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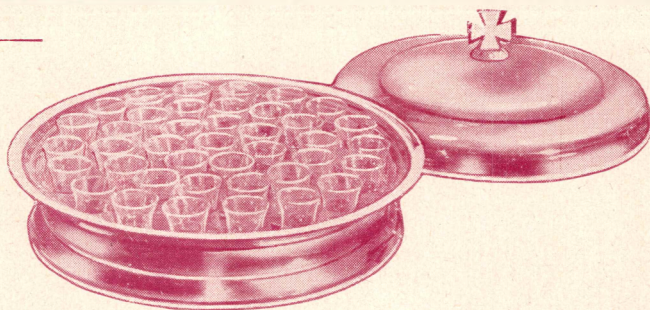
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Before her retirement as executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention Woman's Missionary Union on June 1, Miss Kathleen Mallory served for thirty-five years as the guiding spirit in the growth of the organization. To help Southern Baptist pastors understand the W.M.U. better, Miss Mallory writes something of the background and the objectives of the organization, starting on page 28. And to understand the remarkable work done by Miss Mallory, read the biographical sketch prepared by Anne Crittendon Martin.

Many pastors find one of the most valuable helps in the QUARTERLY REVIEW is the section given each issue to suggestions for sermons by Dr. J. O. Williams. These suggestions furnish the background for rich thought and excellent sermons. These outlines are also appreciated by laymen. Turn to page 67 for Dr. Williams' suggestions.

Merrill D. Moore, recently elected as director of promotion for the Executive Committee, makes his debut as a contributor for the QUARTERLY REVIEW by answering the question, "What Is the Co-operative Program?" Read Dr. Moore's answer, starting on page 3. C. E. Bryant offers some helpful suggestions on planning the promotion for the budget.

The "baby" among Southern Baptist work, as far as full time activity is concerned, is The Social Service Commission. Hugh Brimm, recently elected as executive secretary of the Social Service Commission outlines some of the objectives of that organization, starting on page 24. C. E. Matthews, secretary of evangelism for the Home Mission Board, discusses plans for a revival on page 16, and Dr. W. O. Carver, president of the Southern Baptist Historical Society, reports on some of the work being done. The QUARTERLY REVIEW has been adopted by the Historical Society as their official publication.

The Editor

The nineteen orphanages supported by the states co-operating with the Southern Baptist Convention cared for 4,831 children during 1947. Total receipts for the orphanages was close to \$3,500,000 during 1947. The orphanages have buildings planned costing more than \$2,000,000.

The twenty Baptist hospitals in the Southern Baptist Convention territory have bed capacity for 4,769 whites and 216 Negroes. The hospitals have extensions planned costing more than \$20,000,000. The hospitals treated more than 157,000 patients during 1947. There were 30,035 babies born in Southern Baptist hospitals during 1947.

The 1,685 churches with membership between 501 and 1,000 had the best record in baptisms in the Southern Baptist Convention during 1947. These churches reported one baptism for each 18.4 members. Churches with less than 500 members reported one baptism for each 21.3 members. Churches with more than 2,501 members required 30.8 members for each baptism reported.

The debt on Southern Baptist churches more than doubled during 1947 to reach a new figure of \$31,950,000. The amount held in reserve for buildings declined to an estimated \$33,200,000. The value of Southern Baptist church property is now \$366,830,652.

THE COVER

Miss Kathleen Mallory retired June 1 after serving as the Executive Secretary of the W.M.U. since 1912. Miss Alma Hunt, Liberty, Missouri, is the new secretary.

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What Is the Co-operative Program?

By MERRILL D. MOORE

Every Baptist knows the Co-operative Program as the unified program of missionary support. It is that program of work by which all missionary, educational, and benevolent work in the states and in the Southern Baptist Convention is supported by the tithes, offerings, prayers, and interest of all Southern Baptists. It is a program of co-operative planning, co-operative promotion, co-operative labor, and co-operative ethics.

Dr. Henry W. Tiffany of Virginia has said, "The principle of the Co-operative Program of Southern Baptists is that all our work is one, is missionary in purpose, and should have the support of every member of every Baptist church in the Convention. All the churches, agencies, institutions are bound up together like the members of the human body. No member, no church, no agency, no institution or convention can be impaired or imperiled without every other one being affected. The life of the world program is given the churches in their local work, and the local church is linked to the world program in the sanest, most statesmanlike and successful manner."

Through the Co-operative Program each Baptist may give every week to the support of every kingdom interest which Baptists support and love, beginning in

his own association and state, and reaching around the world. During the past year, according to the report of Porter Routh, Southern Baptists gave \$28,472,014 for all missionary, educational, and benevolent objects. Of this amount, \$25,589,237 was reported as received by the several state offices, the remainder being expended directly in associational missionary projects or sent direct to some cause by a church. The states distributed \$18,233,011.35 to objects within the states, and remitted \$7,356,226.65 to the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention for distribution to Southern Convention causes.

Mr. Routh's report reveals that 68.5 per cent of what the states reported as receipts for the Co-operative Program were expended in co-operative mission work in the states, while 31.5 per cent of those co-operative receipts were transmitted for Southern Baptist Convention causes. Of all missionary receipts, Co-operative Program and designated funds, the distribution was 71.3 per cent for state work and 28.7 per cent for Convention-wide work.

Of the \$7,356,236.65 received by the Executive Committee for the Southern Baptist Convention causes, \$5,217,762.39 were Co-operative Program funds and

\$2,138,464.26 were designated funds. The total was distributed as follows:

	Per Cent	Amount
Foreign Mission Board.....	51.52	\$3,789,741.09
Home Mission Board.....	20.14	1,481,680.07
Relief and Annuity Board.....	10.74	789,993.48
Southern Baptist		
Theological Seminary.....	4.30	316,092.93
Southern Baptist Hospital.....	.07	5,153.83
Southwestern Baptist		
Theological Seminary.....	4.12	303,080.98
New Orleans Baptist		
Theological Seminary.....	4.08	299,769.35
W.M.U. (Training School		
and Designated).....	.68	50,361.30
American Baptist		
Theological Seminary.....	1.44	106,267.96
Radio Committee.....	1.32	96,862.91
Baptist Brotherhood.....	.67	49,351.86
Ex. Com. Operating Fund		
for Tithing Campaign.....	.20	15,000.00
S.B.C. Budget Fund.....	.68	50,000.00
Miscellaneous.....	.04	2,870.89
Totals.....	100.00	\$7,356,226.65

Co-Operative Program Essential

The Co-operative Program is the essential expression of fundamental Christian doctrine. Baptists believe that men need improved conditions under which they might live, but that they need spiritual life even more. They believe that all men are lost and without hope except through Jesus Christ, the only Saviour, the only hope of the world. Baptists believe that every man who has really experienced salvation through the grace of Christ is one who is concerned about the spiritual condition of other men. The true Christian is essentially evangelistic and essentially missionary.

Baptists believe in the independence of churches, with no authority higher than the local church other than Jesus Christ himself. They believe in voluntary co-operation in the work of the churches and the kingdom of God.

Baptists believe that every Christian is not only evangelistic and missionary, but is a custodian. All the good things in his hands come down from above and are the gift of the Father, to whom every Christian is accountable for the use of all things.

Christians believe that they are responsible for bringing the tithe into the storehouse of the Lord for the evangelization of the world and the work of his kingdom.

Believing these things, what could Baptists do short of, or different from, the Co-operative Program? Can any man believe the doctrines of the faith and not be busy carrying out Christ's commands in such a program?

The Co-operative Program is the epitome of Baptist experience in co-operation. Baptists have been missionary Christians for a long time and have been working together for a long, long time; as long in fact, as they have been Baptists. We do not have a hierarchy or an episcopacy of any kind. We have no Lord or commander but Christ, but, being his, we work together with our brethren in Christ.

Our principles of co-operation are learned from the New Testament. Our experience in co-operation has given us a history of constructive contribution to world life and kingdom progress which is scarcely matched, if at all, in church history.

Baptists have by successful experience learned many things of importance in the field of co-operative effort to extend Christ's kingdom. They have known the scriptural principles involved, and in these years of experience have been applying those principles with ever-increasing efficiency.

In Antioch the "board" of persecution viciously applied (something after the manner of the paddle that we knew as boys) to the early Christians caused them to be "scattered abroad" and became the only "foreign mission board" needed right at that time. In 1845 a representative committee or "board" to see after sending foreign missionaries—then as now called the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention—and a Board of Domestic Missions were just

about all the organization needful to do our part very well at that time. Their support was fairly well taken care of by their own appeals made directly to the churches by their representatives.

But the phenomenal growth of Baptists in the South in members and ability to serve the Lord has called for many more institutions and agencies. Their growing usefulness and needs made necessary a forward reaching and unified program of promotion and support. No longer was it wise to rely upon sporadic appeals to the churches, with support dependent upon vagaries of weather, winsomeness of the representatives' appeal, and other widely fluctuating factors. In 1918 the 75 Million Campaign was launched. This five-year program brought the day of Baptist advance, and really revealed to us something of our all but unlimited potentialities as a kingdom force.

In 1924 a committee on the future program was appointed by the Southern Baptist Convention. In 1925 they reported, recommending four things primarily: (1) the continuation in increasing degree of the idea of united kingdom support; (2) an annual rather than a five-year program; (3) receipts to be divided to the mission boards, seminaries and other agencies on the basis of a table of percentages, worked out by the convention on a basis of current needs; and (4) "that after the adoption of this report the future program be known as the Co-operative Program of Southern Baptists."

This program is indeed the "cream" of Baptist experience in working together for and with God.

For many years now the principles of dynamics as applied to motor-driven vehicles have been known to engineers. For fifty years these engineers have been building automobiles, first by ones, then by the hundreds, then by the thousands, and then by the millions. The automobiles built in 1948 are better for they are

sturdier, swifter, more streamlined, longer lasting, provide more usable space in less overall area, more beautiful, less expensive and simpler than the cars built in early years. Cars have improved with manufacturing experience, and the improvement has been generally in the direction of simplification rather than complication.

In similar manner is the Co-operative Program of Southern Baptists improved. This is no reason to contradict the conviction that it is the most scriptural and effective plan of kingdom support any group of Christians has ever followed since the day of the Apostles. It is the epitome of Baptist experience.

Business Principles Followed

The Co-operative Program is fundamental business principles functioning in the kingdom program.

The Father's business is not only the greatest business in the world, it is the biggest business in the world. It would be folly if in such business the principles of business efficiency were ignored or neglected. This is not to say that kingdom business is ever to compete with other business, and certainly not that it is ever to stoop to the levels sometimes approved in business precedures.

This is to say that no business in the world is to be run with more concern for orderliness, high standards, intelligence, best experience, and efficiency. There is no room in kingdom affairs for slipshod methods, ignorance of best precedures of work, overlapping of functions, inefficiency of operation, high relationships of cost to volume of business.

The Co-operative Program of Southern Baptists puts into operation the highest principles of business efficiency. It eliminates or avoids overlapping, it handles the funds of great enterprises with such an efficiency and low cost as to amaze leaders of the business world.

The business and financial plan of the Southern Baptist Convention, under which all convention agencies operate, surrounds their operation with such safeguards as to assure that they will be operated with a remarkable efficiency. These same principles are generally those under which the institutions supported in the several states also operate. It would repay any businessman to take time to study the Business and Financial Plan of the Southern Baptist Convention. It may be found in any copy of the Southern Baptist Convention Annual immediately following the constitution and by-laws. Such a study will give anyone a greater appreciation for his denomination and its manner of doing the work of the Lord.

Teamwork Glorified

The Co-operative Program is teamwork glorified.

Southern Baptists are a team. All the missionary agencies and all the Missionary Baptists are members of a missionary team. There is no room for stellar "grandstand playing" on the part of any one member of the team in order to magnify his own place in the game. All are dedicated to one purpose, the proper completion of the task. That calls for teamwork of the highest order, with oneself and one's own agency taking a proper place on the larger team. Many times it means submerging one's own interests in the interest of all, and in the interest of all the kingdom.

The executive secretary of the mission board is not concerned alone for the growth of the work committed to his board, but for the advancement of all the mission work of the kingdom of Christ. The executive secretary of a state mission board, likewise, is not primarily concerned with the progress of the work of his own state, but he wants it to progress in re-

lation to and in support of a general advance of all mission work.

The pastor is not absorbed with programs of advance for his own church, but his heart is burdened for all a lost world. He realizes that a church, regardless of its size, is a small church if its vision is turned inward upon itself. It is a great church, regardless of its numbers, if it is a church with world vision, a center of world missions. The member of the church is never satisfied if his church is living for itself. He wants it to lose itself in teamwork for world evangelism, for he realizes that thus it will find itself immortal. The Christian is himself dedicated as a laborer together with God. He is a teammate with his brethren in the greatest work ever committed to human hands. Through the Co-operative Program he joins hands with them all in unselfishly doing his part in all the work of all the kingdom.

World Needs Help

So far as Baptists and their part in the work of the kingdom are concerned, the Co-operative Program is the hope of the world. We have a scriptural, practical and efficient plan of kingdom work with the manifest blessings of the Lord upon it. The world is in such desperate need that all the plans for improvement will prove inadequate which do not offer the gospel of Christ. We must work the works of him that sent us while it is day, for the night cometh, when no man can work. If we fail the needy world, if we fail Christ, what then?

Dr. John Maguire, executive secretary of the Florida Baptist Convention, was a field worker in the Sunday School department in Alabama when this writer was pastor in Selma, Alabama. He had come to our city for several days of work in getting our newly-constituted associational Sunday school organization more solidly on its way to achieving the objectives

to which such are committed. John knew how important to the work of the Lord's kingdom those objectives were. "Merrill," he said, "this associational program *must* succeed. I would rather *die* than see it fail!"

That is the Christian's attitude toward the work done by the Co-operative Program of Southern Baptists: "I would rather die than see it fail!"

When a Baptist receives Christ as Saviour, yields to him as Lord, hears his command, and looks upon a lost and needy world, his life, like Paul's, is counted as of no value in comparison with accomplishing the work which Christ has committed to him. He sees the Co-operative Program as Christ's plan for giving the gospel to the needy world.

He would rather die than see it fail.

Budging the Budget Campaign

By C. E. BRYANT

Midsummer is not too early to start promotional activities for the every-member canvass your church plans to take this fall. In fact, midsummer is the very latest time for the beginning of a really effective campaign.

