



worldly sanctuary." And the use of the word "also" intimates that Paul has before made mention of this sanctuary. Turning back to the beginning of the previous chapter, they read: "Now of the things which we have spoken this is the sum: We have such a High Priest, who is set on the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens; a minister of the sanctuary, and of the true tabernacle, which the Lord pitched, and not man."

Here is revealed the sanctuary of the new covenant. The sanctuary of the first covenant was pitched by man, built by Moses; this is pitched by the Lord, not by man. In that sanctuary the earthly priests performed their service; in this, Christ, our great High Priest, ministers at God's right hand. One sanctuary was on earth, the other is in heaven.

Further, the tabernacle built by Moses was made after a pattern. The Lord directed him, "According to all that I show thee, after the pattern of the tabernacle, and the pattern of all the instruments thereof, even so shall ye make it." And again the charge was given, "Look that thou make them after their pattern, which was showed thee in the mount." And Paul says that the first tabernacle "was a figure for the time then present, in which were offered both gifts and sacrifices;" that its holy places were "patterns of things in the heavens;" that the priests who offered gifts according to the law, served "unto the example and shadow of heavenly things," and that "Christ is not entered into the holy places made with hands, which are the figures of the true, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us."

The sanctuary in heaven, in which Jesus ministers in our behalf, is the great original, of which the sanctuary built by Moses was a copy. God placed His Spirit upon the builders of the earthly sanctuary. The artistic skill displayed in its construction was a manifestation of divine wisdom. The walls had the appearance of massive gold, reflecting in every direction the light of the seven lamps of the golden candlestick. The table of showbread and the altar of incense glittered like burnished gold. The gorgeous curtain which formed the ceiling, inwrought with figures of angels in blue and purple and scarlet, added to the beauty of the scene. And beyond the second veil was the holy shekinah, the visible manifestation of God's glory, before which none but the High Priest could enter and live.

The matchless splendor of the earthly tabernacle reflected to human vision the glories of that heavenly temple where Christ, our forerunner, ministers for us before the throne of God. The abiding place of the King of kings, where thousand thousands minister unto Him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stand before Him; that temple, filled with the glory of the eternal throne, where seraphim, its shining guardians, veil their faces in adoration, could find, in the most magnificent structure ever reared by human hands, but a faint reflection of its vastness and glory. Yet important truths concerning the heavenly sanctuary and the great work there carried forward for man's redemption, were taught by the earthly sanctuary and its services.

The holy places of the sanctuary in heaven are represented by the two apartments in the sanctuary on earth. As in vision the apostle John was granted a view of the temple of God in heaven, he beheld there "seven lamps of fire burning before the throne." He saw an angel "having a golden censer; and there was given unto him much incense, that he should offer it with the prayers of all saints upon the golden altar which was before the throne." Here the prophet was permitted to behold the first apartment of the sanctuary in heaven; and he saw there the "seven lamps of fire" and the "golden altar," represented by the golden candlestick and the altar of incense in the sanctuary on earth. Again, "the temple of God was opened," and he looked within the inner veil, upon the holy of holies. Here he beheld "the ark of His testament," represented by the sacred chest constructed by Moses to contain the law of God.

Thus those who were studying the subject found indisputable proof of the existence of a sanctuary in heaven. Moses made the earthly sanctuary after a pattern which was shown him. Paul teaches that that pattern was the true sanctuary which is in heaven. And John testifies that he saw it in heaven.

In the temple in heaven, the dwelling place of God, His throne is established in righteousness and judgment. In the most holy place is His law, the great rule of right by which all mankind are tested. The ark that enshrines the tables of the law is covered with the mercy seat, before which Christ pleads His blood in the sinner's behalf. Thus is represented the union of justice and mercy in the plan of human redemption. This union infinite wisdom alone could devise, and infinite power accomplish: it is a union that fills all heaven with wonder and adoration. The cherubim of the earthly sanctuary, looking reverently down upon the mercy seat, represent the interest with which the heavenly host contemplate the work of redemption. This is the mystery of mercy into which angels desire to look,—that God can be just while He justifies the repenting sinner, and renews His intercourse with the fallen race; that Christ could stoop to raise unnumbered multitudes from the abyss of ruin, and clothe them with the spotless garments of His own righteousness, to unite with angels who have never fallen, and to dwell forever in the presence of God.—Mrs. E. G. White, in "The Great Controversy," pp. 412-415.

(To be continued)

## Home Missionary Department

### THE POWER OF THE PEN IN EVANGELISM

#### Suggestive Program for First Sabbath Home Missionary Service

(October 7)

OPENING SONG: "Singing All the Time," No. 232 in "Christ in Song."

SCRIPTURE LESSON: "Favorite Texts of Famous Men."

PRAYER.

MISSIONARY REPORT FOR THE MONTH, BY THE CHURCH MISSIONARY SECRETARY.

OFFERING FOR LOCAL MISSIONARY WORK.

A MESSAGE OF CHEER: "Redemption Draweth Nigh." (Recitation or Reading.)

READING: "Power of the Pen in Evangelism."

ENLISTING RECRUITS FOR THE MISSIONARY CORRESPONDENCE

BAND: Appeal by the Church Missionary Leader.

CLOSING SONG: "Make Me a Blessing Today," No. 500 in "Christ in Song."

BENEDICTION.

#### Note to Leaders

The Scripture lesson may be made most effective if the "Favorite Texts of Famous Men" are assigned to different members of the congregation, to be read as called for, and the leader is prepared to comment on each verse so as to bring forcefully to mind the secret of its power. It might also be well in this connection, if the leader would give in his own words the incident referred to under "The Metropolis of the Scriptures," to show that Christ is in every word of the Scriptures, and must be given rightful recognition in order to reach hearts.

In preparation for this service, it would be well to re-read carefully Home Missionary Series Leaflet No. 15, entitled, "The Home Bible Study League," which clearly outlines the organized work of the missionary correspondence band. The church missionary leader should plan in advance for strengthening this phase of missionary work at this time. October is a very appropriate time for increased activity in missionary correspondence, as the fall and winter months afford greatest opportunity for reading. One of the first essentials is a list of names and addresses of interested people, secured in the Harvest Ingathering effort of the church members, or from the colporteurs. There should also be lists of names of people who are yet to become interested in the literature and its message. These lists may be secured through directories, registers, or from postmasters. Write to the conference home missionary secretary for full information as to securing lists of names of interested and noninterested people.

If every church would choose some unentered county within the territory of the State or district, and thoroughly work that county by the correspondence method, a mighty movement toward the doors of our church would soon be apparent. Let every church elder and missionary leader serve as the advance guard to lead the membership in an organized and united effort to work sections of hitherto unentered territory through personal effort with pen, ink, and literature. A "great door and effectual" is open before us; we are well able to go in and possess the land. Let us go.

GENERAL CONFERENCE HOME MISSIONARY DEPT.

#### Favorite Texts of Famous Men

John 6: 37. The text from which John Bunyan preached to the multitude.

Rom. 3: 24, 25. The text that saved William Cowper from suicide.

Rom. 1: 17. The text that made Martin Luther the hero of the Reformation.

Mark 12: 34. The text that comforted the troubled soul of John Wesley.

Matt. 28: 19, 20. The text that made David Livingstone a missionary.

John 17: 3. The text to which John Knox anchored his soul.

Isa. 54: 2. The text that gave William Carey a world vision.

1 John 5: 4. The text that made William Penn a conqueror.

2 Tim. 1: 12. The text on which Michael Faraday staked everything.—Selected.

## Power of the Pen in Evangelism

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ARE you a soul winner? If not, why not? Do I hear some one answer, "I have no opportunities to work for others?" What a foolish expression! We all have opportunities to labor for souls, or else the Lord has overlooked some in His preparation for the redeemed in the new earth, for we read, "Not more surely is the place prepared for us in the heavenly mansions than is the special place designated on earth where we are to work for God."—*Christ's Object Lessons*, p. 327.

The excuses so often given by those not actively engaged in soul winning might all be fittingly and truthfully expressed in just two words—"spiritual laziness." In the Christian warfare the greatest curse that afflicts the church is idleness. It is true that "Satan still finds work for idle hands to do," and he provides the tools and never fails to pay wages generously—the wages of sin, which is death. The Christian who wastes his time becomes a target for the devil. Mr. Spurgeon once said that the devil "is a wonderfully good rifleman, and will riddle the idler with his shots." There is need of constant diligence, for none are immune to the germ of spiritual laziness. But there is also a genuine cure available, and this is what it is: "There is but one genuine cure for spiritual laziness, and that is work,—working for souls who need your help."—*Testimonies*, Vol. IV, p. 236.

Many a soul has been won through missionary correspondence. It is a very simple but wonderfully effective way of working for the Master. Not only are we admonished to distribute freely our literature through the mails, but personal letters are to be written to those with whom it is impossible to talk regarding their salvation. The same appeal one would make in a face-to-face interview will be found effective in correspondence. In "Testimonies," Volume IX, page 38, this helpful instruction is given: "Tell them how you found Jesus, and how blessed you have been since you gained an experience in His service. Tell them what blessing comes to you as you sit at the feet of Jesus, and learn precious lessons from His word. Tell them of the gladness and joy that there is in the Christian life. Your warm, fervent words will convince them that you have found the pearl of great price."

It is true that some Christians live where they have but few opportunities, as compared with others. Just recently I visited a family of Sabbath keepers who live away out on the desert, and there are many days throughout the year when they never see any person outside of their own household. But I observed that they have access to the world through Uncle Sam's representative, the postman, who comes within a mile and a half of their door, twice a week. Thus this isolated family is afforded opportunity to carry on systematic soul-winning work through the mails.

You have perhaps at some time received letters from friends traveling in distant lands, or through scenic sections of our country, who were so thrilled by the experience they could not wait until the time of return to share it with you, and doubtless the reading of these letters created a desire in your heart to take the same journey. How often this is true in the Christian life! The traveler on the road leading to the cross is thrilled by his new-found joy and blessing, and immediately there springs up in his heart a longing to share this experience with others.

One who tells or writes his experiences to friends with the same enthusiasm and earnestness in which he writes about some pleasure trip, will be able to awaken some soul and lead him to Christ. When a person takes time to sit down and write you a letter or a postal regarding the Christian life, you may know he means business. In his book, "Recruiting for Christ," John Timothy Stone says: "A consecrated pen will win men to Christ."

A traveling man once told a friend that he never let a day end without dictating a letter to some personal friend about his soul's salvation. And then he added quietly, "I want to tell you this: all unconsciously to me, three stenographers in the last few years have been won to the Lord Jesus Christ, won through the letters I have dictated, and in each case I did not know a single word I said was being taken to heart by them."

The habit of inclosing a well-chosen tract with personal letters is an excellent one. It is always best to call attention to some sentence or paragraph which you can truthfully say has been of interest and benefit to you. Your friends will usually enjoy what interests you.

In order to help those desiring to do soul-winning work by correspondence, there has been prepared an assortment of devotional and doctrinal tracts which are very suitable for systematic distribution. These packages are known as the Home Bible Study League sets. It is beyond human knowledge to estimate the number of honest-hearted, truth-seeking people who have been brought into the truth through the circulation of this literature. These tracts are being mailed, week by week, to a carefully selected list of names, and also distributed from door to door.

In the Southern California Conference, when working a new territory, we have been sending four numbers of *Present Truth* before introducing the regular Home Bible Study League package. The plan has worked very satisfactorily, as it has helped to create an interest, as well as to find the real truth seekers. The persons whose names are secured at the end of the four weeks are usually sufficiently interested to go through the entire Home Bible Study League course, and this avoids having so many broken sets on hand, which the worker cannot use until the missing numbers can be secured from the Bible House.

The four *Present Truth* papers which have been used, and the order in which they are distributed, are as follows:

No. 129, "Billions of Gold: Millions in Want."

No. 3, "Prophecy, Why Given?"

No. 80, "How to Live Forever."

No. 124, "Man's Eden Home Restored."

