

# HOW

# READ THE CHURCH BUDGET



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THE CHURCH BUDGET is like a thermometer. The thermometer does not make the weather hot or cold, but it does tell whether the weather is hot or cold.

The church budget does not make the spirit of a church hot or cold, but it certainly does much to reveal whether it is hot or cold

What may one learn about a church from a study of its budget and its financial records?

First, one learns many of the church members do not

care enough about the church and its ministries to make a pledge or to give to its support with any regularity. More than one-third of the church members fall in this category.

They give various excuses. Some claim they are not financially able to support the church. It is evident they put other obligations ahead of their support of God's work, or they would have money for the church even though other obligations had to wait.

Some object to making pledges, yet they pledge for rent, or car payments, or bank notes, or other obligations. How can they have nerve to say to their Lord, "I am willing to pledge to my fellowman for my obligations to him, but I am unwilling to pledge to you for the prior obligation that I owe?"

Some do not support the Lord's work because they are never asked to participate in this part of the worship service. They have never thought of giving as being a part of their worship. Paul said, as ye abound in other graces, "see that ye abound in this grace also." If it is a grace to give, it is a sin not to give, and we should keep every one we can from sinning. We must encourage our people to give liberally.

A study of the budget and financial records show that many give their "left-overs" to the Lord. They give very little and with no regularity. A study of the stewardship practice of Mr. Average Baptist shows that of every \$100.00 he earns he gives through his church only about \$2.50\text{or} or one-fourth of his tithe. He robs God of three-fourths of the tithe, or \$7.50.

Of the \$2.50 he gives, the church keeps \$2.03 and only 47 cents ever gets beyond the borders of his church. Of the 47 cents for missionary education and benevolent work, 26 cents is used within the state and only 17 cents of Mr. Average Baptist's gift is used for missions, education, and eleemosynary ministries beyond the borders

Thus, the third thing that a study of the church budget reveals is that most of what Mr. Average Baptist gives is spent at home and very little goes for missions.

Many churches have built large buildings and have enlarged their staff of paid workers to the extent that they have little left for "outside causes."

In reality, the "outside Eauses" are not outside, for the task of home or foreign missions is as much a part of the obligation of that church as the preaching from its pulpit. Yet the average church gives 83 percent of its total income to work on its local field and only 17 percent to its work through associational, state, home, and foreign mission channels. It is estimated that Southern Baptist Convention churches are paying slightly more than \$75,000,000.00 annually on church debts—almost as much as they contribute to all mission, educational, and benevolent causes at home and abroad.

Study your own church budget. See what it says. A liberal, missionary-hearted people is usually a happy, soul-winning people. The missionary church is usually the growing and warm-hearted church.

Your church budget is proclaiming to the world your measure of concern for lost people at home and abroad.

HOME MISSION

I am a prison chaplain's clerk. My prison life did not begin as a clerk, but as an inmate with a number, sentenced to 15 years.

The dread of prison and the uncertainty of tomorrow filled me as the gate

clanged shut behind me.

I was greeted by a member of Chaplain Charles L. Phipps' office. He spoke reassuringly. This was comforting and gave me strength that I needed. It was also a pleasant surprise.

About three weeks later I was assigned to this same position, clerk to the chaplain of the Reception, Diagnostic, and Classification Center of Florida State Prison at Raiford. Now I have the privilege of doing the same thing for other men.

I am a happy convict; my work of interviewing each inmate upon his arrival is a joy, giving me an opportunity to explain the program of the chaplain's office, the religious activities of the various denominations, and above all, to witness personally for Christ. Chaplain Phipps, with spiritual wisdom as friend, pastor, and counselor, gives much of himself to assist each inmate with counsel

in personal problems and morale building.

Each man has a story. Mine begins in December, 1959. I was arrested and charged with three violations of the law; namely, assault with intent to commit murder in the first degree, illegal possession of firearms, and forgery. My bond was set at \$9,000.00, and shortly thereafter I was

released from custody on bail.

In March, 1960, I was tried on the assault charge in Hillsborough County Criminal Court.

After a two day jury trial, I was found guilty and sentenced to 15 years in the state prison. My attorney filed an appeal, and the court set bond at \$5,000.00. Unable to raise this sum, I was

remanded to the Hillsborough County Jail where, for 25 days, I tortured myself with thoughts of hate

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when they arrive
at the receiving, diagnostic
and classification center,
is the chaplain's clerk,
also an Inmate.
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One Wednesday morning, deciding there was no hope leef, Smuggled out a note to my wife aking her to contact the minister of the church my son-inlaw attended, and have him bring her to the jail Thursday morning between 9:30 and 10:00. I old not know the man, but I felt that I could use him to see my wife for an unauthorized visit. I wished to give her some instructions before I was transferred to the state prison.

Later that same morning I received the allowed six-minute visit with my wife, but, in the rush I neglected to mention the note.

My wife, a devout Christian, had brought me a Bible. Purely out of boredom I accepted it, and took it back to my cell. That evening, for lack of something else to do, I glanced through this Bible. One verse virtually leaped out at me—Matthew 21:22: "And all things, whatsoever yeas in prayer, believing, ye shall receive."

With this thought in mind I fell allegen and sometime during the night I had been the victim of the manner of the prodigal son, and we at down to a meal of thanksgiving for my return.

Sunday I attended the Baptist church with my fashily where I made a public profession of faith.

Looking back, so much impresses me have had training and experience in Christianity, many have not them what Christ has done for me, and taken place. No hate or bitterness was

and revenge. My only wish was to get free and finish what I had started—to completely destroy the man whose life, according to my accusers, I had originally tried to take. I had lost all hose of being freed and sank deeper and deeper into depths of despair.

