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Others Need Buildings Too

By Courts Redford

THERE ARE MORE than 1,500 churches in our Convention territory without church buildings. On an average almost two new churches are being constituted daily. Many more could be started if the daily. Many more could be started if the housing problem could be solved. Buildings for new churches are among our greatest needs. The demand has been accelerated by population changes.

It would take approximately 700 new churches of average size to house the children from Baptist families.

coming to the age of accountability each year. It would take 4,500 churches to accommodate Southern Baptists who have emigrated from the thirteen southern states who have moved to suburban areas in our Convention territory during the past decade. There are approximately twenty million people in the territory served by the Home Mission Board who are out of reach of any

Baptist church that can serve them.

These are imperative needs. If no Baptist churches are provided for these areas many of those now belonging to Baptist churches will join other groups. Many of the lost in unchurched areas will be without the gospel.

BUILDINGS CAN BE PROVIDED

Southern Baptists are well able to provide buildings for these new churches. For the past five years the value of Baptist church property has increased \$100.000,000.00 a year. or a total of \$500.000,000.000. in half a decade. Most of this represents buildings for ourselves. We have needed them. We still need ourselves. We have needed them. additional room; however, in most cases our local needs are far less urgent than the need of unchurched areas where a fraction of that which we have been spending rselves would make possible a first unit of a new church building.

uthern Baptists can construct 2,666 churches in of This is a natural emphasis to follow the Sunday of goal of "A Million More in '54," and the neelistic goal of "Every Church Revived in 1955." stainment depends primarily on one thing; sufficient to make possible the construction of church

A PRACTICAL PLAN

or years the more missionary minded churches have establishing missions and new churches and have helping them with their buildings. The enlargement extension of this plan would make possible 2.666 hurches in 1956 and at the same time would provide ased loan funds which could be used for additional lings year after year as we continue to extend our

ion program. hurches able to do so would adopt a new church. ht be in another part of the same city, it might be in ther part of the state; or it might be in another state, haps in some pioneer field. The mother church would

provide \$10,000.00 to \$25,000.00 for the first unit of the new building. Churches that could not provide for an entire building could give \$2,000.00 to \$5,000.00 for one room or for a departmental auditorium. Our smaller churches would provide \$10.00 per square foot for such space in the new building as they could help construct.

space in the new building as they could help construct. Thus, every church could have a part.

The moncy thus used would be a gift as far as the mother church is concerned. The new church receiving the money would accept it as a loan and would repay it to the loan fund of the Home Mission Board, thus increasing the corpus of such funds and making possible the construction of more churches in the years ahead.

It is anticipated that the wholehearted support of this program on the part of our Baptist constituency during the one year of 1956 would make possible the construction of 2.666 new churches and would increase the corpus of the loan funds of the Home Mission Board to approximately \$10,000.000.00. This could be done to approximately \$10,000,000.00. This could be done on less than one-tenth of what we have been spending for our own church buildings annually.

Let us remember that others need buildings too.

ADVANTAGES OF THIS PROPOSED PLAN

- 1. Utilizes plan already known and widely used-a church sponsoring a mission.

 Personalizes the relationship between the donor and
- the recipient.
- 3. Stimulates interest in missions throughout the Convention territory. 4. Will secure funds with the least possible disturbance
- or interruption of our regular financial and stewardship program.
- ship program.

 Provides for every church of every size to participate.

 Provides the denomination a greatly enlarged loan fund which will continue to serve our churches
- through all the years ahead.
 Requires very little, if any, additions cost of
- administration.
 It is practical and workable. For example:
 400 sponsoring churches at \$10,000.00 equals \$4,000,000.00.
- 400 sponsoring churches at \$5,000.00
- 1,000 sponsoring churches at \$2,000.000.60. at \$2,000.000.00. 80. equals \$2,000.000.00. Every church adopting some races at \$10.000.00.

Every church adopting some space at \$10 per sq. ft.
The Home Mission Board would provide the services of its offices and missionary personnel in co-operation with the respective state mission boards in making the contacts between church and mission when such aid is needed.

- mission when such aid is needed.
 Provides more than money—a vital interest on the part of the mothering churches and their pastors.
 Helps every denominational interest and agency we have. Every one becomes a beneficiary of the plan. Continued on Page 23

NEWS

Associational WMU Organized In Canal Zone

The Woman's Missionary Union, Auxiliary to the Canal Zone Baptist Association, was organized in Cristobal, Canal Zone, recently. This is the first association of Woman's Missionary Unions to be organized in the Canal Zone.

The Canal Zone Baptist Association consists of the three Anglo Baptist churches in the Canal Zone, namely, First Baptist Church, Balboa Heights; Cocoli Baptist Church, Cocoli, and Atlantic Baptist Church, Cristobal. Each of the three attendance was 52 Mrs. R. G. Van Royen, wife of the superintendent of missions in Panama and the Canal Zone, acted

Following the business session the vomen enjoyed a hanquet dinner at which Mrs. Ross Dillon of Houston, Texas, was Minister To Juvenile Delinquents the featured speaker

Beautiful New Church For Spanish-Speaking

Recently a beautiful, well-equipped building was dedicated at Weslaco, Texas. the Las Palmas Mexican Mission of the First Baptist Church of Weslaco, of which Willie Garza, graduate of Valley Baptist Academy in Brownsville, is pastor of the

The building is a \$25,000.00 masonry structure built with the help of a small gift from the state board of Texas and by some seventy-four men of the Brotherhood of the First Baptist Church. According to L. D. Wood, co-ordinator of Spanish Missions in Texas, it is one of the most attractive church buildings among Spanish-speaking in the entire state

New Kansas Editor

Hoyt S. Gibson, of Kansas City, Missouri, has been named by Kansas Bap- establish and strengthen their program of tists as editor of Kansas Southern Boptist work. Miss Martha Thomas Ellis, Home Beams. Gibson is a graduate of Mercer Board missionary, will be in charge of the University. The name of the paper has work in Texas during Mrs. Moye's been changed to Baptist Digest.

American Service Personnel Generous With Korean Needy

Chief of U. S. Army Chaplains, Major General Ivan L. Bennett, call attention to a statement made recently by the Korean ambassador to the United States in .which he expressed the appreciation of his country for the generosity of the American service personnel. He stated that approximately \$15,000,000.00 had heen contributed by our service personnel in the interest of the known 200,000 war orphans, 300,000 war widows, and fifteen WMU's sent seven messengers. The total to twenty thousand amputees. In addition, \$55,000.00 was contributed for the Pusan fire victims

Southern Baptist chaplains have had a large part in this relief work.

The Knox County Association of Baptists in Knoxville, Tennessee, recently employed Wray Smith to direct a program ministering to juvenile delinquents. His responsibilities will be to work with the juvenile court in securing volunteer sponsors and to assist the churches in their endeavor in reach the families of the Rev. H. D. Barlow is pastor. Rev. children. He will also direct the camp program during the summer months, developed especially for children referred to the association by the court, and will also direct the Brotherhood Boys Club and the Good Will Center Clubs for Boys. The work is supported jointly by the association and the Home Mission Board.

To Help Spanish Women

Mrs. J. L. Moye, who for several years has helped Mexican Baptist women of Texas, will spend July and August of this year in California working among the Spanish-speaking women helping them absence.

Student Missionaries Go On The Field

The Home Mission Board is appointing more than 350 student summer missionaries to start work June 7 on virtually every home mission field including Panama, Canal Zone, Cuba, and Alaska

These students, mission volunteers, d outstanding work each summer. Last summer the 366 students reported 4,483 conversions during their three months of work.