With the first issue a neatly printed card is inclosed, which reads as follows:

"The inclosed religious publication is presented to you by one of the representatives of the Home Bible Study League, which seeks only the welfare of humanity through a practical knowledge of God's revealed word—the Bible. From time to time other literature, equally interesting, will be sent, and if you are benefited by reading it, the purpose of the League will have been met."

At the time the fourth, or last, number of *Present Truth* is sent, another card is inclosed, reading as follows:

"The Home Bible Study League, which has been delivering sample copies of gospel literature, now offers you a course of interesting reading matter on a further variety of Bible subjects. The course continues for a number of weeks, and will be sent free to any one who desires it. If you would like to have this splendid literature sent to your home address each week for the next three months, please sign your name and address below, and mail in accompanying envelope."

As samples of letters we are constantly receiving from those who are reading this literature, we quote as follows:

"HOME BIBLE STUDY LEAGUE:

"Some one dropped a little pamphlet into the taxicab I am driving. It was a great help in understanding the Bible. If you have other literature of this nature, would appreciate receiving same."

"HOME BIBLE STUDY LEAGUE:

"One evening while waiting for the street car a leaflet was handed to me bearing the imprint of your name. While reading it I became interested, and note you offer free a home study on the good old book, the Bible. Would like to give this study attention, as I find the time to do so."

As a result of following up one such request recently, a mother and her daughter are now baptized members of our church in a near-by city.

Occasionally we are told by some misinformed person that since the days of the radio and automobile, people are doing very little reading. If the devil is tempting you to believe this, it might be well to investigate the real facts. The secretary of the publicity department in the Los Angeles Public Library furnishes this information: "The 390,000 registered card holders during the past year have borrowed from the library 13,500,000 books and 500,000 magazines. This is an average of approximately 34 books for each card holder. Ninety thousand of these

books were on religion and 200,000 on philosophy. This does not include the thousands of books and periodicals that are read yearly in the library reading rooms. Since the depression, books on economics have been in greater demand than any others, with those on religion and philosophy running a close second. The demand for religious books for the past two years shows an increase of 20 per cent."

During the first five months of 1933, the colporteurs in the Southern California Conference have furnished the home missionary department with approximately six hundred names of individuals who have expressed a desire for Bible studies or shown a willingness to read some of our publications. Many of these names are being followed up by correspondence. A large harvest of souls is expected as a result of this work. For the first five months of the present year, the laity report more souls won than during the entire year of 1932. It is not known in what manner these converts first learned of the third angel's message, but it would be unfair, and certainly untrue, to say that the Home Bible Study League did not have a prominent part in this good work.

Here is another interesting letter from an entirely unsolicited source, addressed to "Secretary, Home Bible Study League," and reads as follows: "I teach at the University of California at Los Angeles, and I am interested in religious education and missionary work, especially in Latin American countries. I am forming a reference file of all institutions devoted to religious education. I have nothing on the Home Bible Study League. If you have some free literature—propagandistic or doctrinal—I shall be delighted to pay the postage and to have that material for my file. You would certainly oblige me if you could send me a booklet on the origin and development of your League. For this, of course, I shall gladly pay. Do you have an official organ? How often published?"

The apostles believed in missionary correspondence, for a large portion of the New Testament Scriptures was written in this form. We still enjoy reading these missionary letters addressed to individuals as well as to the churches. This method of disseminating the truth continued to be extensively employed during the earlier periods of the Christian church; indeed, to a greater or less extent it has always been used. Wherever faithfully employed, it has been blessed of God. In their use of this method of missionary work, the apostles were guided by divine wisdom, and they saw the fruit of their labors. God will still water the seed sown by consecrated workers through the missionary correspondence method.

In practically every conference there are localities where the message has not gone. Some of these people may never be reached except through the mails. Many counties publish a register in which are listed the names and addresses of all registered voters. The postmaster will gladly furnish you with the box numbers, both city and rural, of all box holders in his territory, so it is not a difficult matter to reach the isolated through correspondence. Usually, in these sparsely settled districts, there are few religious meetings held, so they will be found to be fruitful fields.

There is plenty of unworked territory, the public is still reading, and the demand for religious literature is on the increase. To a large class of believers the opportunity of presenting the gospel by correspondence is now open, and if every opportunity is faithfully improved, the result will be an abundant harvest. "Your duty cannot be shifted upon another. No one but yourself can do your work. If you withhold your light, some one must be left in darkness through your neglect."—*"Testimonies," Vol. V, p. 464.* I appeal to every believer in the third angel's message to go to work for Christ with brain and heart and pen. Begin today.

### The Metropolis of the Scriptures

A YOUNG man had been preaching in the presence of a venerable divine. After he had finished speaking, he went to the old minister, and said:

"What do you think of my sermon?"

"A very poor sermon, indeed," said he.

"A poor sermon?" said the young man. "It took me a long time to study it."

"Aye! No doubt of it."

"Why! Did you not think my explanation of the text a good one?"

"Oh, yes," said the preacher, "very good indeed."

"Well, then, why do you say it is a poor sermon? Didn't you think the metaphors were appropriate and the arguments conclusive?"

"Yes, that was very good, so far as that goes; but still it was a very poor sermon."

"Will you tell me why you think it was a very poor sermon?"

"Because," said he, "there was no Christ in it."

"Well," said the young man, "Christ was not in the text; we are not to be preaching Christ always; we must preach what is in the text."

So the old man said: "Don't you know, young man, that from every town and every village and every hamlet in England, wherever it may be, there is a road to London?"

"Yes," said the young man.

"Ah!" said the old divine, "and from every text of Scripture there is a road to the metropolis of the Scriptures—that is, Christ. And, my dear brother, your business is, when you get a text, to say, 'Now, what is the road to Christ?' and then preach a sermon, running along the road to the great metropolis—Christ. And," said he, "I have not yet found a text that hasn't a road to Christ in it. If I should, I would make one. I would go over hedge and ditch, but I would get at my Master, for the sermon cannot do any good unless there is a savor of Christ in it."—*Selected.*

### Redemption Draweth Nigh

(Luke 21:27, 28)

"LOOK up, lift up your heads"

From fear and from despair;  
Beyond the present's cloudy gloom  
For us the skies are fair;  
These portents that we dread,  
That fill men's hearts with fear,  
For us are joyful signs—  
Redemption draweth near!

"Distress of nations"—aye,

The world is sore distressed,  
The nations toss and seethe,  
A sea that knows no rest;  
Strange signs in earth and heaven,  
In ocean, sky, and land;  
They are God's warning calls,  
The judgments of His hand.

Earth is by torment racked;  
Famine and flood and fire,  
Earthquake and tidal wave,  
Destruction vast and dire;  
Nature has changed its course,  
Untimely fall the snows,  
The green crops droop with drouth  
Or waste 'neath insect foes.

The jealous peoples watch,  
Though they are crying, "Peace,"  
Suspicious each of each.  
Their petty wars increase;  
Their counsels come to naught;  
Perplexed, their wise men stand,  
Confused and doubtful still,  
And wait some guiding hand.

"These things" have well begun,

And we have seen and heard;

"Look up, lift up your heads,"—

It is our Lord's sure word;

In quietness we watch

God's purposes made clear,

In confidence we wait,—

"Redemption draweth near!"

—Annie Johnson Flint.

"It isn't much to do, I know,

To write a friendly letter

To some one who is lone or ill—

But isn't it much better

To do this little mite of good

And to give the time up to it,

Than just to think of writing it

And never go and do it?"

# SOUL WINNING NEWS FROM SOUL WINNERS



*Truth-Filled Literature Speaks.*—A brother in Ohio relates his experience in working with his neighbors. One neighbor was given a copy of the pamphlet entitled, "The Marked Bible," and soon after this neighbor moved away, leaving the pamphlet behind. Then the house was occupied by another family, who read "The Marked Bible," and on moving away left it in the house for the next occupant. This third family read the pamphlet with more than usual interest, and contact was made with the Seventh-day Adventist brother who was faithfully following up any indication of interest in the neighborhood. In a very short time the entire family attended the church service, and now all are keeping the Sabbath. In this same neighborhood, a man accepted the truth, and now has won his brother, and two other families are interested. These experiences can be repeated in almost any neighborhood. First of all, believers should live the life, and then let their light shine.

*Good Letters Are Received.*—"Letters are coming in that are nothing short of marvelous," writes Elder R. E. Crawford, the home missionary secretary of the Chesapeake Conference. "One man has one hundred people keeping the Sabbath, including himself, through reading *Present Truth*." The following letter reveals the deep interest which prevails:

"I am a reader of your paper, and want to tell you all how much I enjoy the publication. I am a railroad man, having been employed as a locomotive fireman and engineer for the last eighteen years. Some one subscribed for the *Present Truth* to be sent to me, and I must say whoever it was, I consider a real friend. I have learned more from reading *Present Truth* than I ever knew before concerning the Bible. I must tell the truth,—I am not a Christian man. I only hope that by reading the Bible and *Present Truth* I can soon tell you that I am a Christian. I am greatly interested concerning the Sabbath question. It has been made very clear and plain to me that Sunday is not the day which God blessed and sanctified. I see now that God has never changed His command to keep the seventh day as the Sabbath. What are the people of this great world of ours going to do when they come before the great judgment to be judged according to their deeds done here on earth? Why do people violate this day as they are doing? I do hope the time will come soon when we shall all serve God as He commanded us."

*A Lay Brother in India Perseveres in Soul-Winning Work.*—Elder J. F. Ashlock, home missionary secretary for the Southern Asia Division, relates the following experience: "I was much encouraged by one experience of a good brother who has the soul-winning spirit. He desired to carry the message of truth to his neighbor, and made it a point to visit him in the field as he was driving the bullocks at the Persian water wheel for the irrigation of the land, and there talk with him in regard to the gospel and the preparation of heart necessary to meet the Lord. These interviews were very pleasant, and all went well for a time, until the neighbor's wife observed that her husband was spending much time in conversation, and forbade our brother's coming to meet her husband at the water wheel. But this native believer was not to be discouraged, and he conceived the idea of taking one of our evangelists along with him to meet the man at the well, and while the evangelist gave the man a Bible study, our brother took charge of the bullocks and kept the water wheel turning. The woman had been on the lookout, and soon came out of the house and approaching the evangelist she told him to leave the spot, and demanded that her husband go on with his duties. But the husband replied that his work was going on, and asked his wife if she did not see the bullocks at the well and some one driving them. Evidently she had not observed this, and when she saw that the work was not delayed, and that her husband had a distinguished visitor, her attitude changed entirely, and she seemed pleased and returned to the house without further in-

terference. In due time this man was baptized, and our brother is very happy. This lay brother said, 'I did not know how to give the Bible studies as our evangelist did, but I could drive the bullocks, and I feel that he is my man.' Surely he is justified in this conclusion."

*A Goal for Souls.*—A Korean church leader was asked, "Well, Brother Kang, just how many souls do you intend to win during this year?" Quickly came the reply, "Why, what can I, a weak person, do? God helps us all, and at the beginning of this year I determined by His help to win at least five persons to Christ." "That is fine," was the missionary's reply, and he was about to encourage him further, when the Korean brother interrupted by saying, "I have already won two, and they are here attending this district meeting." "And sure enough," writes the missionary, "I saw them there upon returning to the afternoon meeting." Then he adds: "Such a simple experience indeed, but it made me rejoice, because I saw how easy it would be to reach our goal of doubling our membership during the year if all our believers determined to win a few, and worked their determination as this brother had done."

*Tract Work in China.*—In one of the villages of China a great work has been started as a direct result of a tract given to a woman on the road. The native Chinese evangelist was coming home from one of his trips when he met this woman, and as he always does, he gave her a tract and talked to her about the soon coming of Jesus. When he left her, he asked where she lived, and she urged him to come to her village and tell her and her people about the Saviour of the world. A short time later he visited the village, and found it to be a settlement of about two hundred families. As the first fruits at this place, twelve people were baptized, and the prospects are good for a hundred baptized believers in the near future. And it all came about through a Spirit-filled messenger making contact with a traveler along the road through the gift of a tract and personal testimony concerning the return of heaven's King.

