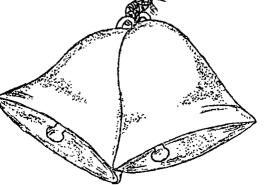


= CALING YOU TO WORSHIP =

This story revolves around a father and son, and the old country church which the father attended as a lad. Now living in the big city, this father often spoke to his son of the bell in the little church which the venerable sexton would occasionally let him ring. One day, in telling his son about this church and its bell, the father promised to take his son with him on a visit to the scene of his boyhood. When the day came, the father and son left the great city for the country, with a great joy of anticipation. When they reached the church, however, they found to their dismay that the church was locked. The father, determined not to disappoint his son, no less than himself, sought out an old resident and borrowed a key. Once inside, he stood with bowed head, as the heart-warming memories of his boyhood days seemed to flow back into his being. The little son looked up into his father's face and then at the bell rope and exclaimed eagerly, "Ring it again, daddy, ring it again!" And ring it again the father did, almost impulsively, as it were, and the people hearing the bell ring came from far and near to see what it was that had caused it to ring. As the people stood curiously about the church yard, the father told them of what the old church had meant to him in his boyhood, and of his love for the bell. Some of the people testified that the silver tones of that bell were the sweetest sounds they heard in many a year as they reverberated over hill and dale. And what can we suppose was its message? It could only be one, "Calling all worshippers! Come and worship! Come and worship!"

And while we may not have a bell to ring, as far as our own church is concerned, we can set our telephone wires vibrating six days ahead of time with the message, "Calling all worshippers! Come and worship! Come in to pray, go out with power. See you in church next Sunday."





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# PREFACE

At this time of the year, our thoughts are turned toward the new Sunday School Year and the possibilities for enlarging our borders. With hopeful hearts we pray that the material contained herein shall be inspirational and informative and indeed helpful in planning, preparing and projecting your objectives in the local Sunday school. Since the November election is so near at hand, this is indeed a most important time to all American people. Thus, we are using the timely and significant theme . . . "CALLING YOU TO WORSHIP - VOTE FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL" for our Fall Enlargement Campaign. You will find this theme can be used to tremendous advantage in building up class membership and fortifying the entire constituency of your Sunday school. There is no stereotyped secret formula for successful Sunday school enlargement, but there are useful and practical helps accessible which should "stir" and "spur" all groups, regardless of size. The CALL is for dedicated workers! The FOWER is the divine direction of the Holy Spirit infused within the heart of every person. There are borders to be enlarged! There is an unfinished task to be accomplished!

> "Enlarge the place of thy tent . . . spare not, lengthen thy cords, and strengthen thy stakes." Isaiah 54:2



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# MOBILIZE FOR ACTION!

Since it is the WHOLE BUSINESS of the WHOLE CHURCH to bring the WHOLE GOSPEL to the WHOLE WORLD as soon as possible:

WE MUST EVANCELIZE! We dare not evade the command of Christ, "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world." Matthew 28:19, 20. We dare not dodge the responsibility or shift it upon the shoulders of others. The Sunday school offers the greatest challenge and the greatest opportunity in evangelizing the whole world. All ages, without exception, are tenderly incorporated within the framework of this tremendously important right arm of the Church of the Lord Jesus Christ.

WE MUST VISUALIZE! A man or woman without a vision is like an observatory without a telescope. "Without a vision the people perish", the prophet declared to his people of ancient times. People still perish from the face of the earth. Before sunrise tomorrow, 130,000 persons will have passed into eternity. People die at the rate of ninety a minute, and every time you read a word, a soul somewhere passes into oblivion. Personnel in the ranks of the Sunday school without a vision for the lost hinder and blight the extension of the Kingdom of God and the purpose for which Christ came . . . "to seek and to save that which is lost". May we prayerfully entreat the Lord for a telescopic VISION - one that reaches beyond the cramped confines of our little inner circle. "Look on the fields that are ripe already to harvest."

> "They that sow in tears shall reap in joy. He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him." Psalm 126:5 - 6

WE MUST ADVERTISE! "The Lord gave the word: great was the company of those that published it." Psalm 68:11

There is a way to advertise that lends ecclesiastical honor and dignity to the work of the Lord Jesus Christ. When we think of the billions of dollars spent annually upon perishables of this world and the harmful, health destroying, soul destroying

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products commercialized every day on radio, television, newspaper, magazines and other media, we should do everything within our power to advertise the Church of Jesus Christ, exhibiting all that it offers to mankind. Some churches do not have so much as a bulletin board to reveal their identity. Many well-meaning leaders are vehemently opposed to any legitimate, Christ-honoring method of advertising. This ought not be. The Bible has much to say relative to this matter. "Publish and conceal not." Jeremiah 50:2 Advertising covers a vast area of promotion.

- \* Newspaper Announcements Articles
- \* Radio Spot Announcements Television
- \* Bulletins Handbills
- \* Cards Tracts
- \* Sunday Bulletin Letters Mid-Week Reminders
- \* Magazines, Books, Literature Placed In Favorable Places

ADVERTISING SHOULD BE A CONTINUOUS FORM OF EVANGELISM!

<u>WE MUST DEPARTMENTALIZE</u>: A friendly spirit of rivalry among the departments is a very healthy form of competition in increasing interest and intensifying membership enlargement. CAPITALIZE on the department or class or individual with the highest percentage every Sunday by giving special recognition and honor. This will build momentum and capture interest throughout the campaign.

WE MUST UTILIZE: This is another imperative. "The more hands you put to work, the more work will be done."

<u>WE MUST ORGANIZE</u>! "Organization is essential for unity, strength, permanency. As the framework is not intended for exhibition, so organization is most effective when least seen; when all that is manifest is the warm, pulsing, loving, busy, joyful life of the school; when HEAD, HAND, and HEART co-work perfectly. The difference between a successful school and one that is a failure lies frequently in matters of organization.... Genius in detail is the secret of many a superintendent's success."

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- A. <u>STEERING COMMITTEE</u>: This includes Pastor, Director of Christian Education, General Superintendent, General Secretary and any other key workers you may wish to include.
  - 1. Go over material with this group in minute detail. Decide upon the campaign director and consider chairmen for the various committees.
  - During the August Workers' Conference present this campaign before the group.
  - 3. Appoint committees. Elicit their full cooperation.
  - 4. On or before August 1 plan the Workers' Appreciation Banquet. This we shall call, in keeping with our campaign theme, "FAVORITE SONS' AND DAUGHTERS' BANQUET." From a political standpoint it could well be termed, "The Workers' Inauguration Banquet." To <u>inaugurate</u> implies consecration and commit ment to a holy task. It also suggests commencement; or "to set in motion." A new Sunday school year lies ahead. With this thought in mind certainly an installation ceremony for the ensuing year could be impressively solemnized at this time, resulting in an unforgettable experience for all.

## B. GENERAL COMMITTEES:

- <u>Program Committee</u> Pastor, Director of Christian Education, General Superintendent and Department Superintendents.
- <u>Publicity Committee</u> Choose persons who radiate "pep", enthusiasm and vitality plus. An intellectual giant who is an iceberg should never be considered here.
- 3. <u>Banquet Committee</u> This could well be a task for the United Foursquare Women. Turn the menu, decorations, invitations, et cetera, completely over to this enterprising group. Also, the Clean-Up and Serving Committees should be selected. Young people usually enjoy this kind of work.
- <u>Welcome Committee</u> Select persons who are friendly, genial and know how to get along with others.

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5. <u>Visitation Committee</u> - Teachers, officers and trained laymen comprise this group. Do not limit it to a certain number. Most anyone (if sufficiently trained) can be a "Bell Ringer" for Christ. They will be responsible to distribute recommended literature and to report any useful information regarding new prospects. Select from this group persons to prepare the material for packets, tabulate results, and make the followup calls.

6. <u>Prayer Committee</u> - Select persons who will set aside a definite time, in a definite place for a definite purpose. Without God's blessing and sanction every human effort will prove futile. We must recognize our utter dependence upon God. The keynote to success whether it be spiritually, numerically, or otherwise, is PRAYER. "Without Him we can do nothing". John 15:5

WE MUST RECOGNIZE! THE VISITOR, THE ABSENTEE, THE NEW MEMBER, THE OLD TIMER, THE WORKER. Learn to say "Thank You". Once upon a time a smart young efficiency "expert" took the bell off the cash register and substituted a "thank you" sign and a phonograph record. The idea was that if the cashier forgot to say "thank you" the machine did it for him. It was a big flop; for folk wanted to get their "thank yous" in the good old fashioned personal way. "Thank you" must be custom tailored just for "YOU"! A "thank you" that comes from the sound box and lips of a mechanical juke box, does not touch the "heart". Appreciation and recognition must come from your heart if it is to reach the other person's heart!

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The Pastor can lend impetus to the campaign by referring to it in his sermons. The more people interested in the campaign, the more prayers offered, the more help given, the greater the results!

SUBSTANTIAL GROUNDWORK IS THE FIRST STEP TOWARD ANY GOAL, AND IT COMES OUT OF ORDERLY PLANNING!

