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Noonday Prayer for Missions

Blessed Savior, who at this hour didst hang upon the cross, stretching forth Thy loving arms, grant that all mankind may look upon Thee and be saved; through Thy mercy and merits who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.

AMEN.

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Number of Organized Branches, 8
Number members 91

Parish Leaders

Alvin—Not Organized
Angleton—Miss Alice Delaney
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MINUTES OF NINTH ANNUAL MEETING

Galveston, May 11th, 1910.

The ninth annual meeting of the Texas branch of the Woman's Auxiliary, convened this morning at 9:30 o'clock, in the parlor of the Rectory, with the Bishop presiding. The form of service arranged in our year book was used by the Bishop for the opening exercises, after which he expressed his joy at being with us again, and his good wishes for the continued success of our work. With a word of greeting and welcome to all, the regular order of business was then taken up by our president, beginning with roll call of branches, to which ten delegates present responded; four branches being without representation, viz.: St. David's and All Saint's, Austin, St. Mark's Beaumont, and Trinity, Marshall. We were glad to have with us a good number of visitors also. The annual reports of secretary and treasurer were read and adopted, results showing an increase of \$127.83 over the total of work last year. The ringing of the church bell announced the hour of the opening service of the Council. This meeting adjourned. At the conclusion of that service, our work was resumed. Reports of vice-presidents were called for to which Mrs. Blount of the N. E. Convocation and Mrs. Hutchinson of the S. E. Convention responded. N. W. Convocation and S. W. Convocation not being represented. These ladies had little work to report, but hoped to do better in the future. Parish branch reports were read by their delegates present, those without representation being given by the secretary from blanks in hand. After some informal discussion upon minor topics the morning session closed. Lunch was served in the chapel hall at 1:30 o'clock. About 150 guests were gathered around the beautifully appointed tables, laden with refreshments for the inner man and beautiful blossoms from the garden to charm the eye. The social hour was much enjoyed by all and we would tender a vote of thanks to our Galveston friends for their generous cheer.

Afternoon Session.

The afternoon session convened at 2:30 o'clock in the church, with president in the chair. A committee on General Resolutions was now appointed by our president, also a special committee to give expression to our sympathy upon the death of our friend and co-worker, Miss Alice Baker. Mrs. Catterall, Custodian of the United Offering now gave her report of the year's receipts and a most excellent and instructive paper on this work. The report of the Directress of Mission study was read by the Secretary, Mrs. Patton being unable to be present. Condensing this report the summary is "that nine branches have given some attention to this work; while this is not altogether encouraging since few of the branches have any systematic study, all express a desire to learn more of study methods and plans.

The Beaumont branch has used the "Call of the Waters" as a text book, with papers and talks at each meeting. The busy branch of Trinity Church, Galveston, devoted the fifth Friday of each month, to a social meeting, including some missionary study. Christ Church branch, of Houston, have been having pleasant and profitable lessons on Japan. The Waco branch have used the Alaska leaflets sent out by the church missions house, and with the aid of a good map, have traced the heroic work of our Bishop and Priests, in the land where "frost and cold, ice and snow praise the Lord, bless Him and magnify Him forever." Their president has also taught the Sunday School teachers the Missionary lesson given the school on the third Sunday in each month. New organizations are seeking help along this line. We regret very much to be obliged to accept the resignation of Mrs. Patton as she is leaving the diocese for an indefinite time.

The report of the Church Periodical Club, Mrs. C. M. Desel Correspondent, was read by the secretary, as Mrs. Desel could not be with us. This report shows the work to be growing in interest and attainments, and should have the hearty co-operation of every Parish branch.

The report of the Baby branch was prepared by Miss Julia Baker, by request of the Bishop. While not as large as last year, probably the death of Miss Baker delayed some of the collections. Since the opening of this meeting, two separate amounts from Parish workers have been handed to me, and will be added to Miss Baker's report.

Woman's Auxiliary, expressing both thanks and appreciation of the response to her appeal was read by the secretary. Letters having been received from the traveling secretary of the Seventh Missionary department, asking that a delegate be sent from the Texas branch, to their next meeting in St. Louis in January, 1911, the matter was placed before the members and our president unanimously elected to be our representative at that meeting, with Mrs. Hutchinson of Palestine as alternate. Our time being limited, the reading of Miss Emery's annual letter was omitted, as it will appear in the year book.

