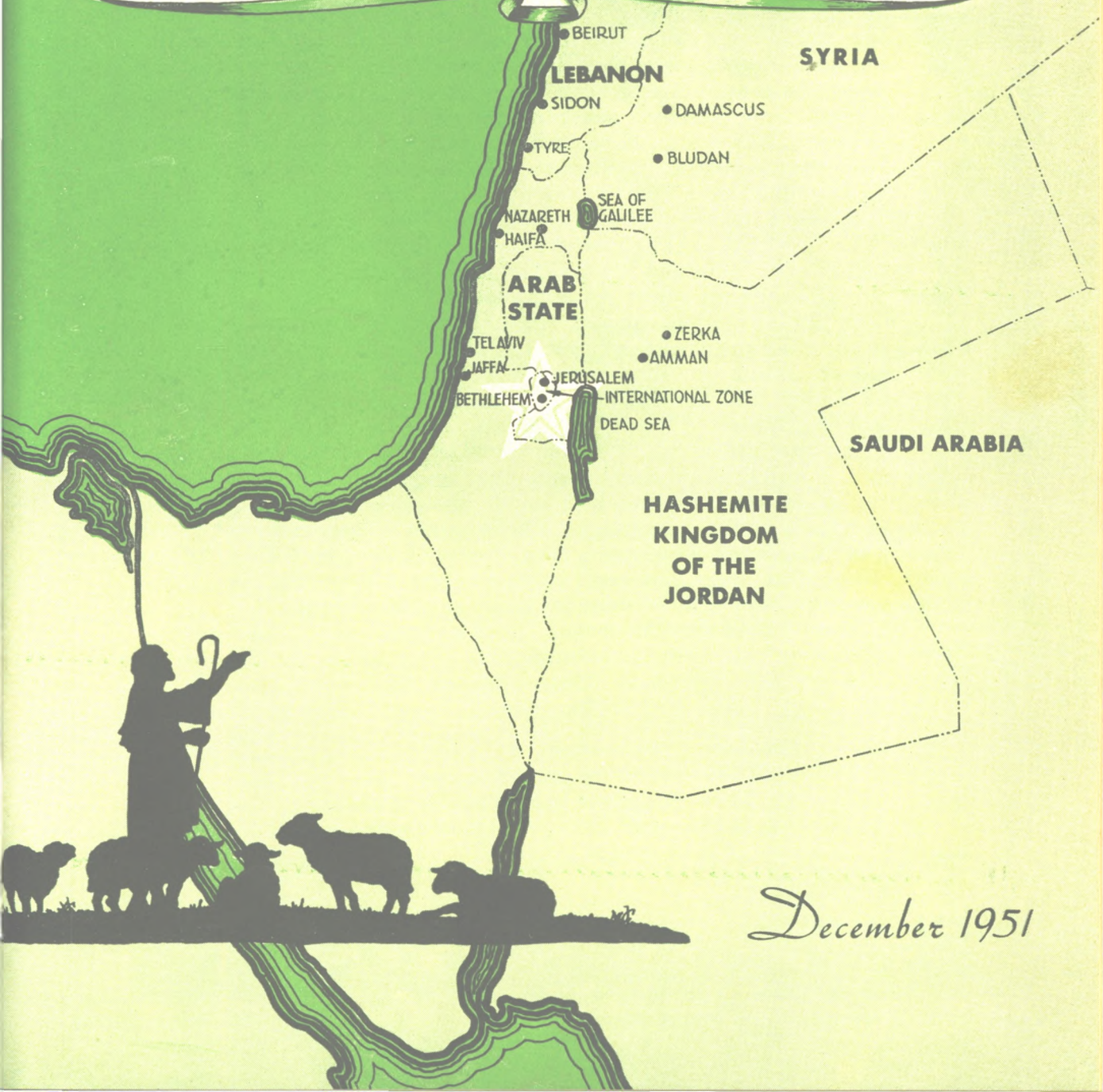


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Thy Will Be Done

By G. B. Williamson, D.D.

NEAR THE SUMMIT of the Mount of Olives is a shrine called the Pater Noster Grotto. A courtyard is surrounded on three sides by the walls of the edifice. Those walls are protected by an enclosed veranda. Upon them the prayer that Jesus taught His disciples to offer has been painted in forty-two different languages. The burden of that prayer which has been repeated so often by so many is "Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven."

The answer to that prayer seems long delayed. Nowhere does its fulfillment appear more remote than there in the very land of the Saviour's birth, the place where His gracious words of wisdom were spoken and His wondrous works were done, the scene of His death, His resurrection, and His ascension. From that very hill the shepherds' field, where the angel choir sang, "On earth peace, good will toward men," is only a few miles distant. That other hill, lone and grey, where He died that "of twain" He might recreate "one new man, so making peace," is in easy range of the eye. From that same mountain's crown He ascended to the Father. But the land that He loved is split in two by a line arbitrarily drawn from north to south. Even the city, which is in full view, is divided by a "no man's land" running between its two parts. Suspicion, fear, and hate fill the hearts of both Arabs and Jews. Great buildings lie in ruins or have been damaged beyond repair by bomb blasts.

While the strife that divides the nations into warring camps is brought to an acute focus there, yet the whole world is shaken with the fear that an atomic war may soon break upon us. Has that prayer to God our Father that His will may be done been offered and not heard? Has it not been answered?

Ah, no, that prayer has been heard and in some measure it has been answered. It is prayed not only in forty-two languages, but many times that number, for the Bible, in whole or in part, is now translated into a thousand one hundred languages. The Bible societies believe that in one more generation it will be given to men of every tongue on the face of the earth. Then from every land in all languages the prayer will rise, "Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven."

The Lord's word that this gospel "shall be preached . . . for a witness unto all nations" will then be accomplished. That will be the time of the end of this present world order. Christ himself shall come and all the kingdoms of this world shall be His kingdom.

*Jesus shall reign where'er the sun
Does his successive journeys run;
His kingdom spread from shore to shore,
Till moons shall wax and wane no more.*

To hasten that glorious day, let us do our utmost to give the gospel to all men everywhere.

The OTHER Sheep

And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold: them also I must bring (John 10:16).

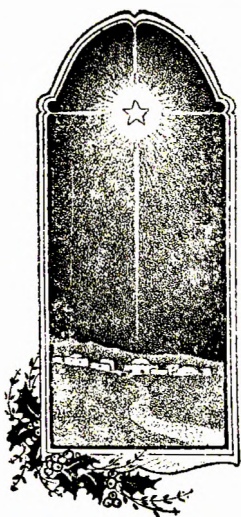
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Attention Is Focused!



CHRISTMAS is focal because the birth of the Saviour is universally significant. The eyes of the world are again turned toward the Holy Land, Bethlehem in particular. It was here that "the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us." The life and teachings of Jesus have influenced the world and His meritorious death has transformed millions. Bethlehem will never again be an obscure village; the Holy Land will continue to fascinate the world.

Christmas finds this area in an unprecedented place of prominence. Far-reaching issues and rapid changes have forced the Middle East into focus.

Israel claims attention. May 11, 1951, marked the third anniversary of this new nation. Where there were 650,000 people three years ago, 1,250,000 now reside. A homeless people are coming home at last. Her ports are crowded with thousands of refugees streaming in from many parts of the world. Six hundred thousand immigrants have already settled in over two hundred and fifty new villages and towns. Many of these are Christian Jews. It has been estimated that there are 50,000 Christians in Israel today. To help meet the spiritual challenge of this "Ingathering of the Exiles" the General Board voted to send Rev. and Mrs. Alex Wachtel to Jerusalem. They will occupy the property which is across the street from the King David Hotel and which was miraculously made available to the church at a reasonable figure some years ago and is currently valued at \$100,000.

Jordan offers refuge. Arab and Armenian refugees have settled in the Hashemite Jordan Kingdom. The old city of Jerusalem, Amman, and Zerka each have growing Nazarene congregations. Since the partition of Palestine, those who fled during hostilities have been unable to return. Rev. S. C. Krikorian and Rev. William Russell are erecting churches in Amman and Zerka respectively for these refugee Christians and others of that region. There are difficult problems. New laws have been decreed in accordance with the tenets and laws of Islam. Coeducation is forbidden, and the Koran must be taught in all the schools. It is by no means easy, but God is blessing the missionaries and their work.

