

next Circle meeting give two or three minutes to hear the report of what your visitors have seen and heard. Enthusiasm is contagious.

Assist the leader. There are, oh, so many ways of doing this. In the preparation of entertainments there is much patience—trying work for some one to do. Don't leave all that for the leader. We love that for which we sacrifice. Occasionally let the visitor speak on the topic for the meeting or read or pray. Send your sweet singer to the Band meeting, that by her great gift words of truth and righteousness wedded to sweet sounds may linger in the young hearts and win them to noble purpose and effort.

How the leader will bless the artist for an occasional chalk-talk. If you are not a skilled artist, make your picture at home, then at the meeting show and explain it; but if you can use the crayons before their eyes, you may be sure of the most enthusiastic attention and a shower of questions from the delighted little folks. Maps of mission districts, diagrams of fields, interior or exterior views, some mission church, school-house or missionary's home may be used for this purpose.

There may be sewing done by your Band, and if so, there is much room for help. This work requires perhaps more patience than any other department of Band work. Many leaders are abandoning it, saying, "The trouble is so great and much of the work useless when done." And this is true; but, what about the benefit to your own meetings? Hear another leader speak: "While we were sewing for that Home Mission box, we had eighteen or twenty girls at each meeting, but after it had gone we could not get more than eight or nine to come until we began a rag-carpet." Surely this leader did not think the many hours she spent rectifying the ill done work of little fingers, wasted.

And in many other ways you can manifest your interest in, and lend a helping hand to "our Mission Band." Read for the sake of the Band. Think for the sake of the Band. Deny yourself for the sake of the Band. Talk for the Band. Pray for the Band. Give of your love, your sympathy, your time, your energy, to the Band.

When the ideal attitude of church toward Band is reached, the church will call the little children unto her and bless them. She will set them in her midst and emulate their spirit. She will remember and obey the commandment, "Feed my lambs." And then shall the Mission Band be a power in the church and in the world. Then shall the church be glad over many conversions amongst the children. Then shall our missionaries rejoice to enlarge the place of their tents. Then will treasury deficits be remembered only as haunting spectres of the past. And then shall the church say with the loving disciple, "Greater joy have I none than this, to hear of my children walking in the truth."

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