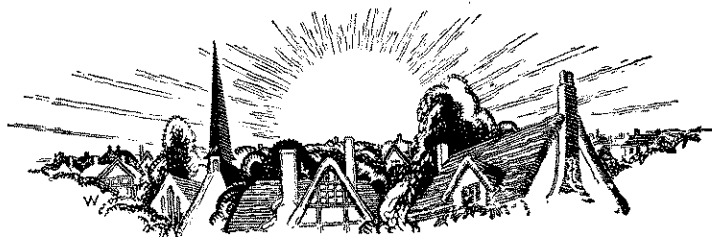


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A New Year Prayer

“Dear Master, for this coming year
Just one request I bring:
I do not pray for happiness,
Or any earthly thing:
I do not ask to understand
The way Thou leadest me,
But this I ask—Teach me to do
The thing that pleaseth Thee!”

“I want to know Thy guiding voice,
To walk with Thee each day.
Dear Master, make me swift to hear,
And ready to obey.
And thus the year I now begin—
A happy year 'twill be
If I shall always seek to do
The thing that pleaseth Thee!”—*Sel.*

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EDITORIAL

We are nearly to the end of the year 1952, and I wonder how much we all have done to help in the Lord's work. Have all of you boys and girls tried to be little missionaries for Jesus? You know there are many things that we can do in helping God.

Many times we see other children who are not as well off as we are. Perhaps they do not get enough to eat and do not have playmates. Some children are crippled and cannot get along very well so they do not enjoy playing like children who are not crippled. When we see a child that does not have the chance to play like some of us do, we should try and make their life interesting by doing the things that they can do also. There are many things children can do sitting down such as coloring in Bible story color books, cutting out paper dolls, playing games as Bible Authors and many other interesting things that are lots of fun.

If we know of someone who is ill and cannot be outdoors we can visit them and take them something to eat or to play with.

We can also be little missionaries for Jesus in not only visiting the children who are ill but also there are many older people who are not able to get out in the warm sunshine. Older people like to have nice children visit them because it cheers

them up. Children who love the Lord are happy children and they usually have smiling faces which cheer up people who are not happy.

If you want to be a missionary to help in the foreign fields you can have mother get you a little bank and put your pennies into it. When you have several saved then you can send them to the church headquarters and they will see that the pennies are sent to the workers in the foreign countries who are teaching the people about the love of Jesus.

There are many things that we can do to help God. Why not see to it that in the coming year you will try to do more for the Lord than you did in 1952. Ask the Lord to help you know the things He wants you to do. He will.

—:M:—

HOW'S YOUR MEMORY ?

(How many of the following questions can you answer? Write down your answers and then ask some older person to check your list to see how many you have right.)

1. Name the mother who had a son by the name Abel. What Abel a good man?
2. How many people were save in Noah's great ark?
3. God made a great promise to a man who had a son named Isaac. Who was he?
4. Who was the child placed in a basket and hid among the reeds in a river?
5. The first king of Israel was In Acts we read of another man with the same name.
6. This man wrote part of the new Scriptures. He tried to walk on the water to meet Jesus. He once denied Jesus. What was his name?
7. A beautiful coat was made for which son of Jacob?
8. Jesus' mother's name was.....
9. What was Martha's brother's name? He was the one Jesus raised to life.
10. Name the great king who built a most beautiful temple. Was he always wise?
11. Can you name three books of the old Scriptures?
12. What was the name of the man who was cast into a den of lions?



"Gyende of Africa"

GYENDE was a little boy who lived in Africa. Yes, he was a little black boy and his name was pronounced "Genda." Gyende had to work every day in the fields. He worked hard, keeping the birds away from his father's rice crop.

In the evening this African boy liked to visit his uncle. He would gather together some of his friends and they would go together to his uncle's hut and listen eagerly to the many stories the uncle told. This uncle had been in the war and knew many interesting things.

One evening Gyende squatted on the ground before his uncle. "Please tell me a story," he begged, as usual.

