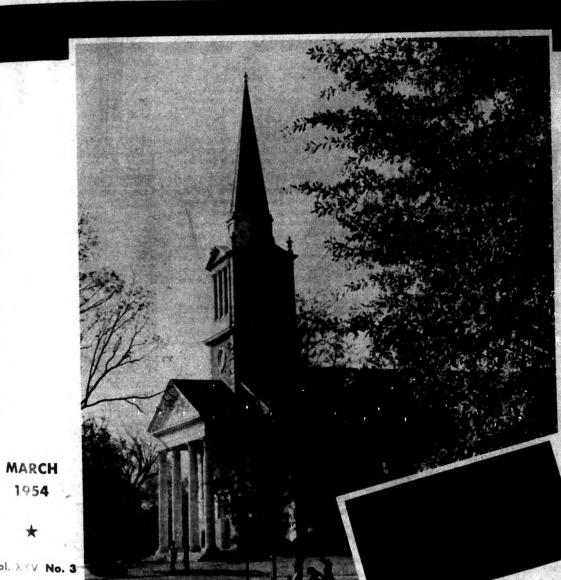
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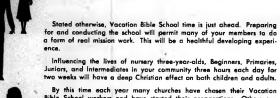
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LIFE'S Greatest TASK

By Courts Redford

Power is the universal desire of the human heart.

All people want power.

God wants his people to have power. The Lord never wanted any man to be weak.

If man wants power and God wants him to have power, why are some so weak? Why do we fail so miscrably to reach our goals and realize our ambitions?

The main difficulty is that man has never learned the misuse it. Few use it as the Lord intended and directed.

God will make available all the power with which he can trust man.

Jesus said, "But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth (Acts 1:8).

Here the Lord states the real purpose of power, namely, to become a witness unto Jesus. The young convert who was asked how she felt since her conversion declared, "Wonderful, I want to tell the whole world

That is the desire of every true disciple of the Lord. It is the goal of evangelism, of missions, and of Christian training and service.

Effective witnessing is life's greatest task. It is the goal of the home mission program in the final stage of the Five-Year Crusade.

The first stage was evangelism. We are grateful for the success of the simultaneous efforts in soul-winning during the years of 1950 and 1951. The Lord blessed our churches in their species emphasis on church extensions. our churches in their special emphasis on church extension in 1952 and 1953. Nearly 1,400 new Southern Baptist churches were constituted during those two

The major emphasis in 1954 is to make effective witsees of all of our members, young and old, in all of a churches and missions.

To this end the Home Mission Board, at its annual 10 this end the Home Mission Board, at its annual precting in Atlanta last December, adopted a program of thistiant witnessing for 1954 designed to enlist every individual Christian and to seek the co-operation of all durch and denominational groups in the big task of the process of the pro taking Christ known at home and abroad.

The following emphases were adopted:

- A continuation of our emphasis on evangelism and
- 2. Due attention given to the development of the

western and frontier areas and as large contributions as possible by the Board to such development 3. Special attention to the last phase of the Five-Year

- Crusade, namely, effective witnessing. The program to be implemented by the following means:
- (1) By urging every Christian to be a soul-winner
 (2) By encouraging the churches to establish and
 maintain local missions
- (3) By encouraging Anglo churches and church agencies to give special attention to minority groups and neglected persons in their midst
- (4) By co-operating with our missionaries to make their ministry as effective as possible
- (5) By using such resources as the Board may have by using such resources as the board may have available to carry the gospel message to areas and to peoples that are now without an evangelistic
- ministry
 4. The simultaneous Indian Evangelistic Crusade, June 27 to July 4, 1954
- 5. A thorough preparation for the 1955 Convention

To realize these goals every Christian must think of in realize these goals every Christian must think of himself as a witness for his Lord. At work, at school, in the home, and in the place of business he must seek opportunities to say a good word for Jesus. "Every Christian a Soul-winner" must be more than a slogan

it must become a reality.

In describing his labors, Paul indicated that he testified publicly and from house to house, both to the Jews and to the Greeks. Likewise Southern Baptists must cross all barriers of space, prejudice, race, and creed to with

all barriers of space, prejudice, race, and creed to witness to all men everywhere.

Churches are urged to survey their fields to see if there be small minority groups which have been neglected. Such persons as foreign or language groups, deaf, Jews, people of other creeds or religions, Negroes, and the underprivileged should receive special attention.

It is hoped that every church will thus accept the responsibility of making Christ known to all the people in its own community and will extend its outreach as far as possible. It will co-operate with denominational agencies in ministering to those it cannot serve alone.

Would it be too much to hope that every person within the territory of the Southern Baptist Convention may have some word concerning Christ from some friend or interested person during the year?

Let 1954 be a year when we major on life's greatest task— the task of making Christ known at home and abroad.

tarch, 1954

NIBWS

Celebrate Tenth Anniversary Of Baptist Work in Alaska

Chaplain Aubrey C. Halsell, who while serving as a chaplain in Alaska coura-geously led in the establishment of Baptist work there ten years ago, recently con-ducted revival services in the First Baptist Church of Anchorage where the work was

The revival was held in connection with the church's celebration of its tenth anniversary. A former chaplain, Rev. Livy L. Cope, now pastor at East Lake Baptist Church, Chattanooga, Tennessee, led the

singing.

Chaplain Halsell, now wing chaplain at Sampson Air Force Base in New York, found a great change in the Anchorage church from the struggling little congregation composed mostly of military personnel which he helmed organize. Today sonnel which he helped organize. Today the First Baptist Church of Anchorage a membership of 890 members and last year gave \$68,089.74 to all causes, \$15,885.52 of that to missions. The church baptized 103 into its membership during the last year. Also the church is in the process of building a church plant to replace the building which burned dur-

As he noticed this fine building, Chaplain Halsell remembered how that day ten years before the little group of twentywo members struggled to raise \$2,000,00 in cash to buy a house and two lots to be used as a meeting place for the church. Service personnel borrowed money on personal security and the one civilian in the church, a carpenter, gave \$1,000.00.

With a little assistance from the Home dission Board the First Baptist Church of Anchorage and Baptist work in Alaska was on its way. Today there are fourteen Baptist churches and eight missions scatred throughout Alaska

Governor to Speak At Rural Conference

Governor Herman Talmadge of Georgia will bring the welcoming address at the annual rural church conference program to be held at the First Baptist Church in Decatur, Georgia, March 11-14.

All agencies of the Southern Baptist Convention will participate in this conference and booths for every phase of denom-

national work will be set up.

A model rural church building and pasor house rural church outlaing and pas-tor's home, designed by the Architectural Department of the Sunday School Board, will be erected on the grounds of the First It is anticipated that 2,500 rural pastors and missionaries from fourteen states of the Southern Baptist Convention will at-

Mountain Mission Conference To Be Held in Kentucky

The annual meeting of the Mountain Missions Conference will be held this year, April 26-28, at Oneida, Kentucky. This meeting is conducted by the Hom meeting is conducted by the Home Mission Board in co-operation with the Baptist General Convention of Kentucky. Pastors and workers from Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia, and North Carolina are also invited to attend.

Rev. A. B. Cash of the Home Board, along with Dr. W. C. Boone, Rev. Elred M. Taylor, and Rev. M. Wendell Bellew of Kentucky, will be in charge of the program.

program.

