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# I Came to the Garden Alone

BY LILLIE MAE HUNDLEY

Missionary in Beirut, Lebanon

FROM THE WALL of Jerusalem we could see across the valley the old olive trees in the Garden of Gethsemane. Above this garden towers the Mount of Olives. Among the trees men have built ornate structures—shrines to commemorate places where Jesus and other biblical personages once walked. But these pompous, religious shells fail to demonstrate the real life and teachings of the Saviour of the world.

After the crowd of tourists had left I slipped back through the garden gate. All was quiet as I sat beneath an ancient olive tree. I did not care to look at the ornamental building nearby. I feasted my eyes on the trees, the flowers, and the sky, thinking of my Saviour as he had prayed here long ago—thinking, "My Father, God, how great

thou art! How great thy loving sacrifice through Christ my Lord!"

Here in the place where Jesus in suffering bore the sins of the world, could I also feel something of this burden? No. But as I silently prayed, meditated, waited, there flooded my soul a deep feeling of gratitude and a sweet sense of peace and joy which his suffering made possible for all who accept and follow him as Saviour.

He bore the burden of our sins. We, his followers, are to willingly and joyfully carry the message of salvation to all the world.

Humbly thanking him for calling me to follow and be his messenger to those who know him not, and with a peace that passes understanding, I gladly said again, "Thy will be done in my life."

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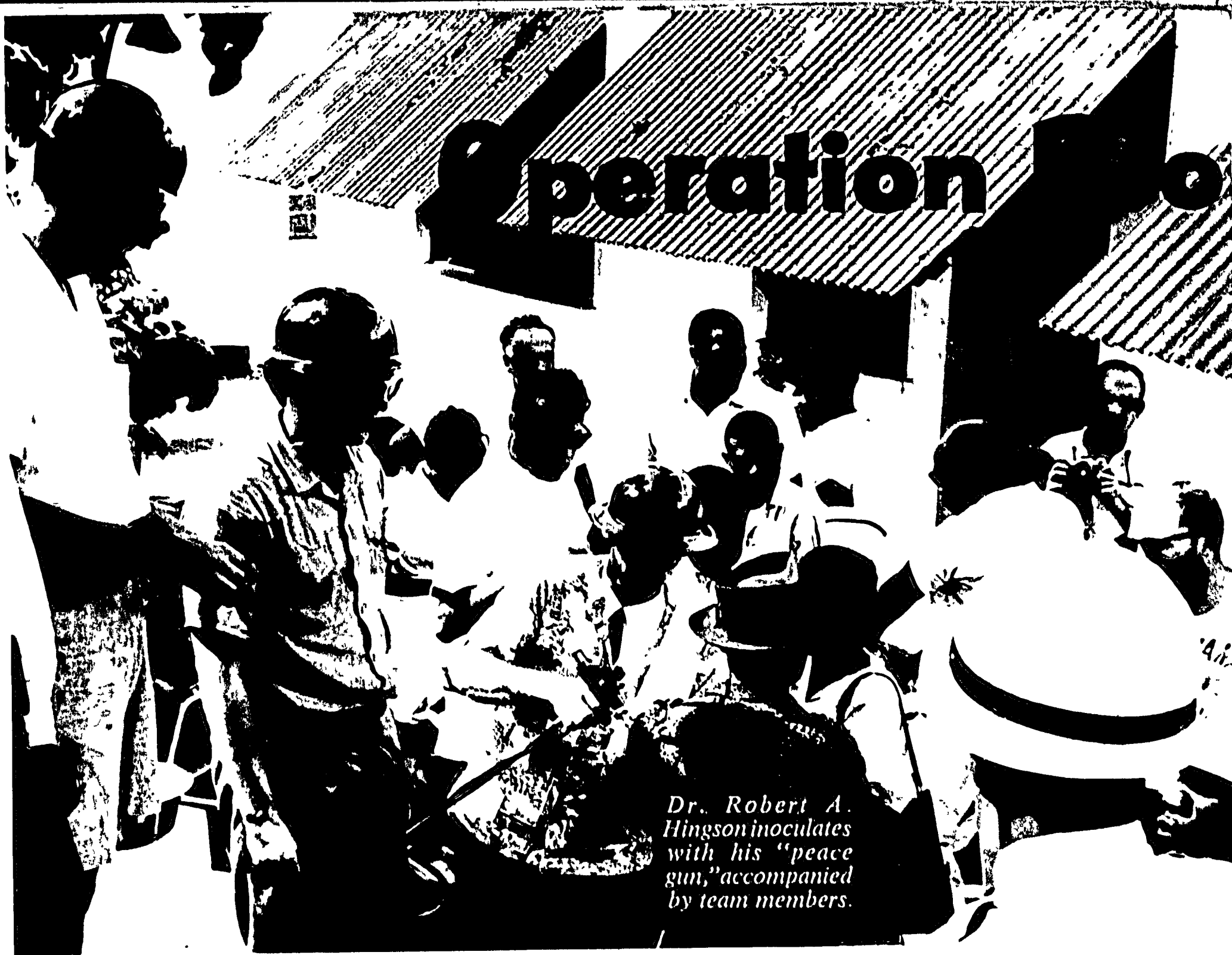
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*Dr. Robert A. Hingson inoculates with his "peace gun," accompanied by team members.*

**T**WENTY-ONE Americans have just wound up an unusual two-month "medical mission" project in the Republic of Liberia, West Africa.

They called the venture "Operation Brother's Brother" and made their journey for the purpose of preventing disease, alleviating pain, and doing what they could to improve the health education, nutrition, and general living conditions of the people of Liberia.

This was an interfaith, interracial group of laymen and women expressing an active concern for their fellow man. They joined hands in "Operation Brother's Brother" to show this little nation that America has a heart, and they donated their time and varied talents. Among them were seven medical doctors, a dentist and a professor of oral surgery, three medical students, a medical technician, two dietitians, two schoolteachers, a postal employee, a minister, and two sons of doctors on the team who plan to study medicine.

Two were Negroes, and the volun-

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supplemented by Baptist Press  
and Baptist World Alliance.*

teers represented the Roman Catholic, Jewish, and Greek Orthodox faiths as well as Baptist, Methodist, Presbyterian, and Episcopal churches.

An original member of the group, a pharmaceutical sales representative, died of a heart attack en route.

Co-ordinator, leader, and general "sparkplug" for "Operation Brother's Brother" was Dr. Robert A. Hingson of Cleveland, Ohio, head of the department of anesthesiology at Western Reserve University School of Medicine. It was his dream of doing something on a massive scale to curb disease in the world that led to the program. An active Baptist and a deacon in First Baptist Church of Cleveland, this was his way of serving God.

Essentially, his plan was to determine a country's greatest health need and provide preventive medicine for it. In the case of Liberia it was smallpox. With his jet spray inoculator, an instrument that injects vaccine into a person's arm at ultrahigh speed without pain or puncture, each team member was able to vaccinate several hundred people an hour. Dr. Hingson has worked to develop the inoculator for twenty years, constantly improving it and using it in mass injection programs.

With more than a dozen of the "peace guns," as Dr. Hingson calls them because of their humanitarian purpose, the team spent the last two months immunizing and otherwise treating many thousands of Liberians against tuberculosis, sleeping sickness, yellow fever, malaria, yaws, and worms as well as smallpox. They inoculated people wherever they found them—at church, at soccer games, at school, on the street.

The project also was planned to develop into a continuing health program

# ther's Brother

Below, Dr. Hingson injects vaccine into the arm of a man who seemingly expects the worst of the painless inoculation. Liberian teammates look on while the scene is photographed. At right, Liberian Vice-President William R. Tolbert, Jr., helps Dr. Hingson and other volunteer workers in vaccinating a line of people.

**THE COVER:** Dr. Hingson inoculates a Liberian with his "peace gun," an ultrahigh-speed instrument that he has developed over a period of twenty years. His twenty-one member team inoculated several hundred thousand people in two months.



Traveling on USS Diamond Head are Dr. Ernest Hopkins, William F. Hann, Richard Auburn, Dr. Theodore Parran, Dickson Hingson (son of Dr. Hingson), Albert Burroughs, Richard Carruthers, Dr. Robert A. Hingson, Marvin Nells, Capt. James M. Hingson (ship commander and brother of Dr. Hingson), Robert Antes, Dr. Blanchard Antes, Dr. Anthony Tomaro, Arthur Bankhurst, Dr. Ralph Rusnyk, and Carl Frode, who later died of a heart attack.



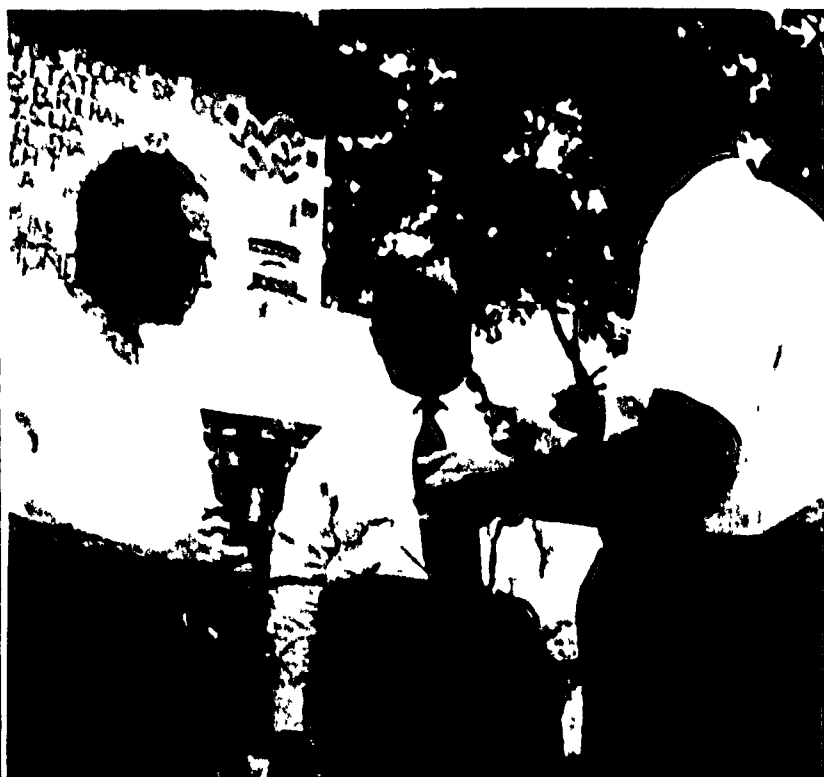




*Among the 100,000 books received in Liberia are these from Alabama.*



*Students at Ricks Institute fill a truck with books donated to the Baptist school by Americans through Operation Brother's Brother.*



*Above, Paul M. Stevens, Radio and Television Commission director, interviews Liberian Vice-President William R. Tolbert, Jr., and Dr. Hingson. Below, he makes a recording with Missionary William A. Poe.*



for the nation. Liberians accompanied the Americans, learning new techniques and receiving new equipment. The volunteers divided into teams and fanned out across the country for inoculation, dental clinics, nutritional instruction, distribution of educational materials, and whatever medical ventures presented themselves on the spur of the moment.