## A Tribute to Laymen in the Early Christian Church

THE rapid advancement of the gospel in the first and second centuries of the Christian church, throughout the then known world, is an amazing fact of both sacred and secular history. The secret of this rapid proclamation of the gospel is found in the personal life and work of the early Christians, the majority of whom were humble men, women, youth, and children, whose lives were a powerful witness to the reality of Christianity. The historian Neander gives a picture of the situation in the early days of the church, and pays fitting tribute to the laymen in the following manner:

"Often the wide spreading of the gospel proceeded from women, who showed forth the light of the gospel, as wives and mothers, amidst the corruption of heathen manners, from young people, from boys and girls, from slaves who shamed their masters. 'Every Christian handicraftsman,' says Tertullian, 'has found God, and shown Him to thee, and can teach thee all, in fact, which thou needest to know of God, although Plato says it is difficult to find out the Creator of the universe; and when you have found Him, impossible to communicate this knowledge to the multitude.' And Athenagoras says, 'Among us you will find ignorant persons, handicraftsmen and old women, who although they could not prove to you by words the healing influence of our religion, yet by their actions show the salutary power of the thoughts which it communicates, for they learn not words by heart, but they show good works; they suffer themselves to be smitten, and smite not; again, when they are robbed, they do not go to law; they give to those who ask from them, and they love their neighbor as themselves.' . . .

"The working of Christianity in the life and sufferings of Christians, as well as isolated parts of Christian doctrine, which they heard, called at last to Christianity the attention of philosophically educated heathen, who had run through multifarious philosophical and religious systems to find religious truth, on which they might rely, and which could satisfy the wants of their hearts and spirits—and they found in Christianity what they had sought in vain elsewhere."—*History of the Christian Religion and Church,* Rose's Translation, pp. 45, 46.

### The Church Missionary Service

PRAYER .....	2 minutes
REPORTS .....	4 minutes
PRESENTATION OF TOPIC .....	8 minutes
CLOSING .....	1 minute

#### Suggestive Missionary Service Programs

October 7

MISSIONARY TOPIC: Harvest Ingathering Reports.

TEXT: Joshua 1:9.

SUGGESTIONS: This week's missionary service will mark the close of the fifth week of the Harvest Ingathering. It is, therefore, very important at this juncture of the campaign that a full survey be made of the work to be accomplished, and steps taken to finish the campaign with enthusiasm. As is often the case, the church enters the first few weeks of the campaign with enthusiasm, but allows it to run down toward the end. Here is where the leaders in our churches should bring in their reserve forces and organize the work in such a way as to plan that the closing weeks of the campaign shall be full of interest and enthusiasm. Without a doubt the hardest part of the race lies toward the end. Then it is we shall need stamina to bring up the reserves. Let us, however, not falter even though the closing days may be hard, but resolutely tackle the work to be done and call upon God for help. "When we give ourselves wholly to God, and in our work follow His directions, He makes Himself responsible for its accomplishment. He would not have us conjecture as to the success of our honest endeavors. Not once should we even think of failure. We are to co-operate with One who knows no failure."—*Christ's Object Lessons*, p. 363. All band leaders should be ready to give their reports at this service. These reports should be given orally, when called for, and immediately written on a blackboard and totaled up. After calling attention to plans for soliciting during the coming week, urge all those who have not yet taken part in the campaign to do so within the next two weeks. Prayer, persistence, and courage will win out.

October 14

MISSIONARY TOPIC: Harvest Ingathering Reports.

TEXT: 2 Chronicles 32:7, 8.

SUGGESTIONS: Speaking of the Harvest Ingathering, the servant of the Lord has said: "Just as long as we are in this world, and the Spirit of God is striving with the world, we are to receive as well as to impart favors. We are to give the world the light of truth as presented in the Sacred Scriptures, and we are to receive from the world that which God moves upon them to do in behalf of His cause."—*Testimonies to Ministers*, p. 202. The Harvest Ingathering campaign is not a begging proposition, but when we go to the public and tell them of the great things God is doing to transform the lives of men, watching all the time for opportunities to sow the truth in the hearts of men, God will honor our service and give us true success in our work.

Since this week's report will close the sixth week of the campaign, it would be well to lay special emphasis on the work of the seventh week, which officially closes the campaign. It is hoped that most of the churches will have raised their full goal by this time. We understand, however, that not every church is able to start September 2, so some will find it necessary to run beyond October 21, in order to finish successfully. If your church is according to schedule, we would suggest that you ascertain the amount remaining to be raised in your church, in order to reach the goal, and then call upon every member of the church to bring in so much during the next week. Often the setting of a definite goal for the week will bring results when other plans will not. Also urge the backward ones to go out during the week and make a special effort to visit their friends and neighbors. Make sure there are plenty of papers on hand and that every one has a good supply. If possible arrange for a special meeting of band leaders following the church service, to lay plans for the final week of the campaign.

October 21

MISSIONARY TOPIC: Soul-Winning Experiences.

TEXT: 1 Corinthians 15:58.

SUGGESTIONS: During the Harvest Ingathering campaign, hundreds of actual soul-winning experiences are the reward of consecrated workers. Call for these experiences—not so much the experience of soliciting, but of actual contact with souls, praying with them, talking with them, and pointing out the way of salvation.

The month's missionary theme centers around winning souls through correspondence, and experiences of this nature are also in order. Brother Lower, who furnished the leading article for the first Sabbath service this month, sends in the following experience:

"One of our sisters, past ninety years of age, had been bed-ridden for a year prior to her death. For a number of years this aged sister had been able to raise her quota of \$10 in the Harvest Ingathering work, and when confined to her bed because of a broken hip, she was very much distressed because she could not go out and solicit among her friends and neighbors as formerly. But she decided she would do the work by correspondence. The first few months after the accident she was able to sit up for a brief period each day, and most of her writing was done at this time. Later she was entirely bedfast, but she continued writing, a little at a time, as she had strength. When her daughter asked her if the effort were not too much for her, she replied, 'I have always had my quota, and must not fail this year, as it will be my last. As long as Jesus gives these poor old hands strength, I must do what I can.' This sister was the first to turn in her Ingathering funds, having solicited and reached her goal of \$10. She now sleeps in Jesus, but her example remains an inspiration to others."

October 28

MISSIONARY TOPIC: Follow-up Ingathering Interests.

TEXT: Luke 19:10.

SUGGESTIONS: After the band leaders report for the week and other Harvest Ingathering announcements are made, the rest of the service should be given over to a consideration of the best means of following up all interested persons found by Ingathering workers. This phase of the campaign is one of the most important parts of the work, and should by no means be neglected. During the course of the campaign, your church members have, no doubt, found scores of interested people who desired to learn more about the belief of Seventh-day Adventists. If your members have been instructed to watch for every spark of interest and to secure the names and addresses of all such people, you will have at the close of the campaign a nice long list of names for follow-up work. If these names have not been passed over to the church missionary secretary, church members should be urged to make out their lists and turn them in at once, unless they desire to visit personally these interested people, or see that they are followed up with literature, etc. In any event, the number of interested names should be stated, so that the church will have some idea of how many have been found as a result of the campaign visitation. After these names have been handed in, the church board should lay definite plans to follow up these persons. Last year at the close of the campaign, one pastor had on hand eight hundred names of interested people, and these names formed the basis of a great work during the winter months.

There are a variety of ways by which these names may be followed up. First and foremost is by our literature. Subscriptions for the *Signs of the Times*, *Present Truth*, or *Watchman* may be sent these people. In the case mentioned above, as soon as the campaign was over, the pastor organized a Bible training class in his church, and some member of this class visited each person whose name had been handed in, with a view to making appointments for Bible studies. In this way a large number of regular readers were secured. But whatever your method, do not fail to follow up all interested people. Every name is valuable. Too little of this work has been done in the past, and as a result we have lost many opportunities to win souls each year.

# THE MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER SOCIETY

## Officers' Page

October Topic: The Missionary Idea

### Your Missionary Volunteer Society

THE meeting on "The Why of Foreign Missions," should cause your executive committee to give careful thought to the planning and working out of a definite evangelistic program for your society. Suggestions: Distribution of literature, Bible readings, cottage meetings (these to develop into small hall meetings), and similar work enlisting all of our youth.

The program for the second week, "Tools of a Missionary," is augmented by every character-building program given throughout the year.

In connection with the topic, "Giving to Missions," it would be well to make a special effort to bring your offerings for our foreign mission enterprise up to date. Are you using the mission stories given on this page each month, and some other sources, to stimulate interest in this project?

Then, "Shall I Be a Missionary?" The question is for us now and here. Put it to each Missionary Volunteer in your society. Missionary Volunteers are answering it every day. A change of wording makes the question so clear that each can answer for himself, "Am I a Missionary Now?"

Let us make the year 1933 a year of decided advancement and victory for Christ!

R. J. CHRISTIAN.

### Test of African Youth

A YOUNG man, just recently in the truth, has had a trying experience. The native chiefs of his country are almost all Roman Catholics. One day the white priest called for the young man, but he did not answer the call. The following day another messenger came from the priest requesting that he come at once, but he again refused to go, and ran away, fearing trouble. Then the chief went to get him, and not finding him, he took his father to the priest's house, where in the presence of the chiefs the father had to answer numerous questions and plead guilty of having allowed his son to attend an Adventist school. The chiefs and the priest threatened the frightened man with worse trouble if his son kept going to the mission school. He, therefore, promised to stop him at once and send him to the priest's school. The poor boy had to choose between his home and his fiancée, for whom the father had given several cows, and the truth. The young woman who was his fiancée, was also going to one of our schools. She was taken by the chief to the priest. She refused to yield to the menacing chiefs, saying: "Do what you want with me, I do not want to attend your school." The priest was quite willing that she should not go to their school if only she did not go to ours. The chiefs pressed her and also her father, but without avail. "Take the cows away if you like, but I will follow the truth at the Adventist mission," she said.

Dear young people, this is just one instance among many. Pray for our young people here in their battles, and be assured of our appreciation for what you do to help us to spread the truth we love among the millions yet in darkness.

H. MONNIER, Director,

Rwankeri Mission Station in Ruanda.

### Reading Course Program

(This Reading Course program, given by the Washington Sanitarium Missionary Volunteer Society, Takoma Park, Maryland, shows one way to stimulate interest in our Reading Courses. Can you adapt this idea to the 1934 Reading Courses?)

ON PLATFORM: On one side stands a book (about 6 x 4½ x 2 feet) with hinged front cover to form door. On cover print "Reading Course—1933," and below, "M. V."

INTRODUCTION: Leader mentions that one or more characters will step out of the book and reveal a few pages. In introducing each of the four speakers, he gives the name of book and author.

SCENE 1: Two girls dressed as Indians step out of book, followed by speaker. Indians squat on floor. In five minutes speaker mentions (in first person) three or four brief incidents from "In the High Andes." At conclusion Indians enter book, followed by speaker, who says just before closing door of book, "If you would read many more interesting experiences, you will find them in this book." (Similar speech made by each of other three speakers before exit.)

SCENE 2: Read "Facing North," the chapter entitled, "The Invincible Soul," from page 114, paragraph 1 to end of chapter. Make up a tune for song "Forty Wrestlers," to be sung by unseen group each time the lines occur.

SCENE 3: Dialogue from "Jean's Victory," chapter XIII, "In the Valley of Decision," given by young married couple. Only conversational part used. In introduction, mention briefly three characters, who they are, and by whom represented.

After first paragraph on page 103 is given, have solo sung by another: "Some Day He'll Make It Plain" ("Christ in Song," No. 248).

After last paragraph on page 103, another solo by unseen singer: "I Gave My Life for Thee" ("Christ in Song," No. 96). "Jean" recites four lines at bottom of page 104, after which the audience sings softly, "O Jesus, I Have Promised" ("Christ in Song," No. 319).

SCENE 4: In five minutes ask questions that are answered in "Our Presidents." Conclude by saying the answers may be found in the book. Step back into it.

CONCLUSION: Four children hold placards with names of books. Each comes through door of book accompanied by person who represented the particular book, and stands before him. "Reading Course Song" is sung. As each book is mentioned in song, speaker holds the book itself up before congregation: 1. "Jean's Victory." 2. "In the High Andes." 3. "Our Presidents." 4. "Facing North."

