

V. B. S. CLINICS SCHEDULED...

NEW PASTORS TO AREA

Mallory Chapel has Frank Scott serving as their pastor. Brother Scott is a student and soon to be ordained by the sponsoring church, Syracuse, First So.

Tri-Cities Chapel, also sponsored by the Syracuse church, welcomed their new pastor March 25. He is Roger Knapton. He and his wife, Mary, are both natives of the Empire State.

Brother Knapton comes to the 26 members of the Chapel from the 818 member First Baptist Church, Bethel, Kansas, where he has served as pastor for ten years.

He was a member of the S.B.C. Committee on Boards from Kansas, and has served as recording secretary for the KCSB Executive Board; Sunday School Superintendent for K.C. Association; moderator; Missions Committee chairman; pastor-advisor for the T.U.; V.B.S. superintendent; and member of the Area Advisory Committee.

During the former ten year pastorate, Knapton baptized 711 persons and received 625 by letter. The church sponsored eight missions and thirteen surrendered for special service. The church has had a standard S. S. for seven years. Enrolment increased from 217 to 1,040. Knapton led the church in the construction of a 1,000 seat auditorium valued at \$300,000.

We welcome these men to these pastorates and as co-laborers in this pioneer area.

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PRAY FOR REVIVAL !!



SIMULTANEOUS CRUSADES

MAY 20 - 27

### CONGREGATIONS URGED TO HAVE WORKERS ATTEND - - -

Both Associations of this area have set the dates for the annual Vacation Bible School Clinics.

Frontier's clinic is scheduled for Thursday, April 12, at Amherst Baptist Church. The hours are 9:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m.

Central's clinic will be conducted on Saturday, April 14, at Syracuse, First Southern.

Each church and mission is being urged to have their corps of workers elected and committed to attend their respective clinic.

A capable group of workers have been enlisted in each association to conduct these clinics. They received intensive training for their task at a meeting in Columbus, Ohio, on March 15, 16.

These clinicians are: Pastor Walter Heilig, Superintendent, leading the clinic for Frontier Association with the help of Mrs. Walter Heilig, Nursery; Mrs. J. C. McKinney, Beginner; Mrs. Willie Godwin, Primary; Mrs. Cullen Crane, Juniors; and Mrs. Ronald Howard, Intermediate.

Central's clinic will be led by Pastor J. T. Davis, Assisting him will be Mrs. Jenna Wood, Nursery; Mrs. J. T. Davis, Beginner; Mrs. Velma Tollison, Primary; Mrs. Charlotte Walters, Junior; and Mrs. Lucy Massey, Intermediates.

Let us have all of our congregations represented in attendance at these clinics and have the best Vacation Bible Schools ever this summer.

SOUTHERN BAPTIST HISTORICAL  
LIBRARY AND ARCHIVES  
Nashville, Tennessee

Since the last issue of this paper our itinerary has taken us over the greater part of the territory in which we serve.

On February 10 we journeyed to Elmira, spending an enjoyable winter's evening with the Paul Becker family. After a good night's rest and a hearty breakfast, we traveled to Vestal to preach at the Tri-Cities Chapel and spend the week there in a study of "Outreach for the Unreached." This fine-spirited people have great enthusiasm, vision, and a willingness to work in promoting the Lord's work in this needy area. This small New Testament witness of 26 members sets in the midst of some 160,000 souls, including the four other cities clustered around Vestal. (Their new pastor has now arrived and expectations are high.) How good it was to be with them and share their vision.

We attended and took part in the Evangelism Clinic for Frontier Association, February 22, meeting in the Amherst Church. We repeated this performance by going to Syracuse, First Southern, the next evening, for Central's clinic. Dr. Leonard Stigler gave a wonderful presentation of the evangelism program in these clinics. Many have remarked of the benefit received by attending. Brother Hoge Hockensmith stirred and challenged us with the inspirational messages at these clinics.

After the clinic at Syracuse, we drove through a blinding snow to the home of Bro. and Mrs. J. T. Davis, at Rome, where we lodged for the night. Saturday morning Bro. Davis and I (after digging out of the heavy snow) went on to Utica to meet with Charles Barron who conducted us on a trip to a possible site for their missions' permanent location. Saturday afternoon found us traveling thru more snow flurries to the far upper regions of the State to Potsdam. Here we enjoyed the hospitality of Pastor Norman Bell's home. On Sunday morning (Feb. 25), we had the privilege of preaching for the gracious people of the Potsdam church. That afternoon we gathered in a home near Hopkinton for the first Sunday service of the Tri-Village Chapel of the Potsdam church.

