Memorial Gift Launches Campaign, 
At Your Fingertips

An $125,000 gift in memory of Dr. William and Maria Staughton is launching the Historical Society’s At Your Fingertips campaign. Given by the Bauer Foundation, this gift more than matches the other early gifts to the campaign from board members and staff, as well as another major gift from the estate of Shirley Jones.

Designed to enable the Historical Society to “go digital,” this campaign will enable staff to make more resources readily available to users around the world. The Bauer gift comes “in loving memory and appreciation for Dr. William and Maria Staughton and their many efforts to further God’s kingdom in the hearts of those—young and old—who they helped.”

Ancestors of Carol Bauer, William and Maria Staughton were founders of the modern mission movement and remain an inspiration to Carol and George Bauer. Contemporaries of Adoniram and Ann Judson, the Staughtons hosted numerous visiting ministers and missionaries, and Rev. Staughton taught theology in their Philadelphia home. A founding member of both the Baptist Missionary Society (London) and the U.S. Triennial Convention, William worked with Luther Rice to organize Baptists in American in support of missions and higher education. Pastor of First Baptist and then Samson St. Baptist churches in Philadelphia, Rev. Staughton went on to serve as president of the Columbian Institute in Washington, DC—later renamed George Washington University. With this gift in their memory, the mission and educational legacy of the Staughton family lives on.

Another significant gift to the campaign comes from educator Shirley Jones, retired executive and administrator for the American Baptist Board of Educational Ministries. Coming as a bequest, this unrestricted gift to the Historical Society was divided between the 2014 annual fund and the campaign, with more than $62,000 added to At Your Fingertips. Like the Staughton memorial gift, this legacy also insures the continuation of a ministry, one of Christian education, through the work of the Historical Society.

Other early gifts and pledges to the campaign totaling $55,000 have come from Historical Society board members and staff. These contributions are coming from the Board of Managers, President Garth Brokaw, Vice-President Beverly Mitchell, Secretary John Douhan, and Treasurer Shirley Fair as well as board members Laura Alden, Kent Berghuis, Timothy T. Boddie, Barbara Chicks, Leroy Gilbert, Everett Goodwin, Heidi Holmstrom, Mitchell Homma, Jonathan Malone, Trinette McCray, Alan Musoke, Joe Stoner, Amaury Tañón-Continued on page 2
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Santos, and John C. B. Webster. Also staff have pledged or given to the campaign, alongside several members of the ABHS Advisory Council.

The public launch of the campaign happened at the Biennial Mission Summit in Overland Park/Kansas City, June 26-28. More details about this exciting campaign were shared at the kick-off breakfast, June 28, with featured speaker Marilyn Whitely providing a window into the life of home missionary Isabel Crawford and her work with native Americans. For more information about this event or the At Your Fingertips campaign, email abhs@abhsarchives or phone 678-547-6680.

Emery Andrews and Daisy Tibbs hauling supplies in Japan.

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Corrections

Photos of Brooks Andrews were mis-labeled in the last issue of Primary Source. His name is Brooks, not Brook, and his father, in the picture at left, is mistakenly called Emery Anderson, instead of his true name, Emery Andrews. We regret these mistakes.

I/We hereby commit a total of $__________, over the next five years to ABHS—“At Your Fingertips Campaign.”

Installments of $________ will be paid:
☐ Annually for (circle one) 2 3 4 5 years
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If you want to contribute to this campaign, please fill out this commitment card and send it to:

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In celebration of a nearly $8,000 grant from the National Film Preservation Foundation to preserve and digitize the 1942 documentary film on Crow life at the American Baptist mission in Lodge Grass, MT, *Crow Indians on the Jesus Trail*, we are sharing some still photographs from the mission.

Clockwise from top left: Mary One Goose has a Missions Club at Lodge Grass, Montana; New Church at Lodge Grass (1928); Burgess Memorial Church, Crow Agency, Montana (1924); John Steals-On-The-Enemy-Strong, one of the Crow Deacons, his wife Amy Yellow-Tail, and daughter, Minnie Ellen; Dedication Day at the Crow Indian Missions; William A. Petzoldt, first AB missionary on the Crow Reservation with two of the Crow chiefs.

These photographs come from the American Baptist Home Mission Societies photograph files, Native American, box 65.
Annual Event Features Crow Films

Please join us at the ABHS office on Friday, October 2 at 7 p.m. for the premiere showing of the digitized films about American Baptist work among the Crow Indians in Lodge Grass, Montana: Song of the Shining Mountains and Crow Indians on the Jesus Trail.

For more information call 678-547-6680

Event location:
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Filming Song of The Shining Mountains, from the Personal Papers Collection, Edmund C. Shaw, Director of American Baptist Films, OGS.