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# THE DIVINE ELECTION

(A RECOMMENDED SKIT)

This skit may be given one week prior to the beginning of the Campaign. PROPERTIES NEEDED:

<u>A Bell</u> - To be rung by older boy at given time throughout skit.

Bunting - Red, white and blue to decorate around the platform.

Campaign Poster - Place on easel on platform.

Ballots - Prepare enough for entire Sunday school. However, you will only use enough for those participating in the skit today.

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Ballot Box - Place on small table on platform.

Banner - Suspend on wire stretched across platform.

Additional Banners - To be carried by various persons. Print the following

catchy phrases on them:

"GET OUT TO SUNDAY SCHOOL AND VOTE" "VOTE TO PROMOTE THE SUNDAY SCHOOL" "STOP ME FOR A RIDE TO THE POLLS" "VOTE 'YES' NEXT SUNDAY" "VOTE FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL! BE THERE NEXT SUNDAY" "NO VOTE BY REMOTE" <u>Pennants</u> - Prepare pennants for each participant. Place pennants on dowel sticks.

> "<u>Vote For Sunday School</u>" pennants are available on program Order Blank. The selected cast for TODAY'S SKIT will ceremoniously march to platform and place their pennants in slots prepared as follows: Obtain strips of lumber, 1 X 2 inches to be placed parallel with the altar railing. Bore enough small holes for pennants at regular intervals along the flat frame.

After the pennants are in place have participants step back on the platform. At the conclusion of skit each member on the platform will place his ballot in the box.

CAST:

Boy (Junior)

Superintendent

Selected Speaker - (Head Usher or Crusader President)

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Six Speakers - (Juniors)

<u>Platform Group</u> - (A representative from each class) Use small children (all ages) to make up the "Rhythm Band". The following instruments may be used and obtained from Scripture Press, 1825 College Avenue, Wheaton, Illinois:

Triangles	Wood Sticks
Sand Blocks	Dolling Sticks
Bells	Tambourines
Rattles	Castinets
Drums	Miniature Instruments

The idea is to visually demonstrate this Enlargement Campaign as an every member enlistment; thus eliciting the active cooperation of all. <u>REMEMBER</u>, next Sunday the remainder of the ballots will be issued to all present.

SKIT:

MUSICAL BACKGROUND:	Organ or Piano - Chorus of "The Battle Hymn Of The Republic".
TRUMPET FANFARE:	Verse and chorus of "The Battle Hymn Of The Republic".
CAST:	March down aisle singing campaign song to the tune of "The
	Battle Hymn Of The Republic". All take their places on
	platform, insert pennants into slots prepared for that
	purpose, then group will sing chorus again (with smaller
	children playing "rhythm band" instruments).
BOY:	(Rings Sunday School Bell energetically)
	Hear Ye! Hear Ye! (Rings bell again) Mr.
	Sunday School Superintendent of the Foursquare Church of
	has a special announcement to make City
	regarding the next five Sundays in our local Sunday school!
	(Rings bell again) And now, Mr.
SUPERINTENDENT:	Thank you, Yes, members and friends of Boys' Name
	the Foursquare Sunday School, I City

have a very special announcement to make that will vitally affect every person here today and literally determine the future growth and enlargement of our Sunday school. Here it is! Please lend me your ears! (Boy rings bell.) Next Sunday morning at precisely \_\_\_\_\_ A. M. an every member Sunday school election campaign will be held. The question is: Are YOU a <u>Registered Voter</u>? Next Sunday is REGISTRATION SUNDAY. We want every person to be in attendance. Come out to the Sunday School Polls and VOTE FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL! Unlike the National election this election is of a divine nature. We are seeking voters or candidates for the cause of Christ and His Church, and sincerely entreat each and everyone to have an active part in this thrilling evangelistic campaign. WE SEEK VERY IMPORTANT PEOPLE: Every Boy, every Girl, every Mother, every Father, every Sister, every Brother, every Grandmother, every Grandfather, every Aunt, Uncle, Cousin, Friend and (Have boy ring bell after each person is named) Stranger! In fact, no person is excluded. Help us win them for Christ! Help us defeat our opponent, the devil! (Boy rings bell exuberantly!)

SELECTED SPEAKER: Mr. Superintendent, explain to us how we may have an individual part in this campaign. We wish to keep the Sunday School Bell ringing. (Boy rings bell)

<u>SUPERINTENDENT</u>: Mr. (whichever the (Head Usher or Crusader President) case may be) I'm glad you asked that question. Here are only a few ways in which every individual may keep our Sunday School Bell ringing. (Selected persons from group step forward and repeat the following statements:)

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- <u>FIRST SPEAKER</u>: I shall keep the Sunday School Bell ringing by: <u>BEING</u> <u>PRESENT EVERY SUNDAY</u>! (Boy rings bell)
- <u>SECOND SPEAKER</u>: I shall keep the Sunday School Bell ringing by: <u>BEING ON</u> <u>TIME EVERY SUNDAY</u>! (Boy rings bell)
- THIRD SPEAKER:
   I shall keep the Sunday School Bell ringing by: BRINGING

   MY BIBLE EVERY SUNDAY AND STUDYING IT DAILY!
   (Boy rings bell)
- FOURTH SPEAKER:
   I shall keep the Sunday School Bell ringing by: CONSTANTLY

   SEEKING NEW CANDIDATES FOR THE SUNDAY SCHOOL!
   (Boy rings

   bell)
- FIFTH SPEAKER:
   I shall keep the Sunday School Bell ringing by: VISITING

   THE ABSENTEES AND PRAYING DAILY FOR THEM AND THE SUNDAY

   SCHOOL!
   (Boy rings bell)
- <u>SIXTH SPEAKER</u>: I shall keep the Sunday School Bell ringing by: <u>FAITHFULLY</u> "<u>SUPPORTING</u>" <u>MY SUNDAY SCHOOL IN ALL ASPECTS AFTER THE</u> <u>CAMPAIGN IS OVER</u>. (Boy rings bell)

(As each person gives his remarks he will very deliberately place his ballot in the box on the table.)

SUPERINTENDENT: We wish to thank each of you for your response and know that we shall go forward as we work together with one purpose in view. During the next five weeks we will be electing a "Man of the Year". This may be a girl or a boy, or man or woman. Each week someone will be honored as the "Man of the Week". At the close of the campaign, which will be "VICTORY SUNDAY", we will give SPECIAL HONOR to the WINNER. Every person you get to attend the Sunday school is a VOTE FOR YOU PERSONALLY! In my hand I have a supply of "Voting Tickets". Each person may take as many as he desires. The idea is to get as many "votes" as possible between now and next Sunday, and each ensuing Sunday. This is strictly on an individual basis, so you must be your own Campaign Manager. Get on the beam . . . and go after those votes! (Boy rings bell loudly) Say, Mr. \_\_\_\_\_, do you think I might stand a chance of being elected the "Man of the Year?"

<u>SUPERINTENDENT</u>: I don't see why not \_\_\_\_\_\_. Here, take this stack Name of "voting tickets" and get busy on those new prospects. Ask the Lord to direct you, and give you the right words to say. He will help you!

<u>BOY</u>: (Rings bell) Mr. \_\_\_\_\_, it's a deal! (Shakes Superintendent's hand.) I can think of several "kids" I know who don't go anywhere to Sunday school. I'm going to work on them . . . and, another thing, I wish to cast my vote, too! (Places ballot in box, and gives the bell a final peal.)

<u>PLATFORM GROUP</u>: Clap and cheer. (Superintendent offers "voting tickets" to others on platform.)

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<u>NOTE</u>: This may sound somewhat lengthy, but should not take over fifteen minutes if well organized. The psychology of everyone on the platform being 100 per cent in agreement with the enlargement campaign is the objective for which we strive, and should create interest and enthusiasm in the audience.

# FOR CLOSING PART OF SKIT GROUP MAY INTRODUCE THE "MAN OF THE YEAR" CAMPAIGN SONG

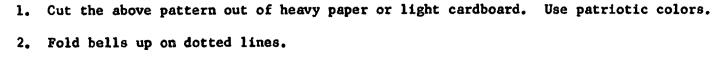
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NOTE: The bell outline may be cut out and a picture of Christ placed inside to show through bell. Adjust the program information accordingly. The above is only a sample and may be made much larger  $(8\frac{1}{2} \times 11)$  to allow more room.

II. <u>DECORATIONS</u>: Use Patriotic colors, red, white and blue (crepe paper, bunting drapery, et cetera). Small American Flags, Center Pieces; miniature gavels, worlds, styafoam bells, and a Sunday school. Also seasonal flowers, Banner Poster - "Vote For Sunday School"; Pennants with suggested propaganda relative to election printed on them.

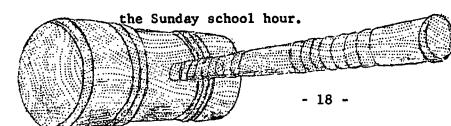


- 3. Place favor cup inside.
- 4. Dot a small amount of glue on each bell and stick in place to cup.