We do not mean that the 1949 budget should be written, adopted, and published at this early date. We do mean, however, that the pastor and other church leaders should start now in an effort to acquaint all members with the full church and denominational program and to lead them in a full understanding of the obligation of Christian stewardship.

The proper publicity on all phases of the denominational program during these months will cause the members themselves to write a budget even in excess of a pastor's fondest dreams.

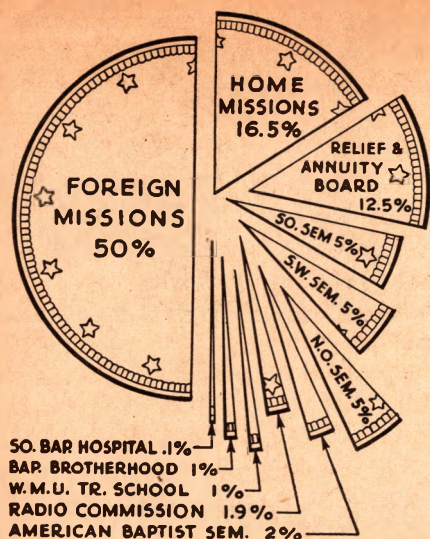
Let us, this summer and early fall, set all the church membership on a forward program for Christ in accordance with the Great Commission in its fullest meaning. If done effectively, each member will want all phases of the program included for generous amounts in the new budget.

A Program of Information

One of my former pastors used to sell subscriptions to the state Baptist paper with the following argument: "I support my wife because I love her, but I had to know her before I could love her." Just that explains a vital factor in the promotion of any or all Baptist work: people will not support a cause they do not love, and they cannot love a cause they do not know.

Baptists must be informed on the denominational program; they must be given the facts. Shifting a bit the slogan of the Home Mission Board, I believe we can tell the people of kingdom needs and then trust the Lord to work through them for the accomplishment of his purpose. Or restated, we can trust the Lord to lead born-again Christians to support sacrificially all causes they know to be worthy and sound.

How relay this message to the people? There are several ways, all of which can be used in a sustained correlated effort. From the pulpit the pastor can preach on missions and he can use as sermon illus-



Here is a graphic picture of the Southern Baptist Convention Co-operative Program dollar for 1949, drawn from the table of percentages proposed by the Executive Committee to the Convention at Memphis. This percentage basis applies to the first \$4,000,000 of Co-operative Program funds received by the Convention offices in 1949. All receipts above \$4,000,000 are divided in accordance with capital needs of the various agencies.

trations fresh reports from the various educational, benevolent, or mission agencies of his state convention and the Southern Baptist Convention. The pastor will want to be alert in his reading and in his contacts with denominational workers to glean stories that will make good illustrations. Consistent reading of the *Quarterly Review* and the *Baptist Program* will be of assistance to him.

The pastor also should be alert to invite denominational workers to his pulpit from time to time. Nothing touches the heart of a congregation more than a message from the superintendent of the state Baptist orphanage, especially if he is accompanied on the trip by two or three children of the home. The visit of a foreign missionary or a home missionary to the church also has a telling effect in winning Baptists to the cause of missions. Representatives from the state Baptist college also win new support for Christian edu-

cation. These people make good "pulpit supply" speakers when the pastor is away and it is good, too, to invite them to Sunday services and the midweek prayer service while the pastor is at home to commend personally the work these denominational agents are doing. And don't fail to consider using one of these denominational workers in the church study courses so that the membership may have a full week's contact with that phase of the whole program.

If the church has a local mission program (and it should!) he should keep the people informed on the good accomplished and on needs for future expansion. Bring the members from these extension mission points to the main church services so that all may share the spirit of co-operative fellowship.

Occasionally, obtain a good motion picture from your Baptist Book Store and show it either as a feature of a regular church service or as an after-service feature. Many good movies on denominational work are available. Those produced by the Foreign Mission Board are especially recommended.

Supplement these pulpit messages with direct mail to the church membership. A letter from the pastor to the members can be done inexpensively by mimeograph or some offset process. Use these letters monthly or quarterly to report on the whole program sponsored by the church locally and through the denomination.

Church bulletins are a prime media for reaching the congregation. In addition to making your church announcements each week, the bulletin can be used for describing concisely some phase of the whole Christian endeavor. Especially recommended are the varied offerings of the Baptist Bulletin Service, Nashville, Tennessee. These come to the church with two pages already printed with denomi-

national material and two pages left blank for printing by the local church. The church bulletin serves the church and the people fifty-two weeks of the year. It can be either mailed to the membership on Thursday or Friday or handed out on Sunday morning.

Equally valuable with the church bulletin in reaching the congregation every week is the state Baptist paper. The pastor should strive to place the paper in a maximum number of the church homes. And the best plan of all is to include the state paper in the church budget, providing for its being mailed to every home in the church membership every week.

And please don't forget the local newspaper as a means of telling the people of your town of the work of your church and the denomination to which it belongs. Practically all your members subscribe to the newspaper and so do practically all others in the community. The editor of that paper is happy to use stories on your work; give them to him, and let his paper help you deliver a message to the community.

The Stewardship Emphasis

So far, most of our discussion has been on information channels for acquainting the members with the various phases of the work. While all this is being done, a second phase of the "campaign" must be engaged in selling them on Christian stewardship.

The same media listed above serve this need also. The pastor should preach on tithing and other phases of stewardship. The church bulletin, the state Baptist paper, and dozens of tracts on the subject are available to bring lessons in Christian stewardship.

Much groundwork has been laid in recent years on the tithing emphasis. The

1946 and 1947 slogan "A Million Southern Baptist Tithers for Christ" caught the imagination of the people. The new slogan for 1948, and all the years to come, is "Every Baptist a Tither." Tracts and posters promoting this slogan are available through Baptist state offices.

The Budget Itself

Every church has its own time for writing the budget. It usually is sometime in the fall. Be sure that some key person from every phase of the church activity is on the committee or is asked to advise with it. It would be splendid to use a midweek prayer service in the early fall as an "open hearing" on plans for the new budget. Let all members of the church express themselves on items that should be included and the amount of the budget those items should receive.

After the committee has written its proposed budget, have the budget read and discussed at a church business meeting. If this meeting is announced as the time for adoption of the new budget, a large percentage of the membership should be present. Then, when the budget is adopted, publish it in the church bulletin and offer a story on it to the daily or weekly newspaper serving the community.

Subscribing the Budget

Now is the time of crucial importance in the whole budget picture—the time when the membership makes pledges for their contributions toward the raising of necessary funds. As said earlier in this article, however, this part should be easy if adequate preparation has been made during the summer and early fall.

Dr. J. E. Dillard has written many tracts and articles on the subject of the every-member canvass. These tracts are available through the state Baptist secretary in each state. It is not necessary to go into those details here, for they are

sure to be developed elsewhere as the time for the actual canvass arrives.

But as an example of what seems to me an ideal approach to the situation in a church where need and obligation has been preached for several preceding months, let me tell about the technique used at Second Baptist Church, Little Rock, Arkansas.

Pastor M. Ray McKay based his approach to the campaign on two factors: *personal conviction* and *personal salesmanship*. He attends to the matter of conviction in sermons on stewardship in general and tithing in particular until the people recognize tithing as a demonstration of their recognition of the lordship of Christ.

An attractive four-page folder goes to the membership at the very beginning of the campaign. This folder includes a letter from the pastor, or the chairman of the budget committee, and the chairman of the deacons; a copy of the new budget; a page of descriptive matter, with pictures, on most appealing phases of the work covered in the budget; and a page of material on tithing and stewardship.

Last year Raymond R. Lindsey, a young insurance man, a happy tither, and a personal soul-winner, was chosen as campaign chairman. He called the deacons to a special prayer meeting at the home of the pastor. After a brief review of scriptural tithing, given by the pastor, the men spent forty minutes on their knees in prayer. Then, one by one, the deacons signed their tithing pledge.

Each deacon then was commissioned to sell the principle of the tithe to another man, heretofore a nontither. These two men—the deacon and his stewardship convert—became a team to carry the message to an assigned group of members.

Similar teams were formed among the women and young people. The teams met at an inspirational dinner, heard

speeches about tithing, made their own testimonies, and accepted assignments. Tithing literature and tithing pledge cards were made available, but none for pledges less than the tithe.

By "Loyalty Enlistment Sunday" every member of the church had been contacted. Where personal calls were impossible a letter was sent. Records had been kept of those members agreeing to tithe, but the cards were left in their hands for presentation at the Sunday services.

Pastor McKay preached on "The Lordship of Christ" at the Sunday morning preaching hour and issued an invitation for all members to testify of their recognition of Christ's lordship by bringing their tithing pledge to the altar.

"The results were excellent, and we believe permanent," summarized Dr. McKay. "We secured tithers who believed in the plan. There was nothing superficial about their pledge."

A careful follow-up was organized. The importance of tithing continued to receive emphasis as the teams again called on all who had not signed the tithing pledge. Members who were not ready for the tithing agreement were led to make pledge less than the tithe but not until the principle of God's stewardship plan had been thoroughly explained.

Now Is the Time to Begin

There are many plans and many approaches that can be followed, and every church will make its own adaptations of those recommended plans. Every pastor together with his church leaders, must make the decision as to the approach that will most effectively lead his membership to adoption of a maximum budget for the church and to agreement for maximum stewardship for themselves.

But one thing is certain. Now is the time to begin promotion for victory this fall.

W.M.U.'s First Lady

By ANNE CRITTENDON MARTIN

You wouldn't expect to find her in the heart of downtown Birmingham, in the tallest building in the steel city of the South. Miss Kathleen Mallory looks as though she belongs in a Southern colonial mansion, surrounded by dogwood blossoms and fine tapestry.

Her fragile beauty is deceptive, though; because for thirty-six years she has lived a life calling for the constitution of a circuit rider. One of the first to arrive at 1111 Comer Building in the morning, she is invariably one of the last to lock her door for the day. After thirty-six years as executive secretary of the Woman's Missionary Union, she leaves behind her a record unequalled in the history of the Union, now celebrating its sixtieth year.

In fact, in this anniversary year it is hard to think of W.M.U. without her. The announcement of her resignation, effective May 1, came as a surprise. Not that anyone expected her to go on forever; it is just that W.M.U. and Miss Mallory are so synonymous.

The years have been kind to her as though trying to repay her for the good he has done. Her lovely face still radiates the warmth and beauty of her youth. Her voice is soft and melodic in conversation, firm and sure in platform appearances. Her mind is keen and alert, ready to quote figures on magazine circulation or discuss world mission needs. Her pen is steady in the hand that has written such countless letters on Kingdom busi-

ness. Her walk is as spry as a Y.W.A.'s and every bit as graceful. Her dress is always in good taste, and her choice of colors accents her delicate complexion and lovely white hair.

In fact, you could look far and wide and not find such a composite of Southern charm and Christian womanhood as the women of the South have been fortunate to have as their leader for over three decades.

To know and appreciate Miss Mallory, you would have to see her in a variety of situations and observe first-hand her gracious personality as it reacts to people and things.

If you were a member of the congregation of the First Baptist Church of Birmingham, you could look for her every Sunday morning on the second row of the center balcony and after services find her downstairs welcoming new members and greeting visitors. Many new members do not realize until later that the friendly little lady who introduces herself simply as "Kathleen Mallory" is *the* Miss Kathleen Mallory of Southwide fame. Though she is by far the most famous member of the First Baptist Church, she takes her seat in her favorite pew as unassumingly as a chance visitor.

Loyal to Church

She is the personification of church loyalty, as her pastor, Dr. John L. Slaughter, will testify. Always at every

Sunday service when in town, she is also regular at prayer meeting and any special services of her church. Active in all undertakings, she can be counted on to visit the unsaved and unenlisted, to pack boxes for the needy of Europe, or to read the Bible through in a year with the rest of the church family.

During World War II, church members were urged to bring old paper in a city-wide campaign. On Wednesday nights Miss Mallory could be seen bringing a big bundle of paper under each arm, a real picture of a loyal American doing her bit in wartime.

If you want to see Miss Mallory at her best as a hostess, it would be your extreme good fortune to be invited out to dinner with her. On such occasions a happier companion could not be found, for she has a storehouse of choice stories which come to light during the evening.

On a visit to Birmingham, you might see Miss Mallory at her favorite eating place almost any noon and marvel at the variety of her guests. One day she might be dining with a young Army lieutenant; the next, with a missionary on furlough; another day, with a Sunday School Board executive; another, with a young friend she had met at a summer encampment.

To really understand the load of responsibility Miss Mallory has carried so long and so well, you would have to go with her through a day at the office: to see the mountain of mail on her desk waiting for her every morning, to hear the calls that come through the crowded W.M.U. switchboard, to hear the conferences and planning meetings, to see the writing and checking of page proofs of *Royal Service*, to notice how graciously she receives and escorts visitors from all over the South and from other countries through the offices, introducing them to everyone; to overhear her asking with genuine concern about an employee's sick mother.



Miss Kathleen Mallory is pictured above as she appeared when elected as Southwide W.M.U. Secretary in 1912.

All these glimpses would help you understand the charming little lady who has meant Woman's Missionary Union these years; but you would have missed the real Miss Mallory unless you heard her pray.

Employees of the W.M.U. in Birmingham had an excellent incentive to get to work on time, for at 8:30 each morning everyone gathered for "prayers." Miss Mallory, unless out of town, led these brief meetings. The Scripture reading and commentary were read, names of the missionaries on the prayer calendar were mentioned, and then Miss Mallory led in prayer—and led everyone nearer to God. She talked to him as though to her dearest friend, forgetting those in the room. She brought him all the important problems of the W.M.U. work but never forgot the

personal problems of the employees—the loved one of a mailing room clerk who was seriously ill or asking “journeying mercies” for a traveling field worker. She asked for strength and encouragement for the missionaries, most of whom were personal friends. During the war she remembered the servicemen each morning and had certain ones she prayed for each day and packed boxes for at regular intervals.

Such a life which has thrown its shadow across Southern Baptist affairs for all these years must have an unusual background, and it does. And yet it is the old, old story of the influence of the Christian home in preparing a life for useful service.