Dr. Hingson hopes this people-to-people benevolent mission may become a pattern for progressive health service spreading to other countries around the world often hit hard by epidemics.

In addition to the time and efforts given by the team members, companies affiliated with the Pharmaceutical Manufacturers Association contributed thousands of dollars worth of vaccines, medicines, and other supplies. More than one hundred thousand books also were given to the Liberians by American schools, churches, and individuals. These went to various mission schools and to the University of Liberia.

A relative of Dr. Hingson who is a member of First Baptist Church in Gadsden, Alabama, was instrumental in collecting and shipping several thousand books for Ricks Institute, a Baptist high school near Monrovia, in which two Southern Baptist missionary couples serve.

The United States Navy provided transportation for sixteen members of

the mercy mission and the cargo on the USS Diamond Head, an ammunition ship. Seven on the team later flew to Liberia to join them. The Navy's assistance was made possible by Adm. George W. Anderson, Jr., chief of naval operations.

The ship's commander, Capt. James M. Hingson, is a brother of Dr. Hingson. They are descendants of President James Monroe, who fostered the founding of a colony of freed slaves which became Liberia, one of Africa's first two independent nations. The capital, Monrovia, is named in honor of the fifth U.S. President.

"Operation Brother's Brother" took place at the invitation of Liberian President William V. S. Tubman and Vice-President William R. Tolbert, Jr. Mr. Tolbert, also a Baptist minister, is president of the Liberia Baptist Missionary and Educational Convention and a vice-president of the Baptist World Alliance.

The project is a sequel to a similar tour of thirty-two countries led by Dr. Hingson in 1958, sponsored by the BWA and called "Project: Brother's Keeper." You may have seen the televised report of that endeavor last year on a program in "The Answer" series produced by Southern Baptist's Radio and Television Commission and narrated by commentator Paul Harvey.

Robert S. Denny of Washington, associate secretary of the BWA, served as consultant for "Operation Brother's

Brother" because of his close connection with the 1958 venture. Details were formulated in co-operation with the Liberian ambassador to the United States, S. Edward Peal. In January Dr. Hingson and Dr. Thomas Parran, former U.S. surgeon general, flew to Liberia to complete arrangements.

Liberia grasped the helping hand gratefully and provided thousands of dollars worth of transportation, lodging, food, and funds.

Although this was not a Southern Baptist denominational endeavor, the Radio and Television Commission again felt that here was evidence of Christian compassion and brotherly love seen all too seldom in our day and that it could be held up to our nation as an influence for good. Thus Truett Myers, television consultant and cameraman, Ted Perry, script writer, and Paul M. Stevens, Commission director, went to Liberia to produce film on the project and on Southern Baptist mission work for an American Broadcasting Company television report on its weekly "Directions '62" program on Sunday, April 29. Plans also are for the Radio-TV Commission to produce two films about the nation of Liberia and mission work there for "The Answer" series in 1963.

I accompanied the medical group on the first part of its tour to handle press relations, take still pictures, and gather tape-recorded material.

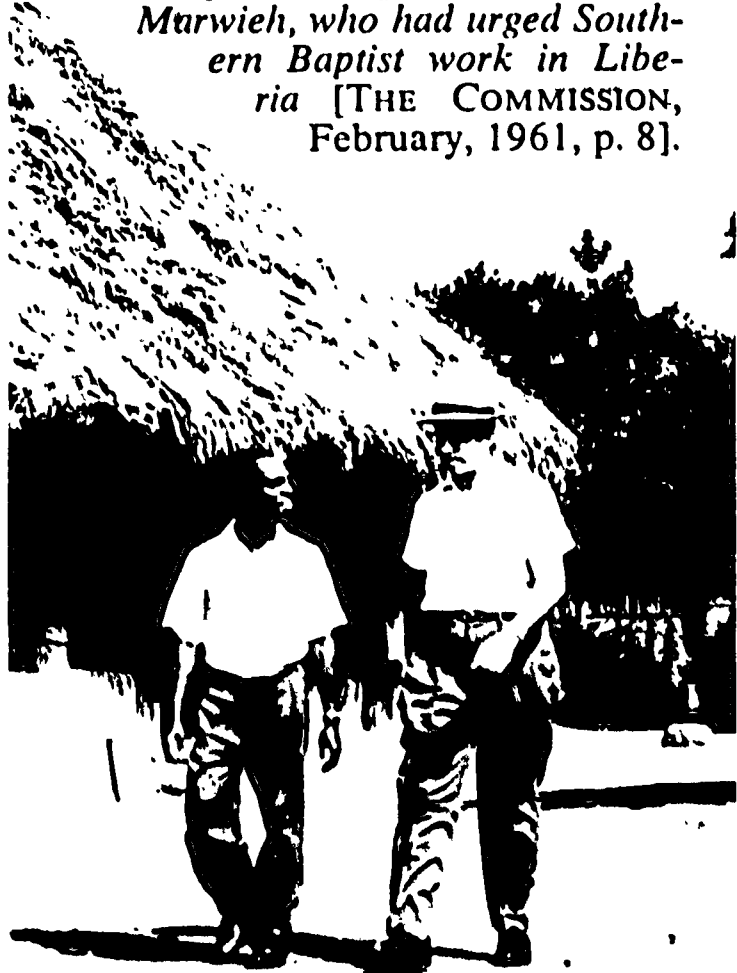
The first trip our photographic team made out of Monrovia was to Ricks Institute. I had never seen foreign mission work outside a city before, so I had no idea of what to expect. I was



*Cameraman Truett Myers photographs missionaries Beth Poe, Adrian W. Coleman, and William A. Poe at Ricks Institute. Below, he shoots scenes in a Liberian village.*



*Missionary John M. Carpenter walks through a village with Augustus Murwiah, who had urged Southern Baptist work in Liberia [THE COMMISSION, February, 1961, p. 8].*



pleasantly surprised. It is a beautiful campus, literally carved out of the forest fifteen miles from the capital city. Some of the buildings are old and inadequate, since the school is seventy-five years old, but a new two-story boys' dormitory was put into use only this spring and a girls' dormitory is being built.

Southern Baptists have been serving in Liberia for only a year and a half, but the three couples stationed there have many progressive ideas for reaching the people and serving them through Christian education and a church ministry.

The superintendent of Ricks Institute is Rev. William A. Poe, formerly stationed in Nigeria. Working with Mr. and Mrs. Poe are Rev. and Mrs. Adrian W. Coleman. When we arrived, Rev. and Mrs. John M. Carpenter and

their three children were in the process of moving two hundred miles down the coast to Greenville, a new field of endeavor.

Another channel for Baptist influence and the Christian message in Liberia is through radio. Station ELBC, operated in agreement with the Liberian Government, is now broadcasting Southern Baptists' programs "MasterControl" and "Patterns." The station plans to increase its power soon to cover most of Africa.

Station ELWA, operated by the Sudan Interior Mission and broadcasting in six Liberian dialects, eight Nigerian dialects, and ten other languages, has requested audition tapes of "La Hora Bautista" (the Commission-produced "Baptist Hour" in Spanish) and "Chapel Upstairs," the fifteen-minute daily devotional program.

# MOMENTOS de INSPIRACIÓN

BY L. LAVERNE GREGORY

Missionary field evangelist  
in San José, Costa Rica

**C**ÁMARAS . . . cámaras . . . silencio!" says the man in the control booth. The Bible appears on the screen—theme music plays—the announcer begins: "Estamos presentando 'Momentos de Inspiración,' un programa diferente que llega a usted, amigo televidente . . ." (We are presenting "Moments of Inspiration," a different program that comes to you, viewer friend . . .).