Syria advances steadily. Despite the fact that there has been strong opposition to Christian work, the day schools and churches of the mission have continued their activities on an increasing scale. Syria has a Christian minority of 400,000 out of her 4,000,000 population. Only this year a new constitution was adopted by which Islam was proclaimed the basis of all Syrian laws. Hence, it is becoming more difficult, but "He giveth more grace." The fact that 440 students are enrolled in three day schools where twenty-three national teachers train and influence for Christ is encouraging. A program of intense evangelism has been planned by Rev. and Mrs. Don DePasquale and Rev. M. A. Thahabiyah. May God bless the missionaries, national preachers, teachers, and church members in this all-important work of evangelism.

Lebanon holds promise. For some time the church has had good possibilities here. The Syria-Lebanon District has been functioning in Damascus and Bludan with limited contacts in Beirut, Lebanon. Since Lebanon is the only country in the Middle East which is not predominantly Moslem, it holds a place of great importance to Christian missions. The time has come for an advance. A group of Nazarenes is waiting for the coming of the church. We must not fail!

Our Lord entered history in the Middle East. His birth in history, however, is not the only important factor. Oswald Chambers asked, "Have we allowed our personal human lives to become a 'Bethlehem' for the Son of God?" "His birth in me" as well as "His birth in history" must be considered. Then, and only then, can we be successful in His kingdom work.

The country which cradled Christianity has been overrun by a pagan religion. Can our minds be drawn to the Holy Land without real concern? "Say not ye, There are yet four months, . . . look on the fields; . . . they are white already to harvest."

Let Christ be born in each heart. Let every "twice-born" person say of the Middle East, "I travail in birth again until Christ be formed in you" (Gal. 4:19).



Prayer Requests

PRAY "Please continue to pray for us and for the lepers and also for the African workers. These are difficult days, but our God is still able to deliver souls from the bondage of sin."

—LOUISE LONG,
*Mbuluzi Leprosy Hospital,
Swaziland*

PRAY "We shall appreciate the prayers of the saints at home, and our desire is to continually remain in the center of God's will where we feel we are dwelling."

—ARMAND AND PAULINE DOLL
Language School, Portugal

PRAY "We covet the prayers of our Nazarenes at home, for without them we would fail."

—ESTHER CRAIN, *Teacher
Nicaragua*

PRAY "On the eighth of each month we usually have a prayer meeting here in Idalia to which we invite all our Christians in this zone. This is in connection with the chain of prayer that was started by the W.F.M.S. at the beginning of this year." Let us make this a world-wide prayer period!

—JOSEPH PENN, *Evangelist-Teacher
Transvaal*

PRAY "We request the prayers of all Christians for don Victor, a converted priest, and his family. He is being used of the Lord and the future should hold many years of useful service for the Lord if He tarries."

—HAROLD STANFORD, *Superintendent
Nicaragua*

PRAY "Don't forget to remember Peru in your prayers."

—MARJORIE MAYO, *Teacher
Peru*

PRAY "Please continue to pray for us. We have appreciated your prayers for us while we have labored for the Lord here in Swaziland." (The Jacksons are now in the United States on furlough.)

—ROBERT AND LELA JACKSON,
Nurses, Swaziland

PRAY "DON'T FORGET TO PRAY DAILY, YES, MANY TIMES A DAY. How we long for a real revival that will stir all our hearts and will shake the heathen and reach out to the ends of the earth to the many who still have never heard that Jesus died to save them. We are counting on you and your prayers."

—IRMA KOFFEL,
*Nurse, Stegi Health Center,
Swaziland*

PRAY "In many ways the work is looking up here in Trinidad. We are endeavoring to be faithful witnesses, and trusting God to use us to fulfill His purpose in this corner of the great vineyard. We need the prayers of God's people."

—RUTH MILLER, *Evangelism
and Teaching, Trinidad*

DEPARTMENT MEETING

The Department of Foreign Missions of the General Board of the Church of the Nazarene will meet at 9:00 a.m., January 2, and continue its sessions through the General Board meeting, which concludes January 7.

The chairman of the Department of Foreign Missions is Dr. A. K. Bracken. The members of the Department are Rev. Roy H. Cantrell, Mrs. Louise Chapman, Mr. A. E. Ramquist, Dr. Harold Reed, Dr. A. E. Sanner, Mr. L. M. Spangenberg, and Dr. Paul Updike.

During these sessions the mission field budgets for the fiscal year 1951-52 will be determined and missionary appointments will be made. Let us pray for these co-laborers with God.



Holding the Ropes

By C. Warren Jones, D.D.

HOLDING THE ROPES may be a trite phrase, but we are using it because it expresses fully what we have in mind.

Our missionaries are laboring in the far corners of the earth. We have been admonished again and again to hold the ropes. There come to me the words of the chorus of an old song :

*Hold the fort, for I am coming,
Jesus signals still.*

*Wave the answer back to heaven,
By Thy grace we will.*

We in the homeland are a privileged people. It is easier to do what we do than to do the work of the missionaries. They have the heavy end of the burden to bear. We cannot live without them, but it is equally true that they cannot live and do their work without us.

They go forth into the harvest fields of the world and ask us to hold the ropes. They promise to do their work and expect us to be equally as faithful. What they do, in a sense, depends upon what we do. If they spend many years on the fields and reap a harvest of souls, it will be because of the rope-holders at home.

We call your attention to at least five ropes. There may be others but these will suffice for now. These are not shoestrings, but ropes, real cables extending to the many fields. These ropes we are bidden to hold, thus keeping in vital touch with our missionaries and sharing with them in their labors.

There is the rope of *personal interest*. We are challenged to take a vital interest in the work of our representatives. This necessitates a certain knowledge of the work. It is very easy to acquaint ourselves with what is being done on the various fields. We have access to the missionary journal and a fine assortment of missionary books put out by our publishing house. There is seemingly no end to good, wholesome missionary literature. When we read of the heroic, self-sacrificing labors of our dauntless missionaries, we cannot help being interested. To know of what is happening in other lands in the vineyards of the Lord is to be aroused and to become greatly interested.

The second rope is that of *prayer*. There is no way to measure what prayer has meant in the fight against the powers of darkness in heathen lands. Some may feel that the prayer appeal has been overworked. The fact is that for years we have been suffering from a prayer shortage. We

stress the fact of shortage in material commodities and do not realize how short we are on spiritual things so vital to the building of the Kingdom. We need thousands of friends and Nazarenes to grasp the rope of prayer and put on a tug of war to pull over a revival on our missionary fields.

The third rope is *enthusiasm*. Only the few have become stirred and aroused over this major issue. Some become enthusiastic about the outcome of ball games. Next year the majority of people will become aroused over the elections. Bring on a contest and our fever mounts; our enthusiasm is fanned to a white heat. We become excited. Our nerves tingle. We are an asset to our side because of our enthusiasm. It will work in religion. Holy enthusiasm! This is something worth getting excited about. Resist the enemy who would chloroform to sleep. Let's get enthusiastic over this task of saving a world. It will help us to get the job done.

The fourth rope is that of *partnership*. We are partners with God and with each other. We are honored that God has taken us into the company. What a relief to know that it is not a one-man affair! In a sense it is God's work but He allows us to have a part in the task. In our thinking, let us pull on this rope and see to it that we do our part. One cannot be a partner without sharing in the work and in the responsibility.

The fifth and last rope is that of *finance*, furnishing the means with which to pay the bills. This rope reaches to faraway lands and everyone can hold this rope. There is plenty of room and a place for each one, for the man with money and the widow with her mites. Every man and woman and boy and girl should seize this rope. It needs to be held and held tightly. We are spending money and that in large amounts. What a small per cent is given in order that the gospel may be sent to the many who have never heard the news of salvation!

The missionaries are sweating, toiling, laboring, and giving their lives. They are expecting us to hold the ropes. Are we doing it? Can we say, "By Thy grace we will"?

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TWELVE MISSIONARY NEEDS

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More missionary consistency.
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More missionary consecration.
More missionary giving that will make the angels glad.
More missionary volunteers with a Pauline faith and zeal.
More missionary rejoicing over the wonderful conquests of the Cross.—BISHOP BERRY.