Cauthen's Successor Named

Dr. J. Winston Crawley, of Newport, Tennessee, has been selected by the Foreign Mission Board to succeed Dr Baker James Cauthen as the Board's secretary for the Orient. Dr. Crawley is a graduate of Baylor and of Southern Seminary

Dr. Crawley has been serving as profesor and acting president of the Philippine Baptist Theological Seminary at Baguio,

Hame On Furlough

Rev. and Mrs. Avery Richey, Home Board missionaries of Palmer. Alaska, have been granted a two-months' furlough and will be returning to the States soon Mr and Mrs. Richey have been doing an excellent work during their stay in Alaska

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CATHOLICS and **STATISTICS**

SOME MONTHS ago the Catholic press and Catholic releases in public press made much of their claim that n ten years 1,071,897 converts were received by Catholics from Protestant churches.

The April Issue of Christian Herald released the findings of a survey showing that 4.144.366 Roman Catholics had left Catholicism and joined Protestant churches in the same decade. Dr. Daniel A. Poling, editor of the Christian Herald, felt that Catholic claims should be answered and set up a survey to secure the facts.

Catholics Cry, "Unconvincing"

The April 11 issue of Our Sunday Visitor states that Catholic "experts in the field of statistics and opinion sampling" declare that the Poling survey is "totally unconvincing, both because the evidence presented i inadequate and because the claim contradicts known The Catholic claims are based on the reports of priests. The Poling survey is the report of ministers. Who is to say whether a priest or a minister is more reliable in stating facts? There seems to be no "controto use a word from the headline in Our Sunday isstor, so long as Catholics are making claims and giving publicity to Protestants-turned-Catholic, but when facts are given concerning the overwhelming trend towards Catholics-turned-Protestant there is an effort to discount and discredit the facts presented by Protestant ministers

Many Do Not Qualify

Sunday Visitor Catholic weekly publication disited at mass on Sundays, claims that Catholics who me Protestants do so because they are disqualified by marriage and are put out of the Church or they be remarried divorcees and thus no longer able to ig to their own Church. Then the claim is made that estants who seek membership in the Catholic Church qualify because of mixed marriages and divorce because they may have been members of "oathsecret societies which have been long under the of the Catholic Church."

Then it is pointed out that it is easy to become a testant. Here the writer must have in mind Baptists, states, "If, at big revivals, people are told, as they that nothing else is required for salvation than repent-

ance, and the acceptance of Christ as their personal Saviour; if they then are 'already saved' it is a wonder that Protestantism doesn't grow much faster!" In practically every worship service in a Baptist church the plan of salvation is presented and people are invited to accept Christ. Baptists believe that unless a person believes in the Lord Jesus Christ as his Saviour and accepts him as Lord he is lost regardless of affiliation or sacraments. It is easy to become a Baptist: the only requirement is that one shall accept the Bible plan of salvation and commit himself to the Lord in open confession

The Claims Are Inconsistent

The Catholic answer claims that "Protestantism is chiefly rural." At the same time it is recognized that the Christian Herald's questionnaire was sent to pastors n twenty-three cities instead of among rural ministers. The attempted answer is an indictment. If Catholics are city folk and the survey was made in the city, the rural claim is nullified.

What Shall We Do?

The Catholic press suggests that good Catholics should seek to "bring each year one fallen-away block to the

By the same type of poll which Catholics now are trying to discount, the Catholic Digest last year published its findings that "fifty-nine per cent of Protestants answered that they had definitely tried" to get someone to join their religious group while "only twenty-eight per cent of Catholics admitted that they had ever done anything to win a convert to their religion." Among Baptists the same release showed that about seventy per cent of Baptists had tried to get friends to become Christians.

This does not mean that Baptists proselytize. They seek to win to Christ their neighbors and friends. Believing that only those who by faith receive Christ and in repentance turn from their sins toward Christ are saved, Baptists feel a responsibility to witness for the Lord. Baptists would not turn over their hands to make Baptists out of other believers but they would turn the world upside down to win to Christ any who depend upon any other means of salvation than simple faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour. The effective witness is a constant



T' HAPPENED in the month of March. It was the month for the week of prayer for home missions and the BSU had carefully planned a special program. For many it would be an agreeable surprise, although everybody knows that the unexpected always forms part of the character- were silenced and we began to hear the istic activities of this group of students.

When the hour arrived for the program to begin the room was already full of students and the atmosphere seemed charged the theme which was "And They Gare with lively fellowship and the spirit of Their Best." Christian generosity.

The development of the program made us quickly see that the hearts were at work for home missions. They had been organrather than the minds, because along with ized into groups, each one carrying a the inspiration of the devotional exercises, money box made of cardboard of different and without having to hear any speeches, we were transported by special music to the letters of each group forming a text the sphere of art. There we saw a lovely or Bible verse. As the group captains gave dramatization which had the coloring and the order, those who had money boxes of the splendor of Bible times. It had a prac-

tical and wholesome teaching for us, There appeared on the scene a group of students who discussed, under the guide of Miss Gisela Batista, the program while they planned to prepare. When they had voice of Miss Lidia Turner as she told the story, while the different Bible characters,

Afterward the students passed to the front of the room to present their gifu colors. Each one had a letter on the box

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the front they spelled out their respective verses. Some groups had more members than others according to the number of letters in their verses. Each captain announced the goal which had been accepted by his group and handed in the money boxes. When the money was counted we could see with great joy that all of the groups had passed their goal. All of them had given with love and of their best. That night the offering was \$136.00, which was the greatest gift of all the offerings given this year for that purpose.

How was it possible for a group of students who are poor to contribute that much for home missions? They all have a high conception of their Christian responsibility and a great love for lost souls and they have a clear vision of the urgent necessity for the missionary task. For those reasons they were willing to sacrifice for their Lord. We learned that some had done without breakfast for a whole month in order to be able to give to home missions. That gesture also had its influence on others. For example, the young man who came to take pictures was not a Christian, but upon seeing the spirit of the group he, too, made his personal gift. We can expect great things from the Lord when we place ourselves in his hands and give the best of our lives to

... and they gave their best



M. R. Vivanco

Professor in the Department of Education and Faculty Adviser for the BSU, Havana University

ABOVE: Silvia Rodes who represented Annie Armstrong in the dramatic production given by the University of Havana students during the March Week of Prayer.

LOWER RIGHT: Miss Gisela Batista (center) and other students prepare for the dramatiza-tion given at the University of Howana during the March Week of Prayer



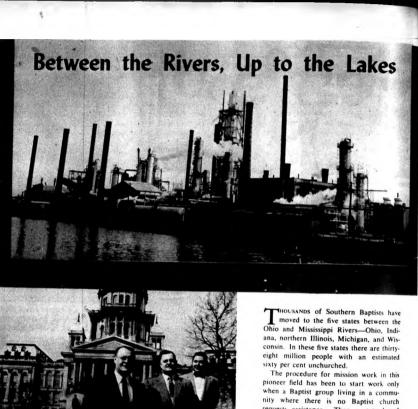
Come and See US!



Coming to St. Louis for the Convention? Come across the river and visit us while you're here! We are from your Lincoln Place Good Will Center in Granite City, Illinois. There are twenty-five different nationalities in our community. We represent five of these nationalities-Japanese. Armenian, Mexican, Hungarian, and Serbian.

There is a planned mission tour on Wedesday afternoon, June 2. We hope to see

> Sara Frances Diaz and Vivian Wilson, Missiona



The procedure for mission work in this pioneer field has been to start work only when a Baptist group living in a community where there is no Baptist church requests assistance. Then a state board and the Home Mission Board co-operate the Macadosian cell. "Come in answering the Macedonian call, "Come help us." Many of the calls, due to limited rces, cannot be answered.

