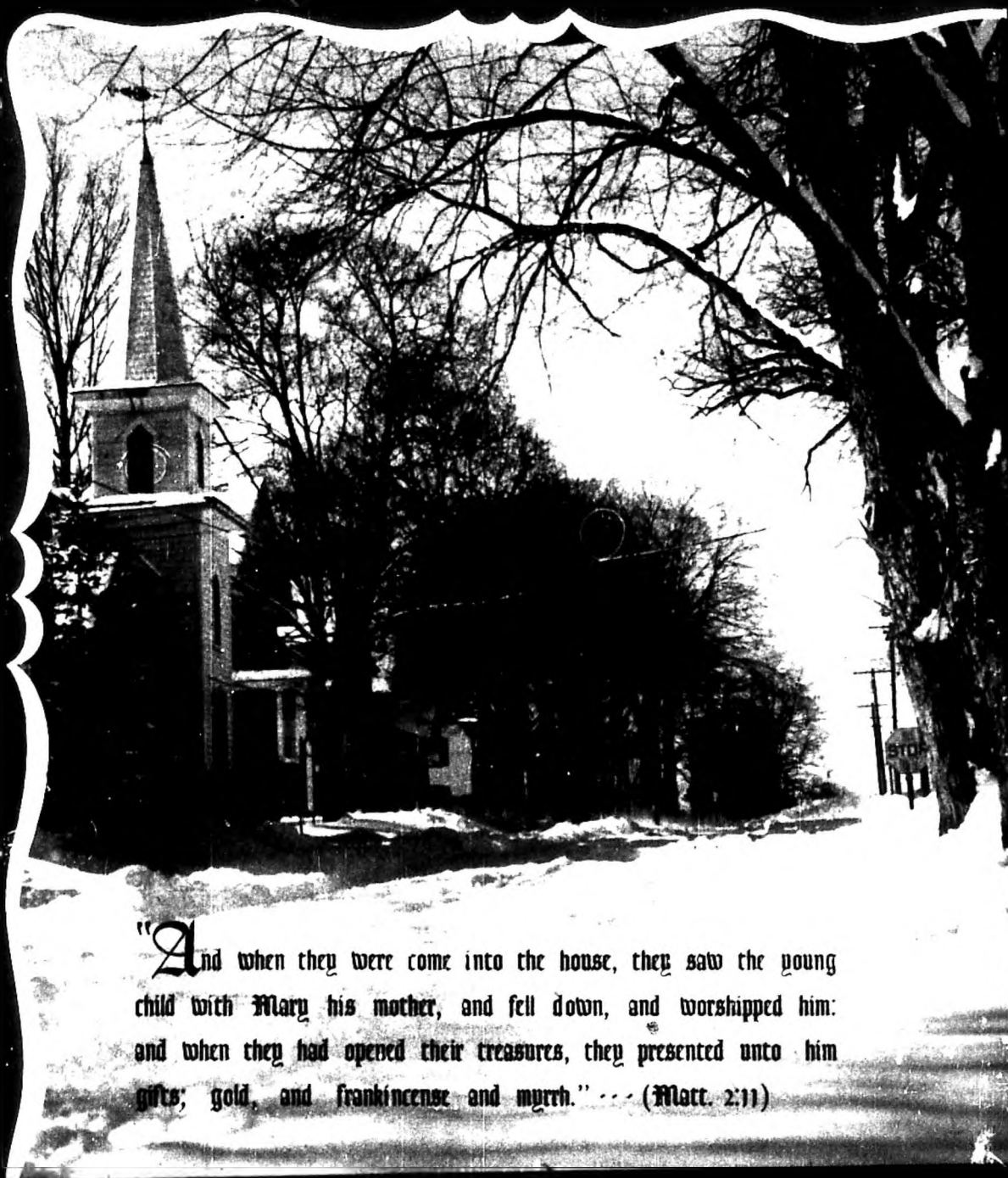


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"And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense and myrrh." --- (Matt. 2:11)

## Missions and the March of Events

### The World's Only Hope

"Unless the Church of Christ can really come alive—I am warning you—your world is through, in 10 or 15 years at the most!" says Col. Roy LeCraw, director of the Presbyterian Church's Program of Progress, as reported in a news dispatch.

There is no doubt about the importance of the work of the church in the moral and spiritual rehabilitation of the world. There is no doubt but that, basically, the trouble with this world is moral and spiritual decay. The only hope for peace among the nations is the establishment of brotherhood among men. A world of good will can be built only by men of good will, and men of good will are created only by the redeeming and regenerating power of the Holy Spirit through Christ. The Christ of the New Testament, the Christ of the cross, the Christ of the resurrection, the Christ of the advocate with the Father in heaven is the only hope of this world.

### How to Be Happy

If you can cultivate the habit of living one day at a time without sacrificing reasonable long-term planning, you will have a much better chance of happiness, according to Dr. Luther E. Woodward, field consultant of the National Committee for Mental Hygiene.

Dr. Woodward gives five rules which, he says, contribute to mental hygiene in family living. One is to live a day at a time; another is to start each day fresh without problems left over from yesterday; another is appreciation and understanding of other people; another is to provide continually for positive satisfaction, especially love, approval, and a sense of belonging; and the fifth is skill in draining off each other's tensions.

