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JUDAS AND YOU

Rev. R. Luther Sanders Monett, Mo.

"Now when the even was come, he sat down with the twelve. And as they did eat, he said, Verily I say unto you, that one of you shall betray me. And they were exceeding sorrowful, and began every one of them to say unto him, Lord, is it I? And he answered and said, He that dippeth his hand with me in the dish, the same shall betray me. The Son of man goeth as it is written of him: but woe unto that man by whom the Son of man is betrayed! It had been good for that man if he had not been born." Matt. 26:20-24.

Too often we read the account of the betrayal and crucifixion of Jesus Christ, and we find so many hard things to say about Judas. I do not wish to defend the acts of Judas, for he got what he deserved, but I do wish to point out that this statement is not restricted to Judas alone. What was Judas about to do that prompted Jesus to make this statement? Yes, he was in the process of selling his Lord. Judas for thirty pieces of silver sold his Lord, and at the same time, without intending to do so, he sold his soul.

Many people are today selling the Lord for less than thirty pieces of silver. Just a moment of sinful pleasure, a dram of the devil's brew, the thrill of the cheering crowd, and in the bargain, they we their own soul. Surely this statement could be said, not only about Judas, but for all who sell their Lord. We remember the famous traitor, Benedict Arnold, who in the Revolutionary War betrayed America to the English. This we consider a most disgraceful act, but in the final analysis, the creature betraying the creation is far less disgraceful than for the creature to betray the Creator. The flames of hell will be no hotter for Judas Iscariot than it will be for you, if you betray the Lord; therefore this statement can be said with reference to you. "It had been good for that man if he had not been born".

Also we read in God's word about several other people for whom it would have been better if they had never been the object of family love and affection, than for them to be hurled headlong into the lake of fire with Judas and the other traitors. Listen to what God's word says in Revelation 21:8, "But the fearful and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murders, and whoremongers, and

sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death." Truly it would be better for these people if they had not been born.

Also there are the hypocrites to be considered-I think that there will be a good representation of hypocrites in hell. These are the people who are so busy with the church program that they have no time for God. These people are the ones to whom Christ referred when he said, "Ye confess me with your mouth but your hearts are far from me. " Joining the church doesn't save you, but it does make you a hypocrite if first you don't accept Jesus Christ as you Saviour. Listen to what God's word says as recorded in Matt. 24:48-51 about the future state of such people: "But and if that evil servant shall say in his heart, My Lord delayeth his coming; And shall begin to smite his fellow servants, and to eat and drink with the drunken; The Lord of that servant shall come in a day when he looketh not for him, and in an hour that he is not aware of, And shall cut him asunder, and appoint him his portion with the hypocrites: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' Surely then this statement could be said, not only about the traitor, and the fearful and unbelieving, and the abominable, and the murderers, and the whoremongers, and sorcerers and idolaters, and all liars, "It had been good for that man if he had not been born", but it would also include the hypocrites.

Maybe none of these characteristics are you, perhaps you are a good man morally, you may have set high social standards and are proud of your accomplishments. You may be able to point out any number of people and say as the Pharisee, "I am thankful that I am not like that man." You may have an air of self-righteousness and do not feel that it is necessary to depend upon God. But God says in Romans 3:23 "All have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;" Also in Isaiah 64:6 "But we are all as an unclean thing, and all our righteousness are as filthy rags—"; therefore it is necessary for you to have the righteousness of Christ imputed unto you in order to satisfy God's demand for righteousness: or else it would have been good for you if you had not been born.

Then there is just the plain old sinner who knows that he is lost and just will not do anything about it. He has shaken his head when the preacher asked him to accept Christ as Saviour. He doesn't intend to go to hell and is certain that he will have plenty of time to get religion after he has had his share of the fun. But life is only a vapor, James 4:14 affirms. A plane crash, a car wreck, a burning building, a lick on the head, and the judgment. "And as it is appointed unto men to die, but after that the judgment." Then if death finds you unprepared God will say to you, "Depart ye cursed into everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels." Surely if you meet God in this condition it would have been better for you if you had not been born.

THE BIBLE'S DAY

Fifty-seven years ago a conference of the representatives of the American Bible Society and its auxiliaries passed the following resolution: "Resolved, that the auxiliary Societies should endeavor to induce all the churches in their territory to devote one service in the year to the presentation of the Bible Cause."

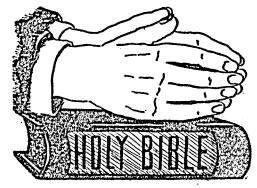
The next reference to a special day for the Bible Cause was in connection with the celebration of the centennial of the British and Foreign Bible Society. The Sunday nearest the anniversary date, March 8, 1904, was endorsed by all the leading denominations in this country as The Bible's Day. Special worship services were held across the country celebrating the international aspects of the two Bible Societies.

In 1915, in connection with the Panama-Pacific Exposition at San-Francisco, there was held a World's Bible Congress, August 1-4, Sunday the first being Bible Day. The November 1918 issue of the Bible Society Record, however, gives December eighth as Universal Bible Sunday and speaks of a growing practice to celebrate the second Sunday in Advent as Bible Sunday, thus giving thanks for the written Word prior to our praise for the Word Incarnate.

For the past fifteen years this day has been the high point of the World Wide Bible Reading program initiated by the American Bible Society. This year the emphasis of the program is being stressed for an entire week, called Universal Bible Week, so that every church, liturgical and non-liturgical, may celebrate a special day for the Bible that will fit into their church program. The dates are December 7 to 14, and the theme of the program is "The Book that Lives".

Attend Church Every Sunday!

The Family Altar



HOW TO MAINTAIN FAMILY WORSHIP

"Breakfast is ready!"

As long as I can remember that has been the call to family worship in my parents' home. I do not know whether they ever tried any other hour of the day for family worship. I do know that hour never passed any day without Bible reading and prayer at the breakfast table.

As I think back, it must have been exceedingly difficult to maintain family worship in my home. There were five children. Some of us had to be pried out of bed and pushed off to school. Others bounced out of bed at 5:00 A. M. and were eager to get started in order to get in an extra game of hopscotch or something before the school bell rang. It did not matter, however, if one of us was trying to rub his eys open while another displayed his impatience to be off by nervous squirming, there was time for Bible reading and prayer. Perhaps I should have said, time was taken for Bible reading and prayer.

We were just a normal American family. The hustle and bustle of life would have blown out the altar fire of family devotion except for the fact that Mother and Dad were determined that it should burn brightly no matter what else happened.

Maintaining family worship takes determination. Somebody has to believe that the daily worship of God is important. At least one member of the family must be convinced that a soul will starve without food as quickly as the body. Then just as much effort will go into maintaining family worship as goes into arranging three meals a day. Someone needs to be convinced that getting the children off to school to learn the truth about two plus two and how to spell "receive" is less important than a few minutes with the Book which reveals Jesus. who is the way, the truth, and the life.

There is just no way to maintain

family worship unless somebody wants to keep it going. Unfortunately, even the desire for family worship is not enough, for the best laid plans of mice and men do go astray. The best regulated households have their days of complete confusion. What happens to family worship then?

The easiest set of problems to deal with is that which should be called "Materials for Family Worship Misplaced." It happens everywhere but how nobody knows. Johnny took the book of daily devotions to add to the stack of books he was using as a ladder to the cookyjar. The printer, the publisher, or the mail man slipped up in getting the devotional magazine out on time. The new maid or a helpful friend who assisted in preparing a meal put the Bible out of danger and also out of sight.

The obvious remedy for this problem is to have a special place to keep the materials used in family worship. Still the emergency will come. As a temporary substitute, you can always ask each member of the family to repeat a Bible verse. The members of the family can join hands and bow together in silent prayer for each other. Whoever is in charge can simply call the name of the member of the family for whom each is to pray and, after a brief period of prayer, call another name, and so on unil each name in the circle has been called.

Another procedure is for the entire family to repeat in unison some familiar Scripture passage such as the twenty-third Psalm or the Lord's Prayer. The absence of the usual devotional materials may be taken as an occasion for one member of the family to teach the others a verse from the Bible.

Assuming that a Bible is available, a chapter or a part of a chapter may be read from Matthew, Mark, or John, or from one of the short books near the close of the New Testament—the epistles of James, Peter, John, and Jude. Of course those who are thoroughly familiar with the Bible will be able to select approriate passages from any portion of the Word of God.

Another set of problems which might make it difficult to maintain family worship might be headed "Crowded Schedule." The alarm clock did not go off, or there is a special early meeting at the office or the school or the club.

The easy answer is: Select a time of day for family worship and do not permit anything to interfere with it.