### Reading Course Song, 1933

(Tune: "My Mother's Old Bible Is True," in "Jubilate," No. 180.)

I LOOKED for a book—something worth while to read,  
I wanted the best I could find.  
Of millions of volumes, which one did I need?  
Which best would develop my mind?

CHORUS:

The Reading Course books will inspire,  
They'll lift you to planes that are higher.  
They're filled with the truth  
For present-day youth—  
The Reading Course books will inspire.

My task it was great. Oh, how could I decide?  
Of hours but a few could I spare.  
The Reading Course books I most hopefully tried,  
And found them a feast good and rare.

(1) A story I read of a fair maiden's life  
In trying a Christian to be,  
(2) And high in the Andes a worker's brave wife  
Wrought deeds most inspiring to me.

(3) I read of the lives of our Presidents great,  
(4) Of thrilling experiences true;  
In value I found every book was first-rate,  
And so I commend them to you.

MURIEL SHAW.

### Wanted—A Worker

GOD never goes to the lazy or to the idle when He needs men for His service. When God wants a worker, He calls for a worker. When He has a work to be done, He goes to those who are already at work. When God wants a great servant, He calls a busy man. Scripture and history attest this truth.

MOSES was busy with his flocks at Horeb.  
GIDEON was busy threshing wheat by the press.  
SAUL was busy searching for his father's lost beasts.  
DAVID was busy caring for his father's sheep.  
ELISHA was busy plowing with twelve yoke of oxen.  
AMOS was busy following the flock.  
NEHEMIAH was busy bearing the king's wine cup.  
PETER and ANDREW were busy casting a net into the sea.  
JAMES and JOHN were busy mending their nets.  
MATTHEW was busy collecting customs.  
SAUL was busy persecuting the friends of Jesus.  
WILLIAM CAREY was busy mending and making shoes.—Hints and Helps.

### A Glimpse of November

Topic for Month: The Spirit of the Master

SENIOR

November 4. Jesus, the World's Saviour.  
November 11. "As We Forgive Our Debtors."  
November 18. God's Gifts and My Obligations (Talents).  
November 25. Thanksgiving Through Thanks-Living.

JUNIOR

November 4. Jesus Came to This Earth Because—(Saviour)  
November 11. "As We Forgive Our Debtors."  
November 18. The Use and Abuse of God's Gifts.  
November 25. What Is Back of Thanksgiving Baskets?

October—a special mission month. Make it count for Africa.

# Senior Missionary Volunteer Meetings

## The "Why" of Foreign Missions

(Program for Week Ending October 7)

BY R. J. CHRISTIAN

NOTES TO SENIOR LEADERS: There is a growing tendency to feel that the foreign mission program is dependent upon ideal conditions, and that under adverse conditions we are not "under orders." The purpose of this program is to show the "why" of our great world-wide activities. Leaders in fields considered as "Home Bases" will need to stress the fact that we are not able to alter the divine command, "Go," nor are we excused because of worldly obstacles, for "all His biddings are enablings." Leaders in mission fields will need to give careful thought to their own responsibilities locally, and how they can cope with them in the face of increasing difficulties and decreased appropriations, which mean fewer workers.

**Talk:** "My Favorite Missionary." Have two or three Seniors each give a five-minute talk, listing some missionaries and their outstanding conquests for Christ, and showing how those among whom they work have been benefited by their labors.

In a meeting of your executive committee form a definite plan for local mission advance, to present to your society at the close of this program, emphasizing that we are a Missionary Volunteer Society.

**Scripture Reading:** Matthew 9:18-38.

**Poem:** "The Line Shall Not Break Where I Stand," p. 13.

### Study: The Origin of the Foreign Mission Program

JOHN 3:16. "Loved the world." It is not in our power to circumscribe this love; it is given freely to all the world.

JOHN 17:18. As Jesus was sent into the world, so He today sends us.

MATTHEW 9:35. The type of work carried on by our Saviour.

ACTS 13:47. The command of Jesus to His disciples—to us.

MATTHEW 24:14. The second coming of Jesus is contingent upon the gospel's going to all the world.

MATTHEW 13:3-8. The successful Christian must bear fruit. Are we good ground?

MATTHEW 13:38. The field is the world.

JOHN 4:35. We are in the harvest time, and the season is late.

MATTHEW 9:36-38. As we pray the Lord of the harvest, cannot we with Isaiah of old say, "Here am I; send me"?

PSALMS 126:5, 6. Our reward is sure. May we through our foreign mission work have many sheaves in that day.

### Talk: The Object of Foreign Missions

THE command, "Go ye, . . . and teach all nations, . . . teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you," of Matthew 28:19, 20, is all-comprehensive. It includes all the great teachings of the Master Teacher in their every detail.

To those who sit in heathen darkness it means light.

To those who live in ignorance and superstition it means knowledge.

To the unclean it means to become clean.

To the hopeless it brings hope.

To the Christless it brings Christ and life eternal.

To the outcast it brings sonship with Christ, heirs of eternal values.

To the poor it brings mansions in glory.

To the blind it brings sight.

To the sick it brings health.

To the feeble it brings strength.

To those who mourn it brings rejoicing.

To the hungry it brings food.

To the lost it brings anchorage.

To the bound it brings freedom.

To the defeated it brings victory.

To the slave it brings liberty.

To see this transformation and more is the purpose and joy of the foreign missionary. Is it any wonder, then, that those who have once worked in a foreign field are never satisfied to remain at home?

Stop a minute. Picture the fields with their teeming millions, and then picture the change that the missionary brings with his message, his Book of life, his healing power, his ministry of love and loyalty; add to this the sacrifices, trials, separations, the heartaches, the sicknesses without and within; for the background place Calvary; let the cross be lifted high against

the horizon; let the whole scene be lighted and mellowed by matchless love, and you have the picture that draws, changes, and holds, not alone the lives of the lost, but of the missionary as well.

Dare we withhold the gift supreme from those who have nothing to lighten their dark, sin-cursed lives? Let the words from that old mission hymn ring out again:

"Shall we whose souls are lighted  
With wisdom from on high,  
Shall we to men benighted  
The lamp of life deny?  
Salvation, O salvation!  
The joyful sound proclaim,  
Till earth's remotest nation  
Has heard Messiah's name."

As we in the home bases look out upon the great needy fields of the world in the light of our own perplexities, the following little verse is one that it is well to keep in mind:

"For we must share, if we would keep  
That blessing from above;  
Ceasing to give, we cease to have;  
Such is the law of love."

Our message from Elder C. H. Watson, president of the General Conference, is, "Our task today is to extend the work of God in spite of conditions."

Fellow advent youth, our marching orders for today are: "Go ye, . . . and teach all nations." Our power and comfort is, "Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world."

### Talk: Foreign Missionaries

IT is an undisputed fact that no group of people have so indelibly left their names engraved upon the hearts of humanity as that class known as "foreign missionaries." It might be well for us to spend a little time reviewing the lives of two outstanding persons so classed.

The outstanding foreign missionary of all time is Jesus, who, not as an ambassador with extraterritorial rights, but as a servant, came "to seek and to save that which was lost." Have you ever thought that to be a missionary was too lowly for you? that you have talents too great to be buried in some dark continent? that too much might be required of you if you were to be sent? that your social standing would be lost if you were to accept a call? If so, think it over.

The One who has had a more profound influence upon humanity than any other was a pioneer missionary. See Him as He gets His first little following. Then He appoints twelve follow missionaries to help spread the good tidings. The work grows, and then the seventy are appointed. All too soon their Leader is gone. Follow Him in the garden as He receives His final orders. (Read Matthew 26:36-46.) Did you notice the loyalty? "O My Father, . . . not as I will, but as Thou wilt." This is the spirit that is the blessed heritage of the foreign missionary. The thought of walking in the footsteps of such a pioneer, working as He worked, teaching as He taught, healing as He healed, is the highest incentive to the human mind.

The Christ life has been the criterion for all missionaries, home and foreign, from that time to now. Do any dare say they do not believe in foreign missions, or that they would be unwilling to go? Surely there is no higher calling open to the humble follower of God.

Follow Saul, a youth, educated, with social prestige, family background, everything in his favor; then the voice, "Saul, Saul," and the humble reply, "Who art Thou, Lord? . . . Lord, what wilt Thou have me to do?" Then the unhesitating reply, "Arise, and go." Follow him through his labors,—Damascus, Jerusalem, Caesarea, Tarsus, Antioch, Seleucia, Cyprus, Salamis, Paphos, Perga, Iconium, Lystra, Derbe; continue with him through his labors until he comes to Troas; picture the vision given him there by the Lord. Glory in the loyalty and devotion of the response! (Read Acts 16:9, 10.)

Time forbids mentioning more modern examples or citing their valor for Christ. But just as surely as Paul was called of old, so we are called today. (Read the words of the Master in Matthew 16:24-27.)

Yes, it is emphatically true that we are a missionary people, and as Adventist youth we are missionary-minded, and how

**Have you reached your goal in Harvest Ingathering?**

proud we are of it! Our entire organization is a militant missionary movement. May God help us ever to walk, talk, and work as Jesus worked, that we may be counted workers together with Him, "ambassadors for Christ."

## The Tools of a Missionary

(Program for Week Ending October 14)

BY MARJORIE WEST MARSIL

**NOTES TO SENIOR LEADERS:** All workmen need tools with which to work, and the better the tools, the better the work skilled men can do. Missionaries are no exception to the rule. What are some of the tools with which they can do the best work in their chosen vocation? Today we are studying some of them. Right now is the time to collect a set for ourselves, and develop them so that they may be in good shape when needed. (None of these tools will come amiss in any work we may be doing in the homeland.)

*Talk:* "The Cheerful Missionary," p. 13. Mrs. J. N. Andrews was formerly a missionary on the borders of Tibet.

*Illustrations:* See the three stories given in the Junior program, pp. 13, 14.

"Practical Preparation for the Mission Field," by W. H. Anderson, veteran missionary to Africa. See *Review and Herald* of July 20 and 27.

### Reading: A Missionary's Examination

A YOUNG applicant for missionary work was to be examined. The board appointed its wisest and most original member to examine the young man on his fitness for the work. The old man said he would try his best to find out what his qualifications were. It was very cold weather—the middle of winter; the young man lived nine miles away in the country. The examiner sent him a message to be at his house for examination at three o'clock sharp, the next morning. He told his servant to kindle a good fire in his study, and notice exactly what time the young man arrived, and tell him to make himself comfortable. The young man rang the doorbell as the clock struck three. The servant showed him in, and gave him a paper and a seat by the fire. And there he waited, waited, waited, five long hours. The old man did not come down till eight o'clock. Then he came in, and said, "Oh, you're here, are you? All right; when did you get here?" "Three o'clock sharp." "All right; it's breakfast time now; come in and have some breakfast."

After breakfast they went back to the room. "Well, sir," said the old man, "I was appointed to examine you regarding your fitness for the mission field; that is very important. Can you spell, sir?"

The young man said he thought he could. "Spell baker, then." "B-a-k-e-r, baker." "All right; that will do. Now, do you know anything about figures?" "Yes, sir, something." "How much is twice two?" "Four." "Three and one are how many?" "Four." "All right, that's splendid; you'll do first-rate; I'll see the board." When the board met, the old man reported, "Well, brethren, I have examined the candidate, and I recommend him for appointment. He'll make a tiptop missionary, first-class!"

Now, my young friends, what do you think of that examination—was it fair? Well, I'll tell you what I think. I don't reckon you all could stand it—not all of you.

"First," said the old examiner, "I examined the candidate on his self-denial. I told him to be at my house at three in the morning. He was there. That meant getting up at two in the morning, or sooner, in the dark and cold. He got up—never asked me why.

"Second, I examined him on promptness. I told him to be at my house at three SHARP. He was there—not one minute behind time.

"Third, I examined him on patience. I let him wait five hours for me, when he might just as well have been in bed; and he waited, and showed no signs of impatience when I went in.

"Fourth, I examined him on his temper. He didn't get mad—met me perfectly pleasantly; didn't ask me why I had kept him waiting from three o'clock till eight on a cold winter morning.