Born in Alabama, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. S. D. Mallory of Selma, Miss Kathleen's early years were spent in a happy Christian home. As she herself has written, “Next to personal salvation, I give thanks that I had definitely Christian parents. Each morning before breakfast they held family prayers; each Sunday they took us to Sunday school and to the morning and evening services; both of them were teachers in the Sunday school; Father was a deacon; Mother was active in the Woman's Missionary Society; she arranged so that our school lessons were prepared in ample time for us to go to prayer meeting each week. Both of my parents rejoiced to have Christian guests, thus enabling us to meet many preachers and missionaries. Among the ones who visited our home I would mention as particularly helpful in my missionary development Dr. W. B. Crumpton, Dr. J. W. McCollum, and Miss Willie Kelly, even as I give thanks for our pastors of those days: Dr. J. M. Frost and Dr. A. J. Dickinson.” With this background it is not surprising that Miss Mallory joined the church at Selma when she was ten years old and was active in it until she went to college.

Father Was Attorney

Miss Mallory's father was a lawyer and an outstanding Baptist layman. He was at one time vice-president of the Southern Baptist Convention and trustee of the Seminary in Louisville. A very prominent Democrat, he was for many years president of the Alabama executive committee. He also led the prohibition forces of Alabama for many years.

As chairman of the Board of Education of Selma, Mr. Mallory was happy to present to his daughter, Kathleen, annual scholarships for her records in Latin and many medals for highest ranking in all her studies. This unusual scholarship came partly from encouragement at home where her parents inspired her to strive to make the best record. In tribute to them she says, “If my life has amounted to anything worth while, I know that the chief credit is due to the fine parents which were given to me.”

Both her parents had graduated with highest honors from their respective college and Kathleen followed their example in her work at Goucher college which was then (1898-1902) known as the Woman's College of Baltimore. In her four years there she was privileged to meet many missionaries, foreign students, and other Christian leaders. While in college she attended the church of Miss Annie Armstrong, the first corresponding secretary of Woman's Missionary Union.

Taught School

Returning to Alabama, she taught school in Demopolis for one year. In 1907 she was elected superintendent of the W.M.U. work in the Selma association, thereby beginning work in what was to be her chosen career.

Miss Mallory gives us some insight into this period of her life by something she has written: “In 1907-08 I made two memorable trips with my father. One was

to the meeting of the association of which he was moderator and in which I was superintendent of the woman's work: that Sunday afternoon I realized as never before that definite service was expected of me in the area of our large association and that I was not measuring up to my responsibility. The other trip was to the Alabama Baptist Convention, meeting that summer of 1908 in Roanoke, where Father had large duties for the Convention of which he served as president for many years. At the W.M.U. meeting I had part on the program—the assignment being to read a letter from Miss Anna Hartwell of China. Many had doubtless already read it as published in the *Alabama Baptist*, but in my reading of it at the W.M.U. meeting I received a very personal blessing, which perhaps can best be explained as the unfolding of my heart and mind in behalf of worldwide missions."

Following this experience Miss Mallory was elected state Y.W.A. leader in 1908. The following year she was chosen corresponding secretary-treasurer of the Alabama W.M.U. and for nearly three years she had charge of the office in Montgomery.

News spread over the South of the good W.M.U. work the charming Alabamian was doing, and in April, 1912, Miss Fannie E. S. Heck, then president of the W.M.U., wrote Miss Mallory requesting permission to present her name to the nominating committee at the approaching W.M.U. annual meeting in Oklahoma City. The retiring secretary, Miss Edith Crane, had suggested Miss Mallory's name to Miss Heck.

Elected in 1912

In making her decision, Miss Mallory had conferences with Mrs. Stakely, the president of Alabama W.M.U., and Doctor Stakely, then pastor of First Baptist

Church, Montgomery. Her fine Christian father wrote, giving her this advice: "It is a call to you to a high and responsible position. If you accept it, the moving reason on your part must be that of duty . . . You will be taken away from us in large measure and from the state work, but if duty calls it must be answered. It is your life-work . . . I wish you to do that which is the best, that which our Master would have you do."

Miss Eliza Broadus, Kentucky, was chairman of the nominating committee. She, too, had heard of this outstanding secretary through Dr. W. O. Carver, who had met Miss Mallory in a summer assembly. Just before Miss Broadus went to the platform to present the report of the nominating committee, she sent her card to Miss Mallory with this message: "I think you will like to know that you are the unanimous choice of our committee."

Thus, Alabama relinquished their prior claim to her leadership, and she moved out into the field of Southwide service. In honor of her service and in appreciation of her life, the Alabama W.M.U. made a gift which was used to build the Kathleen Mallory Hospital in Laichow-fu, China.

So, in the fall of 1912 Miss Mallory went to Baltimore as corresponding secretary for the Southern Woman's Missionary Union and remained until the fall of 1921 when the office was moved to Birmingham, Alabama. In 1937 her title was changed to fit more accurately her position and she became "executive secretary, Woman's Missionary Union."

In the thirty-six years of her service, her work has carried her into all the major cities of the South, into town and hamlet, and to foreign countries. Twice she has visited the mission fields at her own expense through the use of money bequeathed her by her parents. In 1923-

24 she spent seven months in the Orient and in 1930 she spent the summer months in visiting Southern Baptist Convention mission work in South America, the Canal Zone, and Cuba. These direct contacts with home and foreign missions increased her zeal for missions and spurred her on to ever greater efforts in behalf of the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for foreign missions and the Annie Armstrong

Offering for home missions.

Always Miss Mallory has led the women to support all Southern Baptist causes, acting as a real auxiliary to the convention. To tell all the accomplishments of both Miss Mallory and the Union would take several lengthy volumes. Suffice it to say that the history of the Woman's Missionary Union since 1912 has been the history of Miss Mallory.

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Preparation for a Revival

By C. E. MATTHEWS

That word "preparation" is one of the most meaningful words in the language of man. It touches every phase of human life. It stalks the footsteps of every person born into this world. It spells defeat or success in war and in peace. Without it, the individual goes through life handicapped.

The clarion warning of the Bible is, "Prepare to meet thy God." But in all of these phases of life there is no place where preparation is more essential than in a revival, whether it be in an individual church or in an associational-wide, a state-wide, a nation-wide, or world-wide crusade. *Preparation is at least 70 per cent of the success of the effort.* It is at this very point that evangelism has failed in our generation. There was a time when a revival was a community institution and was looked forward to with joy on the part of Christians. There was a time of fellowship for all neighbors. It was looked upon as a social event. It was a time to which men, women, and children looked forward for entertainment and enlightenment, not only on Bible themes, but also on current events and historical happenings, for the evangelist was a new voice in their midst with a new message.

Today, we find an entirely different situation all over the world. We have the

radio, bringing, not only all types of entertainment into our homes, but also the very finest religious programs by a simple press of a button. On the outside of our homes is found every type of highly promoted entertainment—theatrical events, athletic events, etc.—that not only keeps the unchurched away from revival meetings but also lures church members away from them. This all sums up to an almost insurmountable competition to revival meetings or to any other religious service except those conducted on Sunday mornings. This has produced an alarming situation for churches everywhere.

Because of the difficulties named, some major denominations have given up mass evangelism entirely and are depending solely on a visitation program for what soul winning they do. This is not true of Southern Baptists. We believe in visitation, or personal soul-winning, and we must continue the practice of it with more vigor than ever. But there never has been, and never will be, a spiritual awakening in this world without mass evangelism, and mass evangelism cannot succeed without proper preparation.

When Will We Prepare for Revivals?

The question comes: When will we properly prepare for revivals? The answer is: when we are awakened to the

fact of its significance. Preparation for a revival determines the eternal destiny of souls. Preparation for a revival determines whether men, women, and children, loved ones, friends, and neighbors shall spend eternity in hell or in heaven. When this tremendous fact grips our hearts, proper preparation will be made and results will follow. In a matter of preparation for a revival, God and man both have a part, for both physical and spiritual preparation are essential. We suggest the following program:

First, set the date for the revival at least one year in advance in order to allow the church, or churches, time to secure help and to make adequate preparation.

Second, engage the evangelist and singer, if you desire outside help, immediately after setting the date.

Third, set up an organization to handle different phases of preparation, including a general chairman and the following committees: finance, publicity, visitation, census, special rallies, and prayer.

These various committee chairmen constitute a steering committee with the general chairman in charge. This steering committee should meet regularly every month before the revival begins and check up on the work of preparation as it progresses.

Finances

At the first meeting of the steering committee it should be determined just how much money is to be spent in promoting the revival and how the money is to be raised. This amount depends largely upon what is to be spent on publicity.

Publicity

On the physical side in a revival there is nothing more important than publicity. The Department of Evangelism of the Home Mission Board has made a very rigid test as to the comparative effectiveness of various mediums of publicity. We

find that there are as many legitimate avenues open to publicity for a revival as there are for advertising anything else. We have found that mediums of publicity rate in effectiveness in the following order: newspaper, auto stickers, radio, placards, and billboards. All of these can be used effectively and are accessible to churches, regardless of size or location. In the rural churches there is not much opportunity for daily newspaper publicity, but weekly county papers, auto stickers, and placards can be used effectively.

Display advertisements in newspapers should be attractive and informative and should arouse interest, proclaim truth, and popularize the name of Jesus. Too many times they are limited to a blurred newspaper cut and an announcement. Anything that can be gotten into a newspaper as news, such as excerpts from sermons, achievements of the evangelist and singer, the size and efficiency of the choir, the work and the names of committee men, is worth more than paid advertising.

Spot announcements on the radio are good, but a five to fifteen minute message with a good description of the revival organization and the personalities engaged, is better.

Auto stickers should not be given to the owners of cars. They take them, but few place them on their cars. Have a committee appointed to do this two weeks before the revival begins. The pastor may simply state from the pulpit, "When you enter your automobile today, you will find a sticker on it advertising the revival. If you do not want the sticker on your car, simply drive into a filling station and ask the operator to remove it."

Getting Prospects

If visible results are to be seen in a revival, it is necessary to have the names and addresses of prospects. These are obtained from a good religious census,

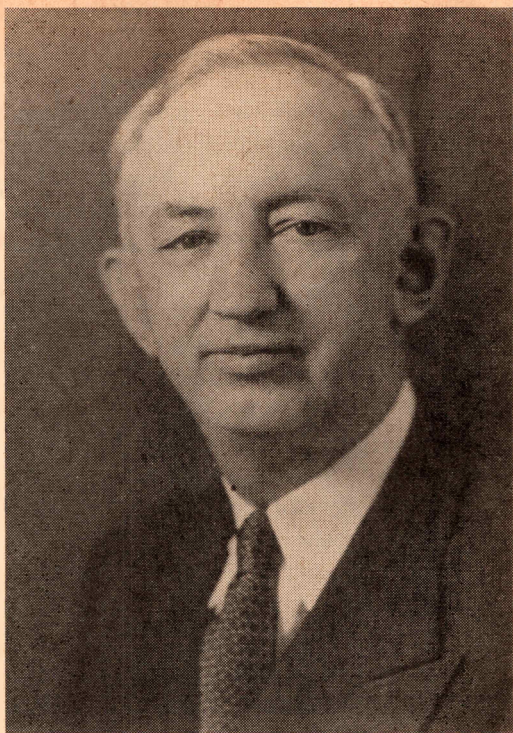
which should be taken at least sixty days before the date of the revival in order to give time for tabulation and visitation. Visitors' cards should be passed out in the congregation at each service. If these are properly filled out, many interested prospects may be found.

Visitation of Prospects

A weekly visitation program should be planned for the Sunday school, Training Union, Woman's Missionary Union, and Brotherhood, in which at least one visit should be made to every prospect before the revival begins. It is best for visitors to go two by two, and give every prospect a card publicizing the revival. A religious tract should be given to each prospect; and, if practical, the claims of Christ should be pressed to the heart of each person visited. Ask the unattached Baptist to give the church permission to send for his church letter. Two special religious tracts for such visitation can be obtained from the Department of Evangelism of the Home Mission Board, 1621 Pacific Avenue, Dallas 1, Texas. One tract is entitled, "If You Are a Baptist, Why Not Belong?" and the other, "How to be Saved." It is profitable to leave a printed message with each person visited. Remember the duty of the committee on visitation is not to try to do all the visiting but to *see to it that the visiting is done*. This committee should be composed of the pastor or associate pastor, the Sunday school superintendent, the Training Union director, the Woman's Missionary Society president, and the president of the Brotherhood. In planning the program of visitation, keep in mind that school children must be visited after school hours and men after work hours. In the majority of cases, women will be found at home in the mornings.

Special Rallies

Special rallies in the interest of a coming revival create more interest, touch



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more of the church membership, and do more to inspire and to inform the people than any other phase of preparation. This committee should be composed of representatives from each of the following church agencies: Men's Brotherhood, Woman's Missionary Society, and Training Union. The idea is to have a rally for men, women, and young people, sponsored by the above agencies in the order given. The men's rally and the women's rally should be held at least two weeks previous to the date of the revival. The youth rally should be held on the Saturday night before the first Sunday of the revival. The men's rally should be held at night. A supper should be served; then the men should retire to the auditorium for the rally. A good song service should

be conducted, announcements concerning the revival made, and an inspiring evangelistic message brought by one who has the work of evangelism on his heart.

The women's rally should be held on a week-day morning, with a program similar to that of the men.

The program for the youth rally should include good gospel music, testimonials, and a real evangelistic message by someone who appeals to youth.

In each of these rallies great emphasis should be given to personal soul-winning. If the Holy Spirit impresses the speaker, an appeal should be made to the lost to accept Christ as Saviour and to the Christians to rededicate their lives in service to Christ. The church should go "all out" for a high attendance in each of these rallies. Here, the revival fires should begin to burn and spread into a great conflagration on the opening Sunday of the meeting. These rallies are practical in preparation for simultaneous crusades or in individual local churches, even in small churches.

Preparing the Sunday School for a Revival

Southern Baptists are fully acquainted with the fact that there is no greater soul-winning agency in the history of the Christian religion than the Sunday school in Southern Baptist churches. There are three reasons for this:

First, Sunday school workers are a specially selected group. Their election by the church is an expression of confidence in their character, loyalty, and faith in God.

Second, Sunday school workers in Southern Baptist churches are trained in the work of the Master. They have access to the greatest curriculum of study course books on pedagogy, psychology, organization, promotion, Bible, and soul-winning to be found anywhere.