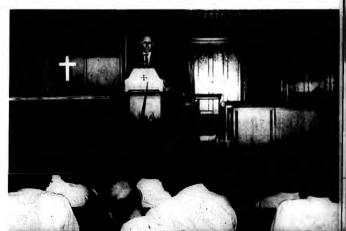
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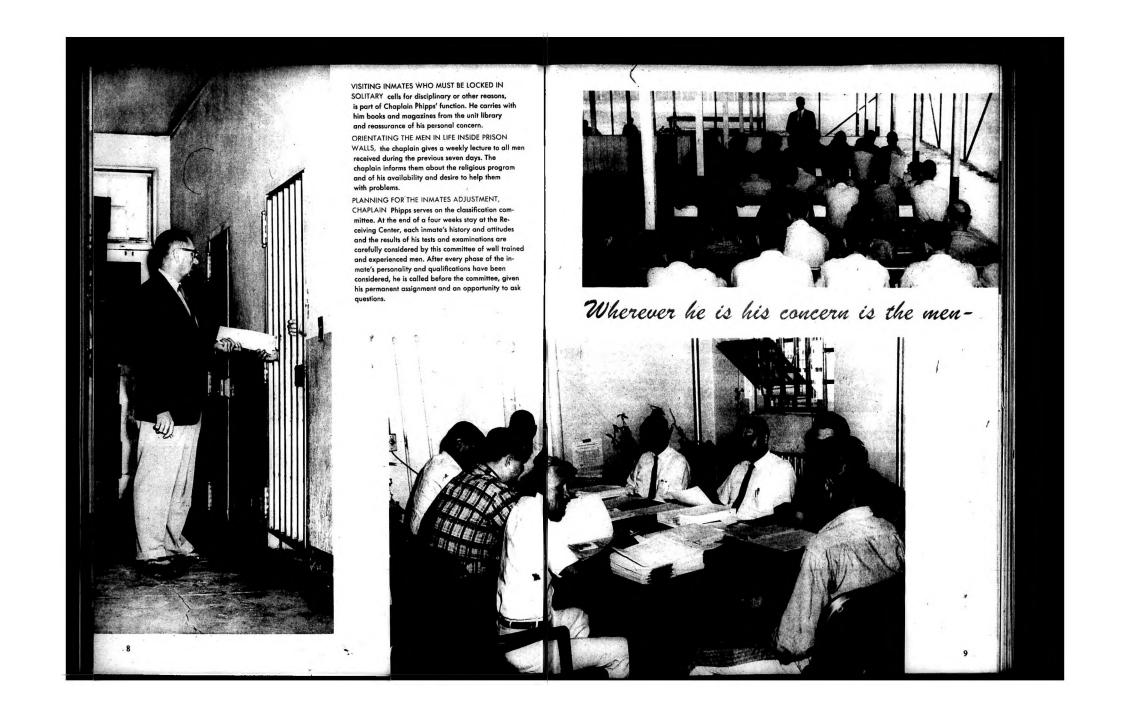
MALE OFFENDERS COMING IN FROM ALL OVER THE STATE to spend four weeks at the Receiving Center are greeted by the chaplain. Here they are examined, tested, interviewed, indoctrinated in prison life, and evaluated. All elements are considered for the best interest of the inmate before a permanent assignment is given.

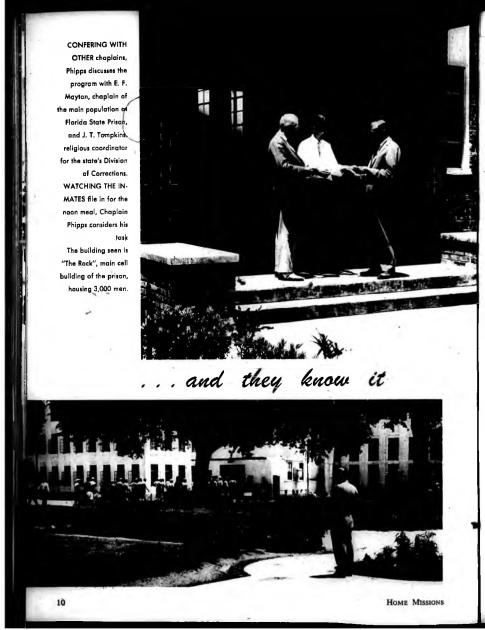


The Prison Phaplain

RELIEVING THAT A PRISONER who begins in the right way stands a better chance of being rehabilitated, Chaplain Charles L. Phipps of the Florida State Prison Receiving Center studies each case and counsels with each inmate, helping with specific problems A WORSHIP AND TEACH-ING program is conducted by the chaplain, and daily devationals in the receiving unit are led by inmater under the chaplain's







# The End of Separateness

Merger of the Mexican Baptist and Baptist General Conventions of Texas ends 51 years of separate operation.

by Lloyd Wright

Texas Baptist Public Relations Director

The recent merger of the Mexican Baptist Convention of Texas with the Baptist General Convention of Texas ended 51 years of separate operation by the two groups and marked "the beginning of a new era of great triumph in evangelism and missions."

Outgoing president of the Mexican group, I. E. Gonza-lez of Corpus Christi, said the merger was more than a mere organizational unity.

"It is a spiritual unity dependent on a personal experience with Christ. We are now united with him in complete cooperation with the program of missions and education, giving of ourselves as an integral part of the plan of redemption of the world."

Special ceremonies marking the merger included an exchange of co-memorative plaques. The move culminated lengthy negotiations to determine the most effective method for the two groups to achieve what was termed the basic objective of both groups—winning the state's two million Spanish speaking people to Christ.

Involved in the merger were 25,000 Latin American Bap-tists belonging to 400 churches and a million Texas Bap-tists who are members of about 3,900 churches.