1 E. H. Moore, state superintenden



of missions for Illinois; T. A. Barrow, pas-tor, South Grand Avenue Baptist Church, Springfield, Illinois; and Richard Bryant, soringfield. Illinois: and Richard Bryant, pioneer missionary in Illinois, are shown with the cupul of Illinois as a background. Illinois has a population of nine million, six million not in Sunday school, four million unchurched. In the capital city, Springfield, there is a population of 88,000. There are three Baptist churches affiliated with the Southern Baptist Convention and two missions. The youngest church, while building its own auditorium, started a mission in which there were seventeen professions and ten for baptism in just a few ions and ten for haptism in just a few

2 Kenneth E. Couch, associational issionary of the Great Lakes Association missionary of the Oreat Lakes Association (Chicago area), enters Tinley Park Bap-list (hurch, the one hundredth Baptist church to be constituted by Southern Baptists in Illinois since 1946. It was one of four to be constituted in the Great Lakes area in February, 1954.

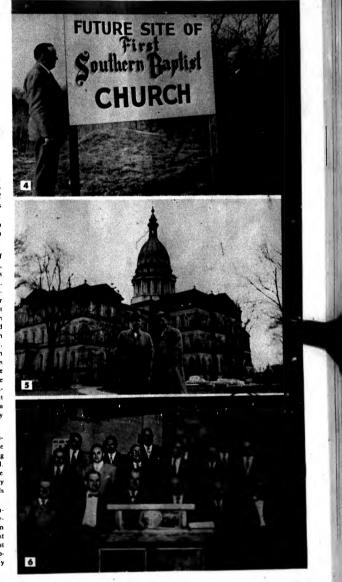
At least 250,000 people belonging to Baptist churches in the South now live in this Chicago area.

3 This group forms the nucleus of the Immanuel Baptist Church, Madison, Wisconsin. Madison, the capital city, has 100,000 people with two Baptist churches. Immanuel Baptist was constituted September 20, 1953. Harold Cameron, pioneer missionary in Illinois (in upper left) went on request from Baptist friends in Madison to help them start their work. A call had come to the Home Mission Board which Was in turn, sent to the Illinois state board.
It has been the policy of the Home Mission Board not to go into these fields unless there has been a request. There were eventeen in the charter membership. The numbership increased to twenty-eight withpastor. Their present church budget 19000 a month. They pay \$110.00 a rental for a church building. Every mber is a tither.

4 G. W. Paschall, Indianapolis, Indiand A. B. Cash, field secretary, Home ton Board, stand by sign marking large church lot recently purchased, name of the church will doubtless be aged to identify it with the community most of our churches in pioneer fields learning that this is best.

hanapolis, the capital, has a popula-of almost 500,000. There are thirtywhite Baptist churches, no more than had twenty years ago. This Baptist Association. It was constituted Sep-er 1953. By April 1954 it had eighty

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HE was just an old-timer almost hid among the Mogollon Mountains of Outhwestern New Mexico. We found him. loved him and visited him. Little by little we gained his confidence and learned of his life's story.

He had grown up with the Old West and became one of that area's "bad men." We heard that he had slain his first man when only a lad of sixteen years. We also heard that he had robbed two banks, and had been sent to prison for the robbery of a bank which he had no part in.

We mented him to services at our mission charch at Glenwood and he came a few points to hear us preach. Then Rev. Fred H. nes came to help us in a revival. - I look him to see my friend

The next morning, when the invitation was given, Old Bob came to the front and gave this testimony: "You people here at Glenwood know all about me; you have taken me apart many times. You know how mean I have been. I suppose that if

Bob. One day as we talked to him he said, "Will you let me say something up there at church?" Certainly he could if he wished, we assured him.

been ahot at me, he could stock a bardware store with it. But I want to tell you, I have been thinking about it. I asked God to forgive me, and he did. I want to tell you that if God can save a man as mean as I was, he can save anybody."

Well, my friend Bob has not joined the church; he hasn't learned much about churches yet, but he is going to worship how mean I have been. I suppose that if each Sunday morning and we trust that a man had all the ammunition that has he shall soon ask for baptism.





Old French woman who heard the Bible just recently and was converted. She never misses church services although she cannot walk.

WAS CHRISTENED into the Catholic Church when a baby. As I grew to young womanhood I followed the ritual of the church and took part in all the worldliness that goes with the Catholic Church. Never having seen or heard a word from a Bible, it never occurred to me that I would need to turn from sin and turn to Christ for salvation.

After I was a grown woman, a mis-Sionary came to my home with a Bible. From hearing the Word read, I saw a picture of my condition for the first time and realized I needed something more than what I had. I forsook all the erroneous teachings of the Catholic Church; turned teachings of the Catholic Church: turned from worldly pleasure that had taken so ing a Bible to a French woman. much of my time; left friends and plans and trusted Christ as my Saviour. With that wonderful experience came the call to share that blessing with others.

That first Bible that came into my hands has been shared with hundreds of others among the French as well as throughout the states of the Southern Baptist Convention. It has been my privilege to present to some half million people the need for the Bible among the French people.

As we give Bibles to those who need them, they in turn reach others. We gave a Bible to a French boy, Chesley Soileau. who lived next door to us. Chesley was

God's Word and Missions

By Vena Aguillard Field Worker, Home Mission Board

brought up in a convent and was planning to be a Catholic priest. The gift of this Bible eventually led to his remarkable conversion. Though there was much opposition from his family, it did not disturb him. He had great faith in God. In a few months Chesley led his father, mother, married sister, and her husband to Christ. This

past summer he was employed as a student missionary for the Home Mission Board, serving in the French fields where he suffered much opposition and persecution. He lived alone on the field, doing his own cooking. This was a large field in which he served, where there were less than a half-dozen Christians. He did outstanding work, leading a number to Christ, among whom were the deputy sheriff and

There are 700,000 French people in southern Louisiana who are waiting for someone to share with them the Word of God. Making God's Word available to these people is not the responsibility of missionaries only, but this task is being shared by the individual Christians in the French Baptist churches



Chesley reading the Bible to his

He Did Not Wait For The Missionary

By Amelio Giannetta

Missionary to Italians El Cerrito, California

SAVED OR LOSS? Perhaps she is saved.

Maybe Mrs. Blanche Kleb is now with she was able she was rending from the lesis and told her how she could be saved.

Some time ago Vic Mattson, a Christian friend of mine and X-ray technician at Herrick Memorial Hospital in Berkeley, California, told me that he had just recently had an opportunity to witness to an elderly Italian woman whom he was X-raying. Vie told her he was from Sweden and that he was a Bantist From that point of conversation an avenue of opportunity opened for Vic. He was able to talk to her for quite a little while about the Lord Jesus Christ and his wonderful

Mrs. Kleb told him she was a Catholic but didn't believe in a lot of things the Catholic Church preached and practiced. She told him she had never heard anything about God's plan of salvation and indi-cated a desire to know more. Vic asked her if she had a Bible and her reply was Nic asked if he might visit her and bring her a Bible to read. She said "Yes," she would like that.

One evening a week or so later Mr. and Mrs. Matison called on Mrs. Kleb and presented her with the New Testament They talked with her again about the peace and joy that come from a personal experience with Christ, the salvation experience, and expressed their desire for her to put

Vic. cked me, an Italian and missionary to Italian people in the Bay area, to call on Mrs. Kleb and talk with her further about her soul. When I rang Mrs. Kleb's doorbible a very tired, sweet old lady the door and leaned against the told her who I was, an Italian friend of the Mattsons and asked meht come in and talk with her a

well, she was very tired. The of a dying wick. I gave her tets. She told me she couldn't

the Lord because a young man did not wait. Mattsons' Bible. I told her I would come to see her again. With a faint smile in her eyes she said, "Maybe you'll come to my funeral."

As I walked away from the big old



two-story apartment house, she smiled and said, "Give my love to Mr. Mattson and his wife."