With some discussion the preference was again given to Wednesday, the first day of the Council for our day of meeting.

The business of the Senior branch being concluded, Miss Taylor, Directress of the Junior branch, took the chair and gave her report of their work for the year, which showed some increase over that of last year. Individual reports were read by delegates present from Galveston, Houston, Palestine, Angleton and Waco. From several other Parishes where there are no regular organizations, contributions to the Junior work are sent from individuals. There are now eight organized branches with ninety-one members.

Total amount contributed during the year \$344.58. Two scholar-

ships are carried by the Junior branch, the Bishop Kinsolving school in China and Bishop Aves' school in Mexico. A christmas box was sent to a mission school in South Dakota, and the balance of their funds divided among other branches of missionary work.

The Committee on Resolutions reported as follows:

Resolved, That we heartily thank our dear Bishop for the interest and encouragement, he, at all times gives to our organization, for his kind and inspiring words, which help to speed us on our way rejoicing.

That, we fully appreciate the reception and hospitality accorded us by the congregations of Trinity and Grace churches, also the lovely entertainment given to all, both days of the Council by the ladies of both churches.

That to Mrs. F. W. Catterall our thanks are especially due, for her explicit explanation of the work of the United Offering. Her exhaustive paper on this subject enables us to thoroughly comprehend this branch of our work and to act accordingly.

Last, but not least, we feel that we owe so much to our gracious and charming president Mrs. Axford Hicks, who is untiring in her efforts for the continuance and progressiveness of this Auxilliary's part in the great world of work for righteousness, therefore let us not forget that we too must not be weary in well doing.

Mrs. R. E. Luhn,
Mrs. E. L. Bowers,
Miss A. C. Risher,
Committee.

In Memoriam.

Just a few short months ago one of our members in this grand and glorious work, Miss Alice Baker, was called to a higher sphere of action. Her Heavenly Father knows how well and faithfully she performed her duties here. We miss her sweet and gentle companionship, but we sorrow not, without hope, for "He who doeth all things well" has her in His keeping, and in that blessed home above she awaits the coming of those with whom she labored here, therefore

Be it resolved, that we tender to the family our warmest sympathies in their bereavement, and to her friends and fellow workers, may God's grace be given, to follow her good example that at last they may be partakers with her, in life everlasting.

Miss Minnie Taylor,
Mrs. F. W. Catterall,

Committee

This tribute to Miss Baker was accepted silently—standing.

..The Bishop's appointments were as follows:

President, Mrs. Axford Hicks.

Vice-President, Mrs. J. L. Eubank,

Vice-President, Mrs. F. M. Hutchinson,

Vice-President, Mrs. E. A. Blount,

Vice-President, Mrs. P. G. Sears,

Secretary, Mrs. R. D. Gribble,

Treasurer, Mrs. A. E. Schaeffer.

Directress of Mission Study: Miss A. Risher,

Custodian of U. O. Mrs. F. W. Catterall,

Cor. Ch. Per Club, Mrs. C. M. Desel.

Directress of Junior Br. Miss Minnie Taylor,

Directress of Babies' Br. Mrs. J. B. Koehler,

In filling the vacancy caused by the death of Miss Alice Baker, the Bishop offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted.

"In the death of Miss Alice Baker, this Society is called upon to mourn the loss of one of its most loyal, devoted and efficient workers. For several years Miss Baker had charge of the Junior Branch of the Auxilary but afterwards devoted her time and attention to the Babies' branch, and in the performance of her duties in this department she was especially successful and faithful. She loved little children and never grew weary in trying to interest them and help them. As her Bishop I would add my testimony to that of her associates, and say that she always impressed me as a model church worker in her sphere. Gentle, sympathetic, with a will which overcame great bodily weakness and pain she labored to the end, and then heeded meekly and obediently, the final call of the Master, and entered upon a higher service in Paradise. We thank God for her good example."

ANNUAL REPORT OF SECRETARY.

President and Members of the Woman's Auxiliary:

We come together today for our annual session, to continue the story of Missionary work in the diocese, for the year ending May 1st, 1910.

With all of its hopes and discouragements, its joys and sorrows, it has passed on to join the cycle of ages; surely its work should be to us something more than simply a record of dollars and cents.

The discipline of self-denial and devotion to duty should be an uplift to character and a benediction upon our daily lives, if we receive these lessons as the all-wise Father sends them.

