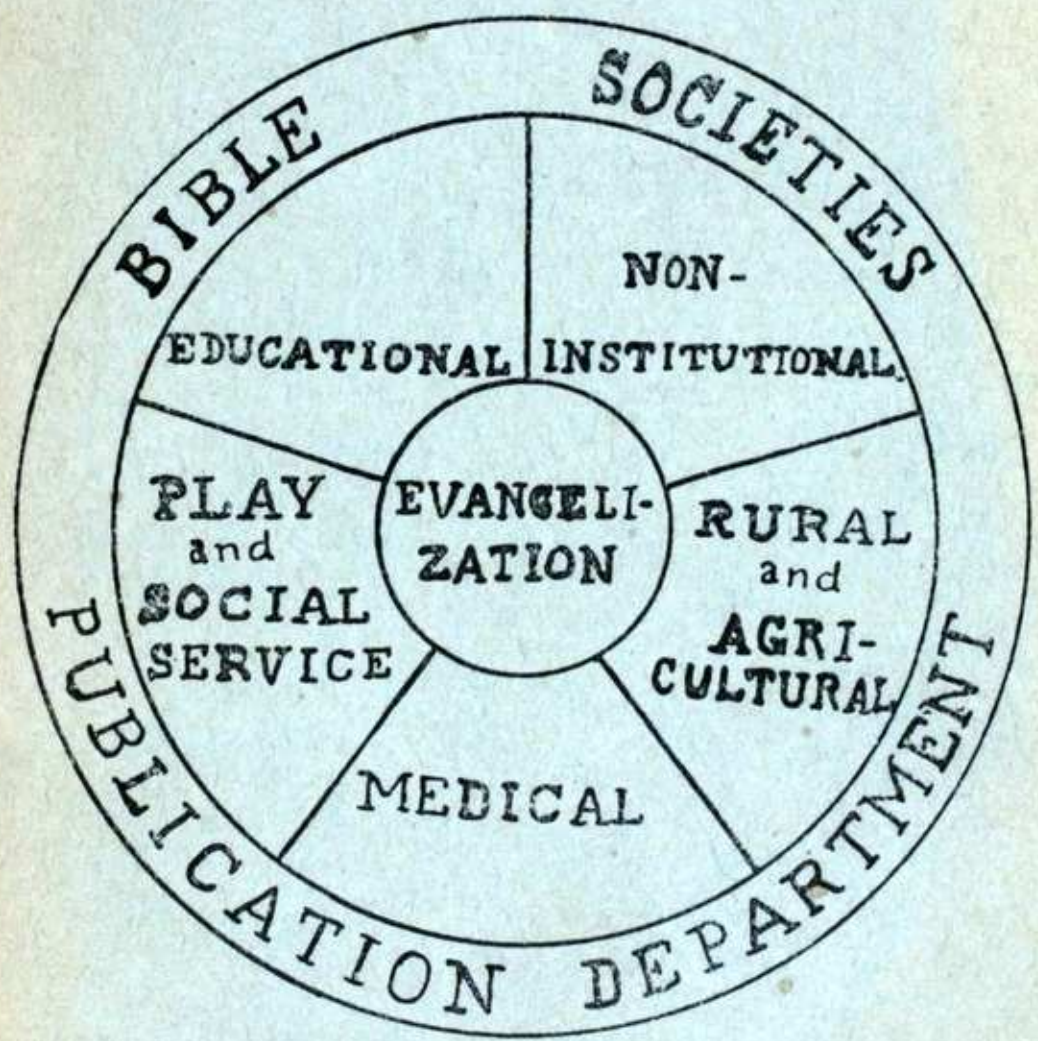


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## A CALL TO PRAYER

1. FOR A MISSIONARY SPIRIT. — That the Church may see the whole world's need of Christ, and may be ready for any sacrifice to make Him known to all mankind.

2. FOR A SPIRIT OF PRAYER. — That Christian people may learn to pray as Christ prayed and taught His disciples to pray; and that an ever-increasing number of interceders may be raised up until the whole Church is awakened to prayer.

3. FOR A SPIRIT OF SACRIFICE. — That the Church may be willing at whatever cost to follow and to bear witness to the way of Christ as she learns it.