Today I went to pay another visit to Mrs. Kleh. The shades were down, on the porch there were some papers, on the door knob an advertisement. I rang the doorbell but the old sweet face did not answer the door as before. No one answered the door. Some neighbors told me Mrs. Kleb had died. Today Mrs. Kleb's body is resting in the cemetery. What about her soul?

As I walked away from the empty house, I saw the peach tree in Mrs. Kleb's front yard in full bloom. I think it bloomed too late to brighten Mrs. Kleb's heart I had been too late, but thank God, Vic had given her the way of salvation. He did not wait for the missionary to do it.

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America's Tenth Man

By C. B. Lewis Dean of Chapel

Natchez College, Natchez, Mississippi

NE PERSON out of every ten in the United States today is a Negro.

America has long been the land of opporern states was possible only through the tunity. It is the richest land, the most prosperous nation the world has even seen. wealthy but it does mean that every man should have equal opportunity, the right shouth have equal opportunity, the results of achieve whatever his mental capacity to achieve whatever his mental capacity faithful to their masters and cultivated their fields. After the war Negro labor

The Negro is not a menace to the United States. On the contrary he has proved a blessing. The earliest historical records of the Negro in America depict him as containing the Negro in America depict him as containing the Negro in America depict him as containing the Negro in America has condition. Sometimes he has been assisted by his white hardships uncomplainingly.

It is probable that the discoverer of lack of sympathy.

Negro's service. The cotton fields of the Carolinas and Georgia, the tobacco plan-

During the Civil War Negroes were advantage of the opportunities which his South from the struggle which almost demade possible the recuperation of the

From the Civil War to the present day faithfully performing his duty and enduring friends and neighbors, but often he has the Negro as a businessman. been hindered by misunderstanding and

been unsatisfactory. Buildings have been inadequate; financial support has been insufficient; and teachers have been too poorly prepared. The further up the edu-But to maintain that prosperity it is essential that every citizen should be and rice fields of Louisiana and Arkansas. The Negro has proved himself eager for cational ladder the Negro goes the greater and the output of other southern states education. There are thousands of Negro This does not mean that every man can be would have been negligible without Negro doctors, lawyers, preachers, writers, musicians, and artists. They are a living testimony of the value of the investment in education for the Negro.

Thousands of farms are owned by Negroes who are adding to the wealth of the nation by their toil and the improvement of their farms under the direction of county agents. In spite of an insufficient number of industrial schools there are thousands of businesses of all kinds in our cities which testify to the ability of

The Negro has made a definite contri-New Mexico was a Negro. In Colonial times we find Negroes serving their massed accational facilities for Negroes have the first striking clock made in conditions are improving, and in the wealth and grow, and in colonial facilities for Negroes have

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Baptized in Two Years

CHAPLAIN AUBREY C. HALSELL, who has served the past two years as wing chaplain at Sampson Air Force Base, Geneva, New York, has recently been transferred to Tokyo, Japan, as staff chaplain in Far Easlem Air Force. Before leaving Sampson he baptized a serviceman, the one thousand two hundred and seventh during his two-year tour

This remarkable record came as a result of his own labors and that of other Rantist chanlains stationed there.

Most of these servicemen were baptized into the First Bantist Church of Geneva. New York, which perhaps causes it to lead the nation in baptisms.

In planning to take up his new duties in the Far East, Chaplain Halsell has written Dr. Baker James Cauthen of the Foreign Mission Board to get the names and ad-dresses of Southern Baptist missionaries located in the section of the world where he will be stationed. He says he anticipates the opportunity of helping in our mission work in the Far East.



Chaplain Halsell baptizing the 1,207th airman in a two year tour at Sampson Air Force Bese, Geneva, New York.



Chaplain Aubrey C. Halsell (right) hands "the key" to Chaplain John T. Smeltzer his successor as wing chaplain at Sampsor Air Force Base.







missionaries

Sunbeam Band Grows in Canal Zone

Shown on the next page is a picture of part of the fifty-three Sunbeams enrolled in the Sunbeam Band of the Atlantic Baptist Church, Cristobal, Canal Zone.

Fifty of these happy youngsters parlicipated in Community Missions during the month of January "letting their light a shine" as they took clothes, pencils, aper, books, and toys to the Baptist school and Sunbeam Band of the First Isthmanian Baptist Church, Cristobal,

Under the direction of Mrs. Ethel Francis, youth director, and Mrs. Joycelyn Davis, Sunbeam Band leader, the beginning enrollment of eleven has increased in three months to fifty-three. The average attendance is thirty-nine a week. Mrs. Davis, with four helpers, has organized five circles within the Sunbeam Band.

-R. G. Van Royen Superintendent of Missions Panama and Canal Zone

They Came Seeking

Last Sunday our dinner was interrupted by the arrival of two women. They were seeking a place where they could pray. Of course we asked them to come into the church, and we requested them to come by to visit with us after their

One of the women had recently arrived in San Francisco from El Salvador. She had accepted Christ as her personal Saviour six months before in El Salvador, and since she did not speak English she had been unable to find an evangelical church in the United States to attend. The other woman was a nominal Catholic. She had lived in this country for eleven years and had never been witnessed to until she met her new friend. They both were just overjoyed to find a Spanishspeaking church here.

We are sure that they represent a large majority of people who are living in a

strange land who speak a strange language and who are seeking to worship the risen Lord, but have not yet found a church

We do need your prayers. We cannot do the work unless we are prayed for daily by our friends.

-J. Stuart Sanders Missionary to Spanish-speaking San Francisco, California



Progress At San Ysidro

The Hernandez family had some knowledge of the Bible. During the first two months that our mission was in operation months that our mission was in operation I made so many calls on them that I was almost ashamed to go up on their

was aimost asnained to go up on men porch again. Nothing happened. Then last Sunday they came and brought three visitors. They all seemed to enjoy it. Sunday evening it was rainy and bad and the man came by himself and out and the man came by mouse.

He gave this spontaneous testimony: "For a long time I have been away from the Lord. But now that the Lord has brought this missionary here to San Ysidro to start this church in Spanish, I want to get back to the Lord again and take an active part in his church." His testimony was unsolicited and

for their group. We realize that it is our responsibility to let them know that we brought comfort and cheer to our hearts. At the end of our first three months of operation we have bought nearly one hundred dollars worth of chairs, given over thirty dollars to missions, and paid out fifty dollars to put our building in escrow so the Home Mission Board can buy it. In addition to that the people have given a piano and a lawnmower.

The Lord has blessed us in a wonderful way. We have not received any outside help except rent money from the Board. We believe that this Spanish-speaking

ssionary to Spanish-speaking

The Spanish mission church in Wagon Mound voted some time ago to participate in the simultaneous revival in the Northeastern Association in which our field is located. Since arriving on the field last fall we had not taken a religious census. In fact one had never been taken here.



at least one lost person present and at times the total present who were unsaved an closs to twenty. Rev. J. E. Anderson of Amari'o. Texas, was the evangelist. Little advertising was done, such tards ill store windows, but when the meeting spened on Monday evening v had eights in attendance. We had a total of nine making profession of faith,

whom were Spanish-speaking. Our WMU held cottage prayer meeting the revival. It was the first lime at Spanish women had participated We had an average of eleven June, 954

he feeling was that it would arouse out of the sixteen women in attendance. the Lord blessed us abundantly. (atholic resentment and therefore was We had a total of sixty-four in Training Union the Sunday following the beginning The more we prayed about the revival of the revival. That exceeded our enrolle more we felt a census was necessary. ment by nineteen.

Much seed was sown during this month We advised the church of our plans. They we savised the church of our plans. They shought it fine if it could be accomplished, but were somewhat doubtful. It was taken of evangelistic emphasis, and we shall reap the results for many months to come.