Dr. Woodward claims that if these principles are put to practice in the family life family morale will be established, good fellowship maintained, and the atmosphere for peace created. They can be established only by Christ, who, when accepted as Saviour and Lord, sheds His love into the soul and motivates the life by His Spirit.

### Moonshine Whiskey Boom

▲ An A.P. dispatch it is stated that "Relaxing of Federal sugar rationing created a boom in the north of Georgia's mountains—a moonshine whiskey boom,

State Revenue Commissioner Glenn Phillips reported. State agents set a ten-year record with 1,648 raids, and seizure of 6,450 gallons of moonshine whiskey. Officers arrested 243 persons and destroyed 171 stills in one month.

Yet the proponents of the repeal of the Prohibition Amendment told us that repeal would eliminate moonshine stills and illicit traffic in liquor. How foolish we were to believe them! They said we would not have the open saloon any more, but there are thousands of them throughout the land. They said that it would reduce drinking, but drinking has doubled and tripled and quadrupled since then.

### Correspondence Bible Course

There are now 2,610 individuals enrolled in the Correspondence Bible Course promoted by the Home Mission Board. Dr. S. F. Dowis is in charge. He is a most excellent Bible teacher. He is leading those who have enrolled for the course into a better understanding and appreciation of the Word of God. If you are interested in the study of the Bible, write to Dr. S. F. Dowis, Correspondence Bible Course, 161 Spring St., N.W., Atlanta, Georgia, for information and enrollment card.

### The State Church an Evil

Dr. John W. Bradbury, editor of *The Watchman-Examiner*, in a recent issue said this in an editorial, "Christianity has a strong grip upon the people of Denmark. It is the root from which stems the remarkably advanced social institutions in the land. Discussion with the Danes reveals, however, that the control of the state church (Lutheran) is the grip of a dead hand. There is indifferent interest in the churches on the part of the people. Attendances are small. The cold formality of ritualism denies the people the privilege of spiritual experience and of the supreme duty of men to serve God and to know Jesus Christ as the Lord of their lives."

This is the effect of all state churches. We are told that in England, which is dominated by a state church, that the smallest per cent of people ever attend the church and that so far as Christianity is concerned, its influence is not felt in any practical way in the life of the land except by the hierarchy—the archbishop, the bishop, and the priest. A totalitarian church is no better for the

religious life of a people than a totalitarian government is for the social and economic well-being of the people. Baptists must not cease to protest against the union of church and state.

### The Need of the Negro

Hubert T. Delany, justice of the Domestic Relations Court of New York City, spoke recently at Charlotte, North Carolina, in a meeting sponsored by the Charlotte branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and told the audience, as reported in the Associated Press, "It makes no difference whether the foot of oppression on your neck is white or black, you still don't like it." He asserted that Negroes must start selecting their own leaders and that the "problem of ours [the Negro problem] is not merely a sectional one but a national one. The ghettos of New York are just as bad as the deplorable living conditions in the South. We do not have all of the rights that our Constitution says we should have in the North."

It is evident that a race cannot rise any higher than its leaders and its leaders cannot be any more efficient than their education, training, and cultural standards. What our Negro brethren need is—and I rejoice to know that they are working at it in earnest—is to develop a high type of citizenship. The Negro problem cannot be handled on a group basis alone. It must be considered also from an individual basis. Those individuals among the Negro race who have attained high personal development have been recognized—Dr. Carver, the scientist, and Marian Anderson, the operatic singer, are only two of the many Negroes who have distinguished themselves.

The Home Mission Board in its mission program for the Negroes stands ready to help them in every way possible to attain the cultural, educational, and religious standing which will demand and secure respect and consideration from all races.

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### The Home Mission Board and Evangelism

By J. B. LAWRENCE

The Home Mission Board, under the direction of Dr. C. E. Matthews, is launching a Convention-wide, intensive, church-centered, Holy Spirit-inspired evangelistic program. It is the purpose of the Home Mission Board in this program to develop an evangelistic spirit in our churches, to emphasize personal soul-winning, and to stimulate and unify the efforts of the denomination in making Christ available to every man, woman, and child in the territory of the Southern Baptist Convention.

The apostles made soul-winning their chief business. Wherever they went they preached "daily in the temple, and in every house, they ceased not to teach and preach Jesus Christ" (Acts 5:42). Southern Baptists must follow their example.

The first command Christ gave to His disciples was, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." His last command was an amplification of this first: "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature."

Soul-winning is the business of the churches of Christ. They are to go into the byways and highways and compel lost men to come in. It is not enough, therefore, for a church to be evangelical; it must also be evangelistic. An evangelical church might be likened to a reservoir of pure water without a pipe running anywhere; an evangelistic church is a reservoir of pure water, but it has a pipe running to every heart in the community and to every nation in the world.

An evangelical church is like a lighthouse standing on the shore and sending its pure white light of truth out across the troubled sea of life; the evangelistic church is a lighthouse, but it is also a life-saving station sending out the lifeboats and throwing out the lifeline and saving sinners from death amid the breakers of sin.