Unless a definite time is chosen and observed there will soon be no

family worship. To limit the practice to those odd occasions when all the family is together with nothing else to do is to insure its failure. Family worship should rank no lower in a family's schedule than the time for a meal.

But there are times when some members of the family miss a meal. What do you do then? The other members of the family eat at the regular time. Have family worship with some of the members of the family missing? That is not ideal, but half a loaf is better than none. And even though it be only one member of the family who reads God's Word and prays at the appointed hour, that one will keep the embers glowing until the morrow.

When the family is divided, have a covenant that those members who are away from home will join in prayer at the appointed hour. It will thus be possible for hearts which are miles apart to be joined together at the foot of the throne of God.

One thing should be underscored—no family is completely packed for a trip until and unless the Bible and other devotional helps used in family worship are included. Despite some disadvantages, a car or a train may provide just the opportunity for the family to take its time in Bible reading and prayer and religious conversation.

A third set of problems should be labeled "Interruptions." Illness or a trip takes away the one who customarily leads family worship. Friends or relatives come for a visit.

If there are visitors in the home, that is no interruption, it is an opportunity. Invite them to join with you. Either they will have a spiritual contribution to make to your worship, or you will make a spiritual contribution to them.

The responsibility for taking the initiative in family worship should rest on the shoulders of the most spiritually-minded member of the family. Other members of the family may even be irritated at times with the procedure, but the leader must go right ahead day after day, knowing that the most indifferent will one day thank God for the influence of family worship upon his or her life.

From the very outset, however, the leader should attempt to prepare others to take over the responsibility. This is easier to do if there is a set procedure with which all are familiar. If you use a book of daily devotions or read passages of the Bible, for example according to the list suggested in Home Life, some other member or

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A MODERN LAZARUS

Tonight there lies a modern Lazarus at our gate. He has an old battered, weather-beaten hat on his head, shabby clothes that look as though they haven't been washed in a long time, if ever, and hard caloused bare feet poking out the ends of his trouser legs. He is drunk. In fact, he is very drunk and has about passed out. No doubt he will spend the night right there until he sobers up in the early hours of tomorrow morning. We have seen him before as he labors all day on the vacant lots next to our house cutting grass for hay or wandering aimlessly up and down the street. He lives a lonely and desolate life. Most important of all, he will live an even worse life in eternity unless he can be reached with the gospel.

In a sense this derelict is like both the Lazaruses mentioned in the Bible. First, he is like Lazarus the brother of Martha and Mary, whom the Lord Jesus raised from the dead as we read in John 12:1. Here lies a man who is "dead in trespasses and sins," who is walking "according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience." Eph. 2:1-2. But he is only one of many here in Brazil who are in the same pitiful condition-lost and without hope, except they hear about Christ who is the only One able to save them. This man is under the power and influence of alcohol, but there are others who lead a life of gambling, or like our neighbors across the street-operate a house of prostitution. Concerning the latter, reports on the number of men who are unfaithful run as high as 80-90% here. It is easy to see from such a picture as this that the Catholic Church here does not exert a strong moral influence on the populace. There is really only one hope-a personal experience of salvation in our Lord Jesus Christ.

Secondly, this man is like the Lazarus who lay at the gate of a certain rich man. The Bible says he was "full of sores.... moreover the dogs came and licked his sores." A dog has come to lie down by this poor wretched man at our gate. When he did I just could not help thinking of the Lazarus whom Jesus told about in Luke 16:19-31. Jesus said he was full of sores and that statement made me see how this man at our gate is also full of the sores of sin. There is the ugly oozing of alcohol, the offensive smell of moral decay and most of all there is the soul-destroying cancer of unbelief. Why hasn't this man believed? Is it because he has in the past refused to accept Christ or is it that he hasn't yet heard about Him Who is able to heal his soul? I do not know.

There are many here in Brazil who yet have not heard about our Saviour. The challenge is great and the opportunities are great, but the laborers are few. Won't you pray that the Lord of the harvest will send forth reapers into the field of Brazil? The rich man who fared sumptuously every day was able to feed Lazarus. I am wondering if we who have the Bread of Life will supply that Bread to the lost and dying of Brazil. "Say not ye, there are yet four months, and then cometh harvest? Behold I say unto you, Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest." John 4:35.

> Rev. Ken Eagleton Campinas, Brazil

WORLDWIDE BIBLE READING-FIFTEENTH BIRTHDAY

By Dr. James Nettinga, Secretary American Bible Society Service Men Started It

"Out here I have had time to think about the deeper things of the spiritual life. I'm writing you, Mom, to ask that you and Pop read a chapter of the New Testament each day. I will read the same chapter way across the other side of the world and I will feel, somehow, we are united, sort of joining invisible hands. And if I come back, the church and the Bible will mean more to us than ever in our lives."

When the tearful voice of the mother relayed this message over the phone and hung up before the Bible Society Secretary was able to get her name, she did not realize that this letter would begin a program now known as Worldwide Bible Reading, sponsored by the American Bible Society.

"THE BOOK THAT LIVES," the theme for this year, gives added meaning to the program because it was just fifteen years ago that the longing of this unknown marine on Guadalcanal for spiritual fellowship started a chain reaction of Bible reading that now reaches millions of people in fifty different countries.

Each year a packet containing an attractive poster, a brochure, a bookmark of Bible reading, an information sheet and a sample bulletin is sent to every minister in the United States and chaplains in the churches and on military posts for use on Universal Bible Sunday, the climax of this program.

Since its inception, the program followed an upward curve in cooperation from the churches and enthusiastic coverage by the religious and secular press. A cautious estimate reveals a coverage by approximately 5,000 newspapers and magazines, reaching more than 40,000,000 readers.

One of the most gratifying results of this Bible reading emphasis is its growth around the world. Thirty-six thousand posters and a million bookmarks were shipped from the United States to all the foreign agencies and sister Societies. In addition to this, thousands of the posters and bookmarks were printed on the field.

In Thailand, for example, the Bangkok municipal government permitted the display of the Bible posters in public places. Many leading bookstores and newstands had Bible displays, and the program was announced on radio and television. Two leading newspapers, SIAM ROTH (Thai) and BANGKOK POST (English) carried the Bible reading lists in significant places.

Bible Day in Brazil has become a significant event. In Sao Paulo, in a Bible Day mass meeting, thirty thousand people blocked part of the eightlane thoroughfare passing through the city. Two planes of the Brazilian air force scattered two million leaflets advertising the meeting. Music was provided by a two-hundred-piece band from the Assemblies of God and a quartette from Russian Baptist Church. At the singing of the closing hymn, thousands of Bibles were held high in praise to God.

And so in Japan, Korea, India, the Congo, Liberia, Egypt, Greece and many other countries Bible reading was emphasized. From person to person, family to family, friend to friend—wherever there is love and concern for others and the Living Word—the little bookmark continued to be a bond of love, a declaration of faith and a circulating testimony that the Bible lives in the lives of people everywhere.

The Tapestry of Time—Life works out a pattern on the Tapestry of Time. The threads of hope, of love and grief, of fear and faith sublime—of happiness and bitterness, of joy and misery—are stitched into the great design of human destiny. Within so vast a frame, our tiny patch we cannot see. Too close we stand to trace the pattern on the Tapestry.... But someday, looking from afar, perhaps we shall behold—Our little bit of the design; our own small thread of gold.

-Patience Strong

From the Editor's Desk

NATIONAL HOME MISSIONS MONTH

Since November, which has been designated as National Home Missions Month, will be only about two weeks off by the time you receive this issue of the Gem, we thought it appropriate to dedicate this issue to that phase of the work. We do not, however, feel it necessary to elaborate on the work of our Home Missions Department in view of the fact that we have some informative material from our Home Missions Director, Rev. Homer E. Willis, and our own Missouri pastor and Home Missions Board Member, Rev. Harvey E. Hill; but we do wish to add to their appeal that you give to Home Missions during November. Sunday, November 23, has been set aside for the offering, but if some other time is more convenient then choose that date.

We are grateful for the way God has blessed the work of the Home Missions Department. With work in Alaska, Mexico, among the Spanish in Florida, and in over forty states, surely we can not feel our giving and our prayers, have been in vain. We express appreciation for the labors of our Home Missions Members, and last but not least to our many fine Missourich urches that are supporting the mission cause, and we know that we can look forward to a good offering for National Home Missions in November.

SUPERANNUATION BOARD REPORTS

The State Superannuation board met recently and adopted the following recommendation, which should be of special interest to the ministers over the state.

