

Our Mission Bands

Dear Mission Band Leaders,—

Some of you have been wondering why that new band you are so proud of has not been reported in "The Link." You learned in the May Link that Mrs. Mills has been very ill, and you know that some things are bound to be left undone if Mrs. Mills is not able to be at the helm. We have tried to gather the correct details, and will give them to you. If there are any omissions, please drop a line to Mrs. Mills.

Since October, 1921, the following new Bands have been organized: Bedford Park, North Toronto, Toronto Association; Annette Street, Toronto, Toronto Association; Fairbank, Toronto Association; Leith, Owen Sound Association (we are not sure about the Association); Morganston, Blenheim, Western Association. Brooke and Inneskillen, Middlesex and Lambton Assoc.; (There are two bands here, one in the church and one which meets in the homes. These have two leaders); Poplar Hill, Middlesex and Lambton Assoc.; Sudbury, Northern Association; Several bands have been re-organized: Dundas, Niagara and Hamilton Assoc.; Harrow, Western Assoc.; Creemore, Collingwood Association.

Is there a new Band at Peterborough?

Is there a newly organized Band at Niagara Falls?

There may be others. Please report promptly all NEW, RE-ORGANIZED or DISCONTINUED Bands to your Director and the Band Secretary. Could not many Bands be saved if the Band Director kept in touch with all bands in her Association at least three times a year? She could know their state of health, and in case of weakness, could perhaps prescribe some beneficial suggestions.

These notes are inspired by Mrs. Mills, who is gaining strength, but who is still far from well. They have been prepared by a Band Leader, and if there is any mistake or omission, you must blame her and not the Band Secretary.

We do want to push this Band work,

for it is the foundation of the future interest and zeal in missionary enterprises in our churches.

Be sure to attend your Association Band Conference.

Begin to plan now to be at the Convention Conference in November.

MISSION BAND PROGRAMME MATERIAL

"OUR GIFTS"

A Devotional Period for a Mission Band Meeting, by F. L. Laine.

The Exercise given below is suitable to precede the offering, and the following order is suggested:—

1. Hymn—"I gave My life for thee" or any hymn suggesting gifts.
2. "What the Bible says about Giving."
3. "Giving from a Girl's Standpoint."
4. "Giving from a Boy's Standpoint."
5. "Where our Missionary Offerings go."
6. Offering.
7. Prayer, asking God's blessing on our Gifts.

2. What the Bible Says About "Giving"

Questions to be asked by the Leader or President and answers to be given by Members of the Band.

1. Question: "Who is the owner of all the earth?"

Answer: "The earth is the Lords' and the fulness thereof, the world, and they that dwell therein." Psalm 24:1.

"The sea is His and He made it, and His hand formed the dry land." Psalm 95:5.

2. Q: "Does God have any claim upon the cattle of the earth?"

A: "For every beast of the forest is mine, and the cattle upon a thousand hills. I know all the fowls of the mountain, and the wild beasts of the fields are mine." Psalm 50:10 and 11.

3. Q: "Has God anything to do with our money? If we earn it don't we own it?"