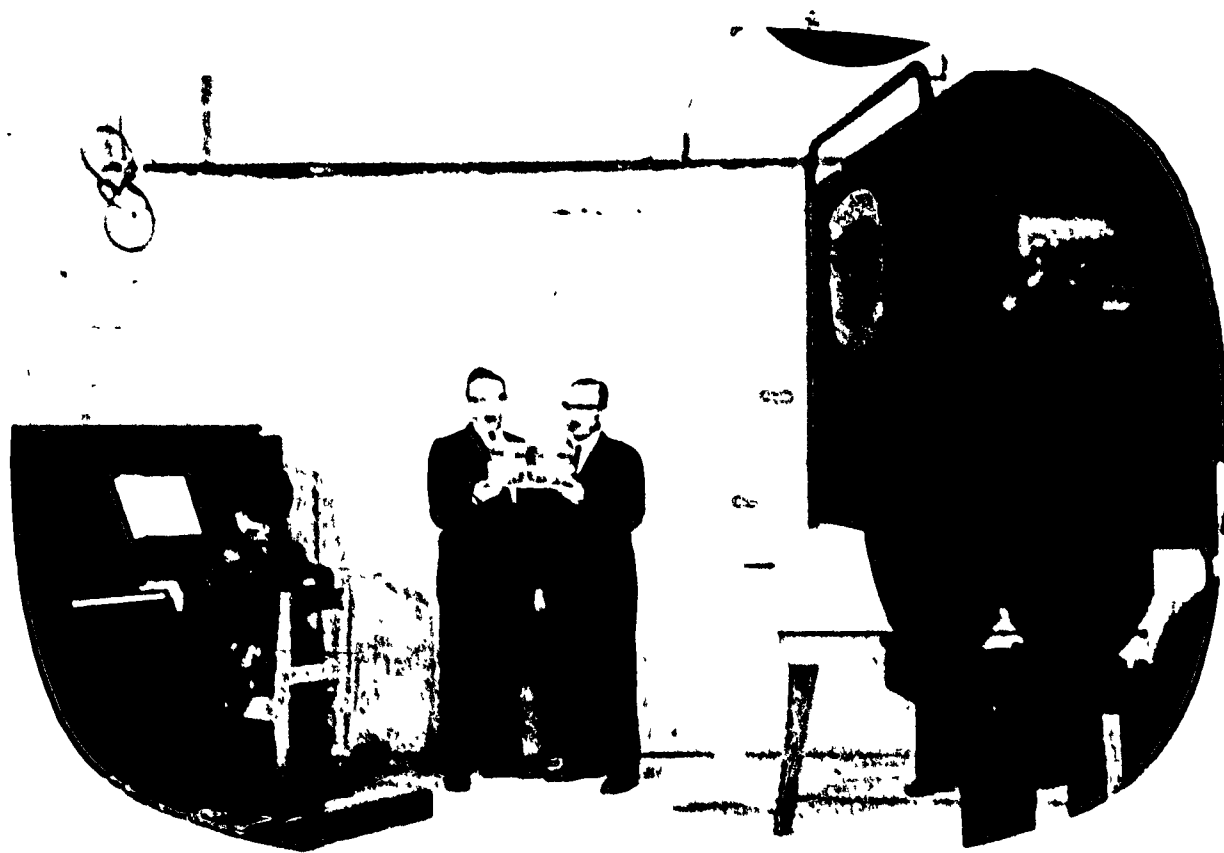
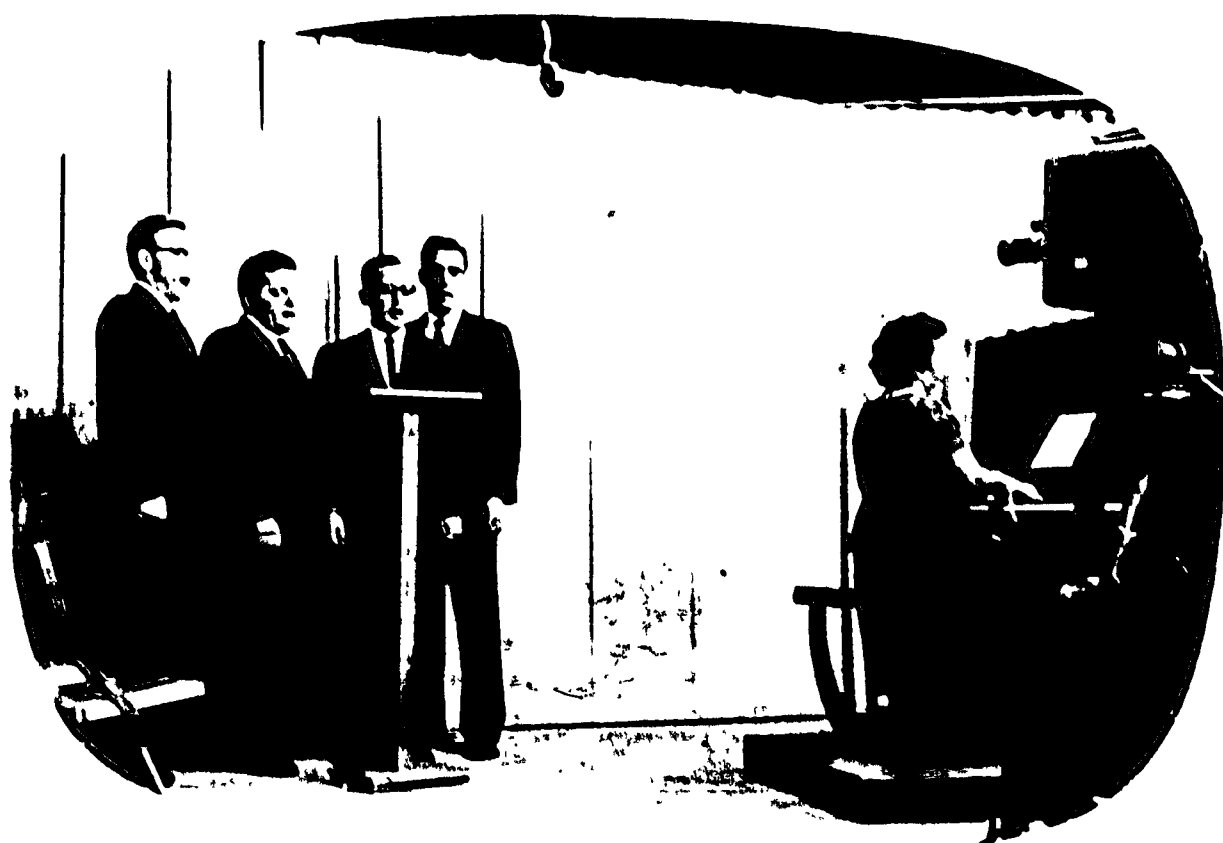
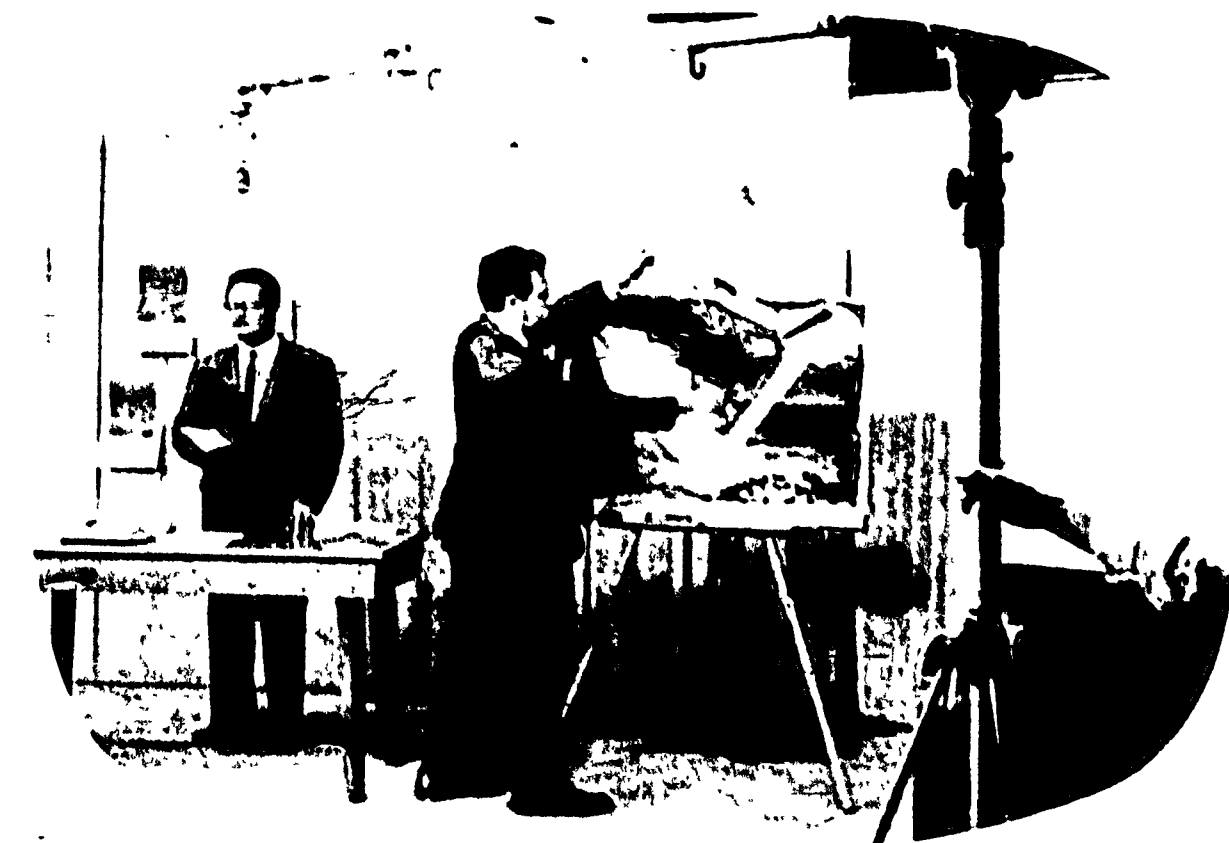
Thus begins another live telecast of a popular program on Channel 7 in San José, Costa Rica.

Baptists of Costa Rica last year cooperated with other evangelicals in conducting "Evangelism in Depth," a united effort of Bible teaching, visitation, and preaching. A weekly Saturday evening live telecast was also a vital part. "Moments of Inspiration" proved so popular that four evangelical groups decided to pool their

*UPPER LEFT: Adrián González, pastor of First Baptist Church in San José, is master of ceremonies, and James Worgan, a language student, completes a chalk drawing.*

*CENTER LEFT: Students Kent Balyeat, J. T. Harvill, Bob Franks, and Jimmy Hartfield form the quartet, accompanied by Betty Gregory.*

*LOWER LEFT: Laverne Gregory, program director, sings with Kent Balyeat, with Sallie Franks at piano.*





# TOS CIÓN



efforts and funds to continue the program. Each would be responsible for one telecast per month.

Strong interest in the program has continued. Even though television is comparatively young in Costa Rica, we have an estimated audience of twenty-five to thirty thousand.

On a recent program the local Baptist Book Store offered to send a Christian Life Calendar free to each person who telephoned or wrote a letter. Within a few minutes the Baptist office received thirty phone calls and continues to receive letters.

Field Representative James D. Crane was being introduced to a local San José doctor, a Roman Catholic, when the doctor said, "Ah yes, you are the one who spoke last evening on 'Momentos de Inspiración.' You had a very interesting discussion."

It is difficult to know the full significance of the program. But with prayer and perseverance it can play a vital role in evangelizing this Central American country.