Featured in the conference will be Bible

realured in the contenence with one mini-study, conference on methods, and Dr. Courts Redford, executive secretary of the Home Mission Board as inspirational speaker.

Pastors, missionaries, and members of all county missions committees are ex-pected to attend.

Visit Indiana Churches

Dr. Courts Redford, executive secretary-treasurer of the Home Mission Board, visited recently in Indiana where he spoke visited recently in Indiana where he spoke at a joint meeting of the Associational Board and Woman's Missionary Union on Satuçday evening and to the First Baptist Church of Indianapolis, Indiana, on Sunday. This is the first Southern Baptist church to be organized in Indianapolis, and has a membership of thirty-seven. On that Sunday fifty-two attended Sunday school and about seventy-five the preaching service. The new church is meeting term.

scriooi and about seventy-five the preaching service. The new church is meeting temporarily in the Youth for Christ Building. Rev. Gordon Pascal is serving as pastor. There are now forty-five Southern Baptist churches in Indiana, according to Dr. Redford. While in Indiana he visited most of the churches of the church most of the churches affiliated with the Indiana Baptist Association

Fellowship Dinner for Missionaries

A fellowship dinner for all missionaries who work in the homeland will be held Tuesday, June 1, in St. Louis, Missouri, in connection with the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention.

All associational, general, and direct missionaries are invited to meet in this

Approve Plans for. Student Center in Havana

Plans for a student center to be located near the University of Havana, Havana, Cuba, have been approved by the Home Mission Board and it is hoped that actual building will be started soon.

The building provides for living quarters for the workers, dormitory space for approximately twenty students, office, li-brary, three classrooms, a reception room, temporary chapel, combination recreation and dining room, kitchen, storage room, laundry room, and garage.

The completed building is designed to

include also a permanent auditorium and possibly more dormitory space. The building is being constructed at an approximate cost of \$100,000.00. For the present

Missionary's Wife Waiting for Visa

Many Southern Baptists have been con-cerned over the outcome of the efforts of Mrs. Amelio Giannetta, wife of our Home Board missionary to the Italians in E. Cerrito, California, to get a permanent

Mrs. Giannetta came to the States on a student visa and while here married Mr. Giannetta. After graduation at Southern Baptist Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky. they were appointed missionaries in Cali-fornia. However, Mrs. Giannetta was unable to get her permanent visa and on November 28, 1953, was forced to return to Italy and await issuance of a resident visa. Mr. Giannetta is remaining in the States to carry on the mission work.



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From the Pen of John Caylor

NOW PERFORM THE DOING

THE MARCH WEEK of Prayer for Home Missions is now upon us. What has been done in preparation for this week should now be executed in meetings and response. As our friends pray and study home mission fields they will open their purses and make their offerings. Now is the time to "perform the doing of it."

Miss Annie Armstrong thought that if people would get together and pray for missions there would be no problem about supporting missions. This has proved to be invaluable in bolstering home missions.

When it is realized that half the budget of the Home Mission Board for its operations comes from this one week's offering it makes a tremendous appeal. It is most important

Another portion from a Scripture passage is in order: "Help those women." The March Week of Prayer and the Annie Armstrong Offering for Home Missions is a WMU project. In most of our churches pastoral leadership has encouraged men to join in the support of home missions through this special emphasis. It is fitting to suggest at this time, "Help those women." Who cares about who gets the credit? If home missions needs the money, let all of us have part in the giving. Home missions will benefit if more of us give more in this special offering. The goal of \$1,250,000.00 is a worthy one. All that is given above the \$900,000.00 specifically designated will go into the Church Building Loan Fund of the Home Mission Board. Hundreds of chu ches are in need of immediate loans. Let us give and help new churches to build.

BACKDOOR REVIVALS

A pastor made his Monday morning report to the pastor's conference somewhat as follows: "We had a backdoor revival during the past week. We dropped six hundred names from our church roll. Some of these people we could not locate and others were inactive; o we dropped them from our active roll."

A vigorous pastor was called to serve a large church. pon arriving on the field he found that some of the

people lived out of the city; some could not be located immediately; and some were inactive. The pastor wanted a "fresh start." Instead of enlisting the number of people on the church roll he led his people to "drop" the outof-town, those who could not be located, and the inactive, in order that the working force of the church might be counted as active members.

The attitude manifested in the two occasions above points up a serious problem which faces Southern Baptists. Should inactive members be dropped from the church roll because they are inactive; or should a visitation program seek to enlist them? One visit to discover indifference is not enough. Many visits from various representatives of organizations should seek the enlistment of members who have not been attending. Inactive members should be inspired to activity.

Should a member's name be dropped because that member has moved out of town? Why not encourage the member to join a church in the city to which he has moved? Why not write a letter to a pastor in the member's new community? Absentee members should be followed and enlisted. It is not enough just to find the address and drop the name.

Is it wise to "clear the church roll" just because members' addresses cannot be found immediately? Let a careful committee study the names and inquire among acquaintances until addresses can be obtained and absentee members contacted.

In spite of the fact that Southern Baptists baptized 354,384 converts during 1952 there were 150,600 fewer active members of our churches. This is not because all these members have died but perhaps it is due to the fact that many churches have "cleared their rolls." The church rolls may look better, but we must remember that the Good Shepherd did not give up the lost sheep.

The fact that one out of five persons in the United States moved last year, which means that a million and a half Southern Baptists moved, surely helps to account for the loss in resident members. The Home Mission Board is pushing a vigorous program to reach those Baptists who have moved into new fields. Every church and pastor should follow in prayers and interest those church members who have gone into unevangelized areas.

SOUTHERN BAPTIST HOME MISSIUNS



ing and giving for home missions.

generous giving of material possessions.

Church in Baltimore. She never forgot

that circle of kneeling women praying for

so few in number, but prayed such large

sions. As she expressed it, "They were

ding secretary of Woman's Mis-

PRAY **PRAYERS**

By Mrs. Ralph Smith

Program Chairman, Waman's Missionary Union, First Baptist Church, Decatur, Georgia

moting study, prayer, and giving among the women. Miss Armstrong was eighty-eight years old in 1938, and because of failing health was unable to attend the Golden Jubilee meeting of WMU. She sent this message, "Speak to the children of Israel that they go forward." After the study of God's Word comes the study of the fields. Then people pray. Then they

MEMBERS of Woman's Missionary Union have a twofold opportunity and task before them March 1-5, 1954 — pray-Since 1894 hundreds of groups of women, some very small, some a little larger, others still larger have met, studied, and "prayed large prayers." God has heard and blessed the prayers and efforts Prayer, the mightiest force in the world. of these women to the extent of a greatly not only strengthens the work and work-ers on the mission fields, it will strengthen increased program of work for the Home Mission Board through multiplied gifts. the spiritual lives of those participating

Well do I remember my early days in in the week's observance. Prayers from WMU as a young matron. I was asked warm, consecrated hearts will inspire to lead one of the prayers and felt so much the need of information so that I A biographical sketch of the life of could pray more directly. Through the Miss Annie Armstrong tells of an instance at the beginning of her Christian life when prayer was magnified and greatly influour church and presented the needs for enced her life. Miss Armstrong was the work with the Indians in Southern invited to lead the singing for a woman's Alabama. As we were informed we prayer meeting at the Seventh Baptist prayed more fervently and gave more

In 1953 I visited that field with a party from the Home Mission Board and the Atlanta Association WMU members. Missionary John L. Isaacs was our guide and Later, in 1880, she was elected the first not only showed us several of their buildings but introduced us to a number of sionary Union and labored tirelessly pro- Christian families. We traveled far back Offering.

nto the country over sand roads to m a radiantly happy Christian, Lessic Mas Rivers, first president of the first ma-sionary union on this mission field. With pride she told of the young people's organ-izations as well as the WMS, and how they were studying and working hard to have a better union. Feefore we left the asked us to pray for her and the other

This year, during the Week of Prayer, I can pray even more directly and fer-vently for the work in Alabama than I did that day years ago when my knowedge was more limited.