An evangelical church holds the truth, but sometimes it is truth on ice; the evangelistic church not only holds the truth, but it sets the truth on fire with love for the lost. The evangelical church is a fortress for defense; the evangelistic church is an army for conquest. Evangelicalism sings,

"hold the fort"; evangelism shouts, "storm the fort for God is leading." What we need is not simply evangelicalism as something to fight for, but evangelism as a force with which to fight.

If we would carry out our Lord's command to make disciples of all nations, if we would bring God's kingdom in and have His will done on earth as it is done in heaven, we must not only hold evangelical truth but we must also translate that truth into evangelistic effort. We must kindle revival fires on the altars in all our churches.

It might be profitable for us to give attention to some fundamentals suggested by Dr. M. E. Dodd in an article in *Southern Baptist Home Missions*, April, 1933:

"1. Evangelism, soul-winning, witness-bearing for Christ is a fundamental Christian duty. Christ commanded it, the Holy Spirit impels to it, God the Father expects it.

"2. Evangelism, soul-winning, witness-bearing is a fundamental Christian privilege. It is the privilege of representing a king. It is the privilege of being an ambassador from the kingdom of God to the kingdom of the world. It is the privilege of telling the best news man ever heard. It is the privilege of offering the best blessing for humanity.

"3. Evangelism, soul-winning, witness-bearing is a fundamental necessity. It is necessary to the individual for whom it is intended. He is described in the Bible as being lost, guilty, condemned, without God, without hope, dead in trespasses and in sin. Without the Evangel he is doomed eternally.

"4. Evangelism, soul-winning, witness-bearing is essential to the life of the individual Christian, the church, and the denomination. It is essential to the individual Christian for the strengthening of his faith, the brightening of his hope, and the enlarging of his influence.

"It is essential to the highest interests of the church, because it produces a united church, a pure church, and an orthodox church.

The world needs saving more than it needs anything else. A revival of spiritual religion—the kindling of revival fires in all our churches in a great Convention-wide, Baptist type of evangelism—is necessary to save our land from the disintegrating effects of sin, and to the mobilization of our churches for world evangelization.

## New Year's Eve Prayer Meetings

By C. E. MATTHEWS\*

"If my people shall humble themselves and pray" (2 Chron. 7:14). Because of the fact that civilization is probably facing the most critical hour in the history of man, we, the undersigned Southern Baptist leaders, are making the most earnest appeal of which we are capable to all Southern Baptist churches, regardless of size or location, to join together in the mightiest prayer meeting ever held by our people on New Year's Eve, December 31, 1947. The above date falls on Wednesday night, the time of our midweek prayer service; but we are urging that the service will be different from the usual prayer meetings in that:

First, no church shall be hampered with the problem of time. Begin as early as you choose and stay as late as you choose.

Second, make the service one of song, praise, testimony, and prayer.

Third, make an appeal that everyone present who will pledge to try to lead at least one lost soul to Christ during 1948 come forward and give the leader his hand as a covenant.

Fourth, the following are suggested objects of prayer:

1. Pray for a revival to come in your own heart.
2. Pray for a revival in your church.
3. Pray for a revival to come to Southern Baptists.
4. Pray for a spiritual awakening to come to this world.
5. Pray for the pastors, evangelists, religious leaders, and the missionaries, home and foreign.
6. Pray for the power of the Holy Spirit to come upon all the leaders.
7. Pray for the State-wide Evangelistic Conference.
8. Pray for the next meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention at Memphis, Tennessee, in May, 1948.
9. Pray for a burden to come to your heart for a lost world.

### Recognition Given to Prayer Meeting Attendance

We are urging that the largest attendances ever present at prayer meetings among Baptists will be attained New Year's Eve. We are asking that each pastor clip the blank below on New Year's Day, fill it out concerning his own church, and mail it to the Department of Evangelism, 204 Baptist Building, Dallas, Texas. Recognition will be given throughout the South to the ten churches that have the largest attendance on the above mentioned night and also to the ten churches that have the largest percentage present based on local membership. The sum total of those attending should number into the millions.

DO NOT FILL THIS OUT NOW. Clip it and save it until January 1, 1948. Then fill it out and mail to Department of Evangelism, 204 Baptist Building, Dallas, Texas.

Name of Church..... Address.....  
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\*An appeal from all Southern Baptist agencies.



Bocas del Toro Baptist Church

### Baptists in Bocas del Toro

By WILFRED D. MORGAN  
 Missionary in Panama

It may be said that the modern history of the Bocas church and, indeed, of the Baptist work in the province of Bocas del Toro began with the taking over of the work by the Jamaica Baptist Missionary Society in the year 1892. Prior to this date, we depend mainly on tradition for any information with regard to the work.

There is a very brief but interesting history of the work in Bocas written and read by the Rev. E. C. Notman on the occasion of the laying of the cornerstone of the Bocas church on September 19, 1909. This is the only recorded history of the Bocas work left for us in the old minutes book in the Bocas church.