The recommendation as adopted would provide a small amount of financial assistance in case of the death of either the minister or his companion. The board is not financially able to carry on as extensive a program of assistance as it would like, but did feel that this would be a most worthy cause.

If you will notify the board treasurer of the death of any minister or minister's companion you will be doing the board a valuable service. The treasurer is Rev. John Long, Desloge, Missouri.

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NOTICE

The Superannuation Board would like to have a complete list of retired ministers over the state of Missouri. Also the board would like to have a list of the widows of ministers who are deceased. In order to make such a list possible the board is asking all church clerks over the state to send to the board secretary the names and addresses of any retired minister or minister's widow who is a member of your church.

As the list is made complete the board will be in position to more wisely make plans and carry out its limited operations in the field of superannuation. Your co-operation in this matter will be sincerely appreciated. Send the information requested to the board secretary, Rev. John Long, Desloge, Missouri.

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Rev. H. E. Willis,
Director of National Home
Missions Department
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HARVEY E. HILL WRITES FOR MISSIONS

Dear Gem Readers:

As a member of the National Home Mission Board and a pastor in your state, I want to take this time to talk to you for a little while about National Home Missions.

First let me say that I am very proud of Missouri for their cooperation in helping support not only National Home Missions but every phase of our national work. I know by experience that Missouri has always been a state on which our National

Association could always depend when the going was rough. May God bless you in your support to us as a National Home Missions Board in the years that have passed. We appreciate your support so much both financially and prayerfully.

I have only been a member of the National Home Missions Board for about two years, but during this time I have certainly learned to love the personnel making up our Home Missions Board.

As you perhaps already know, the National Home Missions Board has proclaimed October 1 as the day of fasting and prayer for our nation. Our president has chosen this day and we want to join the millions of people on this day in prayer. We ask you to pray for our nation, our missionaries, the Home Missions Board and employees, and that our 1958 budget will be met.

Did you know the 1958 budget of the National Home Missions Board is \$53,100, and that we only have about four months to raise over \$26,000 in order to reach our goal? Did you know that November is National Home Missions Month?

Do you know that Missouri's quota for 1958 is \$3,500? We have several hundred more dollars yet to raise in order to reach our quota. Let's be one of the first states in our denomination to go over the goal. I know we can do it because Missouri is a state who will always rally behind their denomination.

We have set Sunday, November 23 for a special thanksgiving offering from each church to be taken for National Home Missions. Maybe you would prefer another Sunday in November, but whatever Sunday you may prefer, PLEASE TAKE A SPECIAL HOME MISSIONS OFFERING IN NOVEMBER.

The fields have been opened to the National Home Missions Department as never before. People are asking for help everywhere. We would like to send out many more home mission teams. Hawaii is a new field offered to us. Alaska is a challenge; Old Mexico is begging for missionaries. Many other states, towns, and villages that do not have Free Will Baptist Churches in them are a challenge to your National Home Missions Board, but we can only do what you make it possible for us to do. I know as a Pastor in your state and a member of the National Home Mssions Board, we can depend on Missouri for a record offering in November.

Harvey E. Hill



WHEN GOD MADE READY

People are always getting ready for something. We get ready for church. We get ready for bed. Sometimes we make ready for company.

Ann came running home from school one afternoon to find her mother busily dusting all the living room furniture.

Ann was surprised. "Mother," she wanted to know, "how come you're cleaning up the house now? You always do that in the morning?"

Mother pushed a chair into its place. She blew the dust off a lamp.

"Don't tell me you've forgotten," said she. "Aunt Bess is coming on the seven o'clock train tonight. Remember? I'm just making sure the house will be ready for her."

Someone was coming, and Mother wanted everything to be ready. People are always getting ready for something.

At one time God Himself made ready. Did you know that?

In Bethlehem a Baby had been born. That Baby was God's Son; Mary and Joseph named Him Jesus. Shepherds came to see Him; Wise Men brought Him gifts. But most people did not know that the Son of God was in the world.

Thirty long, long years went by.
At last it was time for the world to know that Jesus had come from God.
It was time to begin healing those who were sick.

So God began to make ready for Jesus and His work.

One day a strange, strange man began preaching. He did not use a church building. He preached in a desert place, but crowds of people came to hear what he had to say. Who was this strange man? His name was the name many boys have today. It was John. He was the man sent by God to make people ready for Jesus.

"Who are you?" men asked John.
"I myself am not the Christ," said
John. "Someone greater than I is
coming. I am just making ready for
Him."

Then John talked about sin until people understood that they had disobeyed God and needed to be forgiven. Maybe he told them about the Bible verse that says, "All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one his own way." (That just means that everybody in the world has done wrong. So everybody needs to be forgiven by God). And all the time God was making people ready to trust in Jesus who would die so they could be forgiven.

One day John saw Jesus walking by. "Look!" he said to those standing about him. "Look at the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world."

Later when Jesus Christ died upon a Cross, He did what John that day had said He would do. He took in His own body the sin of all the people of the world.

Where is Jesus now? Still on the Cross? No, He has gone back to Heaven where God the Father is. In that place of happiness Jesus Himself is now making ready. He is making ready a place for all those who belong to Him. Someday He will come and take His own men and women and boys and girls to be with Him forever and ever.

Have you been made ready to live in that home He is preparing? You cannot make yourself ready. God must do it. Only God can forgive your sin and give you the kind of life you need to live there.

Do you want to make ready to live with Jesus? Then tell God so. He wants to hear you say (and mean it!), "Father, I need to be made ready for Heaven. I believe you sent Jesus into the world to die for my sin. Forgive me because He died."

Contributed by Mrs. Menge

C. W. MISSION QUARTERLY CONFERENCE

The Central Western Quarterly Conferences of F. W. B. Churches met Saturday, August 30, 1958, at the Kansas City First Church.

The day's activities were centered around our special guests, Rev. and

Mrs. Varlisle Hanna and family. All five churches were represented in every servce; namely, Beacon, 1st Church, Victory, Hickory, and New Hope.

Rev. Lester Jones gave the morning devotions, and was followed by Rev. Hanna who spoke on the subject "Contrasts", dealing mainly with the darkness of sin in India, and the light that needs to be shone.

Dinner was served in the church basement and at 1:30 the meeting was called to order by singing and the afternoon devotions were led by Rev. Russell Spurgeon. Carlisle and Marie Hanna then presented a question and answer program, which was very interesting.

The Saturday night service was the best attended service of the day. The house was packed. Members from every church were present and all enjoyed the slides shown by Rev. Hanna. A free will offering of \$90.05 was received for missions, and a \$25.00 check from the quarterly conference was given to the Hannas for their personal use. Clothing and other useful items were given to the missionary

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HOW TO MAINTAIN FAMILY WORSHIP

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members of your family should know
exactly what you are doing. From
time to time while you are are present
ask someone else to read or lead in
prayer.

It takes ingenuity and imagination to maintain family worship. There is no family in which maintaining family worship is impossible. Families large and small, in every circumstance of life, do maintain the practice.

Why do we maintain family worship in our home? That moment when we join hands around the breakfast table to bow in prayer is the high spiritual experience of the day. We simply do not want to miss it. Whatever it takes to maintain family worship will not be too high a price to pay in energy or effort.

Duke K. McCall

News From

The Mission Field

PRAYER AND PRAISE

Dear Friends:

"As we near the shores of the Dark Continent our heart is enlarged as we think of the challenge that lies ahead. The initial days of any work are always important. As we meet the missionaries to make plans for laying the foundation please remember to pray that each of us may have spiritual discernment, and mutual agreement as to procedure. A mistake in the beginning could mean tragedy in the future."

These words were penned by the Rev. Raymond Riggs, General Director of Free Will Baptist Foreign Missions as he was enroute to Africa last month. By the time that you receive this letter we trust that our first mission station will be firmly established in the Bondoukou Circle of the Ivory Coast, French West Africa.

The word circle, in no way, means that the area is circular, it is merely an area which is put under the care of the French Commander there. This being the area from which the American negro slaves came, the people's features and stature are just the same as the American negro.

Very little medical care has been provided for these 185,000 men, women and children who are without Christ. Educational facilities are extremely limited. A very limited proportion of the men have made use of available education provided by the government in conjunction with local chiefs. The tremendous majority of the people are still completely illiterate.

What A Prayer Challenge This Presents! The Rev. and Mrs. Lonnie Sparks together with Rev. and Mrs. Dan Merkh are our first missionaries to this area. However the challenge has already gone forth to the Ministers of our denomination to build the second mission station here to be called the Shepherd Station. Several of our preachers have already responded with their one hundred dollar gifts. Remember, one hundred preachers, each giving one hundred dollars, will do the job of erecting the Shepherd Station.