PARTNERS IN

Faith believes God's word. Patience awaits God's time. Hope expects all that God has promised. Love urges us to obey all of God's commands. Humility bows low before God's throne. Submission shuts the mouth in trying times. Resignation cheerfully surrenders all to God's disposal. All of these graces belong to the character of a Christian.

*Don't stop praying, but have more trust;
Don't stop praying! for pray we must;
Faith will banish a mount of care;
Don't stop praying; God answers prayer.*

—CHARLES M. ALEXANDER



THE LONG VIEW

Religiously-minded persons have always taken the long view. They can do so because they believe that the purposes of God overarch the wrecks of time. Prophetic religion has also instilled in its followers a sense of urgency: it has insisted that we must work indefatigably and continuously for justice and peace, for mercy and reconciliation. During these days when we are all harried by the confusion and overwrought emotions which complicate our international rela-

tions, our religious forces surely have a clear-cut responsibility to call their people to repentance, to "return" to an attitude of patience ever linked with a sense of urgency. Can we forget for even a moment that this may be a crucial turning point in world history?

"For ye have need of patience, that, after ye have done the will of God, ye might receive the promise."

—World Alliance News Letter



IF I HAVE NOT VISION

Though I speak concerning foreign missions with great eloquence, and have not Vision, I am become as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal.

And though I spend long hours in study and reading missionary literature and know much concerning the hardships and difficulties of a missionary's life, and have not Vision, it profiteth me nothing.

A Vision holdeth one steady before God; a Vision ennobleth one to pray earnestly; a Vision burdeneth, that others may have salvation.

Doth not exalt any but Christ, seeketh only the redemption of the lost, is given to those who earnestly seek for it, thinketh no price too great to pay;

Trieth not to discourage those who would be missionaries, but trieth to encourage them to answer the call of God;

Beareth another's burdens, believeth that God is willing to undertake, hopeth for the salvation of many, endureth seeming failure and disappointment.

A Vision doth not soon fail; but where there be excitement aroused by hair-raising stories, it shall fail; where there be mere tears stirred at a missionary convention, they shall cease: where there be only interest, it shall vanish away.

For all Christians know in part, and all Christians see in part; but when they have a Vision their lukewarmness and intermittent interest shall be done away.

Before I caught the Vision, I spoke as one without a Vision, I prayed as one without a Vision; but when I caught the Vision, I put away halfhearted things.

For now at least I have caught a faint glimpse of the need which Jesus alone can satisfy, but some day I shall realize it fully; now I know something of the price salvation cost, but then shall I see it clearly, even as also it hath been purchased for me.

And now to be a missionary Christian are necessary—a prayerful heart, a surrendered life, a Vision; these three, with others, but one of the greatest of these is a Vision.

—Author Unknown

IGNORANCE SUPERSTITION IDOLATRY
MISSIONARY HIGH LIGHTS
 WITCHCRAFT PAGANISM DEMONISM

The Prince of Peace

By Don DePasquale

Syria



And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid. And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. . . . And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

—Luke 2:8-11, 13-14.

IT IS Christmas time again, and all the world pauses to pay homage to the Christ child born nearly two thousand years ago.

The first Christmas celebrated on the Judean hills came in the year when Caesar Augustus sat upon the throne of the Roman Empire. It was under his order that all the world was on the move to the city of their birth to pay the tax which their ruler had demanded. Among the group of weary travelers were Joseph and Mary. These two had made their way over the rough roads from Nazareth and had passed through the city of Jerusalem on the way to Bethlehem, the place of their birth.

Men look upon these events with careless indifference, yet each one of the events which led Joseph and Mary out of Nazareth back to the city of Bethlehem was a part of the great purpose of God. For He had promised, "And thou Bethlehem, in the land of Juda, art not the least among the princes of Juda: for out of thee shall come a Governor, that shall rule my people Israel" (Matt. 2:6). When Christ was born in Bethlehem, there was no room for Him in the inn. But Joseph, knowing her hour had come, sought shelter for Mary from the night, and found protection in the stable. There, amid the lowing of the cattle and the smell of hay, a mother gave birth to a Child. Gently she wrapped Him in swaddling clothes and laid Him in the manger. The birth of a Child! This was God's gift to the world, the promised Child who had been named before He

was born. "And thou shalt call his name Jesus: for he shall save his people from their sins" (Matt. 1:21). This was God's gift for peace, love, goodwill and understanding in a troubled world where neighbor aspires to possess his neighbor's goods even though it causes untold misery and the shedding of blood.

Out upon the Judean hills lowly shepherds were drowsy with sleep. Suddenly the midnight sky was rent by the angelic choir announcing the history-making fact of the birth of this Baby, God's Gift. Filled with fear and unable to understand the meaning of this great sight, these sheep tenders heard the message from God. "For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord" (Luke 2:11). These humble men hurried to Bethlehem and rejoiced in the fact that the promised Child had come.

The angels proclaimed the purpose of His birth. His purpose was to save His people from their sins. He was to bring peace into the hearts of men. His life was to be the example by which men would be led into a life of fellowship and brotherhood. It was to be by the following of His precepts that there would be a foundation for true peace and goodwill toward men of all nations. In Palestine, the country where He was born, and where He preached His doctrine of love and peace, those principles have been violated. All the Christian world looks forward to the day when the evil results of sin will be wiped out and peace will dominate.

God took the simple things to proclaim His great truths: Bethlehem, the least of the cities of Judah; a baby, the symbol of weakness and helplessness; lowly shepherds, the symbol of the great masses who live and toil under great hardships. Yet God took the lowly and sanctified them, thus bringing honor to the meek.

We today ought to re-examine the things upon which we are building our hopes and plans. Let this Christmas be the beginning of a true approach to peace. Let us come humbly and in simplicity to the Prince of Peace, and there bowing at His feet, let us with a heart full of repentance for our selfishness, greed, and sin, ask Him for that divine pardon which will lead us to the road of true peace in our hearts. Let us pray for peace, which beginning in the individual heart shall grow until it touches our neighbor, our nation, and the world in which we live.



A Shiny New Wagon

By Evelyn Ragains

Nicaragua

THE CHRISTMAS OF 1948 our oldest boy, Rees, received a bright, shiny, red wagon. The last four months of our stay in the United States Rees and Donna got a lot of good out of it. Many hours of happiness were found with that new wagon.

The wagon arrived on Nicaraguan soil with the rest of our equipment and since then has been one of the most useful articles which we brought with us.

When the sidewalks were put in between the Bible school buildings, Rees's wagon hauled the rock. The wagon was in use every day for weeks. When the sidewalks were finished, it was a good feeling to go to classes walking on something solid instead of in "squashy" mud and carrying it all over the buildings.

When the jeep doesn't work, Baby Paul sits close to the front of the wagon, while at the back of the wagon is a box of Sunday-school supplies to be used that day. Paul also uses the wagon for a bed when we have to make the trek to the church in San Jorge and back again to the lake. It is a good walk for anyone. Rees walks on ahead carrying an armload of Bibles and songbooks, Donna carries clothes for Paul, Mr. Ragains draws the wagon, and I have a gasoline lamp in each hand. We make quite an interesting procession.

Now that the Bible school grounds are being cleaned off, the wagon works overtime carrying large stacks of weeds and excess grass.

This sturdy little wagon has been a blessing and real help to us. What started out to be a toy ended being a good work horse for these missionaries.

"Faithful

Unto Death"

By Dr. A. O. Hendricks

Barbados

WILLIAM CEPHAS RICE was born in Barbados on May 8, 1883, and went to be with Jesus on September 5, 1951. Brother Rice had been failing in health for some time, but his death came after a brief illness.

Rev. Mr. Rice was ordained to the ministry in 1933 in the Christian Mission Church. He pastored the Christian Mission in New York City and also Port of Spain, Trinidad. He came to British Guiana in 1941, to superintend their work in this colony, but gave up this position when he affiliated with the Church of the Nazarene.

Brother Rice served as pastor of the Georgetown Church of the Nazarene, and when his health would not allow him to labor as he would have liked to, he remained faithful in attendance and was interested in the entire program of the church.

Pastor Rice died triumphantly, testifying to the last of the peace of God, and his readiness to meet his Maker. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Albertha Rice; two sons, Victor and Cebart, both of New York City; three grandchildren; two sisters; two brothers; and a host of friends.