"Fifth, I examined him on humility. I asked him to spell words a five-year-old child could spell, and to do sums a five-year-old child could do, and he didn't show any indignation; didn't ask me why I wanted to treat him like a child or a fool.

"Brethren, the candidate is self-denying, prompt, patient, obedient, good-tempered, humble; he's just the man for a missionary, and I recommend him for your acceptance."

Now, my friends, I think that was the hardest examination I ever knew. I've seen a great many examinations in Hebrew, Greek, Latin, calculus, church history, and theology, but that was the hardest examination I ever knew a candidate to be put through.—*Selected.*

### Talk: The Tools of a Missionary

THE everyday contact is one of the most important channels through which mission work may be done. To make these contacts, trips are taken, sermons preached, hospitals and schools established, and canvassers are spread as nets both at home and in foreign lands. Through contacts by means of all these agencies, one by one souls are gathered out to be made ready for the kingdom of God. In distant lands, as at home, every contact, however made, is one more opportunity to give the gospel message which, through the working of the Holy Spirit, may mean eternal life to some soul.

It is a mistake to believe that this is to be done only by appointed workers in a public way. To sit on a doorstep and tell the egg peddler the gospel story is as important as a formal sermon. To take time to get close enough to our children, to our helpers, to our neighbors, so that we may make them conscious of their need of a Saviour, is so important! If their wish to learn to bathe a baby, make bread, or turn a stocking heel, helps us to get close enough to them to tell of God's love, it is a victory won. Our words may carry more weight because of common interests than those of a far more eloquent stranger.

In a foreign land it often seems a necessity to shut off one's home and yard from the curious crowds who flock to see how strangers live. It is within one's rights, and at times this must be done, but how much better it is to be able to use this very curiosity as a means of making contacts for Jesus. How much more heart warming it is to have an inviting gate and garden where one can talk of the power and wisdom of the Creator who makes lilies and pansies grow from the same black soil, than to have a gateman, a dog, and a lock and key to protect one's privacy.

To give away some flowers, even though they be destined for an altar in a heathen home, gives an opportunity to call attention to the contrast between an image made by the hands of men, that cannot see nor smell, and the Lord who makes the sun to rise and the grass to grow. To be near enough to neighbor women to discuss cause and prevention of the baby's colic, and the example we older ones must set if the children are to grow up to be truthful and honest; to weep with those who mourn, though they be only heathen neighbors, and to rejoice with those who rejoice, always dropping a thought and finding a word that may lead to love for God,—this is what gives satisfaction in mission work, and it is not very far removed from work in the homeland.

MRS. J. N. ANDREWS.

### Talk: The Complete Tool Kit

SURELY if any one needs a complete kit of tools with which to work, it is the missionary. But where is he going to find this set of tools? Change in geographical location does not change a person's attitude or fitness for life. No, going to a foreign field does not make a person a soul winner. If he is not a soul winner at home before he goes, he is not likely to be a soul winner in the foreign land. The qualities the missionary needs must be developed before he reaches the foreign shore.

What are some of these attributes which will aid him as well-selected tools aid the carpenter? What helps to bear the strain, the discouragements and limitations in missionary service? What keeps him true to his ideal, faithful to his purpose, steadfast in the face of disappointment, happy in a new and oftentimes uncongenial environment? "I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me," said Paul. Gal. 2:20. Faith in Christ, enthusiasm for service, and fellowship with Christ will carry him through.

The work of the missionary calls for the use of every talent, and the exercise of all graces, for it touches every phase of life; and the joys which come to him in service run the whole gamut of human experience.

The first problem which confronts a missionary is that of making an effective adjustment to an utterly alien environment. He goes to a different climate usually, which often involves a complete revision of personal habits. He must master another tongue so thoroughly as not to make the ludicrous slips in his speech for which the foreigner is noted. The missionary must enter into the life of the people, share their thoughts and feel-

ings, hopes and fears. He needs a triple endowment of plain friendliness and sympathetic understanding.

The demand is for workers of simple life and economical habits. To be able to adapt ourselves to the circumstances of any people is an art. The missionary's simple life and economical habits speak volumes in influence. Getting the vision of what the world needs and being willing to surrender self, is vital.

Each individual should count as a positive force. He should have personality. Attractiveness, friendliness, sense of humor, reluctance to criticize, freedom from race prejudice, tact, willingness to subordinate personal ambitions and preferences, —some of these may seem unimportant tools for success, but they are not. No apter phrase than "teamwork qualities" can express those desired in the missionary personality.

First of all the tools, the missionary must personally know Jesus Christ well enough to be able to introduce Him to new friends. He must have a real passion to proclaim the message of the risen and soon-coming Saviour.

This complete tool kit is equally desirable in the life of the worker in the homeland and the foreign land. The greatest missionary of mankind was most disparaging about his own fitness, but he also said, "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me."

### Giving to Missions

(Program for Week Ending October 21)

BY C. LESTER BOND

#### Talk: Would You Pay Such a Price?

SOME time ago a man was riding with a friend through a beautiful section of the country. His attention was called to an especially attractive home just outside the limits of the little country town. After admiring the general landscape, the buildings, the driveways, etc., he asked his friend, "What is the value of this beautiful place?" The friend replied, "I am not sure of its real value, but I know what it has cost the owner."

After waiting a moment, the man ventured, "Is there a secret about the price paid?" Again the friend replied, "No, it is no secret; it cost him his soul."

A few moments of deep silence followed, and the friend explained: "It was this way: When the owner of this attractive place was a young man, he had a very definite Christian experience. You could always find him in Sabbath school, church services, and prayer meeting, doing his part to advance the cause of God. He occupied an important place as clerk in a large firm where he was acknowledged above reproach—in every way an ideal Christian business man.

"With the passing of years, he became a partner in the firm, and he began to think more of business problems and their advantageous solution than of his service for Christ. As a result, the lovely, charming attributes of Jesus lost their attractiveness, and the benevolent traits gave way to avarice and greed; until, as he reached the time when the long shadows of life made their appearance, one could scarcely find a trace of Him who said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.' He was known to comment on his own experience like this: 'I have lost the art of knowing how to be liberal!'"

A very rich and very mean man was under discussion at the dinner table. That day he had declined to give some money to a worthy object merely because he had not enough good will. The host finally said, "Well, I have faith to believe that God will get that man's money yet. He cannot get it away from him; but, if He should take him away from it, then the money might fall into the hands of his wife, and the Lord would get it." Which is just what happened. One morning we read in the papers that the man had died during the night. As usual in such cases, he took none of his money with him. His will showed that he had the same spirit of holding on to it, for he left every bit of it to his wife. And so God got it, for it was not difficult to separate it from her when good causes came in sight. She rejoiced to give, and the hoarded money has done much to help advance the cause of God and aid those who were in need.

But isn't there something strange about being so glued to one's money that it cannot get away in service? This same rich man once said that the only time to learn to give is when one has nothing to give; after that it is too late. He had never learned in the days of poverty and struggle; when wealth came, he could not bear to see money going away from him. The only movement he could endure was when it faced him, moving in his direction.

What are people saying about you and your powers? What would God have to do to get full control over them? Are you a person of such strong incoming tastes that outgoing movements are painful to you? When you are asked to do something or to give something to assist in the work of God, do you ask what good it will do you, or what good you can do with your talents? Do you make the mistake of the men mentioned above? Soon or late God gets our money and our power. Let us ever remember that "it is more blessed to give than to receive," and that "God loveth a cheerful giver."

#### Talk: The Money Side of Christianity

ONE of the means for advancing Christ's kingdom is money. Money is not a tool for carrying on the world's common business, while a little of it may now and then be offered to God in recognition of His ownership and authority. He claims the silver and the gold as His, as the sun and rain and the air are His. Their one purpose is to add to His glory and to carry out His will in the earth. They are unlawfully used when they are not made to serve that end.

We are put here on earth to fulfill God's will. We are not our own; all our powers are received from Him. Whatever money we have represents strength and time that we have given in exchange for it, strength and time that belonged to Him. So if we cannot claim ourselves as our own, we surely cannot lay claim to owning anything we have. We are here simply as God's stewards, bound to make the utmost out of anything that He has intrusted to us. What we have is not partly His and partly ours. We fall into the sin of Ananias and Sapphira when we profess entire consecration while keeping back a part. It is our duty to find out what God wants done, to give for any particular purpose whatever He asks for that object; and it is our joy that He lets us share in the blessedness of giving for His work in the earth.

A life must be fully consecrated to God in order to be truly consecrated. Full and true consecration must, of course, include due consecration also of time, talents, and earthly possessions. God will dwell as a sole tenant in a person's heart or He will not dwell there at all. He will not occupy only a part of the heart while Satan occupies any other part. A person cannot put God's name beside that of Satan on the name plate of his heart, for God will not allow His name to be put there if Satan's is already there. "Ye cannot serve God and mammon," is the way the Bible expresses this great truth. If God occupies the heart fully and completely, surely He will walk or rest also in the heart room which is the stewardship room. God will have a person's devotion sincerely and wholeheartedly, or He will not accept it at all. If a person gives God such devotion, then most certainly that person's pocketbook will gladly be included.

An interesting incident from the life of the famous composer, Fritz Kreisler, well illustrates the point.

"I often think," he once said, "that the artist who thinks himself a success is a monumental failure."

Mr. Kreisler denied all claim to glory, and said humbly, "I was born with music in my system. . . . It was a gift of Providence. I did not acquire it. So I do not even deserve thanks for the music. I never look upon the money I earn as my own. It is public money. It belongs to the public. It is only a fund intrusted to my care for proper disbursement. . . . How can I squander money on myself while there is so much misery, so much hunger in the world? . . . I feel morally guilty in ordering a costly meal, for it deprives some one else of a slice of bread—some child, perhaps, of a bottle of milk."

Whenever an individual catches that conception of his talents and his possessions, he will do all that he possibly can by his gifts to advance the cause of God in every part of the world field.

## Eleven Cents for Missions and a Dollar for Lace

ELEVEN cents for missions and a dollar bill for lace  
Is our index of proportion; shows our zeal to save the race.  
Said the Lord to His disciples: "Bring an offering today  
For the famine-stricken peoples who are suffering far away."

And His sleek, well-fed disciples, looking up into His face,  
Made reply, "We'd like to do it, but we've spent so much for lace."  
Said the Lord: "Seek first My kingdom to establish among men;  
Teach the dead in sin and evil they can rise through Me again."

So they gave their extra coppers and they sent a man of grace  
To conduct a penny mission—but the dollars went for lace.  
Said the Lord: "A tiny army mighty things for God hath done;  
But He calls for threefold measure, that the millions may be won."

But they answered: "Lord, have patience; we can't hope to win  
the race;  
Leave some work for our descendants; leave us something for  
our lace."

Said the Lord at last in sorrow: "Sleep ye on, O fruitless race,  
Take your ease among your rose paths, with your blood-bought  
bolts of lace."

But His people made remonstrance: "Lord, take not with us  
offense,

We have not forgot Thy kingdom—lo, we gave eleven cents!"  
Thus eleven cents for missions and a dollar bill for lace,  
Is our index of proportion; shows our zeal to save the race.

—Author Unknown.

### Shall I Be a Missionary? Am I Now One?

(Program for Week Ending October 28)

BY MELVIN OSS

NOTES TO SENIOR LEADERS: It takes more than a trip in a big boat to make a missionary. A disagreeable, unhealthful climate will not make you more Christlike. If you are not a missionary at home, you will not be one if sent to a foreign field. Those sent out by the Mission Board are generally young people who have experienced already the joy of seeing souls saved, and have a burning zeal to proclaim the gospel to the multitudes who need it so much.

As we study and become acquainted with the needs in other lands, some of us will feel called to go there with the light of truth and salvation. We are debtors to men who have never heard the good news. We pay the debt we owe our neighbors across the seas by supporting the program of foreign missions.

Are we now home missionaries? What are we doing to dispel the darkness, to alleviate the suffering, to cheer the lonely who have come to make our country their new home? A young minister who was sent to China as a missionary, spent the first year in language study. On acquiring the ability to speak and write the Chinese, it occurred to him that there were Chinese living in his home town in America in whom he had never taken any interest while he lived there. Ashamed of his neglect of near-by duty, he corresponded with some of these people and sent them literature. His first convert while in China was a Chinese living in his old home town!