The Rev. Thomas Willey, Sr., Writes:
"I arrived in Miami, Florida last
week from Brazil having traveled



Miss Bessie Yeley and Mexican Children

over 25,000 miles and interviewed leading Christian statesmen who are very sympathetic and interested in helping us meet the challenge of the great growing republic of Brazil. My purpose was to study the most economical and direct route into Brazil for future travel of missionary personnel. I went down the west coast to Lima, Peru and through Bolivia to the border of Brazil. We certainly feel that the Holy Spirit very definitely went before us. I regretted leaving Brazil but there was nothing further in a definite line that could have been done until our missionaries have finished language school. I am greatly encouraged with our national pastor and our students that are entering language school this fall in Londrina. I feel a deep burden for Brazil and thrill at the possibilities that are ours.'

An Important Question: This paragraph was printed in the digest of reports which many of you received at the National Convention in St. Louis. It is repeated for the great number of you who were not able to attend the Convention. "Many have asked the question, "How much of my missionary dollar actually gets to the for-eign field?" According to the disbursements listed in the auditor's report, approximately 78 percent was disbursed to foreign field expense. This means that 22 percent was spent in the administration work at home. Of course, as long as we have to spend money in promotion in order to get our pople to support foreign missions, we expect to pay more overhead."

Many of our People in recent weeks

and months have made pledges to support foreign missions. Each dollar given is an investment in eternity. May God help us to be faithful in our giving, faithful in our praying, faithful in our overall stewardship. Remember the supreme task of the Church is to get the gospel of Christ to "every creature"—red and yellow, black and white, all are precious in His sight.

Pray Earnestly for our six fields of service: Africa, Brazil, Cuba, India, Japan, and Spain. Pray for Bro. Riggs' safe return from Africa. Call each of our missionaries by name as you pray. Pray for those of us who labor here on the home front.

Waids Arrive in Japan: Rev. and Mrs. Herbert Waid and children have arrived safely in Japan. They enter language school September 13. They desire your prayers and would appreciate a latter. Their address is: Rev. and Mrs. Herbert Waid, 2-726 Denechofu, Tamagawa, Setagaya Ku, Tokyo, Japan.

Sincerely in Christ, Louis H. Moulton Promotional Secretary

WHY PROMOTE FOREIGN MISSIONS?

By Louis H. Moulton

Eighty souls a minute go into eternity without Christ! Lost—eternally damned! Oh God, arouse our people. Help us to see ourselves at the judgment seat of Christ—blood on our hands—the blood of those to whom we should have gone with the gospel. Ezekiel 3:18, 19; 33: 8, 9.

Many centuries ago Solomon wrote in Proverbs 29:18 "Where there is no vision, the people perish." If the Great Commission as recorded in Matthew 28:19 "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations." is to be visualized and carried out by Free Will Baptists, then our people must be not only enlightened but challenged by the opportunities that are ours.

This task is bigger than personalities. Neither individuals, nor committees, nor boards, nor churches, nor states, yea nor even minor doctrinal differences—none of these should come between us and the words of Jesus in Mark 16:15, 16, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned."

Why promote Foreign Missions? If for no other reason, because the blessings of God are sure—upon that church where missions is given the

place of prominence and preeminence. Witness the great People's Church of Toronto, Canada or Boston's Park Street Church, or in our own denomination, the Edgemont Church of Durham, North Carolina, the Highland Park Church of Michigan, to mention but a few.

Why promote Foreign Missions? If you're a pastor reading these lines and you feel that your ministry is lagging or perhaps seems to be falling flat, then preach a few messages or bring a series on Foreign Missions and the importance of getting out the gospel to the heathen. See what it does to your own spiritual life.

Why promote Foreign Missions? The heathen who have never heard are lost! That is reason enough in itself.

It is the writer's sincere and humble opinion that pastors and churches everywhere because of the good to be gained and the challenge to be presented, should welcome every opportunity to have missionaries and missionary representatives for revivals, missionary conferences or even for a single service.

Concerning the end-time Jesus said in Mark 13:10 "And the gospel must first be published among all nations." In Matt. 24:14, and this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come."

God grant that we not fail in the great task and privilege that is ours in promoting Foreign Missions.

Even so, come, Lord Jesus. Revelation 22:20.

HOME MISSIONS BOARD NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

3801 Richland Avenue Nashville 5, Tenn.

Dear Fellow Ministers:

We have on our mailing list as of this date the names and addresses of 2,418 preachers. I sincerely pray that all of you will consider this a personal letter from your Home Missions Department.

The cost of sending newsletters to our entire mailing list is near \$600.00, so we are sending this letter to the preachers, with the thought that you will share it with your church, and place it on your bulletin board.

Since our last letter, Miss Molly Barker has joined our workers in Old Mexico. However, her support (\$120.00 a month) has not yet been pledged. I believe some of you will want to help sponsor her as your missionary.



First Spanish Church Miami, Florida Rev. Melinita Martinez, Area Missionary

Brother Melitino continues to do a great work in Miami with the Spanish people. Unless some churches will help us with his salary it now appears we may have to close his mission. Many people were interested in his work and urged us to begin it. For some reason support for him has failed to come this past year. It would be a shame to close this great mission, but we can only do what our people make possible. Will you pray with us about this, and let us know how you feel about it?

We have numbers of applications from choice young men and women, who are asking us to send them into the mission work. It is heart breaking to see these applications stack-up when the work is so greatly needed.

New churches are being organized in near record numbers, and we are working with State and District Boards to get the Gospel to the lost, and Free Will Baptist Churches started where possible. The Little Church Foundation has helped our new churches with thousands of dollars this year and we are grateful to them for this support. Also we have made necessary contact with an organization to help our new churches get building fund money.

I urge you to take special note of the fact that at the National Association in St. Louis this year, a resolution passed making it possible for local churches to send delegates to the National Association next year.

We appreciate the new Free Will Baptist Hymnal, and urge all of you to get it when you purchase hymn books.

Numbers of preachers write us when they are available for pastoral or evangelistic work. Occasionally a church contacts us when they need a pastor or evangelist. If we can be of service to you in this field, let us know.

This summer I have visited the work in Alaska, California, and all of New England. Everywhere we saw opportunity. I stood in the pulpit at New Durham Ridge Free Will Baptist Church, (New Hampshire) where Elder Benjamin Randall preached his first sermon in March 1777. We found our people in all of the New England States and preached in many of their churches.

We appreciate the pastors who have sent Vacation Bible School, and Youth Camp offerings to us. We have some handwork (free) for Vacation Bible Schools and will be glad for you to write for it.

We have films, slides and film strips which are available to help you with your missionary services.

November is National Home Missions month, and all of you will be doing something extra for missions. The Thanksgiving offerings on National Home Missions Sunday (Nov. 23) and the pre-Thanksgiving week of prayer offering will be sent from many churches. I trust you will join this group. If you cannot give the offering on the designated Sunday, please take a special offering some time in the month of November.

Our general fund is very low from the summer slump. Please do something for home missions now.

The Lord is leading us to open a new field in Hawaii. The need is great, and we feel this is the time. Will you also pray with us about this? Your prayers are necessary, and your comments appreciated.

Our 1958 budget of \$53,100.00 can be met this year if all of you will (Continued on Page 15)

AMONG THE MISSIONARIES Billows in North Carolina

At this time Rev. and Mrs. Arthur Billows are in North Carolina engaged in itinerate work under the direction of Rev. James A Evans. They have recently been in East Tennessee and in Missouri. We appreciate the wonderful way they have been received everywhere. They will be on the Missionary program, and be commissioned at the Wednesday night service, October 8. They plan to begin their work in Monterrey, Mexico soon after November 1. We have been "swamped" with calls for their services and regret that they cannot get to every church that wants them before leaving the states. Rev. George Dunbar of Chuckey, Tennessee writes, "I believe the Billows are the most consecrated couple I have ever met.'

Miss Janet Heath in Alaska

The Lord ahs been faithful in calling a helper to the much overworked missionaries in Alaska. Miss Heath, a member of our church at Cove City, North Carolina, has joined Rev. and Mrs. Whaley, with the idea of teaching in the public schools and assisting in the general missionary work. She was recently an employee of Moody Bible Institute in Chicago. Brother Whaley writes, "Our chapel has been enlarged to seat approximately 80 people." He also states that Bro. Marvin Howard from Richmond, Virginia is visiting the work in Alaska at this time. We praise our Blessed Lord for the great work being done in Alaska.

Molly Barker Arrives in Mexico

Molley writes, "Words can never adequately express my first impressions of this great mission field. The need in Mexico for the Gospel is so great." Miss Barker is living with our senior missionary, Miss Bessie Yeley, at Nogales. These dear women are worthy of your continued prayers and support in a practical way.

