

JUNIOR LEAGUE PAGE.

IN CHARGE OF

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Who? What? Why? Where? When?

DEAR JUNIORS:—I ask you this month to remember five W's, around which I am going to tell you some things about Missions and Missionaries. These W's are *Who? What? Why? Where? When?* Get them first, and then try to understand what I write about them.

1. *Who* are Missionaries? A missionary is one who is sent to tell or do something to or for others. You are on a mission whenever you go on an errand for your parents. It does not matter what it may be. You go on a mission when you start to do something you are told. A Christian Missionary is, therefore, a person, (man, woman, boy, or girl,) who goes on an errand for Christ. *He sends* them, and *they go* for Him. When we think of the "Who" giving the message, does it not make us think also of the honor of being one of them who are sent?

2. *What* are Missionaries for? You will say from what you have already read: "To carry the message that is given," and you are right. A missionary's whole business is to do or say just what the person who has sent him told him to do or say. Now we know what Jesus Christ told the Apostles to do, and it is this same great work that Christian Missionaries are doing to-day. "Preach the Gospel," "Teach all nations," are the things He told them to do, and till these things are done, missionaries have to "go," "preach," "teach," "baptize," and do all He said.

3. *Why* does a Missionary go? "Because he is sent," you will tell me, and that is really the reason. There are others it is true; but none like this one. It is not enough that the world needs to be saved, that it pays to tell other nations about the Gospel that they may become civilized and live better lives in every way. All these and other things are true enough; but the one great reason that Christian missionaries go is because *Christ has said go*. If it did not pay to convert the world from savagery and heathen darkness, it would be all the same. The One who said "go!" had the right to command, and those who hear His word need no other reason than just "His word."

4. *Where* does a Missionary go? Wherever he is sent. Where did Jesus tell his missionaries to go? "Into all the world, "among all nations," "unto the uttermost parts of the earth," He said. There is the field, and till the whole is worked there can be no stopping. All of you remember, I am sure, what the angel said when he told the shepherds that Jesus was born: "Good tidings of great joy which shall be unto *all people* . . ." He meant "shall be *carried* unto all people," and the Missionaries of the Gospel are telling the "good tidings" throughout the world to-day. But there are many places where the message has not been carried. It has to go there. Some one must carry it, that that the whole world may know of the love of God and the work of Jesus Christ for the salvation of all men.

5. *When* do Missionaries go? If you are sent on an errand when do you go? I am sure if you are obedient you will go *at once*. And the message of the Gospel should not be delayed. You will want to know, perhaps, why the whole world has not had Christ's message carried to it before now, seeing it is so long since He said "Go!" Dear young friends, there is only one reason for this. *The church*

has not carried it. Do you ask why? I shall have to say, because it has not been really and truly *obedient* to Him. When the Church does what He wants, it will send men and women by hundreds to tell those parts of the world that have not yet heard, what He has said and done for all mankind. We ought to hurry; did we not? Let us all do what we can that the mission of the Gospel on earth may be fully and quickly done. I hope you will remember these few things I have written of the Missionary W's, and that you will be true to *your* mission received from *Him*.

Your sincere friend,

S. T. BARTLETT.

Answers to the Questions in July Number.

The great country is SOUTH AMERICA.

The great Missionary was DAVID LIVINGSTONE.

Another Great Missionary.

WHO WAS HE?

Born in Northamptonshire, England, August 18th, 1761.

In 1775, apprenticed to a shoemaker.

When 18 years old converted from sin.

At 26 ordained Baptist minister at Moulton.

Afterwards was minister at Leicester.

In 1793 went out to Bengal as a Missionary.

Died at Serampore at the age of 73, honored all over Great Britain, India and America as the *first* Foreign Missionary of the Gospel.

His two mottoes have become well-known and should be remembered and acted upon by us all: "Expect great things from God;" "Attempt great things for God." (Isa : 54 : 2, 3.)

DEAR FELLOW WORKERS AMONG THE JUNIORS,—I am anxious that this page shall count for something. I am persuaded that if you would send me your suggestions, plans, programmes of meetings, etc., in fact anything that has been of use to you in Missionary work among the young, I could easily make this part of THE CAMPAIGNER better than it can possibly be if you leave it all to me. It is very nice for me to receive word from friends saying "I like the Junior page;" but I shall be more obliged to you if you will help me fill it up with practical suggestions for our Junior Leagues to work out. Have you as yet used the exercise on our Missionary work as given in April, May and June numbers of this paper? Our Intermediate and Junior Leagues here gave it as part of our regular church prayer-meeting recently, and the unusually large congregation enjoyed it very much, so much indeed, that it will be given again this Fall. What our people everywhere need is information. It is lamentable that there is so much ignorance concerning our Missionary Society's operations. Instruct the children, and through them reach their parents is *one* way to remedy the defect. I shall not only be glad to hear from all Junior League Superintendents, Mission Band Presidents, and others working among our girls and boys; but I *request* your suggestions, helps, etc., and shall be disappointed if you do not send them.

Your fellow-worker,

S. T. BARTLETT.

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