The uncle smiled, a different smile, that seemed to brighten his whole face and settle deep in his eyes. "I have a new story to tell you tonight," he said. "Today I found Jesus. Never had I known such a Man! I went to see the missionary, the white man who tells stories. This Jesus-Man came into my heart today. Now all my stories will be different."

Gyende's uncle wanted him to visit the white missionary and learn of Jesus, but Gyende would not go. Instead, he watched his uncle closely. Everyday he went to hear a story. He pretended that the stories were not as interesting as the war stories, but still he went each morning to hear another Jesus story. But the boy was even more interested in the change that had come over his uncle. Before, the boys would delight in teasing the uncle, then running in all directions when the uncle swore at them and chased them. Now the uncle did not get angry. He never swore anymore. Not only that, but he did not lie, or fight with the other men. He never became drunk. What amazed Gyende most of all was that his uncle no longer worshiped strange fetishes. He said his prayers to the Jesus-Man, now.

One day, "I will go to see the white missionary," decided Gyende. "I must see

what he has that could change my uncle!" The African lad crept to the window of the missionary's house and looked into the room. There he saw the missionary. The man was on his knees. He seemed to be talking to someone. Gyende looked carefully around the room. There were no gods, no fetishes. As the missionary kept talking, a very queer feeling came over Gyende. He felt strange in his heart and felt water in his eyes. He suddenly clapped his hands.

As the clapping stopped, the missionary opened the door. Gyende stood silently looking at the missionary, afraid to speak. The man smiled, and the boy began, "I want to learn a new story. I want to learn the Jesus story. My heart is very black. I throw stones at policemen and at other boys. I do many bad things. I want the magic that will make me stop doing these things."

The missionary talked to Gyende, and told him the story of the Savior who loved all boys and girls and who died for them. Then he prayed with Gyende.

The African boy began to laugh. "Already I feel a different story in my heart! All the stone-throwing is gone! I will go now and tell the other boys!"

Gyende scampered back to the rice fields and tried to tell them of the change in his heart. But the boys would not listen. Instead, they laughed at him and mocked at him for going to the missionary. "We will see, we will see!" they cried. Then they threw stones at Gyende, pretending they were throwing at the birds.

One time, Gyende would have thrown back the stones and before long there would have been a real fight in the rice field. But now the boy did not throw the stones. As he had said, Jesus had taken the stone-throwing from his heart. But Gyende prayed for his friends as he worked and soon they were all taking care of their work lest their fathers see them idling.

Gyende remembered how closely he had watched his uncle and now he asked the

Jesus-Man to help him live the Jesus way in front of his friends. His life was telling for Jesus more than he realized.

One day he returned to the missionary's house. He clapped his hands loudly at the door. When the missionary opened the door he saw Gyende's smiling face. But not only Gyende stood there, but thirteen of his friends were with him. Yes, thirteen black boys stood with Gyende, their faces eagerly curious, their eyes shining.

"White Teacher," said Gyende, "my friends want to learn the story of my Jesus. They have all told me they want to know Jesus, who takes stone-throwing and lying and stealing out of hearts and then fills the hearts with true prayer. They want to know about the Jesus-Man who puts singing into hearts!"

The missionary gladly prayed with the boys who wanted to find Jesus. Then he thanked Jesus for Gyende, who had proven a real missionary himself.

Yes, boys and girls, this is a true story. I heard it from a missionary friend who came home from Africa for a rest. I wonder if any of you have stone-throwing in your hearts today? It is not only boys in heathen countries who need our Lord and Savior, you know. We need Him here, too, for the Bible tells us all have sinned—every boy and girl, every man and woman in the world. And we must all have the cleansing of Jesus and His forgiveness before we can ever be saved. How about it? Are you as anxious for your heart to be made clean and happy as a little African boy and his friends were? Just come to Jesus now, and He will accept you. He will give you the same joy in your heart that He gave little Gyende and his friends, and will use you to lead other boys and girls to Him if you will only allow Him to do so.

—*Velma B. McConnell in Gospel Herald.*

— :: M :: —

Let us always remember that when we go to Sabbath school and church we should enter the house of the Lord quietly and not talk or run around. The Lord wants us to honor Him and we can do that best by sitting quietly and listening to what is being said.

