

on it. One Band has red, and charges two cents each for them; they are worn to Mission Band meetings and entertainments, on Flower Sunday, or any similar occasion. The members are taught not to disgrace in any way the badge they wear, and take great pride in it.

Boys are perhaps harder to interest in the work than girls, but if they can be given something to do, and be made to feel that they are needed, their interest will come. Quite a number of boys joined one Band when they found they could help in one of the North-West gift boxes, by sending their balls, marbles, alleys, etc. "We put our membership fee at five cents a year for all under fourteen, so as to include all classes of children, and allow as many from one family to join as wish to, but we take a collection each day."

The Junior Bands cannot be expected to do so much in the way of giving as the Senior Bands and Auxiliaries, but there is good opportunity in them to teach the right principles of giving and when the day comes that they have more to give, it will be given freely and without stint.

In regard to training the children to take part in prayer, there is often much hesitation and difficulty. One Band tried the following plan with good success: The leader gave a short, simple Bible reading or talk on prayer, the members giving the reference texts. Sentence prayers were then explained, and all were asked to bring a prayer-text for next day. The meeting was opened in the usual way, and after a few words of prayer by the President, the members, while kneeling, gave their prayer-texts. The next time they were asked to put their petition in their own words, but if they could not, to select a text again. Nearly all took part, and it was found of great blessing to the Band and help to the leader.