4. FOR A SPIRIT OF UNITY. — That the whole Church of Christ may desire and experience a new unity in Christ.

5. FOR THE GIFT OF INTERPRETATION. — That the Church may learn to preach the eternal Gospel by word and life in terms that the men and women of this age will understand.

6. FOR COURAGEOUS WITNESS IN MORAL QUESTIONS. — That the witness of the Church in the moral questions of our day may truly reflect the mind of God and may be known and felt throughout the world.

7. FOR A SPIRIT OF SERVICE. — That a great number of men and women may offer themselves unreservedly to do Christ's work at home and abroad in our generation.

8. FOR THE COMPLETION OF OUR OWN CONVERSION. — That all hindrances in our own lives to the manifestation of God's redeeming love and power may be removed.





## FIRST DAY

*Meditation : The Yearning of the World.*

Amid widespread indifference and immersion in material concerns we also find everywhere, now in noble forms and now in license or extravagance, a great yearning, especially among the youth of the world, for the full and untrammled expression of personality, for spiritual leadership and authority, for reality in religion, for social justice, for human brotherhood, for international peace.

In this world, bewildered and groping for its way, Jesus Christ has drawn to Himself the attention and admiration of mankind as never before.

*From Int. Miss. Council Statement, Jer., 1928.*

*Scripture : Matthew 9 : 36-38.*

Let us pray for the world in its instinctive yearning for life abundant.

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**SECOND DAY**

*Meditation : Our Message and our Faith.*

Our message is Jesus Christ. He is the revelation of what God is and of what man through Him may become. In Him we come face to face with the Ultimate Reality of the universe : He makes known to us God as our Father, perfect and infinite in love and in righteousness ; for in Him we find God incarnate, the final, yet ever unfolding, revelation of the God in whom we live and move and have our being.

*From Int. Miss. Council Statement, Jer., 1928.*

*Scripture : 1st Corinthians 2 : 2.*

Let us pray for the Church Universal that she may adequately present Christ to a yearning world.

Let us also pray to day for :

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### THIRD DAY

*Meditation : The Missionary Motive.*

Our true and compelling motive lies in the very nature of the God to whom we have given our hearts. Since He is love, His very nature is to share. Christ is the expression in time of the eternal self-giving of the Father. Coming into fellowship with Christ we find in ourselves an overmastering impulse to share Him with others. We are constrained by the love of Christ and by obedience to His last command. He Himself said, "I came that they may have life, and may have it abundantly", and our experience corroborates it. He has become life to us. We would share that life.

*From Int. Miss. Council Statement, Jer., 1928.*

*Scripture : 2nd. Corinthians 5: 14*

Let us pray for the Church Universal that it may burn with a missionary passion.

Let us also pray today for :

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#### FOURTH DAY

*Meditation : Unity Essential.*

The resources of God are at our disposal, and the limitless power of God can be made available for the great unfinished task. There is a price to be paid and we are convinced that part of this price is the uniting of the divided forces of our faith, the creating of a fellowship in which prayer is a reality, and the realization of that unity which always follows every new manifestation of the Spirit's life and power in the Church.

*From Int. Miss. Council Statement, Jer., 1928.*

*Scripture : Philippians 2:5.*

Let us pray for missionary effort throughout all the world and especially for the work of the International Missionary Council and its member organization, the Council for Western Asia and Northern Africa to which our Mission belongs.

Let us also pray today for :

Rev. and Mrs Leslie J. Adkins, Aleppo, General.

Miss Annie M. Barker, Constantinople, Educational.

Rev. Alden H. Clark, A.B.C.F.M.

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**FIFTH DAY**

*Meditation : The Spirit of Our Endeavor.*

Our approach to our task must be made in humility and penitence and love: in humility, because it is not our own message which we bring, but God's and if in our delivery of it self-assertion finds any place we shall spoil that message and hinder its acceptance; in penitence, because our fathers and we ourselves have been so blind to many of the implications of our faith; in love, because our message is the Gospel of the Love of God, and only by love in our own hearts for those to whom we speak can we make known its power or its true nature . . .

