the U.S. lose their security every year because of broken homes. *Juvenile Delinquent*—More than 1,700,000 children in the U.S. have records of delinquency, having been convicted of crimes. *Mental Illness*—It is estimated that one out of every twenty persons in the U.S. will at some time in their lives be hospitalized for mental illness.

MAY EMPHASIS / COMMUNITY OUTREACH

True-False Quiz

1. A church which is reaching out is following the example of Christ. (T)
2. He taught eager multitudes in the synagogues. (F) (He taught in the syna-

gogue, but the groups were hardly "eager multitudes.")

3. The multitudes of unreached persons were to be found in the synagogues. (F)
4. Jesus sought out the multitudes wherever they were (T)
5. Our churches today are filled with seeking multitudes. (F)
6. Church members who center all their time and effort inside their church building to the neglect of the unreached persons outside suffer from spiritual shortsightedness. (T)

JUNE EMPHASIS / A NEW MISSION FIELD

Mount on poster paper a travel picture of some place in Europe. Across it print: An Evening in Europe! Give time, place, date. Display as many curios and products from the countries as you can find.

Make picture posters. But newsprint and cut it into sheets two by three feet. Paste a European picture on each sheet. Beneath the picture, in large letters that can be seen by the whole group, print information about it. Tack these sheets on the walls or staple them together and mount them on cardboard for a stiff backing. To illustrate: France: 45,000,000 people; 80% baptized Catholics, but only a fourth practicing Catholics.

Italy: Is 760 miles long and not over 220 miles wide; population 50,000,000. (A picture of Leonardo da Vinci's painting, *The Last Supper*.)



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