Survey your own community and make plans to do all the home missionary work possible through your Christian Help, Gospel Meeting, Literature and Correspondence, and Personal Workers' Bands. Encourage your members in their daily contacts to be friendly missionaries.

Songs: Nos. 542, 588, 583, in "Christ in Song;" duet, No. 536.  
Thought Questions: (Assign to individuals in advance or discuss from the floor) 1. If you were asked to go to a foreign field within a few years, what would you study? 2. How can you keep your body strong and in fit condition to go? 3. Tell about a missionary with whom you are personally acquainted. What was he doing before he became a missionary? Why does he like his work? Give the addresses of other missionaries to whom you may write for information about the people for whom they work. 4. What are we doing personally and as a society to show our belief in a soon-coming Saviour? 5. What further plans should we lay for work in our own community?

### Talk: Learning About the Needs

ONE of the most interesting of studies is that of mission geography. We need to know more about the many different kinds of people who live in this little world of ours. William Carey, one of the pioneers in the modern movement of missions, made a large map and read all the books he could on travel and adventure. This gave him a knowledge of other lands. He

met a doctor who had been in India, and later accepted a call to that land. At Serampur I visited the college which he built.

Knowledge of the needs of other lands often proves an inspiration to us to help these needy people. Eleven years ago I met two missionaries from India who encouraged me to go there. The more I studied about this land, the more impressed was I to go. My sister, who had gone there, wrote back in detail of the ways and customs of the Indians. When the call from the Mission Board came, I could not say "No." Every true missionary must love the people for whom he goes to work, enough to study about them and become acquainted with their ways.

Several of our missionaries have written books on the lands where they have worked. (Give a list of such books in your library.) These comprise some of the most interesting books in our Reading Courses. The *Youth's Instructor* and the *Review and Herald* also contain articles about our work in all the earth. Many people read the back page of the *Review* first because it tells the latest news about the missionaries we send out.

As we become acquainted with many lands through our study, let us remember what Livingstone said, "The end of the exploration is the beginning of the missionary enterprise."

### Talk: The Spirit of Missions

THE greatest thing we can do to help our missionaries is to pray much for their success. Often they are confronted with trying problems, but they venture forth courageously upon the duties of each new day. They remember that our people at home are praying for their success, and they do not expect to fail.

"The weary ones had rest, the sad had joy that day.  
I wondered how!

A plowman, singing at his work, had prayed, 'Lord, help them now.'

Away in foreign lands they wondered how their simple word had power!

At home the Christians, two or three, had met to pray an hour!

Yes, we are always wondering, wondering how, because we do not see

Some one unknown, perhaps, and far away, on hended knee."

Do you think we shall be missionaries in foreign lands if we do not take sufficient interest in them to pray for them each day? Really, young people, the missionary spirit must come into our hearts. The spirit of prayer and service must move us to greater activity for Christ.

If the missionary spirit gets a firmer hold upon us, we shall find our greatest joy in helping others. "The love of Christ constraineth us," is our motto. The advent message must go to every darkened corner of this earth in our day. It is up to us to let the spirit of missions lead us out to find some one who needs our help. If we cannot go across the waters to distant lands, we can bring the message to our neighbors and relatives.

David Livingstone was a pioneer missionary. Each night he camped beside new villages and firesides until he had penetrated the heart of the Dark Continent. When he died, his body was transported by a group of natives to the seacoast and shipped to London, where it was buried in Westminster Abbey. However, as he had requested, his heart was buried in the land where he labored and died. We must put our hearts, our entire souls, into the work God has given us to do. How many are willing to do more for Jesus and will pray daily for some missionary?

When Judson was graduated from college, he received a call to become assistant pastor in a fashionable church in Boston. Many congratulated him upon this offer. However, he said, "My work is not here; God is calling me beyond the seas." Judson was one of the best missionaries America ever sent out. He also had a wonderful missionary wife.

Paul was not disobedient to the heavenly vision. Acts 26:19. It is a peril for any one to neglect the call of God.

Ziuzendorf's missionary desire began when he saw a picture of Jesus in an art gallery. Underneath was written: "This I did for thee; what art thou doing for Me?"

Stress the Missionary Band work especially on October 28.

### Talk: Our Gifts for Missions

It is a privilege to give toward the support of the cause of Christ, who gave so much for us. We generally give in proportion to our love for Him. We demonstrate our love by our desire to give. Sometimes we do not have much, but we should always love to give what we have.

Not only is it the privilege, but the *duty* of each Missionary Volunteer to give something for our mission work. The African fields of Urundi, Ruanda, and Central Congo have been assigned to us as a special project to finance in 1933. The General Conference is depending upon each of us to do what can be done for this field through our society offerings to missions.

An interesting yet pathetic experience is related of an Indian bus driver in the mountains of India. He started up the hills. His radiator was leaking. The water was soon gone, and the engine got too hot to run. The bus stopped. After filling the radiator, he started off. Soon the motor stopped again. The driver knew there was water in the radiator, but the car would not go; so the driver went in front of the radiator, bowed his head, and prayed for the motor to go. Yet it would not start. It took more than formal worship and prayer to start it, because the gasoline tank was empty.

Let us not forget that we should replenish the depleted treasury of the Mission Board in order that the work of soul-saving may advance to all lands.

### Missions at Home

O FRIEND, do you know that a work for the Lord  
Lies right at your very door?  
That your neighbor's heart may be just as dark  
As one on a foreign shore?  
For the souls that live in a heathen land,  
Where Christ is a name unknown,  
Need workers sore, but surely no more  
Than the missions we have at home.

The people right there in the town where you live  
Are willing and eager to read;  
But fiction is high, for it's worthless to buy—  
Our papers are just what they need.  
In their own language written you'll find them today,  
They are good for the old and the young.  
Let us give them with zeal, for the truth they reveal  
In these dear people's own mother tongue.

And who can foretell what results there will be  
If these papers we send far and wide?  
Our duty, indeed, is to scatter the seed,  
And God will the harvest provide.  
"The advent of Jesus proclaimed to the world"—  
In our youthful hearts let it burn,  
So that forth we shall go, till our neighbors shall know  
That our Saviour soon will return.

—Selected.

(See program, "Brothers of Different Colors," p. 15.)

### Katrina

KATRINA came to our school,  
She sat right next to me,  
She used to live in Amsterdam  
Beside the Zuyder Zee.

Her cheeks were pink as cherry bloom,  
Her lips ten times as red;  
But none of us could understand  
A word Katrina said.

She always comes to school on time,  
Her dress is just as neat.  
I'm sure I'm twice as careful  
Since Katrina shares my seat.

It makes me have some new, new thoughts,  
Some kindlier thoughts, to know  
That though I cannot speak to her  
I love Katrina so.

—Author Unknown.

"A man should never be ashamed to own he has been in the wrong, which is but saying, in other words, he is wiser today than he was yesterday."

## Junior Missionary Volunteer Meetings

### The "Why" of Foreign Missions

(Program for Week Ending October 7)

BY R. J. CHRISTIAN

NOTES TO JUNIOR SUPERINTENDENTS: Yours is the responsibility of bending the twig. In this age of urgent need at home we must continue to sow the seed of "Missions" in the young hearts intrusted to us.

*Study:* "The Origin of the Foreign Mission Program," p. 8. Use these texts as a base for a short study.

Have the Juniors make a list of benefits received by the ones for whom our missionaries work, as they open their hearts and receive Christ. You may refer to the list given under the talk, "The Object of Foreign Missions," p. 8. If possible, place this list on a blackboard.

Junior Superintendents in America, in connection with this program make an appeal to bring your quota for our Missionary Volunteer foreign mission project up to date.

### Calls From Afar

(By a Boy)

AN old story says that in a great forest lived a band of brave knights who were "The Knights of the Silver Shield" because each received, when he became a knight, a dull silver shield.

Bravely these knights went wherever they were needed. Sometimes they stormed castles, sometimes they defended helpless women and children, sometimes they fought with wild beasts. Of one thing only were these knights afraid,—that their shields should remain dull. That proclaimed to the world, "This knight has done no noble deed." Each unselfish, brave deed made the shield grow brighter and brighter, and the knight who did the bravest and highest service would find a golden star in the heart of his shining shield.

But that was long ago, and the knights are gone. Is there no work that needs your strength and courage? You are knights of Jesus Christ, but many of your shields are still dull. Be quick to do such deeds of unselfishness and courage that on your shining shield may come the "star" of a great deed well performed.

### The Master's Call

(By a Girl)

OUR Master says: "I will give you a chance to help in a war against sin and ignorance. I want you to know more about the lives of boys and girls far across the sea. I want you to pray for them. I want you to deny yourself some luxury and use the money thus saved to send comfort and help to the needy of other lands. I want the whole world to know that this is a Missionary Volunteer Society whose boys and girls dare to undertake anything for Jesus Christ."

### The Call From Cactus Land

(By a Boy)

THE boys and girls of Mexico call to you for help: "If no one comes to teach us and our parents, we shall never know that we can come to Jesus without a priest. We shall never know that Jesus and heaven are for the very poorest child. We shall believe that the Bible is a very bad book, as the priest says. How are we to know that it is a good book unless you send some one to tell us? Hundreds of us are hungry for books and study. But how can we be satisfied without schools and teachers? Won't you send some one to help us?"

### The Call From the Oldest Nation

(By a Girl)

THE girls of China call to you for help: "When we are born, everybody is sorry. Our fathers are angry because we aren't boys, and our mothers cry. When we are older, our fathers will not send us to school, for they say we don't know any more than cows, and cows can't read. Sometimes we have to go with our mothers to take presents to idols in the temples, but we

Plan early for the Week of Sacrifice next month.

know the ugly idols cannot hear us or help us. *You don't know how terrible it is to be a girl in China. Won't you send some one to tell our parents about Jesus, who loves little children, who loves girls just as much as boys?"*

### The Call From India

(By a Girl)

THE girls of India call to you for help: "If no one comes to tell our parents about Jesus, they will marry us, perhaps when we are only five years old, to men whom we may never have seen. We will have to be the servants of our husbands as long as they live. If a husband dies, they will say it is because his wife is so wicked. She will be scolded and punished. They will dress her in rags, and often she will have nothing at all to eat. She will always be treated unkindly as long as she lives. Won't you send some one to tell our fathers and mothers what Jesus said about loving little children?"

### The Call From Africa

(By a Boy)

THE children of Africa call to you for help: "We are savages because we do not know any other way to live. We are afraid of evil spirits, which we believe to be hidden everywhere, waiting to harm us. We pray to snakes, stones, sticks, and idols. They say there is a God who loves boys and girls even if their skins are black, and who can make fine men out of savages. Does He do it? Is there really a better way to live? Then won't you give the children of Africa a chance?"

### The Line Shall Not Break Where I Stand

I WILL stand in the pathway of duty  
For a cause which shall never retreat;  
'Tis with God-given strength I shall conquer  
And the foe in the conflict defeat.

I will stand 'gainst a great host of darkness  
And list to the Master's command  
Sent down from the heavenly portals,  
"The line must not break where you stand."

The line shall not break where I stand,  
For I'll answer the Master's demand,  
And shout with God's armor around me,  
"The line shall not break where I stand."

I will stand in the pathway of duty,  
Though the dark clouds of sin o'er me roll,  
For with prayer and the sword of the Spirit  
Despair shall not enter my soul.

I will fight against Satan, the tempter,  
By faith holding firmly God's hand,  
By the sign of the cross I'll be victor—  
The line shall not break where I stand.

—Laura D. Whitmore, Adapted.

### A Cheerful Missionary

(Program for Week Ending October 14)

BY MARJORIE WEST MARSH

NOTES TO JUNIOR SUPERINTENDENTS: Since we wish to share our faith with those of other lands, some human being must go and do the sharing. What kind of person should go to represent Christianity? Our topic today should help the Juniors to understand the kind of person who should be sent to the mission fields; and the kind of life each Junior should now be striving to attain in order that he may be an efficient missionary at home or abroad.