The Missionary spirit has not been very active among our members during the past year. Perhaps the Laymen, with their splendid Missionary movement absorbed so much that there seemed but little left for us to do. However, there is always work in this good old world of ours, for willing hands and hearts.

With some of our branches the work has gone steadily forward, and results have been obtained by the faithful few, who, though often discouraged, persevered against all obstacles, to the end.

Last year fourteen branches were registered upon our roll. To these have been added two new branches, one in Eagle Lake, with twenty-one members, organized in January, and the other in Rev. Seaman's parish at Temple, organized quite recently.

We give these new members the glad hand of welcome and wish them every success in their new endeavors.

No special pledges were made at our last annual meeting, but the usual routine has been followed.

We believe that our members are learning the importance and meaning of the apportionment. As an Auxiliary to the Board of Missions, remember, your first obligation, is to pay the share of the apportionment assessed upon your branch, any money sent to the Board of Missions to help them meet their obligations, will be credited upon your apportionment.

An appeal from Mrs. Aves for help, in a special work, in the Bishop's jurisdiction met with a ready response, which was thoroughly appreciated.

All money appropriated for Foreign Missions was sent to Mexico

For Diocesan Missions \$138.95 is reported.

For Domestic Missions we have upon our reports a total of \$24.85 and this small amount has gone to Alaska, Virginia, North Carolina and Tennessee.

For Foreign Missions there were five separate appropriations amounting to \$44.55 and all for Mexico.

To General Missions there is a credit of \$295.60 and for Scholarships \$130.00 making \$425.60 to the credit of our apportionment of \$500.00. Specials given upon the report blanks are "Trinity" Galveston \$55.55, from "Christ" Church, Houston \$106.00, Trinity church Houston \$10.00 from "Saint Paul's" Waco \$17.00 and from the Tyler branch \$3.00 making a total of \$191.55. \$79 of this was sent to Mrs. Aves for special work in Bishop Aves' diocese, \$17.25 to the Church Periodical Club, \$65.00 to the Clergy Relief Fund, and to other minor objects \$30.30.

Twelve boxes have been prepared and shipped to various points in and out of the diocese.

The Beaumont branch report a box of clothing sent Helen Dunlap School at Winslow, Ark., value \$10.00.

The Galveston branch, Trinity Church has been very busy in box work, having sent out six boxes during the year amounting in value to \$103.05, Grace Church branch Galveston sent two boxes one to All Saint's Hospital, South McAllister, Okla., one to Sealy Hospital Galveston. The Tyler branch report one box, value \$15.00 sent to "Saint Mary's-On-the-Mountain," Sewanee, Tenn. The Houston branch of Christ Church sent two boxes, a Christmas box to an Indian Mission school near Fay, Oklahoma, and a box of clothing to a mountain school at Franklin in the Asheville district, N. C., combined value of both being \$175.46.

Total value of the twelve boxes, \$335.51.

For the United Offering has been given, in two collections \$182.13. This is the most important branch of Auxiliary work.

As we know that this offering is devoted almost entirely to the support of women workers in the Mission field, and the care of them, whenever sick or otherwise disabled, should not every church woman consider it a privilege to have a share in it?

In a diocese, claiming nine thousand communicants, probably more than half of them women, \$182.13 seems a very small gift to so important a work.

Let us suggest, especially to the weaker branches, if you cannot do anything else, remember the little blue box and make its work your special care. Save up your pennies, even two or three a week, you will soon find them growing into dollars. Your reward will be with yourselves, in the faithful discharge of duty, for we owe this much and more to those in the field, who are giving themselves to the joy of service.

Our year book of three hundred copies was published in Tyler, at a cost of \$25.00 and distributed as usual. It is intended that each member shall have a copy of this little book and if there are any of our members who did not receive one, it was an unintentional oversight. There are a few left for any one present who cares to have them.

In the Journal of Council proceedings there will be found a condensed statement of our years work, but all detailed reports are reserved for our own book.

A prompt payment of the Auxiliary assessment is necessary to meet the expense of publishing this little book.

SUMMARY

Total number of Senior branches.....	14
Total number of members.....	269
Contributed by the senior branch to the years work.....	\$1366.84
Contributed by the Junior branch	344.58
Contributed by the Babies branch	69.17
Grand total.....	\$1780.59

There is a vacant seat in our circle today, and the Babies' branch is without a leader. The happy Spirit of our friend and co-worker, Miss Allie Baker, has passed on to the Better Land,

"She faltered by the wayside, and the Angels took her home."
"May light perpetual shine upon her."