Rev. and Mrs. Postlewaite return to Washington

It was a pleasure to have fellowship with Brother and Sister Postlewaite at the National Association meeting in St. Louis. They have now returned to their work in East Wenatchee, Washington. This month will mark the beginning of their fourth year as missionaries. While at home they visited churches in Missouri and Oklahoma, where they were well received and many churches pledged to help with their support this year. Brother Postlewaite writes: "The people, both in Missouri and Oklahoma received us so wonderfully, we would like to say a big thank you. We feel we can be better missionaries this year after see-



Rev. and Mrs. Juan Lopez, native Free Will Baptist pastor at Monterey, Mexico, his five children and his mother.

ing so many who are interested in our work."

Rev. and Mrs. Juan Lopez see growth in their work

The native missionaries in Central Mexico, writes that their work continues to grow and that they are grateful for the support and prayers of the Free Will Baptist people in the States. Your Home Mission money goes a long way in this land south of the border, and helps us reach many Spanish people for the Lord.

Rev. and Mrs. Inbody Continue Work at Clarksville

The Inbody's are in a building program at Clarksville, Tennessee at this time. His term of service with our Board has expired, but he remains on the same field of service. We are grateful for the work this couple are doing and desire your prayers for them.

Melitino and Caradelia will be at Missionary Conference

Rev. and Mrs. Melitino Martinez, our missionaries in Miami, will appear on the program of the annual missionary conference October 6-8. The conference will again be held at the College Chapel in Nashville. Melitino is pastor of the Spanish Free Will Baptist Church of Miami.

Rev. and Mrs. Timmons resign

Rev. and Mrs. James E. Timmons resigned from the work with National Home Mission Board. This couple were with us in Mexican work for several years. They will continue to work in Texas for some time. Mr. Timmons writes that he feels led to go into California to work with the Mexican people there.

Note theme of Missionary Conference The ninth annual missionary confer-

ence will have as the theme: "Send out thy light and thy truth" Ps. 43:3.

Applications continue to come

Applications continue to reach our office from all over the denomination. Young men and women asking to be sent to all parts of North America. We urge you to pray that we may be able to send many workers into the white harvest field.

Budget will be met

For the first time it now appears that the National Home Missions Budget will be met for 1958. The budget is \$53,100.00. With all our people putting forth an extra effort in November which is National Home Missions month it will be met! Remember November 23, is National Home Missions Sunday. Thanksgiving offerings will be given from our churches over the denomination. Pastors, please do your best. We are counting on you.

Promotional Secretary in Revival

Rev. Homer E. Willis recently closed a weeks' missionary revival at Winfield, Alabama. There were eleven decisions, with seven taking membership with the church. Rev. Harold Pitts is the pastor. Total offerings for missions were \$171.41.

Letters From the Field

"The Loyalty Sunday School class of Pleasant Grove Church, near Pikeville, North Carolina, sends this donation of five dollars to be sent to Mr. and Mrs. Lee Whaley. We regret we cannot send more, but our class only has twenty members, ages 15-17, and we do not have much money. We hope to send another offering soon to help another missionary."

—Miss Sue Horne, Pikeville, North Carolina

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MISSIONARIES ON THE FIELD

(Write them often, please)

Old Mexico

Miss Bessie Yeley, P. O. Box 550, Nogales, Arizona.

Birthday, November 26.

Central Old Mexico

Rev. and Mrs. Arthur Billows, 3801 Richland Avenue, Nashville 5, Tenn. Birthdays, Sept. 18, Mrs. Billows, July 26, Rev. Billows.

Old Mexico

Miss Molly Barker, P. O. Box 550, Nogales, Arizona.

Birthday, Dec. 19.

Old Mexico

Rev. and Mrs. James Timmons, 103 Laredo Street, Laredo, Texas.

(four children)

Birthdays, July 6, Mrs. Timmons, May 1, Rev. Timmons.

Mexico

Rev. and Mrs. Juan Lopez, Logo del Pascuaro, 1216 Oriente, Col Independencia Monterrey, N. L., Mexico.

(five children)

Brthdays, September 28, Mrs. Lopez, June 24, Rev. Lopez.

First Spanish F.W.B. Church

Rev. and Mrs. N. Melitino Martinez, 447 S.W. 6th Street, Miami, Florida.

(one child)

Birthdays, Sept. 27, Mrs. Martinez, Sept. 15, Rev. Martinez.

Northwest United States

Rev. and Mrs. Johnny Postlewaite, 645 Highline Drive, East Wenatchee, Washington.

(three children)

Birthdays, October 25, Mrs. Postlewaite, April 5, Rev. Postlewaite.

Central United States

Rev. and Mrs. Paul Inbody, 27-A Summit Heights, Clarksville, Tenn. (two children)

Birthdays, June 10, Mrs. Inbody, Aprl 6, Rev. Inbody.

Alaska

Rev. and Mrs. D. Lee Whaley, P. O. Box 277, Anchorage, Alaska.

(two children)

Birthdays, Jan. 8, Mrs. Whaley, Nov. 7, Rev. Whaley.

Many others are waiting to go-Your prayers and Missionary Dollars will help send them.

ALASKA FREE WILL BAPTIST MISSIONS

Rev. D. L. Whaley, Director P. O. Box 277, Anchorage, Alaska August 27, 1958

Dear Friends of Alaska Free Will Baptist Missions:

Since we wrote to you on May 7th, many things have happened in way of progress for the mission project for



New Church organized under this tent recently Tifton, Ga. Revival was conducted by Rev. H. E. Willis, Home Missions Director.

which we do praise the Lord for and accredit it to your faithfulness in prayers and support.

We held our first service on May 18th with sixteen persons present and on the following Sunday we began our Sunday School with eighteen in attendance. Since that time, we have grown slowly, but consistently until now we have an average attendance of thirty. We are operating on a full-time schedule and it is a real thrill to see the interest and enthusiasm of our small number. Everyone seems to be growing in grace, and at a recent Thursday night's Bible study four young people confessed Christ as their Savior.

Financially, the congregation is doing well. It is assuming all the responsibilities of the local church expenses such as rent, heat, electricity, piano payment, and a weekly newspaper announcement on the church page. After all current expenses are paid, at the end of each month the balance left in the treasury is transferred into the building fund. At present, we have one hundred dollars in this fund.

Many of our number have expressed that our coming to Alaska was a direct answer to their diligent search for a place to serve the Lord. Often, in their prayers, we hear them thank God for you who have made it possible for them to have this little place to worship.

All our lives have been greatly enriched in the Lord and our faith has been increased since we have come here. Daily, our hearts are bowed in gratitude to God for you who have stood behind the work. When we discovered the high cost of living on our arrival in Alaska, it was almost frightening, but we have marvelously seen the Lord's promises confirmed in Phil. 4:19 when he said, "My God shall

supply all of your needs." Our needs have been met one step at a time, month by month. Our monthly expenses have averaged about seven hundred dollars which includes salary, rent, survey travel, promotion and advertising, and a weekly radio broad-

We are so greatly in need of property in every respect. Our little basement chapel will only hold approximately forty people and we use two rooms which are our living quarters and the station wagon for Sunday School. Very soon it will be too cold to meet outside. Also, we will never attract many people to our church until we have more adequate facilities. We have spotted property in a creditable location which would serve in a three fold manner for now, as living quarters, an office, and a temporary church. Real estate is at least fifty per cent higher in Alaska than it is in the other forty eight states, but we are looking completely to God to supply this great need which we trust will fill the gap between many precious souls and eternity.

The week of July 27th, I took a survey trip up in the north central part of Alaska and beyond the Artic Circle. I spent two days in the primitive village of Point Barrow, living among the Eskimos where I saw for myself their needs. They are a kind, deserving people who readily accept the help of the white man. Point Barrow has the gospel, but there are many such villages that have absolutely no gospel witness whatsoever. Most of them can be reached by plane. Our objectives are to move forward as the Lord makes it possible. Since radio is the greatest means of us reaching these villages with the gospel, we are trust-

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Woman's Auxiliary

WOMAN'S NATIONAL AUXILIARY

Dear Co-Laborers:

It is also part of our work to keep the need for new recruits before our members. A certain denomination that has 232 missionaries on the field reveals the following, interesting figures: 178 of this number were called to missionary service before they reached twenty-one years of age. Of this number 15 were called before the age of ten, 28 between ten and twelve, and 119 between thirteen and nineteen. To me, that is a startling, challengenging declaration. We must so surround our youth with prayer, and with their great responsibility to a world lost without Christ, that they will hear God's challenge "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us? And they will answer as Isaiah of old, 'Here am I; send me.'