Although few of us have the privilege of visiting mission fields, all can visit through books and programs.

Missionaries constantly plead for our prayers. "Please pray for our work. Do not fail to remember us in your prayers. Pray for me." How many times have you heard one of these or similar requests?

Missionaries and workers of the Home Mission Board are making that request to 1,127,170 members of WMU during March 1-5. Through faithful observance of the Week of Prayer, following study of the excellent program plann committee of WMU, you will join others in this greatest source of power, prayer for every phase of the home missi gram. The planned program includes some information about every field and many of the workers. The \$900,000.00 of allocated funds will be used to pay missionary salaries, build new buildings, repair old buildings, and to buy new equipment.

This year all over and above the \$900,000.00 is to be used for the Church Extension Loan Fund. For many years concern has been felt about inadequate and unattractive church buildings on many of our foreign mission fields. Now we are beginning to feel that definite need in our own country also. Southern Baptist folk have moved into thinly churched areas and started new churches. Obtaining adequate buildings is quite a problem. Assisting these churches in the pioneer areas is one of our greatest needs and challenges.

Here is another earnest and sincers request for your prayers. Won't you pray definitely that the Annie Armatrong Offering in 1954 will go far beyond the goal of \$1,250,000.00 so that the Church Extension Loan Fund will be increased greatly? Pollowing Jesus' commands the disciples established new churches and he expects Southern Baptists to do the same.

"Pray large prayers" this year. Give large gifts to the Annie Armstrong

My First Meeting with Church Loans Committee

> By Frank Garrison Assistant Executive Secretary-Treasurer

our churches will lend full support to the Woman's Missionary Union in this effort it is entirely possible that the total offering will run \$1,250,000.00, in which event \$350,000.00 could be made available during this year for much-needed loans to now churches.

new churches.

One of the greatest needs of Southern Baptists today is for more and larger church buildings. We are the strongest religious group in our area and yet we are far behind other denominational groups in the matter of providing funds for church loans. If Baptists are to maintain their position of leadership, this need must be met.

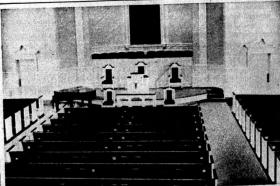


Assumed my dutits on January 1, 1954. The first several days were spent acquainting myself with the procedures of the office. On January 12 1 met with the Church Loans Committee in regular session. A number of applications for loans, both from the Board's Church Building Loan Fund, were presented. All applications for loans from the Church Extension Loan Fund, were approved with the hope of closing them at a reasonably the hope of closing them at a reasonably early date. However, all actions relative to loans from the Church Building Loan Fund had to carry the proviso that the churches would not expect the loans to be closed until funds were available.

A resume of the Board's two church loan funds which was presented to the nore than \$1,000,000.00 for loans from more than \$1,000,000.00 for Joans from the Church Building Loan Fund and more than \$500,000.00 from the Church Exten-tion Loan Fund. As of January I there was approximately \$73,000.00 on hand for loans-in both loan funds.

These figures will serve to indicate the pressing need for more church loan funds But you say, "What can we do about the

The answer is: Woman's Missionary Union has agreed to allocate from the 1954 March Week of Prayer Offering all receipts in excess of \$900,000.00 to the Church Extension Loan Fund. If all of

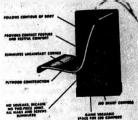


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Missionary to Chickasow Indians, Sulphur, Oklahoma

"HANK YOU for the building" were words of appreciation coming from the Indian leaders in Pickens Baptist Church, McMillan, Oklahoma, 1 had just preached my first sermon in the newly erected church building. The sermon, which I had preached to the forty or

more present that Wednesday night, Jan-uary 17, 1951, resulted in two dedications and much renewed interest on the part The little congregation of Indians had themselves manifested an interest in trying

to provide for themselves a better house of orship. The group had decided to clear a tract of land near the church to be planted in peanuts. All proceeds went to the church building fund. The same piece of land was planted in cotton the following year for the same purpose. From the special Indian Building Fund of the Home Mission Board the church received \$250.00 encourage the members in their plans.

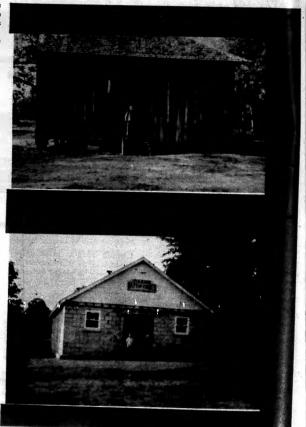
The new building was then started with the few hundred dollars plus the \$250.00 from the Home Mission Board. The members soon found they needed more materials, therefore the Madill Lumber Company permitted them to make a \$900.00 purchase to be paid out on monthly installments. The church continued to build as it could, with one of its own members, Rev. Ed Christie, head-

During the building program.

During the early part of the winter we found the church losing interest in its building program. We felt that another \$250.00 from the Home Board would give renewed encouragement so The money was received and paid on the old lumber bill. This gave more credit so that sufficient materials could be purchased for the completion of the new

"Thank you for the building" is a heartfelt expression because the Indians are very proud of their new church. The gift of \$500.00 by Southern Baptiss through the Home Mission Board has helped to erect a building worth most than \$3,000.00. Many souls have beas won to Christ and plans are now under way for an educational plant. There were eighteen additions to this church during the simultaneous campaign west of the Mississippi. Missionary W. W. Boggsan did the preaching.

"Thank you WMU women. Thank you, church members." These are appropriate words to express our gratitude for helping not only this church but others of the Chickassw Indian field and other equally needy churches throughout the Convention territory.



SOUTHERN BAPTIST HOME MISSIONS

Every Church REVIVED in '55

By C. E. Matthews Secretary of Evangelism

1 THE SOUTHWIDE Leadership Con-A ference on Evangelism, December 14-16, participated in by every Southwide agency and every state agency of the Southern Baptist Convention, it was unanimously voted to adopt the slogan. "Every Church Revived in Fifty-Five." for the 1955 Simultaneous Revival

The Purpose of a Slagan

A slogan for movements participated in by the people of God should rightly express the objective of the movement.

That is exactly what the above slogan does. Surely it meets with God's approval and divine purpose for his churches to be revived — not just one church nor a few churches, but every church. That is the objective for the 1955 Simultaneous Crusade. If the churches are revived, multitudes will be saved and baptized.