MISS EMERY'S LETTER.
CHURCH MISSIONS HOUSE

Fourth Avenue and Twenty-second Street, New York.

Woman's Auxiliary.

April 26, 1910.

My dear Friends of the Texas

Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary:

This year has added to our many opportunities that of the Intercessory Prayer League. Through this we are furnished quarterly with a leaflet of thanksgiving and intercession for each day of the week, which gathers up the special objects for praise and prayer brought to our thoughts in the pages of the Spirit of Missions in the three preceeding months. The numbers of those individuals who have taken these leaflets for their daily use is constantly increasing, and no one can doubt that with such a gain in united prayer, a sure response will come.

Another cause for thanksgiving is that so many more of us are gaining intelligence as to what to pray for, and for what to give thanks. The number of study classes is growing and the methods of study are becoming more exact, and, best of all, the Bible is coming more generally to be found a storehouse of Missionary incentive and example.

This growing and deepening earnestness in the spiritual life of the Woman's Auxiliary will be our surest help in meeting our difficult problems. When the heart is full of faith and love, it is full of hope; and hope gives courage and enterprise and endeavor. And these are all needed at the present time by every member of the Woman's Auxiliary.

They are needed when we see so few women in our parishes at meetings of the parish branch and sharing in our interests and efforts. They are needed when we do not find willing and competent leaders for our Juniors. They are needed when we are confronted with the definite work expected of us—our share in the Woman's Auxiliary Apportionment and the United Offering. They are needed when we hear what our Missionaries are doing, or would do if they had only the means—the Specials—for the BIG THINGS which the up-building of Christian nations in unchristian lands and the restoring Christ to His forgetful people demand.

Let us pray distinctly for the spiritual gifts from God, which shall enable us to cope and conquer these difficulties. Then we may listen with confidence to the often repeated story of what is hoped for us, and put our prayers, our determination and our quiet and persistent efforts together, to win our aims.

The Apportionment, which is yearly set before us, maybe called a gift

of duty; the United Offering—made triennially—is surely our gift of thankfulness; may not our Specials—given to meet pressing needs—be known as gifts of PRIVILEGE? Then having done our duty, by meeting our right share towards the Apportionment—and some one else's share, if need be!—having by systematic giving, or otherwise, with lavish care provided for the United Offering—what is to hinder our loving response to the great special need, which the Bishop calls for and the board approves, but feels it cannot provide for by appropriation?

But the large Specials cannot so well be provided by the same method as the Apportionment; they may come more readily and more suitably through the large gifts of individuals able to give largely. We hear much in these days from women of the Church, who might well be large givers, that they are being "swamped" by many missionary appeals. Among these some selection must be made. Is it not a possible thing to begin to build up in the Woman's Auxiliary, among its members able to do large things, a band of those who shall decide that, at least for this next year, they will make this selection from among those big workers which the Bishops and the Board together have approved, making there such large gifts as God has given them ability to make?

This work of building up God's Kingdom is a great work. It calls for great love, great faith, great deeds. These deeds are great according to the capacity of him who works them. The members of the Auxiliary do not know how capable they are. By trial they can prove their capacity.

The Apportionment and the United Offering, both of which might well be doubled for the whole Auxiliary, claim that patient continuance in well doing to which God's Word promises a glorious return; so long as Specials last, they call rather for the gifts from the few, inspired by the loving prayers and eager incentive and faithful encouragement of the many. Is not this also a co-operative work in which we might all rejoice to share?

We would not leave you with the thought of money gifts uppermost. It is the heart we want to win, that will think nothing too much to offer, even though it be the gift of self to the real work with waiting souls, with which, only, our United Offering of 1910 can become a worthy and fruitful thing.

Hoping that a goodly number of your members may be in Cincinnati in October, bringing there your quota of helpful experience and returning enriched with the experience of others, I am,

Yours sincerely,
JULIA C. EMERY, Sec'y.

REPORT OF CHURCH PERIODICAL CLUB.

Mrs. C. M. Desel, Cor.