NO "IF"

There was a knock at the door of Aunt Fanny's pleasant kitchen one morning, and on the steps stood a little girl with a basket on her arm.

"Don't you want to buy something?" she asked as she came in. "Here are some nice home-knit stockings."

"Surely you did not knit these yourself, little girl?" said Aunt Fanny.

"No, ma'am; but grandmother did. She is lame, so I run about and sell them. She says we are partners."

Aunt Fanny laughed and then bought some stockings. As she counted out the money to pay for them, Maggie said, "This will buy bread and butter for supper."

"What if you had not sold anything?" asked Aunt Fanny.

But Maggie shook her head. "You see, we prayed, 'God, give us this day our daily bread'; and so there is no 'if' about it."

—*The P. H. Advocate.*

— :: M :: —

Timothy was a boy who learned much about the Lord from listening to stories his mother and grandmother told to him. They told of how the Lord had lead and cared for His people in their travels through the wilderness and into the promised land.

— :: M :: —

THE NEW YEAR

While I was fast asleep in bed

The New Year came, my mother said;
I wonder if it's feeling shy,

And if the old year said good-by!

To God I think this year must look

Just like a new-clean copy book;
He wonders how we all shall write

And whether we shall keep it white.

And so I'll ask Him to stay

Close by my side and guide my way:
Then all the pages will be bright

And pleasing in His holy sight.

I cannot tell what God will send,

I only know that He's my Friend,
And as I walk with Him 'twill be

A happy year, I know, for me.—*Sel.*

A BIBLE CROSSWORD PUZZLE

	a	b	c	d	e
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2		■		■	
3					■
4		■			
5	■			■	

ACROSS

- a-1. The one who came to save the people from sin.
- a-3. ". . . I am come that ye might . . . life, and that ye might have it more abundantly." John 10:10.
- c-4. The first mother to live on earth.
- b-5. "For . . . in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, . . ." Matt. 24:38.

DOWN

- a-1. He was the one who baptized Jesus.
- c-1. Jesus . . . us from our sins.
- e-1. ". . . , Jacob went down into Egypt, and died, he, and our fathers." Acts 7:15.
- e-4. Another name meaning God.

— :: M :: —

MOSES AND ISRAEL

Moses was one of the greatest leaders that ever lived. He was closer to God than other men. God had said, "With him will I speak mouth to mouth . . ." (Num. 12:8). It surely was a most wonderful experience he had when he went up into mount Sinai and received the Ten Commandments from God, which he was to put inside the ark. The ark was like a chest and was carried by the priests when Israel traveled.

Now when Israel was on the way to Canaan, the land of promise, Joshua chose twelve men to go ahead and spy out the land. He want them to find out all they could about Canaan. He wanted them to see what the country was like; if it produced good crops, what kind of people were living there and whether the cities were fortified. The spies were also to bring back

some of the fruit to show Moses and the children of Israel.

It took the twelve men forty days to go through the land and to return. When they came back they brought pomegranates, figs and a huge cluster of grapes. They reported that it was a good land, a land flowing with milk and honey. The spies also said that the people dwelling in the land were strong and that their cities had high walls around them.

When the people heard all this they became afraid. Surely they forgot what God had done for them before this in delivering them out of Egypt and saving them from the great army of Pharaoh. Some of the spies said there were giants in the land, and that Israel was like grasshoppers beside them. Evidently the people began to complain, thinking they could not take the land of Canaan.

One of the spies named Caleb had more courage and faith in God. He tried to quiet the people. He encouraged the people to go up into Canaan at once and take the land. The heathen living in Canaan had lived in sin long enough and God intended to get rid of them and let Israel have the land. Caleb said Israel was able to overcome the heathen and take the land. He had no fear for he trusted the Lord. Today we need to trust the Lord and have no fear what other people might do. If we do what is right, God will be with us and we will be on His side. —Written for the S.S.M.