Throughout the history of the human race, slogans have inspired people to action. It was a slogan that brought forth our freedom as a nation from the unbearable taxation placed on the colonies by Great Britain. "Millions for defense but not one cent for tribute" was a clarion call to the patriots to offer their lives in sacflice for a principle that made for us free nation.

When God sent Gideon and his faithful three hundred into battle against the nordes of Midianites who had oppressed and persecuted the Hehrew children beand their ability to endure, the cry of The Sword of the Lord and of Gideon" struck terror to the enemy and sent him flying in confusion and utter rout.

Southern Baptists, burdened down for a quarter of a century with a back-breaking lebt, finally saw a beam of light shining through the stiffing fog of debt and, with a slogan that still rings in our ears, "Debt Free in '43," rallied our churches

go further than just enroll this million on the Sunday school rolls. We believe he wants his churches to do more than

into the mightlest crusade of debt liberation in the history of our denomination.

Our Sunday school leaders have recently been inspired to action in trying to meet a challenge of enlisting a million of it forty million men, women, and children out in the world, out of touch with God and in utter ignorance of his Word, who are living in the confines of our Southern Baptist Convention territory. We believe that the Holy Spirit whispered into some-body's ear, as he whispered into the ears of the asints of old, a slogan that will never be forgotten by Southern Baptists—"A Million More in "54."

We believe that God loves his churches, on whose shoulders rests the responsibility of enlisting a million more people on the rolls of the Sunday schools. We believe that God wants his churches to go further than just enroll this million on the Sunday school rolls. We believe he wants his churches to do more than



Step.by Step

FOR 1955 CRUSADE

(Adopted by the State Secretories of Evangelism)

January 3-7

Teaching of book (name of book to be decided by the Sunday School Board), accompanied by thirty minutes of prayer. Sponsored by the Sunday school.

Statewide Evangelistic Conference in each state during anuary or February. Dates as follows:

AlabamaJan, 24-26	MississippiJan. 17,19
ArkanasaJan. 24-26	Missouri
Arizona Jan. 10-12	New MexicoJan. 12-14
California Jan. 5- 6	North Carolina Feb. 7- 9
Dist. of Columbia Jan. 6- 7	OhioJan. 31-Feb. 2
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FloridaJan. 11-13	OklahomaJan. 24-26
GeorgiaJan. 24-26	Oregon-WashJan. 3- 4
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KansasJan. 20-21	TennesseeJan. 17-19
KentuckyJan, 10-12	
Jan. 10-12	TexasJan. 10-12
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MarylandJan. 3- 5	Jan. 20-21
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RELIGIOUS CENSUS

Taking of religious census simultaneously in all churches, according to the dates of their respective zones. Directed by the Sunday school.

Tropical March 6

SOUL WINNING AND ENLISTMENT

Church-wide study course in soul-winning, sponsored by Training Union. Teach the following books: Adults: A Church Revival, by C. E. Matthews (new book not

yet available.)

A Winning Witness, by Gaines Dobbins.

Young People: Every Christian's Job, by C. E. Matthews. The Plan of Salvation, by Austin Crouch. Winning Others to Christ, by Roland Q. Leavell.

Intermediates: Intermediate Fishers, by Frank B. Burkhalter.
Witnessing for Chirst, by Ethel Hudson Williams.

Juniors: Jesus Saves, Hattie Bell Allen.

As the churches conduct the study course, the census is to be prepared and made ready for visitation. Daily visitation and enlistment of prospects in Sunday school and Training Union suggested.

These study courses to be conducted simultaneously, according to the dates of their respective zones.

Tropical Feb. 6-11 Central Northern......March 13-18

SPECIAL RALLIES

Association-wide rallies for men sponsored by the Brotherhood. association-wide rallies for women sponsored by the differenced, association-wide rallies for women sponsored by the WMU, association-wide music rallies sponsored by the associational music chairman, and association-wide youth rallies sponsored by the Training Union. The men's rallies to be held on the amen night in their respective zones, the women's eslies to be held on the same night in their respective zones, the women's eslies to be held on the same night in their respective zones, the women's eslies to be held on the same night in their respective zones, the women's eslies to be held on the same night in their respective zones. in their respective zones; the women's rallies to be held on the same night in their respective zones; the women's rallies to be held on the same day in their respective zones; the music rallies to be held on the same Sunday afternoon in their respective zones; and the youth rallies to be held on the same night in their respective zones. Dates for the rallies are as follows:

Tropical—

MenFeb. 14 (night)

WomenFeb. 22 (day) MenFeb. 28 (night)
WomenMarch 15 (day)
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PRAYER PROGRAM

A week of prayer in all churches, as follows: Cottage prayer meetings Monday and Tuesday; all-church prayer meeting Wednesday; cottage prayer meetings Thursday and Priday; round-the-clock prayer meeting Saturday from 7:00 a. m. to 7:00 p. m. Clear the week of all other meetings. Make it a week of prayer.

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PREACHING

Two full weeks of preaching and visitation in every church in the respective zones, as follows: March 6-20 Northern Tropical March 6-20 Northern April 10-24
Central March 27-April 10 Alaska April 17-May 1

HIGH ATTENDANCE DAY IN SUNDAY SCHOOL

High attendance day in the Sunday school and unified service in every church, according to respective zones. March 13 Northern April 3 Alaska Tropical ... April 24

RADIO

(To be worked out.)

HIGH ATTENDANCE DAY IN THE TRAINING UNION

High attendance day in the Training Union, followed by a great closing evangelistic service, according to the zone your church is in.

March 20

REPORTS

All associational chairmen are to have in hand a full and complete report of the association, giving the following information: Additions by baptism, additions by letter and otherwise, total additions to all churches, total new Sunday school pupils, and total new Training Union members.

Copies of reports are to be mailed to the state secretaries of evangelism on Monday following the close of the respective campaigns. (State secretaries of evangelism are to send a tabulated report of the totals each week to the Department of Evangelism of the Home Mission Board, 600 Fidelity Union Life Bidg., Dallas 1, Texas.)

Immediately following the revivals all pastors should organize a class composed of all the new converts and other new church members to meet at the Training Union hour each Sunday evening for seven nights. He should teach to them the book, Your Life and Your Church. This is an orientation course. It is not a study course, but a set of seven lessons to help new Christians to find their places in church.

All new Christians should be excelled immediately in the

All new Christians should be enrolled immediately in the Training Union (and other church organizations) when they join this class, but not assigned to unions until the end of this

As soon after the revival as possible each church should teach the doctrinal books which include the books on church membership for all age groups as listed in the Graded Study Course for All Church Members in the Training Union.

For details on any point, please write your state secr of evangelism or the agency involved.



March, 1954



N The New Orleans Story, by Loyd that the best thing would be to visit the Corder, the Young People's book in the 1954 Graded Series of Home Mission Studies, is a discussion which suggests a local activity in community missions.

For a full discussion see chapter three of the above named book.

Mrs. Jones, the community missions man of the WMU of the church, was made chairman of a committee to study direct mission work of the Home Mission Board in the city of New Orleans. After mittee began its session for the study of missions in the city the following

"You know," said Mrs. Jones, "when I named on this committee. I realized that I did not even know what mission work the Home Mission Board is doing in the city of New Orleans. So I went home and looked up the March issue of Southern Baptist Home Missions in which I remembered seeing a directory of home missionaries. I found that there are wenty-four missionaries serving in New Orleans under the Direct Missions De partment of the Home Mission Board. However, ten of these were serving in the Woman's Emergency Home, the Baby Home, and the Men's Rescue Mission. Since these are Convention-wide institutions which might not be reproduced in with the other fourteen missionaries. Now, on the field. does either of you have a suggestion as to

"Ed, what do you think?"

missions."