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*Scripture : 1st Corinthians 13 : 3b.*

Let us pray that we may work at our task with greater humility, patience, and love.

Let us also pray today for :

Mr. W. G. Couser, Aleppo, Educational.

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## SIXTH DAY

*Meditation : East and West.*

The belief in the supremacy of righteousness both in the Universe, because God is righteous, and in humanity, because God has made man in his own image, is not native to the West: it came to the West from Israel. And it was not native to Israel: it came to Israel through the Prophets.

Here is the first point on which we must lay our stress - the unique revelation alike of God and of man which is given through the Bible. The true division is not between West and East but between Bible and no-Bible. . . . But the Bible, as the sacred book of Christians, is always to be interpreted in reference to Jesus Christ. It is He who, by fulfilling its earlier aspirations, confers upon it a unique quality.

*From Int. Miss. Council Report, Jer., 1928.*

*Scripture : Revelation 22: 2c.*

Let us pray for deeper faith in the power of the Gospel to transform any individual, church, or nation continually brought face to face with its challenge.

Let us also pray today for :

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## SEVENTH DAY

*Meditation : Call to Non-Christians.*

To non-Christians also we make our call... We welcome every noble quality in non-Christian persons or systems as further proof that the Father, who sent His Son into the world, has nowhere left Himself without witness. Thus, . . . we recognize as part of the one Truth that sense of the Majesty of God and the consequent reverence in worship which are conspicuous in Islam; and the disinterested pursuit of truth and of human welfare which are often found in those who stand for secular civilization but do not accept Christ as their Lord and Saviour.

*From Int. Miss. Council Statement, 1928.*

*Scripture : Mark 9 : 38-40.*

Let us pray for all men every where who are sincere in seeking the Truth, that they may have the courage to follow the truth they find, and that we may so learn how to present Christ that they may not be deprived of God's best.

Let us also pray today for:

Mr. Harold B. Belcher, A.B.C.F.M.

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## EIGHTH DAY

*Meditation : Education and Evangelism*

A false antithesis has often been drawn between evangelism and religious education. The truth is that they belong together. Evangelism denotes the Christian purpose; religious education describes the normal method of its fulfilment. It is a mistake to limit the application of the term "evangelism" to certain particular methods, such as those of the itinerant revivalist, the preacher, or the "personal worker". Evangel means gospel. Any method that brings the Gospel of Jesus Christ to bear in vital, effective, saving power upon the lives of human beings, men, women, or children, old or young, is rightly to be conceived as a method of evangelism. A scheme of religious education that is not evangelistic is not Christian. Conversely, schemes of evangelism that are not educative or that are not followed by further steps in religious education are apt to be transient and barren . . . "we should never turn an adolescent over to uneducational evangelism".

*Scripture : II. Peter 1 : 5-9.*

Let us pray that the essential purpose of our mission may be ever more clearly and earnestly and broadly conceived and that all our activities may be centralized in it.

Let us also pray for these colleagues :

- Rev. and Mrs. Paul F. Bobb, Merzifon, General.
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**NINTH DAY**

*Meditation : Jesus the Teacher.*

“Teacher” was His most familiar title : “learners” or “disciples” was the name given to His followers. The transformation whereby a group of Galileans was enabled to turn the world upside down is proof of the amazing efficacy of His work. . . . First we notice that in Him the contrast between teaching and preaching, education and evangelism, simply does not exist. His aim is always one and the same, that, He may enable men to be set free from self-regard, so filled with love for God and their fellows, that they may themselves enter into the very life of the Eternal.

*From Int. Miss. Council Statement, Jer., 1928.*

*Scripture : Matthew 28 : 19. Go ye therefore and make “learners” of all nations.*

Let us pray that we may become true learners that we may also become true teachers.

Let us also pray today for :

Rev. and Mrs. J. Riggs Brewster, Athens, School of Rel.

Dr. Caroline F. Hamilton, Gaziantep, Medical.