Gonzalez indicated that the decision to merge had been long and difficult. And he said there are still several prob-

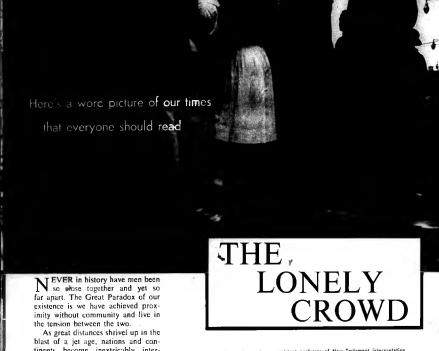
DISCUSSING THE MERGER are Texas Baptist Executive Secretary T. A. Patterson, right, Rudy Hernandez, left a memmember of language missions department in Texas.

TRANSLATION SYSTEM, designed for bi-lingual meetings, lets Harlingen pastor, Harry Hamblen, know what is going on in Mexican Convention. Hamblen is a member of Texas' missions commission, the co-ordinating agency for language

lem areas. A special committee has been named to study Texas Baptists' entire ministry to Latin Americans. For several years, Texas Baptists have sponsored a lan-

guage missions department which has devoted most of its (Continued on page 31)





by William E. Hull assistant professor of New Testament interpretation Southern Baptist Theological Seminary

tinents become inextricably inter tangled. Individuals live and work and play in close proximity: we inhabit the apartment house, labor in suggests that we have moved beyond crowded as never before, only to crowding us."

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the skyscraper, and frolic in the vast the rugged pioneer individualism of find ourselves huddled together in coliseum. No longer can we unscramble ourselves and go back to pluralistic existence. No longer are the days of Daniel Boone who, when he learned that well-be learned that he learned that settlers were only 70 ("inner-directed") as we are by those miles from his cabin, said to his wife. about us ("other-directed"). When international disruption by Cold War hostilities. The misery of mod-The social scientist David Ries- ern man is that he does not know

Our earth is witnessing a population explosion of unprecedented pro-"Old woman, we must move; they are crowding us."

about us ("other-directed"), when we lived in the age of production, we were challenged as individuals to On the other hand, powerful diswrest from the material environment by the end of the century to six or ruptive forces destroy true communits hidden resources; but now that we seven billion. With the present birth ity: economic disruption by strikes, have moved into an age of consump- rate of three babies per second, there tion, we are more concerned to re- are 60,000 more people in the world cial disruption by racial hatreds, and late ourselves to our fellow men in every day, 49 million more people

America is in the race toward an man, in taking the nation's pulse, has how to live with his unavoidable unbelievably crowed world, with the net population going up one person dox (The Lonely Crowd, 1950). A South state of the control of the country of the per day, almost four million per year.
From 1940-1950, the U.S. population was expected to increase eight million, whereas in actuality in creased 19 million; in the 1950-1960 decade, this net increase rose to 28 million, which is the almost hysteric craving for amusement and entertainment, like the summer than the control of the community.

central book, modern man is a citizen to find his way. In such a memory wery man stands on the outskirts of the Christian answer to the Lonely Crowd.

The Loving Community

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Levs lived in a crowded country.

plexes. Already a 600-mile city stretches unbroken from Maine to Virginia.

unbroken from Maine to Virginia. There is nowhere to hide!

As never before, modern man is being jostled in the pilgrimage of life. Everywhere we turn, we are crowded to gether: in sprawling housing developments, in endless suburban subdivisions, in teeming tenement houses, especially in wretched slums. In Chicago, for example, 1,000 people were found crowded together into a building intended for no more than 200. On the farms we are being forced to work in larger co-operatives. In the cities we work in the beehives of giant corporations and wander about in the web-like corridors of vast government buildings.

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places to park! The crowd, the group, the herd—this is the habitat in which

## The Cluttered Loneliness

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million.

Almost one-third of the American citizens, nearly 60 million, are concentrated in 15 metropolitan areas. Growth in standard metropolitan areas is four times as rapid as it is in non-metropolitan areas. Every day, an average of 3,000 acres of greenland is being bulldozed under to make way for the suburban sprawl. America is being laced with strips of interurban complexes the suburbant of the suburbant sprawl. America is being laced with strips of interurban complexes the suburbant of the suburbant sprawl. America is being laced with strips of interurban complexes the suburbant of the suburbant sprawl. America is being laced with strips of interurban complexes the suburbant of the subur suggest, silently but eloquently, an unlivable loneliness within the self; the countless abortions which record the poignant loneliness of a family without

velop a permanent sense of exile. Thomas Wolfe underscored it when he said "that men are strangers, that they are lonely and forsaken, that they are in Yet the dominance of the crowd as the matrix of modern life has not treated genuine community but has aimlessly in response to the pressures of amilessly in response to the pressure of the crowd, to be buffeted about as a helpless pawn under the pressure of power structures—this is what it means to be built in the control of the

sively gregarious—and yet profoundly prodigal about whom Jesus spoke, belonely. In a single, poignant phrase reft of friends, surrounded by swine. which serves as the title of Riesman's Yet he had a memory of the family at

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Perceiving the true condition of a crowd, Jesus was concerned to help the individual caught within it. Compassion drove him to intensify his efforts to call out from the crowd a healing fel-lowship, a disciple band (Matt. 9:36-10:1). Those who responded would be welded together in living obedience to him, sharing in a common purpose and

in a common task.