- III. <u>QUESTIONS FROM THE FLOOR</u>: This may be used during one of the special Workers' Conferences (Monthly Teachers' Meeting) prior to the launching of the Fall Enlargement Campaign. It may also be used with some modification during the Workers' Banquet. The content explains the purpose of the campaign. <u>QUESTION</u>: What is meant by the term, "Fall Enlargement Campaign"?
  - ANSWER: It is an intensified drive sponsored by the Department of Christian Education for all Sunday schools. Its purpose is to increase every Sunday school numerically. The prime objective is to:
    - 1. Locate new prospects inside the church.
    - 2. Bring back the absentee.
    - 3. Discover new families outside the church
    - 4. Lead the lost to Christ.

It should be a challenge to every worker; stimulating and encouraging each one to follow through systematically (from week to week) on a workable visitation program.

- QUESTION: Is this a drive planned for the teachers only?
- ANSWER: No, it is not. This is an-every-member enterprise. Every class member, regardless of age, should be an enthusiastic supporter for the cause of the Lord Jesus Christ.
- QUESTION: Is this campaign planned for the Sunday school department only?
- ANSWER: The Sunday school is the major facet of the program but it is to be implemented in the evening youth groups as well. While enlarging the Sunday school we hope to enlarge the Crusader and Cadet departments also.
- QUESTION: How can this be accomplished?
- ANSWER: Have a planning session between the General Sunday School Superintendent and the director of your Crusader and Cadet groups. Announce their special services in the appropriate age departments during



- QUESTION: The campaign song says, "Vote For The Man Of The Year". Does this qualify the men only as possible candidates for special recognition and honor?
- ANSWER: Please do not let this song mislead you. As just stated, this is anevery-member attendance booster campaign, and any boy, girl, man or woman is eligible for participation.
- QUESTION: How is a person selected as the "Man", "Woman", "Boy" or "Girl" of the year?
- ANSWER: The individual who has the most votes to his personal credit is automatically chosen as the honored one. During each current week announce the winning individual and ceremoniously bring him forward to occupy the honored chair. At this time, sing the campaign song and demonstrate much pomp and fanfare. Then, the last Sunday of the campaign, the person who has the most votes (all Sundays tallied together) is honored in some spectacular manner. A prize such as a camera, Bible, trip et cetera, may be considered.

QUESTION: How are the votes determined?

ANSWER: A supply of "voting tickets" is available to every individual.

QUESTION: What does the visitor do with his ticket each Sunday?

ANSWER: He places it in a ballot box provided for that purpose. This will avoid loss of time and alleviate much confusion. Secretaries will collect the tickets from the boxes and keep an accurate record. This record could be made by the class, or by departments.

QUESTION: What about the new member? Should he be recognized?

ANSWER: By all means recognize the new member. A set of five religious cards might be used to good advantage. The series of cards should be suitable for framing, if so desired. For instance, one might use "Sallman's Head of Christ", "Praying Hands," "Christ in the Temple", et cetera. (These may be purchased at your local bookstore).

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## REGISTRATION SUNDAY - - - OCTOBER 2, 1960

"ARE YOU REGISTERED?" This Sunday might well be used as SUNDAY SCHOOL ROLL CALL or RALLY DAY.

<u>PURPOSE</u>: Strive for 100% enrollment in the individual classes today. Present a scripture motto, religious picture, special banner, or some appropriate gift to the class with the largest number present. One could easily have a roll call of the years for the adult groups in which each one answers with a favorite scripture, or gives the number of years he has been a Sunday school member, or the name of the first Sunday school ever attended.

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The above program is merely a suggested outline. We realize that time will not permit a lengthy program. Use what you feel can be best adapted to your particular school and its need. Keep in mind the essential purpose of the Worship Service: <u>to</u> bring each member to an awareness of the presence of God.

\* INSTRUCTION:

#### A. PREPARATION:

- 1. <u>Registrar</u>: An adult sitting at office desk, interviewing registrants.
- <u>Recording Angel</u>: A young woman dressed as an angel should be in charge of the registry.
- 3. <u>Registry</u>: The official book where the names are recorded. PREPARE LARGE BOOK (4' X 4') with six blank pages. The book should be closed during first part of sketch. The words, "BOOK OF LIFE" should be printed on cover. After first registrant has participated the Angel will open book and record name, et cetera. Follow this procedure throughout the presentation. On the last page which should be turned at favorable moment, print in large letters, "<u>THIS PAGE RESERVED FOR YOU! ARE YOU REGISTERED</u>?" Turn to this page at the proper moment in the program.
- 4. <u>Registrants</u>: Select individuals to be seated on platform eager to register their names in the "Lamb's Book Of Life."
- 5. <u>Scripture Scrolls</u>: Prepare enough scrolls for each registrant. Print scriptures on them as listed in dialogue under first person, second person, et cetera. Make the scrolls large enough to be pinned from the shoulder to waist.

B. DIALOGUE:

Registrar: All persons wishing to enroll their names on the Honor Roll of Heaven are requested to do so at this time. Step forward please. (All registrants rise from their places and get in line.)

Registrar: May I have your name, please?

First Person: My name is \_\_\_\_\_. I acknowledge my faith in the Name

Lord Jesus Christ as my personal Saviour. Will you record my name in the Book of Life?

Registrar: Recording Angel, please enroll \_\_\_\_\_\_ name in the Name Book of Life.

- <u>Recording Angel</u>: Yes Sir! (She opens book to first page and prints individual's name on it. The same procedure is used throughout.)
- <u>Registrar</u>: Take this official document as proof of your acceptance in the Lord Jesus Christ. (Hands scripture scroll to registrant)
- First Person: ROMANS 10:13 "FOR WHOSOEVER SHALL CALL UFON THE NAME OF THE LORD SHALL BE SAVED." (Reads scripture, pins it on his person then takes place standing at end of line.)

<u>Registrar</u>: And may I have your name, please . . .

Second Person: My name is \_\_\_\_\_. I, too, wish to confess Christ Name

as King of my life.

Registrar: Record the name of \_\_\_\_\_\_ as one who loves the Name

Lord.

Angel: Yes Sir! The name of \_\_\_\_\_ has been added to the Name

Book of Life.

Registrar: Here is your blessed assurance of Eternal Hope!

<u>Second Person</u>: I JOHN 1:9 - "IF WE CONFESS OUR SINS, HE IS FAITHFUL AND JUST TO FORGIVE US OUR SINS AND TO CLEANSE US FROM ALL UNRIGHTEOUSNESS." (Pins scripture scroll on himself, takes place.)

<u>Registrar</u>: Your name please . . .

<u>Third Person</u>: My name is \_\_\_\_\_. I do not wish to miss Heaven. For this reason I stand before you clothed in His righteousness, ready to accept the salvation He offers.

Angel: The name of \_\_\_\_\_\_ is hereby written down in Name

the Book of Life.

Registrar: Here is your official guarantee of Eternal Hope.

Third Person: EPHESIANS 2:8 - "FOR BY GRACE ARE YE SAVED THROUGH FAITH; AND THAT NOT OF YOURSELVES: IT IS THE GIFT OF GOD."

<u>Registrar</u>: How grateful we are today for these who have come to register in the Book of Heaven. And whom have we here? (Anll year old Junior child)

Fourth Person: My name is \_\_\_\_\_. I am eleven years of age. Do Name

you allow children to register? I surely hope so.

 Registrar:
 Christ never turns anyone away. We are so happy to have you register and rejoice in the fact that you have come of your own free will, thus making it a personal choice.

 Recording Angel, record the name of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in Name

the Book of Life!

<u>Angel</u>: All Heaven rejoices this day upon your <u>personal</u> acceptance of Him!

<u>Registrar</u>: \_\_\_\_\_, here is your certified copy that fully Name

explains the hope that lies within you.

Fourth Person: JOHN 3:16 - "FOR GOD SO LOVED THE WORLD, THAT HE GAVE HIS ONLY BEGOTTEN SON, THAT WHOSOEVER BELIEVETH IN HIM SHOULD NOT PERISH, BUT HAVE EVERLASTING LIFE."

<u>Registrar</u>: Next, please . . .

<u>Fifth Person</u>: My name is \_\_\_\_\_. (Holds Bible in hand.) Name

> This Bible, which is God's inspired Word, has shown me the way to Life Everlasting. I whole-heartedly declare my faith in Him. Sir, I wish to have my name recorded in the Book of Life. (Points to Book.)

<u>Registrar</u>: One soul is worth more than the wealth of the world in God's sight. Recording Angel, record the name of \_\_\_\_\_

Name

Angel: With joy I record the name of \_\_\_\_\_

<u>Registrar</u>: Take this official statement from God's Word as your rightful inheritance into Heaven.

 Fifth Person:
 ROMANS 8:1 - "THERE IS THEREFORE NOW NO CONDEMNATION TO

 '
 THEM WHICH ARE IN CHRIST JESUS, WHO WALK NOT AFTER THE

 FLESH, BUT AFTER THE SPIRIT."

All Participants On Platform Repeat In Unison The Following Scripture. II CORINTHIANS 9:15 - "Thanks Be Unto God For His Unspeakable Gift".

HYMN:

(Tune: When The Roll Is Called Up Yonder)

Let us speak about our Sunday school to everyone we meet, Let us talk it to our relatives and friends; Let's invite them out to Sunday school from work and off the street, Let us have a zeal that never, never ends.