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**TENTH DAY**

*Meditation : Education must be Religious.*

The distinctive characteristic of religion is that it views all interests and activities from the standpoint of the whole. It is concerned with the ultimate meaning of life. Hence, if the central purpose of education is not to create particular aptitudes or skills or to train for the performance of particular functions but to foster the growth of persons, the greatest service it can render to them is to enable them to find some ultimate meaning in their lives, so that life may become unified through dedication to a controlling purpose. Education is thus compelled to be religious in its outlook and in its aims.

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*Scripture : Acts 17 : 28.*

Let us pray that the larger vision which enables men to see life whole may enlighten all individuals and institutions which seek the re-creating of humanity.

Let us also pray for these colleagues :

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**ELEVENTH DAY**

*Meditation : Education must be Christian.*

Evidence comes in from every side to show that, for all their noble qualities, the other religions are falling before the onset of that secular view of life which modern civilization so easily induces. Christianity is called upon to face the same danger and it may appear presumptuous to assume that Christianity can defeat it. But ... it is a plain fact of history that the great advance of Natural Science has taken place in Christendom and not outside it. There is a kinship between the scientific impulse and the essential elements in Christianity . . . . .

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*Scripture : Colossians 2 : 3.*

Let us pray for the thousands of enlightened Moslems who are now drifting into irreligion under the influence of Western scientific ideas.

Let us also pray for :

Mrs. Emily R. Block, Talas, Matron.

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Rev. and Mrs. J. E. Merrill, Aleppo, Educational.

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**TWELFTH DAY**

*Meditation : Education is Revelation.*

An important and necessary task of education is revelation. The greatest service that can be rendered to the growing person is that he should be brought into contact with what is best and richest in human life. If I were to name the chief defect of contemporary education, it would be that it produces so many stunted wills, wills prematurely gray and incapable of greatness, not because of lack of endowment, but because they have never been searchingly exposed to what is noble, generous, and faith-provoking.

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*Scripture : Ephesians 1 : 17-19.*

Let us consecrate ourselves anew to the task of making available to those whom we are striving to serve our best cultural possession, that is, Jesus Christ, of whom they are deprived by prejudice and ignorance.

Let us also pray today for :

Rev. and Mrs. James L. Barton, A. B. C. F. M.

Miss Bertha D. Colmyer, Merzifon, Educational.

Miss Ilse C. Pohl, Caesarea, General.

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**THIRTEENTH DAY**

*Meditation : Too Real to be Ignored.*

The need for any such term as sin lies in the fact that we men, in addition to constructing the human society in which God and men are both sharers, also obstruct it and in some measure destroy. We must as educators face that fact that we do, individually and collectively, oppose, resist, and undo our own work of social upbuilding. . . There is no more successful way of getting rid of evil than to become enamored of what is good. Christ's own emphasis was on the positive rather than on the negative. Yet sin is from the Christian point of view a factor too real to be ignored.

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*Scripture : Hebrews 12 : 1-4.*

Let us pray that we may have the patience and power to deal with sin in ourselves and others in the way inspired by the example of Christ.

Let us also pray today for :

Miss Lucie E. Borel, Adana, Educational.

Miss Theda B. Phelps, Gaziantep, Medical.

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**FOURTEENTH DAY**

*Meditation : New Lives for Old.*

It is a blessed fact, attested by the experience of countless souls throughout the centuries and in every part of the world, that . . . . . lives which have been set in one direction turn about and face the other way. Men that have been enamored of sin gain a new heart and yield their affections to the Highest. Wills that were hardly worth the name, drifting with the tides of impulse and passion, gain power and poise. Such conversion is the most individual of life's experiences. To each soul God comes in His own way. . . . A power other than one's self reveals a vision of better things, and grants the needed strength of will.

*Int. Miss. Council Statement, Jer., 1928.*

*Scripture : 2nd Corinthians 5 : 17.*

Let us thank God for the spiritual renewal which is constantly possible through Christ for all of us and those whom we would serve.

Let us pray for :

Rev. and Mrs. Merrill N. Isely, Gaziantep, General.

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**FIFTEENTH DAY**

*Meditation : The Presence.*

The work of the Holy Spirit is not something different from the patience of the teacher, from his diligence in preparation, from his love of play, from his psychological tact and intuition, from his gift of humor, from his sympathy and love. It is all these things. But it is also something more. The Holy Spirit uses these channels for His expression but He is not exhausted in them. It is ours to plant, ours to water, but it is God that gives the increase.