We wish to express our gratitude for your spiritual and material support of God's program during the past year.

Your missionaries
and
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Taught Transformed Translated

By Oscar Stockwell *Portuguese East Africa*

FOR YEARS an old witch doctor had rolled the bones and faithfully followed the advice of the sheep bone as it fell on its side or edge. Who does not know that the sheep bone determines the right way of life, reveals the witch, and casts out the evil spirit when shaken with other bones and cast with magic words upon the ground? But now all had failed, and the great witch doctor himself surrounded with his bones, feathers, gourds, roots, demon cloths, little pot of honey, and ropelike strings of powerful medicine had closed his eyes in death. Trembling, wretched ones had covered his face and hurried outside to kill a rooster and sprinkle its blood about so that the demons would see and be pleased and no longer curse the village. While the women screamed and threw themselves upon the ground, the dogs howled and three vile vultures watched from a treetop, the men began to dig a rough, cold hole near the hut of death, and to arrange the reed mats to bury the dead.

Inside the hut, as the "doctor" later testified, there stood beside him a beautiful White One who said, "There is a shepherd abiding with his flock nearby. Send for him and you shall have opportunity to hear and believe upon the Lamb of God." Imagine the terror of those listening to this old man whom all thought dead, asking to send for the man of God, his voice coming through the thin walls of the hut and freezing the ears of those who heard.

In the gray green of early morning the preacher arrived and taught simply, so very simply, the old, old story you and I have heard at Christmas time for many years. The dying man said, "Now I see and do believe. Just please read again before I go about the birth of the beautiful White One that stood beside me last night and bid me call for you."

The "doctor" asked for the church people to come and burn up everything belonging to the demons, which they joyously did, but what to do with the dog and chickens, for they were dedicated to the demons, too. The conclusion was to cut their heads off, and those three vile vultures did the rest, with thanks. The sleek black bull, property of the ancestral spirits, was sold and his price given to help proclaim the gospel.

Surrounded by the people of God and propped up outside his hut with his face toward the Lord's house, he bade them all farewell and went forever to be with the beautiful White One who had so recently stood beside him. Babalon, the preacher spoken of, works in Portuguese East Africa, but he lives in the Canaan of perfect delight. His message was like that of the Christmas angel, "I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people": good tidings to teach, to transform, and to translate.

Seeking Truth In Africa

By Paul H. Hetrick *Swaziland*

REPORTS have reached us here in Africa regarding the revival fires that seem to be springing up here and there in America at this time. Brother Jenkins had been the guest speaker in the Bible school devotional period for one week, and he had emphasized again and again the need of revival in Africa. Juliet, who graduated from the Bible school last term and who has returned to assist us in the work of the school, had been reading accounts of great revivals in other lands. It seemed that these and other factors had created a great question in Juliet's mind. At the close of a class period she looked into the face of the teacher (Miss Boggs) and informed her that she wanted to ask a question. She further informed the teacher that she wanted to know the whole truth regarding her inquiry, and she wanted nothing held back in the answer which would be given to her. The question was this: "Why can't we have a revival in Africa—are we different from other people?" For a short moment Miss Boggs hardly knew how to answer this question which she knew had come from a sincere heart. Then the Lord seemed to help Miss Boggs as she grasped the opportunity of laying before Juliet, as well as the rest of the class, the cost involved in receiving a revival.

The very next class scheduled was Juliet's Bible English class. As she stood before her class that morning she was heard to say that she did not feel like teaching. She called her class to prayer and instead of studying Bible English these students pleaded with the Lord for about two and one-half hours for a revival. Since that time it appears that a special burden is settling itself upon the Bible school students and others for that which could be considered a God-sent revival.

"Go ye therefore, and teach all nations . . ."



Class in session in the Nazarene Second School, Damascus, Syria.

Teaching in the Middle East

On Christmas Day, 1920, the first Nazarene missionary, Rev. M. A. Thahabiyah, reached the Middle East to open work in Syria. The teaching mission of the Church of the Nazarene has been strong in Syria, and after thirty-one years the Syria-Lebanon District reports three elementary schools, two foreign teachers, twenty-three national teachers, and four hundred and forty pupils.

Two of the schools in the Syria-Lebanon area are located in Damascus, the same city to which the Apostle Paul journeyed to persecute the Christians. These schools are the Bab-tuma First Nazarene School for Armenians, and the Bab-tuma Second Nazarene School for Syrians. Another school is situated in Bludan.

The visit of Dr. H. F. Reynolds to Palestine in the fall of 1921 officially opened the work of the Church of the Nazarene in Palestine. We now have a school and church at Zerka and Anman. The buildings that are now used are rented, but plans are being made to erect our own buildings from Alabaster funds.

In this field, now called the Hashemite Kingdom of the Jordan, there are ten national teachers, one foreign teacher, and an enrollment of one hundred eighty pupils. After the death of King Abdullah, the superintendent of the field, Rev. S. C. Krikorian, wrote, "The deceased king was known for his good will toward all Christians and also toward the missions and their medical, educational, and religious work. We are hoping and praying that the same spirit may be found in his son, who has taken the place of his father as Regent."

Mid-Century Missions

Syria

Hashemite Kingdom



"The Lord is blessing us here in Syria. We have had another very good year in the schools. Our church work has had some encouraging results. We do thank the Lord for all of His blessings."

—Rev. M. A. Thahabiyah
Syria



"We earnestly ask your prayers that this country which is under the rule of the Crescent may continue to allow the messengers of the Cross to proclaim the glorious message of the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ."

—Rev. William Russell
Hashemite Jordan Kingdom



"We are living in troubled days throughout the whole world. We trust that, in the midst of all the changes here on earth, we shall be able to build something permanent for the glory of God."

—Rev. Don DePasquale
Syria

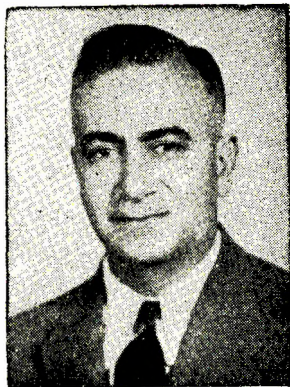
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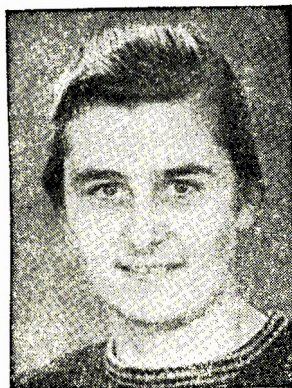
"As we have Christmas programs, early morning services, distribute used clothing and relief, and as we visit or receive visitors, it is our one and only desire that Babe Jesus of Christmas may be Saviour Jesus in the hearts of those to whom we minister."

—Rev. S. C. Krikorian
Hashemite Jordan Kingdom



"I am convinced that God has laid it on my heart to carry the gospel to the Moslem women, and I have dedicated my life to this work. Having been challenged with the difficulties of Moslem lands, I have felt God's call to 'tell this people.'"

—Mrs. William Russell
Hashemite Jordan Kingdom



"Christmas is anywhere that there are Christians, even in the heart of the Moslem world. For Christmas is not a day of things; it is a fact and an attitude of the heart."

—Mrs. Don DePasquale
Syria



"baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost" (Matt. 28:19).



S. C. Krikorian and William Russell baptizing converts in the River Jordan.

Preaching in the Middle East

Rev. S. C. Krikorian, a veteran missionary to the Holy Land, describes the opening of Nazarene work in this area: "The coming of the Holy Ghost at Pentecost in the city of Jerusalem two thousand years ago started the preaching of holiness and the Holy Ghost baptism of believers. Centuries of persecution and political unrest since then brought Palestine to the need of holiness preaching anew. The realization of this fact brought members of our Missionary Board to the decision in January, 1919, to open our Jerusalem mission."

Many hindrances have stunted the natural growth of the work in this area, including the opposition of the many religions of the Middle East. However, our work today claims a foreign staff of three, two main mission stations, three organized churches, three outstations, forty-nine communicants, twelve probationers, and four organized Sunday schools. The challenge of this region speaks in the population of over two million.