Number of current periodicals sent out regularly.....	80
Number of Bibles, Testaments, Psalms and Gospels, sent since last report.....	14
Number of Prayer books and Hymnals sent since last report.....	6
Number of Books, Theological and Secular, sent since last report....	60
Number of Catechisms sent since last report.....	25
Number of odd Magazines and papers sent since last report.....	200
Number of Christmas and Easter cards, Sunday School cards and Calendars sent since last report	300
Number of Boxes, Bundles and Packages sent out by diocese branch, contents not noted,	25
Amount of money contributed	\$30.00

To Mrs. Axford Hicks, Pres. the Texas Branch Woman's Auxiliary and its Members—

Greeting:

Kind greetings repeated, for to many of you known only by the silent yet expressive medium of letters, I come to preface this report with sincere thanks for kind and cheerful words and thoughtful deeds. To be one of the stewards in this branch of Mission Work is like being "a door keeper in the House of God."—The Holy Bible, the Prayer Books, written thoughts by saints of old—noble and inspiring words in books of our own day, come to us. We "pass" them, here and there through them, opening the "Door" to the vestibule of a more spiritual life.

The Church Periodical Work is in brief the simplest, the highest, and farthest reaching of all Mission labor. It should be better understood both the letter and the spirit of it. Careful thought must be given as to where we "cast" our "pearl". Current reading should be offered to such persons as may be grateful, and at least read some portions—yet the gift, need not be thought "a charity" in the old time meaning of the word, but rather as a courtesy, sharing a pleasure, as one would flowers or fruit, only more delightful to the giver and receiver, knowing that its effect is unlimited.

The work in our Diocese has steadily increased the past year, by the happy appointment of two new librarians, Mrs. Erhard of Trinity Galveston, and Mrs. Watson of Christ Church Houston. By their zealous efforts not only have we a large increase of Periodicals circulating, but also the very substantial and welcome help of funds to carry on our work. From our Trinity friends \$7.25 (seven dollars, twenty-five cts) from Christ Church Houston, \$12.00. From our friends in Palestine, St. Phillips Branch \$1.75 (one dollar and seventy-five cents.) These

amounts include Librarians dues. This alone shows large appreciation and to it might be added if space permitted, many grateful, glowing letters from clergymen and all recipients.

Your correspondent will be glad to receive names from members of our Auxiliary branch of persons, who desire reading matter. It may not be possible for us to fill the needs and wants of all "the waste places" in Texas yet, but that should not prevent our work at any other point where it may be desired. Often when urgency near tempts me to refuse all others—the old, old lines of Herrick come to mind, as a command:

"Give unto all, lest he whom thou deniest

"Should chance to be no other one than Christ."

Our traveling libraries have recently been increased by one, now coming from the Diocese of Los Angeles, the gift of Mrs. Merier of Pennsylvania—who pays the freight in transit and renews the books when worn out.

The case No. 20 for the past year at Cave, has been directed to make a call on our friends at the Council. Mrs. Erhard having kindly consented to take charge. These cases are given to supply the needs of the small towns or scattered settlements, which are for the most part barren of books. In new places and our small missions they are as "leaven" for Church growth. As these increase, an appointment of one to attend to the department of Traveling Libraries only should be made—who will volunteer at this meeting? Let us begin the new year of work with this verse for motto, from St. Paul to the Hebrews, X:24. "Let us consider one another."

Respectfully and gratefully yours, in His loving service,

DELIA J. DESEL.

**REPORT OF THE UNITED OFFERING FOR THE YEAR ENDING
MAY 11, 1910.**

Mrs. F. W. Catterall, Custodian.

Received from the Woman's Auxiliary of	
Austin—All Saint's Church	\$ 5.00
Austin—St. David's Church	7.90
Beaumont	4.52
Eagle Lake	2.70
Galveston—Trinity Church	29.54
Houston—Christ Church	56.95
Houston—Trinity Church	11.22
Marlin	4.25
Marshall	2.00
Nacogdoches	10.00
Palestine	12.00
Port Arthur	2.05
Temple	1.00
Tyler	2.00
Van Vleck	5.00
Waco	25.00
Waskom	1.00
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Total.....	\$182.13
From Junior Auxilary of Angleton	1.50
Austin—All Saints' Church	3.00
Houston—Christ Church	5.25
Waco, St. Paul's Junior No. 1	5.61
Waco St. Paul Juniors No. 2	5.00
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Total	\$ 20.36
Babies branch	5.00
Total for the year	\$207.49
Collected since last United Offering and previously reported..	289.27
Interest	5.32
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Total in the Bank for United Offering of 1910.....	\$502.08

PAPER ON THE U. O. READ BY MRS. Catterall.