Soon the nucleus of 12 became 70, they were his friends! Melted together by his risen Spirit, they were molded into the church. Eagerly they reached out and embraced others, grafting them into their common life. In this carliest period they were not primarily an in-stitution or an organization, but a p vibrant fellowship. They were the "body of Christ," to which every person belonged as a member. They were all the

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# From Folly to Faith

Six YEARS AGO his daughters were five, eight lowed another, and his wanderings across the his half of a storm window business for their provision.

trucking business where he saved enough money to invest in a business of his own.

He left Michigan for the oil fields of the west, then moved to mechanical work. One job fol-

and 12. He loved them—enough to sign over United States were punctuated with alcohol and a life "just as far that way as I could go."

The years passed. And he was drawn deeper and deeper into the throes of alcoholism and the showed him working as a mechanic and with a unattractive, defiled, miserable life. His physical appearance spoke of more than his 39 years.

Passing through East St. Louis, Illinois, he But the tug of algohol and "the road" were stronger than the laughing faces of three little stronger than the laughing faces of three little Rescue Mission. He talked with Superintendent girls whose hearts already bore the scars of a J. T. McGill, who in his casual serious way with love for any man told him of the Saviour.

He grasped the vision of this friend who would forgive and cleanse the vilest heart, and before leaving the rescue mission, grasped the vision of the path upward and out of his wretched existence

A year passed, and with it many of his old desires. "The road" became less enhancing when he saw it for what it really was in the light of his newfound faith, and the bottle became less soothing, until finally its fascination ceased.

He came back to East St. Louis and to the mission where McGill had introduced him to a new life. For several months he has served as clerk. registering the men, sending them out on odd jobs as requests come in, as-sisting McGill, and taking charge in his absence.

During spare moments at his desk, he reads his Bible. Eight months have passed since he has had a drink. He witnesses to the homeless, wandering creatures who stop in at the mission on their way across country. Perhaps they stay one night, maybe three, and but they see that he is different than



MEALS AND LODGING are offered to men who come to the mission. Three nights is the maximum that a transient can stay without working around the mission. Parolees, spongored by the mission, must have home and employment before release.



DENNIS CHAPMAN who was aided by the mission and won to Christ there, is now on the regular staff (paid a small

salary). Each man regișters upon arrival for the records. An odd-job call which he can fill is passed on to him.

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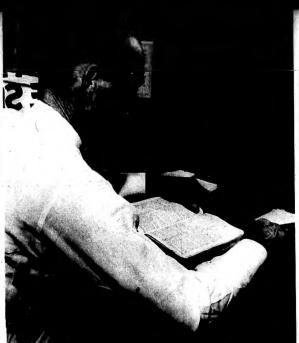
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the Sunday school class Weakly services at the mission include Bible reading at breakfas prayers at meals, Sunday school, singing, and worship services each day. Church groups sometimes conduct special services.

A PAROLEE TEACHES

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His father said, "Son, let's look at the snow you gathered." He took Tom by the hand and they went to the empty snow shed, then he led Tom back into the house. Without a word he got he lists mought great happiness and as piece of skin thread, been a better witness for my Lord."

That night Tom accepted Jesus. He said, "I found peace and joy when I bejieved in Jesus." Obedience in baptist motoght great happiness and as surgnce to Tom.

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HOME MISSIONS

Fairbanks, Alaska

by Mrs. John Isaacs

TOM WILLOCK GREW UP NEAR NOME in a little igloo made from sod, moss, and logs—a half dug out with seal gut skin windows. Dishes were handcarved from tree roots.

The Willock family moved around from place to place hunting and fishing for a living. In the winter, their water was obtained from melted snow. Tom helped gather the snow.

One morning after a big snow, before hig father left to hunt, he told Tom to fill the snow shed. Tom played all day and forgot to gather the snow.

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# Jottings from a

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was broken at the time of her mother's bayous of southern Louisiana. Being conversion. The hatred her mother held for Marie's daddy changed to love, conto the English and French people of cern, and prayer. He was permitted to see his six children. She read the Bible to him. They were reunited.

Marie made her profession of faith little eirl.

in 1957—not quite cight years old. Im-mediately, she witnessed to her sevenyear-old cousin and a nine-year-old friend. The three were hantized toand was baptized.

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They watched the sun in all its glory. Marie took the opportunity to witness to her unsaved friends, and brought the conversation to spiritual things.

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sionary the next day, Marie said that the greatest joy in the world was talking to others about the Lord.

But what about Marie? Her home

She soon won the hearts of all and they began to pray for this precious little girl.

Her only Christmas gifts were those passed on to her by the missionaries from Baptist friends.

Yolander enjoyed her Junior Sunday school class and Girls' Auxiliary. She

Bayou Missionary

soon became a maiden in GA's. Then she yielded her heart to Jesus and was baptizzed.

Yolander is the only Christian in her immediate family. She needs your prayers that her love and loyalty will her mother, her new step-father, and he randgrother to Christ.

Quickly improvised for all. As they sat around a cardboard "camp fire," they heard stories of the "Great Spirit."

This became a weekly class. As the number increased, the costumes were omitted, but Bible teaching and singing continued. Pray for these spiritually

POW WOW opened the door to Bible teaching for the white children in the reaching for the white children in the community where the missionaries live. Since they aren't allowed to go to the mission which consists mostly of French-Indians, an annual vacation Biblo school has been held in the missionaries' home.

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by Mrs. C. J. Kraus Houma, Louisiana

I have given myself to God," he said, handing over his flask of whiskey.

After scripture reading and prayer, they all went to his home to tell his wife. "I've given myself to Christ," Mike told her. She, too, yielded to the

All efforts to have a weekly class had been in vain.

As the wife started the heater and put on the coffee to heat, the brother and was set up. The children were invited for a "pow-wow." Costumes were respectively and the continuous common of the

# Suarez Writes from Zapata Swamp

Raul Suarez Cuban Bantist missionary to the Zapata Swamp.