Third, they have the best approach to people of any group in the church. They have been in the homes of the unchurched who are enrolled in the Sunday school; they know their religious attitudes and home environment better than any one else. There should be a meeting of all teachers and officers on the first Monday night of the revival, before or after the preaching service. The pastor, superintendent, and the visiting evangelist should meet with this group. Here plans should be made for a great evangelistic service to be held on the middle Sunday of the revival at 10:00 A.M. for Juniors through Adults. A record attendance should be planned for that service and a program of visitation adopted in order to reach every unchurched person on the Sunday school roll for Christ.

Prayer

Things already mentioned in this article are mostly physical in nature. They are essential, but this work is in vain unless there is a thorough spiritual preparation which comes about by genuine prayer.

The committee on prayer in preparation for a revival has a real task to perform. Some people pray without a program or without even having to be encouraged to pray. But the vast majority have to be taught and encouraged, or they will not pray for a revival. The committee should set apart two evenings, preferably Monday and Thursday of the week preceding the revival, for cottage prayer meetings. Secure the church roll and divide the church membership into districts. Each district should comprise at least twelve church homes. Secure a home in each district where a prayer meeting can be held. Then secure a leader for each prayer meeting. Publish this in the church bulletin, or in some other way get it into the hands of all resident church members. Announce the time, place, and leader of each meeting to be held. Ask that devo-

tions be brief and that much time be spent in prayer for the revival, the church members, the pastor, the evangelist, the singer, the lost people, and the unattached Baptists. Ask that they pray definitely for a special visitation of the Holy Spirit.

The committee should arrange for an "all church" prayer meeting to be conducted in the church on Wednesday evening. Great emphasis should be given in this service to testimony and definite prayer for lost people in the community. A special effort should be made for large attendance in all these prayer groups.

In addition to this, have a chain of prayer on Saturday before the day the revival opens and each Saturday while the revival is in session. Begin at 7 o'clock Saturday morning. Have one or more persons agree to pray in thirty minute periods until 7 o'clock Saturday night. This program of preparation is not too difficult for any church to project, regardless of size or location. It has been tried over and over; and in each instance that we know, God has seen fit to bless the church by sending a great revival upon his people.

Southern Baptist Historical Society

By W. O. CARVER

The constitution of the Southern Baptist Historical Society as reorganized provides for four classes of membership as may be seen in the previous issue of the *QUARTERLY REVIEW*.

The first church membership has been taken by the Second-Ponce de Leon Church, Atlanta. This provides for a membership for the pastor, or other person designated by the church, in perpetuity. This action was taken by the church under the leadership of Mrs. John S. Spalding and the pastor, Dr. Monroe F. Swilley, Jr. It is hoped that this fine beginning will be followed by hundreds of our churches within the next year or two. Other types of membership are: annual, \$2.00 per year, which will include a subscription to this *REVIEW*; sustaining, \$5.00 per year, which entitles the member to the subscription and one book to be sent out by the Society each year; life membership, \$25.00, which will include subscription to the *Review*.

Accession

The Society is receiving more materials than at any previous time. Only a few of the most important of these can be mentioned within our space.

Bunyan Meeting. We have been able to purchase a facsimile of *The Church Book of Bunyan Meeting* from 1650 to 1821.

American Baptist Magazine. A practically complete file of this early Baptist publication has been procured beginning from 1803 and extending to 1909.

Sims Contribution. Rev. J. B. Sims, member of the Board of Directors from California, has contributed twenty volumes from his collection, and proposes to contribute additional volumes hereafter. Some of his contributions are very valuable. His example should be followed by others.

Fire and Destruction

There are hundreds of Southern Baptists who have collections of historical material which would be quite valuable

and of which they are making no present use. Even where they are being used, it is important that the owner should consider the very great danger of these materials being permanently lost. This warning is underscored by the fact that one of our Board members has very recently lost by fire very valuable collections which he was keeping in his home. From time to time we hear of other causes in which valuable materials have been thrown on rubbish heaps and forever lost.

Daniel Marshall

Miss Helen Marshall, College Park, Georgia, a direct descendant of the famous Baptist evangelist and founder, Daniel Marshall, is graciously contributing his diary to the Society. Along with this priceless document she will be contributing other historical materials. This is an action to be especially commended and it has the profound thanks of the officers of the Society.

Annual Meeting

For the time being the most advantageous occasion for general meetings of the Society is in connection with the Ridgecrest Assembly. Accordingly, such a meeting this year occurs on August 23. At that time the morning session is devoted to the historical program. In connection with this the annual meeting of the Board of Directors will be held. This has for

several years been our best occasion for enrolling new members and for receiving payment of dues of annual members.

Attention Association Clerks

The number of Association clerks who are now sending copies of their minutes to the Historical Society grows constantly; but it is still comparatively very, very few out of the 900 and more Associations within our territory. It is earnestly desired and requested that all clerks will put the Society on their mailing list. It is also desirable that associational clerks will call attention of their bodies to the work of the Society and to the terms of membership. In this way they may extend their value as recorders of Baptist history.

And it is important that every associational clerk will keep constantly before him the fact that he is a recorder of history. This consciousness will greatly help him in determining the form in which his records shall be cast. Most clerks up to the present time record most items in terms which will be quite intelligible to the members who attended the association, and to some of the members who did not attend; but they will have little value, in the form in which they are recorded, for historians of the future. A little attention on the part of clerks will be of great value in this important respect.

Religious Journalists Needed

WILLIAM TANNER

"I should like for you to make known to your students that they can serve Christ as definitely in the newspaper field as they can in a foreign mission field."

This statement was made in a letter from Miss Lelia Maude Funston, editor of church news, the *Arkansas Democrat*,

to the department of religious journalism at Oklahoma Baptist University.

"I have found that the field of religious journalism offers the Christian a definite place to witness for Christ," Miss Funston wrote from her twenty-two years of experience in that line. "God needs

Christian newspapermen and women in American business life."

Statements like this have come from managing editors and church editors in various American cities.

Some have stressed the need for the development of religious journalism; one such far-sighted newspaperman is Paul A. Schrader, managing editor of the *Toledo Blade*. He wrote:

"One of the undeveloped fields of professional journalism is religious news writing. Please believe me, you are tackling one of the biggest problems in the whole field of public information and education."

Opportunities in religious journalism have been stressed by many, who wrote in the same vein as O. D. Burge, managing editor of the Jacksonville, Florida, *Journal*:

"Religious news, I feel, should have an increasing place in American publication. Naturally, (routine news coverage) . . . is useful to the church in keeping up its member interest, but I feel that it is not all that could be done in the way of making religion a living and dynamic factor in human affairs."

Religion is the greatest thing in the life of a human being, reasons Mrs. Emma Rivers Miner, church editor, the *Indianapolis Times*.

"To write in that field," she explains, "is the greatest privilege that can be accorded to a newspaper person."

Opportunity, however, has not been the only item discussed by editors writing to the department. Many have been concerned with types of training necessary to prepare students for the various areas of service within religious journalism.

The numerous suggestions received might be telescoped into a single sentence: If we learn to develop the news that is in Christianity, there'll be plenty of Christianity in the news.

A large number of editors have advised specific training in journalism. The basic techniques are the same, no matter in what field they are applied; and these techniques are learned chiefly through prolonged, supervised practice.

Nearly as many editors recommended at least one course in comparative religion—for those students who hope to work on daily newspapers. This is a specific example of the application of basic techniques to the problems of one category of news. Such application is learned, ultimately, in actual practice; but principles and theory, and first efforts, are best handled in the classroom.

The need for education in "press relations," for young ministers, was widely stressed. One editor wrote as follows:

"My observation for many years has been that the average minister, in coming to a newspaper for publicity, has no conception of the requirements of a newspaper, and frequently is offended when the newspaper is unable, under general journalistic practices, to do things the way he would dictate them.

"Your department might well do this by giving these [young ministers] an understanding of deadlines, newspaper style, newspaper space problems, and a good number of lectures on 'what is news.'"

The department of religious journalism at O.B.U. has been organized on the basis of these suggestions, plus the personal experience of the members of the department staff. Most of the recommendations strengthened the original determination to teach, first of all, fundamental courses in journalism, and secondly, methods of applying basic techniques to religious subject matter.

Other recommendations have been incorporated in the material taught in various classes.

As a result of this synthesis of experience, the department has adopted the following specific plans:

1. An introductory course for ministerial students.
2. A sequence of several courses, designed for prospective church secretaries who will be handling church bulletins and publicity.
3. A series of at least six courses for those students who wish to do magazine writing (or possibly editing).
4. A major (ten or more courses) for those students who wish to go, professionally, into full-time religious journalism.
5. Special programs for students wishing to combine religious journalism with another related subject (i.e., advertising, photography, management, radio).
6. An advanced course (covering church news) for students of secular journalism.
7. A journalism "internship" requirement, according to which each senior student is assigned part-time work on a regular newspaper, magazine, advertising service, or news service.
8. An "applied journalism" program, under which junior and senior students gain continuous experience, in their free time, working on campus publications and special project. One such project is the

organization and operation of a news bureau in connection with the annual state Baptist convention.

9. An advisory board, composed of responsible newspapermen and women of the southwest. Their task is to make the departmental program more effective and more serviceable.

10. A strong supporting curriculum in religious education or the social sciences, to provide the student with a working knowledge of the people, customs, and organizations about which he will write.

Each of these plans has already been put into effect. In the current school year, six instructors are offering lecture or laboratory work in more than twenty subjects.

More important, however, than the details of departmental organization is the underlying principle; professional training plus spiritual conviction.

Freshmen desiring to go into religious journalism strictly from the standpoint of preparing for a "job" are shunted, instead into one of the sequences in secular journalism.

Religious journalism is reserved, as a distinct privilege, for those students who, like Miss Funston, can see the opportunity to serve Christ through the medium of the printed page.

The Social Service Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention

By HUGH A. BRIMM, EXECUTIVE
SECRETARY-TREASURER

"... This committee shall also study the further duty of the church to society and shall suggest ways whereby Jesus Christ may become a fact in the social life of the world."
—*Proceedings of the Baptist World Alliance 1911*, p. 334.

"... The Social Service Commission shall seek to promote morality in social relations, including the problems of marriage and the family, crime and juvenile delinquency, industrial relations, race relations, and alcohol problems and other matters of social morality which press upon our people for a solution."
—*Southern Baptist Convention Annual 1947*, p. 34.

These two recommendations officially adopted thirty-six years apart provide the background and foundation for our thinking together about the Social Service Commission.

The first quotation is from a memorial sent to "other religious bodies of the world" by the Baptist World Alliance. It called for "concerted action" to eliminate social evils and make the impact of Christianity on the world more dynamic.

The second quotation was taken from the report of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention. It came after a careful study had been made to define the specific function and relationship of both the Committee on Public Relations and the Social Service Commission.

Thus the Commission has been formally charged with a two-fold task, first, one of moral education and second, one of promotion through Christian social action.

Such a task involving Baptists must necessarily be thoroughly grounded in the New Testament pattern of doctrine and activity and in no sense can it ever serve as a "substitute" for the dynamic Gospel which we have cherished through the centuries past.

Here, let it be clearly and carefully set forth that the Social Service Commission does not consider itself to be an independent "bureau" created for the purpose of issuing directives to the denomination. Rather it is a tool or an instrument in the hands of the churches with the specific function of illuminating the "actual" that we might be more nearly lifted toward the ideal, which is in Christ Jesus. To this end the Commission has dedicated itself to the service of God's kingdom by attacking those attitudes, forces, and conditions which deny the realities and the possibilities of that kingdom. The attack will be launched along several avenues of approach.

Research

True facts always speak for themselves; they can neither be denied nor refuted. But facts are not always at one's disposal when they are most needed. Here the Commission will assume one of its basic roles through research and impartial investigation. Not only is the Commission on the mailing list of many sources of information such as government agencies, temperance organizations, labor and man-

ement groups, but where special technical information is required the facilities of university centers and our seminaries will be utilized. Where questions of social morality are involved, the Commission will whole-heartedly co-operate with any agency, church, or group of the Convention by conducting research or pursuing investigation of the problem at hand.

Publications

Such a program of research as outlined above would be without value unless it could have an outlet to the denomination. Various means of dissemination are being devised by the Commission. A continuous supply of pertinent factual material is being sent to the state periodicals. A special news-letter for pastors and laymen is in the process of preparation.

A series of books will soon be made available for study. These books will serve as a guide for conference and forum discussion on current social problems. The basic approach in each study will be in terms of Christian values and standards.

The Commission has for distribution on request annotated bibliographies on such subjects as race, industrial, family and marriage relations, temperance and alcohol education, juvenile delinquency, etc.

Practical Activities of Promotion

Before discussing the plans in this area must be understood that the activities of the Commission staff are overwhelmingly limited in view of the magnitude of our denomination. These "workshop demonstrations" will serve primarily as laboratory projects to devise ways and means by which churches can cope with existing problems.

One program will have at its center activities of preaching services giving special

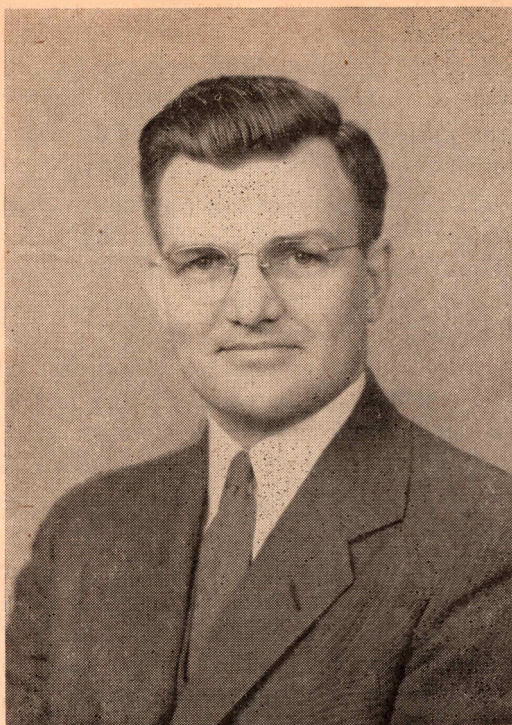
emphasis to the practical meaning of the Christian way of life. In addition to the worship services there will be study groups that will be concerned with the analysis and solution of some of the more urgent social problems of our day.

The third phase of this program will be the actual survey of a community problem. Volunteers from the church will be organized to conduct the investigation. The objective of such a survey will be two-fold, first to create an awareness of the existence of the problem, and second to demonstrate that with facts in hand, something can be done by Christian social action to eliminate or alleviate the problem.