"I'm not sure," said Mrs. Jones, "I have been to Rachel Sims Mission where Miss Gladys Keith works. I believe that there are other missions under her supervision there on the River Front. They are on the order of Good Will Centers."

"Good Will Centers?" asked Ed, his interest rising with his inflection. "Is that where the missionary I heard speak in Training Union last Sunday works?"

"I don't know," said Mrs. Jones. "Why don't I go call Miss Keith, and get some suggestions for us?"

Mrs. Jones called to make an appointment with Miss Keith. Upon returning to the room she said, "I talked with Miss Keith. She said they have four missions on the River Front. Three of them are now in operation and one of them has suspended until it can be relocated. They would be happy for us to come over and and it would give you a wonderful opporsee the work."

While the committee waited for a suitable time to meel Miss Keith and her
River Front staff a visit was made to Good Will Center needed the co-operation Friendship House at 813 Elysian Fields of local churches and volunteer workers. Street. A member of the committee asked Perhaps a survey of mission opportunities other cities . . . we will concern ourselves the missionary how many people lived in any city or rural section will reveal

how we should go about finding out all the forty thousand people in this part of the church missions committee, namely, that details regarding these missionaries and their work?"

Baptist or Protestant church. It takes

City thousand people in this part of the city who are not being reached by any Baptist or Protestant church. It takes Other members of the committee looked in most of the old French Quarter, and a at one another. Then Mrs. Jones asked, great deal more. Several times there "I have never been to one of these missions," he said, "but it seems to me failed." have been attempts to establish a church

The missionary explained that the peo-ple in the area must be reached through personal contact and helpful service in the homes. She said that the three mis-sionaries working in the center helped enlist the people in the activities of a nearby Baptist mission. The committee found that there was need for help in found that there was need for help in leading activities at Friendship House. In addition to the regular activities them iary and Royal Ambassador units. The sionaries needed help in contacting the people of the neighborhood. This mission work which representatives of churches could do to help at Friendship

The committee visited the missionarie in Carver Center and found that workers there needed help from local churches in leading a mission program among Negroes of the community.

When Mrs. Jones called Miss Gladys

Keith to inquire about a suitable time to meet with the workers at River Front Mission Miss Keith said, "Mrs. Jones, we have a lot of visitors to the River Front missions. We appreciate all of them even though they sometimes come when we can hardly afford the time. I am especially grateful for your consideration in arranging your visit ahead of time. The churches of the city do a great deal to help us in the work here. But so far as I remember, yours is the first church that has undertaken on a churchwide basis to learn about our work or to try to include in the church program some definite plans for participation in our work. I am going to suggest that instead of coming in the afternoon, you come at noon and have lunch with us. All of the workers of our three missions come together for the noon meal. That gives us the opportunity to talk over the work, tunity to discuss with the whole group the different things the committee would

to the community missions committee She replied, "There must be thirty or what the New Orleans survey proved to a ary service within the local church and through the local church in its effort to reach both the privileged and underprivileged who are within the compass of the church's responsibility



Veteran Accountant Retires

By John Caylor

A the week end. Picking up The Atnta Constitution, he read a blind ad: "Wanted, an accountant to do some checking." He wrote a letter to the box indi-Board seeking an accountant for two J. B. Lawrence for twenty-four and a half weeks employment checking figures. John years and Dr. Courts Redford for a cated. It was the Baptist Home Mission W. Wing accepted the appointment "to do ome checking" and instead of staying two weeks be remained with the Home Missian Board for thirty-three years.

paid a fitting tribute by Executive Secretary-Treasurer Courts Redford and was and the Executive Committee of the Home presented gifts from the headquarters staff Mission Board. Mr. Wing was born in Edgefield County, South Carolina, and came to Georgia with his family at the age of three years. He was educated in tion funds. e public schools of Georgia and graduated from Draughons Business College of Atlanta. His first job was as bookkeeper in Concord, Georgia. Then for ive years he was a traveling salesman stopping often in Atlanta. In 1920 when John W. Wing came to do some checking for the Home Mission Board he had no idea that thirty-three years later upon his retirement from the position of affice secretary he would have written more than a quarter of a million checks amounting to more than sixty million dollars. emained to check out millions in paying missionaries' salaries and advancing money

on loans for church buildings. "My regret is that I don't have thirtythis type of work," said Brother Wing in which connection he rendered invaluaas he bade farewell to office personnel

YOUNG SALESMAN was in Atlanta for upon leaving his job. He served under treasurer of the Home Mission Board and under two acting secretaries, Dr. Arch Cree and Dr. A. J. Barton. He also served the Board under the secretaryship of Dr.

to help others out in this work." This On January 15, 1954, Mr. Wing was statement is characteristic of the thirtythree years of service rendered by Mr. Wing. He was considerate, patient, helpful. He was honored and respected by years under his direction. He was trusted by the Board and administration in the handling of millions of dollars in Conven-

Surely members of the Board who have worked with Brother Wing through the years and the missionaries on the field would join the headquarters staff in saying we regret that he does not have thirty three more years that he could spend serving home missions.

Besides Brother Wing's efficient service as office manager and accountant through the years he assisted Dr. Lawrence in handling the Church Building Loan Fund In recent years he was so well acquainted with the legal phases of the trust that ile came to do some checking. He he was able to prepare the legal documents and give full direction to the Church Building Loan Department. As he relinquished the management of office personnel he was given full responsibility three more years that I could spend in



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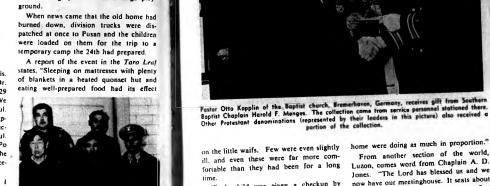
"God is blessing the Baptist work in

SOUTHERN BAPTIST chaplains, who are field," writes Chaplain Marvin H. Harris. continuing he says, "We met with Dr.

Not only do the chaplains help estab-Korea in the service and in the mission lish new churches and assist existing

almost every section of the world, are and Mrs. John Abernathy on December 29 distinguishing themselves for their mis- for our monthly chaplains' meeting. We sionary zeal. Wherever they go, almost met in their new headquarters in Seoul. without exception, they attempt not only A program is under way for Baptist chapto minister to the men in their own group lains to help financially in the constructual to the people who live in the The new Baptist church in Yong Don Po Their missionary interest has led in the went up in about thirteen days to the tablishment of Baptist churches in such delight of the members and the amaze-

> "Christmas night my assistant and I attended the Christmas program. The interior of the church is very attractive It was practically full with everyone silting on the floor as is the custom."





of our Baptist chaplains. School was dismisse



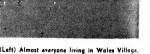
churches, but they have been most interin Korea.