With apostolic vision the Jerusalem Nazarenes carried the Word of God to the surrounding regions, particularly to Syria and Lebanon. In 1925 Brother Thahabiyah started the mother church in Bludan. He was joined by Rev. and Mrs. Don DePasquale in 1945. Syria-Lebanon now has a foreign staff of three, two main mission stations, three organized churches, two outstations, seventy-eight communicants, eight probationers, and three Sunday schools. A population of a half million is waiting to hear the Word of God.

Volcanic Victories!

By *Everette D. Howard*

Cape Verde Islands

LAST SUNDAY we closed our District Assembly in Praia. The presence of the Lord was so real that I don't see how Pentecost could have been greater. In the words of one pastor who described the blessing, "Our hearts erupted like the volcano." Every day the tide came in over the services. All pastoral reports were great and every pastor was present with a heart overflowing with enthusiasm to tell of the victories of the past year. It was almost impossible to get them to stop when their time was up. During the year 791 converts were brought to the Lord. The Sunday-school average attendance came up to 2,066.

We laughed and cried through the pastoral reports. Antonio Gomes de Jesus from Maio was first. He told us how the Lord brought him through a serious trial recently when the local priest brought him to court on false charges. In the end the judge and all the people were won and today Antonio claims approximately one-fourth of the population of his village for the church. It was on this island that the boat boys had been warned and threatened not to disembark the pastor and his family the first time they tried to land there. But Antonio knelt by the old anchor chain and prayed through. God not only gave him a boat in which to land but a good Nazarene church and some of the leading families of the islands. Senhor Evora, the "King of Maio," and his family are all good Nazarenes. They are doing much for the Lord's work on that little island.

Next came Luciano Barros and Jose Correia from the island of Fogo. They are both deeply spiritual young men and have wives that are real evangelists and Sunday-school workers. These young people told of the recent revivals and some wonderful cases of divine healing. They also told us of the recent eruption of the volcano. The whole island seemingly blew up and instead of the one crater there are now eleven. Rivers of white-hot lava and clouds of black smoke poured miles into the air, then flowed down the sides of the mountain. The earthquakes crumbled all of the houses in the villages on the north side, including Relva. Covo De Matinho village is now buried 200 feet under black, hot lava. It is hard to imagine or describe such a terrible scene or understand how hard stone can be melted to white-hot temperatures and flow like water. I could almost believe the "bad place" is directly under this island of Fogo!

Pastors Alvero Adreade from Santa Catarina

and Caldeira Marques from Praia had good reports. The Glen Miller Memorial Sunday-School Annex is now almost finished and will be dedicated soon for the Sunday school in Santa Catarina. The friends who made this building possible have every reason to be proud. Brother Caldeira was sick with malaria fever during the last days of the convention but Brother Clifford Gay, our missionary from Wales, gave the report from Praia. Brother Gay is the missionary in charge at Praia. Ilidio Silva, pastor on the island of Santo Antao, made us all feel insignificant as he told of the many Christians on that island who walk twenty miles at night over dangerous mountain trails, never missing one service. The N.Y.P.S. president is among this group and is so faithful that one would never guess he lived so far away.

Brava Island is flying bright colors now. Our workers have made progress but their pride at this time centers around a new church building that is under construction. They have needed a larger building for twenty years. The little chapel was far too small even when Brother John Diaz was there and now with a Sunday school of several hundred children it is impossible to accommodate everyone. Brother and Sister Ernest Eades and little Margaret Anne are wonderful missionaries, loved by everybody on Brava. Their "Orphium Choir" is the best in the land and recently had a recital before the governor. Brother Humberto and his wife, Idalina, are helping much in the Lord's work here. He is the government "Administrador" of this island.

We are proud of our three student pastors. Expriest Cunha is going strong and is greatly blessed of the Lord. He has a way of setting fire to every place he goes in the Lord's service. The other two young men are from Saint Vicente Island and are very popular among the Christian workers. They are Antonio Leite and Iudo Tavares. You will be hearing more from this trio of spiritual young men in a few years.

Brother and Sister Mosteller are taking their furlough now but during their absence from S. Vicente the national pastor, Francisco Xavier, is carrying on with great success. It is difficult to make any progress because their buildings are already overcrowded and there are no larger buildings on the island for rent. The Lord sent Brother Xavier a helper during the absence of the Mostellers, a noted artist from the United States, whose paintings of ocean scenes are well known in certain parts of the States. He is a live-wire Christian and plays the piano accordion.

During our absence from the field Brother S. Clifford Gay is taking over as district superintendent, captain, and district treasurer. His hands are full now with the building program and the installing of the motor in the ship, and all the other responsibilities of the field.

Miss Lydia Wilke is having good success in her ministry to the sick. She treats from ten to fifty people every day for everything one could imagine. Her work has largely been in the village of Santa Catarina on Saint James, but now she is moving to Fogo, where there will be a wider field. With the new Arthur Nelson Memorial Portable Dispensary she can reach many villages where there has been no medical care.

Garnet and I after nearly sixteen years are returning to the United States in order to give Garnet's heart a change to catch up with her. The doctors all insist that she must have a change of climate. She has been seriously ill during the past six months with a heart condition and this will explain to our friends the delay in answering their cards and letters. Several times she almost passed on and we had to bring her to the United States. It is not easy to leave the Cape Verde Islands, but we are happy and can sing in the valley of the shadow of death, because we know that we are in His will and the God who brought us through these years in the Cape Verde Islands is still leading on. We are counting on the prayers of our prayer partners more than ever as we try to adjust to another field.



A MISSIONARY'S EQUIPMENT

A life yielded to God and controlled by His Spirit.

A restful trust in God for the supply of all needs.

A sympathetic spirit and a willingness to take a lowly place.

—J. HUDSON TAYLOR



WIDESPREAD ILLITERACY

Few people realize that roughly 62 per cent of the world's population cannot read. Dr. Frank Laubach has estimated that 70 per cent of China, 88 per cent of India, 90 per cent of the Moslem world, 95 per cent of the East Indies, 98 per cent of non-Christian Africa, and 99 per cent of Afghanistan, Iran, Iraq, Turkestan, and Arabia are illiterate. Surely there is a tremendous need for the spread of the gospel, for one of the early fruits of conversion is the desire for self-improvement.

—*Missionary Banner*

Chain Reaction Of the Gospel

By Paul R. Orjala

Haiti

SHE NEVER had enough money to feed and clothe her twelve children, because her husband always spent his wages for liquor and came home drunk—that is, until a year ago. "This past year," Senora Ortiz testified simply on Mother's Day, "we have had peace in our home, thanks to God." The story behind that testimony reads like the Gospel narrative: Andrew "first findeth his own brother Simon, and saith unto him, We have found the Messias . . . Philip findeth Nathanael" (John 1: 41, 45).

The story begins with a little girl from the neighborhood who was attending the Colegio del Nazareno, the self-supporting day school under the auspices of our Nazarene church in San Juan. Her parents did not attend church, and when District Superintendent Lebron-Velazquez visited the home he found that the father was dying from leukemia. The man was not a Christian, but his mother had been a Protestant. After Rev. Lebron won the confidence of the family, he was finally permitted to pray for the father's healing. Within a short time Angel Merced was miraculously healed. He and his wife came to the church and were soon converted.

Senor Merced had been a heavy drinker before he was converted. His first impulse as a new Christian was to witness to his former drinking companion and fellow baker, who now worked for him in his bake shop. He brought Juan Ortiz and his whole family to the church, and they were all converted. The next payday for the first time in many years, Senor Ortiz didn't come home drunk. Instead, his wages went for food and clothes for his wife and twelve children, and his wife no longer had to look for sewing jobs and dressmaking to support the family.

What a difference Christ has made in the Ortiz home! The oldest daughter is now in her first year at the University of Puerto Rico. The three oldest daughters are leaders in the N.Y.P.S. and sing in the choir. Who knows whether God may not call some of the younger sons into the ministry? It all began with the little girl in our Nazarene day school—no one knows where the story may end.