In 1904 the United Offering from the Diocese of Texas was \$246.68. In 1907, it was \$561.61. The entire United Offering was \$224,251.55. The United Offering is completed every three years, and the next one will be presented at Cincinnati in October of 1910. We have now in the bank \$502.08, and there is one more collection before October.

How much are we going to send from the Diocese of Texas? Let us try to make a larger offering than ever before, for the United Offering follows this rule: As the work grows, so shall the offering grow. We have only the summer months in which to work for the United Offering, and it is an accepted fact, that the summer time is not our working time, and that rule may apply to some departments of Church work, but this is different. This work we carry with us when we go away, and we may also enjoy its privileges among the restful pleasures of a summer at home.

I am going to ask you to take with you some of the little blue boxes and some of the leaflets, and use all diligence and zeal to bring this work to the knowledge and understanding of every Churchwoman in your parish or mission.

Now because there are so many departments of the Auxiliary work, and because this is one so entirely independent and distinct from all other departments, I shall ask you to let me explain exactly what is the United Offering, who gives it and for what it is given.

In the first place, what is the United Offering? The United Offering is a Thank Offering. It is placed on the altar at the Triennial Service of Thanksgiving, at the time when the Woman's Auxiliary has its Triennial meeting, and also at the time and place where the Church has its General Convention. It is the national Thank Offering of the women of the American Church and its missions. It is the expression of our gratitude for the Christian privilege which we enjoy; and while it expresses our thankfulness, it also kindles our thankfulness.

Who that has ever been present at one of these services and joined in the Doxology following the presentation of the offering, but has thrilled with the joy of giving thanks? Who can contemplate with indifference the gift of \$224,000, almost a quarter of a million, laid upon the altar of God, by the women of the Church, and remember that with that gift, and because of that gift, one hundred and sixty-four women have been able to give themselves to missionary work?

Who gives the United Offering? It is given by the women and girls of the American Church and its missions, not Auxiliary members only, but all women. It excuses no one from any other obligation, the apportionment comes first and it entails no other obligation, except

that, to our united gifts there shall be added our united and urgent and earnest prayers that God will put it into the hearts of many faithful women to give themselves to the work of the Master in the Mission field.

The United Offering of 1907 represented the gifts of 82 dioceses of the American Church, including Honolulu, the Philippines, Porto Rico and Alaska, and besides these there were offerings from our foreign missions in Mexico, Brazil, Cuba, Haiti, China, Japan, Africa and others.

Many of us use the little blue boxes, accumulating small sums slowly; some of us prefer to make a semi-annual offering. Some who give it, do no other work for the Church's missions, and some are the most generous and diligent in every branch of the Church's work, and yet feel they can afford to give, if only a small sum, so that they may share in this Thank Offering.

The United Offering is collected each Spring and Fall, and sent to the United Offering Treasurer in the Diocese, who deposits the offering in the bank, and at the time of the Triennial Service of Thanksgiving takes or sends it, together with the interest it has earned, to be placed on the great golden alm-basin that is used for the purpose. And then the Board of Missions distributes it among the women workers in the mission field. \$15,000 is given for some building or buildings to be used by women mission workers. Some of it is used to train the inexperienced volunteers in hospitals and Church training schools, fitting them for the arduous work they would undertake. Some of it sends women out to their field of work; some of it supports them in their work, and some of it cares for those who may be sick or disabled. You will see in this leaflet (No. 5) the name of Miss Eugenia Reymund, disabled missionary from Greece. The simple words tell the story.

According to this leaflet, there are 164 United Offering mission workers. Of course, 67 are located in the United States, working among the Indians, the negroes, the mountain people of the Appalachian plateau, and wherever there is need of a trained worker under the jurisdiction of the Bishop. Their work is very obviously a National gain. The results are measured in better citizenship, in higher standards of intelligence, as well as of religion and morals; in habits of industry and thrift, in happier childhood, and old age that is more contented and revered. These United Offering missionaries, in kindergartens, schools and hospitals are also helping to assimilate the vast hordes of immigrants—one of the most serious problems of our Republic.