—Laurice M. Burford

Missionary to Spanish-speaking Wagon Mound, New Mexico

They Gave to Missions

The First Spanish Baptist Church Albuquerque, New Mexico, observed the We did not have a single service Week of Prayer for Home Missions and



hildren of Spanish kindergar-en, Uvalde, Texas, love to look at the big picture Bible.





with some opposition and little or no

information could be obtained in the

Catholic homes, but much good was ac-

omplished. Since we had Catholics in

very service and saw the conversion of

ne, Pat Fernandez, it was more than

worth the time and effort.



The WMU and its organization observed the whole week of prayer this year, Monday through Friday, with very interesting programs. The people gave an offering of \$100.00

When I came to the church I found that the church usually observed only one or two days. I talked with the pastor and we made plans to have the whole week. I got his co-operation and we prepared the programs so the whole church could have part in it.

The women of the WMS now have personal missionary banks.

I have twenty-five Sunbeams and they give \$15.00 for home missions even though most of the children are Catholics. I made a yellow bank for each child. One little boy said. "Miss Diaz. I wish to have a bank for my mother so she may give for missions." The home is not Christian.

I feel so hanny in heine able to narticipate in all of my church activities and n teaching the little children in the kindergarten. I visit the homes of the children and they are coming to Sunday school and their parents with them.

_Amelia Diaz Missionary to Spanish-speaking Albuquerque, New Mexico

Indian Church Observes March Week Of Prayer

During the March Week of Prayer for home missions the young people of Blackwater Baptist Church presented a program in the presence of the WMS of the Buckeye Baptist Church who were visiting us.

Junior and Intermediate GAs presented a program on the Forward Steps me five of our young Junior Royal Ambassadors gave a brief part on their work as Page. All were very good and even the Sunbeams gave their parts. We had six little Sunbeams to present their work and then several numbers in song were sung by the choir and also a male quartet.

At the close of the program refresh Continued on Page 29



m Band, Atlantic Baptist Church, Cristobel, Canal Zone.

Baptists Are Busy In Panama

By R. G. Van Royen

Superintendent of Missions Panama and Canal Zone



Rev. Bert Archbold, pastor of the La Chorrera Baptist Church, baptizes candidates of the Viqui Mission in a quiet nook of the Vigui River.



Three laymen from the First Baptist Church, Balboa Heights, Canal Zone, who have been assisting

First Country Church Established By Baptists In Panama

A six people were baptized in the V River which is near the site of the Viqui Baptist Tabernacle, where the country Baptist church of Panama organized in the near future. Rev. Archbold, pastor of the Chorrera Ba Church, administered the order

This mission is sponsored by the Fire Baptist Church of Balboa Heights, Cana Zone. For several months three or m men have gone into the community er Sunday afternoon to furnish transport to the mission meeting. The people of the community are furnishing the labor and bringing the materials from the jungle in build a tabernacle under which the church will hold its meetings.

At the present time there are m than twenty-five Baptists in the common who expect to be charter members of th This is but one of hundreds communities in the Republic of Panam where the people will be enthusiastic about the message of the gospel of Christ.

Panamanian Goes To Seminary



Monday, March 8, was a red letter day Panamanian who has been looking forward for more than two years to the day when he could go to the seminary and complete

Miguel has been in the home of Rev. and Mrs. Jose Gomez Diaz for more than ten years. It was under the guidance of Mr. and Mrs. Gomez that he came to trus Christ as his personal Saviour, and later to surrender his life for the service of his Master. He was an excellent student in

SOUTHERN BAPTIST HOME MISSION



Ground-breaking service for First Baptist Church, Paraiso, Canal Zone, Rev. W. A. Walters, pastor.

It was Monday morning, March 8, that he boarded the plane at Tocumen Airport in Panama for Havana, Cuba, here he is now enrolled as a student in e Baptist Seminary. His friends in anama are looking forward to the day ubilities as a missionary in this needy

Paraiso Breaks Ground

Recently a ground-breaking service was held on the lot where the new church building for the First Baptist Church of Paraiso, (anal Zone, is being constructed. There was a good crowd of interested peo-ple who gathered to take part in this dedication ceremony. The building is now under construction and the congregation hopes to be at home in its new edifice soon. Rev F. H. Walters is the pastor. During the recent preaching mission the tembership was a little more than doubled

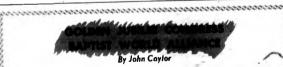
A New Pastor in Panama

Rev. L. V. Morgan and family have ecently proved from Jamaica to Rainbow aster of the Bethany Baptist Church. ome Hall Baptist Church in Jamaica for more that sighteen years. He was one of

the leaders of the Baptist work in Jamaica and at the time he left there was chair-man of the Finance Committee and liaison officer for the Jamaica Baptist Union.

He and Mrs. Morgan have already won He and Mrs. Morgan nave already with their way into the hearts of the people of the Bethany Church. Brother Morgan is a good executive and a good preacher. Mrs. Morgan is a good musician and an excellent teacher. All of the other workers, in Panama have extended them a warm welcome as they come to partici-pate in the Baptist work in the Canal Zone and Panama. We feel that there is a bright future in store for the Bethany Church under the leadership of this fine





Inly 16-22, 1955, is the date for the Golden Jubilee Congress of the Baptist World Alliance. The secretary of the Home Mission Board was instrumental in founding the Baptist World Alliance fifty years ago. The Jubilee Congress will attract many Southern Baptists. It is a fellowship meeting and will be of genuine inspiration to those who find it convenient to attend.

Perhaps we can help you plan your tour. There is a short tour of just eleven days' duration from New York back to New York and there are longer tours covering Europe or the Holy Land, some tours ending with the Baptist World Alliance and some beginning with the meeting in London.

Write us if we can put you in touch with one of these groups.

Dr. John Caylor Southern Baptist Home Missions 161 Spring Street, N. W. Atlanta 3, Georgia

ttending the Baptist World Alliance in 1955. Please send

New Worker For Oklahoma

N EACH STATE where there are a large graduate of Oklahoma Baptist University number of direct missionaries, the Home Mission Board has adopted the plan of having a superintendent or copredinator to supervise its missionaries among all foreign language groups.

Rev. Bailey Sewell has been elected

Mr. Sewell will be working under the upervision of Dr. Loyd Corder, secretary of Direct Missions Department of the Home Board, in the administration of this phase of home missions, and will promote among the Indians and other language groups the program of the Okla-homa Baptist Convention under the direc-tion of Dr. T. B. Lackey, executive secretary of the Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma.

Mr. Sewell has been superintendent of tion in Oklahoma for about six years. Before he accepted the work as missionary in Comanche-Cotton Association he was a successful pastor of various churches in

Mr. Lackey says of him: "Brother in our state, is a rood preacher thor oughly co-operative, and a splendid organizer."

Mr. Sewell expects to assume his new by the Board to serve in this capacity in the state of Oklahoma.

Mr. Sewell expects to assume ms new that the state of Oklahoma.

Mr. Sewell expects to assume ms new will be with the missionaries to the Indians since there are few other direct missionaries in Oklahoma.

The Home Mission Board hopes through this new plan of work to obtain the best possible) understanding among all the groups concerned in the Indian mission work in Oklahoma and to lead the Anglo-American churches and associations to take more responsibility in meeting the Indian mission needs of their respective areas.

The Board also hopes through this plan to lead Indian Baptists to participate in missions in the Comanche-Cotton Associa- and benefit from all the aspects of the Southern Baptist program as promoted by the Baptist General Convention of

The missionary's salary and travel Oklahoma including the Portland Avenue expense will be paid by the Home Board and the Baptist Church, Oklahoma City. He is a

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America's **Tenth** Man

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merica was constructed by a Neg Benjamin Bennaker of Maryland, in 1776 G. T. Woods, a colored man of New York invented the system of telegraphin rom moving trains, among a host of other patents granted him. Elijah McCoy, o Detroit, invented many lubricating instru ments now in use on our trains. Jan E. Matzelinger invented the machine which sews the shoe top to the sole, and thur made possible the tremendous shoe fac tories of our country. There have been three Negroes in recent years who has been Registrar of the United States Treasury, with their names on every piec of paper money issued by it

Washington and Carver stand at the top of any list, while in art and oratory the Negro has made a worthy contribution to the life of America.