Chaplain Robert B. Mayfield writes about aid given by the 24th Division to the orphan victims during the recent trage Pusan fire. It was called Operation

Six buildings were erected by the United Nations forces to house the 121 orphans. The camp was equipped with modern wiring and plumbing and in front of the living quarters was a large play-



(Abave) Chaplain Mark Fite and some of the leaders in the little church at Wales Village, Alasko.



laska, attended the services conducted by an



Because of the widespread interest in local Christian work the chaplain prepared and published detailed information concerning all the local churches.

Chaplain Menges says: "The local Bap-tist church of which Rev. Otto Kopplin is the pastor, was almost entirely destroyed during the war, but has now been rebuilt.

Just recently the church celebrated the 90th anniversary of its organization. Since all records had been burned it was necessary for me to contact. Dr. Robert Baker, head of the Department of Church Continued on Page 18

fortable than they had been for a long

"Each child was given a checkup by 24th Division doctors and after ten hours 150 people. Last Saturday was our first of steady work, each child had been examined. After the doctors checked the children all were immunized for smallpox and diphtheria. At the arrival of 100 packages of clothing, all the children were horoughly washed and given a preventative delousing and then issued new

In record time the construction on Orphan Village," the new permanent ome for the children, was completed. Even a pouring rainstorm did not halt the

Also from Korea writes Chaplain Jasper Massegee: "Our 'Operation Santa Claus' has brought in \$2,000.00 in cash and more than a thousand pounds of gift lothing. The donations in money came from the servicemen. The packages of lothing came from the States, churches, Bible classes, and individuals."

Another chaplain serving in Korea, Norman E. Ferguson, writes: "We are building a new church at Tonguas Annex ont the congregation is meeting in a tent.

There are 45,000 homeless people here and our meeting in a tent.

There are 45,000 homeless people here over 5,300 Deutsch Marks were presented. and our men have given unbelievably to their assistance. I wish the people at

on the little waifs. Few were even slightly home were doing as much in proportion."

From another section of the world, Luzon, comes word from Chaplain A. D. Jones. "The Lord has blessed us and we now have our meetinghouse. It seats about service and we didn't have room to seat all who came. Sunday we had about eighty in Sunday school and the house full for both preaching services. One national has been baptized and another has asked for baptism.

"The people here are Catholic but not strong and will listen when God speaks.
With the Lord's help we plan to teach the converts the Bible so they will have a real Baptist church when we leave here. If so, it will be the only one we know of here on Luzon."

Word comes from Chaplain Mark Fite way up in the Arctic. "Some time ago on our return trip from the Arctic, while our ship the icebreaker USS Burton Island was anchored at Cape Prince of Wales, Alaska, I went by helicopter to Wales Village. I conducted a service there and visited some of the natives. They seemed very glad to have a religious service since their missionary had been gone a long time."

Chaplain Harold F. Menges, stationed

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We would like to share a part of a letter we received from one of our migrant

Dear Brother and Sister Foster

I like to let you know what has happened since about a year ago when you first came out to the cotton field where we were working and talked to us and nted us to start going to church. We and made up our minds (me most of all) hat we didn't aim to go to the Baptist

But this did not stop you and your wife for you came back time and again. It's been just about one year now since you came to our house on Saturday night and my husband was saved and then at the Silverdale Baptist Church on the following Sunday morning I was saved. Our oldest to see us and helps us a great deal. girl was saved in the evening service.

There's quite a difference in our home now. We have worked in Arizona, Michigan, Washington - oh, so many states My husband had been bad to drink. He drank all the time. The children were

afraid of him. He took all we made and drank it up while we worked. But this year he did not drink when we went back for the harvests. The children got clothes and we brought home some money this

Our home is like a new home in many ways since God took over that night you and your wife came and prayed with my husband. Now my husband always prays before we eat and we pray before we go to bed at night. My children cry if they don't get to go to church on Sunday.

The people here in Silverdale are very good and kind to us. Our home burned twice in one year and, as you know, our family is large and we lost all we had. They gave us clothes to wear and now I am one of the leaders in Training Union. Our pastor is kind to us. He came to the field with you to see us and he still comes

We pray that missionaries can be sent to Benton Harbor in July, there are no Baptist missionaries there and they are in

The Miller Family



Rev. A. Partiaralli (canter front) and members of the kindergarren at the mission to the Latin people in Tampa, Florida. Teachers in the picture are Mrs. Pete Cimino and Mrs. Josephine Navarra.

Evangelism Among The Ranchers

Last March we pitched our tent at Pima, Arizona, and were blessed with ten additions to the church in an eight-day meeting. We were delighted to attend the dedication of the new building November 29. It is a signal victory that has been won in establishing the Baptist testimony at Pima, a town in exclusive Mormor erritory. Great credit is due Missionary H. D. Pack and Pastor B. E. Hamon.

The Glenwood, New Mexico, revival was attended with challenge and blessing.

A visit to the Sam Means ranch was a reminder of former days of evangelism among the ranchers. Dr. George W. Truett had been there in the old days and preached to the cowboys. I walked where he had walked and sat for a moment t rest in the big swinging seat where he had sat, and I prayed that God would give me power to win men for Christ in some neasure as he had given him.

This was the second revival this fall with Missionary Roy C. Watson, Deming, New Mexico. Among those baptized Sunday, December 20, by Brother Watson were a rancher and his wife, both about seventy years of age. The evident joy which they had in following Christ and their affection for each other left an impression on all.

> -Fred R. Barnes Missionary to Ranchers Arizona and New Mexico

I Know I've Been Saved

Catherine, a twelve-year-old girl, had wonderful conversion experience one night. The Lord knocked at her heart's door and she went forward surrendering to him. After the service she said she guessed she would get in trouble when she got home because she had accepted Christ and become a Christian. She asked us if

we would go home with her. We agreed to. When we got to her house we found about ten or twelve people there. She walked in and calmly said "I got saved tonight."

They all pounced upon her. The

mother said in a loud voice "I told you you could not get mixed up with the church - you are too young to know anything about what you are doing " All of them began asking her how she knew she was saved.

She explained as best she could and said she knew most because of the feeling in her heart. They laughed at her. We talked with the parents some and told them we felt Catherine had really been saved and knew what she was doing. Then we left.

Catherine went outside the house with SOUTHERN BAPTIST HOME MISSIONS

s and said "I am sorry for the embarrasament you were caused in there. When I go back inside they will all try to confuse me, but I know I have been saved and I will just trust in Jesus help me out."
She wanted us to kneel on the back doorstep and pray with her that she might be

Through the change in her life, Cathetine is now proving to her family that she has been saved. she has been saved.

At another time three from one family

vere saved here at our Good Will Center - Doris and Lois and their brother Sonny. These three are happy in their new-found life and keep talking about how much they wish they could get their mother and

they wish they could get their mother and daddy started going to church. Yesterday Doris, Lois, and Sonny got up early and went to Sunday school and church with us at Winstanley. As we drove up in front of the Good Will Center about 12:00 noon from church, their mother and father, along with a little one-test-old boy and three-year-old girl, were coming out of one of the saloons across them the Center. the Center.

from the Center.

With family conditions like this, you can imagine how hard it is going to be for these three children who have accepted hrist to grow as little Christians. But uch are the conditions in most of the es here. They are either broken or on brink of breaking.