ON the southern coast of Las Villas Province in Cuba lies a large strip

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# OIO DE AGUA

average attendance of 70 each Sunday When Veguilla visited us here recently we had an attendance of 300 people. There is not a family in this commun-

now helping us as teachers. The chil- GUASIMAL dren are instruments of God in winning their parents.

ON the southern coast of Las Villas
Province in Cuha lies a large strip
of land, until recently forgotten by men, the Zapata Swamp.
Scattered over this zone are 32,000 country people, whose history is one of poverty and grief.

was able to go and start work in that place. Under a large Algarrobo tree, with a kerosene lamp and mosquitoes. I preached my first sermion in Car-Scattered over this zone are 32,000 country people, whose history is one of poverty and grief.

The word of God is being preached in many communities. In each settlement where we have gone, with the same joy with which they have received material improvements they are receiving the gospel. We are concentrating our efforts in four large settlements and our efforts in four large settlements and visiting other points as we can.

In Oio de Agua Rev. Rivero built a nice little chapel where we have an and it is here that we have our greatest and it is here that we have our greatest hopes. A large housing development is taking form rapidly and several people have already been won to Christ. These are co-operating with us, inviting and tarifying. Attendence varies ity that has not attended our services at ing and testifying. Attendance varies one time or another. The Sunday school from 60 to 150.

Guasimal, across the swamp from Oje de Agua, is surrounded by small rural settlements. On the porch of a grocery store we have well-attended. services. We have up to 100 present. Many mothers have come to us and said, "We want you to give religious instruction to our children."

about our services and leave invitations for me to go to them to preach also, but it is impossible to go to all of them So far we have taken the gospel to 14 different points.

brings great joy to my heart as I see souls won to Christ. To God be the

TT WAS an ordinary Monday night cold and clear out-Activities fell in line as usual. Work groups from local churches came to sort clothing in the attic. A volunteer

In nearby villages the people hear

In Ojo de Agua, we have carried out "Operation Family" in which we mar-ried, with both the civil and religious been legally married. At the present writing we are preparing the papers for another similar group.

We need religious literature, Bibles and Bible portions for this zone, but more than anything we need your prayone time or another. The Sunday school has an average of 80. Two women who heard the gospel for the first time through our Baptist radio hour are

# My Most Difficult Hour in 1960

side. The 'Carolina moon' brightened the pathway as teenage boys gathered at the Reese Good Will Center for Bible study, wood work, fellowship, and eats.

typist was fast turning out the overdue correspondence for Christmas in August gifts. A circle of a nearby W.M.S. arrived with a supper for the 'teen class and missionaries started on second shift with prayerful hearts for those to whom the Word was being taught.

On answering a knock at the center door which faces

the state penitentiary, a detective and a policeman entered. They were a bit apologetic for interrupting but said, "We think you can help us. Do you have this boy?" the policeman continued, pointing to a written name. "If so, please call him for us. This warrant is from another county."

The stunned feeling as I called the boy out of Bible

class was seemingly related to brain washing. Why was

this happening? Why could a dad, professing to be a minister, neglect a lad so? Why did the mother leave this boy and his brothers to go hungry? Why had the boy not gone to school in years?

The youth was searched, arrested and carried to jail . all in a few minutes time. There are four brothers. Three are spending time in institutions of correction, and little brother is more alone than before.

I hastened to a place of prayer, to think, to pray. Tears semed of no avail. I wrote name after name—19 boys arrested in Reese Center area in four months. Each had been to the Center time and again. Then drinking, stealing, going with the gang. What a tragic picture!

"Oh, Eternal Living God," I prayed, "we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers..." Give me strength to face this most difficult hour and grant Thy Power to rescue these 19 in Jesus Gladys Farmer, Director Columbia, South Cerolina Name.

TALKING HANDS PINS were gword-TALKING HANDS PINS were awarded to four people of Moultrie,
Georgia, by home missionaries to
the deaf, Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Demeree. Those receiving pins for their
part in opening the doors of the
church to the deaf were T. S. Roote,
left, associational missionary, James
E. Byler right of center, pastor of
First Baptist Church, Miss Diane
Mobley, right, and Miss Margie
Croy, not pictured, interpreters.







PHOTOGRAPHS OF THE PANAMA BAPTIST CONVENTION show L. D. Wood interpreting the happenings in Spanish, top left; Pastor W. H. Beeby of Balboa Heights Baptist Church and convention treasurer addressing the convention, above right; Arthur B. Rutledge, Missians Division director of the Home Mission Board, above, right foreground; and President-elect Elton F. Vickers of Margarities' First Baptist Church, addressing the convention. The five associations of the convention were represented: West Indian, Spanish speaking, Bocas del Toro, San Blas, and the association of U. S. citizens. New this year, the translation system for the billingual convention, boasted 80 head phones.



# A Tribute to Mrs. Boggan, Indian Missionary 1948-61

T HAVE LOST the best friend I have ever had," were words spoken by the wife of one of the elder deacons of St. York Indian Baptist Church as she Gates Boggan on February 11, 1961, in Sulphur, Oklahoma.

Mrs. Boggan died at 45 years of age

after a long illness. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Gates, deceased, of Seminole, Oklahoma, she finished high school in the Bethany Peniel Col-lege in Oklahoma in 1932. She relege in Oklahoma in 1932. She re-ceived her bachelor of arts degree from

John Brown University, Siloam Springs, Arkansas, in 1938. Converted at the age of 22, she was later baptized in the First Baptist Church of Siloam Springs.

She married Wilson W. Boggan, December 23, 1939. She worked with her husband in his ministry as pastor, Army chaplain and missionary. They have three children: Elvis, a Junior at Oklahoma State University; Richard, who will enter Baylor University this year; and Luellen,

a tenth grader.