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*Scripture : I Corinthians 3 : 6-9.*

Let us pray that all our thoughts and acts may be fit channels for the working of the Spirit of God.

Let us pray for :

Miss Dorothy K. Barker, Aleppo, Educational.

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**SIXTEENTH DAY**

*Meditation : Building a Rural Civilization.*

The rural work in mission fields is an organic part of the service demanded of the Church everywhere — East and West — to lead in the effort to build a rural civilization that shall be Christian to the core. This effort looks toward the development of an intelligent, literate, and efficient rural population, well organized and well led, who shall share the economic, the political, and the social emancipation, as well as the continued advancement of the masses of men, who shall participate fully in world affairs, and who shall be moved and inspired by the Christian spirit. . . . .

*From Int. Miss. Council Report, Jer., 1928.*

*Scripture : Luke 22 : 27.*

Let us pray for the rural populations of our field and for all who are trying to serve them.

Let us pray also for these colleagues in our task :

Miss Mabel E. Emerson,, A. B. C. F. M.

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## SEVENTEENTH DAY

*Meditation : Re-birth of Missionary Giving.*

The call to occupy the unoccupied areas in every country of the world, the urgent necessity for a great evangelistic advance, the establishment and strengthening of schools, colleges, training institutes, and other institutions of a specialized type ; the provision of Christian literature of high quality and in great volume for the younger churches ; the development and extension of Christian hospitals and other philanthropic agencies ; the demand for and enlarged program in the realm of Christian education and for new experiments in the rural areas — these and other forward movements throughout the world call for a measure of sacrificial giving on the part of the older churches beyond anything that has characterized their life up to the present time.

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*Scripture : II Corinthians 8 : 9.*

Let us pray for a re-birth of missionary spirit in the home churches having specially in mind our colleagues on furlough that they may contribute to this end.

Let us also pray today for these colleagues in our task :

Rev. and Mrs. Alford Carleton, Constantinople, Language Study.

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## EIGHTEENTH DAY

*Meditation : When is a Church Indigenous ?*

1. When its interpretation of Christ and its expression in worship and service, in customs and in art and architecture, incorporate the worthy characteristics of the people, while conserving at the same time the heritage of the Church in all lands and in all ages.

2. When through it the spirit of Jesus Christ influences all phases of life, bringing to His service all the potentialities of both men and women.

3. When it actively shares its life with the nation in which it finds itself.

4. When it is alert to the problems of the times and, as a spiritual force in the community, courageously and sympathetically makes its contribution to their solution.

5. When it is kindled with the missionary ardor and the pioneering spirit.

*From Int. Miss. Council Report, Jer., 1928.*

*Scripture : II Corinthians 3 : 2-3 (Moffatt).*

Let us pray for the work of stimulating missionary spirit in indigenous churches in some sections of our Mission and for the work of laying the first foundations of churches in others.

Let us also pray today for these colleagues in our task :

Miss Helen R. Post, Constantinople, Educational.

Miss Hanna T. Nollen, Salonica, Educational.

Rev. and Mrs. Cass A. Reed, Smyrna, Educational.

Rev. and Mrs. Walter B. Wiley, Marash, General.

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**NINETEENTH DAY**

*Meditation : A Community Transcending Race.*

Our Lord's thought and action, the teaching of His apostles, and the fact that the Church, as the Body of Christ, is a community transcending race, show that the different peoples are created by God to bring each its peculiar gift to His City, so that all may enhance its glory by the rich diversities of their varying contributions. . . . . Any discriminations against human beings on the ground of race or color, any selfish exploitation, and any oppression of man by man is, therefore, a denial of the teaching of Jesus. . . . .

*From Int. Miss. Council Report, Jer., 1928.*

*Scripture : Colossians 3 : 19.*

Let us pray that we may surmount in ourselves all forms of race prejudice and so be able to help to the solution of the very difficult race problems of our field of work.

Let us pray also for these colleagues in our task :

Mrs. Lydia Lord Davis, A. B. C. F. M.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther R. Fowle, Constantinople, Treasury.