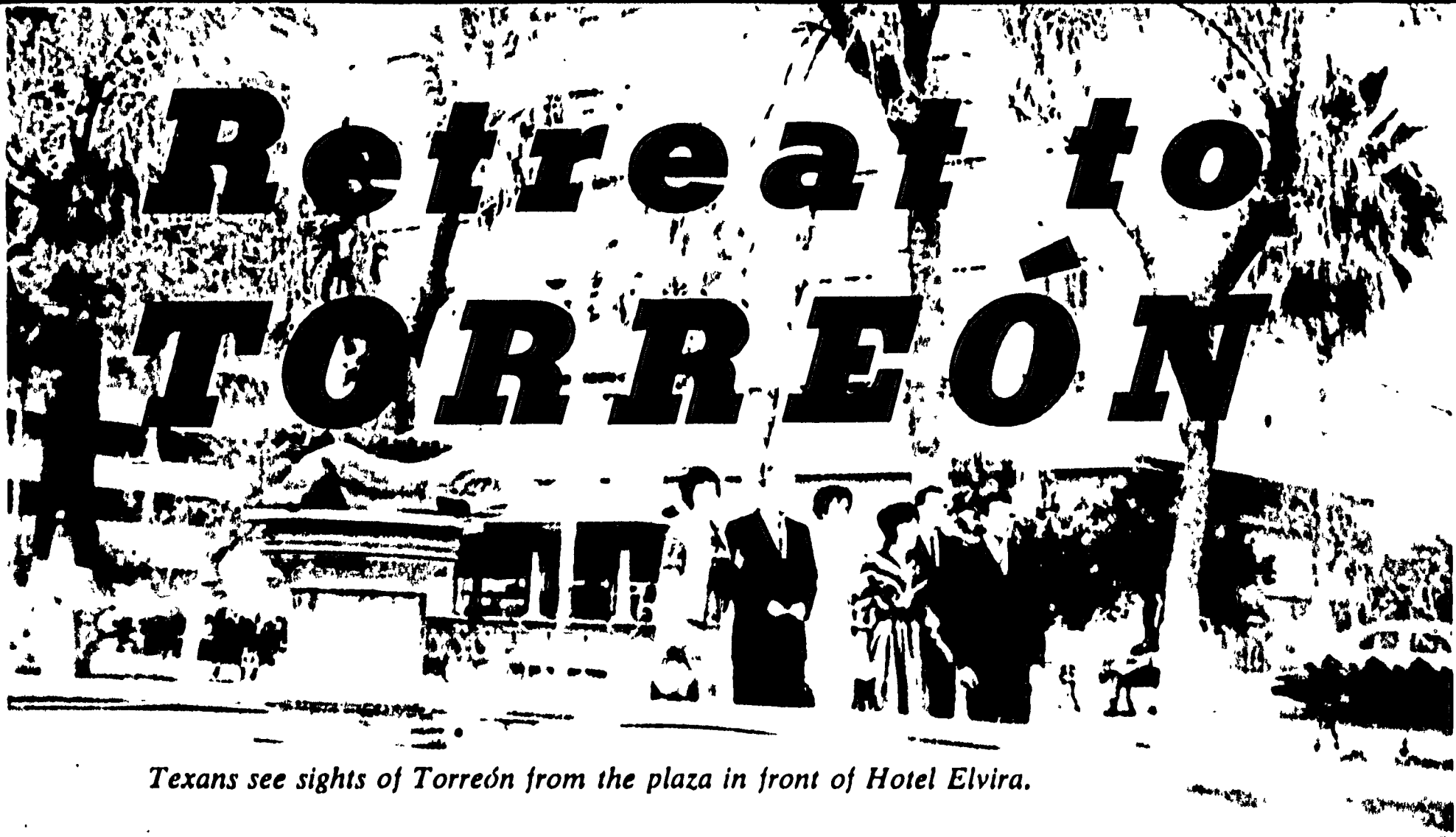


**UPPER RIGHT:** Young people from First Baptist Church in San José present the gospel in a playlet, discussing reasons why a person should be a Christian.

**CENTER RIGHT:** A model Sunday school hour is presented by young people of Cinco Esquinas Baptist Church in San José.

**LOWER RIGHT:** Julia Williamson, language student, sings a solo as Sallie Franks accompanies.





*Texans see sights of Torreón from the plaza in front of Hotel Elvira.*

**L**EAVING THEIR BOOKS behind, a group of Baptist students from West Texas State College "retreated" to Mexico between semesters in January to see foreign mission work first hand and to hear their own Christian testimonies.

James M. Dunn, Baptist Student Union director, led them on the two-thousand-mile tour for their mid-winter BSU retreat. Going by chartered bus from Canyon, near Amarillo, the forty-one students and sponsors visited First Baptist Church in Monterrey, Mexico's oldest Baptist church; stopped at Saltillo; and spent three days in Torreón, home of Mexican Baptist Theological Seminary.

In Torreón the traveling Texans followed a full schedule in addition to the usual tourist sight-seeing and bargaining for sombreros and sarapes. At the seminary they met the Southern Baptist representatives on the faculty and several from other parts of Mexico who had come for a meeting the same week end. They also visited the homes of Pat H. Carter, one of the professors, and of Señor Ibarra, a Mexican rancher and a leading Baptist layman. On Saturday night the "Norte Americanos" were given a party by the seminary students and faculty, and they worshipped in Baptist churches of the city the next day.

During their busy round of visiting and shopping in Torreón, the Texas

BSUers found time for several periods of serious study. At the seminary they heard discussions of Roman Catholicism as practiced in Mexico, of Baptist mission work, and of Mexican history and culture by Representatives Carter, Ervin Haste, and Van Gladen. Professor Haste is also director of evangelism for the Mexican Baptist Convention, and Sr. Gladen is the seminary president. In addition, they held three sessions of Bible study, led by Strauss Atkinson, pastor of First Baptist Church in Canyon, and by Glen Norris, BSU director at Southwest Texas State Teachers College in San Marcos.

"One of the most unusual things that happened," said Mr. Dunn, "was an experience a group of our students had as they attended Calvary Baptist Church, singing for the morning worship service and sharing a testimony in Spanish. Although their singing was

probably not the most forceful Spanish, they sang 'Estad por Cristo Firmes' (Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus). Only one or two of the choir knew what they were saying, as the rest had learned it phonetically. One of the group gave his testimony, and his words were carefully written out in classroom style well in advance.

"They received an unexpected blessing. After these sharings of our Lord and what he means by the North American students, a young man in the church presented himself as a visitor with a certificate of baptism from First Baptist Church of Cotton Center, Texas, a next-door neighbor to Canyon. He had been converted and baptized while working as a bracero in the rich Panhandle harvest fields. This was one of the greatest joys to these students, because they realized that gospel seeds are also planted in the Texas harvests."

*Professor Pat Carter leads the Texas students in a discussion during their visit to Mexican Baptist Theological Seminary in Torreón.*



Pat Carter emphasized this evaluation in a recent letter to the Texas state paper, *Baptist Standard*: "Last week I was reading a book written by a Catholic priest in which mention was made of the 'damage' done to braceros by evangelistic work done among them in Texas. This reminded me again that we here in Mexico owe a vote of thanks to our brethren in Texas who work with the Mexican harvesters who cross the border every fall.

"I doubt that there is a mission or church in the Torreón area that does not have a number of members or 'sympathizers' who first heard the gospel 'on the other side.' Some were baptized in Baptist churches in Texas. Others heard enough of the gospel to make them receptive to our efforts here."

The Christian students from Texas were also doing mission work in an unexpected manner during their brief visit in Torreón. Mr. Dunn explained it this way: "The manager of Hotel Elvira, where we stayed, told me that since Torreón is off the tourist trail there were probably never over eight or ten North American tourists a month in his hotel.

"He related that neither he nor any of his employees had ever seen North Americans like this. They spoke to the bellboys. They were not always drinking and causing a disturbance. They were quiet and orderly at night. The fact that they were so different made a tremendous impression upon restaurant and hotel employees and everyone in the downtown area."

Their Bible study also offered opportunity to witness for Christ, this time to other students. Mr. Dunn continued: "A group of prep-school students had heard there were American college students in Torreón and sought them out on Sunday evening. Several of the Mexican students had been to a party at which alcoholic drinks had been served, and they were quite obviously the kind of young people



*Rancher Ibarra demonstrates feed grinder.*

that didn't spend their Sunday evenings in a Protestant worship service.

"There was a Jew, a German, a Frenchman — but they were all Mexican, brought up in Mexican culture but with hungry, inquiring minds. They wondered what would prompt a group of North American college students to spend their between-semester break in Torreón. Among the group was a very proper and polite young man whose father is ex-governor of the state of Coahuila. All of them were either Roman Catholic or self-styled atheists.

"At the Texans' warm invitation,

about a dozen of their new Mexican friends were persuaded to visit their Bible study on the hotel roof garden. Afterward some of the students, who had not been part of the wilder, drinking group, stayed for more than an hour to discuss what was said in the study."

Enthusiastically summing up the tour, Mr. Dunn remarked, "We feel we had a wonderful retreat in Mexico and could multiply stories of the thrilling joys that were ours. Our BSU president and her fiancée surrendered for foreign missions as a result. And on and on the story goes."



*James Dunn bargains for souvenirs in Torreón. Back home in Canyon, the students unload the bus — sombreros and all.*



# Editorials

## Numbers Show Our Missionary Concern

**N**OW that Southern Baptist statistics for 1961 are available we can look at ourselves as a denomination. The facts indicate increases and all-time highs in church membership, number of churches, and financial giving. The more significant figures are as follows:

### Churches and Membership

Churches	32,598
Increase over 1960	347
Membership, 1961	9,978,480
Net gain over 1960	246,897
Percentage increase	2.5%
Baptisms	403,315
Percentage increase	4.4%
Ratio to membership	1 to 24.7

### Contributions

Total gifts to churches	\$501,301,714
Per capita total gifts	\$50.23
Total retained by churches	\$416,867,708
Percentage kept in churches	83.2%
Per capita kept in churches	\$42.80
Total for missions and benevolences	\$84,434,006
Total through Cooperative Program	17,715,140
Per capita through Cooperative Program	\$1.78
Percentage through Cooperative Program	3.5%
Total for foreign missions through Cooperative Program	\$7,910,417
Per capita for foreign missions through Cooperative Program	\$0.80
Total gifts for foreign missions	\$17,935,615
Per capita gifts for foreign missions	\$1.80
Percentage of gifts to churches for foreign missions through Cooperative Program	1.5%
Unmet needs on foreign mission fields	\$3,000,000

### Potential

Southern Baptists' tithe potential	\$2,300,000,000
Per capita tithe potential	\$230.50

Every church member should be encouraged to study these numerical indicators of the history we made last year. And in acquainting ourselves with the facts we will do well to give special notice to those that indicate our degree of missionary concern. Surely out of such widespread attention there should come discussion, prayer, re-evaluation of the stewardship responsibility for each church, and some significant adjustments of its budget.

The spiritual need of the world obviously has not

yet become the urgent factor it should be in the planning of church budgets. It seems incredible that while we claim that ours are New Testament churches we use, year after year, more than four fifths of our funds on ourselves. This disproportionate share for ourselves belies to a large extent our vocal indications of missionary concern for the world.

The number of lost people in the world grows each day by more than a hundred thousand—a veritable avalanche of human life for which we must bear our share of responsibility with the gospel. Yet we hold the mission sections of our budgets at a “business as usual” level. Elaborate structures, ornate trimmings, and luxuriant creature comforts are of top priority consideration while we pay token homage to our Lord’s command to evangelize the world.

## A Springboard to World Evangelism

**B**OUNDLESS possibilities for church extension and evangelism still await Southern Baptists through the 30,000 Movement. Born of missionary motivation, it has already stirred many churches to take stock of their unmet opportunities, encouraging them to decisively reach out with both means and manpower to provide the gospel witness those opportunities require.

Since its beginning in 1956 there have been established more than 14,000 new points of witness, of which nearly 5,000 have been constituted into churches.

As one of the longest continued emphases on record for the Southern Baptist Convention, the 30,000 Movement is still vigorous and apparently is enjoying an increasingly enthusiastic response. According to a recent report through Baptist Press, more than 500 new churches were organized and over 900 mission points established during the last five months of 1961. Such a report gives occasion for rejoicing and serves as a forecast of victory by the goal deadline date, December 31, 1964.

As Southern Baptists achieve the objective they have given themselves in the 30,000 Movement they also go far in broadening the base and increasing the potential for their worldwide evangelization through foreign missions. Every new church is an outgrowth of missionary compassion and zeal. If, while growing in size, that church is led to grow in world vision and stewardship, it will help increase the pace and scope of foreign missions advance.