I'll get up on Sunday morning and get out to Sunday school, Let the weather be so stormy or so fair; Today and every Sunday this shall always be my rule, When the classes all assemble I'll be there.

When our Sunday school increases and we reach two hundred mark, With our classes in the basement and upstairs. I'll be glad I was a booster and always did my part, When rewards are given out, yes I'll be there.

Chorus:

When the roll is called next Sunday, When the roll is called next Sunday, When the roll is called next Sunday, When the roll is called next Sunday I'll be there.

Any lines that do not fit your Sunday school should be changed.

CONCLUSION:

Climax with two or three minutes on "ARE YOU REGISTERED?" Refer to page of Book on which is inscribed, "This Page Reserved For You." ARE YOU REGISTERED? Read Revelation 21:27; Luke 10:20.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR EVENING YOUTH GROUPS

Make the following announcements in all departments above primary. "This morning we have all registered to vote for Sunday school. The figure of the <u>world</u> which I hold is to remind you that we will be extending our enlargement campaign right on into the evening youth groups for the next five weeks. The political theme is being continued. Politicians declare their platform, so we will be building our spiritual platform. Tonight we will be putting down the planks that declare our Foreign Policy as Christian young people. Be sure and be there as we begin literally building a platform in our youth meeting."

(Using the first Sunday as a pattern, you can develop your own announcement, always being sure to tie the Sunday School and Crusaders together in it. It is important that you impress the audience with the fact that Sunday school is only the FIRST HALF of the program, but that they must be in the youth meeting in order to participate in the WHOLE.)

You will notice that the figures (world, saw, Bible, et cetera) mentioned in each weeks announcements fit in with the theme of each night's respective subjects. Do not make the figures more than 15" in any dimension, lest they distract from the main poster to which they will be adjacent.

Each morning take the appropriate figure with you to the front of the auditorium while making your announcement. Hold it before the Sunday school. It will help make your announcement "stick". They'll remember the figure and what it represents even after they have forgotten what you said. Then place the figure by the Sunday school poster.

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## PROCLAMATION SUNDAY - - - OCTOBER 9, 1960

The word "proclamation" suggests, open announcement; to make declaration publicly; to publish and make known.

We as believers in the Lord Jesus Christ have a message to proclaim to the world. This message is the lovely story of redemption made possible through our Lord. To be a soul winner should be the greatest ambition of every child of God, and with untiring zeal the highest preparation should be sought.

<u>PURPOSE</u>: This week we are placing emphasis upon witnessing and visitation so "Put Your Best Face Forward".

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## **MINSTRUCTION:**

A. CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENTS:

## WHO WANTS THE BOYS AND GIRLS?

God wants the boys, the merry, merry boys, The noisy boys, the funny boys, the thoughtless boys, God wants the boys with all their joys That He as gold may make them pure,

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And teach them trials to endure His heroes brave He'd have them be. Fighting for truth and purity, GOD WANTS THE BOYS!

God wants the happy-hearted girls, The loving girls, the best of girls, the worst of girls; God wants to make the girls His pearls, And so reflect His holy face, And bring to mind His wondrous grace, That beautiful the world may be, And filled with love and purity, GOD WANTS THE GIRLS!

## B. ADULT DEPARTMENT: <u>A Parable On Sunday School Attendance</u>

"A certain man moved into our community; he didn't fall among robbers, who both stripped him and beat him, and departed, leaving him half dead. He just moved in. And by chance a certain neighbor was going down that way; and when he saw him, passed by on the other side, saying to himself, 'I'm almost late now for my meeting at the church. If I stop to visit, I'll surely miss the opening prayer; and I do hate to be late. Besides, the church staff probably knows about him.'

"And in like manner also another neighbor when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side, saying, 'So they want us to visit new neighbors such as this one? Well, I don't believe in giving the impression that I'm a fanatic on religion. I'll just wait until the subject casually comes up some day, then I'll say, Pardon me, and don't think I'm the type that goes overboard on such things, but if you ever get a chance you might like to visit our Sunday school some Sunday when you feel like it and the children aren't sick and you don't plan to go out of town, or have company, and you get up in time!

"But a certain neighbor, as he journeyed, came where he was, and when he saw him, he was moved with compassion, and came to him, and courteously welcomed him to the community, appropriately brought up the matter of his church life; and even offered to come by for him next Sunday if he needed a way. The following Sunday he brought him to the Sunday school superintendent and said to him, 'Take care of him; and whatsoever further service I may give, I will

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"Which of these three, thinkest thou, proved a good neighbor unto him that moved into our community?"

The vote God wants from you and me is our loyalty, faithfulness, love and continuous zeal in carrying out His divine will, which is, to witness and spread the good news to whomsoever will. Be a candidate for all that God intends for you to do in the global task of evangelism.

C. VISUAL DEMONSTRATION: Visually demonstrate undesirable characteristics that every potential soul winner should avoid at all times. In contrast, feature desirable traits that every soul winner must possess in order to be successful in his Christian life.

These qualities may be sketched like masks or false faces. The leader may mount them on reversible placards or charts. If you wish group participation appoint five persons to assist. First, present the bad trait, then comment briefly upon the good characteristics.

UNDESIRABLE CHARACTERISTICS:

1. Mr. Ill-Temper

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- 2. Mrs. Pessimist
- 3. Mr. High Hat
- 4. Mrs. Long Face
- 5. Mr. Self-Righteous

The Antidote For These Undesirable Traits Is Found In The Word Of God.

#### DESIRABLE CHARACTERISTICS:

- Mr. Cheer "Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in thy sight, O Lord, my strength, and my redeemer." Psalm 19:14
- 2. Mrs. Optimist " . . . whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are

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lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things." Philippians 4:8

- 3. Mr. Compassion "But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was: and when he saw him, he had compassion on him, And went to him, and bound up his wounds, pouring in oil and wine, and set him on his own beast, and brought him to an inn, and took care of him." Luke 10:33, 34.
- 4. Miss Joy " . . . For the joy of the Lord is your strength."

# Nehemiah 8:10

5. Mr. Love - "We know that we have passed from death unto life, because we love the brethren . . ." I John 3:14 "Let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father, which is in heaven. Matthew 5:16

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR EVENING YOUTH GROUPS

"Today we have discussed the importance of visitation in the homes of our community. This <u>house</u> depicts the homes of our nation which in turn means we have matters within our own land to cope with. Tonight we will lay the planks in our platform which deal with the affairs within our land. Here is our program for the spiritual Department of the Interior."

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A bright young youth was once asked: "Under whose preaching were you converted?" His reply was: "Nobody's; it was under my aunt's practicing that I was converted."

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NOMINATION SUNDAY - - - OCTOBER 16, 1960

PURPOSE: The emphasis this week is to be placed on challenging our new candidates and visitors to become a member of the Sunday school.

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## \*INSTRUCTION:

A. "GOD'S DIVINE CHOICE . . . YOU"

Before the foundation of the world God voted for you and me. Two thousand years ago because 'God so loved the world . . . He gave . . . " Yes, He gave His only begotten Son, even the Lord Jesus Christ to save unregenerated man from eternal death. He offered Himself a living sacrifice for the SOUL ELECTION OF MANKIND. He walked the breadth and length of this earth wooing man to Himself. "But as many as received Him to them gave He power to become the Sons of God." John 1:12

Every individual is a free moral agent possessed with a will to either accept or reject this personal Christ. No one can be coerced or legislated into this decision.

Today, in so many words Christ is saying . . . JIM BROWN . . . OR JANE BROWN "I nominate <u>you</u>! (Choose) Will you accept Me? Will you follow me in Christian service?"

And JIM BROWN . . . OR JANE BROWN answers back . . . "Lord Jesus, I cannot pay the price, I reject your nomination . . . " Or, on the other hand, "Yes, Lord Jesus, I accept your divine nomination. Take my life and use it for your glory . . . I am yours without reservation."

B. CONVERSION AND CALL OF PETER (A Dramatization)

# Characters:

Simon - Dressed in the costume of that day. Andrew - Dressed in the costume of that day. Unseen Narrartor - A man with a good deep voice. Soloist - Man or woman.

<u>Setting</u>: If possible, give the platform the appearance of a place that is used by fishermen; a small boat or canoe at one side, a few fishing nets (tennis nets answer this purpose) and poles. Two rude seats should be placed in about the center of the platform. (The planist should play "Blue Galilee" very softly for a few moments. Simon and Andrew, carrying nets, enter and take their seats during the first few lines of the conversation.)

ANDREW: I was hoping I would have my new nets ready by this time.

- SIMON: It takes longer to make a good net than one thinks. (They begin their work in silence. The planist plays "Wonderful Words Of Life" through once, and as the music ceases, Simon and Andrew resume their conversation.)
- SIMON: Why are you so quiet today, Andrew?
- ANDREW: I wish you had been with me last evening Simon, and heard Jesus preach.

SIMON: Does he preach as John the Baptist did?