Miss Olive Greene, Smyrna, Educational.

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**TWENTIETH DAY**

*Meditation : Muslim Tolerance.*

Mohammedans see that missionaries are free from the political and economic motives which appear to infringe their legitimate interests. In the welter of acerbated relations in Turkey and Anatolia, the missionaries were seen to be the one rallying point of mutual consideration, understanding, and forgiveness. In Syria, Palestine, Persia, and Egypt there has been wide recognition of the idea that the missionaries sympathized with true nationalism, and on more than one occasion they have been markedly exempted from anti-foreign demonstrations.

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*Scripture : Colossians 1 : 28.*

Let us give thanks for the growing tolerance and pray that all our work may further contribute to the breakdown of prejudice and to the increase of understanding of our sincerity and singleness of purpose :

Let us also pray for :

Rev. and Mrs. W. Nesbitt Chambers, Beirut, Retired.

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**TWENTY-FIRST DAY**

*Meditation : Muslims Learning to Respect and Love Some Christians.*

Muslims have learned to respect, nay to love, at least some of those who bear the name of Christ.

And finally, the Character of Christ does attract the Mohammedan, and is doing so more and more. It is along this line that we have the best cause for hope that there is coming a real awakening of Islam.

*Int. Miss. Council Report, Jer., 1928.*

*Scripture : John 12 : 32.*

Let us pray that Christ may be lifted up in our lives today.

Let us pray also for :

Miss Lillian C. Brauer, Adana, Social Service.

Miss Lucille Day, America.

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**TWENTY-SECOND DAY**

*Meditation : Two Attributes of God.*

It is true that the Christian does not profess to have fully solved the problems of the Will of God and the will of man, of universal love and the existence of sin and sorrow. But he must tolerate the philosophic antinomy rather than offer his faith to unrational, unmoral Almightyness. The Muslims must be led to enthrone God morally. God is indeed One ; God is indeed Almighty. But He who is not Holiness and Love is not God.

*From Int. Miss. Council Report, Jer., 1928.*

*Scripture : I John 4 : 9-10.*

Let us pray that Muslims may come to understand the Love of God through Christ.

Let us also pray for :

Rev. and Mrs. Ernest Pye, Athens, Educational (On furlough).

Rev. and Mrs. W. E. Hawkes, Salonica, Educational.

Miss Sarah Stone, Adana, Medical.

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**TWENTY-THIRD DAY**

*Meditation : Inshallah and Mashallah.*

In Islam *inshallah* and *mashallah* have resulted in a quietism and a laissez-faire attitude in the face of sin and social suffering that is intolerable. It is possible to admire the spirit, which accepts without murmur disaster in earthquake, fire, and flood; but when this passive spirit of acceptance is extended to preventible evil, physical or moral, then the concept of the Will of God must be challenged and revised. At the expence of appearing to obscure the proofs of divine Omnipotence, Christianity must insist on God's desire for man's co-operation in reclaiming the waste places of this world.

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*Scripture : James 2: 17, 19, 20.*

Let us pray that we may so live daily as true co-workers with God that we may be able to speak out our message as opportunity arises with the appeal of immediate experience.

Let us also pray for :

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel L. Caldwell, Smyrna, Educational.

Rev. and Mrs. S. Ralph Harlow, Athens, Educational.

Rev. Charles S. Mills, Chairman of the Commission on  
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**TWENTY-FOURTH DAY**

*Meditation : The Holy Spirit in the Quran.*

Islam has approached very close to a doctrine of the Holy Spirit, though this is in no sense a living doctrine which influences daily life; . . . However garbled and impoverished it may appear, it must be remembered that the sources of this doctrine are the Old and New Testament teaching of the Holy Spirit, imperfectly comprehended. . . . It is legitimate and urgent that we allow the mystical experiences of the greatest Muslims to have been genuine attempts to apprehend the mystery of the Holy Spirit.

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*Scripture : Joel 2 : 28 f ; Acts 2 : 17.*

Let us pray for all dervishes and mystics in Islam that in their earnest seeking they may find in Christ the Presence Whom they seek.

Let us also pray for :

Mr. Wynn C. Fairfield, A. B. C. F. M.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman H. Kreider, Constantinople, Treasury.