It begins: "In 1897 a house of worship was erected for the use of all sections of Protestant Christians." It would appear, from the information gathered, that the first preacher and organizer of a church in Bocas was one Samuel Brown, a Jamaican, and carpenter by trade. He was a member of the Methodist Free Church before he left Jamaica. He was not sent, but he left for the Isthmus and got to Bocas, working at his trade. He was a most worthy and beloved man. In this church which he organized, all sections of Protestant Christians worshiped. When he died, the people prayed for a man.

One day a native of Bocas, Philip Robinson Lopez, who was in Colon, heard a Jamaican Baptist preaching and brought him to Bocas. His name was G. Davis Gayle. God blessed His Word, and the work grew. When Gayle left, the Jamaica Baptist Missionary Society took the work over.

This was the beginning of Baptist work and history in the province of Bocas del Toro.

## ☆ ☆ A Good Will Christmas ☆ ☆

By MRS. VERA H. TODD

When we began to plan for our Christmas program at the Good Will Center at Ensley, Alabama, someone said, "Oh, I do hope you will have a good number who will attend." We had heard so much talk about large crowds and small crowds that we felt very indifferent to the thought of numbers, but in our hearts there was a heavy burden that every program and service of the Christmas season should exalt the name of our Saviour whose birthday we wished to observe. We had repeatedly made it the object of prayer that Christ's name might be exalted in our Christmas activities.

At last the day of the Christmas program in the church auditorium came. Clubs and classes had met on schedule in spite of hours of practice for the children. There was a multitude of things to remember and do at the last minute.

Children, excited and happy, worked quietly and orderly to get themselves ready for the program. At last the stockings and Santa's gifts for the little children were under the tree, the angels had their wings at just the right angle, the wise men were robed and supplied with gifts, the shepherds were ready and waiting with their crooks, and even Mary and Joseph were ready to go. The kindergarten children were happy in their little red capes as they waited to play a Christmas carol with their rhythm band instruments.

It was time to make a quick tour of the church auditorium and see that everything was ready for the program to begin. In the vestibule of the church I found the ushers waiting. They were the Y.W.A. girls, lovely in pastel evening dresses. They, too, were ready for the pantomime they would present.

There was a handful of people on one side of the church, and scarcely that many more on the other side. I faltered my heart in prayer to God. "O God," I prayed, "whether the crowd be large or small, do let the name of my Master be exalted tonight." Later I was going back

through the auditorium. I was astonished and hindered by the crowd of people who were entering and seeking seats. I greeted several of my Italian Catholic friends who had never before been in our little church. At least three had never been in an evangelistic service. Then I knew that Christ's name had already been exalted. When the ushers lighted the candles for the service again, every seat was taken.

The program had been planned carefully to reach a climax in the devotional period that was to be given in Italian by Brother Pucciarelli and in English by Brother John Rawlings. The response of the congregation was wonderful.

After the devotional, before ushering in Santa, there came six small children dressed as Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus and his four reindeer. The children glided along with little noise except for the tinkling of sleigh bells. A response of approval was felt without a suggestion of applause.

When the program was over there was a downpour of rain. It continued to rain all night and all through the next day, Friday. One child who had a leading part in the rhythm band took suddenly ill on Thursday afternoon and could not get to the program that night. Her mother, who is not a Christian, was

so disappointed she cried. The child was developing measles.

An epidemic of measles broke out among the kindergarten children the day following the program. About a week before this we had been constrained to change the program and set it up to Thursday night instead of Friday night. We had felt definitely that it should be Thursday and had changed it against great odds. God held back the rain and the measles so that they did not seriously affect our program.

When finally the last visitor was gone, I was happy, not because of the expressions of appreciation from friends, but because God had taken our weak efforts as He did the lad's five small loaves and two fishes and had multiplied them and had used them to feed a group of people who were spiritually hungry.

Later as we were walking home with a young woman of our church she said, "This has been the happiest Christmas of my life." I marveled again as I have so many times at the power of a simple worship service to bring joy to the heart.

A little later my joy overflowed when this same young woman said to me, "Never before in my life until this Christmas did I think about Christmas as being Christ's birthday."



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## Christmas With the Chinese

By MARY NELL LYNNE

If beaming faces and dancing feet are indications of the Christmas spirit, then our children have been full of it for several weeks. I was helping them review the stories we had had about the birth of Jesus, which they could tell so well, their Bible memory verses and some Christmas carols. Mr. Lee, their Chinese teacher, was drilling them in appropriate Chinese songs to the accompaniment of the small orchestra, skilfully using native instruments.

A Business and Professional Woman's Club in the city had requested Mr. Lee to have his pupils give their Christmas program for them, so he asked me to help. We were proud of their performance. The ladies were deeply appreciative, and later sent gifts for the children.

The public schools and all churches had programs, and some of our pupils took part in several of them.

But the crowning event was the party Mr. and Mrs. Lee gave at the school, inviting the families of the pupils. The children had been pleased when I responded eagerly to their invitation to "draw names" with them. I drew that of the smallest girl in the school—five years old—and the youngest boy—seven years—drew mine. One of the older girls later confided in me that she tried to persuade him to exchange with her, but he would not consider it. Mr. Lee had prepared a beautiful Christmas tree, and he and Mrs. Lee had nice gifts for everybody. My little gallant placed a lovely box of handkerchiefs on the tree for me. After the children's part on the program, Mr. Lee brought the adults a brief and challenging Christmas message.