Missionary List

As of October 15, 1951

<i>Africa</i>	<i>Date of Birth</i>		
Rev. W. C. Esselstyn	August 23	*Rev. Paul Hetrick	January 20
Mrs. W. C. Esselstyn, RN	July 7	*Mrs. Paul Hetrick, RN	September 28
Box 92, Boksburg, Transvaal, South Africa		*Miss Ivis Hopper, RN	December 8
Rev. C. S. Jenkins	January 7	*Rev. Robert Jackson, RN	March 3
Mrs. C. S. Jenkins, RN	December 20	*Mrs. Robert Jackson, RN	November 2
Box 81, Boksburg, East Transvaal, South Africa		*Rev. Wesley Meek	October 24
Rev. Morris Chalfant	March 16	*Mrs. Wesley Meek	October 29
Mrs. Morris Chalfant	July 21	*Miss Lorraine Schultz, RN	April 25
P.O. Midway, Johannesburg, Transvaal, South Africa		*Miss Leona Youngblood, RN	February 15
Miss Irene Jester	October 10	*On furlough	
Miss Esther Thomas, RN	August 15	†Rev. Armand Doll	February 11
Miss Louise Long	August 23	†Mrs. Armand Doll	June 1
Mbuluzi Leper Colony, Mbabane, Swaziland, South Africa		†Language study in Portugal.	
Miss Lois Drake	February 20	Avenida Duque D'Avila, 20, 40	
Miss Estella MacDonald, RN	March 23	Lisbon, Portugal	
Pigg's Peak, Swaziland, South Africa		<i>American Indian District</i>	
Mr. John Wise	July 25	Rev. D. Swarth	September 11
Mrs. John Wise, RN	November 16	P.O. Box 668, Encinitas, Calif.	
Mrs. Lula Schmelzenbach	September 30	<i>Argentina</i>	
Miss Irma Koffel, RN	September 27	Rev. John Cochran	December 13
Miss Ruth Matchett, RN	August 14	Mrs. John Cochran	November 12
Rev. Carl W. Mischke	March 22	Blanco Encalada 2057, Castelar, F.C.N.D.F.S., Argentina	
Mrs. Carl W. Mischke	March 18	Rev. Spurgeon Hendrix	November 20
Stegi, Swaziland, South Africa		Mrs. Spurgeon Hendrix	March 25
Miss Dorothy Bevell	March 1	Rev. Thomas Ainscough	May 28
Rev. Elmer Schmelzenbach	June 16	Donato Alvarez 884, Buenos Aires, Argentina	
Mrs. Elmer Schmelzenbach, RN	March 5	Rev. Ronald Denton	July 27
Miss Jessie Rennie, RN	January 22	Mrs. Ronald Denton	November 30
Acornhoek, Transvaal, South Africa		Casilla 975, Correo Central, Montevideo, Uruguay	
Dr. David Hynd, MD, CBE	October 25	*Rev. Lester Johnston	July 5
Mrs. David Hynd	January 16	*Mrs. Lester Johnston	October 8
Dr. Kenneth Stark, MD	October 19	*On furlough	
Mrs. Kenneth Stark	April 16	<i>Barbados</i>	
Dr. Samuel Hynd, MD	December 18	Dr. A. O. Hendricks	September 27
Mrs. Samuel Hynd	July 16	Mrs. A. O. Hendricks	January 14
Miss Margaret Latta, MBE	January 21	P.O. Box 253, Bridgetown, Barbados, B.W.I.	
Miss Bertha Parker	August 27	<i>Bolivia</i>	
Miss Gladys Owen	August 29	Rev. John Armstrong	March 3
Miss Elizabeth Cole, RN	January 15	Mrs. John Armstrong	March 4
Miss Agnes Clark, RN	August 27	Casilla 1056, La Paz, Bolivia, South America	
Miss Della Boggs	March 18	*Rev. N. R. Briles	June 2
Miss Ruth Brickman, RN	November 15	*Mrs. N. R. Briles	December 30
Miss Sylvia Oiness, RN	November 17	*On furlough	
Miss Elizabeth Clark, RN	February 2	<i>British Guiana</i>	
Miss Mabel Skinner	September 11	Rev. Lelan Rogers	June 9
Miss Mary McKinlay	December 17	Mrs. Lelan Rogers	November 10
Rev. Russell Lewis	April 8	54 Brickdam St., Georgetown, British Guiana, South America	
Mrs. Russell Lewis	March 26	<i>British Honduras</i>	
Miss Dorothy Davis, RN	March 29	Rev. Harold Hampton	November 18
Miss Juanita Gardner, RN	March 14	Rev. David Browning	April 8
Box 14, Bremersdorp, Swaziland, South Africa		Mrs. David Browning	December 20
Rev. Clifford Church	October 18	P.O. Box 175, Belize, British Honduras, Central America, via Merida, Mexico	
Mrs. Clifford Church	October 24	Miss Joyce Blair, RN	November 18
5 Windsor Ave., Witbank, Transvaal, South Africa		Miss Ruth Dech	March 28
Rev. Joseph Penn	April 24	Benque Viejo, British Honduras, Central America via Merida, Mexico	
Mrs. Joseph Penn	December 28	Rev. Ronald Bishop	June 12
P.O. Idalia, Transvaal, via Piet Retief, South Africa		Mrs. Ronald Bishop	January 24
Rev. George Hayse	December 1	El Cayo, British Honduras, Central America via Merida, Mexico	
Mrs. George Hayse	September 10	Rev. William C. Fowler	July 15
Miss Kathyren Dixon, RN	April 19	Mrs. William C. Fowler	May 19
P.O. Blaauwberg, via Pietersburg, N. Transvaal, South Africa		Punta Gorda, British Honduras, Central America via Merida, Mexico	
Mrs. Bessie Grose	August 27	*Mrs. Lucille Broyles, RN	September 30
Miss Mary Cooper	February 1	*Mrs. Harold Hampton	March 19
Rev. Oscar M. Stockwell	January 16	*On furlough	
Mrs. Oscar M. Stockwell	December 29	<i>Cape Verde Islands</i>	
Miss Fairy Cochlin, RN	June 12	Rev. Ernest Eades	October 27
Manjacaze, Gaza, via Vila de Joao Belo, Portuguese East Africa		Mrs. Ernest Eades	March 9
Rev. Henry Poteet	March 3	Rev. Clifford Gay	May 25
Mrs. Henry Poteet	August 8		
Nancefield, P.O. Kliptown, Transvaal, South Africa			
Mr. James Graham	April 11		
P.O. Naboomspruit, North Transvaal, South Africa			