Furthermore, the call of God upon our young people for service is the call of God upon all of us to make it possible for them to go and serve.

May God help us to increase the missionary education of our young people and our missionary giving until this year will mark the greatest advance with the Gospel the Woman's Auxiliary has ever known.

Niangua, Mo.,-Rev. Carlisle Hanna and Rev. Arthur Billows were the speakers at the Missouri State Convention. Rev. and Mrs. James Davis responded to the invitation and vielded their lives for foreign service. Officers elected for a two-year term are: Mrs. Lester Jones, president; Mrs. O. T. Dixon, vice--president; Mrs. Ben Scott, secretary-treasurer; Miss Leona Thompson, assistant; Mrs. Jo Ann Thomas, corresponding secretary; Mrs. James Davis, youth chairman; Mrs. Rolla Smith, study course chairman; Mrs. Bea Spurgeon, stewardship-prayer chairman; Mrs. Brazine Evans, personal service chairman.

Mrs. Lester Jones, program-prayer chairman of the WNAC has been a patient at: Ball Clinic, Room 135, Excelsior Springs, Missouri, for the past three weeks. I am certain she would appreciate your prayers and cards or letters.

Our special thanks to all who sent us the names and addresses of their members for the NEWSLETTER during this past month.

Remember the 1959 Year Book of Programs will be 75c per copy. Please order early.

RECEIPTS FOR JULY AND AUGUST, 1958

State	Co-Laborer	Student Loan	Japan Residences	G. T. A.	Totals		
Alabama	\$ 22.73	\$	\$	\$	\$ 22.73		
Arizona	4.00				4.00		
Arkansas	23.51	e la	720 1 30 1		23.51		
Califorina	47.17	58.97		14.4	106.14		
Florida	4.12	5.00	Fried Print	13/11	9.12		
Georgia	37.85			77	37.85		
Illinois			10.95		10.95		
Kentucky	6.00	- 6			6.00		
Mississippi	13.50	1.1.00	6.00		19.50		
Missouri	13.91	14.00	58.74		86.65		
New Mexico	7.04	Trade to be	3.36		3.36		
N. Carolina	7.96		25 40		7.96		
Oklahoma	62.90		25.48		88.38		
S. Carolina	68.75	(0.00	20.00	2.00	68.75		
Tennessee	12.00	60.00	20.00	3.00	95.00		
Virginia	13.00				13.00		
Totals	\$337.40	\$137.97	\$124.53	\$3.00	\$602.90		

A MESSAGE TO THE PERSONAL SERVICE CHAIRMEN

To the personal service chairmen of the local and district auxiliaries of the State of Missouri: Greetings in the name of our Lord. Since I do not know your names and addresses, I yould like to take this opportunity to come to you through the pages of our Free Will Baptist Gem. I do hope each of our personal service chairmen will be willing to set the example by sacrificial giving and service. In the beginning God created us to be help meets for our husbands, to bring forth children, and to care for our homes. In order to do this successfully, we must be Christians. There is personal service we can do no matter how small it may seem. If we give a cup of cold water in the name of Jesus, we shall in no way lose our reward. In Luke 10:38-42 we read where Jesus visited in the home of Mary and Martha. Martha was cumbered about much serving and the cares of her home life; but Mary sat at the feet of Christ to hear His word. Jesus said, "But one thing is needful: and Mary hath chosen that good part, which shall not be taken away from her.'

I hope that as we begin a new year in our auxiliary work that we will seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness; and all these other things shall added unto us. Where your treasures is there will your heart be also.

Personal service doesn't mean that we are to try and run things, but to serve. We are to choose this day whom we will serve. If God be God, let us serve him; not half hearted, but with all of our hearts, soul, mind, and strength. Jesus shall answer to us at the final judgment, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

The personal service chairman is responsible for point nine on our Standard of Achievement Chart. I pray that we may accept our responsibilities as Christian women, and that personal service may come from Christian groups, and not from secular organizations.

Braxine Evans
Personal Service Chairman
Missouri State Auxiliary

NEW HOPE CHURCH PURCHASES LAND

The New Hope Church of Kansas City, Kansas, has purchased two acres of land in Highland Crest District. Work has begun on the first unit of the new building.

Please pray for us as we build.

—Cor.

KIRKSVILLE AUXILIARY

The Kirksville Auxiliary met at the church, September 4, for the regular meeting. The meeting opened with singing, followed with scripture reading from II Timothy 2:15, II Peter 2: 18, and Proverbs 2:1-11. Prayer was offered by Rev. Woodrow Matthews. After group singing sentence prayers were offered for our Free Will Baptist Bible College and our missionaries. There were fourteen members, two visitors, and two children present. The members reported two--hundred Bible chapters read, thirty--nine cards sent, and thirty-six sick calls.

The Auxiliary voted to participate in the W. N. A. C. project—Houses for Jappanese Missionaries. A number of items of business was taken care of. An offering of \$14.25 was received; also \$1.00 per member for the Student Loan Fund. Topics were given by Mrs. Blanche Matthews, Mrs. Ida Vawter, Mrs. Mikel, Mrs. Stella Gates, and Mrs. Laura Glaspie. Mrs. Velma Wellman, program prayer chairman.

gave the introduction.

Our District Work Shop will meet with the Low Grounds Church, Sept. 18th with Mrs. Blanche Matthews, study course chairman, in charge. Benediction by Mrs. Blanche Matthews.

-Effie Dare, Cor.

FELLOWSHIP CHURCH AUXILIARY

Flat River, Mo.

The Woman's Auxiliary of the Fellowship Church met in an all day service with sixteen members and six visitors present. Following the business period, the program with the theme: "Go Set A Watchman, Let Him Declare What He Seeth in the Free Will Baptist College." We are very grateful for the wonderful way God has blessed our college and the much good that he has done through His leadership. We are made to wonder sometimes, if we give our wonderful Christ the praise due Him. We know that all good things come through Him.

After the different topics, poems, and readings were given, Sister Agnes Smith and Sister Wanda Ragsdale sang "Beautiful Gleanings Bring," which blessed everyone present. A nice lunch was served at noon, and all enjoyed a wonderful fellowship together.

After lunch our study was from our manuals led by Sister Wanda Ragsdale. We all learned a lot about our work, for which we are grateful. God is blessing and leading, so please pray for us that whatever we do, or say, that we may be under his leadership. God bless everyone will always be the humble prayer of your servant.

-Mrs. M. Hilderbrand, Cor.

VICTORY CHURCH AUXILIARY

The Woman's Auxiliary of the Victory Church met at Sister Fanny Painter's home Sept. 16, for the monthly meeting with seven members present.

The business meeting was called to order by the president, Sister Eulah Payne. After singing "Marching to Zion" prayer was offered by Elaine Spurgeon. Election of officers for the coming year was as follows: Elaine Spurgeon, president;; Nina Faye Hensley, vice-president; Reva Prinz, youth charman; Eulah Payne, study course chairman; Rosa Shriver, program prayer chairman; Fanny Painter, personal service chairman; Arlease Allen, secretary-treasurer; and Opal Cook, corresponding secretary. A report on Convention by Elaine Spurgeon, concerning our project for the coming year, was given. Prayer by Reva Prinz.

-Opal Cook, Cor.

NEW HOPE AUXILIARY

Kansas City, Kansas

The New Hope F. W. B. Auxiliary met September2, 1958. We opened our meeting by singing "We're Marching to Zion." We were led in prayer by Sister Ester Rogers. The scripture was from II Tim. 2:15; II Peter 3:18: and Prov. 2:1-11.

There were nine members present. Topics were discussed and we had a very good lesson. Topics were assigned for next month. Benediction was pronounced by Sister Edith Blair. Refreshments were served following the benediction.

-Hellen McAllister, Cor.

AUXILLIARY WORKSHOP

The Woman's Auxiliary of the Northeast Missouri Association held their District Workshop, Sept. 18, 1958, with the Low Grounds Church. The theme was "Planting Seeds of Wisdom". (Prov. 4:7a) Services was opened by singing "We're Marching to Zion", and "I Love to Tell the Story". Mrs. Bernice Thomas gave the devotions by reading Proverbs 4:1-13, and giving some timely remarks. Rev. Stella Gates led in prayer. Opening remarks were given by the study course chairman, Sister Blanche Matthews. Mrs. June Thomas read a poem, "Only a Little".