This is a day when the most we can do is not enough. So it is heartening to feel that the gospel will reach many places and people in the months ahead that it would not have reached had there been no 30,000 Movement. We are praying for its success, both for what it means in reaching America for Christ and for what it promises for reaching other nations.

however, is greater than any benefit we are to them. Their welcome has made us happy. Churches like this remind us of how much we are indebted to earlier missionaries and national workers.

The stories from inside China are usually grim, but we have heard from refugees that churches continue to have services and that living conditions in some areas are a little better. A close friend of ours was recently surprised by the arrival of five members of her family from China. They had to swim part of the way, were hungry and cold, and were illegal immigrants, but they were happy to be here.



**Jean (Mrs. John A.) Poe**  
*Florianopolis, Santa Catarina, Brazil*

### **Families Save All Week To Go to Church on Sunday**

BEFORE WE CAME home on furlough, Sunday was always our fullest day, with the regular Sunday morning and evening services, the preaching point in the afternoon, Young Woman's Auxiliary once a month, choir practice for the Juniors and Intermediates, rhythm band, YWA choir, Royal Ambassadors, Girls' Auxiliary, Sunbeams, and Training Union.

Many of our people lived a long way from the church and couldn't afford to go back and forth many times during the week, so we tried to take advantage of the Lord's Day. Many with large families spent enough money to go to church on Sunday to pay for a full day's food supply. Often, when we asked about someone from a large family, a member of it simply shrugged his shoulders and said, "We couldn't all come today."

One young man, who had just married a lovely Christian (disowned by her family because of her faith), walked back and forth to work two or three times a day—about five kilometers each way—to save money for his family to come to church on Sunday, all eleven of them.



**Josephine Scaggs**  
*Joinkrama, Nigeria*

### **Love, Prayer, and Giving Bind 'Labourers Together'**

AS I VISITED your homes, churches, conventions, conferences, and camps during my recent furlough, I was assured that we are "labourers together with God" in carrying out the Great Commission of our Lord Jesus Christ.

I saw tangible evidence of this through your Christian attitude toward and love for people of other races. An example in my own experience was the gracious reception of Vincent Amachree from my mission area, one of the four Nigerians accepted without discrimination with other international students in Oklahoma Baptist University. Because he is a product of our Baptist

mission efforts and served for eleven years as a teacher and lay preacher in Nigeria, he has been a "son in the Lord."

Your homes and churches have been opened to him, allowing the love and spirit of Christ to heal many wounds made by offences from inconsistent Christians and non-Christians. He and other African students have seen the gospel that was preached to them applied by the American Christians sending the missionaries out. What a difference your Christlike attitude toward these in your midst makes in our proclaiming the love of Christ across the ocean! "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

I also saw evidence of your concern for the missionaries and their fields. It has meant much to be assured time and again by individuals and churches of their prayers throughout the year as well as on our birthdays.

Moreover, I was inspired by your increase in giving. As you support missions through your Cooperative Program weekly and annually through the special offerings you untie the hands of your missionaries, making it possible for them to do the "greater works" in his name by supplying acute needs for institutions, homes, means of transportation, personnel, and equipment.



**Guy S. Williamson**  
*San José, Costa Rica*

### **Facts of Religion, Culture Accompany Language Study**

"WHAT DID SHE SAY, Lynn?" What does he want, Lynn?" Yes, language study can be a mighty humiliating experience when a father has to ask his five-year-old daughter to translate for him. This is the case in our family. Both of our children are picking up Spanish with ease while Judy and I have to spend up to seven and eight hours a day in study. Nevertheless, we are grateful for this experience.

We thought our schooling here was to be only a study of the language, but we are also learning the religion and culture of the people to whom we will go as Christ's messengers. We have lectures by national personnel on the social background of Latin America, and we take educational trips to observe such things as the work, living conditions, and religious festivals of the people.

We are also trying to serve as best we can within our language limitations in the Baptist church at Heredia, the only evangelical witness in a city and surrounding villages of about fifty thousand people. The children enjoy the hour-long bus ride from our home in San Pedro to Heredia every Sunday morning. Judy and I make the trip back on Sunday night, and I go to the prayer service on Tuesday night. I teach the Adult men's class — yes, in Spanish—and Judy plays the piano and helps with the Beginners.

It is easy for one to become an "expert" on a place where he has been. Certainly, as a tenderfoot missionary, I would not or could not attempt to know all the answers to Latin America's problems, but one fact is clear:



It is not a matter of whether there will be revolution or not in Latin America; there will be. The people are throwing off the chains of their political, social, religious, and cultural slavery. The important thing is what type of revolution will take place. Will it be in favor of the appealing half-truth ideology of communism or the all-sufficient gospel of Christ that sets men free?



**Edna (Mrs. J. Leslie) Smith**  
*Surakarta (Solo), Indonesia*

### **Curiosity-Seekers Hear Gospel for First Time**

WE ARE the only missionaries in this city of about one-half million and also the only Americans. There is just one European family. Any time we are on the streets we know people are watching us and wondering what we are doing there. But, God is very close to us and through his strength we are learning to accept the fact that we are different. Our prayer is that we may be able to show these people God's love so that they may know our reason for being here.

Here in the Solo area we have one church and two missions. Each has a national pastor who is doing very good work. Leslie is the adviser and co-ordinator, and he preaches for the English worship services in our church.

We recently had some interesting experiences during a revival at our mission in a nearby kampong. Meeting in a room about eighteen by twenty feet, we had a good crowd the first night as it was something new. The second night we had a religious film and more than 450 people crowded into the small room and in the doors. Naturally most of them could not sit down. It is hard to imagine how so many could crowd into such a small area. But we observed that a good number of the adults were attentive and listened to everything said in the sermon.

As I sat at the small pump organ and watched these people come in—mothers nursing their babies, women with a large, reddish chewing substance they hold in the front of their mouths, and children with eyes aglow—I realized that most of them were coming merely out of curiosity. But I realized, too, that most were hearing the gospel for the first time. What a challenge and responsibility! And how grateful we are that we had the opportunity of helping to make it possible for them to hear. We know that seeds were planted and that God will provide the harvest. But what about the many millions of people in Indonesia who still have not had the chance to hear?



**Carroll Wayne Shaw**  
*Umtali, Southern Rhodesia*

### **Crowded School, Unstaffed Hospital Indicate Needs**

ON OUR LATEST school registration day we had places for only forty pupils in the first grade, but sixty boys and girls stood in line. The parents here have a

burning desire that their children be educated. They do not know in what years their children were born, however. No birth certificates, no ages known, many sizes—with this we begin, so a weeding process must be used.

First the child must reach over his head and try to touch his ear on the other side. If he can do this he is old enough to start to school. If he can't, he must wait another year. The heartbreaking part is that many can touch their ears, but the class has already been filled. They must be sent away to return when a year older, still hoping for a place in school so that they might learn.

Also in the Lake Nyasa area of Southern Rhodesia we have seen where thousands of Africans live with not one evangelical witness among them. We found a 139-bed hospital for which there was no doctor. A medical assistant carries on the work, performing all types of operations. No one was witnessing to these that were sick in soul as well as in body. Southern Baptists have only three missionary couples in all of this densely populated land of lakes where up to two hundred people per square mile live. Pray with us that God will send more workers.



**LaMoyne (Mrs. Travis E.) Wginton**  
*Seoul, Korea*

### **Converts Find Peace, Hope Millions Need To Fill Void**

AMONG THOSE who made professions of faith in a revival at Choong Moo Ro Baptist Church last year were several who had been in Travis' Bible class; also the man who picks up the dry cleaning, the gate-boy, and others who have associated with missionaries and soldiers.

An example of the sincere appreciation felt by the new converts is shown in a letter from one of them, written in English. It says in part: "I really thank you for your lovely sympathy for me. Oh! really I must thank to God. He gives to me a good chance. I am sure that you are never forget in my whole life. Also, you gave to me a great faith through the revival service. Only I can pray for you and your family. Please help us from the evil world and stay always with us."

Another who was saved is a man who had been orphaned in 1951 by the Communists in North Korea. He was found by an American soldier and spent eight years in an orphanage. After serving in the Korean Army until March last year he was unable to find a job. He wrote Travis a letter in English the second night of a revival, which said: "I am very sorry to write this letter.

Last night your sermon is very beneficial to me sir. I am grown up from orphanage when I was a little boy. My family all slaughtered by communist. I don't have very much education. If it is not misdemeanor to God, I want to kill myself because I think that my life is no good. I looking for job every place and looking for place to live always and all my best, but it is not so easy for me. Sir, I have simple question to you. If you can would you please help me. I don't know what shall I do from now without your help. From unfortunate human."

This man was saved the following night. Helping him to find a job was not easy in a land where so many are unemployed, but after his conversion he had an attitude of peace and hope. We are grateful for God's Word and the power and peace that comes from obeying it!

Korea is wide open to the preaching of the gospel. There is a vacuum in the lives of millions. Buddhism, materialism, education, and other things have not filled this void. Pray that we may fill it with the gospel of Jesus Christ before the Communists do with their atheistic dogma.



**Ray Buster**  
*Rio de Janeiro, Guanabara, Brazil*

### **Women Stand for Christ In Difficult Situations**

DONA MARIA (that isn't her real name, but it will do for our purpose) joined our church three years ago. Twelve years ago she was living with a man who had a legal wife. There is a way for legal separation in Brazil but not with the right to remarry; therefore, many people live by common-law marriages.

Maria and her "husband" learned about a Baptist church, and both began to attend. Before long she gave her heart to the Lord, but the man could not bring himself to do so. They had a daughter, and Maria found it hard to give up the man's support. They continued that way for five years or more.

Then she bravely made her decision to leave him, join the church, and be baptized. He promised to help support her and little Eunice, and he did so for a while but soon stopped when he saw that she was not going back to him. Dona Maria found a job, taking care of two small boys whose mother works, and she and the daughter live in the home where she works. During a recent revival Eunice, now eleven, gave her heart to the Lord and became a member of our church.

They have a neighbor, Dona Leah, whom they invited to attend church with them. Eunice suggested that she could take care of Dona Leah's children in the church nursery while the two ladies listened to the sermon, "because you know, Mother, I'm a Christian already, and she is not."

Dona Leah soon came confessing Jesus, too. Her husband was very displeased with her decision and prohibited her from even listening to religious sermons on the radio. He hid her Bible several times, but she found it. She continued attending the services, however, being careful to leave his food ready so that he would not fuss at her too much. His sisters and other members of

the family, some of whom belong to Daughters of Mary, a Catholic order, were also unkind about Dona Leah's going after this new religion. They went so far as to accuse her of losing her mind.

Finally her husband told her she would just have to choose between him and this religion. In tears she went to talk it over with her neighbor, Dona Maria, who gave a wonderful answer: "Leah, tell him that he is your husband, the father of your children, and that you want to stay with him. Say that you need him to help you rear these children but that you need the Lord, too—that you want Jesus in your life as well as your husband."