I have made Christmas calls in the homes of all the pupils in my two Bible story hours—twenty children and fourteen homes—and am now visiting my Sunday school pupils and other friends. Heretofore visiting in the homes, always so important, has presented a real problem. The children go to Chinese schools after their public school hours, and most of the mothers work outside the home. Saturday and Sunday are picture show days. During this holiday season I have had delightful visits with my pupils, their mothers, and other members of the family. Sometimes a woman will open the door very slightly and peer suspiciously at the stranger; but when I begin talking to her in Chinese, the door and her smile widen at the same time, and I am given a gracious welcome. How true the ancient proverb, "The middle

door (of our home) is wide open (to you, a friend)."

I love the Chinese people here in California and am praying earnestly that I may bring the real meaning of Christmas to them. Won't you pray for them and for me?

## Dr. Johnson on Uniting Northern and Southern Baptists

Dr. C. Oscar Johnson, president of the Baptist World Alliance, was represented as having said in Copenhagen in a newspaper interview that it was his purpose to unite Northern and Southern Baptists, the Baptists of the world, and then the Christians of the world.

Editor John Jeter Hurt, Jr., of the *Christian Index* asked Dr. Johnson in a personal interview to explain his meaning.

"That young fellow who interviewed me in Copenhagen didn't speak much English," Dr. Johnson explained. "My suggestion about uniting Northern and Southern Baptists, the Baptists of the world, and then the Christians of the world, was solely for a relief program."

"I said if we united to that extent, even then we would not be able to feed all the people who are hungry in this world. I certainly intended no reference at all to an organic union of these bodies."

Southern Baptists are interested in Dr. Johnson's explanation.

## Among Western Indians

By C. F. FRAZIER  
Missionary in Arizona

We are planning to open a mission at Gila crossing (on the west end of the Pima Reservation). More than four years ago they invited us to come and tell them something of the Baptist faith.

We also have invitations to preach to more than two thousand Hopi Indians the Government has just moved to Posturn on the Colorado River from the northern part of the state, and the Ft. McDowell Apaches.

All of these Indians will gladly hear the gospel and many will respond.

Prospects for Indian mission work in Arizona have never been better. Sacaton Church and the Indians in general have graciously received Brother and Mrs. Marvin Leach, and they are making good. They are winning the confidence of the Indians, and attendance has increased at least one-third.

Their appointment has been a great relief to us.

## Christianity and Democracy

By  
CHAPLAIN WINNETT E. SUTTERFIELD

One of the delights of my work here in Japan is my association with Brother Tsukasa Oda, native Japanese Christian minister. He is a kindly little man with long, black, sparsely-settled beard. He is my interpreter when I speak to Japanese congregations.

Recently Brother Oda and I went to his home town where I spoke to the girls' high school. When I got there I found that a great many of the parents had come, as well as the mayor and several other citizens.

Everyone sat on the floor in the customary Japanese fashion, and as I stood to speak they graciously allowed me to keep my shoes on.

I spoke on John 3:16 which I had rehearsed with Brother Oda before the service. At the close I allowed them to ask questions. One of the teachers wanted to know what I mean by God.

Another woman confused democracy with Christianity, and I tried to show her that in our country religion is one thing and the state is another. I tried to explain what we mean by separation of church and state.

"In that case, some people in America have no religion at all!" she questioned. I had to confess that she was right, and quoted for her the First Amendment to the Constitution, "Congress shall make no laws respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof."

One little girl wanted to know about Christmas and Santa Claus. It gave me a real opportunity to tell the true story of Christmas.

Fukuoka, Japan  
Sept. 13, 1947

Back in August of this year Chaplain Winnett E. Sutterfield presented to me a copy of your magazine.

It is the July issue. On this Saturday evening as I glance through it once again I read with great interest the article on page 14 submitted by Chaplain Cullom. I was in Tokyo two weeks ago and had the pleasure of meeting Chaplain Cullom.

I have been in Japan since February and I see for myself how eager the young people of Japan are for the gospel. Never

before has there been a greater opportunity for Christians to spread the gospel throughout Japan.

On July 6 of this year I dedicated my life to the ministry, and if the Lord wills, I plan to continue with the Lord's work here in Japan after I am discharged from the army.

A friend in Christ,  
CPL. VIRGIL L. FANN.



John B. Acorn

## Veteran Indian Missionary Passes

By ROE R. BEARD

Rev. John B. Acorn passed away Saturday, September 6, 1947, at the age of seventy-four years. He had been preaching the gospel of Jesus Christ for fifty-one years.

Brother Acorn was missionary of the Cherokee Baptist Association, and for a number of terms served as its moderator. For more than twenty-five years he was treasurer. The latter office he held at the time of his death.

As evidence of his worth and as a tribute to his service, there were seven hundred people at his funeral.