The Commission is devising another type of program that is designed to relate the local church to the specific task of meeting the social and moral needs of today's world. It will be a conference on Christian family relations, the objective of which will be to magnify the indispensable role of the church in stemming the surging, sweeping tide of home and family disintegration.

This conference will be built around three distinct emphases or focal points. First, in special groups, the pastor and deacons with teachers and officers will study the ways in which the church may minister to successful family living and uphold the ideals of Christian marriage.

Second, there will be forum or conference periods for open discussion. These will be divided by problem or activity interest rather than by age. One forum will be on the relationships in dating and courtship; a second forum group for engaged couples; a third for newly or recently married couples; and a fourth discussion would be for those who, having passed the stage of bride and groom, are now concerned with the harmony and successful integration of their family relationships.



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The third emphasis will be upon individual personal consultations. From this it is hoped that a permanent Christian counseling service might be established for the church and community. One fact will be kept constantly before the groups throughout the conference discussions and that is that no marriage or home can be destroyed where its members live on the Christian level of conduct, one or both parties must drop below that level before any breakdown or disintegration can occur. This being true, that church which faithfully proclaims the Christian message has the key to successful family living.

In these and other phases of its work, the Social Service Commission will seek to meet the challenge of the Baptist World Alliance by seeking ways whereby Jesus Christ may become a fact in the social life of the world.

Alcohol Education

Some of the most pressing of all social problems today are those related to the manufacture and consumption of alcoholic beverages. For many years Baptists have been in the thick of the battle against one of the most degrading and demoralizing of all social groups—the distillers and brewers of alcoholic beverages.

The Social Service Commission tends to stay in that fight for absolute control, and complete legal elimination of the existing traffic.

Labor-Management Conference

This technique of invitation to conference will also be extended to representatives from the ranks of the great groups of wage earners, the laboring force of the South, to meet with the directors of industrial management for the purpose of discussing in an atmosphere of Christian fellowship those problems with which they are mutually concerned. Only through such a fellowship can the key to the solution of conflict be found—for that is Christian understanding which has its roots deep in the dynamic of love.

Rural Life Conferences

Two forces are developing in the rural areas of the Southland that will do much perhaps far more than we dare imagine to reshape and revolutionize our way of life. For the sake of the future we cannot afford to let them be far advanced before we are aware of their existence. The first is the mechanization of agriculture. The second is the movement of population from industry from the heavily congested urban centers of activity to the emerging rural communities which are rapidly developing in our southern regions.

There are distinct economic and social advantages in both of these trends, but there will also be problems that will require the moral insight of Christian thought for solution. On a scale here

tofore unthought of there will be the complete displacement of millions of the families of farm tenants, sharecroppers, and wage hands. Agricultural experts estimate that by 1950 the essential farm labor force in parts of Texas, Oklahoma, and Georgia will be reduced by 50 to 65 per cent. This displacement of millions who have looked to the land for some semblance of security, coupled with the increasing shifts of population to the emerging rural community, will demand readjustment in our systems of agriculture, education, health, conservation, and recreation as well as tremendous changes in the church life of these affected areas.

Baptists, the greatest spiritual force in the South, must be ready to meet the challenge of social, moral, economic, and political changes which are inevitable, and to give spiritual insight to channel those changes along constructive lines which will make for the integration of enrichment of life.

Interracial Understanding

Here Southern Baptists are face to face with one of the most challenging moral issues of the day, the challenge of "one world" and brotherhood in that world under one Christ. The implications here are not only local and regional, they are worldwide in scope. Race baiters and hate mongers are viciously laboring at the task of distorting and misrepresenting truth in their attempts to spread dissension, distrust, fear, and hatred.

Too long now have the Christians of our churches silently stood by unaware that their silence has lent consent and approval to the activities, attitudes, and objectives of these who so work in our midst. This is the hour in which the church must indeed be the Church of Christ and exalt the principles and ideals of His way of life.

Southern Baptists, in their annual con-

vention last year, unanimously adopted the report of a special committee on Race Relations,¹ a report that is most significant in its findings and recommendations. The Convention, upon adopting the report, assigned to the Social Service Commission the task of promoting such practical services as the following:

- (1) supplying pastors with practical suggestions concerning ways in which they can help Negro pastors; (2) encouraging definite work by churches in behalf of the Negro Baptist people of their communities; (3) encouraging discussion of race relations under wise leadership in pastors' conferences, district associations, student conferences and brotherhood meetings, and furnishing constructive material for such discussions; (4) seeking the establishment of Departments of Inter-racial Co-operation by State Conventions (of the order of that in Texas); (5) counseling with Negro Baptist leaders annually concerning the common interests and tasks of white and Negro Baptists in the service of the Kingdom of God; (7) keeping informed about the work of other organizations in this field.

The Commission has accepted the charge given to it by the Convention and is seeking through ways suggested above to meet the demands of better interracial understanding.

The task before us presents a challenge that is tremendous indeed, but not a task too great for a Christ-centered and a Holy Spirit-inspired offensive.

The members of the Social Service Commission and its secretary seek a place deep in the prayer life of Southern Baptists, as together we face tomorrow.

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Commemoration Year of Woman's Missionary Union, Auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention

By MISS KATHLEEN MALLORY

Gratefully mindful of the dauntless encouragement of several pastors and board secretaries in the formation of the Woman's Missionary Union and of the gracious advice of the increasing host of pastors and board secretaries in behalf of the growing organization during its sixty years, the author of this requested article dedicates it to the pastors and board secretaries of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Believing that the purpose and plans of Woman's Missionary Union will be clearly set forth by explaining reasons for, and goals of, this 60th Anniversary, she entitles the article: *Commemoration Year of Woman's Missionary Union, Auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention*.

In the January issue of *Royal Service*, which is the Union's widely circulated monthly magazine for Woman's Missionary Societies, the reasons for the observance of the 60th Anniversary were explained by the program editor, Mrs. C. C. Creasman, of Tennessee.

"We are calling this anniversary observance not a celebration but a commemoration. There is a difference. A celebration emphasizes outward ceremonies and demonstrations; a commemoration turns thoughts inward for remembrance and contemplation. A celebration suggests hilarity, merriment and gaiety; a commemoration suggests quiet, heartfelt rejoicing, deep emotions of gratitude and reverent worship.

"So we will observe this year of 1948 as 'Our Commemoration Year.' We will

remember the happenings of the sixty years of history of the W.M.U. We will review the events which have brought us to our present position of honor. We will rejoice in our development and achievements. We will return to those things which have been good in the past. We will renew our allegiance to W.M.U. ideals. And we will resolve to make future years of W.M.U. far greater than past years have been.

"Woman's Missionary Union is a great *praying force*. Through its prayer plans, women and young people learn how to pray and are led to definite missionary praying.

"Women's Missionary Union is a great *stewardship force*. Through its stewardship plans, it teaches the Bible principles of stewardship and leads to the practice of faithful stewardship.

"Woman's Missionary Union is a great *evangelizing force*. Through its program of community missions its members are led to efforts in personal soul-winning.

"Woman's Missionary Union is a great *enlisting force*. Thus thousands of women and young people of the churches are enlisted in all of the benevolent, educational and missionary programs of the Southern Baptist Convention."

High Goals Accepted

The foregoing explanation by Mrs. Creasman is reinforced by the acceptance of the following financial goals as proposed by the 60th Anniversary Committee of which Mrs. Frank Burney, of Georgia, is the chairman:

Ten per cent Increase for Undesignated Co-operative Program Funds.

\$800,000 for Annie Armstrong Offering for Home Missions.

\$1,600,000 for Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for Foreign Missions.

In accepting these high goals there was unanimous agreement that priority be given to the undesignated Co-operative Program. From the very inception of the Co-operative Program the most loyal support has been consistently rendered by Woman's Missionary Union. Among the ways in which this promotion has been effective, three might be appraised as outstanding:

1. Presentation, in society and associational programs of the various causes served through the Co-operative Program.

2. Publication of articles written by pastors and other denominational leaders to emphasize some special undertaking in behalf of causes dependent upon receipts through the Co-operative Program, such as the recent three months' campaign to secure a million tithers among Southern Baptists.

3. Recurring advice that every W.M.U. organization seek to increase its contri-

butions at least 10 per cent through the Co-operative Program.

Pastors who keep close to W.M.U. work in their churches realize that such work is as definitely loyal to the state causes as to the Southwide causes. The 1947 financial records are not yet available, but in 1946 W.M.U. women and young people gave to state causes \$3,249,829.70 in a total of \$7,817,774.87 to non-local causes. Such victories are an earnest of high success in the financial goals of this Commemoration Year.

Pastors, whose very name suggests the yearning shepherd's care, know that such victories will be conserved and bigger ones more constantly achieved if succeeding generations are carefully taught the underlying motives and methods of the missionary enterprise. Sixty years ago Woman's Missionary Union grasped this basic principle and incorporated in its constitution full acceptance of its responsibility for "stimulating a missionary spirit and the grace of giving among the women and young people of the churches." It is logical therefore that among the goals of this 60th Anniversary are many concerning the further growth of W.M.U. young people's organizations,



Mrs. George R. Martin (left) is the president of the W.M.U., Mrs. Wilfred C. Tyler (center) is the recording secretary, and Mrs. W. J. Cox is the treasurer.

for instance 6,000 Southern Baptist Convention churches with Royal Ambassador chapters, having an enrolment of 100,000 boys of junior and intermediate ages, with at least half of the members signed up as tithers. Another logical enlistment goal of the anniversary is a big increase in membership in Woman's Missionary Societies (from 420,592 in 1946 to 600,000 members in 1948), and the maintenance of at least one W.M.U. organization in 60 per cent of Southern Baptist Convention churches.

Work is Outlined

As we face all such goals and achievements it is particularly gratifying to quote from Dr. W. O. Carver.

"Surely it was an inspiration of the Holy Spirit, when Southern Baptist women organized in 1888, that their organization was designated 'Woman's Missionary Union Auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention.' Considering the ideals and conventions of that day there was a holy courage in their organizing for the support of the missionary work of the boards of the Southern Baptist Convention. They had long been doing much in the way of supporting this work. A new day was upon the world, calling for expansion and an increased efficiency in all



Miss Mary P. Winborne (left) is the W.M.U. executive secretary in Kentucky. Miss Vonnice E. Lance is the secretary in South Carolina.

sources for promoting the undertakings of the Convention. Only by freedom to think and devise means for their own deepening and expanding desire to promote the interests of the Master's Kingdom could the women make progress toward realizing the enlarging vision of their leaders.

"On the other hand there were innate modesty and reverent conservatism to restrain the women from any element of self-assertion and from anything that might even seem to be setting up an independent and rival organization. 'Auxiliary' expressed exactly their emotional and intelligent conviction and desires. That concept has guided the women for



Four W.M.U. workers concerned with the entire convention are pictured above. They are (left to right) Ivyloy Bishop, Royal Ambassador secretary; Miss Juliette Mather, W.M.U. editorial secretary; Miss Ethel Winfield, secretary of literature department; and Miss Mary Christian, W.M.U. field representative.



Eight of the state W.M.U. secretaries are pictured above. They are (left to right, top row) Mrs. C. H. Ray, Arkansas; Mrs. John Hathaway, Illinois; Mrs. Hannah E. Reynolds, Louisiana; and Mrs. Carleton M. Long, District of Columbia; (bottom row) Miss Edwina Robinson, Mississippi; Miss Eula Mae Henderson, Texas; Miss Mary Northington, Tennessee; and Miss Marjorie Allen, Maryland.

more than half a century. It still exactly expresses the inner heart and the consistent purpose of the women in relation to the Kingdom of God as this rests as a responsibility upon Southern Baptists.

"Through the decades, as conditions have changed, challenges multiplied and organization has become more complex, the women have shown most gratifying capacity for participation in all phases of denominational life and work through their organized societies, local, district, state and general—while at the same time their spirit of refined subordination has kept them loyal to the auxiliary principle. No one can have been an intelligent observer of the ways and work of W.M.U. without admiring, with grateful thanks to God, its immeasurable value in all phases of the work of the local churches, state organizations and their interests,

as well as in the truly marvelous support of the missionary work of the Southern Baptist Convention. And the W.M.U. has found ways of sharing in every large undertaking of Southern Baptists without ever losing the major emphasis on home and foreign missions which stimulated them from the beginning.

"In the more intimate integration of denominational life and cooperation in undertakings which mark the current stage of our development it would be a great misfortune and a serious check on progress if W.M.U. should anywhere lose its consciousness of direct calling for a peculiar responsibility for efficient implementation of its own peculiar spirit in autonomous organization. W.M.U. could not become merely one department of state or local organization, like Sunday school work, Training Union, etc., without

most serious loss to our larger visions and our increasing undertakings. The Southern Baptist Convention is not constituted of state units. No state convention can be represented in the Southern Baptist Convention. Woman's Missionary Union, autonomous and independent, is in full line with Southern Baptist Convention ideas and plans. The women have never had and do not desire any but an auxiliary status. W.M.U. must remain essentially and predominantly 'Auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention.'

Pastors Support Movement

Far-visionary and missionary hearted pastors of the Southern Baptist Convention will like the way Dr. J. E. Dillard sets forth the purpose and practice in and by Woman's Missionary Union and its membership.

"I like the name, Woman's Missionary Union Auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention. It is a bit long but I don't know how you could cut a word out without making it bleed. If I were to attempt to improve on it I would have to lengthen it and call it 'Woman's Missionary Union Auxiliary to Every Southern Baptist Cause.' And I speak from personal knowledge reaching back almost to the beginning of the organization.

"In the churches where I was pastor, the Woman's Missionary Society responded to every call promptly, gladly and effectively. They not only kept our women and young people interested and enlisted in mission study and giving but they also helped by calling upon the sick, the strangers, the unenlisted and the disgruntled. They helped in the Hundred Thousand Club, in the Every-Member Canvass, and in promoting special days and seasons. I could count upon them for 100 per cent cooperation in promoting the Co-operative Program.

"Of course, they had and still have their own goals and special offerings, and they



Dr. Carrie U. Littlejohn (left) is the principal of the W.M.U. Training School, Louisville, Kentucky. Mrs. Frank Burney is the chairman of the W.M.U. 60th Anniversary Committee.

keep records and make reports just as they ought. They know that by setting goals and keeping records and making reports they encourage and stimulate giving and are enabled to set higher goals with hope of success.