Appointed by the Home Mission Board as missionaries to the Choctaw and Chickasaw Indians in 1948, the Bogans worked for the first nine years in the old Chickasaw Indian Nation. They worked with all the Choctawa and Chickasaws of Oklahoma after 1957, living in Atoka.

Mrs. Boggan had been ill with caneg for five years.
"At no time did she complain," said her husband. "She continued to make plans for 'her Indians' up until the time God called her home. It could be said of her as it was of Mary, 'She did what she could.'

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# **PROPAGANDA**

by William E. Burke, Atlanta, Georgia

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No one could blame a Catholic if he believed that the pope is the "vicar of Jesus Christ" that he is infallible when he opens his mouth to teach anything about faith and morals, that every body must kneel before him and kiss his ring; that he speaks (or God and Protestant countries nowadays, where

Catholic church taught that the marthat the church is the final authority to
riages of all non-Catholic baptized be followed Catholics therefore are not
persons, i. e., Protestants, Eastern forbidden to read the Bible, but are
Orthodox and other baptized persons forbidden to believe anything in it 

quite harmless to Protestants.

The Jesuitical plan used in this campain is 1) to exaggerate what Protestants think of the Catholic church's erroneous teachings; and 2) to make it appear as ridiculous as possible that the Catholic church would ever teach such erroneous things.

Here is a sample of such presentation under the heading: "Catholics Do Not Believe" appearing in a pamphlet published by C. M. O. A. publications,

Pontiac, Michigan, with the Imprimatur of Samuel Cardinal Stritch, Archibishop of Chicago.

"Catholics do not believe:

"that the pope is God and can do no wrong.
"that marriages of Protestants are invalid.

"that public schools are an unmiti"that public schools are an unmitiinvalid.

That public schools are an unmitigated evil and they ought to be abolished or destroyed.

That they can purchase freedom from purgatory.

I. Sheen, condemned the American public school system in one of his abolished or destroyed.

Catholic Hour Sunday broadcasts as follows: "A system of education which train the intellect, which trains the intellect which teaches. which it is wrong to read the Bible.

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body must kneel before him and kiss his ring; that he speaks for God and he is able to make mortal sins and forgive any kind or type of sins and to delegate that power to others. Pope Leo XIII categorically declared: "We (1) hold upon this earth the place of version as approved by official authoralizable of the properties of the prope 304).

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Up until the year 1908, the Roman

newspapers and magazines. Much of this propaganda is also being circulated testant church or before a civil marriage officer.

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Written especially for our friends who are learning to read, but there's a thought for everyone here.

# **LICENSE TAGS**

# KEYS TO THE KINGDOM

By Sue Barksdale Wright

Jesus said: God's Kingdom is like a mustard seed. The seed is small. A man planted the small seed. The seed grew. It grew into a big plant. The mustard plant grew big for all people to see. (Matthew 13:32-33).

God's Kingdom can grow big from a small thing. A

car license tag is a small thing. But it was the key to God's Kingdom in Providence, Rhode Island. How can a license tag be a key to the Kingdom? A. R. Major

Mr. Major's wife read a story. The story was in a Baptist paper. The paper was from Louisiana. The story was about Southern Baptist people in Providence, Rhode Island. They wanted a church like the churches in the South. They needed someone to come and preach.

So Mr. Major wrote a letter to the people. The letter said: "My wife and I want to visit you in Providence. We want to come this fall. We have already planned a trip. I will preach for you. My wife will help you. She will teach you. You can have a Southern Baptist church in Providence. We want to come."

Elmer Sizemore read the letter. Mr. Sizemore is a missionary of the Home Mission Board. He wrote a letter to them. He said, "Thank you, the Southern people in Providence, Rhode Island want you to come." They wanted him and his wife to come and help them.

And so they went. Mr. Major preached to them on November 20. He preached in the Y.W.C.A. building. They did not have a church building. He preached that day to six families. And he preached to a boy and girl who were going to marry. All of these people were from thern states. They wanted a Southern Baptist church. Mr. Major wanted to preach for them again. He wanted to come back. He told them this: "I will ask my church in Victoria, Louisiana to pay for my travel. And I will come back and preach. I will preach in a revival meetcan visit and ask your neighbors to come. They need Jesus. They can hear about Jesus. I will read from the Bible about Jesus. They can hear and they can learn.

They can learn to trust Jesus."

And so Mr. Major went back. He went back again to Providence, Rhode Island. He went back to preach

in a revival meeting. He went back in March. The people who wanted a church got ready. They rented a building. The building was near the Navy base. They visited their neighbors. They asked them to come to the revival. But the people near the base were not Southern Bantist. Had they chosen the wrong place for the meeting? Would the people come? Where were the people

from the South?

A Navy man and his wife had an idea. It was the idea that changed everything. They watched for license tags from Southern states. The church people visited the trailer parks. They watched the license tags in the trailer parks. They found license tags on cars from states in the South. They found 50 Southern families in one trailer park! They found them by watching license tags. They found people who wanted to help them. They wanted to help start a church. They wanted to come to the revival. They wanted to hear Mr. Major preach. They wanted to start a church like the churches in the South. They wanted to start a Sunday school. They wanted a Sunday school for their children. They wanted to tell other people about Jesus. They wanted a church to help other people.

This group of people had a business meeting. They carried on the business meeting in an orderly way. They started a Sunday school. They started a Training Union. They did it all in an orderly way. They had been taught in the Southern "way." They had been trained in the Southern Baptist spirit. They knew what to do. They did

Southern Baptist spirit. They shall be done to so. They did it in the Southern Baptist way and spirit.