Mr. Rollo R. May, Salonica, Educational.

Rev. and Mrs. Ernest C. Partridge, (On Furlough).

Miss Edith F. Parsons, Smyrna, Educational.

Mr. Fred H. Thompson, Constantinople, Educational.

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**TWENTY-FIFTH DAY**

*Meditation : Unexplored Depths.*

The question of the doctrine of the Trinity must be squarely faced. Some sincerely feel that, on the contrary, it should be avoided by the missionary, and with this we might agree were it a matter merely of a philosophic deification of the Godhead. But to say this is to yield the field; for the testimony of the Church rings through the centuries that it is through the Incarnation, and through the Comforter, that Christians have come to know God.

Who can tell what moral results will accrue, when we allow the Trinity to dominate the devotional life of the heart, as well as our theology? Who shall gauge the debt we may yet have to confess to Islam, if that great antagonist prove finally to have compelled us to explore unknown depths of the riches of the revelation of the Triune God?

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*Scripture : John 15 : 26 ; and 16 : 14.*

Let us pray for grace to live in the realization of the central truths of our faith, so that we may be true witnesses of the Revelation of God in Christ and of the indwelling of God's spirit in the Church.

Let us also pray for :

Rev. Herbert E.B. Case, A.B.C.F.M.  
 Dr. and Mrs. Charles E. Clark, Merzifon, Medical.  
 Mrs. Elvesta Leslie, Constantinople, Trasury.  
 Miss Stella N. Loughridge, Constantinople, Educational.  
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**TWENTY-SIXTH DAY**

*Meditation : A Challenge.*

A Challenge ; because it is only our faulty presentation of the character of Christ that explains why the Muslim, while he allows to Jesus every grace, seems to turn to Mohammed when he thinks of the attribute of strength. From any unworthy suspicion of weakness that Figure must be cleared. Its divine energy, exhaustless vigor, and resistless power must be given their proper emphasis : *Ecce vir!* not the less, but all the more so because He was so perfectly gentle with little children, so uncondescendingly courteous to women ; so understanding with the weak and the fallen ; and so tender in every relation of friendship and love : *Ecce homo!* .... that through and in every detail He was royal and divine, proving in His own insulted body that the weakness of God is both more majestic and stronger than the strength of man : *Ecce rex!*

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*Scripture : Matthew 18 : 4.*

Let us pray that our mission may be skillful in presenting to Muslims the true greatness of Christ so that they may see that He is a worthy picture of God.

Let us also pray for :

Mr. T. D. Frost, Constantinople, Educational.  
 Miss Margaret Hinman, Smyrna, Educational (furlough).  
 Miss Annie E. Gordon, Athens, Educational.  
 Miss S. Emma Keith, A. B. C. F. M.  
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**TWENTY-SEVENTH DAY**

*Meditation : An Opportunity.*

An opportunity; because the character of Jesus does attract the Muslim, an attraction which has been noted already as one of the most hopeful signs of awakening in many parts of the Islamic world. And there is one feature, especially, of the Gospel doctrine which makes His leadership doubly attractive. The contrast between their dead Prophet, lying in his splendid tomb at al Medina, and the Christ who rose triumphant from the grave, and lives to make perpetual intercession, is found time after time to strike Muslims very forcibly. Many a simple man and woman has, even without definitely quitting Islam, found the sheet-anchor of a new life of faith in the one thought: "The dead Prophet, the living Intercessor."

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*Scripture : Luke 24 : 5 and Hebrews 7 : 25.*

Let us pray for all Muslims who admire and secretly try to follow the example of Christ.

Let us also pray for :

Rev. and Mrs. J. Kingsley Birge, Constantinople, Publication.

Miss Elsa Feichtinger, Smyra, Educational.

Mr. Marion C. Hine, Salonica, Educational.

Rev. Rockwell Harmon Potter, President, A. B. C. F. M.