There are twelve women, United Offering missionaries, in Alaska, and many of us remember the glowing tribute paid them by Arch-

deacon Stuck, when he lectured in Texas last year. There are nine United Offering missionaries in Honolulu, five in Porto Rico, eight in the Philippines. If you do not realize the good they are doing—if you do not know the wonderful results of missionary labor, take down your files of Spirit of Missions. Read the carefully restrained and modest, and at the same time glowing articles written by our Traveling Secretary, Miss Emery, by Archdeacon Stuck and Bishop Rowe, by Bishop Kingsolving of Brazil, by Bishop Aves of Mexico, and many others. Travelers, writers, students agree that the age is ripe for missionary work. The bars are down, the gates are open. Everywhere ignorance is looking towards the light.

In the foreign field there are fifty-eight women supported by the United Offering: Nurses, teachers, mission workers; a little band carrying in their hands the torch of civilization, the balm of healing, the message of salvation.

Theirs to sow the seed and wait for the glorious harvest. Theirs to lift the standard and sound the pibroch that will raise the mighty army,—and our share is to furnish the “sinews of war.” Let us do our part in order that no woman may be kept back from the “firing line” by the lack of money.

The United Offering will be presented on the 6th of October 1910 and all contributions to the fund should be sent to Mrs. F. W. Catterall, Galveston and not later than September 25th.

REPORT OF TREASURER

Mrs. A. E. Shaeffer

Receipts		Disbursements	
Austin—All Saints'	\$ 21.60	General Missions	\$ 309.60
Austin—St. David	51.00	Diocesan Missions	116.65
Beaumont—St. Mark	34.00	Scholarships	130.00
Dickinson—Trinity	1.00	Specials Foreign	9.56
Eagle Lake—Christ Ch. .	2.20	Special for Bish-	
Galveston—Grace	11.50	op Aves' work in Mex.	105.00
Galveston—Trinity	123.70	Specials Domestic	18.00
Houston—Christ Church	306.56	Clergy Relief Fund	65.00
Houston—Trinity	28.05	Church Periodical Club ..	15.00
Marshall—Trinity	20.45	United Offering	14.52
Nacogdoches—Christ Ch.	35.50	Auxiliary assessment ...	26.75
Temple—Christ Church .	1.00	Marshall—Trinity	1.20
Tyler—Christ Church ...	29.00		
Waco—St. Paul's	144.00		
Total		Total	
\$ 810.08		\$ 810.08	

AUXILIARY ASSESSMENT

Balance as reported at last annual meeting	\$ 16.83	To Tyler Printing Co. for 300 year books 1909. \$.	25.00
Received at meeting from Temple10	Balance on Hand	19.18
Received from Calvary Church Bastrop50		
Austin—All Saints	1.60		
Austin St. David 1909-10	3.00		
Austin St. David 1910-11	3.00		
Eagle Lake—Christ	2.20		
Galveston—Grace	1.50		
Galveston—Trinity	3.70		
Houston—Christ	5.00		
Houston—Trinity	2.05		
Marshall—Trinity	1.20		
Nacogdoches—Christ50		
Tyler—Christ	1.00		
Waco—St. Paul's	2.00		
Total		Total	
\$ 44.18		\$ 44.18	

REPORT OF JUNIORS

Directress—Miss Taylor.

Receipts	Disbursements
Alvin—No regular organization; contributed by one member..... \$	Bishop Kinsolving Scholarship China \$ 50.00
Angleton—Miss Alice Delaney, 8 members....	Bishop Aves' scholarship Mexico 60.00
Austin—All Saints Church 15 members, Miss Julia Baker	United Offering 18.25
Galveston—Trinity Church 5 members Mrs. C. W. Hale	Christmas box, St. Elizabeth's school..... 112.35
Hempstead—No organization 1 member	Diocesan Missions 18.00
Houston—Christ Church 20 members Mrs. S. McNeil	General Missions 82.48
Marshall—Trinity Church 8 members, Mrs. Chas. Ragnet	Special 3.00
Palestine—St. Phillips, 8 members, Mrs. J. W. Sykes	Gregg Memorial, Austin. 3.00
Van Vleck—3 members Mrs. H. M. Holt	
Waco—St. Paul's No. 1 6 members, Miss Grace McCulloch	
Waco—St. Paul's No. 2, 16 members, Mis Anita Renick	
\$ 344.50	Total \$344.58

REPORT OF BABIES' BRANCH,

Directress—Mrs. J. B. Koehler.