— :: M :: —

MY WONDERFUL SAVIOR

It is sweet to know that Jesus
Sees 'way down inside of me;
That He understands my actions
When they're not as they should be.

He forgives me when I'm naughty,
Then again I'm clean and pure.
I'm not worthy of His kindness—
But He loves me, I am sure.

I'm so glad He is my Savior,
That He helps me when I'm weak,
And to thank Him I will ever
Forth His loving praises speak.

—Sel.



LETTERS

FROM ARKANSAS

Dear Missionary Readers,

I am a little girl nine years old. I enjoy reading the little paper and the Bible.

I have three brothers and two sisters. The oldest one is 13. The youngest one is four months old.

I have two dogs, two calves, two cows, and one horse.

I will close with a puzzle: rueysl sdseog-on nad yrmce hslal lfoowl em lal het yasd fo ym elif: dan I ilwl lelwd ni het sehwo fo eth rdol rof erve. Psalm 23:6.

Love,
Nina Manis

(We are happy to know that you like to read the Missionary and the Bible. You certainly have lots of animals for pets. I imagine they keep you busy. Thank you for the verse puzzle. Write again, Nina.)

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FROM ARKANSAS

Dear Missionary Readers,

I have written to the little paper before and I hope all of you enjoyed it.

I am a girl eleven years old. I have a baby brother and he is about four months old. I have a brother that will be 3 years old in January, and a brother 13 years old. I have a sister 9 years old and a sister 6 years old. Their names are, Raymond, Larry, Roy Charles, Deanna, Nina and my

name is Audrey. Our last name is Manis. I will be twelve years old in May.

I love to read the letters in the Missionary paper. My brother gets the nice, little paper.

I guess I had better close with a Bible verse. "For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." John 3:16. Pray for us.

Love,
Audrey Ann Manis

(We were happy to hear from you. I can imagine you have fun playing with your brothers and sisters. We are glad that you like the Missionary. We will pray for you. Write again sometime.)

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FROM OKLAHOMA

Dear Missionary Readers:

I haven't written to the Missionary in a long time. I go to Sabbath school every time I can. I enjoy going. There are seven in our class. Our Sabbath School teacher is Miss Florine Lane and we like her for a teacher.

I have a dog and his name is Jack. I have a cat, too.

I will close for now.

Your friend in Jesus,
Helen Cato

(It has been quite a while since we have heard from you, Helen. I have a girl named Helen, too. We are glad you like to go to Sabbath School. Write again.)

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We are receiving quite a few letters now from our little *Missionary* readers and are happy to get them. Watch the paper for your letter. We can only print a few at a time but yours will appear soon. Thanks little *Missionary* readers.

Your editor, Aunt Dorothy.

—:: M ::—

Do not fight and quarrel with other children because they do not want to do what you want them to. The Lord wants us to be peacemakers as it says in His Word, "Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God." Matthew 5:9.

Your Lessons . . .

Lesson For January 10, 1953

JESUS, THE SON OF GOD

Lesson Material: Matthew 16:13-17.

Memory Verse: "And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God." Matthew 16:16.

Jesus went about doing good. He made the blind to see, the lame to walk, and the deaf to hear. Even the dead arose at His command. But many people did not know who Jesus really was. Some people said that He was John the Baptist. Some thought He was Elijah. Other people thought He was Jeremiah or one of the prophets.

When Jesus came to Caesarea Philippi, He asked His disciples this question, "Whom do men say that I the Son of man am? And they said, Some say that thou art John the Baptist: some, Elias; and others, Jeremiah, or one of the prophets." Then Jesus asked them who they thought He was. "And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God." Jesus blessed him for giving this good answer. Jesus knew that no man had told Peter, but that it was God, Himself, who had revealed this truth.

Questions to Discuss

1. What were some of the good things that Jesus did? How many can you tell about? If we love Jesus, will we go about doing good things? Can you think of five ways we can help others?
2. Who did some people think that Jesus was?
3. When Jesus came to Caesarea Philippi, what question did He ask His disciples? What did they say?
4. What question did He next ask His disciples? Which disciple answered this question? Can you give his answer from memory?
5. How did Peter know that Jesus was the Son of God?
6. What does God promise will be ours some day if we believe that Jesus is the Son of God?