Miss Lydia Wilke, RN Box 5, Praia, Cape Verde Islands	February 3	Mr. Doyle Shepherd Mrs. Doyle Shepherd Nishi 12 Chome Minami 16 Jo, Sapporo City, Hokkaido, Japan	March 10 April 17
*Rev. Earl Mosteller	June 25		
*Mrs. Earl Mosteller	April 1		
*On furlough			
<i>China</i> No missionaries on field at present time.			
<i>Cuba</i> Rev. Lyle Prescott	May 26	<i>Korea</i> *Rev. Robert N. Chung	November 9
Mrs. Lyle Prescott	August 11	*On furlough	
Rev. John W. Hall	June 14	<i>Mexico</i> <i>North Mexican District</i>	
Mrs. John W. Hall	March 16	Rev. Enrique Rosales	November 30
Prov. de Habana, Calvario, Cuba		Apartado 338 Monterrey, N.L., Mexico	
<i>Guatemala</i> Rev. Robert Ingram	June 10	<i>South Mexican District</i> Rev. David J. Sol	October 30
Mrs. Robert Ingram	January 12	Box 9019, Mexico City, D.F., Mexico	
Rev. Harold Hess	July 26	<i>Southwest Mexican District</i> Rev. Ira L. True, Sr.	July 16
Mrs. Harold Hess	July 24	1490 North Wesley, Pasadena 7, Calif.	
Rev. Wm. Sedat	December 23	<i>Texas Mexican District</i> Rev. Everette Howard	July 15
Mrs. Wm. Sedat	October 3	1007 Alametos St., San Antonio, Texas	
Rev. Lawrence Bryant	December 5		
Mrs. Lawrence Bryant	April 3	<i>Nicaragua</i> Rev. Harold Stanfield	December 4
Coban, A.V., Guatemala, Central America		Mrs. Harold Stanfield	April 9
Rev. Russell W. Birchard	October 20	Miss Lesper Heflin, RN	June 18
Mrs. Russell W. Birchard, RN	April 21	Rev. Louis Ragains	October 16
Miss Evelyn VerHoek, RN	January 1	Mrs. Louis Ragains	April 29
Salama, B.V., Guatemala, Central America		Miss Cora Walker, RN	May 24
Rev. William Vaughters	August 3	Miss Esther Crain	February 28
Mrs. William Vaughters	October 7	Rev. C. G. Rudeen	April 28
Livingston, Izabel, Guatemala, Central America		Mrs. C. G. Rudeen	January 13
*Miss Mayme Alexander	January 23	San Jorge, Rivas, Nicaragua, Central America	
*Rev. Earl Hunter	September 11	Rev. Robert Wellmon	April 18
*Mrs. Earl Hunter, RN	April 11	Mrs. Robert Wellmon	March 5
*On furlough		Apartado 302, Managua, Nicaragua, Central America	
<i>Haiti</i> Rev. Paul Orjala	August 2	*Miss Neva Flood	February 27
Mrs. Paul Orjala	June 14	*On furlough	
P.O. Box 444, Port-au-Prince, Haiti		<i>Peru</i> Rev. Oscar Burchfield	January 7
<i>Hashemite Kingdom of the Jordan</i> Rev. Samuel Krikorian	July 31	Mrs. Oscar Burchfield	March 28
Rev. William Russell	January 6	Rev. Harry Zurcher	June 20
Mrs. William Russell	July 19	Mrs. Harry Zurcher	January 8
P.O. Box 416, Amman, Hashemite Jordan Kingdom		Apartado 193, Chiclayo, Peru, South America	
<i>India</i> Rev. Leslie Fritzman	September 26	Rev. Ira N. Taylor	February 24
Mrs. Leslie Fritzman	December 24	Mrs. Ira N. Taylor	March 15
Rev. P. L. Beals	July 19	Miss Marjorie Mayo	June 6
Mrs. P. L. Beals	May 26	Miss Neva Lane	August 22
Mrs. Ruby Blackman	August 29	Apartado 85, Chiclayo, Peru, South America	
Chikhli, Berar, M.P., India		Rev. Elvin Douglass	August 11
†Rev. Cleve James	February 12	Mrs. Elvin Douglass	April 11
†Mrs. Cleve James	November 28	Yama Yakat Mission Evangelical, La Yunga via Jaen, via Chiclayo, Peru, South America	
†Miss Alberta Fletcher, RN	October 2	Rev. Phillip Torgrimson	May 28
†Language study. Send mail % L. Fritzman.		Mrs. Phillip Torgrimson	January 2
Rev. Weldon Franklin	April 5	Apartado 163, Piura, Peru, South America	
Mrs. Weldon Franklin, RN	April 1	<i>Philippine Islands</i> Rev. Joseph Pitts	June 14
Rev. Clarence Carter	October 30	Mrs. Joseph Pitts	November 6
Mrs. Clarence Carter	July 3	Rev. J. W. Pattee	September 23
Buldana, Berar, M.P., India		Mrs. J. W. Pattee, RN	September 5
Rev. Earl Lee	June 9	P.O. Box 14, Baguio City, Mt. Prov., Philippine Islands	
Mrs. Earl Lee	January 20	<i>Puerto Rico</i> Rev. J. R. Lebron-Velazquez	March 19
Rev. Bronell Greer	December 8	P.O. Box 872, San Juan 4, Puerto Rico	
Mrs. Bronell Greer	January 26	<i>Syria</i> Rev. M. A. Thahabiyah	February 28
Miss Geraldine Chappell, RN	April 24	Rev. Don DePasquale	April 18
Miss Evelyn Witthoff, MD	March 30	Mrs. Don DePasquale	November 21
Miss Orpha Speicher, MD	September 14	P.O. Box 318, Damascus, Syria	
Basim, Berar, M.P., India		<i>Trinidad</i> Rev. Ray Miller	June 3
Miss Agnes Willox, RN	April 2	Mrs. Ray Miller	May 7
Pusad, Berar, M.P., India		Box 444, Port of Spain, Trinidad, British West Indies	
*Miss Jean Darling, RN	October 26	*Missionaries on furlough may be addressed % Department of Foreign Missions, 2923 Troost Ave., Box 527, Kansas City 10, Missouri.	
*Miss Ruth Freeman	August 14		
*Rev. J. W. Anderson	August 8		
*Mrs. J. W. Anderson	June 13		
*Rev. Ralph Cook	January 13		
*Mrs. Ralph Cook	May 15		
*On furlough			
<i>Japan</i> Dr. W. A. Eckel	June 10		
Mrs. W. A. Eckel	November 30		
Rev. Harrison Davis	June 14		
Mrs. Harrison Davis	December 6		
193 Sangenchaja Machi Setagaya-ku, Tokyo, Japan			

The W.F.M.S.

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PRESIDENT'S NOTES



I have already called attention to the need for prayer for our sick missionaries in the *Council Tidings* (editorial, October, November, December issue). Word has come that Miss Esther Crain, of Nicaragua,

has had a very severe attack of malaria; that Mrs. Denton, of Argentina, is still in need of our prayers.

And I want to remind you again to pray for little Miss Cretors, our retired missionary from Africa. She is still in the sanitorium, victim of a serious nervous break.

Let us lay a mighty barrage of prayer around them; build the wall wide and high. Let us continue our task of prayer for the bodily healing of those who are sick, that the work of God may be spared and our wonderful Christ glorified in all lands.

CONVENTION BRIEFS

Alabama—July 10

The Alabama District W.F.M.S. Convention was held at the Nazarene campground at Millport, Alabama, July 10. Rev. A. J. Gunter, pastor of First Church, Tuscaloosa, brought the opening devotional message, enjoyed by all.

Mrs. Mabel Anderson, whose godly life and wise leadership have been a blessing to the Alabama District, was re-elected district president.

Dr. Hardy C. Powers, night speaker at the convention, told of his trip to South Africa. After listening to this message, we all felt that we wanted to do more for missions.

MRS. WALLACE BELL,
Superintendent of Publicity

Missouri—August 8-10

The Missouri District W.F.M.S. Convention was held at Pine Crest Camp, Fredericktown, Missouri.

God's Spirit was felt throughout the day as the convention progressed under the leadership of our dear district president, Mrs. J. W. Hoffert.

Dr. Howard Hamlin, of the Presbyterian Hospital of Chicago, formerly of Japan, blessed the hearts of all present with his inspiring messages, freighted with love and compassion for missions.

As we left the convention it was with a greater determination to work harder and sacrifice more that the gospel may be preached to all nations.

MRS. EMMA R. BECKMAN,
Supt. of Publicity

Northwestern Illinois—August 14

The annual W.F.M.S. Convention of the Northwestern Illinois District was held at the First Church of the Nazarene, Peoria, Illinois, August 14, with our district president, Mrs. Mina Nutt, presiding.

Our special speaker of the day was Rev. Robert Chung, of Korea. His soul-stirring messages were a great challenge to us and gave us a glimpse of the deep consecration our missionaries must have to endure the punishment of prisons and the persecution they go through in the war-torn lands.

Mrs. Bertha Humble presented the Indian work to us and told us many interesting things about the Indians.

The reports of the officers and secretaries were presented in the form of a skit, prepared by our president. This was very interesting and held everyone's attention to the very end.

MRS. J. E. FERGUSON,
Supt. of Publicity

Wisconsin—August 14

The Wisconsin District W.F.M.S. held its sixteenth annual convention August 14, at Byron Campgrounds near Fond du Lac, with our district president, Mrs. Charles Gibson, presiding.

Mrs. Ruth Freeman, missionary to India, spoke to the convention and especially stirred our hearts as she related some experiences in working among the women of India.

We begin the new year with great determination to sacrifice and pray more for the cause of missions.

MRS. KATHRYN MEADOWS,
Corresponding Secretary

Western Ohio—August 20, 21

The Western Ohio District W.F.M.S. Convention was a time of inspiration and spiritual blessing. Mrs. Mary E. Anderson, convention speaker, stirred our hearts with her challenging messages.

Mrs. W. E. Albea, district president, presided throughout the convention and was unanimously re-elected.

We are looking forward to the greatest year we have ever had on our district.