Undoubtedly there are hundreds of Ne groes in America today waiting for their chance to become henefactors to the world through music art, literature, invention, usiness, and religion. The tenth man should be given an equal chance with the

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We Ought to Obey God Rather Than Men

By Jack Altman, Jr. Field Worker, Home Mission Board

enterprise, yes, alone to face eternity with-(hristian arrogance! Christians think you alone have the out having accepted Jesus Christ as his to the religious needs of all You simply can't seem to underas a lew is a lew and always will unethical, affiliated with the pe or unaffiliated—no Jew is an of Christian missionary endeavor. is to be left alone.

Nazareth must needs be announced to all peoples of the world. This is especially true here on the home field where we have every tangible resource that is so limited on the foreign field. We are without excuse! "Let the redeemed of the Lord Such was the concluding remark 1 resay so." When Israel, as a people, failed to of the only begotten Son of God." sed from a most prominent Rabbi ing a recent conference. This is enough realize its task of being God's missionary to a lost world. God rechanneled his make cold chills run up and down the blessing of service through a people who ne of any conscientious evangelistic pristian. But even more sobering is the

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were willing to realize and carry out his will in their lives. This very fact estabring reality that all too many of our n Baptist people (both clergy and laity) lishes Christianity as a missionary religion. It also imposes a duty to include the doing just what the Rabbi so definitely rejected instrument of service-the Jewmanded they are leaving the Jew alone in its evangelistic program. alone in the error of his way, alone in darkness of hollow traditionalism.

However, this is all the more a stumme in the midst of a world-missionary bling block to the Jew. When he ceased

to proselytize the heathen to Jewish-Christianity, he then became an object of Christianity's proselytizing program. The middle wall of partition became even more firmly fixed. Only the gospel of grace and liberty will break down this wall of partition between the Jew and the Christian. Jesus Christ of Nazareth must become the Rabbi of Power to the Jew before the Jew will stand the test of faith which causes him to "confess by mouth" the belief "unto righteousness" in his heart. The Jew is to be saved, and is being saved, exactly the same way as everyone else under the sun. The Scriptures testify to no special circumstance nor to any special dispensation for the lew to be saved. Either the Jew casts off the "works of righteousness" which he has done and accepts the work of Christ "by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Spirit" or he remains in his lost condition condemned already
"because he hath not believed in the name

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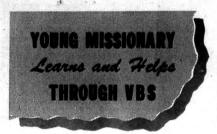


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By Dottie Leavell Student Summer Missionary



Dottie Leavell enlists the aid of this woman in advertising VBS.

Psalmist who said "I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills from whence I felt defeated as to any results, which cometh my help." Mountains have always been inspirational to me. I have climbed often and have had wonderful experiences with my God in his mountains. Last summer, however, I found an aspect of these mountains I had never been aware of

I had been in southeastern Kentucky only a short while when I began to rebel against the terrible things these mountains had done to the people they isolated from the rest of mankind. Then I realized immovable, soulless mountain, but on those of us who had failed to carry the gospel into the uttermost and most difficult parts of our world.

They related a few of his miracles. Then of accountable age who realized Jesus even wanted to be a personal Saviour.

Way back "in the hollow" a few miles Kentucky, stands a small country church There we worked with one of the finest, most co-operative groups I have ever seen.

There were problems, but not all were the usual discipline problems you expect from a group of squirmy active Juniors. I realized before long I had two deaf might come from the school for these two, Merle and Clarence.

It soon became evident to me that Merle was paying very close attention God by feeling as if she could not be helped. Her big black eyes just sparkled at times. I felt that she must be receiving

Thursday of the second week of that Vacation Bible school. Merle accepted Christ as her Saviour. The Holy Spirit this problem could not be blamed on an had worked within her heart, using the

Billy Joe came on the second day of school and didn't miss another day. From I asked my class of twenty Juniors the first I noticed slight spells which (ages nine through twelve) who lesus was. he had and became anxious for it seemed serious to me. After some sleuthing I questioned them about God's gift to discovered that he was subject to epileptic them. There wasn't one of these Juniors fits. He was without doubt the smartest boy in the group. Within six days he learned his complete set of Scripture cards. dreaded the days he completed a card. out in the mountains from Barbourville, I had the other children recite some three or four verses from their cards when called the Swan Lake Baptist Church, they had learned them. I could make no exception of Billy Joe without being cruelly obvious. Several times he became excited and had spells, but it was always

We were preparing for our commer ment program and I asked for a volunteer children in my class. I tried to form to say a verse that had proved particularly children. He begged, and I could find a "getting out" place.

On the night of commence fought tension: I prayed.

My God is sufficient for every nee Billy Joe said his verse beautifully. I wish every person who has ev

become interested in some handicappe child could have seen the new look that stole into the child's eyes as he came from the platform.

He forgot the children who giggled at his spells. I believe he felt himself which the doctrine of purgatory rests?

normal and capable. I saw a new Billy if A. It rests on Rome's doctrine of just Joe, a new man in Christ, too, for Billy Joe accepted the Lord as his Saviour

These people who live way back in the hollows and mountains need someone who will show them in some small way the way of love. They need someone who will walk among them day by day and practice the Jesus Way. Until someone does, they will never know what we mean when we speak of "the love of God."

June is the month when more than 350 young people will again go out to the mission fields of the homeland to work with regular missionaries during the summer months. Most of their time will be spent in Vacation Sible school work. This is an experience of one of the student summer missionaries of last summer.

Information on * Catholicism

By William E. Burke Field Worker, Home Mission Board

Purgatory

Q. What is the teaching of the Roman holic Church in regard to purgatory? A Purgatory is a temporary place of flering for those who die guilty of venial or without having satisfactorily paid ough punishment for their sins.

Q. Is purgatory taught in the Bible? No. It is not taught in the Bible and annosed to its clearest teachings.

0 When did nurgatory become an

A. Not until 1439. It was made an ticle of faith by the Council of Florence 1439 and finally and authoritatively tablished with anothema by the Council (Trent

O. From what source was the idea of urgatory manifestly borrowed?

A. From paganism. Every religion exent that of the Bible had its purgatory. he doctrines of a purgatory after death, and prayers for the dead, have always een found in paganism.

Q. What is the fundamental error on A. It rests on Rome's doctrine of justibrist did not secure the remission of the that each small must suffer a part of the

unishment which his sins deserved. Q. Does not this teaching contradict the

A. Yes According to the Bible, Christ Hermost. "Wherefore he is le also to the intermest that food by him, seeing he ever veth to take intercession for them' Heh 7-1

n who is the purging of sin done cording the Bible?

inging of sin, according to e Bible done in this life, and not it is done by the blood and In 1 John 1:7 we read: "And

the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin."

O. Does not the teaching of purgatory dishonor Christ? A. Yes. It affirms that the merits of

Christ of themselves cannot save to the uttermost. The Bible says: ". . . with his stripes we

are healed" (Isa. 53:5), delivered from the whole penalty of sin.

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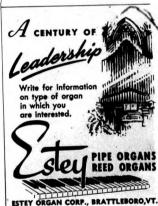
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Baptist Church In Seoul, Korea To Be War Memorial

By James E. Kirkpatrick Chaplain, Eighth United States Arms

S OUTHERN BAPTIST chaplains stationed in Korea have for some time been having monthly meetings. I noted, after I was sent to Korea and started attending the meetings, that the chaplains were reporting on separate mission projects, but there was none with any central focus. At my second meeting I sounded them out on the idea of sponsoring a Baptist Memorial Church at Seoul. They enthusiastically approved the idea of attempting to raise through their soldier-congregations and our own Baptist chaplains an initial \$15,000.00 for this church. The church was to commemorate the sacrifice of American troops and chaplains who died in Korea while serving their country

Blueprints and plans for the building call for a three-story structure providing for Sunday school classrooms and an auditorium which will seat some eight hundred people. It is to have a natural stone facing for the exterior.