Places to find on your map

1. Sea of Galilee, 2. Mediterranean Sea,

3. Caesarea Philippi, 4. Jerusalem, 5. Nazareth, 6. Bethlehem.

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Lesson For January 17, 1953

GOD'S BELOVED SON

Lesson Material: Matthew 17:1-9.

Memory Verse: "This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased." Matthew 17:5b.

Jesus went up into a high mountain to pray. He took Peter, James and John with Him. As Jesus prayed, He was transfigured before them. His face shone like the sun, and His clothing was as white as light. The disciples saw Moses and Elijah talking with Jesus. They were talking about the death Jesus was to die in Jerusalem. Although the disciples were very afraid, Peter thought it was so good to be there that he wanted to make three tabernacles—one for Jesus, one for Moses, and one for Elijah. While Peter was talking to Jesus, a bright cloud came and covered them. They heard a voice out of the cloud which said, "This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased; hear ye him." It was God speaking to them. Peter, James and John were so frightened by the voice that they fell on their faces. Then Jesus came and touched them and said, "Arise and be no longer afraid."

When they looked up they could not see Elijah and Moses. Only Jesus was there with them. As they came down from the mountain, Jesus told them that they were not to tell anyone the vision they had seen until He was risen from the dead.

Can You Tell?

1. WHERE did Jesus take Peter, James and John?
2. HOW did Jesus look when He was transfigured?
3. WHO did the disciples see with Jesus?
4. WHICH one of the disciples wanted to make three tabernacles?
5. WHY were the disciples afraid?
6. WHAT did God say to them?
7. WHEN could the disciples tell about the vision?

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LITTLE WHITE TALE

The Lord has made many little animals in the woods and among them is Little White Tail. That is the name we will



give the little fawn in the above picture. A fawn is a baby deer. They are very lively little animals and have long thin legs.

Little White Tail likes to run through the woods in the winter time. The leaves are all off the trees then and he can see quite a ways. He runs and jumps over logs and piles of brush and has a good time.

Little White Tail also has to hunt for food to eat. The Lord has provided for all of His animals and they know just where to get their food. Little White Tail hunts under the evergreen trees where there isn't any snow and there he can find moss and seeds to eat. The evergreen trees also provide Little White Tail with a nice cozy place to sleep when it is dark at night. He keeps very warm as the cold wind cannot chill him when he is fast asleep under the thick evergreen trees. If Little White Tail gets thirsty and all the rivers are frozen over with ice, he can eat the nice white snow that has fallen on the ground to quench his thirst.

The Lord always cares for His animals in the woods and He will also care for us if we put our trust in Him to provide for us.

TINY TOT LETTER

Dear Missionary Readers:

My Mommy is writing again for me. I go to Sabbath School all I can.

I love to sing. I sing a song at church every Sabbath. I am only 4 years old.

My grandfather gave me a guitar. He may also give me a fiddle. I hope I can learn to play, especially for Jesus.

I often wonder and ask when is Jesus coming. I will close now, saying, Hello to all little boys and girls.

A friend,

Joe Richard Lane

(We were glad to receive your letter Joe. We hope some day you will be able to play songs for Jesus on your guitar. Write to us again.)

— :: M :: —

WHY HEROD DIDN'T FIND JESUS

When Jesus was just a baby a very wicked king was ruling in that country. This king had heard about Jesus being born, and he was afraid of Him. He was afraid Jesus would grow up and become a great king and take away his throne. This wicked king's name was Herod.

Herod called some wise men to find out from them where Jesus was. He tried to make them think he wanted to worship Jesus. The wise men found Jesus, but God warned them in a dream not to tell Herod where Jesus was, so they did not go back and tell him.

An angel then appeared to Joseph in a dream and told him that Herod wanted to find Jesus to kill Him. He told Joseph to take Jesus and His mother and hurry away to Egypt. Joseph did just as he was told and Jesus was saved. They stayed in Egypt until Herod died.