Rev. William Buster delivered the eleven o'clock message and read for the scripture lesson, Isaiah 1:16-17. His text was "Cease to do evil; Learn to do well." After a very interesting message the congregation sang, Want to be a Worker." Rev. Mildred Gilliam pronounced the benediction. A basket dinner was served at the noon hour.

The afternoon service was opened by singing "His Way With Thee".
Prayer by Wanda Riley. A reading,
"The Old Ditch Digger" was given
by Mrs. Arlene Clay. Topics were given as follows: "Planting Seeds of Wisdom Through My Work as Youth Chairman" by Rev. Alta Mikel; "Planting Seeds of Wisdom Through My Work as Stewardship Chairman' by Mrs. Ruth Western; "Planting Seeds of Wisdom Through My Work as Study Course Chairman' by Leona Thompson; and "Planting Seeds of Wisdom Through My Work as Personal Service Chairman" by Rev. Mildred Gilliam. Solo was rendered by Mrs. Velma Wellman titled, "Scattering Precious Seeds", followed by topics "Planting Seeds of Wisdom Through My Work as Enlistment Chairman" by Mrs. Maizie Sevits, and "Planting Seeds of Wisdom Through My Work as President" by Mrs. Fern Kelsey. Mrs. Maizie Sevits led the congregation in singing some choruses.

An offering of \$11.46 was received for the Memorial Student Loan Fund. The next meeting will be held at the New Harmony Church, Dec. 18. Benediction by Mrs. June Thomas.

-Leona Thompson, Cor.

HAZEL CREEK AUXILIARY

The Hazel Creek Auxiliary met September 3rd with Mrs. Vanlanningham with six members and two children present. The meeting opened with singing. Prayer by Mrs. Dee Vanlanningham. Mrs. Boyd Filkins read for a scripture lesson, II Timothy 2:15, II Peter 3:18, and Proverbs 2: 1-11. Minutes of the last meeting read and approved. The offering received was \$1.26. The amount received for dues was \$4.25, for the Japan Residence \$4.70, and \$2.00 for Student Loan Fund.

There was 428 chapters read, 21 cards sent and 7 sick calls made.

Our lesson was "Go Set A Watchman, Let Him Declare What He Seeth in Free Will Baptist Bible College." Topics were given by Mrs. Maizie Sevits, Mrs. Lola Filkins, Mrs. Jeanetta Chrisman, Leona Thompson, and Mrs. Emma Vanlanningham.

-Leona Thompson, Cor.

Quench not the Spirit (I Thessalonians 5:19).

News From Our Churches

FREE WILL BAPTIST BIBLE COLLEGE

3609 Richland Ave. Nashville, Tenn.

I am sure these summer months have found you very busy with your church activities. This is the season when most pastors are giving much attention to plans for the next church year. Pastors who are getting the job done for the Lord are overworked and are subjected to Satanic pressures from which only God can deliver them. We need to band together to pray one for another.

For several months we have prayed much concerning God's will for retiring the indebtedness of Free Will Baptist Bible College. I definitely feel that the plan set forth in this letter is of the Lord and will lead us to one of the greatest victories in the history of our denomination. If every one of us will join hands and do his best, Free Will Baptist Bible College can be entirely debt free in a few months.

We are planning to have a great Victory Celebration on December 17 and 18. We believe that hundreds of pastors and laymen will come to the Free Will Baptist Bible College for this occasion. We are asking every pastor in the denomination to have his church represented with a gift on that occasion. Many churches will no doubt have a gift equivalent to \$1.00 for each member, others can do more than that; perhaps some cannot do that much. We are asking you and every pastor in the denomination to do his best in leading his church in this campaign. I know we can come together on December 17 and 18 for the greatest Victory Celebration Free Will Baptists have ever known.

Brother Pastor, I know you may have your church pretty well loaded, but if you will ask your people to do their best, I am sure they will follow your leadership and make a generous contribution between now and December 18th. At 9:00 o'clock on the 18th in Memorial Auditorium we will begin listing all the gifts that have been made to our expansion program since it was announced at our National Association in 1956. We shall look forward to hearing from you between now and December, and expect you to be with us at that time.

Thank you for all you have done for Free Will Baptist Bible College in the past. If we stand together once again in united effort, we can make our College debt free. It will take \$60,000 and I know it can be done.



New Church at Richland, Virginia. Revival Conducted by Rev. H. E. Willis, Home Missions Director.

Thank you and God bless you. Write us a letter or a card—we will appreciate it.

All enrollment records at Free Will Baptist Bible College have been broken. We have enrolled 185. All of us are impressed with the quality of our large freshmen class.

In the next nine months it is our task to give them the kind of Christian training that will lead them to more fully consecrate all their talents to the Lord Jesus Christ. It is very necessary that we live close to the Lord as we attempt to mold these lives.

Thank you for remembering us with your gift. Your part in this ministry is a vital one. Thank you and may God bless you.

Yours in Christ, L. C. Johnson, President

N. E. MISSOURI FIFTH SUNDAY MEETING

The North East Missouri Fifth Sunday Meeting convened with the Martinstown Church, August 31, 1958, with Sunday School at 10:00 o'clock. The morning worship services opened with congregational singing, with prayer by Rev. Stella Gates. Rev. Kermit Crooks delivered the morning message with scripture lesson from Ephesians 6:10-17. After a timely message was delivered, Rev. Corey pronounced the benediction. A basket dinner was served at the noon hour.

The afternoon session opened by congregational singing, "Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus". Prayer by Rev. J. E. Corey. The president, Sister Velma

Wellman, read for the scripture lesson Isaiah 11:9. After giving good devotional thoughts on the theme of the afternoon program, "Jesus, the Master Teacher", Sister Alta Mikel led in prayer. The congregation sang "Glory to His Name". Minutes of the last meeting were read, and letters from Hazel Creek, Kirksville, and New Harmony Auxiliaries were read for information. The District Workshop will be held at the Low Grounds Church on Sept. 18th. The next Fifth Sunday Meeting will be with the Graysville Church, with Rev. Stella Gates to bring the eleven o'clock message and Rev. Vernon Maggart as alternate. It was voted to extend an invitation for the State Workshop to be held in North East Mo.

The following was the program for the afternoon: Reading, "God's Bank Ain't Busted Yet," by Don Rolland; trio, "The Old Rugged Cross", by Loreta Casady, Christine Chrisman, and Mrs. Mona Christman; topic, "Jesus Teaches Humility", by Mrs. Ruby Martin; duet, "The Blood that Stained the Old Rugged Cross" by Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Sevits; solo, "A B C Song" Majorie Mollick; topic, "Jesus Teaches Stewardship" by Rev. William Buster; duet, "Yes, I know" by Arlene Clay and Ruby Martin; play, "Missionary Clinic" by Kirksville; and a Bible quizz was conducted. Rev. Woodrow Matthews led the congregation in some choruses. Benediction by Rev. William Buster.

-Leona Thompson Cor.

Jesus .. said, It is more blessed to give than to receive (Acts 20:35).

HONOR ROLL

OF CHURCH FAMILY PLAN

Church Pastor
Fellowship Rev. Rolla Smith
Amity Rev. Ezra Vestal
Black Oak Rev. Ezra Vestal
New Lebanon Rev. Laverne Jones
Leadington Rev. James Davis
Coppermines Rev. Glen Rehkop
Myrtle Rev. Bud Hill
Kirksville Rev. Woodrow Matthews
Wellston Rev. Harry Asher
Berkeley Rev. Harvey Hill
First Church, Joplin Rev. Paul
Williams
Farmington Rev. James Barker
Third Ch., St. Louis Rev. John

Mt. Zion

Southside Rev. Roger Reeds
Thayer Rev. Harry Beatty
Carterville Rev. Kenneth Turner
Fredricktown Rev. Ben Scott
Pleasant Grove Rev. Chas. Black
Old Liberty Rev. Wm. Reeves
Martinstown Church, Mrs. Alta Mikel
Hannon Church Rev. James McCully
Springfield Rev. Henry Long
Mine La Motte Rev. Albert Halbrook
Blue Eye Rev. Millard Davis
Union Light Rev. Curt Johnson
Bethel Church Rev. Keith Johnson
Twin Oak Rev. Truman Huffman
Fourth Church, St. Louis Rev.
Elmer Turnbough

(K. C.) Rev. B. Spurgeon

Mill Creek Rev. O. D. Matthews Beacon Church

(K. C.) Rev. Lester Jones First Church (K. C.) Rev. Alice Dickey

Merls Chapel Rev. O. T. Allred New Hope Church (K. C.)