In addition to this one unified project many of our chaplains have been the driv- they are filled to overflowing at nearly ing force behind the building of many every scheduled service. Our attendance small churches, rebuilding of an orphan-age, and aiding in the contruction of schools. The "aid for Korea" in clothing drives is most remarkable. Truckloads of clothing are brought to the mission here and in Pusan every month—clothes contributed by our churches back home in

The story of the erection of the "front line chapels" is a chapter in a revitalized faith among service personnel. Something like eighty new chapels have gone up across the line and within the areas of military units around Seoul. And even now increased from 200,821 in July-at the end of the fighting-to 315,000 for the month

Every one of our Bantist chaplains her in Korea has done a superior job. Man

There are some forty-five Baptist chap answer to the appeal of the chaplains and lains, of which twenty five are Southern



Rev. and Mrs. Horace E. Fisher have Rev. and Mrs. Horace E. Fisher nave recently accepted an appointment by the Home Mission Board to work with the Choctaw Indians near Philadelphia, Missis-sippi filling the vacancy left by the resigna-tion of Rev. and Mrs. W. W. Simpson.

exas and have spent most of their lives

Mr. Fisher, before going into the minsiry, worked for several years in the optical business. While in the Army he served as a medical technician and special nurse. He was discharged in March, 1946, and went back to the optical business where he worked until the fall of 1948

Baptist, presently assigned within the Eighth Army area; this includes five from

As they pass through this headquarters each chaplain gets a briefing, this affords me opportunity to make a personal contact with our Baptist chaplains and to invite them to our monthly fellowship meetings and to visit the Baptist mission headquaren of which Dr. John Abernathy is in

Just now, in addition to giving encour-

agement to our Baptist chaptains to put forth an evangelistic" effort wherever consible, as we approach the Easter season comphasis is being given to establishing a "Locator Baptist File," within the units. in this way we may gather somewhat of an ocurate report of the number of Baptist ersonnel and have occasional get-togethers to contintain Baptist interests among our people. Later this summer or fall, when the Memorial church building nears complete we hope to be able to sponsor an Eighth Army wide "Baptist Assembly," much lik. he program at Ridgecrest. It will be three-day conference here at of this there might well come a Korean Ridgecrest or Glorieta.





Horace E. Fisher, new missionaries to the Checture near Philadelphia, Mississippi,

Texas, to enroll in Hardin-Simmons University.

During his student days there and since that time he has pastored several churches in Texas with good success.

when he fell the call to preach. After a most University in the spring of 1951 and Both Mr. and Mrs. Fisher are natives of least and have spent most of their lives

While still a student at Southwestern he and his wife felt the call to do home mission work and applied for appointment. Mr. and Mrs. Fisher have three children.



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Board Buys Property For New Mission In Tampa

> By Rev. R. B. Armstrong Missionary to Spanish-speaking Tampa, Florida

A FTER A delicious dinner of Spanish foods consisting of yellow rice and chicken, boliche, black bean soup, spaghetti and meatballs, along with many other good foods, a long awaited anrouncement was made recently to the conregation of the Clark Memorial Baptist Church and Good Will Center, Tampa Florida. Rev. R. B. Armstrong, missionary to the Spanish, told the people that the Home Mission Board had bought a double corner lot, Columbus Drive and Ninth Street, a strategic location, on which would be built their new church.

Excitement ran high as the young and old alike considered the prospect of having adequate buildings for their work. How grateful they are to all Southern Bantiste who, through the Home Mission Board, are helping them.

Rev. Marshall Mines, superintendent of City Missions, Tampa, was guest speaker Joshua of the children of Israel crossing the Jordan. "That this may be a sign among you, that when your children ask their fathers in time to come, saying, What mean ye by these stones? Then we shall answer them. That the waters of Jordan were cut off before the ark of the covenant of the Lord; when it passed over Jordan, the waters of Jordan were cut off: and these stones shall be for a memorial unto the children of Israel forever."

He told the group that they, too, were making history for the Lord and for the generations to come by having a part in erecting a house which would be used for worship and would stand as a memorial for years to come.

The site for the relocation of the mission work is in a residential section of Ybor City, Latin quarters of Tampa, facing a main thoroughfare and much traveled

and educational building adequate for the needs of the field.

Clark Memorial Church had its begin ning in 1903 when Miss Mary A. Taylor started a Sunday school and met with the women for a sewing circle in a private home. Rev. W. H. Clark came in Octoher, 1903, and with the help of Miss Adalee Braham (now Mrs. J. M. Mahry inheritance. The adult women's Sunday of Tampa), opened a day school in a small rented frame building where the brick church now stands.

Miss Lula Davis did valuable work in 1906 after the death of Mr. Clark. Mr. and Mrs. Alfredo Diaz of Tampa nobly held the work together for several months. Robinson R. Ray came in 1907 and was with Rev. Alfredo S. Rodriguez in the street. The dwelling on the back corner organization of the church on June 7, will be used for the parsonage. Plans are being made for the erection of a sanctuary

Challenge Unlimited! By Edwin R. Andrews Chaplain, U. S. Army

st that your situation will demand more Congregation enjoys delicious supper and good fellowship. They rejoiced when they heard al proposed new building. than the best that is in you." So ended the letter the director of

ur Chaplains Commission wrote me on January 1954. I was in the act of putting the page back in its envelope when that last sentence caught my full ittention and thought: ". . . demand more nan the best ...!" There, in one phase, found the touchstone of my job as a haplain in the armed forces of the United States. This is indeed a ministry demanding more than the best in any man.

lam one of nearly five hundred Baptist chaplains—a number roughly equivalent to

becca Tarry organized the center which The following men have served as pastors of Clark Memorial Church: Isidore

Barredo, J. B. Silva, F. I. Page, Jose I. slaves of the first Baptist Church, Tampa, and other interested individuals and classes.
It was later sponsored by the association Greno, J. G. Chastain 1 Negrin 1 8 and is now under the auspices of the Home
Mission Board Their work has been car-Miss Gertrude Loerg (later Mrs. Light). ned on on the first floor of the Clark Memorial Church building and at the playmeant much to her Spanish friends. It shall long be remembered how she gave ground site a block away. A new kitchenall she had, both energy and money, todining room addition is being added to the ward the ongoing of the work on this recreation building. Miss Curb now field. After the death of other members Will Center porgram.

As we express our thanks to every

school class is still called "The Gertrudes." Mrs. Aurelia Baez, then a new Chris-Mrs. Aurelia Baez, then a new Critical train, came to Ybor City in 1915 from Rapins who has had a part through the Cuba. In her enthusiasm for her new Cooperative Program and to the officials here. Cuba. In her enthusiasm for her newof the Hone Mission Board who have found faith she was instrumental in starting a Sunday school in Cuba which later grew into a church. She served many years as a Bible woman until her recent retirement. She lives in Tampa and is still faithful in her attendance.
The Good Will Center was started in for God's work in Tampa. 1938. Miss Frances Curb and Miss Re-

your new year's activities and both our Home Mission Board and our both our Home Mission Board and our Foreign Mission Board. We are scattered all the way from the nation's capital to the farthest corners of the earth-wherever America's soldiers, sailors, marines, and airmen are stationed. As members of the Corps of Chaplains, we recognize in our work a wide-open, unlimited challengeone worth giving everything to meet.