MRS. FLOYD E. COLE,
Supt. of Publicity

THE W.F.M.S. AND DISTRICT PROJECTS

The W.F.M.S. as an organization is pledged to raise money for just one purpose—the missionary program of the church. This policy is stated in the W.F.M.S. handbook (page 39) as follows:

"Because the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society is so well organized and active, many causes that lie outside of its distinctive program or work bring their claims to its treasury. Many of these causes, especially the calls of the local church, are good; but they have no claim upon the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society for support. As a member of the church every woman should share in these enterprises; but money should not be given to them through the missionary society, nor should money collected by the society be used for any other purpose than those clearly outlined" in the handbook.

There seems to be a growing tendency for the W.F.M.S. to raise money for projects other than those connected directly with missions. We women of the church should do our full part in such projects but not in the name of the W.F.M.S. or as a W.F.M.S. organization. Our specific task, assigned by the General Assembly years ago, must be kept well in mind.

East Tennessee—September 3

The East Tennessee District Convention convened at Elizabethton, Tennessee, September 3, with Mrs. J. A. McCammon presiding in her usual gracious manner. The day was highlighted with special songs. A most inspiring message was given at the close of the day by our district superintendent, Rev. Victor Gray.

We are trusting God for greater things this year in this great cause of missions.

MRS. D. CLYDE IRWIN,
Supt. of Publicity

Kansas City—September 4

The Twenty-sixth Annual Convention of the Kansas City District W.F.M.S. convened at the District Center on Tuesday, September 4. God's Spirit was felt throughout the day as the convention progressed under the fine leadership of our good president, Mrs. Dell Aycock.

The convention voted to have as our district project the redoubling of our Alabaster giving of this year.

EMPHASIS FOR JANUARY National Workers

This is just a suggestion for your January emphasis: Conduct a short (10 to 15 minutes) meeting in which nationals from some of our mission fields give their testimonies. Have members of your group prepare these testimonies, short and to the point, from materials found in back and current issues of *THE OTHER SHEEP*.

USED OR USABLE?

Some of the used clothing sent to our missionaries has been used, indeed—used until there were no knees in the trousers, no buttons on the shirts, and no elbows in the sweaters. Our missionaries appreciate used clothing. But let's be sure that what we send is GOOD, CLEAN, and USABLE. Check your boxes of used clothing. Send only that which would be worth the postage. Value the whole parcel at no more than \$1.00.

Mary Soctt, our fine general secretary, was with us and gave a most wonderful report and challenging goals for the Assembly year.

Mrs. G. B. Williamson brought an appointed message of her trip abroad, climaxing the convention with victory and blessing.

VERA HOFFPAUIR,
Supt. of Publicity

Abilene—September 11

The Annual W.F.M.S. Convention was held at Ft. Worth, Texas, with our district president, Mrs. W. R. McClure, presiding.

Mrs. McClure has served this district faithfully for over twenty-one years and felt her work was finished as our president. In love and appreciation for her sacrificial life through the years the district presented her with a beautiful seventeen-jewel Bulova watch and a cash offering of \$50.

Mrs. O. W. Jenkins, the wife of our district superintendent, was elected president on the nominating ballot. With her strong faith in God, her gentleness, and wonderful leadership we join hands together to make this coming year the best for missions in our history.

Dr. G. B. Williamson brought a challenging message in fitting climax to the victorious spirit which prevailed throughout the day.

MRS. J. B. ELDER,
Recording Secretary

Southwest Oklahoma— September 17, 18

The Southwest Oklahoma District W.F.M.S. held its third annual convention September 7-18, at Duncan, Oklahoma, with our efficient president, Mrs. W. T. Johnson, presiding.



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Each of the departmental secretaries displayed attractive posters across the front of the church. The "March of Nations" pageant presented by the women blessed our hearts as they sang "That They Might Know Him."

The message brought by Dr. Samuel Young on his recent tour of the Cape Verde Islands made us realize more than ever that "the harvest . . . is plenteous, but the labourers are few."

As we left the convention it was with a greater determination to work harder and sacrifice more that the gospel might reach all nations.

MRS. J. RUSSELL BROWN,
Supt. of Publicity

Arkansas—September 18

The Annual Convention of the Arkansas District W.F.M.S. convened at Fayetteville, Arkansas, on September 18, with Mrs. Carl Prentiss, our district president, presiding.

We were fortunate to have our general secretary, Miss Mary Scott, as our special speaker. Her messages stirred our hearts, inspired us to do more than we have ever done before for Christ's "Other Sheep," and challenged us to greater service and a deeper concern for our missionary work everywhere.

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MRS. MARGARET ESSELSTYNN



BOYS AND GIRLS PAGE

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HELLO AGAIN, BOYS AND GIRLS!

A merry Christmas to you all! Our message today is from our "Juniors' Own Missionaries" in British Honduras, Rev. and Mrs. Hampton, but I imagine that they sometimes see people like these in the picture, though they are from Guate-



mala. Could you carry a big load on your head like the one this little girl is carrying, as they go to market? She is dressed just like the woman behind her; isn't she? Wonder if that is her mother.

Now about Christmas. Here is a letter that the Hamptons sent just for you.

Belize, British Honduras

DEAR JUNIOR FRIENDS,

If you were a boy or girl in British Honduras this year, you would have received a lovely bag of sweets and biscuits (candy and cookies) at Christmas time. Your heart would be most glad and thankful because the Juniors in America had remembered you. Then you'd want to say to all, "Thank you, dear Junior friends, for helping us to have a happy Christmas!"

If you were a boy or girl here before Christmas, you would have to help your mother make ready

your house for Christmas. It would be like your spring cleaning in the U.S.A. Walls are cleaned, floors are swept, or scrubbed extra good, and tables and chairs are cleaned and polished. Then if you were back in the interior where the Spanish people live, you'd have to help make tamales, and on Christmas morning early, you'd take a pan of hot tamales to each of your friends. But if you lived down along the coast with the English speaking people, you'd have to make lots of little cakes, "light cake" they are called. These you'd carry around to your friends before Christmas Day.

Maybe you would not receive toys, but your parents would do their best to buy you a new dress, if you were a girl, or a new pair of pants, if you were a boy. Then on Christmas Day, you'd don your new clothes, brush your hair until it shone, and take a walk. Where? Oh, just anywhere, to show off your new clothes, and admire your friends' new clothes. You wouldn't find cold and snow anywhere—just a nice hot sun would shine down on you as you took your "paseo."

But Christmas does not come with a heap of toys, or a new dress, or some snow or cold. Christmas comes to the heart of each boy and girl who lets Jesus come in. So if you were a child who attends Sunday school down here, you'd be glad to take part in the programs in our Nazarene church and receive your treat along with all your little friends.

Juniors, we love to be your "Own Missionaries." You won't forget to pray for us, and for the Juniors here, will you?

Blessings to all,

REV. AND MRS. H. L. HAMPTON

Mrs. Hampton, the last time I heard from her, was suffering with arthritis in her arm, and again I heard that her children were sick. Pray every day about this; be sure.

Have a lovely Christmas.

Lots of love from your "Big Sister,"

MARY E. COVE

THE OTHER SHEEP

Missionary Incentives

Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, . . . lo, I am with you (Matt. 28:20).

When God's children have been obedient, they have been victorious—a wonderfully led, strangely provided for, miraculously sustained, and gloriously triumphant people. The secret was their obedience.

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When the Early Church decided to go to the Gentiles, it voted to save its own soul. In addition to Christ's command, the experiences of Philip with the eunuch, Peter with Cornelius, and Paul's direct commission were necessary to bring forth this decision.

That it is the task of the Church to spread the gospel to all nations no one can deny. "The New Testament is a missionary book; the story of the Acts is a missionary story; the church is a missionary organization. We must never lose sight of that fact." No institution can repudiate its main purpose and live.

What does the Master think as He looks upon the pleasure-loving, self-satisfied, complacent Church of our day? With a heart of compassion He said to the disciples, "The harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few" (Matt. 9:38). The Church has the resources, the organization, the young people, and unprecedented opportunities. He who said, "Come," also said, "Go." Obedience to this command tests our love for Him and measures our success. The colossal demands of the task are such that the Church is thrown back upon Him for divine aid. In surrendering to His plan and program we find His power. He will not fail us personally nor as a church.

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