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- ANDREW: Not at all. You know we liked to hear John preach, but there is something about this Jesus that draws one to Him. I believe He is the One of whom John spoke.
- SIMON: You think this Jesus is that One of whom John said, "There cometh one mightier than I after me, the latchet of whose shoes I am not worthy to stoop down and unloose."
- ANDREW: Yes, I do. John said, "I indeed have baptized you with water: but he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost."
- SIMON: With the Holy Ghost?
- ANDREW: Ever since I heard about John baptizing Jesus, I've been wondering about those words.
- SIMON: That must have been a wonderful moment.
- ANDREW: I can close my eyes and see the two of them standing in the River Jordan.
- SIMON: Would that I had been there to see the Spirit like a dove descend upon Him and to have heard the Voice from heaven saying, "Thou art my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased."
- SIMON: Have you finished your net, Andrew?
- ANDREW: I have a few more places to mend.
- SIMON: I hope we'll be able to take a great many fish today.
- ANDREW: Yes, as many as we took yesterday. (A few seconds of silence)

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- ANDREW: You know, Simon, when John first began to preach he said, "Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight." And I believe with all my heart that he was talking about Jesus.
- SIMON: Well, maybe he was. When we think about the baptism of Jesus it makes us think so.
- ANDREW: It was queer though that He went away immediately after I took you to see Him. I heard He was in the wilderness.

- SIMON: I'm gald you took me to see Him. Andrew, I can never tell you what a feeling went through me when He looked at me and said, "Thou art Simon the son of Jona, that shalt be called Cephas, which is by interpretation, a stone." I wonder what He meant by that?
- ANDREW: I wonder, too; well, maybe we'll learn someday.
- SIMON: I hope so. Did you hear that John the Baptist had been put in prison?
- ANDREW: Yes, and I feel sure it is most unjust. There, I'm finished with my nets. Are you?

SIMON: I'll be ready in a few minutes.

- ANDREW: Simon, the next time you hear that Jesus is going to preach, I want you to hear Him. He preaches as no man hath ever preached; His words are so gentle and yet so commanding; his manner so mild and yet so full of authority. I only hope that I may see and hear Him often.
- NARRATOR: Come ye after me, and I will make you to become fishers of men. BOTH: (Looking in the direction of the VOICE) It is the Master!

(They cast down their nets and start walking toward the VOICE.)

- SIMON: Master, we follow Thee, to become fishers of men.
- SOLO: (Off stage, "Fishers of Men")
- NARRATOR: Today the Master is calling for Fishers of Men. And those who hear the call and go forth to do His bidding as did Simon Peter, Andrew, James, and John find their hearts filled with a joyous peace, and their lives blessed, in leading others to the <u>Great</u> <u>Fisher Of Men</u>.

(While this is being spoken, the pianist should continue to play "Fishers of Men" very quietly.)

(Play taken from - "Special Days in the Church School by Novotny.")

I heard Him call, "Come Follow." That was all. My gold grew dim, My soul went after Him, I rose and followed. That was all. Who would not follow If he heard Him call?

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR EVENING YOUTH GROUPS

"Our service for Christ determines the extent of the success of His Kingdom. Within a nation, the work of the individual laborers determine the success of the nation's industry. Tonight, our platform, which is rapidly being formed, will gain the planks on our Labor Issues. Be there as we deal with the problems of labor and management. You'll enjoy it!"

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#### AROUND THE CORNER

Around the corner I have a friend, In this great city that has no end; Yet days go by, and weeks rush on, And before I know it a year is gone, And I never see my old friend's face, For life is a swift and terrible race.

He knows I like him just as well As in the days when I rang his bell, And he rang mine. We were younger then, And now we are busy, tired men: Tired with playing a foolish game, Tired with trying to make a name.

"Tomorrow", I say, "I will call on Jim, Just to show that I'm thinking of him." But tomorrow comes...and tomorrow goes, And the distance between us grows and grows. Around the corner.....yet miles away....

"HERE'S A TELEGRAM, SIR ... "

Jim died today.

DECLARATION SUNDAY - - - OCTOBER 23, 1960

PURPOSE: To make our declaration for the Lord Jesus Christ.

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#### **\*INSTRUCTION:**

A. MY DECLARATION OF FAITH: The true believer in Christ is never ambiguous in his declarations, he knows in whom he believes; he knows in what he believes; and he knows why and how he believes. How a person believes is of utmost importance. Many folk believe but their assertions are based upon error. Think of the cults and isms in the world that are deluding millions with their false doctrines. The Bible says "And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." John 8:32 Madmen down through the corridors of time including Hitler, Lenin, Stalin, and now Krushchev have been convinced in their diabolical ideologies, swaying entire nations with their violent agitations of avowel . . . BUT

THEY ARE WRONG! These are anti-Christ, anti-Bible, Godless, inspired by the devil himself.

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So, then, it is tremendously important that one believes in the right. We see that declarations can be evil or good. We think of the ringing declarations uttered in the time of crisis in our own beloved land of America. Here are a few: Benjamin Franklin at the signing of the Declaration of Independence:

> "We must all hang together, or assuredly we shall hang separately."

Nathan Hale, in a speech he made just before being hanged by the enemy as a spy. (1776)

"I only regret that I have but one life to lose for my country."

Patrick Henry in a speech before the Virginia Convention in St. John's Episcopal Church, Richmond, Virginia. (1775)

"Is life so dear, or peace so sweet, as to be purchased at the price of chains and slavery? Forbid it, Almighty God! I know not what course others may take, but as for me, GIVE ME LIBERTY OR GIVE ME DEATH!"

# B. RINGING BIBLE DECLARATIONS:

Moses . . . . . "By faith Moses, when he was come to years, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter." Hebrews 11:24

C. VISUAL DEMONSTRATION: (Perhaps it would be well to use the flannelboard to illustrate the lesson.) A symbol or picture may be used as each verse of scripture is read. The verses may be written on parchment-like paper and rolled to resemble scrolls. Following is the way the symbols will appear: <u>Bible</u>, <u>Cross</u>, <u>Picture of Christ</u>, <u>Crown</u> and picture depicting <u>Heaven</u>. The leader may comment briefly if time will permit. Five persons may assist in reading verses of scriptures.

<u>Bible</u> - - - - - "For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth. . . ." Romans 1:16

<u>Cross</u> - - - - - "For I am determined not to know any thing among you, save Jesus Christ, and him crucified."

I Corinthians 2:2

<u>Christ</u> - - - - - ". . . for I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day." II Timothy 1:12 <u>Crown</u> - - - - - - "I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus." Philippians 3:14 <u>Heaven</u> - - - - - "But none of these things move me, neither count I my life dear unto myself, so that I might finish my course with joy. . ." Acts 20:24

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#### ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR EVENING YOUTH GROUPS

"Are you a good American? I mean, do you think you ever do anything which would be called a subversive activity? Well, you probably are as good an American as any of us, but I wonder how many of us in our Christian life commit what might be called subversive acts against the kingdom of God. Tonight we put the planks in our platform which set forth our stand on subversive activities. Don't be subversive . . . be with us then."

# INAUGURATION SUNDAY - - - OCTOBER 30, 1960

After every election campaign there is always a time of victorious celebration for the champions in the contest. There are special inaugural services, banquets, parades of every description, bands playing, toasts made, flags and banners waving, et cetera. The spiritual similarity here is very obvious to the believer in Christ. We are in a spiritual warfare, or contest, or race with our arch enemy, the devil. He is out to defeat and overwhelm us in the struggle with his cunning, beguiling forms of strategy. "But thanks be to God who giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ." I Corinthians 15:57.

# PURPOSE:

- A. Our worship service today focuses attention upon the fact that we can be conquerors, even more than conquerors through the Lord Jesus Christ. For this reason we have every right to be joyful and triumphant in our declarations . . . For CHRIST IS OUR VICTORY and in Him and through Him we can subdue the enemy of our souls.
- B. To select and honor the "Man Of The Year"

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#### **INSTRUCTION:**

A. PRAYER: This may be used in the Children's Departments and given by a child.

Father, lead us day by day, ever in thine own sweet way; Teach us to be pure and true, show us what we ought to do. When in danger, make us brave; make us know that thou canst save; Keep us safe by thy dear side, let us in thy love abide. When we are tempted to do wrong, keep us steadfast, wise and strong; And when all alone we stand, shield us with thy mighty hand. May we do the good we know, gladly serving here below, Then at last go home to Thee, evermore Thine own to be.

B. POEM: (For Adults)

#### VICTORY

When any climate, any food, When raging crowd or solitude Can but increase your will to see God's guiding hand - that's victory.

When you can be content to own No commendation of your own, And let your pride and boasting be In Christ alone - that's Victory.

When foes offend and friends forsake And you rejoice for Jesus' sake That He has counted you to be Worthy of such - that's Victory.

When you are standing face to face With degradation, vile disgrace, And yet retain your purity Through Christ your Lord - that's Victory.

When peace is yours that knows no strife, And joy the same in death or life, And you can say, "'Tis Christ for me To live or die" - that's Victory.