One facet of this challenge is the variety of work a chaplain can do. At stations in the United States, he quite often can be of help in the communities near military posts. There are many instances of chaplains rendering very important services in the co-ordination of eligious work in the civilian and military communities, and particularly in giving valuable pastoral advice and assistance to young and growing churches. This "liaison" work on the part of chaplains is very definitely encouraged by the military organization.

But even more fascinating variations in work await the overseas chaplain. Here in Korea, for example, the Baptist Chaplains Association is actively helping in Baptist mission work. And many chaplains are taking advantage of opportunities in their work similar to an experience erves as director and is assisted by Miss

Feelyn Epp. They carry on a full Good

Will Company to an experience work similar to an experience in the total experience worship services in the battalion of Korean artillery now training with my unit. I find that "military missionaries" are enthusiastically received by the Christians

The very places in which a chaplain works demand the best in resourcefulness planned and worked for this project, we say for your most carnest prayers. Pray and adaptability. Good provisions for for the water of God to rule our lives as for the water of God to rule our lives as insignaries who serve on this worship are furnished by the armed forces We make the necessary plans in laying new front-line locations must adapt themselves to using the best places for worship avail-

able in their various units-the mess halls, day rooms, tents, and bunkers, or God's great out-of-doors. In these places, with only portable field equipment to work with the chaplain meets the challenge of contrasting the timelessness of the message of Christ with the necessarily temporary facilities at hand.

The supreme challenge, however, is the men. The chaplain meets a cross-section of the young manhood of America: men of every race and creed and color represented in our varied land are in his "parish." Every chaplain carries the constant knowledge that he is now dealing with the very core of the nation's citizenship: here are the future lawmakers and lawbreakers, diplomats and delinquents, the men who will shape the destiny of our churches and communities—and our country—for half a century to come. Effective living and heavily not only in the individual lives here ilies, businesses, and organizations these

Several characteristics of this varied congregation serve both to enhance the Continued on Page 31



Missianary R. B. Armstrong tells his people they are to have new building and adequate quarters for work.

organization of the church. Alfredo S.

Rodriguez was elected first pastor. The

church was named in honor of Mr. Clark.

then deceased. The present brick building

was erected in 1911 by the Home Mission

Barredo, J. B. Silva, F. J. Pacz, Jose L.

Silva, A. J. Silva, and Harold Lassiter.

of her family she gave generously of her

The SEED was Planted - and it Grew

By C. G. Carter, President Mexican Bootist Bible Institute San Antonio Teras

ANY TIMES when we after some special service for the Lord, we hope to see a few immediate results and then forget the whole matter, not realizing that a fountain once opened frequently in-creases in volume until it becomes a flood which no man can check. Such a fountain seems to have been opened in the case of a mission started in a small way in San Antonio, Texas, a few years ago.

In July 1948 Mr. and Mrs. Donald A. Young opened their home for a Vacation Bible school for Mexican children, under the sponsorship of the Riverside Park Baptist Church, of which Dr. Clyde Childers is pastor. The school was such a success that the church felt justified in securing a small building in the community as a meeing place for a mission, and employed Rev. Merced Becerra, a student in the Mexican Baptist Bible Institute, as pastor. Brother Becerra resigned after a little more than a year; and after he left there were several disappointing experiences, and the outlook

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for continuing the mission was not bright. In January 1951 Rev. John L. Santos, another student in the Bible Institute, became pastor and still occupies that

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evident that a more adequate meeting place must be found. During the summer Church, became available, and the sponsorfull church program with all the organic of the your men, Jose Gonzalez, gave a zations. In one month after the formal forty-one haptisms, and the present mem-

Among those converted and baptized through the efforts of this mission is Release M. De la Rosa, who was saved shortly after Brother Santos became pastor

mily, including his mother, his wife, and no of his children, baptized. Late in 1952 the Baptist church at Sayfew miles from San Antonio, under endership of Pastor Bill Campbell, felt a mission to the Mexican people in position. The work progressed so well of the Mexican people of the community under his leadership that it soon became work offered his garage as a meeting place. of 1933 the property on Bryan Street, for pressure became so strong that they hesimerly occupied by Mitchell Terrace Baptia liated to be haptized. But as they learned Church, became available, and the sponsor inner about the Bible and grew in grace ing church bought it for a price of the timiting began to wear away, and on \$12,000.00. The Bryan Street Mission of January 17 1954, the first group of five now operating in an adequate building it converts was baptized in the Sayers an ideal location, and is carrying out. Church Before entering the baptistry one

> peaking, we now have three lead in a marvelous way.
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> Introlled in the Mexican Bantist —Rev. and Mrs. L. E. Johns prolled in the Mexican Baptist

immediately Brother De la Rosa the call to preach, and enrolled as udent in the Bible Institute. He soon teaching a Sunday school class the mission: giving his testimony at ry opportunity; and in a general way erving as pastor's assistant. He has had be joy of seeing several members of his

community should be started; and her De la Rosa was selected as the ni pastor of the new mission. Deacon E. Ferrell, on whose farm a good many Church Observes Week of Prayer Within a short time there was a good church, and all had a good time in seeing the work as it was presented. It was amazing how they were filled with joy to know that even our little Indians can carry on the very same work that is being more about the Bible and grew in grace done in the white churches. As a result of the visit, Mrs. Ray White, one of the visiting ladies, felt the Lord wanted her to help in our work. So she said that she would like to help hrief testimony and announced that he felt in our Vacation Bible schools and then zations. In one month after the forms opening in the new location, nine convem that God bad called him to preach, and were baptized. To date there have been that he was easily to surrender completely. gospel.

How we do feel so unimportant as we This was no surprise to those who had been bership is fifty-seven. In addition mast stacking the since his profession of faith others have been haptized in other since haptized in the Bible Institute. since his profession of faith try to serve and many times do get disthe testimony of members of the Bryat of following to the footstens of his pastor.

The destination is a direct result or seminated as a student in the Bible Institute, there is in store for his people and so as we serve we wait with patience and following to the footstens of his pastor. He, and only God knows where

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when they formulate their first budget.

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a total of seventeen Baptist churches. Ohio
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with the Southern Baptist Convention in the other hand, that chaplain who exall five capitals of these pioneer states. Presses friendliness of "manliness" through

10 John Kurtz, moderator of the stak (as) compromise of Christian principles in convention of Ohio, is pastor of the West speech or action is "shelved" as fast as wood Baptist Church in Dayton, show courtesy will allow. This is a strangely bere with the pastorium here with the pastorium

Daylon, Ohio, has a population of last-hardened soldiers make. They want

370,000 with fewer Baptist churches in it their chaplain to be a man of God without than twenty-five years ago. The West wood Baptist Church started in a frame a higher and the penalty for hypocrisy than twenty-five years ago. The Westbuilding with a seating capacity of about 150. They built next to it an auditorium communities. They challenge here is a very and educational facilities for 450. This was soon overcowded and while they they are the challenge here is a very soon overcowded and while they they are in the present of deciding and the decidence of the challenge here is a very soon overcowded and while they then they are in the present of deciding and the decidence of the challenge and the present of the challenge of were in the process of deciding what to do a fire destroyed the building. A ten-acit lot in a choice section was bought. At the offered the shaplain. His everyday life is first service in the basement of the new interlaced church there were over 1,200 present. The on and sale auditorium will seat approximately 2,400 while by the response to be seen and felt in the live of his men. The chaptairise. In 1949 the church budget was \$27,000.00 The budget is \$80,000.00 for 1954. In 1949 there were 250 in Sunday school Now there are over 700.

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emptations reflects over and over again Of hattered and heaten julopies. Fair eroaning beneath all the load Of heds and hedding and hores Of stuff-as they clatter along the road

> Of backs achine with hending and stooping Of skin red from the sun? And eyes filled with the heartaches Of a job that can never he done?

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