Rev. James McAllister
Garfield Church Rev. Davey Combs
Faith Church Rev. Loy Smith
Greenridge Rev. Len Gardner
Oskaloosa Rev. Roena Thomas
Garden Church Rev. Roy Jones
Jones Chapel Rev. Winford Davis
Hartville Rev. Charles Findley
Walnut Ridge (Ark.) Rev. Glen
Campbell

Grandby Rev. R. C. Williams

Except your righteouness shall exceed the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, ye shall in no case enter into the kingdom of heaven (Matthew 5:20).

SUNDAY SCHOOL AVERAGES

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Fredericktown	11621							
Mt. Pisgah		50	54	62	54	56	64	59
Coppermines								105
Fellowship, Flat River	207	180	181	101	200	100		194
Leadington					118	08	109	
Farmington					73			101
Fourth, St. Louis								43
Old Bethel		27	40	40	41	74	40	40
Berkeley City		154	151	211	187	156	153	
Richwoods				65		69		
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Mill Creek	1			60	53	47	46	
First Church, Kansas City				75				66
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Third Church, St. Louis								
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Sunday School Averages for the month of September are as follows: Coppermines—103, Farmington—55, Twin Oak—66, Mine La Motte—42.

HOME MISSION BOARD

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do something special in your church, district, and state. Some states have met their suggested quota, others are far behind. It's not too late for every state to go over the top! Our check from the Cooperative Plan of Support was very low last month (\$345.64). Fourteen per cent of the Cooperative funds will help us, but it will not sustain us. We appreciate all that comes through every channel, to help get more workers into the field.

We have beautiful two-color Thanksgiving offering envelopes (\$5.00 per thousand) which would be useful in your missions offerings.

God bless you as you continue to lead your people in giving to the missionary cause.

Yourse for Christ and missions, Homer E. Willis

If you want to succeed you should strike out on new paths rather than travel the worn paths of accepted success.

—John D. Rockefeller

Pray without ceasing (I Thessalonians 5:17).

AMONG THE MISSIONARIES

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Dear Bro. Willis:

I am enclosing a money order for five dollars from one of the ladies circles of Horse Branch Church, where I am a member. We want this amount sent to the Whaley family in Alaska.

—Mrs. B. M. Thomas, Lynchburg, South Carolina

Dear Bro. Willis:

I am enclosing \$1.50 for the mission. May God bless you.

-Rev. B. G. Morris, Cairo, Ill.

Dear Bro. Willis:

This is to inform you that I have started a new church here in Klammath Falls, Oregon. Please send me some revival bumper strips. We need the prayers of all God's people.

-Rev. Virgil Florence

For more information about the National Home Missionary work write: Home Missions Department 3801 Richland Avenue Nashville 5, Tennessee

All things were made by him; and without him was not anything made that was made (John 1:3).

SPRINGFIELD FIRST CHURCH

The Woman's Auxiliary met Sept. 2nd, at 7:30 P. M. at the church for regular monthly meeting with fifteen members present. The meeting was opened by singing "Rescue the Perishing" led by Hattie Mace. She also sang a solo "Whisper a Prayer in the Morning". Our president, George Glenn, read the scripture lesson from II Tim. 2:15, II Peter 2:18, and Proverbs 2:1-7. Audrey Reaves, study course chairman, assumed charge of the meeting. Our lesson was divided into five topics. Those reading topics were Catherine Draper, Alice Royster, Bertha Wolf, Kathleen Kruger, and Myrtle Corbin. Our business meeting was conducted. Aubrey Reaves acted as usher. Roll call was answered by scripture verses. Catherine Draper read the minutes of the last meeting. The treasure report was given by Myrtle Corbin.

'Thank You" notes were read from the city hospital for our gifts of baby clothes, and from Brother and Sister Hanna for the towel shower we gave them when we were privileged to have Brother Henna at our church for

an inspiring service.

We chose Ruth Coday to keep up our Achievement Chart, and Clarabel Lemons and Alice Royster were chosen as our telephone chairmen. reading, "How to Use Your Bible" was given by Lola Long. We were dismissed around the altar by Maxine Smith.

-Bertha Wolf, Cor.

THAYER AUXILIARY

The Woman's Auxiliary of the Thayer Free Will Baptist Church met August 26, with fourteen members and two visitors present.

A farewell dinner was given for Mr. and Mrs. Billy Joe Lovelace, who are moving to West Plains, Mo.

The meeting was opened by singing "We're Marching to Zion" followed by prayer by Helen Underwood. Topics were given by Christine Case. Dolly Ponhert, Charlene Janes, and Mireen Holman.

Mrs. Eunice Edwards was with us for services Sunday and Sunday night, and installed auxiliary officers for the coming year.

Our next meeting will be September 11, with an all day meeting.

-Frances Combs, Cor.

THAYER CHURCH AUXILIARY

The Woman's Auxiliary of the Thayer Free Will Baptist Church met Thursday, Sept. 11, with fifteen members and one visitor present. The meeting was opened by singing "Loyality to Christ". We discussed our business during the morning, and then were dismissed for a basket luncheon.

Our program theme for the evening "Go Set a Watchman, Let Him Declare What He Seeth in F. W. B. B. C." We had a wonderful program and the Lord truly blessed in the ser-

Our next meeting will be another all day meeting at the church on Tuesday, October 14.

-Frances Combs, Cor.

NEOSHO AUXILIARY

The Woman's Auxiliary of the Neosho Free Will Baptist Church met at the church, Wednesday night at 7:00 o'clock, August 27, 1958, before prayer meeting. Prayer by Virginia Pogue. Scripture lesson was from Psalms 2. The theme for the month was "Go Set A Watchman, Let Him Declare What He Seeth in Japan". The topics were as follows:

1. "The Facts of the Land" by Dor-

othy Childress.
2. "The Problem of the Land" by Wilma Pogue.

3. "The Challenge of the Land" by Virginia Pogue.

4. "The Call of the Land" by Betty

A poem was given titled, "Prayer of Consecration" by Lorene Knee.

We had our business session conducted by our president, Mrs. Wilma Pogue. Those present were: Wilma Pogue, Virginia Pogue, Lorene Knee, Betty Pruitt, Dorothy Childress, and Georgia Freed; and two visitors, Linda Childress and Jessie Pruitt.

Newly elected offcers for the year are as follows: Wilma Pogue, president; Mary Pogue, enlistment chairman; Virginia Pogue, youth chairman; Ella Pogue, study course chairman; Lorene Knee, program prayer chairman; Martha Nutting, Personal service chairman; and Dorothy Childress, corresponding secretary.

-Mrs. W. F. Childress, Cor.

ALASKA MISSIONS

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ing that we may soon be able to have a tape recorded broadcast out from Fairbanks until someone is available to go in person. We trust that we can enter Kodiak, Nome and Point Hope next summer.

As we lift our hearts in praise for the way He has led thus far, there are many items we ask you to join us in intercessory prayer about:

1. This urgent need for property.

2. Increase in expansion funds.

3. For a Free Will Baptist plane and pilot.

4. For more couples to dedicate their lives to God to be used in Alaska.

5. For Christian school teachers to join us.

6. For a missionary girl to work with us here, assisting in teaching, correspondence, and personal soulwinning. (This is an urgent need).

It has been said that the cost of a soul per dollar is more expensive in Alaska than on any other mission field in the world. Some might be tempted to say, "Why not send our money where each dollar will reach more souls," but we must remember that the supreme price was paid on Calvary for the 'whosoever will.' In Matthew 28:19 He commissioned us to go into all the world, which included Alaska.

Please remember to ear-mark all your gifts to the Alaska project, and you may send your money either to your state treasurer, National Home Mission office, or direct to us as all funds do receive proper accreditation.

Many have asked how the boys are accepting Alaska. They had many adjustments to make with such an extreme change, but we rejoice in the way the Lord has helped them and has conditioned their hearts and lives for the task along with the rest of the family. We all have been blessed with good health, and we are happy in the field that the Lord has led us into.

Until the Lord says, "Move on, we remain your missionaries in Alaska,

The Whaleys

Lee, Ethel, Vernon, and Rodney

C. W. MISSION QUARTERLY CONFERENCE

(Continued from Page 7) family by the Woman's Auxiliary of Greater Kansas City.

The conference body voted to have a Sunday Schol Workshop sometimes in the future, we also voted to start plans for organization of a League Rally and Woman's Auxiliary Workshop, with each to meet two times each year.

Everyone enjoyed the services and most of the people received a great challenge concerning our obligations to the people of far away lands.

The next Quarterly Meeting will meet Dec. 13th at the Victory Church. -James McAllister, Cor.

Both riches and honour come of thee, and thou reignest over all; and in thine hand is power and might; and in thine hand it is to make great, and to give strength to all (I Chronicles 29:12).