Receipts		Disbursements	
Austin—All Saints Ch...	\$ 2.00	United Offering	\$ 5.00
Austin—St David's Ch....	1.00	Gayland Mart Mitchell	
Galveston—Trinity Ch....	19.50	Memorial Kindergarden	
Houston—Christ Ch.....	5.55	Japan	8.00
Houston—Trinity Ch....	1.65	Domestic and Foreign	
Marlin—St. John's Ch....	1.00	Missions	33.00
Nacogdoches	1.00	Diocesan Missions.....	17.65
Palestine—St. Phillips Ch.	2.70	Gregg Memorial Parish	
Waco—St. Paul's Ch....	31.02	House, Austin.....	3.52
Temple—Christ Ch.....	1.75	Expenses	2.00
Total		Total	
\$ 69.17		\$ 69.17	

DETAILED STATEMENT

PARISH CHURCH		No. Members	Auxiliary Assessment	Diocesan Missions	Domestic Missions	Foreign Missions	General Missions	Scholarship	Value of Boxes	Specials	United Offering	Totals
Austin	St David's	30	\$ 3.00	\$	5.00	\$ 10.00	30.00	\$	\$		\$ 7.90	\$ 55.90
Austin	All Saints	16	1 60			5.00	15.00				5.00	26.60
Beaumont	St. Mark's	16					30.00		10.00		4 52	44.52
Dickinson	Trinity	4		3.50		9.00	2 00					14.50
Eagle Lake		21	2 20								2.70	4.90
Galveston	Grace	15	1.50	10.00					32.00			43.50
Galveston	Trinity	38	3.70	15.00		11.00	45.00	20 00	103.05	55.55	29.54	232.84
Houston	Christ	47	5.00	32.75	19.85	9.55	80.00	60.00	175.46	106.00	56.95	545.56
Houston	Trinity	23	2.00	16.05						10.00	11.22	39.27
Marshall	Trinity	12	1.20				19.25				2.00	22.45
Nacogdoches	Christ	5	.50	11.65			23.35				10.00	45.50
Palestine	St. Philips	15									12.00	12.00
Temple	Christ						1.00				1.00	2.00
Tyler	Christ	7	1 00				25.00		15.00	3.00	2.00	46.00
Waco	St. Paul's	20	2.00	50.00			25.00	50.00		17.00	25.00	169.00
Marlin	} \$ 2.06 4.25 5.00 1.00											
Port Arthur												
Van Vleck												
Waskom												
Totals		269	\$ 23.70	\$ 138.95	\$ 24.85	\$ 44.55	\$ 295.60	\$ 130.00	\$ 335.51	\$ 191.55	\$ 182.13	\$ 1366.84

Junior Branch.....	\$344.58
Babies' Branch.....	\$ 69.17
Total.....	<u>\$1780.59</u>

MEMORIAL RECORD

1909-1910

"Entered Into Rest."

MISS ALICE BAKER

January 18th 1910.—All Saints, Austin

**FORM OF SERVICE FOR OPENING OR CLOSING AN AUXILIARY
MEETING.**

HYMN 249.

From the rising of the sun even unto the going down of the same
my name shall be great among the Gentiles; and in every place incense
shall be offered unto my name and a pure offering, saith the Lord of
Hosts. Mat. 1:11.

RESPONSIVE READING, PS. 67.

1. God be merciful unto us and bless us; and show us the light of
His countenance and be merciful unto us;
2. That thy way may be known upon earth; thy saving health
among all nations.
3. Let the people praise thee, O, God; yea, let all the people praise
thee.
4. O let the nations rejoice and be glad; for thou shalt judge the
folk righteously and govern the nations upon earth.
5. Let the people praise thee, O God; yea let all the people praise
thee.
6. Then shall the earth bring forth her increase, and God, even our
own God, shall give us his blessing.

LET US PRAY

O God who hast made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell
on the face of the whole earth and didst send thy blessed son to
preach peace to them that are far off and to them that are nigh; grant
that all men everywhere may seek after thee and find thee; bring the
nations into thy fold and add the heathen to thine inheritance; and we
pray Thee shortly to accomplish the number of thine elect and to
hasten thy kingdom through the same Lord Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Direct us O Lord in all our doings with thy most gracious favor
and further us with thy continual help; that in all thy works begun
continued and ended in Thee, we may glorify thy holy name and finally
by thy mercy obtain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