Reading: "A Missionary's Examination," p. 9.

Talk: "The Complete Tool Kit," p. 9.

#### Talk: The Cheerful Missionary

How to be happy though a missionary, would be a strange subject to write about, for really, how could one be a missionary if he weren't happy? Oh, it's true that one may be sent to a foreign land, and be unhappy, and ill-natured, and unobliging, and self-seeking, but that is only working at a job, and not being a missionary.

To be happy through cold and heat, in illness and health, with friends or alone, one must first know, really know, that his work is the Lord's work, his place the Lord's place for him.

With that knowledge, missionary work in far-off places becomes, not a matter of martyrdom and regret, self-pity and sacrifice, but a joy, a pleasure, and a privilege. If one is working with the Lord, queer things to eat, hard beds on which to sleep, long and tedious journeys, and lack of home comforts will not affect his spirit, but will be only incidents along the way. If one can overcome the desire for things he has been accustomed to, and enjoy seeing how many of the necessities of life can be invented from things at hand, life becomes an interesting game instead of a path full of hardships.

It is wonderful what a difference a happy outlook has on the health of one's family, the behavior of one's helpers, and even judgment of the temperature. It teaches one to extract the maximum of pleasure from simple things,—the view from the mission station, a single house or garden flower struggling to bloom, a dress remodeled, a task pushed through. There are many, many times when tears are nearer than a smile, but not half so comforting or effective.

If we are working with Christ, what if one's own pet plans go wrong, if one's prized lineas are ruined, if treasured books are destroyed? Material things should not count too much when reaping souls for the kingdom is the business in which one is engaged. To be sure, plans must be laid for the health and comfort of the family; but elaborate meals or belongings minister to neither, while the joy and peace of a contented mind are necessities to both.

Many recommend a hobby for recreation. Hobbies have their good points; exercise does too; but the study of botany, or birds, or embroideries, and kindred subjects is not so interesting as the study of one's neighbors; and there is no better exercise than caring for a garden in which some vegetables and flowers grow.

A missionary must like the people among whom he works. That does not mean that those people will be as congenial and pleasant, as cultured and clean, as those whom one would choose as associates, but even in degraded heathen there are likable traits, and who can say what we should be if we had had a similar inheritance, training, and environment?

It makes for happiness to be teachable. All wisdom did not originate in our native land, and neither will it die with us. We have much that we may teach to these people to whom we are sent, but also much that we may learn. To keep learning is to keep happy.

A happy home, wherein is the fear of God, is a citadel of happiness in a foreign land. In a home where the burdens and joys are shared, where interest in work outside the home is one with the work inside its walls, there will be no conflicting currents in the various activities.

If the love of Christ constraineth us, we shall continue to hope and work when things go slow and hard. We may believe that Christ's work will triumph, no matter what obstacle bars the way. We will keep right on believing when we ourselves fall down, or when we see some one fall down whom we regarded as a staunch Christian. We will believe that God is working out His plans for us when everything seems to be going wrong.

If the love of Jesus is in our hearts, all those things which we endure for His work will not seem hard to bear, but only incidentals in our happy march into His kingdom.

MRS. J. N. ANDREWS.

#### Story: Christianity Makes a Difference

RECENTLY bandits attacked the village of Panliuchia in China, killed twenty or more inhabitants, wounded scores, and carried two hundred captives away with them. In one of the groups, which had been tied together by the bandits, was the wife of a mission school teacher, Mrs. Liu Chin Chung. With her baby in her arms she was tied to other unfortunate captives and hurried away from the village.

Realizing she could not carry her babe with her, she gave it to her ten-year-old son, who had been running along behind her group, and asked him to try to carry his baby sister back to safety, and to try to get word to her husband.

Reaching a village about daybreak, the helpless captives were placed in a large room and one by one were taken out and mercilessly beaten. In this way the captors tried to find out

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if they had property and to whom they should apply for a ransom. Mrs. Liu heard the cries of her fellow captives, and as they returned to the room, saw their bleeding backs. She prayed to God for help.

It was nearing Mrs. Liu's turn to be called out when a bandit in charge said to her, "You look different from the others. You are clean and tidy. You must be wealthy." "No," replied Mrs. Liu, "it is because I am a Christian. My husband is only a teacher in a mission school, and works for a very small wage."

The bandit asked her to lie down on the floor and covered her with a large rug. He then conferred with the robbers higher up and secured her release. She was allowed to return home, and a bandit was sent along to show her the way. She reached her family safe and unharmed, and supremely happy.

Even a hard-hearted bandit could see that she was different from the other captives. The Bible and the influences of the Christian religion had entered her home, and brought a change in her life. The fruits of Christianity will be seen in our lives seven days in the week.—*Canadian Watchman*.

### Story: Shining for Jesus

AN Indian caste woman was sitting one day deeply interested in the conversation of the Bible woman, when she suddenly turned her head away. When asked the reason, she replied: "I cannot look into your face; it shines so that I'm afraid to look, for fear that I may become one of you."

The note of joy is sounding through all the length and breadth of many lands. The gospel is singing its way into remote corners, among hill tribes, down in the plains, and we stop to listen to the voices of little children and witness baptismal services. We gather with small groups about the evening fires, we go to the homes of secluded women and see the welcoming smiles. We mingle with the great crowds about the missionaries, and look upon eager, upturned faces. We hear question after question, and when the missionary, utterly spent, begs for a brief respite, she is met with the most urgent appeal to stay a little longer. The dominant note through all this ministry is joy, not sacrifice; never a word of suffering, but always joy in service.—*Mary L. Bishop*.

### Story: A Little Old Woman From Angola

ONE day while Mukato was walking about in his village he saw an old woman with two terrible sores, one on her back and the other on her leg. He said, "Come, we will go to the mission where you can receive medicine." When they arrived, this is the story she told:

"Before I left Angola to come to this country on a visit, I went into the bush to look for wild fruits. In my search for food I fell out of a tree and injured myself. I sought medicine from our medicine man, but it did not heal my sores; it rather made them worse. For this reason, when Mukato invited me to come here to the mission for help, I consented."

More loathsome sores I have never seen; and the pain endured by this native woman must have been intense. Rarely do the native men or women express feelings of pain unless the pain is intense. But as we dressed her sores, tears ran down her cheeks. She was a dear old woman, so plucky, and ready with a smile in spite of her pain, and so appreciative of any help. She did not beg for cloth or salt as some do, although she needed them, nor did she beg for food. For many days she trekked through the bush, living only on what she could find along the way.

The treatments we were able to give her sores helped her greatly, so that she was soon able to return to her country. Now we wonder what story she will tell as she mingles with her own people, for in all her section of the country there is not one European doctor. What a pleasure it is to help these unfortunate people!—*Mrs. S. M. Konigsmacher*.

"A CHEERFUL heart seeth cheerful things. A lady and a gentleman were in a lumberyard situated by a dirty, foul-smelling river. The lady said: 'How good the pine boards smell!' 'Pine boards!' exclaimed the gentleman. 'Just smell this foul river!' 'No, thank you,' the lady replied. 'I prefer to smell the pine boards.' There is in some homes an unconscious atmosphere which brightens everybody. Wealth cannot give it, nor can poverty take it away."

## My Pocketbook's View of Missions

(Program for Week Ending October 21)

BY C. LESTER BOND

### Exercise: Money Talks

(To provoke thought, and help to develop a missionary conscience. Participants may carry real dollars, or silvered pieces of cardboard representing the same, labeled as the "disappointed" and "happy" dollars suggest.)

#### The Disappointed Dollars

I wanted to go to China, but a little girl spent me for ice cream and candy.

I wanted to help preach the gospel in Africa, but a young man spent me on the movies.

I wanted to go to Moslem lands to tell of Christ, but a little boy spent me for pop corn and chewing gum.

I was planning to help the ignorant women in India, but a lady spent me to go to the theater.

A little girl gave me for missions, but the church board borrowed me for current expenses, and didn't pay me back.

I wanted to help build a chapel in the Philippines, but a deacon used me to help buy a new automobile.

An elder had me, and I wanted to go to Japan, but the elder said, "A quarter is enough," and put me in his stuffy old pocketbook.

We are so disappointed! We wanted to do some good in the world. We are heart-broken because we can't go. Won't you people who love the Lord and love those for whom Christ died, be sure next time to put us in the offering, so we can help tell of Jesus all over the world?

—Adapted from the *Missionary Review of the World*.

#### The Happy, Joyous Dollars

I'm going to buy twenty New Testaments for China.

I'm going across the ocean to support a student in a mission school one week in India.

I am going to the Philippines to help print Christian literature.

I'm on my way to Japan to help run a Christian kindergarten.

I will supply Christian books for ten pupils in a day school in India.

I will support a native evangelist for a week in Africa.

I will pay the rent of a chapel for two weeks in South America.

I will give the Mohammedans two thousand one-leaf tracts in Moslem lands.

I will support a boy in an orphanage for twenty-four days in India.

We are all so happy we don't know what to do! The boys and girls who had us gave us so gladly that it warmed our hearts. They said, "Good-by, God bless you." Some of the people prayed about giving us to missions; and one man, after he prayed, gave one hundred dollars instead of one.

### Talk: Using Our Gifts for God

SOME one once asked George Müller how much it was right to give to God. He replied: "I would rather put it another way. How much have we the right to keep?"

There are people who think that if they stand on the river bank and throw a straw to a drowning man, they have done enough. Such are the people who have plenty, but give little. The child who has no home duties, but spends all his time for himself instead of doing for somebody else, is just such a person. Give of whatever you have, and you shall receive your reward.

"It's not what you'd do with a million if riches should be your lot, but what are you doing at present with the little money you have?" Perhaps you will never be a millionaire. There are not many of them compared to the number of those who are not. Because you are not one, will you refuse to give? Remember the story of the widow's two mites. (Tell it.)

Little Hattie Mae Wiatt had saved fifty-seven pennies. At her death they were found wrapped in a piece of paper on which she had written, "To help build the little Temple bigger, so that more children can go there to Sunday school." The story was used in asking for funds, and in five years the fifty-seven cents had grown to \$250,000. Who can tell what the child's self-sacrifice may mean to the Saviour?

"There are three kinds of givers, the flint, the sponge, and the honeycomb. To get anything out of a flint you must hammer it, and then you can get only chips and sparks. Some people are hard and stingy. They give nothing away if they can help it. To get water out of a sponge you must squeeze it; and the more you squeeze, the more you will get. These are the

**How large is your mission investment in Africa to date?**

good-natured people who yield to pressure; and the more they are pressed, the more they will give. The honeycomb just overflows with its own sweetness. Many people delight in giving without being asked at all. Of these the Bible says, "The Lord loveth a cheerful giver."

One morning a woman came to a minister and said, "I would give anything to be really active in this work [revival meetings]. I would give anything to have some living part in the work which is going on here next week in winning souls to Christ, but I do not know what to do." The minister said, "Will you give the Master whatever you have?" She said she did not have much to give. "Do you sing?" he asked her. She admitted that she sang a little. "Will you give the Lord your voice and your time for the next ten days?" She said, "I will." The first night she helped sing a soul into the kingdom.

Au old gentleman, upon being asked why he happened always to have money for offerings, remarked: "I do not happen to have money. No poor man does. I plan for my offerings just the same as I do for my house rent, clothing, and food." This should remind us again that we should not give the Lord our leavings after we have been bountifully supplied, but that we should plan just as much for our gifts for missions as we do for our personal needs.

## Brothers of Different Colors

(Program for Week Ending October 28)

BY MELVIN OSS

**NOTES TO JUNIOR SUPERINTENDENTS:** Ask your Juniors to imagine themselves strangers in another country. How would they expect the Arabs, the Hindus, or the Japanese to treat them? How would they want those people to treat them? All are brothers of different colors, whether they are in the home country or in foreign countries. As Christians, what should be our attitude toward all races? Matt. 7:12. What can we do to make foreigners feel more kindly toward us? to make good citizens of them? to help them learn our language, and not slang? to give them the message of salvation? Make definite plans in your society for helping the foreigners in your community. The boys and girls can help daily. How? Through the example of their own lives, through the printed page, through taking visitors to Sabbath school and Missionary Volunteer meetings.