Pray for us in the work here. -Louise Whitmire
Baptist Good Will Center
East St. Louis, Illinois Continued on Page 19



Leonard E. Eaker, Southern Buptist from Tyronzo, Arkonsas, talks over passage from New Testament with Chief of Chaplains Edward B. Harp, Jr., USN, and Dr. E. L. Ackiss, retried Testament with Chief of Chaplains Edward B. Harp, Jr., USN, and Dr. E. L. Ackiss, retried Nary, chaplain who is now director of the Ministry to Military Personnel for the Home Missing Nary, chaplain who are serving as lay religious leaders on Board, SBC. Eaker is one of many Baptist boys who are serving as lay religious leaders on board ships where there are no chaplains.



Loders in Good Will Center work in our Convention meet to plan the Good Will Center conferences for Ridgecrest and Glorieta next summer.

Mrs. Noble Y. Beall (right), field worker for the Hame Mission Board, directs the conference.

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History at Southwestern Baptist Seminary in Fort Worth, Texas, to get the details. the general Protestant program at Sampin Fort Worth, I exas, to get the details.

He was kind enough to supply facts concerning the early history which were used in the anniversary service."

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The was kind enough to supply facts considered and or considered the excellent Baptist service is conducted each Sunday for Baptist percentage. used in the anniversary service."

From the report of Chaplain Gordon H. Griffin we read: "Another good treat occurred when I was given the opportunity to preach the gospel to a group of Japa-ness young people in a Buddhist Temple last week."

places Southern Baptist chaplains are busy give it. From ten to sixty men make a

Even in our own land our chaplains larly in the West, and have helped strengthen weak churches. They not only look upon the young men in their own rededications." outfit as mission opportunities, but strive

o evangelize the people around them. Chaplain Aubrey C. Halsell, who was instrumental in starting Baptist work in Alaska while he was stationed there, writes of Sampson Air Force Base in New York of Sampson Air Force Base in New York
where he is now stationed: "Our field is
one of the largest mission fields in the
world. Sixty-five per cent of our young
men who enter the United States Air men who enter the United States Air here Statistics show thirty-seven per cent of these are either Baptist or of Baptist

"In addition to carrying our part of sonnel who voluntarily wish to attend. Although the service is held at 1:30 P. M., in order not to interfere with the genera Protestant services the men still choose to attend. At this service we sing songs Baptists like, we preach the gospel story, Thus under all conditions and in all and we give an invitation as Baptists witnessing and spreading the message of profession of Christ as their personal Saviour each Sunday.

"During one week's revival in April, have been alert to mission needs and have helped in establishing many new churches in unchurched areas, particu-Chattanooga, Tennessee, leading the singing, there were 706 conversions and 612

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When to conduct #17

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Why have #?

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The lewish Fellowship Week is making progress each year Miami, Florida. For example, Miami, Florida. For example, in 1951, one Baptist church participated in this program. Two Jewish people attended the services of that church. In the spring of 1953, three churches participated in the Jewish Fellowship Week. A total of 60 lews attended these Baptist churches where the nature preached the gostwhere the pastors preached the gos-

Where to conduct #17

The Jewish Pellowship Week is conducted in the local Baptist thurch that has Jews in its community. The local church is the deal institution to care for, train, and influence new Jewish believers

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Only a Prayer Away

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Then one Sunday suddenly we had seventy-one in Sunday school and three additions to our church at the invitation following the sermon. Two came for the first time accepting Christ, and asking for baptism. We were thrilled but wonwhy such a larger service and the wonderful decisions for Christ.

The next week we received several letters from friends stating they remen us in prayer the day our names appeared on the prayer calendar.

We checked up and found out that on the day before that eventful Sunday our names appeared on the Southern Baptist WMU prayer calendar; and on that day thousands and maybe millions had remembered our small, cold, spiritually frozen mission field in prayer that God's Holy Spirit would melt the ice spiritually.

We found it to be true, though we were

over 5,000 miles away in the remote northland, that we were not very far, only a prayer away. —Avery V. Richey
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Baptist Convention) was organized QUESTION: What type of oath is Hamilton, Ohio, on January 8, 1954, required by the pope of all Roman Catholic bishops? becoming the twenty-third state convention to be affiliated with the Southern ANSWER: The bishop's oath is called Baptist Convention.

Juramentum Episcoporum" and contain among other promises the promise to obe the pope in all matters, to visit him (limin apostolorum) in person every five year. Also contained in the oath is this promise "I will neither sell, give away nor mor-gage my personal possessions . . . without consulting with the Roman Pontiff."

By C. K. Rand

A part of the oath that strikes fear into the hearts of all freedom loving Protest ants is as follows: "I will track down and attack heretics, schismatics and rebels against our said Lord the Pope and his successors." (Pontificale Romanum, Summorum Pontificum jussu editum et l Benedicto XIV Pont. Max. recognitum castigatum. Pars prima, Mechliniae, H Dessain, MD-CCCLXXIII, pp. 84-86.)

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New State Convention Organized in Ohio

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Principal speakers at organizational meeting of the State Convention of Baptists in Ohio with the host postor and pioneer missionary.

Ohio (to be affiliated with the South-

This convention was organized largely out of the old White Water Association which for several years had been affiliated with the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky Forty churches sent mes sengers and asked to become co-operating members of the new state convention. All of the churches except one are in the state of Ohio. There were 160 messengers, eleven alternates, and 247 visitors. Eleven missions were also represented at the

organizational meeting. A well thought out constitution and by laws had been drawn up by a committee assisted by Judge Eugene Siler, president of the General Association o Baptists in Kentucky. It was submitted he messengers for approval.

The sessions, held in the Westside Baphurch at Hamilton, Ohio, opened at o'clock on Friday morning. Janu-The host pastor was Rev. E. A. roff. The opening session, until the l over by Judge Eugene Siler of Ken-The permanent officers of the new onvention were elected as follows: Kurtz, pastor of the Westwood Bap-Church, Dayton, Ohio, moderator; den Rice, pastor of the Blue Ash plist Church, Blue Ash, Ohio, first Istant moderator; E. A. Petroff, second stant moderator; Bunyan Wallace, re-

ant secretary; Gerald Ford, historical secretary. Brother Kurts, the new moderator, was presented a gavel from the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky by ludge Siler, after which he assumed the duties of moderator of the new convention.

The executive secretary, departments officers, and missionaries for the convention were to be elected by the Executive Committee, composed of twenty-one members to be selected by the convention. The convention adopted a budget of \$72,000.00, twenty per cent of which is to go to the Co-operative Program.

Harmony and fellowship prevailed throughout the entire session and it was a united group determined to go forward in the name of their Lord and for the promotion of his kingdom in Ohio and to the ends of the earth.

The program consisted of a "Statemen of Purpose" by Judge Eugene Siler; "The Significance of This Occasion," by W. C. Boone, executive secretary-treasurer of Kentucky Baptists; and "A Charge to the Convention," by S. F. Dowis of the Home Mission Board. The afternoon session was given to miscellaneous business, re ports of committees, and an address by J. P. Edmunds on "The State Convention and the Sunday School Board." This was followed by an address by Dr. Porter Routh, executive secretary of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention. The afternoon session was closed with a conference on Schools of Missions led by Lewis W. Martin of the

At the night session the group heard

THE STATE CONVENTION of Baptists in cording secretary; Omar T. Roberts, assist- the report of the nominating committee, selected the twenty-one members on the executive committee, and divided the state

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I NTEREST and enthusiasm in Brotherhood work is increasing among our India churches. This was greatly manifested is a recent meeting at the First Indian Baptis Mission which is sponsored jointly by the First Baptist Church of Shawner, Oklahoma, and the Home Mission Board.