Brother Acorn was loyal to the Baptist cause and supported it with every ounce of energy he had. He loved the workers of the Home Mission Board.

The missionary was one of the greatest souls I have ever known. We shall miss his Christlike spirit. Truly God has taken from this mission field one of the best.



Ring out the darkness of the land.  
Ring in the Christ that is to be!

Nothing can better express the joy of Christmas than the music of beautiful bells. Borne through the skies on golden wings, it soars straight to our hearts and makes even more ecstatic the happiness that dwells there.

Christmastime is the time of all the year when we know happiness for what it truly is—when love and kindness and the pleasure of giving are the guideposts of our lives. That has been true down through the centuries: the darkness of doubt and selfishness has ever vanished before the brilliance of the Spirit of Christmas.

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## Beauty of Osceola's Rites Leads Son to Christianity

Seminole Forsakes Ways Of 'Unbeliever';  
Indian Customs Passing Out, He Says

By MILT SOSIN  
Miami Daily News Staff Writer

In a sudden renunciation of the traditional Indian role of stoicism and taciturnity, Robert Osceola, 26-year-old Seminole brave, yesterday announced at the funeral of his 95-year-old father, Jimmy Osceola, that the Christian rites had so impressed him that he was forsaking the ways of an "unbeliever."

The venerable Jimmy, reputedly one of the warriors who fought alongside Billy Bowlegs in the last stand of the Seminoles against U. S. troops, died Monday in the Big Cypress swamp, and his funeral was held yesterday at the burial grounds of the Dania Indian reservation.

### LAST HANDSHAKE

Following the burial and "last handshake" at which each Indian threw a handful of dirt on the casket in Seminole tradition, Robert and his two brothers, Harjo, 29, and Billy, 26, who is studying for the ministry, returned to the little chapel of the First Seminole Indian Baptist church on the reservation with Rev. Eunah Tiger, Creek Indian assigned as a Baptist missionary, and Kenneth A. Marmon, Indian agent from Ft. Myers.

Robert, who had been answering questions about his father in mono-

syllables, suddenly directed at the missionary a torrent in the Seminole tongue.

The missionary listened gravely and then turned to newsmen.

### CUSTOMS FADING OUT

"He says that he wants to say something if you will put it in the papers just as he says it."

"He says, 'All the old Indian customs are fading out. The Christian people took charge of my father's burial. My father used to talk to me about God. He was an unbeliever at first but in his old age he believed in God.'"

The missionary stopped and the young Indian resumed again—a curious and strangely beautiful speech; sometimes guttural and at other times a lilting sing-song as if he were chanting a ritual. His brothers listened attentively and in absolute silence.

The missionary again took up the thread of the translation, "The Christians have been a great help to my people. My father came to believe in God. I came here today an unbeliever. I saw how the Christian people took care of my father."

"Now, I, too, am beginning to believe."—Miami Daily News (used by permission).



Three sons of Jimmy Osceola at the funeral service for their father at the Indian reservation in Dania, Florida, September 9, 1947. Left to right, Billy, Harjo, and Robert Osceola. Standing is the Rev. Eunah Tiger, Creek Indian from Oklahoma, a missionary to the Seminoles.

## Baptists in Panama Are Busy

By WILFRED D. MORGAN  
Missionary in Panama

The month of July was dedicated to the cause of sacred Christian missions throughout the Bocas del Toro circuit of Baptist churches. The object of the meetings was for the specific purpose of inculcating in our people the importance of the missionary enterprise.

We endeavored to stress the point that the church that is not missionary in its outlook is not New Testament in character.

Great interest was evinced throughout, and at some of the services the buildings were taxed to capacity. The response was excellent, all that could be desired.

We had to assist us in this noble effort the Rev. William Forde of Costa Rica, the veteran Baptist missionary of Central America. Brother Forde was trained at Spurgeon's College in England.

## A New Missionary Enters The Field

By M. E. O'NEILL, JR.

The church, twelve miles west of Nacogdoches, Texas, near Pollock, is only two-by-four framing with 1-inch boards for siding. It is big enough to accommodate 150 people. On the same one and a half-acre plot is a nifty log house with four rooms. It now has screens, thanks to a friend in town. It has a rug on both the living room and kitchen floors. Two W.M.S. circles from the First Church in town gave them.

Laura Ellen no longer fusses at the stove for burning more wood than the preacher can cut. There is now a 3 burner oil stove in her kitchen.

Living twelve miles from town, we have a lot of traveling to do. This week the preacher was running about fifty miles a day, but the usual average is less than twenty-five. We have contacted around 560 people in 139 calls and visits this month (July).