*Songs:* Nos. 589, 624, 544, in "Christ in Song."

**Blackboard Talk:** "Rays of Sunshine." Draw a large circle on the blackboard. At the top, bottom, and sides of the circle make the signs of directions, N, S, E, W. In the center, outline a heart. In the heart write the words "Sending Sunshine." From the heart make radiating lines going in all directions. As the figure is being drawn, ask questions. What is it that makes the world bright and beautiful? Sunshine. What does the sun do when it makes the world light and glad? Paints the flowers with beautiful colors, giving them warmth and strength so that they will grow and make us glad with their beauty. The sun makes us strong, too. It reaches every corner of the world, gives food, clothes, and health. Ask, How would you like to become a sun ray, and help the world to be happier and better? John wants to be a sun ray of love. Others will be kindness, helpfulness, unselfishness, etc. Write these words with yellow chalk on the radiating lines. Let all take part in the exercise.

*Poem:* "Katrina," p. 12.

## Talk: Brothers of Different Colors

THERE are two and one-half times as many people in the colored races as the white. People have different types of houses in different parts of the world. If one goes to a foreign country, he must learn new customs, and often he will wear a different style of clothing. (Describe the style of dress in several countries. Juniors dressed in costume enter as you describes each.) In hot countries the people have darker skins. They do not need much clothing, and are much exposed to the powerful rays of the sun. It is thought by the scientists that nature protects the body from such rays as might otherwise be injurious, by coloring the skin. In cooler and cold countries we find the white polar bear and light-complexioned people.

We enjoy studying about the lands where our missionaries are working. In India I observed that students in our mission schools are interested in studying about Europe, America, and other countries. They learn of our strange customs and practices, of our tall skyscrapers and fast automobiles.

Children of missionaries who are born in foreign countries play with the children there as though they themselves were natives of that country. My little boy wanted sandals and clothes like those worn by the children with whom he played. He spoke the language of the natives, ate native food, and played native games.

There are many different kinds of people on earth, but there is only one Lord and Saviour. All are to be one in worship and praise, because they pray to a God who loves all. John 3:16. He is waiting to hear all who come to Him in sincere prayer. Because He is a God of love, He asks us to love one another. 1 John 4:7, 8; 3:14.

## Talk: God's Purpose for Different Peoples

WE go out into the flower gardens and pick a handful of beautiful flowers. We select different colors, often of the same kind of flower, as an assortment of colors adds to the attractiveness of the bouquet.

In our world we have different complexions and colors. The garden of God contains not only beautiful plants and flowers and animals, but also people. In the Master's sight they are all precious. He loves them all. It is God's purpose that a great choir, composed of all the different races, sing His praises throughout eternity. He is therefore sending a gospel invitation to every nation, kindred, tongue, and people. Rev. 14:6. I am anxious to be among that great throng that will sing redemption's song, aren't you? Then we shall become well acquainted with people from every nation.

As I have gone around the world and observed the different kinds of people, my heart has yearned for their salvation. They must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ. Have they had a chance to learn of the message that is intended to prepare them to meet the Judge of all the universe? We shall be happy when Jesus comes if we have done our part in helping them to get ready.

## Story: Moses Borge

I AM telling you a true story today about a boy who lives in western India. He was a student in our school at Lasalgaon. How he happened to get there is the interesting story.

One morning ten years ago two of our schoolboys went down to the stream which is not far from the dormitory. They heard a child crying near the roadside. They hastened there, and found under a tree a baby boy three months old who was being eaten by a multitude of ants. His hands, feet, and face were bleeding. Some older people chanced to go past on the road, and they advised the boys to carry the child to the mission for attention. This was done.

There was much excitement around the mission dispensary as the little child was treated. The students, teachers, and neighbors crowded near to see the little one. The near-by police were notified, but could find no relatives of the child.

It happened that one of our teachers who lived on the mission compound had had the misfortune of losing his infant son a few days before. His heart was stricken with the grief that death brings. This teacher's name was Govind Borge. He heard of the child that had been rescued from the ants. He and his wife agreed to adopt the child. Papers were executed by officials, and that day the nice little Indian boy had a new father and mother. They called him Moses, because he had been found and rescued from death.

The parents have taken good care of Moses. Today he is one of our nicest boys, and we hope he will be a preacher, as his father is, when he is fully grown. Let us all pray that the Lord will richly bless Brother and Sister Borge, who were so good in providing a home and training for Moses.

Moses loves Jesus, and thanks Him for His protection and care. He is grateful to the mission for having saved his life.

"A MAN once asked his friend to take him to the sea, of which he had often heard, but which he never had seen. On reaching the shore and gazing out in the water the man said, 'Is this all? Is this the mighty sea of which I have heard?' His friend replied, 'Yes, this is all. But get upon it. Trust your bark to it, and you will find that it will take you round the world.' So with love."—M. B. Wharton.

How many of your members have completed the 1933 Reading Courses?

# OUR FOREIGN MISSIONS

This page contains interesting material for use of church elders and conference workers in promoting our foreign mission work.

## How Providentially the Call Came

A FURTHER insight into how our missionaries were led to visit Rennell Island, of the Solomon Islands group, is told by Missionary N. A. Ferris, one of the group venturing onto this island, as told in the August Supplement story:

"Toward the close of 1931 a trader of the Santa Cruz Islands who carries freight between there and Tulagi [the chief port of the Solomons], called at Rennell several times, as he drifted with the tides. On his last visit he brought away the chief's son, who was anxious to see a little of the outside world. On his way to Tulagi he dropped anchor at Tinaba, on Guadalcanar [where Brother Ferris is stationed]. It so happened that I reached there an hour or so after they did. The trader beckoned me to come alongside his boat, which I did. 'Look, Mr. Ferris,' he said, 'I have just been wanting to meet a missionary. I have a Rennell boy aboard, and he is very anxious to meet a missionary. They want some one to teach them English and to help them.' So I met the young man, Tekita by name, and he gave me presents and asked me to come down to his island sometime. He also gave me a small carved stick which I was to take with me."

Then referring again to the Rennell Island visit, he says:

"Tapongi [their chief] is the finest type of native I have ever seen. His features seemed perfect, and he is quiet and peaceful in nature. He welcomed us with joy. They had been waiting and longing for a teacher to come. We talked for a long while. To me it was a wonderful experience. Here was a mighty man among his people, so grateful that we had come to him, and were giving him and his people an opportunity to learn, and to receive that help for which they had been longing.

"That evening we had to leave, for a storm was coming. Old Tapongi and Mua [another son] time and time again begged of us to say once more when we would be back again, and on their fingers they would count, 'One moon, two moon, three, four, five moon.' 'He true, five moon you come back?' 'O master, you no forget us; we want you to come back quick time.' 'Oh, he good too much you come today.'

"And then the old chief rubbed noses with us in Maori fashion. He did not want us to leave, and as he stood in the dinghy, he hung on to our hands and made us promise again that in five more moons we would be back.

"The carved stick that Tekita gave me a year ago was of great interest to them. They compared it with one of the six spears carried by each of the men, and it corresponded exactly. They wanted to know more about it. The boy who gave it to me had left two months previously with three other men in a canoe to go across to San Cristoval, and had not been heard of since. They were full of the story of the loss of these boys. I have heard since coming home that these four boys were found after sixteen days at sea, and are now on an island off San Cristoval.

"We thank God for another evidence of His guiding hand, and pray that thus another isle, waiting for the law of God, will be released from the bonds of darkness, and souls saved for the kingdom of God."

## Among Mohammedans

FROM Algiers, North Africa, Missionary J. Rey reports that nearly twoscore new believers were gathered in last year. He says further:

"One special feature of the work last year was that for the first time we baptized three Jewish women, while three others are preparing for baptism in Algiers. In Belle Abbes a Jewish brother will soon be prepared for baptism. Also two Arabic girls were baptized last year, as well as three men. Except one, all these came directly from Mohammedanism. We hope it will be the opening of work among the sixteen million Mohammedans in the North African Union Mission. Two workers are now prepared to labor among them, and recently it was voted to print an Arabic paper, making possible colporteur work among them. The first issue will be ready about July or August."

## Believe That God Can and Will Fulfill His Promises

A. V. RHOADS, president of the Alberta (Canada) Conference, relates the following experience as told him by a family of believers who in a time of need presented before the Lord one of His promises. Suppose they had not been tithe payers, had not faithfully brought to His treasury that which the Lord claims as His own, as this sudden destroyer crept in upon them. What then?

"It was my privilege a few years ago to visit the home of Brother and Sister Chandler. While we were at the table, enjoying the bounties which nature had provided for us, the good hostess told us that the Lord had given them this food by a special miracle. She stated that insects in large armies were eating the neighbors' gardens and were coming over the line into her garden. She took her Bible and read the promise in Malachi: 'I will rebuke the devourer for your sake.' She and Brother Chandler knelt in prayer, knowing that they had been faithful in tithe paying, and now had the right to claim that promise. Arising from their knees, they went out into the garden. They saw that the insects had already begun work on it, millions of them, but on examination they found the insects had been smitten with death, and many were lying dead under the vines, with very little damage done."

## Up on the Plateau of Mongolia

SUPERINTENDENT GEORGE J. APPEL sends us a cheering word from out of recently entered Mongolia:

"A little over one year has passed since our workers moved up onto the plateau of Mongolia. During this time many meetings have been held and many homes visited. The people are steeped in Lamaism, and Satan is doing all possible to prevent the truth from getting a foothold. But the same God who gave the command to preach the gospel in all the world, is making His power manifest in behalf of this benighted people, and some are turning toward the message. In Kalgan, the headquarters for our Mongolian work, a small school is being conducted by Pastor Otto Christensen. Here a number of young men are being trained to become workers. Equipment for a small printing press has also been purchased, and soon from our own mission press literature will be carried by God-fearing colporteurs to the yurts among the rolling hills and on grassy plains of Mongolia. A number of patients from Mongolia have been to our North China Sanitarium and Hospital for treatment. These have been favorably impressed with our work, and doors have been opened as the result. We had an interview with a Mongolian prince who is willing to give us a site if we will come to his district and open a dispensary. The medical work has been the entering wedge for all Christian work for the Mongolians."

## Harvest Time in the Jungle

MISSIONARY ERIC B. HARE tells of what he found on visiting a native worker over a week-end in Burma:

"At Tohlaneh, Thra Ohn Bwint and his little band of believers have half the village keeping Sabbath. He has a Sabbath school of thirty-one, with an average attendance of sixty. The last week-end I spent with him, there were over 100 resting with them over the Sabbath, and my eyes saw and my ears heard heathen (that is, they are not baptized yet) giving their testimony during our Friday evening praise service.

"Truly it's harvest time in the jungle. Soon we'll be bringing in the sheaves."

## Strangers at the Gate

MISSIONARY HELEN MAE SCOTT writes of an experience in Chosen (Korea) shortly before she left on furlough:

"Years passed before we had a church and a company of believers at Taikyū. Being near there, I stopped off, and after entering the church compound and while the Bible woman and I were passing greetings, two women, sisters, appeared and asked, 'Is this the Adventist church? We have come to meeting.' It was Sunday, and as we had no service at that hour, the Bible woman asked them into her room. The women were educated and knew of the gospel. I opened my folding organ, and we sang and prayed and studied about the second coming of Christ. The older one told of her sorrow, the death of her beautiful child. Afterward the Bible woman wrote that both sisters were attending regularly. On my way to America I again stopped off, and found that the one who had lost her babe is now our church organist.

"We were busy with our greetings—  
Look, two strangers at the gate!  
In our hearts there was a whisper,  
Do not let these dear ones wait."

"So we welcomed them for Jesus,  
He who loves us evermore;  
One had lost her lovely baby,  
So her heart was rent and sore.

"Then we opened up our Bibles,  
Read its words of cheer awhile,  
And the saddened face did brighten  
Till 'twas lit up with a smile.

"If you ever see some wand'ers  
Ling'ring at the door or gate,  
Give to them some bread from heaven—  
Never make a stranger wait."

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