At the request of the pastor, Rev. Sam Morris, I spoke to some seventy-five men on Brotherhood work. James McCofer, Brotherhood president, presided over the meeting. After a good chili supper served by the women of the mission, visiton were recognized from the Only Way Church, Stroud; the Many Springs Church, Holdenville; the Salatuska Church, Shawnee; and the Indian Center Church of

Among the visitors were: Rev. Roy Dittmar, superintendent of mission B. L. Borden, associational Brotherhood president of the Pott-Lincoln Association, Phil Card, educational director and O. W. Rice, Brotherhood president of First Church, Shawnee, and Mr. Hulsey, Brotherhood president of the Immanuel church, Shawnee.

Herman Franklin directed the congregational singing with Hampton Porter at the piano. Special music was provided y a male quartet accompanied by Mrs.

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SOUTHERN BAPTIST HOME MISSIONS

My first MISSIONARY Journey

By Pat Spires

"As they ministered to the Lord, and fasted, the Holy Ghost said, Separat me Barnabas and Saul for the work whereunto I have called them.

So they, being sent forth by the Holy Ghost, departed unto Seleucia; and from thence they sailed to Cyprus. And when they were at Salamis, they preached the word of God in the synagogues" (Acis 13: 2, 4, 5).

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when we were at Roswell, we taught a word of God in the Vacation Bible schol I arrived in Albuquerque early Smanning, June 7. With twenty-one on Christian students from all over the Small was beginning one of the most wonders experiences of my life. We were from the great opportunity given to about the hundred students every summer, that of teaching in Vacation Bible achools as helping in mission work.

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helping in mission work.

Here in the West, we were under the supervision of Dr. and Mrs. Milton & Leach, co-ordinator of Spanish and India missions for New Mexico and Arizon, and executive secretary of the Spanish WMU of New Mexico, respectively. The two and their wonderful family, conscrated and fruitful in their ministry for Christ, are doing a marvelous work among the Spanish people in the West.

We spent our first work on the few.

We spent our first week on the fel-high in the Rockies at Inlow Youth Camp Most of us taught classes or were coa-selors during Spanish Week there. I ha the privilege of working with the Sasto work with. The Spanish people and very lovable and appreciative and it is not at all difficult to love them very much Our stay at Inlow gave all of the summer workers a chance to become closely stached to each other. We hated to put at the end of the week, for little did we know the wonderful experience awaiting

My co-worker, Maxine Wilson, is My co-worker, Maxine Wilson, h a graduate of Judson College in Marion. Alabama. She was a state student misionary to Cuba last summer and to Teas the summer before. She and I left Inlos on Friday, June 12, for our assigned field Roswell. While there, we stayed in the home of Hermano and Mrs. J. E. F. Friquez. Brother Enriquez is the pastor of La Primera Iglesia Bautista in Roswell.

We started our Vacation Bible school bright and early Monday morning. By the end of the two weeks — full of opportunities for visiting and witnessing — sixty-two were enrolled. We were fortunate in that the church had a revival simultane ously. Hermano Marcos Duron, a former professor of history at the University of Mexico and a teacher in the seminary at Torreon, Mexico, was the evangelist. He talked with the boys and girls a few minutes each morning explaining the plan of salvation to them and encouraging them to accept Christ. Thirteen children were saved during the two-week period. One incident has remained etched in my memory and in my heart. I would like to

A king and queen of VBS were to be crowned in the presence of their royal court on the night of commencement. Espectation and excitement ran high amons the children as no one was to know who of the coronation. These children were to

Gallup Laguna Indian Reservation C

during the school.

My teammate happened upon a group of Junior boys shortly before commencement time. They were gathered in a corner of the back yard of the church binding and were apparently having a heated argument. Her presence undiscovered, Maxime thread of few moments to grasp the trend ment. Her presence undiscovered, Maxine listened a few moments to grasp the trend of the conversation. One little boy, Eddie, about eleven years old, seemed to be the victim of some crude and uncalled-for remarks from the other boys.

Tony said, "Aw ... you can't be in the court You aren't even a Christian or a Baptist. You haven't got a chance."

"Yes," said another, "You're a Catholic, and we can't have an ol' Catholic in our

Fiddle looked them straight in the eye and said, "But my sins have been forgiven. I went to confession. I know I'm forgiven suse the Father told me so."

An adult, leaning across the fence con-med Ed's belief. But the others would be give in and continued bombarding the with accusations and insults. hen he saw Maxine and turning to with a fearful and questioning look asked, "The priest can forgive my

The priest can forgive me, can't he? me and time again we must destroy chilm's faith — things they have been taught believe all their lives — and try to build their lives a new foundation, Jesus 11M. To see the look of bewilderment unbelief on a child's face when he are that he is a sinner and cannot be

given by the priest or any other man enough to break even the most hardened art. Here was little Eddie, reared in a one which knew nothing of the love of

Christ or his death as a sacrifice for our sins. To Eddie the questions which arise from a youthful and immature feeling of need for a personal God had always been answered with the words: "The priest can forgive you."

Quietly Maxine prayed . . . and then explained the plan of salvation to Eddie. One of the other boys put his arm around the boy's shoulders and with that act the antagonizing attitude of the entire group was changed to one of helpfulness and love for a little brother who needed Christ.

Eddie was in our court as a Royal Guard. And we said a silent prayer of joy at the close of the service that evening, as he came down accepting Christ and taking a brave stand for him in the presence of his Catholic family and friends.

Such incidents as these have already endeared this work to me more than I thought was possible. I believe that the call to missions grows louder and stronger every day that I work among this great group of lost people.

Yesterday we attended the opening con-ference at the Mexican Baptist General Convention of New Mexico. While there in the city of Santa Fe, we had the opporin the city of Santa Fe, we had the oppor-tunity to drive the eighteen miles out to Glorieta. The assembly is far more splendid than any advertisement could possibly portray it. It already has the same spirit that one finds at Ridgecrest. While there we attended the staffers' party and got to be with students from many places. The life of the party was Estelle Slater. She is student secretary for the Glorieta BSU this aummer.

Since we have been in Albuquerque we have met many interesting and hard-work-ing people who are the leaders in our

Applications for antigmeent to the Stu-dent Mission Program of the Home Mis-sion Board for the summer of 1954 are already in the office and now being students will again be essigned this summer for work with regular mission-aries of the homeland. They will work ie all sections of our Convention territory and the outposts of Aleska, Cuba, Panama, and Canal Zane.

Baptist work: Miss Io Scaggs, missionary on leave from Nigeria; Rev. and Mrs. N. H. Eudaly and son Dickie from Mexico, now with the Baptist Publishing House in El Paso; Dr. Frank Belvin, superintendent of Indian mission work, and many others of Indian mission work; and many others.

of Indian mission work; and many others.
I'm positive that we express the thoughts of all the summer workers when we say that we are thankful that God sent us to New Mexico this summer. We have received many blessings from working with the Spanish people and wish that every Christian college student might have the same comportunity. the same opportunity.

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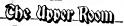
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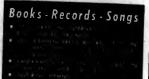


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