"Then, how these women come to the help of our denomination in times of emergency! How in the world could our mission work have been carried on in those dark days of debt if it had not been for the W.M.U.? And how could our Home Mission Board even have survived if it had not been for the contributions of the W.M.U.?

"Will any Southern Baptist ever forget or cease to be grateful for the help the W.M.U. rendered our denomination through the Baptist Hundred Thousand Club? It actually contributed more than one-third of the Club receipts for payment on our Southwide debt.

"Then bear in mind the fact that the W.M.U. turns over all the money it raises to the Convention boards for disbursement. It is certainly an auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention.

"Yes sir, I like the name the women chose and put in the preamble of their constitution, and I like the way they live up to that name 'Auxiliary.' Now let us help these women (Phil. 4:3)."

Summary of Southern Baptist Statistics—1947

(As reported by associational clerks)

Items	1946	1947	Gains
Associations	928	*942	14 (1.5%)
Churches	26,401	26,764	363 (1.4%)
Ministers	24,791	25,319	528 (2.1%)
Baptisms	253,361	285,152	31,791 (12.5%)
Church Members	6,079,305	6,270,819	191,514 (3.1%)
Sunday School Enrolment	3,738,924	4,004,705	265,781 (7.1%)
Training Union Enrolment	802,859	927,908	125,049 (15.6%)
W.M.U. Enrolment	668,262	761,907	93,645 (14.0%)
Brotherhood Enrolment	71,412	97,146	25,734 (36.0%)
**Vacation Bible Schools	13,145	16,222	3,077 (23.4%)
**V.B.S. Enrolment	1,055,678	1,328,790	273,112 (25.9%)
Gifts for Local Work	\$ 87,986,245	\$103,690,832	\$15,704,587 (17.8%)
Per Capita	\$14.47	\$16.53	\$2.06 (14.2%)
Gifts for Missions and Benevolences	\$ 27,240,704	\$ 28,472,014	\$1,231,310 (4.5%)
Per Capita	\$ 4.48	\$ 4.54	\$0.06 (1.3%)
Total Gifts for All Purposes	\$115,226,949	\$132,162,846	\$16,935,897 (14.7%)
Per Capita	\$18.95	\$21.07	\$2.12 (11.2%)
Value of Church Property	\$313,053,779	\$366,830,652	\$53,776,873 (17.2%)

*Includes Mexican Convention of nine associations affiliated with S.B.C.

**As reported by Vacation Bible School Department.

Alabama—1947

Items	1946	1947	Gains and Losses
Associations	71	72	1
Churches	2,437	2,480	43
Pastors	1,443	1,611	168
Baptisms	18,200	20,131	1,931
Church Members	463,969	481,074	17,105
Sunday Schools	2,348	2,391	43
Sunday School Enrolment	259,201	276,058	16,857
Churches with Training Unions	1,066	1,185	119
Training Union Enrolment	58,944	73,477	14,533
W.M.U. Enrolment	40,164	51,223	11,059
Brotherhood Enrolment	1,511	2,397	886
Vacation Bible School Enrolment	94,320	117,120	22,800
Church Houses	2,332	2,401	69
Value Church Property	\$18,583,704	\$21,692,433	\$ 3,108,729
Gifts Local	\$ 5,255,982	\$ 6,108,577	\$ 952,595
Gifts Mission	\$ 1,358,989	\$ 1,410,373	\$ 51,384
Total Gifts	\$ 6,514,971	\$ 7,518,950	\$ 1,003,979
Pastorless Churches	275	235	—40

Arizona—1947

	1946	1947	Gains and Losses
Associations	2	5	3
Churches	48	55	7

Pastors	40	46	6
Baptisms	724	867	143
Church Members	6,846	7,912	1,066
Sunday Schools	40	52	12
Sunday School Enrolment	6,496	7,992	1,496
Churches With Training Unions	40	42	2
Training Union Enrolment	1,739	2,570	831
W.M.U. Enrolment	952	1,508	556
Brotherhood Enrolment	114	463	349
Vacation Bible School Enrolment	4,090	4,822	732
Church Houses	34	51	17
Value Church Property	\$ 498,437	\$ 932,310	\$ 433,873
Gifts Local	\$ 232,867	\$ 302,230	\$ 69,363
Gifts Mission	\$ 56,426	\$ 64,770	\$ 8,344
Total Gifts	\$ 289,293	\$ 367,000	\$ 77,707
Pastorless Churches	8	6	—2

Arkansas—1947

Items	1946	1947	Gains and Losses
Associations	42	42	—
Churches	986	1,000	14
Pastors	597	625	28
Baptisms	9,874	11,460	1,586
Church Members	195,860	200,843	4,983
Sunday Schools	980	988	8
Sunday School Enrolment	128,308	135,857	7,549
Churches with Training Unions	526	542	16

Training Union			
Enrolment	49,410	48,217	3,807
W.M.U. Enrolment	20,298	22,888	2,590
Brotherhood			
Enrolment	2,327	3,270	943
Vacation Bible			
School Enrolment	29,606	35,018	5,412
Church Houses	899	913	14
Value Church			
Property	\$ 9,774,068	\$11,413,593	\$ 1,639,525
Gifts Local	\$ 3,345,963	\$ 3,697,850	\$ 351,887
Gifts Mission	\$ 791,712	\$ 903,949	\$ 112,237
Total Gifts	\$ 4,137,675	\$ 4,601,799	\$ 464,124
Pastorless Churches	248	204	—44

Pastors	662	694	32
Baptisms	11,846	13,543	1,697
Church Members	213,270	225,882	12,612
Sunday Schools	817	856	39
Sunday School			
Enrolment	143,232	159,786	16,554
Churches with			
Training Unions	499	577	78
Training Union			
Enrolment	35,930	43,915	7,985
W.M.U. Enrolment	27,352	29,520	2,168
Brotherhood			
Enrolment	3,784	4,022	238
Vacation Bible			
School Enrolment	34,815	56,350	21,535
Church Houses	839	867	28
Value Church			
Property	\$12,906,790	\$15,948,137	\$ 3,041,347
Gifts Local	\$ 4,482,046	\$ 5,554,377	\$ 1,072,331
Gifts Mission	\$ 1,321,862	\$ 1,141,250	\$ —180,612
Total Gifts	\$ 5,803,908	\$ 6,695,627	\$ 891,719
Pastorless Churches	104	109	5

California—1947

Items	1946	1947	Gains and Losses
Associations	9	12	3
Churches	121	154	33
Pastors	113	141	28
Baptisms	1,583	2,489	906
Church Members	11,577	15,935	4,358
Sunday Schools	120	153	33
Sunday School			
Enrolment	13,864	18,709	4,845
Churches with			
Training Unions	98	125	27
Training Union			
Enrolment	5,014	7,254	2,240
W.M.U. Enrolment	2,270	3,700	1,430
Brotherhood			
Enrolment	540	875	335
Vacation Bible			
School Enrolment	6,387	12,250	5,863
Church Houses	96	113	17
Value Church			
Property	\$ 1,108,993	\$ 1,868,210	\$ 759,217
Gifts Local	\$ 461,448	\$ 691,352	\$ 229,904
Gifts Mission	\$ 55,469	\$ 82,624	\$ 27,155
Total Gifts	\$ 516,917	\$ 773,976	\$ 257,059
Pastorless Churches	10	13	3

Georgia—1947

Items	1946	1947	Gains and Losses
Associations	96	91	—5
Churches	2,682	2,623	—59
Pastors	1,695	1,721	26
Baptisms	21,421	23,996	2,575
Church Members	619,141	620,803	1,662
Sunday Schools	2,362	2,406	44
Sunday School			
Enrolment	297,682	319,192	21,510
Churches with			
Training Unions	1,114	1,218	104
Training Union			
Enrolment	57,072	65,195	8,123
W.M.U. Enrolment	57,669	64,591	6,922
Brotherhood			
Enrolment	297,682	319,192	21,510
Vacation Bible			
School Enrolment	70,025	97,404	27,379
Church Houses	2,479	2,469	—10
Value Church			
Property	\$25,969,630	\$29,877,618	\$ 3,907,988
Gifts Local	\$ 4,482,046	\$ 5,554,377	\$ 1,072,331
Gifts Mission	\$ 2,092,622	\$ 2,048,404	\$ —44,218
Total Gifts	\$ 8,761,349	\$ 9,779,897	\$ 1,018,548
Pastorless Churches	255	165	—90

District of Columbia—1947

Items	1946	1947	Gains and Losses
Associations	1	1	—
Churches	34	35	1
Pastors	30	30	—
Baptisms	910	1,100	190
Church Members	26,530	27,162	632
Sunday Schools	34	34	—
Sunday School			
Enrolment	17,723	19,482	1,759
Churches with			
Training Unions	29	29	—
Training Union			
Enrolment	3,152	3,071	—81
W.M.U. Enrolment	2,370	2,791	421
Brotherhood			
Enrolment	—	769	769
Vacation Bible			
School Enrolment	4,606	5,185	579
Church Houses	34	34	—
Value Church			
Property	\$ 4,464,933	\$ 4,585,700	\$ 120,767
Gifts Local	\$ 669,294	\$ 724,549	\$ 55,255
Gifts Mission	\$ 275,544	\$ 331,944	\$ 56,400
Total Gifts	\$ 944,838	\$ 1,056,493	\$ 111,655
Pastorless Churches	4	No Report	—

Illinois—1947

Items	1946	1947	Gains and Losses
Associations	23	23	—
Churches	590	589	—1
Pastors	386	395	9
Baptisms	3,424	3,920	496
Church Members	94,793	94,729	—64
Sunday Schools	599	598	—1
Sunday School			
Enrolment	63,705	65,196	1,491
Churches with			
Training Unions	226	245	19
Training Union			
Enrolment	13,241	13,512	271
W.M.U. Enrolment	9,900	10,376	476
Brotherhood			
Enrolment	1,104	1,694	590
Vacation Bible			
School Enrolment	22,276	25,326	3,050
Church Houses	562	565	3
Value Church			
Property	\$ 4,172,112	\$ 4,862,724	\$ 690,612
Gifts Local	\$ 1,221,861	\$ 1,507,777	\$ 285,916
Gifts Mission	\$ 386,465	\$ 367,832	\$ —18,633
Total Gifts	\$ 1,608,326	\$ 1,875,609	\$ 267,283
Pastorless Churches	146	130	—16

Florida—1947

Items	1946	1947	Gains and Losses
Associations	35	35	—
Churches	861	882	21

Kentucky—1947

Items	1946	1947	
Associations	80	81	1
Churches	2,168	2,197	29
Pastors	1,534	1,612	78
Baptisms	17,913	19,988	2,075
Church Members	471,284	482,457	11,173
Sunday Schools	2,027	2,078	51
Sunday School Enrolment	268,150	284,835	16,685
Churches with Training Unions ..	839	909	70
Training Union Enrolment	39,986	43,539	3,553
W.M.U. Enrolment ..	37,052	43,175	6,123
Brotherhood Enrolment	3,142	4,451	1,309
Vacation Bible School Enrolment ..	99,039	111,659	12,620
Church Houses	2,027	2,051	24
Value Church Property	\$21,666,083	\$24,819,027	\$ 3,152,944
Gifts Local	\$ 5,711,406	\$ 6,496,321	\$ 784,915
Gifts Mission	\$ 2,103,900	\$ 2,120,017	\$ 16,117
Total Gifts	\$ 7,815,306	\$ 8,616,338	\$ 801,032
Pastorless Churches ..	197	153	—44

Gifts Local	\$ 598,380	\$ 647,330	\$ 48,950
Gifts Mission	\$ 136,915	\$ 130,687	\$ —6,228
Total Gifts	\$ 735,295	\$ 778,017	\$ 42,722
Pastorless Churches ..	3	—3
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Mississippi—1947

Items	1946	1947	
Associations	73	73
Churches	1,577	1,592	15
Pastors	1,005	1,037	32
Baptisms	13,043	14,605	1,562
Church Members	335,275	349,314	14,039
Sunday Schools	1,445	1,481	36
Sunday School Enrolment	164,267	179,286	15,019
Churches with Training Unions ..	720	777	57
Training Union Enrolment	49,103	55,206	6,103
W.M.U. Enrolment ..	29,081	33,934	4,853
Brotherhood Enrolment	2,609	3,830	1,221
Vacation Bible School Enrolment ..	50,814	63,036	12,222
Church Houses	1,527	1,557	30
Value Church Property	\$14,262,990	\$17,449,812	\$ 3,186,822
Gifts Local	\$ 4,326,864	\$ 4,912,742	\$ 585,878
Gifts Mission	\$ 1,456,251	\$ 1,353,621	\$ —102,630
Total Gifts	\$ 5,783,115	\$ 6,266,363	\$ 483,248
Pastorless Churches ..	64	122	58

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Louisiana—1947

Items	1946	1947	
Associations	42	42
Churches	962	985	23
Pastors	708	765	57
Baptisms	10,324	12,143	1,819
Church Members	246,010	253,823	7,813
Sunday Schools	959	982	23
Sunday School Enrolment	133,799	144,852	11,053
Churches with Training Unions ..	574	616	42
Training Union Enrolment	46,500	52,932	6,432
W.M.U. Enrolment ..	25,346	29,368	4,022
Brotherhood Enrolment	6,046	7,837	1,791
Vacation Bible School Enrolment ..	33,885	43,589	9,704
Church Houses	937	962	25
Value Church Property	\$10,849,756	\$13,434,192	\$ 2,584,436
Gifts Local	\$ 4,106,094	\$ 4,682,835	\$ 576,741
Gifts Mission	\$ 1,082,869	\$ 1,074,582	\$ —8,287
Total Gifts	\$ 5,188,963	\$ 5,757,417	\$ 568,454
Pastorless Churches ..	127	106	—21

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Missouri—1947

Items	1946	1947	
Associations	83	83	—
Churches	1,724	1,714	—10
Pastors	1,128	1,004	—124
Baptisms	12,484	14,403	1,919
Church Members	316,525	317,918	1,393
Sunday Schools	1,677	1,532	—145
Sunday School Enrolment	204,629	209,097	4,468
Churches with Training Unions ..	605	661	56
Training Union Enrolment	32,583	40,077	7,494
W.M.U. Enrolment ..	39,581	47,801	8,220
Brotherhood Enrolment	6,326	8,027	1,701
Vacation Bible School Enrolment ..	64,073	77,191	13,118
Church Houses	1,633	1,521	—112
Value Church Property	\$18,227,150	\$19,941,838	\$ 1,714,688
Gifts Local	\$ 4,062,778	\$ 4,971,485	\$ 908,707
Gifts Mission	\$ 1,270,363	\$ 1,708,390	\$ 438,027
Total Gifts	\$ 5,333,141	\$ 6,679,875	\$ 1,336,734
Pastorless Churches ..	373	309	—64