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**TWENTY-EIGHTH DAY**

*Meditation : The Justification of Missions to Islam.*

The justification of missions to Islam is not to be found in the superiority of Western culture or theology or even morals, however genuine such superiority may be ; but rather in the fact that Islam is predominantly a religion of the letter, Christianity the religion of the spirit. . . . Most futile, most disappointing, and most foolish of all quests would be that which were only to seek to substitute for one ritual another, for one system another system, for observance of one series of ordinances another series. Christianity has always cut its most pitiful figure when seen trying to meet Islam with Islam's weapons, or competing with it on its own ground. Nothing but the Spirit can bind and free Islam. The Spirit of the Father in Jesus Christ, we have nothing else to give Islam that is not corruptible : no , nothing.

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*Scripture : Romans 8 : 3, 4, 6.*

Let us pray that we ourselves may be completely delivered from bondage to the letter so that we may be true interpreters of Jesus's religion of the Spirit.

Let us also pray for :

Miss Agnes Fenenga, Mardin, General (furlough).  
 Miss K. O. Fletcher, Constantinople, Educational.  
 M. Harold H. Graves, Salonica, Educational.  
 Miss Helen H. Small, Adana, Educational.  
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**TWENTY-NINTH DAY**

*Meditation : A More Heroic Practice.*

We and all Christian people must seek a more heroic practice of the Gospel. It cannot be that our present complacency and moderation are a faithful expression of the mind of Christ, and of the meaning of His Cross and Resurrection in the midst of the wrong and want and sin of our modern world. As we contemplate the work with which Christ has charged His Church, we who are met here on the Mount of Olives, in the sight of Calvary, would take up for ourselves and summon those from whom we come and to whom we return to take up with us the Cross of Christ, and all that for which it stands, and to go forth into the world to live in the fellowship of His sufferings and by the power of His resurrection, in hope and expectation of His glorious Kingdom.

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*Scripture : Hebrews 12 : 11-13.*

Let us pray for courage in service and perseverance in devotion to truth that shall enable us to live greatly for our Master and for our fellowmen.

Let us also pray for :

Mr. James S. Clark, Tarsus, Educational.

Rev. Ashley D. Leavitt, Chairman, Prudential Committee.

Rev. and Mrs. James K. Lyman, Marash, General (furlough).

Miss Ethel W. Putney, Constantinople, Educational.

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## THIRTIETH DAY

*Meditation : The Vision of the Ancient Fathers.*

In concluding our report we would recapture, if we may, the vision of those ancient Fathers of the Church who saw the whole process of human history as the training of mankind by the tutelage of the educative Word of God. We would realize our task as part of the age-long and universal movement of the Spirit of God who first brought order out of chaos, whose presence is manifested in the onward march of life, from whom humanity derives its every aspiration after perfection, and who is the source and ground of all Christian achievement. We in Christ are the agents, and should be the pioneers, through whom that world-wide work is accomplished and God's Kingdom comes . . . .

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*Scripture : Romans 8 : 19.*

Let us praise God for the inheritance that has been handed down to us from the spiritual leaders of the past and pray that we may be willing to face the discipline that obedience to the Heavenly vision entails.

Let us also pray for :

Miss Irene Bostrom, Athens, Educational.

Miss Hazel K. Hotson, Adana, Medical.

Miss Grace E. Mc Connaughey, A. B. C. F. M.

Miss Marion E. Sheldon, Constantinople, Educational.

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**THIRTY-FIRST DAY***Meditation : About Ourselves.*

The knowledge of God is not something different or apart from the understanding and appreciation and love of goodness and truth and beauty. To be a good Christian is not something separate and distinct from being a true friend, a loyal companion, an honest worker, but it is just being all these things through the inspiration of Christ . . . . . That those who seek to help others to worship should themselves have the spirit of worship is fundamental. It is those in whose lives communion with God is a real and living experience and who are themselves the possessors of a reverent spirit who can awaken in others the spirit of true worship.

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It is hoped that by studying such books as Weiman's 'Methods of Private Religious Living' many users of this prayer pamphlet may find help in the development of their own spiritual lives.

Let us search deeply into ourselves to see clearly our own moral and spiritual needs, so that we shall be impelled to explore the great divine resources that are available to us.

Let us pray also that there may be such widespread realization of spiritual need among missionaries, ministers and other members of the Church of Christ as may lead to a universal revival of true religion.

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