When I visited Dona Leah recently she told me that since she had stood up for her rights he had not been so cruel. She invited me to have lunch with her, saying, "I think it would be so nice to sit down at the table and have prayer together before we eat." My heart ached for her that she had never known such a wonderful privilege.

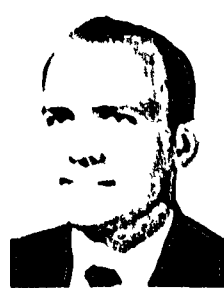


**Mary (Mrs. Davis L.) Saunders**  
*Nairobi, Kenya*

### **Couple Sacrifices Income To Work at New Seminary**

A YOUNG CHRISTIAN couple from Riruta Baptist Church left in December to work in the office of our new seminary at Arusha. Being from the Masai tribe, they are doubly valuable as their language is used by the people who live near the seminary. They can interpret for the new students who are not able to speak Masai.

David, the young man, left a higher-paying position—with a promotion imminent—in order "to have more contact with my people and to tell them what I have learned about Christ," he said. Three young preachers from Nairobi will be in the first class, and we will gladly work shorthanded during the three years before they return to give their churches more effective leadership.



**Teddy E. Savage**  
*Mufulira, Northern Rhodesia*

### **Baptists' Prayers Result In Blessings at New Post**

ON OUR LAST DAY at Chamboli Baptist Fellowship in Kitwe, where we were in language study, Pastor Hoka Mulonda told the church they were sending us to eighty thousand of their people at Mufulira who did not know Christ and had no evangelical witness. The church said they would send us with their blessings although they would have no missionary with them. We know they have prayed for us because of the great blessings we have received from the Lord here.

Mufulira is ten miles from the Congo border and the second-largest city in African population on the Copperbelt. We have five thousand Europeans (white people) in addition to the eighty thousand Africans who live in six townships surrounding the European section. Segrega-

tion is strict, and there is much trouble and unrest over this problem, because the African wants to govern himself.

Our work is to be located in three of the townships. We are preaching and teaching twice a week in the Kamachanga township with about twelve thousand Africans and one church, the Dutch Reformed.

We will start work next in Mufulira West where there are eight thousand people and no church of any kind. Recently we stopped a man on his way home from work and asked him, "Where do you worship?" He answered, "I do not worship because there is not a church."

We hope to go then to the Kankoyo township where forty-two thousand live. We are going there last since it has several non-evangelical churches at present.



**Mary Jo Randall**  
*Tokyo, Japan*

### **Non-Christian Homes Pose Problem for Young People**

PERHAPS you will remember Iida-san, one of the students I mentioned in my last letter [THE COMMISSION, January, p. 23]. She was recently baptized.

Her parents had strongly objected to her becoming a Christian, and no member of her family was present at the service. As she gave her testimony before the church, which is the custom here, and as she boldly professed her faith in Christ despite her family circumstances, I was reminded again of how difficult it is for many young people here to take this step. Her parents objected not so much because they are Buddhists but because being a Christian lessens one's chances for the kind of marriage some parents desire for their children.

Our Christian young people marrying non-Christians is one of the serious problems we encounter. Churches in Japan keep strict active and inactive rolls, and members who do not attend for several months are placed on the inactive roll. Last year the number of Christians on the inactive list was almost equal to the number of baptisms. We believe that one of the main reasons for this dropping out of church is marriage to non-Christians.

A friend of mine living in an apartment near the compound told me that she cannot attend Sunday morning services because she must provide breakfast for her non-Christian husband who sleeps late on Sunday. Such circumstances and pressures from one's partner and in-laws frequently cause backsliding.



**Norma (Mrs. Adrian W.) Coleman**  
*Monrovia, Liberia*

### **Buildings Show Fruit of Aid Rendered Through Offering**

OUR WORK in Liberia is with the "up and in" as well as the "down and out" because of the work missionaries helped start over a century ago. Adrian is teaching English and Bible and serving as dean of men at

Ricks Institute, a Baptist school over seventy-five years old. He is developing the Bible curriculum for grades seven through twelve with the hope a seminary can be established soon. This offers a great opportunity since there is no seminary in this area of West Africa. I am serving as registrar, and we are both helping to train Sunday school teachers as well as doing other varied activities.

If you were here, I would show you through our new clinic building and two-story dormitory for a hundred boys. I would also take you to the girls' dormitory under construction and to our residence we are building where we cleared brush and ant hills. All this came from funds you gave to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.

I would also like to take you to the site where we need to erect a classroom building and show you how badly we need a dining hall. Then I would like to walk with you across the little creek to a beautiful clearing sprinkled with palm trees where we hope to build our seminary. I wish you could see the churches you help to remodel, the schools you help to sponsor, the students you help to educate, the library you are helping to build, and other sights. If you saw these you would do all you could to help us help others who need to know our Lord.



**Howard D. Olive**  
*Baguio, Philippines*

### **They Can Help Only a Few Of Rice-Hungry Filipinos**

PEOPLE STANDING four abreast in lines many blocks long, fainting women being carried to the hospital, adults weeping in the face of denial, police on hand to quell riots—all this is startling and heart-breaking evidence of the saddest thing we have yet witnessed in our adopted land—the rice shortage. Marjorie, who does the buying for the seminary, had to secure a police permit to be able to buy more than one day's supply at a time.

Since our arrival last summer the cost of rice has advanced 80 per cent. Whatever the cause, this has left the Filipino with but half his former purchasing power, and he was already hungry. The national Government and local city councils have attempted to subsidize and return rice to its old price, but inefficient distribution has hindered, graft has crept in, hoarders are heartless, and the result has been waiting lines and hungrier people.

Last year on furlough we were asked why we did not take the hungry people in and feed them. One quick answer, among obvious others, was: "What satisfies our hunger as Americans would not satisfy theirs." At the present cost of rice, the price of a day's supply for a family of six or eight would buy sixty rolls or buns (actually, flour is much cheaper than rice), but the grain we choose as the "staff of life" is not their choice.

We have been able to help in several ways, however. We have bought rice for some of our people and absorbed the advance in price. We have loaned money to some—they are too proud to accept direct help—and to others we have been able to give rice. At best, this help is only temporary, and we pray for the day when relief will come as the new harvest is brought in.

# Missionary Family Album

## APPOINTEES (March)

DIETRICH, Vernon Lee, Tex., & Dorothy Amelia Rolan Dietrich, Ala., *Thailand*.  
GRIFFIN, Harry Dee, Okla., & Barbara Jo Terry Griffin, Okla., *Japan*.  
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*Missionaries Sydney and Frances Goldfinch celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary last Christmas Day in San José, Costa Rica. Appointed in 1939, they previously served in Argentina, Uruguay, and Paraguay and are the parents of six children.*

A memorial plaque to the late Ruth May Kersey, medical missionary in Nigeria for thirty-five years, is unveiled by her brother, Roy W. Kersey, at Grace Baptist Church in Richmond, Virginia. George W. Sadler, former area secretary, was the speaker. Miss Kersey, who died in 1958, founded Kersey Children's Home in Oghomosho.



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### ADOPTION

TOWERY, Linda Ann, foster daughter of Rev. & Mrs. Britt E. Towery, Jr. (Taiwan), born June 2, 1959, adopted Dec. 7, 1961.

### BIRTHS

BEDENBAUGH, Joel Lynn, son of Rev. & Mrs. Charles W. Bedenbaugh (Tanganyika), Feb. 2.  
 CATHER, William Keele, son of Rev. & Mrs. Douglas C. Cather (Ghana), Feb. 8.  
 DUBBERLY, Thomas Stephen, son of Rev. & Mrs. T. Eugene (Gene) Dubberly (Uruguay), Mar. 11.  
 GRIFFIN, Edwin Franklin, son of Rev. & Mrs. Clarence O. Griffin (Indonesia), Feb. 20.

Rev. and Mrs. James O. Watson pose with Cecil L. Thompson (at right) in Buenos Aires, Argentina, before sailing up Paraná River to begin their new service in Asunción, Paraguay.



HAYLOCK, Todd Haskins, son of Rev. & Mrs. Arthur R. Haylock (Honduras), Feb. 18.  
 KEITH, Tara Lu, daughter of Rev. & Mrs. Billy P. Keith (Japan), Mar. 14.  
 MEDCALF, Pamela, daughter of Dr. & Mrs. Winfred L. Medcalf (Thailand), Feb. 26.  
 MILLIGAN, Cathy Ellen, daughter of Rev. & Mrs. A. Ray Milligan (Kenya), Feb. 15.  
 NATIONS, Eric Lee, son of Dr. & Mrs. Archie L. Nations (Japan), Feb. 23.  
 PATTEN, Donna Eileen, daughter of Rev. & Mrs. John E. Patten (Thailand), Feb. 12.  
 STEPP, Rachel Elizabeth, daughter of Rev. & Mrs. John B. Stepp, Jr. (South Brazil), Feb. 7.

### DEATHS

CHRISTIAN, H. B., father of Martha (Mrs. Charles W.) Bryan (attached to Colombia Bap. Mission), Feb. 16, East Point, Ga.  
 DEAL, John B., father of Frances (Mrs. Daniel B.) Ray (Korea), Mar. 17, Waller, Tex.  
 GIDDENS, G. C., father of Bessie (Mrs. Lester C.) Bell (South Brazil), Mar. 5, Duncan, Okla.  
 HAFF, Ulysses Grant, father of Elizabeth (Mrs. W. Joel) Fergeson (Nigeria), Feb. 19, Brownwood, Tex.  
 MCCALL, Mrs. John W., mother of Lizette (Mrs. Ralph C.) Bethen (Indonesia), Mar. 24, Memphis, Tenn.  
 MORRIS, J. M., father of Dr. J. Glenn Morris (Thailand), Feb. 21, Kansas City, Mo.  
 OLIVER, Mark Vernon, son of Rev. & Mrs. Edward L. Oliver (Japan), Feb. 22, Chicago, Ill.  
 RISK, David F., father of Shirley (Mrs. Charles B.) Clark (Venezuela), Jan. 21, St. Louis, Mo.

### MARRIAGE

DOTSON, Clyde J. (Southern Rhodesia), to Anneli Valtonen, Mar. 3, Gwelo, Southern Rhodesia.

### RETIREMENT

LEA, Ola V. (China-Taiwan), Mar. 1.



## FOREIGN MISSION BOARD

### 1,551 Missionaries

The Foreign Mission Board appointed twelve missionaries in March, and the number under appointment as of March 15 totaled 1,551.

### Offering Exceeds \$9 Million

The 1961 Lottie Moon Christmas Offering has already reached \$9,043,134, according to Foreign Mission Board Treasurer Everett L. Deane.