We have no power to fight alone, Not even strength to call our own. Thanks be to God, for it is He Who through His Son gives Victory! - - - Barbara Elden Cornet

#### C. "CHRIST OUR VICTORY":

"Thou hast given a banner to them that fear thee, that it might be displayed because of the truth." Psalm 60:4 The banner is always used in war to encourage the soldiers. It was with real meaning, when on that historical morning the soldiers of the young Republic though their forces may have been defeated, that they strained their eyes to catch a glimpse of Old Glory waving in the fog of battle smoke, and expressed their feeling in the words:

> "Oh, say, can you see, By the dawn's early light, What so proudly we hailed At the twilight's last gleaming."

So Christ is our banner today. He is our victory, the One whom we must follow. It is He that is inspiring and encouraging us on in the battle of life. Look to Him! He will lead you on to brighter hopes and day by day victory in your Christian walk.

(Prepare in advance the following points on large cardboard bells) You will need six persons to illustrate "Christ Is Our Victory." On each bell the given characteristic and scriptures should be printed. The acrostic will spell CHRIST.

CHRIST is our . . . C - onfidence . . . . "For the Lord shall be thy confidence, and shall keep thy foot from being taken." Proverbs 3:26 CHRIST is our . . . H - elper . . . . . . ". . . the Lord is my helper, and I will not fear what man shall do unto me". Hebrews 13:6 CHRIST is our . . . R - ighteousness . . . ". . . in the Lord have I righteousness." Isaiah 45:24 CHRIST is our . . . I - nspiration . . . . "The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? the Lord is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?" Psalm 27:1 CHRIST is our . . . S - trength . . . . . "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me." Philippians 4:13

CHRIST is our . . . T - riumph . . . . . . . "Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us." Romans 8:37

". . . THIS IS THE VICTORY THAT OVERCOMETH THE WORLD, EVEN OUR FAITH." I JOHN 5:4

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#### ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR EVENING YOUTH GROUPS

"Today our enlargement program comes to its fulfillment. Make it a truly full day by being with us and helping us put the final planks in our platform. Tonight we will continue with the subject of Christian victory by putting the planks in the platform which make for the firmest footing. They are planks taken from God's own Word, and we're 'Standing On The Promises' this evening. Be there!"

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#### LEADING A SERVICE

Be on time, or ahead of time, to all services.
Speak loudly.
Give announcements with a snap and sparkle.
See that visitors are made welcome and become acquainted.
Be natural..at ease..poised..good natured.
Don't be easily discouraged.
Start on time, even if you start alone.
Plan the program thoroughly. Don't waste precious time ad libbing.
Don't be half prepared.
Vary the program. Monotony will kill any program.
Seek to glorify Christ. Dead leaders, dead meetings...live leaders live leaders.
Pray always for the guidance of the Holy Spirit in all you do.

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### I. ATTENDANCE BOOSTERS

- A. <u>Beginners and Primaries</u> Joy Bells versus <u>Blue Bells</u>
  - Prepare an "upside-down bell" face for each child as per enclosed pattern.
     See page 49 .) Name the sad face "Blue Bell" and the happy face "Joy Bell."
  - 2. Each Sunday a child is present, place a bell sticker in the appropriate square on this "Joy Bell" face. When he is absent the bell is placed on the "Blue Bell" face. Use a different color bell for each face. (i.e. blue for blue bells, red for joy bells.)
  - At the end of the program the faces with perfect attendance (five bells) will determine the <u>Joy Bells</u>.
  - 4. We suggest some small award for those who are present through the entire program.

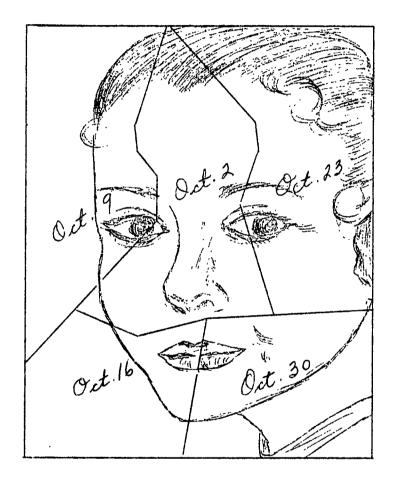
# B. Juniors - Face Puzzle

- Ask each student to bring a picture of himself to class. (If he does not have one, a colored picture from a magazine will do.)
- Section the face in <u>five</u> parts to represent the five Sundays of the campaign and glue to cardboard.
- 3. Prepare one large poster board leaving space to mount each individual picture. (You can use a flannelboard if desired). Place the name of each student under his "picture space".
- 4. Each Sunday determine who is present and place a portion of their picture on the board. For example, the first Sunday you may place the forehead of everyone present on the board; second Sunday, the nose; third Sunday, the right eye; fourth Sunday, the mouth; fifth Sunday, the left eye.
- 5. Use this caption: "DON'T BE HALF HERE, BE ALL HERE!"
- 6. Offer some award for perfect attendance.



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Child's Signature And I'm on the beam, I think Sunday school is keen, We study God's Word, and you can depend On me to recommend my friend, TO GO TO SUNDAY SCHOOL!

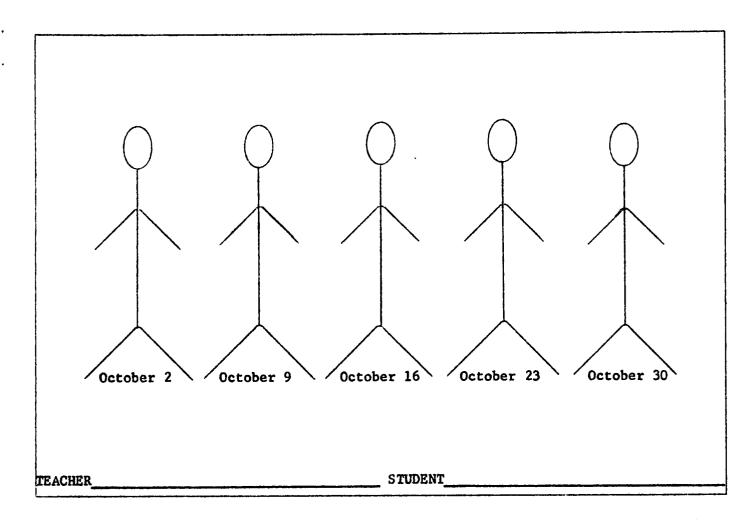


FACE PUZZLE

# C. Junior Highs - Figure Fill-ins

- Prepare a chart with <u>five</u> stick figures for each student in your class. The <u>five</u> stick figures represent the five Sundays of the program. Every figure is blank. Sticker seals are used to "complete" personality.
- 2. Place a "face sticker" in the proper place each Sunday they are present.

- 3. Place a "Bible sticker" in one hand if student brings a Bible.
- 4. If they bring a friend use a "foot sticker".
- 5. If they witness use another "foot sticker".
- 6. If they bring an offering use a "hand sticker".
- 7. It might be a nice gesture to give an award to those who have been present every Sunday and have gained a "complete personality".



- D. Young People's Department: Whether in school or not, every young person is still surging with a certain amount of "rah-rah" spirit and enthusiasm incited from school competition. Pennants and pom poms play a big part in this school spirit and can be used to arouse competition and a spirit of loyalty in the Sunday school as well.
  - Begin by preparing small pennants from colored construction paper for each member of the class with the students name printed on in a contrasting color.

- 2. Place pennants on bulletin board or back wall of classroom with two pom poms in corresponding colors placed on right and left sides.
- 3. As each young person enters the classroom, he turns his pennant over thus concealing his name. The pennants of the pupils not present remain front-side-up, thus displaying throughout the week the names of the absentees.
- 4. Suggested colors for the pennants could be the local school colors, Foursquare colors, or if several schools are represented in your class, the respective school colors could be used with competition incited between the various schools.

#### E. Adults - Attendance Chart

 Put a bell in the steeple each Sunday a class member is present. Different colored bells may be used to denote the following:

> <u>Red Bell</u> - Perfect in every point (i.e., Bible, on time, offering, lesson studies, et cetera)
> <u>Blue Bell</u> - Failing in one or two points.
> <u>Yellow Bell</u> - Visitors

No Bell - Absentee

- 2. From a competitive standpoint this, no doubt would work well with the women against the men. Each week (at a glance) all could tell the leading class or department by the number of bells in the various steeples. (See next page for illustration)
- F. Comparative Class Chart

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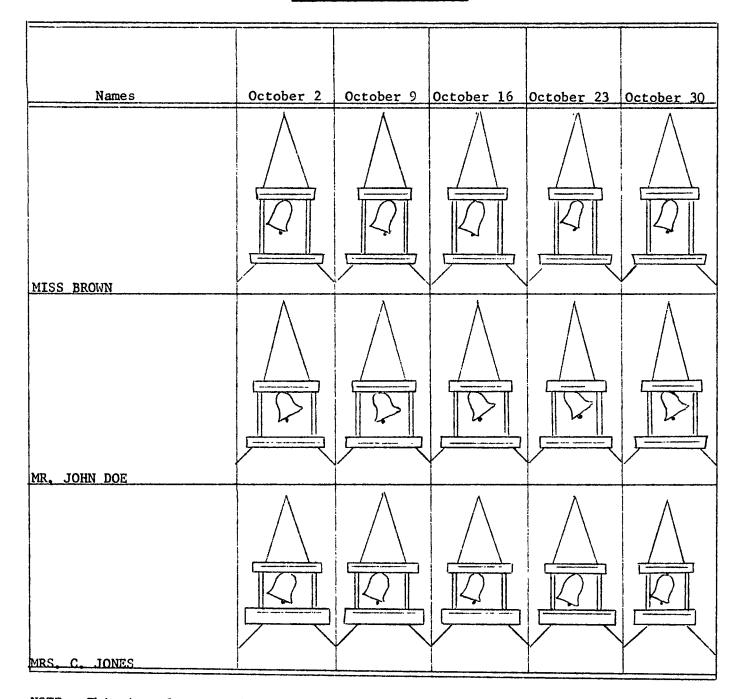
- Prepare a large poster to spotlight the all over attendance, et cetera, of the entire Sunday school. This may be done by classes or departments according to your Sunday school need.
- 2. Set desired goals. (Increase by some percentage over last year) For example, as the chart appears on page54 you would aim for 31 votes per member of each class. If you had 10 members in your class and were aiming for 5 visitors your final goal would be 465. Feel free to work out

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any voting system that would be most adaptable to your people and locale.