Brother R. Z. Boroughs had driven down from Massena and took us back to his church field. It was good to have fellowship with his family about the table that evening. "Zig" is the pioneer of pioneers in this area. He was instrumental in starting the FIRST SOUTHERN BAPTIST WORK IN ALL OF NEW YORK STATE'S 16½ million population, back in 1954 at Niagara Falls. Now he continues his pioneering as pastoral missionary in Massena. We preached at Massena Sunday evening.

Other highlights have included some initial contacts to try establishing a work in the city of Buffalo proper. Here are 533,000 people, and no Southern Baptist witness as yet. We were also able to make a touring survey of the Medina area, being escorted by Mr. Howard Hester, reporter on the Medina newspaper. We enjoyed fellowship in the Hester home near Medina. Howard and Doris are dear friends from Seminary days and we rejoice with the renewed contact with them. They have just recently united with the Lockport Chapel.

We were privileged to conduct one of the evening sessions of the Week of Prayer for Home Missions at the Grand Island Chapel where Don Bennett is pastor. We had opportunity to renew our fellowship with the fine folk at Niagara Falls and preach for them in absence of their pastor Henry Johnson who was on leave of absence for reasons of illness. Bro. Johnson has returned now and is somewhat improved.

It was our privilege to represent Southern Baptists and conduct two workshops in the 6th annual S. S. Institute of Niagara Falls in early March. We were able to attend and receive much benefit from the Missionaries Planning Meeting in Columbus, April 15, 16. The meeting gave evidence of the great concern and careful planning

for all of our State Convention's mission effort on the part of our new Superintendent of Missions, Arthur L. Walker. This, of course, came as no surprise, for my work here in New York has been made much easier than what it might have been, due to the solid foundation laid by my predecessor, Brother Walker.

In March we also had opportunity to preach at our home church, the Amherst Baptist Church, for our pastor, Walter Heilig, under whom the church continues to make great strides forward.

Then, April 1, we were grateful for the opportunity to preach the evening message to the Rochester Baptist Church as they met for the first Sunday in their newly purchased building. Pastor William Raper and his people were elated over this most recent advance and evident blessing of the Lord upon them.

On March 19, we admitted Eva (my wife) to the hospital for major surgery. At this writing she still remains there, but before too much longer we look for her home. She is doing nicely, but is greatly missed by the family for these almost three weeks. Even this has been a blessing and a proof of Romans 8:28 in better health anticipated, the making of new acquaintance, opportunities multiplied for Christian witnessing, and the privilege of meeting one of the finest, most dedicated Christian (and Baptist!) physicians ever, in Dr. Oliver J. Steiner.

Next month promises to be a busy one and our plea is still "strive together with me in your prayers to God for me." (Roms. 15:30)

HELPING A WEAKER SISTER

We know of at least five or six stronger churches in our Convention (in the "old country," down South), who, giving liberally thru regular channels to missions, have felt the Lord's leadership in going "over-and-above" to directly help one of our weaker congregations in this pioneer area.

In some cases, it enables a pastor to quit secular employment and give full time to his congregation, which in turn strengthens the work. In other cases, property, or a building, which is direly needed for future growth, can be obtained when \$100 a month (more or less) comes from some concerned sister church. In other cases, a pastor can be called, or a new mission started. O' the exceeding glory of being instrumental in helping to establish a witness that will last until Jesus comes again!

Maybe your church is interested. The missionary will be glad to furnish further information to any church or interested party. What you are able to do will be wisely invested, will be God-blessed and reap a harvest!

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| <input type="checkbox"/>                                             | TELEGRAM | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| REQUEST RESERVATION FOR<br>WEEK OF HIGH INSPIRATION<br>AT RIDGECREST |          |                          |
| A BAPTIST                                                            |          |                          |

The Home Mission Board will pay 3¢ per mile, round trip, to each associational Chairman of Evangelism and Chairman of Missions who will attend Home Missions Week at Ridgecrest, August 16 - 22.

The State Department of Evangelism will pay an additional \$10 to each Chairman of Evangelism who attends.

Our Associations would do well to consider making it possible for each of these men to go by helping with the other expenses. It would make a wonderful contribution to the men serving in these offices and would be profitable to the associations in the experience and information they gain.

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MAY 20 - 27

...LOCKPORT BAPTIST CHAPEL reports new advances. April 1, they witnessed 2 families added to their number. The Chapel is opening their library, Sunday, April 8. J.C. McKinney is pastor.

...WEST ELMIRA CHAPEL, Paul R. Becker, pastor, reports 4 recent additions. The Brotherhood of the Midway Baptist Church, Waco, Texas, donated new offering plates to the Chapel. Brother Becker is planning home fellowships in the Corning-Painted Post area and in Southside Elmira.