This is \$804,663 more than the grand total for 1960 and \$1,080,172 more than the Board had received by the same date last year. The 1961 total will not be known until books on the Offering close May 1.

### Budget Increase To Be Asked

NASHVILLE (BP) — The Southern Baptist Convention will be asked to hike its 1963 Cooperative Program budget to \$19,792,500, highest ever. The \$779,000 increase over the 1962 budget will go mainly to the Foreign Mission Board.

The Board's 1963 operating allocation is raised to \$7,450,000, an increase of \$200,000. In the capital needs section the Board's share would be increased by \$450,000—from \$1,275,000 to \$1,725,000. The total capital needs budget for all SBC agencies would rise from \$5,075,000 to \$5,575,000.

A foreign missions leader explained that each year from \$3 million to \$4 million in requests from overseas must be turned down for lack of funds. The increase will help meet some of these still-pending needs.

The Executive Committee, in presenting the budget to the Convention in June at San Francisco, will recommend a continuation of the advance provision of the budget. Under this, all money received beyond \$19,792,500 will be shared exclusively by the Foreign and Home Mission Boards.

The Convention failed to meet its operating and capital needs budget in 1961; hence no advance stage was entered. Some capital needs items were held over from 1961.

## ARGENTINA

### 87 Attend WMU Conference

Eighty-seven women from thirty-six churches attended the second Woman's Missionary Union summer conference February 19-March 2 at Thea, the Argentine Baptist assembly.

Teresa Pluis, national WMU president, was director, and Mrs. R. L. Mathis, president of the Southern Baptist WMU, was principal speaker.

During 1961 Argentine women had several firsts: their first summer conference, the first national Girls' Auxiliary congress, publication of the first WMU yearbook, beginning of a quarterly bulletin, and provision of support for the national young people's secretary without outside help.

## EQUADOR

### New Building Aids Attendance

Attendance has increased 50 per cent at many services since First Baptist Church in Guayaquil moved into its new home in January, said Missionary Pastor Archie V. Jones.

The church adopted this expression of appreciation at its February business meeting: "We recommend that a letter be written to our Baptist friends of the Southern Baptist Convention thanking them for having made possible, through the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering, this beautiful new building for our use." The letter was sent in care of the Foreign Mission Board.

## GERMANY

### Baptists To Note Beginning

EAST BERLIN (BP)—The Evangelical Free Church Union (mainly Baptist) in East Germany plans a conference in Berlin May 11-13 to celebrate the beginning of Baptist work in the city. Baptists report a membership of nine thousand in Berlin, a third of whom are in the Eastern sector.

There are approximately thirty thousand Baptists in East Germany, said Gunter Lorenz, editor of *Wort*

und Werk (Word and Work), a Baptist paper in East Berlin. Each of the 223 churches is expected to be represented at the conference. The theme is "Romans 12 and the Church Today."

The Evangelical Free Church Union comprises both East and West Germany, but Lorenz explained that work in the Communist area is now separately organized "as a result of political realities in Germany." Herbert Weist is executive secretary for the Union in East Germany.

When it became impossible two and a half years ago to send ministerial candidates to study in West Germany, a seminary was established in Buckow. Nineteen students are now enrolled. The institution recently received state recognition as a denominational school of theology.

## HONG KONG

### FMB Gives College \$100,000

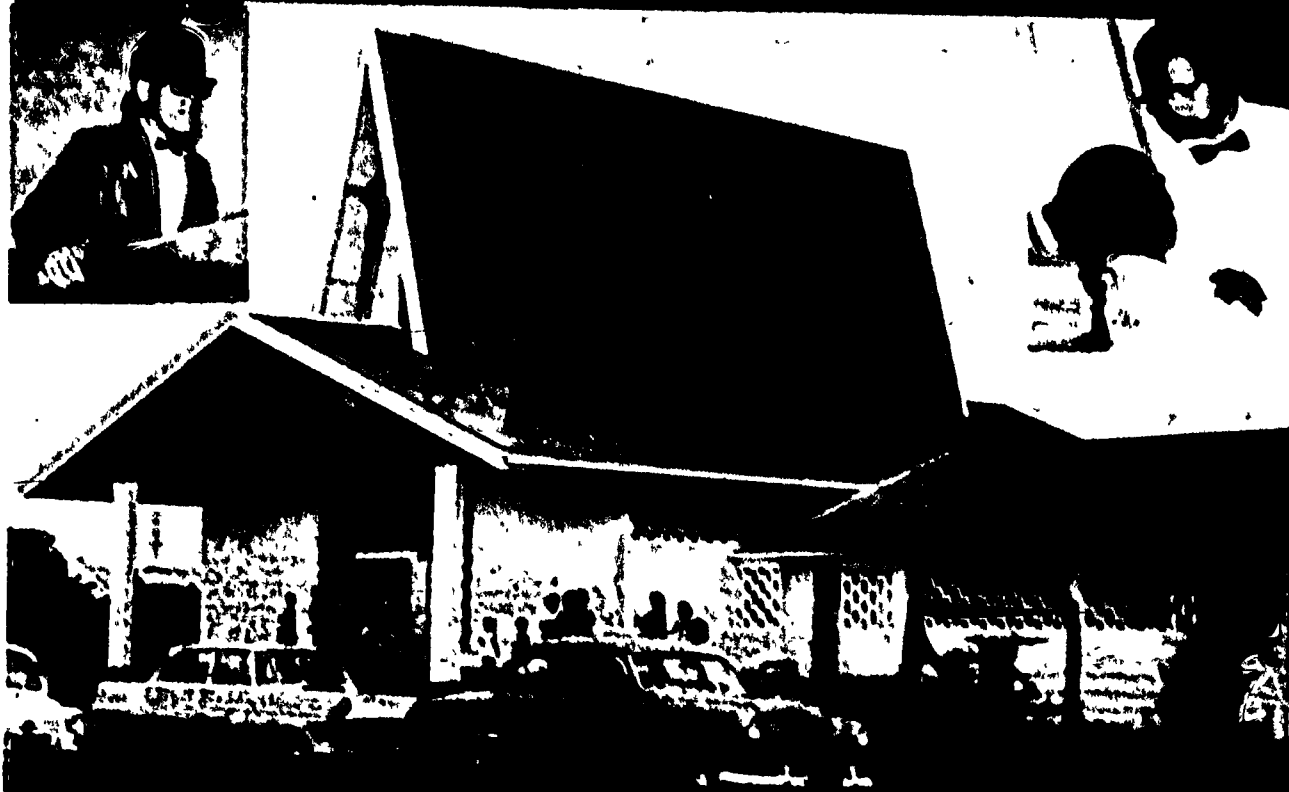


Hong Kong Baptist College recently received \$100,000 (U.S. equivalent) from the Hong Kong-Macao Baptist Mission for the college building fund.

It was the largest single amount given by the Foreign Mission Board in Hong Kong since the Mission's establishment in 1949. James D. Belote, Mission chairman, presented the check to President Lam Chi Fung (photo).

The grant is a part of funds contributed since 1947 for a new site and buildings. Amounts raised locally and given from abroad bring the total on hand to about \$619,000 (U.S.). Formation of the site should be completed this summer and buildings erected in time for the school's eighth session in September, 1963.

Hong Kong College began in 1956 with an enrolment of 143. Today more



## INDONESIA

### Church Born Self-Supporting

Grogol Baptist Church was born recently with a maturity some churches work years to attain. It has supported itself since beginning as a mission a year and a half ago, and it contributes to other Baptist work.

The thirty members hope during 1962 to increase from 10 to 20 per cent their gifts to the Indonesian Baptist hospital, theological seminary, and publication work. Contributions now average 1,500 *rupiahs* (about \$36 U.S.) a week. The church also hopes to start a chapel this year.

Through its Bible training program Grogol Church provides its own teachers and leaders. More than one hundred persons of all ages are enrolled.

Its building—dedicated on organizational Sunday, though occupied since last June—stands in the middle of a new housing development for government employees, with a population of fifty thousand.

The church was started in the home of Missionary Pastor Ross B. Fryer, Jr., in September, 1960, as a joint effort of the Indonesian Baptist Mission and Calvary Baptist Church of Djakarta. It is the tenth church in Indonesia.

*PHOTO: Mulus Budianto, pastor of Setia Bakti Baptist Church in Kediri, preaches dedicatory sermon. Pastor Fryer baptizes a former Muslim.*

than seven hundred day students are in six departments. It now uses buildings of Pui Ching Middle School, also a Baptist institution.

A Founder's Day observance March 12 climaxed a week-end celebration of the college's sixth anniversary. Winston Crawley, Foreign Mission Board secretary for the Orient, was guest speaker.

## ITALY

### Baptists To Mark Centennial

MILAN (BP)—Italian Baptists will celebrate a birthday in 1964, along with Baptists in North America who will mark the 150th anniversary of Baptist work on a national scale. The five thousand members of the Italian Baptist Union will observe their denomination's centennial.

The Union has named a five-member committee to plan activities. Carmelo Inguanti, Milan pastor, is chairman.

The Baptist beginnings in Italy resulted from work by missionaries from Great Britain. The Southern Baptist Convention sent missionaries later and in 1923 was asked to assume full responsibility.

## JAPAN

### Leaders Assume New Duties

Missionary W. Maxfield Garrott became president of Seinan Jo Gakuin, Baptist girls' school in Kokura, on March 1. He will continue to live in Fukuoka—the base for his other responsibilities, including teaching in the Theological Department of Seinan Gakuin — and will commute to Kokura, an hour's train ride away.

Seinan Jo Gakuin, founded in 1922, enrolls more than 2,000 girls in junior and senior high school and junior college divisions. Dr. Garrott has been a missionary to Japan since 1934, serving most of the time with the seminary.

Seinan Gakuin in Fukuoka also has elected Takeo Koga as president to succeed Sadamoto Kawano, stricken with multiple sclerosis. Koga formerly served as dean.

Missionary James P. Satterwhite, who has returned to the U.S. on furlough, has resigned as superintendent of Japan Baptist Hospital in Kyoto so that the Japan Convention can seek a Japanese Baptist doctor for the post. Missionary Clarence F. Clark, Jr., is acting superintendent in the interim.

### Premier Endorses Campaign

TOKYO (BP)—Pastor Shuichi Matsumura and Missionary W. H. (Dub) Jackson visited Prime Minister Hayato Ikeda here to outline plans for next year's nation-wide evangelistic campaign.

Ikeda assured them that although he could not emphasize any religious group from his official position he was personally happy to hear about the movement. He said he stresses in his speeches that democracy will have to be based on strong religious convictions if it is to succeed in Japan.

Jackson presented a Japanese Bible to the prime minister in appreciation for his leadership in keeping the door open for the Christian message.

Jackson said the prime minister's reception indicated "there is no opposition so far as the Government is concerned in the presentation of the gospel here in Japan."