Now these people with the Southern Baptist spirit—trained in the Southern Baptist way are in need. They need a building. They need money. They can buy the rented building for \$10,000.00. It is too small. Do they want a building that is too small? They do not have \$10,000.00. What will they do? Do you want to help them? They need you to pray. Will you pray for them? Pray that God will help them. Pray that God will help them grow.

A car license tag is a small thing. But it was the key to something big. Something that small can be the key to the Kingdom of God! THE LONELY CROWD

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into one temple, the one people of God.

The Christian church became the Gospel's answer to the Lonely Crowd!

For here was a fellowship which created an interlocking of life at a more intimate level than the world had ever known. It was a common life that went far deeper than mere co-operation in certain religious activities. It was true community, constituted not only by the sharing of a common purpose, but by the living of a common life. It was, as Augustine put it. "one lovine heart sector they would seture to the buse."

explosive; living in proper intimacy, sooner!"
they provide water to quench human Many they provide water to quench human thirst. Raphael took hundreds of col-ors and hues but blended them into right: "One that is no man as a psychiatrist document this in fearful victory.

Solice with their insistence that egocenWhat shall we say of this crowded

love. Again, life lived in loneliness is not adequate to conquer the formidable foes which assault modern man. Even the animals know this. The bees build their leave the crowds, and minals know this. The bees build their Matthew tells us that he had "compas-

joining room. After several minutes of busy labor, she noticed that flies were filling the house and so went to check sheep of one flock, the vines of one branch, brothers in one family and children of one father, builded together into one temple, the one people of God.

the living of a common life. It was, as Augustine put it, "one loving heart setting another on fire." walk. Failing to find the child in one sector, they would return to the house and begin in a new direction. Follow-The Household of God

Life cannot endure without true fellowship. This truth is abundantly illustrated in the realm of nature. Alone, hydrogen and oxygen are unstable and syloging and oxygen are unstable and syloging in proper injuried.

When the dead child was returned to a grief-stricken mother's arms, her only lament was, "Why didn't you join hands explosive: living in proper injuried.

Many men of good intention set ors and hues but blended them into one living picture. Wagner, in his opera Die Walkiire, took a million notes but made them into a community of sound, and true beauty was born. Just so, God takes the lonely citizens of earth and welds them into the living fellowship of the Church. The Latin proverb is right: "One man is no man at all." The saychistrist decument this in feature is the support of the control of the control

fashion with their insistence that egocentricity finally destroys human personality. Shipwrecked on a lonely island of selfhood, man cannot endure.

What shall we say or time stowage world? Socrates and Plato limits de the multitudes as "hoi polloi," unfit for their superior talents. Carlyle looked ality. Shipwrecked on a lonely island of selfhood, man cannot endure.

Only when we learn to give life's best to one another, instead of defensively protecting durselves in solitude, can we discover what life really is. The church is that laboratory in which we learn to share life in the crucible of love.

If a least least

hives, the ants their colonies, the birds sion" upon them. This means that the fly in a flock, and the wolves hunt in multitudes stirred him to the depths, a pack. The solitary giants of the primeval slime have long since perished from the earth, but these tiny animals was no patronizing condescension to have learned to live in fellowship and so continue to survive. Only as men love them at fingertip level and share learn to live in the redeeming fellowship of the church do they survive the was it a shallow sentimentality that ship to the ctunct of the spiritual crises of life.

In a lonely section of South Dakota a young mother was ironing in her little home while a three-year-old daughter played on the floor in an adot to his life. overlooked their tragic plight. No easy

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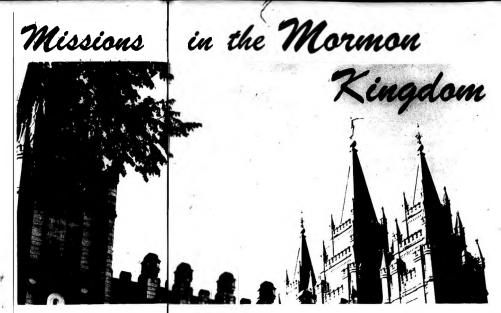
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Workers in one pioneer area receive on-the-job training for a future state convention

by J. Eugene White Mesquite, Texas

SOUTHERN BAPTISTS ARE HARD AT WORK in the "Mormon Kingdom." Ironically, it was a Mormon who took the first step that led to the present work in Utah and Idaho. This step

work in Utah and Idaho. This step must have been planned in the mind of God, for it certainly was not in the plans of the young Mormon. Thirty-one years ago Harold Dillman, a native of Vernal, Utah, and a mem-ber of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints' (Mormon), visited bit suverheart in Abilen. Texas His Three persons were saved, and with eight charter members a church was organized July 2, 1944.

The church could not be recognized Latter-day Saints (Mormon), visited his sweetheart in Abilene, Texas. His visit turned into a 12-year stay, and when Dillman returned to Utah with his wife he went as a Baptist lay missionary to the Mormons.

nor could the convention help the church get a pastor, because of the comity agreement through the National Council of Churches. The church functioned independently for a time; and later, with several other newly organized churches, affiliated with the Bapitist General Convention of According to Raymond Glass, pastics of William School to take the Soda Springs mission with only 18-20 attending. Typical of the pioneer workers may be George W. Hill, pastor of the Immanuel Baptist Chapel in Blackfoot, Utah to Book Springs William School to take the Soda Springs mission with only 18-20 attending. Typical of the pioneer workers may be George W. Hill, pastor of the Immanuel Baptist Chapel in Blackfoot, Utah to Book Springs Mission with only 18-20 attending.