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Maryland—1947

Items	1946	1947	
Associations	6	6
Churches	103	103
Pastors	90	*90
Baptisms	1,029	1,112	83
Church Members	26,778	27,305	527
Sunday Schools	110	*110	....
Sunday School Enrolment	24,004	24,242	238
Churches with Training Unions ..	75	73	—2
Training Union Enrolment	3,859	4,109	250
W.M.U. Enrolment ..	4,377	4,552	175
Brotherhood Enrolment .....	....	....	....
Vacation Bible School Enrolment ..	5,861	7,022	1,161
Church Houses	101	*101
Value Church Property	\$ 3,936,250	\$ 4,423,450	\$ 487,200

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New Mexico—1947

Items	1946	1947	
Associations	10	10
Churches	157	166	9
Pastors	109	116	7
Baptisms	2,059	2,123	64
Church Members	32,580	35,835	3,255
Sunday Schools	141	151	10

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Sunday School			
Enrolment	26,053	29,039	2,986
Churches with			
Training Unions ..	108	111	3
Training Union			
Enrolment	8,011	9,740	1,729
W.M.U. Enrolment ..	4,011	4,334	323
Brotherhood			
Enrolment	919	1,482	563
Vacation Bible			
School Enrolment ..	13,829	16,589	2,760
Church Houses	129	145	16
Value Church			
Property	\$ 1,808,782	\$ 2,223,599	\$ 414,817
Gifts Local	\$ 702,450	\$ 797,002	\$ 94,552
Gifts Mission	\$ 217,038	\$ 250,647	\$ 33,609
Total Gifts	\$ 919,488	\$ 1,047,649	\$ 128,161
Pastorless Churches	31	29	—2

Indian Associations

Associations	5	5	....
Churches	84	84	....
Baptisms	168	181	13
Membership	5,478	5,558	80
Sunday Schools	62	62	....
Sunday School			
Enrolment	2,768	2,806	38
Training Union			
Enrolment	696	731	35
W.M.U. Enrolment ..	43	127	84
Brotherhood			
Enrolment .....	....	38	38
Vacation Bible			
School Enrolment ..	228	226	—2
Value Church			
Property	\$ 110,150	\$ 110,160	\$ 10
Local Gifts	\$673	\$5,756	\$5,083
Mission Gifts	\$115	\$1,754	\$1,639

*Incomplete.

North Carolina—1947

Items	1946	1947	Gains and Losses
Associations	70	70	....
Churches	2,769	2,824	55
Pastors	1,684	1,796	112
Baptisms	24,106	26,451	2,345
Church Members	606,370	627,123	20,753
Sunday Schools	2,752	2,840	88
Sunday School			
Enrolment	441,739	472,059	30,320
Churches with			
Training Unions ..	1,080	1,232	152
Training Union			
Enrolment	61,310	73,694	12,384
W.M.U. Enrolment ..	86,082	94,624	8,542
Brotherhood			
Enrolment	2,518	3,843	1,325
Vacation Bible			
School Enrolment ..	106,565	138,361	31,796
Church Houses	2,725	2,772	47
Value Church			
Property	\$32,153,820	\$38,363,125	\$ 6,209,305
Gifts Local	\$ 8,914,772	\$10,963,819	\$ 2,049,047
Gifts Mission	\$ 2,800,036	\$ 3,164,843	\$ 364,807
Total Gifts	\$11,714,808	\$14,128,662	\$ 2,413,854
Pastorless Churches	155	142	—13

South Carolina—1947

Items	1946	1947	Gains and Losses
Associations	38	38	....
Churches	1,245	1,256	11
Pastors	933	1,084	151
Baptisms	12,585	13,582	997
Church Members	330,919	330,502	—417
Sunday Schools	1,234	1,247	13
Sunday School			
Enrolment	222,212	239,322	17,110
Churches with			
Training Unions ..	565	621	56
Training Union			
Enrolment	45,507	47,503	1,996
W.M.U. Enrolment ..	57,597	57,985	388
Brotherhood			
Enrolment	690	1,809	1,119
Vacation Bible			
School Enrolment ..	54,274	73,904	19,630
Church Houses	1,230	1,234	4
Value Church			
Property	\$18,414,486	\$21,095,171	\$ 2,680,685
Gifts Local	\$ 4,772,465	\$ 5,920,070	\$ 1,147,605
Gifts Mission	\$ 1,767,493	\$ 1,716,814	\$ —50,679
Total Gifts	\$ 6,539,958	\$ 7,636,884	\$ 1,096,926
Pastorless Churches	80	42	—38

Oklahoma—1947

Items	1946	1947	Gains and Losses
Associations	33	34	1
Churches	954	966	12
Pastors	714	702	—12
Baptisms	14,410	16,470	2,060
Church Members	282,166	293,181	11,015
Sunday Schools	936	1,051	115
Sunday School			
Enrolment	177,437	193,510	16,073
Churches with			
Training Unions ..	657	624	—33
Training Union			
Enrolment	46,264	53,558	7,294
W.M.U. Enrolment ..	28,011	31,653	3,642
Brotherhood			
Enrolment	4,257	6,867	2,610
Vacation Bible			
School Enrolment ..	52,753	62,561	9,808
Church Houses	857	882	25
Value Church			
Property	\$14,026,407	\$16,676,572	\$ 2,650,165
Gifts Local	\$ 4,530,317	\$ 5,362,783	\$ 832,466
Gifts Mission	\$ 1,256,722	\$ 1,255,355	\$ —1,367
Total Gifts	\$ 5,787,039	\$ 6,618,138	\$ 831,099
Pastorless Churches	373	309	—64

Tennessee—1947

Items	1946	1947	Gains and Losses
Associations	66	66	....
Churches	2,395	2,408	13
Pastors	1,432	1,545	113
Baptisms	21,554	25,311	3,757
Church Members	512,374	528,769	16,395
Sunday Schools	2,309	2,359	50
Sunday School			
Enrolment	307,453	327,875	20,422
Churches with			
Training Unions ..	834	906	72
Training Union			
Enrolment	64,484	74,573	10,089
W.M.U. Enrolment ..	49,688	55,403	5,715
Brotherhood			
Enrolment	2,942	4,904	1,962
Vacation Bible			
School Enrolment ..	99,875	113,290	13,415
Church Houses	2,279	2,279	....
Value Church			
Property	\$22,271,737	\$25,708,577	\$ 3,436,840
Gifts Local	\$ 6,403,613	\$ 7,836,330	\$ 1,432,717
Gifts Mission	\$ 1,977,243	\$ 2,471,347	\$ 494,104
Total Gifts	\$ 8,380,856	\$ 9,907,677	\$ 1,526,821
Pastorless Churches	276	204	—72

Texas—1947

Items	1946	1947	Gains and Losses
Associations	113	114	1
Churches	3,300	3,310	10
Pastors	2,452	2,702	250
Baptisms	44,419	49,792	5,373
Church Members	970,970	1,022,783	51,813
Sunday Schools	3,261	3,365	104
Sunday School Enrolment	619,202	665,479	46,277
Churches with Training Unions ..	1,727	1,843	116
Training Union Enrolment	165,016	192,097	27,081
W.M.U. Enrolment ..	79,112	98,157	19,045
Brotherhood Enrolment	27,824	32,550	4,726
Vacation Bible School Enrolment..	168,606	203,849	35,243
Church Houses	3,011	3,076	65
Value Church Property	\$55,132,701	\$66,815,386	\$12,682,685
Gifts Local	\$17,226,702	\$19,772,585	\$ 2,545,883
Gifts Mission	\$ 5,169,576	\$ 5,388,618	\$ 219,042
Total Gifts	\$22,396,278	\$25,161,203	\$ 2,764,925
Pastorless Churches	651	287	—364

Mexican Convention Affiliated with Texas State Convention

	1947
Associations	9
Churches	132
Pastors	75
Baptisms	671
Church Members	6,519
Sunday Schools	59
Sunday School Enrolment	5,672

Churches with Training Unions	36
Training Union Enrolment	1,986
W.M.U. Enrolment	1,525
Brotherhood Enrolment	297
Vacation Bible School Enrolment	4,901
Church Houses	47
Value Church Property	\$461,972
Gifts Local	83,827
Gifts Mission	21,664
Total Gifts	\$105,491

Virginia—1947

Items	1946	1947	Gains and Losses
Associations	30	30	.....
Churches	1,204	1,209	5
Pastors	627	661	34
Baptisms	11,285	10,814	—471
Church Members	310,590	315,392	4,802
Sunday Schools	1,190	1,193	3
Sunday School Enrolment	217,000	224,359	7,359
Churches with Training Unions ..	409	420	11
Training Union Enrolment	25,038	25,952	914
W.M.U. Enrolment..	67,306	72,672	5,366
Brotherhood Enrolment	997	1,254	257
Vacation Bible School Enrolment..	48,275	62,716	14,441
Church Houses	1,183	1,191	8
Value Church Property	\$23,089,000	\$24,411,206	\$ 1,322,206
Gifts Local	\$ 4,391,543	\$ 4,919,742	\$ 528,199
Gifts Mission	\$ 1,663,094	\$ 1,862,529	\$ 199,435
Total Gifts	\$ 6,054,637	\$ 6,782,271	\$ 727,634
Pastorless Churches	137	121	—16

Churches with 750 Members and More—1947

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Church	Mem- bership	Baptisms	S. S. Enrol.	T.U. Enrol.	Pastor and Address
Phoenix City, W. Side	751	68	395	89	T. E. Steele, P. City
Siloam	751	13	446	203	J. N. Triplett, Marion
Bessemer, S. Highlands	755	29	614	133	H. C. Hopkins, Bessemer
Cullman, 7th St.	755	24	456	107	
Tuscumbia, First	756	22	533	94	D. W. Edwards, Tuscumbia
Wetumpka, First	759	31	552	122	E. N. Calvert, Wetumpka
Oneonta	760	7	305	64	H. N. Beasley, Oneonta
Athens, First	765	69	544	202	L. W. Hart, Athens
Eufaula, First	766	30	363	107	C. B. Price, Eufaula
Birmingham, Acipco	766	27	441	179	Zack Appleton, Birmingham
Phoenix City, First	778	18	434	140	F. T. Woodward, P. City
Plateau, First	790	61	402	286	J. E. Albritton, Plateau
Mobile, Springhill Avenue	807	37	515	119	W. H. Black, Mobile
Tarrant, Union	821	33	353	131	J. B. Cambron, Bessemer
Hayleyville, First	822	8	421	115	W. T. Mims, Haleyville
Tallassee	825	22	441	91	P. E. Dixon, Tallassee
Birmingham, 10th Avenue	827	21	392	71	Jas. D. Wyatt, Birmingham
Huntsville, 5th Street	844	26	310	113	M. G. Wilson, Huntsville
Montgomery, Second	857	24	456	136	Lee Gallman, Montgomery
Birmingham, Pratt City	871	13	501	93	J. W. Caldwell, Pratt City
Birmingham, Wylam	884	46	671	210	Hugh L. Tully, Wylam
Attalla, First	885	7	867	227	G. E. Puckett, Attalla
Clanton	890	6	488		R. E. Owens, Clanton
Mobile, Toulminville	895	87	669	167	C. L. McKay, Mobile
Fairfax	906	33	648	213	R. G. Crowe, Fairfax
Pleasant Ridge	919	31	699	200	Judson Jones, Hueytown
Tarrant, First	923	6	190	40	Ira Tidwell, Tarrant
Tarrant, Central	950	18	628	117	C. M. Crossway, Tarrant
Russellville, First	963	68	425	57	R. H. Jackson, Russellville
Enterprise	965	27	506	107	B. R. Justice, Enterprise
Sheffield, First	993	33	668	126	W. A. Smith, Sheffield
Chickashaw	999	173	734	224	Bob Barker, Chickashaw
Jasper, First	1,012	7	647	143	Wayman Reese, Jasper
Florence, First	1,033	75	534	128	
Atmore, First	1,041	26	512	112	Sheppard Bryan, Atmore
Opelika, First	1,045	37	939	217	W. E. Waterhouse, Opelika
Huntsville, First	1,051	22	742	93	Jno. J. Milford, Huntsford
Cullman, First	1,060	26	604	102	
Sylacauga	1,070	27	812	197	Chester Quarles, Sylacauga
Birmingham, Calvary	1,071	71	1,007	255	Jas. G. Harris, Birmingham
Birmingham, Inglenook	1,096	50	656	159	Oley C. Kidd, Birmingham
Talladega, First	1,147	48	807	172	Perry Claxton, Talladega
Birmingham, 66th St.	1,165	15	727	141	Raymond Scroggins, Birmingham
Lanett	1,173	34	813	180	J. B. Marlow, Lanett
Mobile, Central	1,174	45	510	122	A. E. Carpenter, Mobile
Andalusia, First	1,191	20	684	107	J. A. Cook, Andalusia
Birmingham, Powderley	1,231	107	756	330	Dalton Leath, Birmingham
Bessemer, First	1,234	51	682	140	Leon Macon, Bessemer
Birmingham, South Avondale	1,262	50	970	175	
Auburn	1,318	52	928	510	H. A. Ayers, Auburn
Gadsden, 12th St.	1,320	33	1,231	372	C. A. Alexander, Gadsden
Birmingham, Norwood	1,379	49	848	212	Cecil S. Ward, Birmingham
Birmingham, Pike Avenue	1,382	25	719	230	Theo. Harris, Birmingham
Montgomery, Capitol Heights	1,426	90	1,375	242	Robert C. Edge, Montgomery
Anniston, Parker Memorial	1,464	46	828	130	B. Locke Davis, Anniston
Gadsden, East	1,572	58	1,326	263	H. S. Inabit, Gadsden
Mobile, Oakdale	1,623	65	1,170	422	P. D. Walker, Mobile
Fairfield, First	1,683	35	964	214	Herman V. Cobb, Fairfield
Prichard, First	1,683	270	1,349	382	Jno. H. Chafin, Prichard