3. The classes or departments that meet their goal may be classified as "Liberty Bells". Place a red bell opposite their record. Those who do not meet the goal will be "Silent Bells". Place a blue bell opposite their record. Awards may be given to those meeting goals.

# ADULT ATTENDANCE CHART



NOTE: This is only a sample chart. You will need more spaces for the number in your class.

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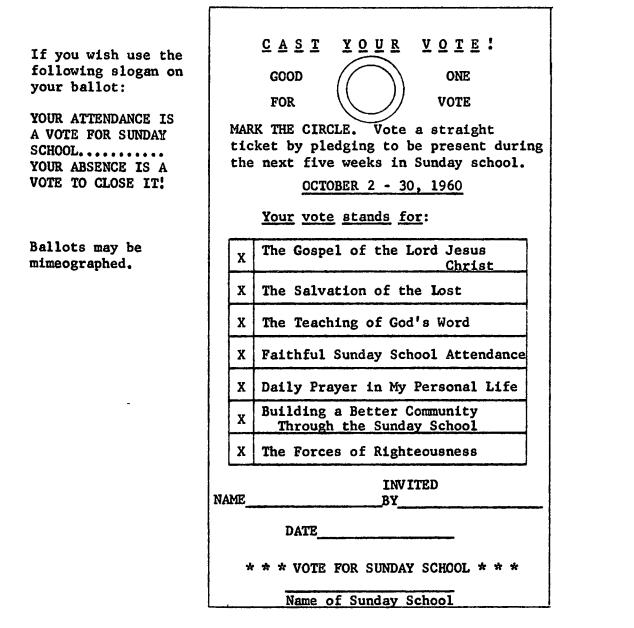
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VOTE FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL

G. <u>Voting Ballots</u> - May be used on October 2, and also for participants in the skit, one week prior to campaign. Also used to tally visitors and votes for "Man Of The Year".

# BALLOT

(Your Voting Ticket)



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- II. <u>YOUTH EMPHASIS</u>: Encourage youth attendance by announcing special youth services which revolve around the Sunday school program.
  - A. <u>Purpose</u>: The express purpose of this evening youth series is to serve as a complement to the morning activities as it will be a part of the fall enlargement program, "Calling You To Worship". Through a good implementation of these materials at least three goals may be realized:

- The relationship between your Sunday school and youth group may be strengthened.
- 2. The prospects gleaned through the Sunday school enlargement program, which fall in the Crusader age category, may be brought into active . participation in the evening youth group.
- 3. Potential Crusaders who attend Sunday school only may be enlisted as a regular part of the Crusader program.
- B. <u>Method</u>: The best procedure will probably be to schedule a planning session with the General Sunday School Superintendent and the Crusader Director. This will be necessary in order that each may understand the others program. It will also avoid an overlapping of the programs. The major facet of our fall program is the enlargement of the Sunday school. The roll this series of Crusader services plays is to serve as a means of carrying over the theme of the Sunday school session into the evening youth activities. At this time of enlargement in the Sunday school a real opportunity for overall enlargement of the church program may be realized if the program is properly knit together Always bear in mind that the evening sessions are to be, in this case, an extension of the morning activity.

During the Crusader hour, the Sunday school program should be promoted for the following Sunday. At the same time, in the appropriate age departments, the Crusader service for that evening should be promoted. At the conclusion of each Sundays' Worship Service ideas and materials to help you in advertising the Crusader service during the Sunday school hour are provided.

III. <u>AVAILABLE MATERIALS</u>: The following materials may be ordered on your Fall Promotional Order Blank.

A. <u>General Poster</u>: An exciting poster in patriotic colors with an appealing message, "Calling You To Worship"! It also carries a <u>timely</u> reminder to "Vote For Sunday School" by responding to the call to worship. Secure one for every classroom, department, Crusader Chapel and main assembly room.

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- B. <u>Bulletins</u>: A small two color replica of the large poster in bulletin form re-emphasizing the vital theme. These may be used in visitation, news releases, morning worship services and in the Crusader hour.
- C. <u>Post Cards</u>: Everyone will receive mail encouraging them to "vote" for some candidate in this all important election year. This is your chance to flood homes with post cards reminding them of the all important VOTE . . . a "vote for Sunday school". These cards are available in sets of 5, one for each Sunday's mailing. Each card carries a message which will announce the theme for every Sunday of the program.
- D. <u>Bell Doorknob Holders</u>: Attractive red bell doorknob holders may be left at each home you visit where no one is at home.
- E. Tracts:
  - <u>Picture Story Tract</u> For Juniors to leave with the friends they visit. These will prove very interesting to this age group and will welcome each child to come to Sunday school.
  - "<u>Why Go To Sunday School</u>?" A tract to be used in visitation and mailings. There is a place on the tract provided for your church or Sunday school stamp.
- F. <u>Lapel Badges</u>: These attractive badges may be given to everyone who enters your Sunday school during this campaign. They are easily worn as they stick to any fabric lightly.
- G. <u>Pennants</u>: 17" X 11" pennants in red, white and blue will add color and impetus to your Sunday school during this campaign. Order in large quantities to post, hang, carry and use in skits.
- H. Foursquare Magazine: Special October Sunday School issue, non-dated to be used in visitation such as, new contacts, shut-ins, new members, et cetera.
- NOTE: The above materials are on your Foursquare Promotional Order Blank. Place your order now!

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The following are ideas you may wish to use to augment the theme "Vote For Sunday School". They will be particularly helpful in the "instruction" of the Worship Services.

# I. OPENING CALL TO WORSHIP:

A. Pledge Allegiance to the American Flag.

"I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the republic for which it stands; one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

- B. Sing "AMERICA" First and last verses.
- C. Pledge Allegiance to the Christian Flag.

"I pledge allegiance to the Christian Flag and to the Saviour for whose kingdom it stands. One Saviour, crucified, risen, and coming again with freedom and salvation to all who believe."

- D. Sing "ONWARD CHRISTIAN SOLDIERS" First verse and chorus.
- E. Pledge Allegiance to the Bible.

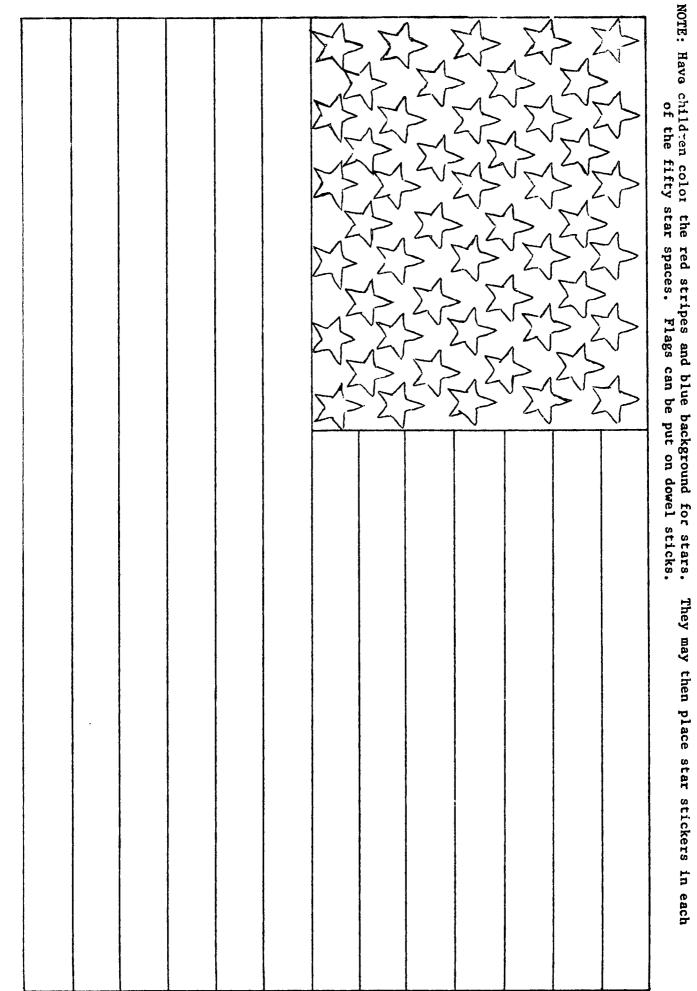
"I pledge allegiance to the Bible, God's holy Word, and to the truth for which it stands; one Lord, one Faith, one Word, forever settled in heaven."