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## World Baptist Headquarters

By EDWARD R. DOWDY

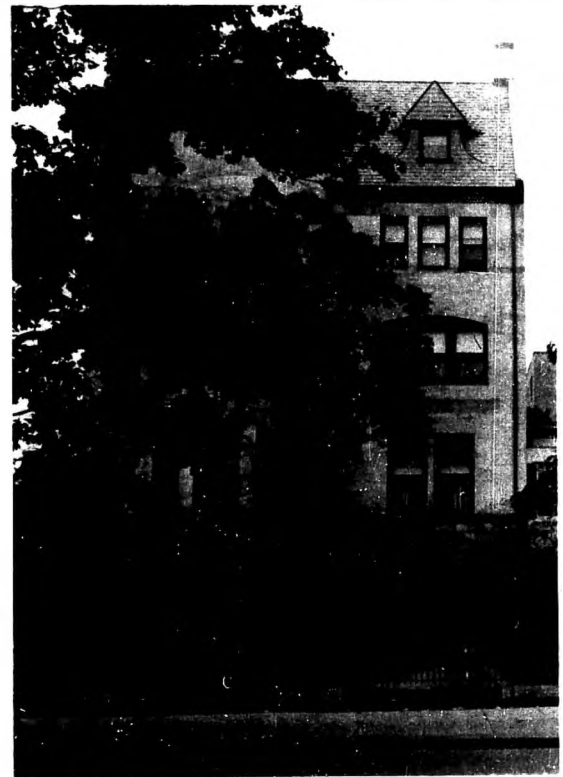
Dr. W. O. Lewis, executive secretary of the Baptist World Alliance, and Dr. M. Chandler Stith, executive secretary of the District of Columbia Baptist Convention, announce the purchase of the above pictured building to be occupied jointly early in December.

Located at 1628 Sixteenth Street, N.W., the new Baptist headquarters will occupy the former home of Captain John Rufus Edie, of the Navy, who con-

veyed the building at his death to the St. John's Episcopal Church, of which he was a member.

Just ten blocks north of the White House, the new headquarters building will provide adequate housing for all the Baptist offices including those of the Public Relations Committee, of which Dr. Joseph M. Dawson is the executive secretary.

With the formal moving of the offices of the Baptist World Alliance to Washington at a service held recently at the First Baptist Church, during which President Harry S. Truman spoke, Washington has become even more strategic in the Baptist life of the world.



World Baptist Headquarters in Washington, D. C., are located now at 1628 Sixteenth Street, N.W. The building was recently purchased jointly by the Baptist World Alliance and the District of Columbia Baptist Convention.

## Resolutions On B. M. Callaway

WHEREAS, in the wise and loving providence of our Heavenly Father, our friend and brother in Christ, B. M. Callaway, was suddenly and shockingly killed in an automobile accident on August 22 near his old home town of Washington, Georgia, and

WHEREAS, Brother Callaway was an outstanding layman of our denomination, a Christian gentleman of highest rank and order, having faithfully, efficiently, and tirelessly served the denomination, giving during the last years of his life practically his full time in service to his church, association, state convention, and to the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, and

WHEREAS, Brother Callaway served as a member of the Home Mission Board for a period of eighteen years, being a member of the Board and rendering invaluable service, during the darkest period of the Board's history serving as chairman of the Church Building Loan Fund and in many other ways far too numerous to mention, and

WHEREAS, He was a member of the Endowment Committee of the Georgia Baptist Convention and an active and valued member of the Executive Committee of the Atlanta Association, having been instrumental in the location and establishment of many new churches, and

WHEREAS, He was always loyal to his church, pastor, and denomination, faithful in the performance of his duty, keen, brilliant, logical, businesslike, unique in personality, impersonal and fair in his dealings with others, of such deep convictions that he sometimes stood alone, but of such sound judgment that it is impossible to estimate the value of his service, always actuated by the highest of motives and never seeking personal honors.

Therefore, be it RESOLVED,

1. That we, the Executive Committee,

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## Among the Missionaries

### A Seminole Conversion

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"If the Lord has put the thought into your heart," I replied, "and you feel you should, you had better do it."

When the Seminoles become Christians, they throw away the cigarettes.—Stanley Smith, missionary to Seminoles in Florida.

### A Chinese Wedding

Missionaries Mary Etheridge and Lois Jordan of El Paso, Texas, report the first wedding of a Christian Chinese couple from their mission.

After an impressive ceremony at the First Baptist Church in El Paso, the bride and bridegroom were entertained at an elaborate banquet, according to the missionaries' report. "Since it is a Chinese custom to drink a toast to the newlyweds," they said, "Johnny and Jean both being Christians took a definite stand against it, and no intoxicating drinks were served."

### Teaching Little Children

The Bible class that I have been conducting down by the levee is about seven blocks from our mission. Many of the children do not attend any church or Sunday school. Some have started coming to the mission.

The children have learned many choruses which they sing in the homes to help spread the gospel. Our aim is that the children and parents will attend the mission services regularly and that they may see their need of a Saviour and be saved.—Winifred Anderson, missionary to language groups in Illinois.

## Missionaries Teach Stewardship

Home missionaries teach stewardship. Some give a week of special emphasis to tithing, and others teach stewardship slowly and patiently over a period of years.

### An Indian Tithes

"One of our students at the Santa Fe Indian School the past year has begun to tithes this summer," writes Miss Pauline Carmack, missionary to the Indians in New Mexico.

"This former student is a fine Navajo Christian who was doing postgraduate study in art. During the summer he sold some of his pictures and turned in his tithe to the local church in Santa Fe."