From this beginning Southern Bap-tists spread in Utah and Idaho, until now 38 churches, 25 missions, and the Mormons. The two states are so heavily popu-

crn Baptists more than 250 to one.
In all of Utah and Idaho there are
but 1.600,000 persons—roughly the
same as the combined populations of
Dallas and Fort Worth. Mormonism

claims 70 per cent of these, or about one million.

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Postello, Idaho, across the entire state
of Utah to Rock Springs. Wyomings. Wyomings. Wyomings.

day. Like most other pastors in the
arrange at supplements his salary with
secular work. He is office manager at rounding area. Later he was ordained and is now a home missionary and pastor at Cedar City, Utah.

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pastor of the First Baptist Church of Hamlin, Texas, baptized the former Mormon.

In 1942 the Dillmans moved to Rossevelt, Utah, and opened a mortuary. Dillman arranged for W. C. Bennet, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Carrizo Springs, Texas, to hold a revival meeting for them in an ahandoned Episcopal church building. Three persons were saved, and with eight charter members a church was organized July 2, 1944.

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Roy Ferguson of Twin Falls is the area missionary for Idaho.

Southern Baptist workers in these

heen converted to the chapel's auditorium seating 70. A full basement with

Mormon influence.

Opal Beaird, Dillman's sweetheart

had been born in Texas and had moved with her father to Vernal when she was

nine years old. When Opal began dat-

nine years old. When Oper began dat-ing a Mormon and her oldest sister announced plans to marry a Mormon, the Beaird family returned to Texas to remove the other eight children from

When Dillman came to Texas he at-tended church several times with the girl he was to marry, and soon he became a Christian. Henry Littleton,



Harold and Opal Dillman-1930-Just Married

The Dillmans-1942-Going to Utah

The Dillmans-1961-Still working in



artitions serves the departmentalized education program.

Because of the great distance between Arizona and Utah-Idaho which prevents most pastors and virtually all laymen from attending sessions of the Ari-

In addition to this meeting the pioneer group plans and sponsors Sunday school and Training Union conventions,

to becoming a self-sustaining convention was entered the first of this year when, for the first time anywhere, Baptists in the two states formed a Regional Missions Committee. The committee, the board already was alloting almost on the total regional program, makes unique to the denomination's mission the limit to the work. A special meetwork, gives workers in this pioneer field a greater voice in the use of mission money for their area.

The limit of work. Special methods to the work gives workers in this pioneer field ing was held at Salt Lake City. Present were Cash and Rutledge representing the Home Mission Board; Charles L. or approves the establishment of all

Emmanuel Chapel, left, at Blackfoot, Idaho, and Calvary Church of Idaho Falls, right, the Idaho Falls, right, the second largest in the two-state area. L. Arthur Nunn, left, is chairman of the Utah-Idahe Regional Missions Committee and pastor in Pocatello, Idaho; Emmanuel Chapel's pastor, George W. Hill ment.

Baptists in Utah and Idaho had made business. Its annual meetings are strictly been worked out. The one big problem or fellowship and mutual encouragement.

In orming a new state convention had business. Its annual meetings are strictly been worked out. The one big problem or maining was the source of finance to meet the added expense of salaries for the formula of the board and the Arizona convention.

church in Utah is the Roosevelt

Suggestion for the organization came from Arthur B. Rutledge, director of the Home Mission Board's division of E. W. Hunke, BGCA associate execumissions, and A. B. Cash, secretary of the board's pioneer missions depart-missions; and S. C. Posey, then execu-General Convention of California, cona convention or its agency meetings, Utah and Idaho formed in 1954 a Regional Fellowship. Although the fellowship is organized along the lines of a state convention it conducts no

The hoard, however, did increase its school and Training Union conventions, an evangelism conference, and other meetings in their area. These are separate meetings from those of the sponsoring Arizona convention.

The last phase of organization prior to becoming a self-sustaining convention to becoming a self-sustaining convention.

longer period.

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new work in the region. No new work is eligible for Home Mission Board aid until approved by the Regional Missions Committee and the Arizona leadership.

The committee meets quarterly jus prior to the meeting of the Arizona convention's executive board. The committee chairman is a member of the executive board, and at the board meeting the committee presents its recom-L. Arthur Nunn, pastor of the First

Southern Baptist Church of Pocatello Idaho, and chairman of the Regional Missions Committee, is enthusiastic over the response of the Home Mission Board and the Arizona convention to request by the Regional Fellowship through the committee.

accepted so far." he said. Nunn believes the two-state area may

be ready to give serious consideration organizing within perhaps three "And when we do it," he proudly

states, "we won't even have to shift gears-thanks to the wise suggestion of the Home Mission Board and the Ari-

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### The End of Separateness

YOUNG PAUL PEQUENT, JR. enjoys the pastors conference with a snooze, as his father,

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effort among Latin Americans. Dallas Lee, a former pastor and district missions superintendent, now heads this phase

With the two conventions now merged, a departmental annual convention will be held for Spanish-speaking Texas Baptists. The convention will be programmed by the language missions department and officers of the convention, and will function much like other promotional conventions of the Sunday School, Training Union and Brotherhood

A special translation system used for the part two years will continue to serve the convention and other special meetings attended by both Anglo and Spanish people who are not hi-lingual. Texas Baptist Executive Secretary T. A Patterson termed

the merger "one of the most significant steps ever taken by the two conventions.

"By mutually sharing our efforts," he said, "we shall be able to do a greater work for Christ around the world."

New officers of the departmental convention for the Latin Americans are: Carlos Parades, Austin, president; Paul S. Cuevas, 1st vice president, Sunday school promotion; Louis Lowry, Beaumont, 2nd vice president, Training Union pro-motion; Paul J. Seibenman, San Antonio, 3rd vice president, Brotherhood promotion; and Fortunato Gonzalez, Corpus



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