- F. Sing "THE B-I-B-L-E" Sing twice.
- II. <u>PRAYER TIME</u>: The following information will be helpful as you prayer for the various requests mentioned in the "Worship Program" each Sunday.
  - A. MEMBERS OF THE SENATE. There are fifty senators. Each state has two. The Senate ratifies all treaties and presidential appointments, besides writing and voting on legislation.
  - B. MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTITIVES. The House of Representitives writes and votes on legislation, and in case of a tie vote for president they elect him.

#### **III. EXPRESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:**

A. Children's Division.

1. Have each child color his own mimeographed American flag. Then he may -59 -



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. . place the correct number of stars in proper form on the flag.

2. Sing the "Star Spangled Banner".

### B. Young People's Division.

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- Select a young person to present a report on the growth of our flag and on the meaning of its colors.
- 2. Sing the "Star Spangled Banner".
- IV. TRACT "IF AMERICA ELECTS A CATHOLIC PRESIDENT".

If you wish to make this information available to your people these may be ordered in any number of quantities at 80¢ per hundred.

# V. ADDED SUGGESTIONS - These will add patriotic emphasis to your Worship Services.

A. Registration Day - "The Primary Election"

Many states hold PRIMARY ELECTIONS for the purpose of nominating candidates for the various state offices from both major parties. During the year of a Presidential Election, the voters vote on the delegates which will represent them at their party's National Convention. In states which do not hold Primary Elections a State Convention is held for the same purpose. The Primary Election is the voters first chance to choose their candidates. Only registered voters may vote in a Primary Election.

When a person accepts Christ as his personal Saviour and makes a public confession of Him at the altar of his church, he is nominating Jesus Christ to be the Leader of His life and lining himself up as a member of "The Christian Party". Our first endorsement of Jesus Christ is more important for only when we line ourselves up with Him can we expect to be on the winning side. Many times in National Elections, the candidate for the minority party wins because the majority of the voters from both parties believe that he is the better of the two candidates. Are you a member of the "World Party" or the "Christian Party?" Although we may be members of the minority party we know that our candidate will win because he has proven Himself to be the best.

# B. Proclamation Day - "The Political Campaign"

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As soon as the candidates from each party have been selected the POLITICAL CAMPAIGN begins. Candidates travel back and forth from Maine to Hawaii and from Alaska to Florida proclaiming their qualifications for office. They are careful to say just the right things, dress in the proper style and wear a big smile. They know that first impressions are lasting and the manner in which they impress the voters determines the outcome of the election.

Christ campaigns for His cause through people like you and me, Not only must we stump our nation for Christ but we must campaign for Him around the world. Christ appeals to the entire world regardless of national boundary, race or color. He meets the need of all who call on Him and gives FREEDOM to all who will cast their vote for Him. Today the world must decide between two candidates - CHRIST or COMMUNISM. Communism is making great gains throughout the world. The doors into many countries are closed or are fast closing to the forces of Jesus Christ. Our missionaries are Christ's foremost campaigners. They are doing a tremendous job turning millions from darkness to light. How important it is for us to support the "Christian Party" by giving to "Foursquare Missions." Our missionary offerings are the campaign funds for the Christian Cause. We must give more if we would win victory for our party. More campaigners are needed to do the job on the foreign field. The challenge is going out to Foursquare young people - "Around The World With Christ." Christian Youth must meet the challenge of this ever darkening hour or Communistic youth will wrap up the world for the forces of darkness. We must add impetus to this campaign for Christ through the power of prayer. "Prayer In The Spirit" brings "Victory For Christ's Cause". We must always remember that it is "Not by might, nor by power, but by My spirit, saith the Lord of Host." Zechariah 4:6. Victory will come for our Party if we will Pray and Go and Give!

C. Nomination Day - "The National Conventions"

Every fourth year the major parties in the United States hold a National Convention for the purpose of forming their party's platform and nominating their candidates for President and Vice President. Usually the conventions are held in July and delegates from every state come to help choose the candidates for these high offices. There is much enthusiasm during a National Convention. Wild cheering crowds make lively demonstrations on the main floor of the Convention Hall. In this way they hope to show everyone that their candidate has enough support to win the election if he is nominated. When the convention is over the delegates all unite behind the candidates which have been chosen by the majority regardless of whether or not the men of their choice have been nominated.

What the church needs today is enthusiasm! We must demonstrate "Sunday School Enthusiasm" energetic Crusader Rallies and Church-wide parades. Most of all we need zealous witnessing for Christ by young and old alike. We have much to be excited about! We have the greatest candidate <u>The Lord</u> <u>Jesus Christ</u>, the most all-inclusive platform <u>The Bible</u>, and the greatest campaign incentive <u>The Power of the Holy Spirit</u>. If the church does not inspire its young people for Christ, Communism will inspire them for the forces of Antichrist. Let us not dissipate our energies for lesser causes, but go all out enthusiastically for the cause of Christ. We must be united behind our candidate! "The World for Christ" must be our slogan.

# D. Declaration Day - "The General Election"

November 7, 1960 is the date set for the National General Election in the fifty United States. This is a very important day in the life of all Christians. <u>Every Christian should vote</u>! It is every Christian's responsibility to do his part in keeping America free. The enemies of Christianity and Freedom sometimes put their candidates' names on the ballot and it is the God-given duty of every Christian Voter to see that such candidates are defeated. The General Election is Mr. Average American's last chance to make

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sure that the right candidates are elected to public office. All of us should be much in prayer that God's will may be done in the coming General Election. Remember - if we do not vote we have only ourselves to blame for the consequences.

Just as Election Day is a day of great decision for all Americans, so Christians have many important decision days in their lives for Christ. It is easy to decide for Christ when revival comes to our church. When the Holy Spirit is moving decisions are easy for the average Christian. However when there is no revival spirit and decisions come up in his everyday living the right decision may be hard to make. Our decisions are important to our Christian testimony. The wrong decision may make us ineffective in our witnessing. Wrong decisions also disqualify us for positions of service for Christ. The secret of always making the right decision is found in the Christian's dependence on the Lord for the answers to his temptations and problems. The Holy Spirit is in the world to help us and "we can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth us." The right answers always come from God himself. If we will inquire of Him and make His decision our decision, we will never be in error. Always cast your vote for Christ by asking the question, "What would Jesus do?" Then act immediately for Him.

# E. Inauguration Day - "The Presidential Inauguration"

Inauguration Day is the day when the President Elect of the United States is sworn into office. On this day thousands of people line the streets leading to the Nation's Capitol to watch the Presidential Procession. The ceremonies take place on a platform built on the steps of the Capitol building. Dignitaries from around the world are present, as well as many important people connected with American politics. God is honored as a Minister leads in prayer and famous singing stars present appropriate religious and patriotic music. The President is sworn into office by the Chief Justice of the United States Supreme Court and he makes his inaugural address before the cheering crowds of people. The United States has a new President!

The Coronation day of our Lord Jesus Christ will be an even greater day than our President's Inauguration. On that day Jesus Christ will be crowned King of Kings and Lord of Lords. He will set up His kingdom right here on this earth and rule the world from the royal city of Jerusalem. Imagine the royal procession when the King is revealed from Heaven. All of the Saints will come on white horses following the King. God's bright and shining angels will be there too with Heavenly music and shouts of "Hallelujah", "Praise The Lord", and "Glory to God". That will be a wonderful day and I am sure that we will all want to be present. Thank God that Jesus' Blood has made us ready for the Great Coronation Day. May we bow our heads just now in adoration and praise to our wonderful Lord and crown Him King of our hearts and lives today.

I AM A SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER ...

Who is Too Lazy to Work ...

Honestly, I don't like to work - follow up absentees, write cards, go visiting the new prospects, chase around over the city like a chicken with its head off trying to raise my percentage of attendance, make out lists and see that everybody's birthday is remembered, go on errands to the hospitals, help in the mission Sunday schools - IT'S SO MUCH WORK!

Say, you know what, last year when we had that revival the attendance went up one hundred per cent in the rally - but the next week it was lower than before - I don't believe in rallies - THEY JUST WON'T COME BACK AGAIN.

'Course, maybe it's 'cause they are all like I am, too lazy to buck the line - and hunt 'em up, call on the new ones, phone the new ones, check the lists handed in at the door during the rally. Maybe if all of us teachers did that we would really get on.

I do not bother to study the lesson much - on Saturday night I hunt up the quarterly and read it over - then the next day, well, I guess if I "knowed" more than I do about the lesson I would get better attention and do more for the class.

But it's work to hunt up all those facts and master the material given. There is this to it, though, the school where they are all working is growing by leaps and bounds. I just wonder if God wouldn't bless me more if I were not so indolent. This honest confession seems to be good for my heart. "Lord, I will promise to do more for Thee and my class."

By Lind Swarthout

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