

S. S. AND Y. P. S. BOARD

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Sunday School Forward Movement Plans

For over a year now the church through her Boards and Committees has been carefully surveying the field to find the facts as to the needs and possibilities of a Forward Movement.

Now the time has come to state, on the basis of these surveys and in the light of the knowledge gained, just what are definite lines along which as Sunday School workers we should move Forward? What should be our objectives during the next five years?

When so many important things wait to be done, it is difficult to select the most essential. All will surely agree that the following are among that number.

All Homes holding Family Worship.

All Babies on Cradle and Baptismal Roll

All Children Attending Church.

All Older Boys and Girls brought into full Church Membership.

All Schools following the Church's Programme of Instruction, Worship and Training.

All Teen Age and Young People Organized for Training.

1,000 New Sunday Schools.

100,000 New Sunday Schools Scholars.

50,000 New Members in Young People's Organizations.

20,000 New Teachers in Training.

1,000 Recruits for the Ministry and Christian Life Service.

\$300,000 for Peace Thank Offering.

The \$4,000,000 Peace Thank Offering

Of the above aims the one demanding immediate attention is the Peace Thank Offering to be raised in February.

At the time of the Sunday School War Memorial effort \$300,000 was fixed upon as the share of Sunday Schools and Young People's Societies in the Peace Thank Offering for equipment and Extension Fund to be made in February. To ensure the raising of this entire amount, it is earnestly requested

that the Sunday School and Young People's Societies combined should definitely undertake *one-tenth* of the congregation's allocation.

The Sunday School and Young People's War Memorial scheme was still in operation during the recent Victory Loan Campaign, and Victory Bonds purchased by Sunday Schools or Young People's Societies in the 1919 Campaign will be gladly received and credited to the War Memorial Fund and, consequently, to the Peace Thank Offering. For those contributing in this way, Memorial Shields will be available. These amounts will be reckoned as part of the share in the Forward Movement Objective assigned to the Sunday Schools and Young People's Organizations.

The total amount already subscribed for the War Memorial Fund is \$80,000, all of which is credited to Schools and Societies toward their share of the \$300,000 to be raised. Special Forms, Envelopes, Pledge Cards, etc., are being prepared by the Forward Movement Committee and will be sent out early in the year.

Organizing to Raise Our Share

A full council meeting should be held not only of the officers, and teachers, but also the president or representatives of all the 'teen Age, Young People and Adult Classes and definite plans made to raise the Sunday School's share of the Forward Movement Peace Thank Offering. *One-tenth* of the congregation's allocation is suggested by the Forward Movement Committee as, in general, a reasonable aim. If the Sunday School and the Young People are acting independently, a fair allocation should be made to each. The Sunday School could then divide up its amount among each of the classes according to their strength. Another way would be to have each class independently aim at a definite sum keeping up the average high enough to total the whole amount.

It is very desirable that each class, as well as every Sunday School and Young People's Society, should be encouraged to undertake a definite, clearly stated share in this objective. For the Forward Movement Canvass in