...ROCHESTER BAPTIST CHURCH, William Raper, pastor, moved into their newly purchased church building April 1. The purchase of this former E & R church building was made possible by a loan thru our Home Mission Board. Purchase price was \$25,000. Since the beginning of the Rochester work in May, 1959, the group has met in the downtown YMCA and later the Maplewood YMCA. We rejoice with them in this advance step and anticipate with them increased growth with the new facilities the Lord has provided.

...AMHERST BAPTIST CHURCH broke their previous S. S. record in March with 110 present. They are continuing the beautification of the interior of their new building by painting and the laying of floor tile. A mission study of Glimpses of Glory was conducted in an all-day meeting February 27. Several neighboring W.M.U.'s participated in the program. Walter Heilig is pastor.

...EMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH, POTSDAM, Pastor Norman Bell, continues to report spiritual victories. A young mother of 20, a former Catholic and expectant mother, and a man 63 years of age have recently made professions of faith. There are now 44 in the membership, 33 having been received by baptism. The church recently engaged in the study of Outreach for the Unreached with George Fletcher, secretary of the S.S. Department of the State Convention, leading.

...SYRACUSE, FIRST SOUTHERN, John Tollison, pastor, observed the Week of Prayer for Home Missions each day, the week of March 5-9. The new Billy Graham film, Africa On the Bridge was viewed Wednesday, March 28. Youth Week was observed, April 1, with some of the young people teaching some of the S.S. classes and conducting the evening worship service.

JUNE DECLARED "30,000 MONTH"

Ohio is observing June as the month to put added emphasis upon the 30,000 Movement.

May this be the springboard for your church to consider definite plans in new mission extension.

Your missionary has a number of film - strips, available on a loan basis, that you may want to utilize in such a presentation.

30,000 Progress Report (thru Jan, '62):  
OHIO CONVENTION:

|                                |              |
|--------------------------------|--------------|
| Churches-180                   | Missions-325 |
| WESTERN NEW YORK & N.W. PENN.: |              |
| Churches- 7                    | Missions- 15 |

PRAYER REQUESTS...



... for the SIMULTANEOUS CRUSADES in both associations May 20 - 27. May this be a time of reaping.

...for the SUMMER PROGRAM as we strengthen weak situations and seek to establish new missions.

...for a number of our congregations and pastors who are facing immediate financial crises.

DIRECTORY ADDITONS

Pastor Roger Knapton, Box 392, Vestal, New York. (Tri-Cities Chapel)

Rochester Baptist Church, 1401 Dewey, Rochester, New York. (new location)

RECEIPTS: (cumulative for three months)

|                 |         |
|-----------------|---------|
| Amherst         | \$66.32 |
| Lockport        | 5.30    |
| LaSalle         | 18.00   |
| Grand Island    | 16.16   |
| Orchard Park    | 27.84   |
| Rochester       | 16.63   |
| Chautauqua      |         |
| Bolivar Dr.     |         |
| Clean           |         |
| West Lake, Erie |         |

TOTAL: \$150.25

Other Receipts:

|                           |       |
|---------------------------|-------|
| Central Assoc. Reimbur.   | 29.99 |
| Orchard Park(Walker gift) | 10.00 |
| V.B.S. Clinic Reimburs.   | 10.00 |

|                 |               |          |
|-----------------|---------------|----------|
| Total Receipts  | \$200.24      |          |
| Balance Forward | <u>204.13</u> |          |
| GRAND TOTAL     |               | \$404.37 |

DISBURSEMENTS:(3 months)

|                                    |              |
|------------------------------------|--------------|
| Service Charge at bank             | # .57        |
| Annuity Board                      | 50.01        |
| Newsletter & Office Allow.         | 82.50        |
| Gift to Walker Family              | 86.49        |
| Mailing Fee                        | 20.00        |
| Secretarial Help                   | 10.00        |
| Expenses to V.B.S. Clinic          | 45.00        |
| Evang. Clinic Speaker              | <u>10.00</u> |
| TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS:               | \$304.57     |
| Balance on Hand April 1, 1962..... | \$ 99.80     |

Respectfully submitted,  
A. L. HATHCOCK

TREASURER'S REPORT OF THE CENTRAL ASSOCIATION: (complete report not in by time of printing)

RECEIPTS: (For January and February)

|                |                 |         |
|----------------|-----------------|---------|
| Syracuse       | \$56.07         | \$29.78 |
| Grace, Rome    | 21.60           | 19.36   |
| Potsdam        | 5.60 (inc.Dec.) | 6.62    |
| Messena        | 4.47            |         |
| Elmira         | 5.55            | 5.56    |
| Utica          | 2.37            | 4.04    |
| Tri-Cities     | 9.97            | 11.15   |
| Mallory        |                 |         |
| Ithaca         |                 |         |
| Alexandria Bay |                 |         |
| Mohawk         |                 |         |
| Tri-Village    |                 |         |

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