The missionary continues: "Already there are evidences of spiritual blessings in his life. He is deeply concerned about winning the members of his family to

Christ. He has won his brother and now he is burdened for his father, who has begun the use of peyote. During a recent visit with his father he was asked to use peyote, too, but refused. The medicine man told his father that he was a stranger and not even a son."

According to the missionary, the young man wants to get further training to be a missionary to his own people. "Please pray for him that a way will be provided for him to get further training," the missionary pleads.

### The Deaf Are Taught

Mrs. Laura J. Formwalt, a missionary to the deaf during summer months, taught a study course on stewardship to the deaf in Chattanooga, Tennessee. "On the closing night of the study," Mrs. Formwalt reports, "a five-year-old girl came up and placed four pennies in my hand to demonstrate how she felt about stewardship. She had been so impressed with the thought of giving that she gladly gave all she had."

The missionary sees in the child and her older sister (normal children of deaf parents) potential missionaries and workers for the deaf.

"One of the greatest opportunities for a missionary to the deaf is to minister to the children of deaf parents," Mrs. Formwalt writes. "There are some fine pros-

pects among the normal children of deaf parents for our future missionaries and workers. They are nuggets of gold to be refined, educated, and set to work for the Master. Satan is bidding for them. We need more trained workers to teach and train these children."

## Resolution

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tee of the Home Mission Board do hereby express a deep sense of loss in the home-going of this good servant of Christ.

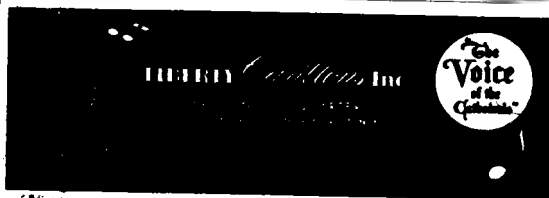
2. That we bow humbly in obedience to the will of God, believing with all of our hearts that all things work together for good to them that love the Lord and that God's will is always safe, wise, and best.

3. That we express our deep, heartfelt appreciation for the life and service of Brother Callaway.

4. That a copy of these resolutions be included in the minutes of the Executive Committee, a copy published in *Southern Baptist Home Missions*, and a copy sent to the family.

Respectfully submitted,  
JAMES P. WESBERRY, Chairman  
Mrs. E. E. STEELE  
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Adopted by Executive Committee,  
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It is an objective presentation of the Youth for Christ movement—how it started, who formulates its policies, why its rapid growth, what of its present accomplishments and future program.

The author not only informs but also inspires his reader by relating soul-stirring experiences. To read the volume will thrill any person who loves youth. It presents a positive program dealing with juvenile delinquency, divorce evils, liquor, gambling, and other current trends which youth must combat.

This reviewer has seen Youth for Christ in operation here in the States, in Manila, Tokyo, Tientsin, Shanghai, Okinawa, Honolulu, Frankfurt, and Berlin, and in his opinion this volume is conservative in its appreciation for the contribution the movement has made to present-day youth.—Alfred Carpenter.

*Ken—South of the Border.* By Basil Miller. Zondervan Publishing House. 75 cents.

This book is one in a series relating Ken's thrilling experiences along the Mexican border as cowhand, smuggler, catcher, detective, and hunter.

The author is especially prepared for this type of writing in that he grew up in Indian territory, followed the cattle trails westward, and lives on the Mexican border, surrounded by the elements and events portrayed so vividly in this book.

Of the many thrilling adventures related in this book, Ken's Christian experience is outstanding. His faith in God always won.

Set forth in a clear manner is the fact that crime does not pay.

*Here Is My Heart.* By Joye Hockzema. Zondervan Publishing House. \$2.50.

In this day of cheap fiction, it is refreshing to pick up a volume such as *Here Is My Heart*, which has a Christian motive and is designed to leave a good influence.

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*Chemical Illustrations.* By Basil Miller. Zondervan Publishing House. \$1.50.

Dr. Miller has compiled a list of materials and suggested procedure for chemical illustrations for ministers, teachers, and speakers. This book has been needed.

*Little Feather Goes Hunting.* By Bernard Palmer. Zondervan Publishing House. 75 cents.

This is a story of boys with interesting Christian experiences.

*Key and Kim in Wild Horse Canyon.* By Basil Miller. Zondervan Publishing House. 75 cents.

The author presents a very readable novel in which wild horses are tamed and young people are consecrated to mission support.

*Youth's Marriage Problems.* By Alfred L. Murray. Zondervan Publishing House. \$2.00.

The author is pastor of First Baptist Church, Westerly, Rhode Island. His extensive study of psychology, service in World War II as a Navy chaplain, and his activities as a pastor have fitted him to write such a book. It is well written and full of good suggestions.

*Hebrew Verse By Verse.* By William R. Newell. Moody Press. \$2.50.

Here is a book of five hundred pages that is just what the title says. The author in fifty years of intensive study and teaching is prepared for this presentation. The reader may not agree at all points but he will respect the author's scholarship and loyalty to the faith.

*God Is My Landlord.* By Raymond J. Jeffreys. Van Kampen Press.

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By FRANK DiMAGGIO  
Missionary in Illinois

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