Matsumura is chairman of the Japan Baptist Convention's evangelism committee and director of the "New Life Movement."

## MALAYA

### Baptism Begins Dedication

Emmanuel Baptist Church in Petaling Jaya began dedication of its new building recently with the baptism of eight converts.

A Cantonese-speaking church, Emmanuel grew primarily from contacts made through a Baptist clinic formerly operated in Petaling Jaya. Organized with thirty charter members in February, 1958, it now has a membership of seventy-three. Foreign Mission Board funds made possible a building site, and the church moved into its new home last October.

Missionary Herbert H. Holley is interim pastor, but the church hopes to call a national pastor soon.

## PHILIPPINES

### Revival Brings 61 Decisions

Sixty-one decisions recorded during a recent week-long revival at Clark Field Baptist Church include eight professions of faith in Christ, seventeen membership additions, and thirty-six rededications.

The evangelist was Missionary Billy B. Tisdale of Tarlac, who worked with the English-speaking church when it was organized in December, 1959. Missionary James A. Foster of Baguio was the music leader and played the xylophone and accordion.

The services drew an average of two hundred persons and Sunday school attendance—usually from 200 to 250—was 402.

Missionary J. Allen Smith is pastor.

## SWITZERLAND

### Nationals To Elect Trustees

RUSCHLIKON (BP)—Trustees of Baptist Theological Seminary here approved a plan for them to be elected by Baptist assemblies in Europe rather than by the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board, which supports the seminary.

Trustees expressed interest in the new European Baptist Press Service, directed by Missionary John Allen Moore of the seminary faculty. They heard tentative plans for a studio at the seminary to prepare programs for broadcasting in various countries.

Missionary John D. Hughey, Jr., was unanimously re-elected president.

## UNITED STATES

### Discrimination Hurts Missions

FORT WORTH (BP) — Racial discrimination in America is a millstone around the neck of Christian foreign mission efforts, Ross Coggins of the Christian Life Commission said at the recent Texas Baptist Christian Life Workshop on race relations.

"We have permitted the gogmagogery of our race failures to neutralize the effectiveness of our missionaries," he told the group. "Our dilemma does not stem, however, from a lack of words. It stems from a lack of action."

Coggins, a former missionary to Indonesia and now associate secretary of the Commission in Nashville, said

that racial tensions, publicized abroad overnight, exert a seismic effect on world missions. "One of the most appalling stigmata of our time is the great gulf fixed between our gospel and our conduct in the eyes of the world."

He said missionaries are compelled to answer daily such embarrassing questions as, "Why are churches in America segregated?" or, "Why am I refused admittance into a Baptist school in America when I am welcome in a Russian university?" or perhaps worst of all, "Why do you believe Christianity will do so much more for my country than it has for yours?"

"I am not suggesting that we should lightly cast aside our Southern traditions," Coggins added. "I am suggesting that we throw them aside with great force wherever they violate the spirit and teachings of the New Testament."

### Certificate Aids Candidates

Southwestern and Southern Baptist Theological Seminaries are offering a graduate specialist in religious education certificate to meet the needs of foreign mission candidates and other Christian leaders. Prerequisites are a bachelor of arts and master of religious education or equivalent degrees from recognized schools.

The study will be particularly helpful for men seeking missionary appointment who must have three years of seminary training and have completed the two-year M.R.E. course. Single women candidates are not required to have an additional year of study beyond the M.R.E., according to Elmer S. West, Jr., Foreign Mission Board secretary for missionary personnel.

### Scholarships Total \$9,000

LOUISVILLE (BP) — Nine top-rated college seniors will receive Southern Baptist Theological Seminary's first Luther Rice and Adoniram Judson scholarship awards totaling \$9,000 for studies here next fall.

Five students planning to serve Southern Baptist churches or the denomination in the United States and four planning to become foreign missionaries will receive \$1,000 each.

The four Adoniram Judson scholars are Dorothy Ruth Scott of Dothan, Ala., University of Alabama; Alford Tolbert Welch of Kansas City, Kan., and Charles Russell Wade of Alex,

Okla., Oklahoma Baptist University; and George M. Williams, Jr., of Phoenix, Ariz., Grand Canyon College.

The scholarships are a part of the seminary's program of recognizing outstanding students entering church-related vocations, said Dean of Students W. Peyton Thurman. They are also a tribute to two historic Baptist leaders and a part of the seminary's preliminary observance of the Baptist Jubilee Advance program to be climaxed in 1964 with the celebration of 150 years of organized Baptist work in North America.

The awards will be an annual presentation by Southern Seminary. Senior Southern Baptist college students planning to serve churches in the United States or to become foreign missionaries are eligible.

## VIETNAM

### First 18 Converts Baptized



Eighteen Christians, the first converts as a result of Southern Baptist work among nationals in Vietnam, were baptized March 4 in Saigon. Chanh, a young man who had made a profession of faith at the missionaries' initial worship service for Vietnamese [THE COMMISSION, September, 1961], was the first one immersed (photo).

The baptismal service also was the first conducted by the missionaries in Vietnamese without an interpreter. Herman P. Hayes, the first Southern Baptist missionary in the troubled Southeast Asia nation along with his wife, presided and baptized the converts. Missionary Lewis I. Myers, Jr., preached. A hymn translated into Vietnamese by one of the new Christians was sung by Mrs. Hayes and Missionary William T. Roberson.

Because there is yet no organized church related to the mission program, the converts were baptized on the authority of Immanuel Baptist Church in Bangkok, Thailand.



# THE WORLD IN BOOKS

Genevieve Greer

Any book mentioned may be had from the Baptist Book Store serving your state.

## They Called Him Mister Moody

By Richard K. Curtis  
Doubleday, \$4.95

This book is a combination of pertinent facts and information rich in human interest. It is as enjoyable to read as fiction and is so detailed that it could serve as a reference volume—not only of facts relating to Moody's life but to religious life in the United States and Britain at the close of the nineteenth century. A full index lends additional value.

As an introduction to the book, the first chapter presents an excellent description of Puritan New England in the early days of colonialism. Against this background, one can watch the boy growing to manhood, experience the deep feelings related to his conversion, and share sympathetically with him in his first clumsy efforts to speak for Christ.

This book should be in every religious leader's library and is recommended to every reader interested in the growth of this country's religious life.

## Man in Rapid Social Change

By Egbert de Vries  
Doubleday, \$4.50

No one can doubt that we live in a changing world and that the rapidity of change and its resulting social trauma makes it extremely difficult to analyze. But in light of the change and despite the difficulty, Egbert de Vries, head of the Institute of Social Studies at The Hague, has undertaken an analysis with surprising success. His purpose is to provide understanding that will help the churches of the world offer a more effective witness within the environment of this change.

The key to the book is the second chapter, in which Dr. de Vries concisely dissects the forces that change traditional society. Presenting these forces and counterforces in terms of prime movers, catalysts, and inhibitors, he effectively brings momentary order to this most often chaotic process. Readers interested in missions will find highly relevant the prime mover entitled spiritual force.

The author's understanding of the Christian's witness and of the church's work in the midst of this rapid social change is somewhat disconcerting. He says Christians must help make and keep this world a habitable place despite the

stress and strain of social change. However, the Christian mission includes the responsibility of being determinative in the very nature of this change.

## Hudson Taylor and Maria

By J. C. Pollock  
McGraw-Hill, \$4.95

An account of pioneer missions in Imperial China, this story of Hudson and Maria Taylor is also a history of their founding the China Inland Mission a century ago when missionaries went inland at considerable risk. Going to China first as a missionary of an organization that failed to support him, Taylor learned early to depend upon God to supply his needs. On that faith he built the Inland Mission.

The book has three parts. The first covers the years prior to Taylor's going to China and those during which he served before forming the Inland Mission. The second spans the years in England when he began plans for the Mission. The last part takes the Taylors and their recruits through their early turbulent years.

Reading the Taylor correspondence and journals, the author discovered a warm, affectionate personality that has been obscured by earlier biographers. He reveals the missionary as a "lovable young man with a strong sense of fun." After playing up a delightful love story, he ends his account with the death of Maria.

## A Faith for This One World?

By J. E. Lesslie Newbigin  
Student Christian Movement Press,  
\$2.75

It is almost axiomatic for the peoples of Europe and America to answer in the affirmative when asked, "Is Christianity a faith for our world?" This striking book by the general secretary of the International Missionary Council begins by pointing out that the question is far from answered in Asian minds. For example, convinced that Christianity is partial and one-sided, Hinduism faces the world with the conviction that it is the religion for mankind. What Bishop Newbigin calls "the end of Christendom" indicates a major crisis in Christian missions.

The author first asks where mankind might look for a world faith. He examines several views, all of which are found to be inadequate because they fail

to accept the "total fact of Christ" as a unique revelation of the Creator of the world. Dr. Newbigin believes the human family can find unity not everywhere or anywhere, not where each might choose, but at the place where God has provided—"a mercy seat where sin is judged and pardoned." Over half the book is given to show that the great Christian doctrines can be presented to mankind with authority because the "total fact of Christ" shows him to be not the head of a religion but the head and King of the human race.

This book should be read by all interested in world missions. It is remarkable that one so active in the World Council of Churches does not plead for a central church structure, and his argument for unity is not central in the book. For this reason the title is a bit misleading. He has given an urgent call to preach the gospel of Christ as the only adequate faith for the human family.

## Mokihana Lives in Hawaii

Photographs by Anna Riwkin-Brick  
Story by Eugenie Soderberg  
Macmillan, \$2.00 and \$2.75

Mokihana and her friends give a surprise birthday party for Anela. They have fun preparing their gifts and trying to keep the secret from her.

The charming story is told in a brief text by Eugenie Soderberg and photographs by Anna Riwkin-Brick, who gave readers the attractive pictures in *Sia Lives on Killimanjaro*. Many of the photographs cover an entire page. Designed for six-through eight-year-olds, this is a beautiful book on life and customs in Hawaii.

## REVIEWS IN BRIEF

*The Bible Is for You*, by Stuart E. Rosenberg (*Longmans*, \$3.75): a gifted rabbi seeks to make the Old Testament relevant to our lives, sharing insights that can be of rich value to Christians as well as Jews.

J. B. Phillips, famous for his readable translation of the New Testament, adds another volume to his credit with *Your God Is Too Small* (*Macmillan*, \$1.10, paperback), in which he deals with the truths of our existence on this planet and beyond.

*The Modern Reader's Bible Atlas*, by H. H. Rowley (*Association*, \$1.50): an excellent paperback, abounding with information; includes twenty-four maps and twenty-eight plates.

*The Psychology of Christian Personality*, by Ernest M. Ligon (*Macmillan*, \$1.95): As timely today as when the book was first published, this paperback interprets the teachings of Jesus, as based on the Sermon on the Mount, in terms of modern psychology.