Church	Mem- bership	Baptisms	S. S. Enrol.	T.U. Enrol.	Pastor and Address
Anniston, First	1,785	28	413	80	L. N. Claxton, Anniston
Gadsden, First	1,794	32	1,176	193	Oscar A. Davis, Gadsden
Tuscaloosa, Calvary	1,802	41	1,054	204	H. G. William, Tuscaloosa
Troy, First	1,853	45	954	273	C. T. Ammerman, Troy
Birmingham, West End	1,932	30	1,001	154	Jas. H. Butler, Birmingham
Selma, First	1,957	52	1,269	200	Fred Pearson, Selma
Pringle, First	1,974	52	1,210	278	
Birmingham, Central Park	2,056	54	1,925	441	Wiley D. Ogletree, Birmingham
Decatur, Central	2,151	99	1,310	460	Paul Roberts, Decatur
Montgomery, Clayton St.	2,220	74	1,043	243	J. C. Avery, Montgomery
Birmingham, Ruhama	2,310	50	1,608	487	Selyn Smith, Birmingham
Tuscaloosa, First	2,319	35	1,011	230	N. D. Timmernab, Tuscaloosa
Dothan, First	2,401	94	1,798	301	Henry A. Parker, Dothan
Mobile, First	2,440	51	1,177	138	H. M. Reaves, Mobile
Montgomery, Highland Avenue ..	2,512	119	1,073	242	Henry L. Lyons, Montgomery
Birmingham, Woodlawn	2,552	34	1,579	220	
Birmingham, Hunter Street	2,638	86	1,459	568	Carl J. Giers, Birmingham
Montgomery, First	3,107	53	1,451	178	D. M. Rivers, Montgomery
Birmingham, First	3,296	74	1,695	251	John L. Slaughter, Birmingham
Birmingham, South Side	4,352	89	1,912	....	Jno. H. Buchanan, Birmingham
Mobile, Dauphin Way	5,084	128	2,591	545	H. H. Hobbs, Mobile
Total Churches (80)	112,649	3,872	67,612	15,546	

Arizona

Church	Mem- bership	Baptisms	S. S. Enrol.	T.U. Enrol.	Pastor and Address
Tucson, First	836	36	631	184	R. H. Tharp, Tucson
Phoenix, First	1,575	147	1,030	258	C. V. Rock, Phoenix
Total Churches (2)	2,411	183	1,661	442	

Arkansas

Church	Mem- bership	Baptisms	S. S. Enrol.	T.U. Enrol.	Pastor and Address
Mena, First	750	27	531	191	James A. Overton, Mena
Nashville, First	755	14	516	151	W. E. Perry, Nashville
Tyrone, First	757	95	531	151	Boyd E. Eldridge, Tyrone
Dumas	770	30	526	96	C. D. Wood, Supply, Monticello
Searcy, First	778	33	542	212	W. R. Vestal, Searcy
Fordyce	785	41	545	184	J. T. Eliff, Fordyce
Van Buren	808	54	483	209	T. H. Jordan, Van Buren
*West Helena	814	39	677	209	D. D. Smothers, W. Helena
Hamburg, First	820	48	586	289	Stanley Jordon, Hamburg
Stuttgart, First	842	75	560	215	Ralph D. Dodd, Stuttgart
Hot Springs, Central	843	23	616	157	Clyde Hart, Hot Springs
Pine Bluff, Emmanuel	843	54	702	202	Paul Fox, Pine Bluff
Monticello, First	845	22	458	131	R. D. Washington, Monticello
Harrison, First	854	32	574	333	E. E. Griever, Harrison
*Helena, First	881	26	349	72	Ralph L. Douglas, Helena
Russellville, First	902	49	569	132	
Magnolia, Central	903	55	795	193	L. L. Hunnicutt, Magnolia
North Little Rock	924	79	769	188	Owen W. Moran, N. L. Rock
McGehee	949	72	808	212	Theo. T. James, McGehee
*West Memphis	954	132	618	305	Aubry Halsell, West Memphis
Springdale, First	980	54	907	276	C. E. Wilbanks, Springdale

Church	Mem- bership	Baptisms	S. S. Enrol.	T.U. Enrol.	Pastor and Address
Jonesboro, First	1,000	22	648	92	C. Z. Holland, Jonesboro
Pine Bluff, Southside	1,002	50	846	183	Lloyd A. Sparkman, Pine Bluff
Malvern, First	1,002	56	635	145	T. K. Rucker, Malvern
Little Rock, Pulaski Heights	1,011	35	734	138	W. H. Hicks, Little Rock
Conway, First	1,028	33	763	116	H. B. Tillman, Conway
*Forrest City	1,032	105	639	209	Minor E. Cole, Forrest City
Paris, First	1,071	60	703	326	H. C. Seefeldt, Paris
Pine Bluff, Second	1,081	18	342	106	D. C. McAtee, Pine Bluff
Fort Smith, Calvary	1,101	24	730	198	L. H. Davis, Fort Smith
Little Rock, Baptist Tabernacle	1,108	57	883	188	L. H. Roseman, Little Rock
Texarkana, Beech Street	1,111	18	706	188	
Hot Springs, Second	1,113	65	969	242	O. L. Bayless, Hot Springs
Hot Springs, Park Place	1,203	78	867	277	
Hope, First	1,203	25	849	139	S. A. Whitlow, Hope
Paragould, First	1,264	103	1,072	413	
Crossett, First	1,285	60	795	183	
Camden, First	1,286	95	1,129	209	T. L. Harris, Camden
Warren, First	1,300	23	756	106	
Benton, First	1,368	123	794	178	V. A. Rose, Benton
Booneville, First	1,445	38	543	91	W. W. Grafton, Booneville
Blytheville, First	1,447	72	1,120	210	E. C. Brown, Blytheville
N. Little Rock	1,579	60	1,051	332	H. A. Elledge, N. Little Rock
Little Rock, Second	1,710	81	1,339	206	M. Ray McKay, Little Rock
Fayetteville, First	1,794	23	852	179	Walter L. Johnson, Fayetteville
Arkadelphia, First	1,813	28	945	324	J. G. Cothran, Arkadelphia
El Dorado, Second	1,892	31	756	181	Jesse Reed, El Dorado
El Dorado, First	2,251	88	1,356	317	Sam C. Reeves, El Dorado
Ft. Smith, Immanuel	2,391	56	1,331	298	B. B. Sawyer, Ft. Smith
Pine Bluff, First	2,947	97	1,547	356	A. B. Pierce, Pine Bluff
Little Rock, Immanuel	3,421	205	2,880	712	W. O. Vaught, Jr., Little Rock
Little Rock, First	3,447	124	1,492	293	R. C. Campbell, Little Rock
Ft. Smith, First	4,069	110	1,744	605	B. V. Ferguson, Ft. Smith
Total Churches (53)	69,532	3,117	44,478	11,848	

California

NONE

District of Columbia—1946

Church	Mem- bership	Baptisms	S. S. Enrol.	T.U. Enrol.	Pastor and Address
Washington, Temple	767	50	405	105	John E. Briggs, Washington
Washington, Fifth	806	37	634	.....	John T. Coburn, Washington
Washington, Grace	834	15	542	.....	M. F. Clough, Washington
Washington, Centennial	870	61	568	104	Wilson Holder, Washington
Washington, Brookland	1,040	26	832	75	W. B. Hurlbut, Washington
Washington, Petworth	1,231	55	748	173	J. P. Rodgers, Washington
Washington, Second	1,315	36	828	119	J. Ray Garrett, Washington
Washington, First	2,036	41	605	213	Edw. H. Pruden, Washington
Washington, National Memorial	2,158	55	1,045	152	E. B. Willingham, Washington
Washington, Metropolitan	2,943	149	1,391	416	K. Owen White, Washington
Washington, Calvary	3,610	47	2,312	120	Clarence W. Cranford, Washington
Total Churches (11)	17,610	572	9,910	1,477	

Florida

Church	Mem- bership	Baptisms	S. S. Enrol.	T.U. Enrol.	Pastor and Address
Palatka, First	767	13	520	54	Davis Woolley, Palatka
Lake Wales, First	773	17	518	144	W. Hal Hunter, Lake Wales
Chipley, First	775	40	388	78	T. O. Baldwin, Chipley
Tampa, Spencer Memorial	807	126	860	205	J. E. Rawls, Tampa
Wauchula, First	809	9	588	109	Otis W. Garland, Wauchula
Miami, Little River	824	55	722	195	G. E. Ziemer, Miami

Church	Mem- bership	Baptisms	S. S. Enrol.	T.U. Enrol.	Pastor and Address
Pensacola, Whitfield Memorial	842	27	514	132	W. A. Luckie, Pensacola
Jacksonville, Murray Hill	850	94	1,118	318	Carl A. Howell, Jacksonville
West Palm Beech, Northwood	858	81	557	101	Guy H. Marlow, West Palm Beach
Sarasota	875	41	445	93	H. C. Wayman, Sarasota
Jacksonville, Brentwood	876	40	596	91	A. E. Lightfoot, Jacksonville
Jacksonville, Woodstock Park	882	92	638	246	W. D. Salyers, Jacksonville
Jacksonville, Beach	907	35	752	155	W. P. Everson, Jacksonville
Tampa, Bayshore	907	24	570	74	Robert E. Lee, Tampa
Jacksonville, Franklin Street	918	114	670	295	H. M. Liechty, Jacksonville
Clearwater, Calvary	919	25	563	99	W. B. Feagins, Clearwater
Bartow, First	932	40	571	137	P. R. Wimberly, Bartow
Winter Garden, First	948	26	505	68	A. A. Stulek, Winter Garden
Ocala, Second	968	36	508	126	A. M. Glisson, Ocala
Tampa, Belmont Heights	1,017	37	466	151	W. F. Bishop, Tampa
Jacksonville, Avondale	1,031	32	788	169	John S. Rasco, Jacksonville
Lake City, First	1,076	48	590	163	J. T. Mashburn, Lake City
Fort Lauderdale, First	1,126	40	802	170	Hoke H. Shirley, Fort Lauderdale
Miami, First	1,130	21	846	154	W. E. Denham, Miami
Tampa, Seminole Heights	1,145	50	1,052	139	A. W. Mathis, Tampa
Quincy	1,150	38	701	176	J. Ivy Edwards, Quincy
Sanford, First	1,159	37	775	169	W. P. Brooks, Jr., Sanford
Winter Haven, First	1,159	43	428	.....	Arthur Stovall, Winter Haven
Marianna, First	1,169	47	611	195	L. Don Miley, Plant City
Plant City, First	1,174	47	929	141	Arthur W. Rich, Leesburg
Leesburg, First	1,186	72	922	260	Wm. M. Jones, Tampa
Tampa, Palm Avenue	1,196	100	836	209	J. R. White, Fort Pierce
Fort Pierce, First	1,210	65	816	236	Vaughn M. Johnson, St. Petersburg
St. Petersburg, Fifth Avenue	1,218	60	853	127	E. C. Abernathy, Tampa
Tampa, Riverside	1,256	74	1,176	181	Malcomb B. Knight, Ocala
Ocala, First	1,281	71	981	231	E. D. McDaniel, Panama City
Panama City	1,291	66	1,046	202	R. Grady Snowden, Deland
DeLand, First	1,311	28	768	281	James S. Day, Jr., Lakeland
Lakeland, Southside	1,346	63	1,147	210	Ralph E. Gwin, Miami
Miami, Stanton Memorial	1,386	92	1,011	195	Lee Nichols, Daytona Beach
Daytona, First	1,544	113	1,601	408	J. A. Stewart, Jacksonville
Jacksonville, Riverside	1,582	33	908	184	A. L. Carnett, Jacksonville
Jacksonville, Woodlawn	1,623	127	1,276	218	T. S. Boehm, Lakeland
Lakeland, First	1,962	63	1,484	272	W. G. Stracener, Pensacola
Pensacola, East Hill	2,017	57	1,034	289	R. Kelly White, West Palm Beach
West Palm Beach	2,023	137	1,163	210	Earl B. Edington, St. Petersburg
St. Petersburg, First	2,194	68	1,209	275	A. M. Herrington, Jacksonville
Jacksonville, South Side	2,212	118	1,358	356	J. H. Haldeman, Miami
Miami, Allapattah	2,234	207	2,116	458	C. H. Bolton, Miami
Miami, Riverside	2,300	139	1,352	220	T. V. McCaul, Gainesville
Gainesville, First	2,345	53	1,056	190	H. G. Sanders, Tallahassee
Pensacola, First	2,384	84	1,639	444	M. J. Berquist, Tampa
Tallahassee, First	2,565	167	1,592	406	J. P. Tucker, Orlando
Tampa, First	2,657	66	1,658	126	H. G. Lindsey, Jacksonville
Orlando, First	2,663	45	1,635	261	Thomas Hansen, Jacksonville
Jacksonville, First	2,666	122	1,698	368	C. Roy Angell, Miami
Jacksonville, Main St.	3,219	147	2,092	532	
Miami, Central	4,308	125	2,299	512	
Total Churches (58)	3,937	83,952	56,317	12,208	

Georgia

Church	Mem- bership	Baptisms	S. S. Enrol.	T.U. Enrol.	Pastor and Address
Atlanta, Morningside	753	19	619	120	J. P. Wesberry, Atlanta
Washington	763	6	588	57	Jno. C. Busby, Washington
Winder, First	763	9	549	96	E. H. Collins, Winder
Carrollton, First	765	8	537	153	Howard Benson, Carrollton

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McCaysville	766	9	409	99	W. H. Head, Copperhill, Ten
Sandersville	771	15	510	117	A. C. Brown, Sandersville
New Harmony	778	29	200	200	J. S. Cochran, Cumming
Hartford	786	.....	329	62	S. M. Anderson, Hawkinsvil
Callaway	789	23	105	65	J. D. McMillan, LaGrange
Atlanta, Cascade	790	31	701	178	O. M. Seigler, Atlanta
Camilla	793	16	356	73	Chas. C. Duncan, Camilla
Burford	800	13	482	107	F. R. Wall, Buford
Atlanta, Lakewood Heights	801	54	537	84	Jack Bridges, Atlanta
Jefferson, St. Dublin	803	21	472	105	Marshall Nelms, Dublin
Rome, Fifth Avenue	809	26	593	165	U. W. Malcolm, Rome
Smyrna, First	830	4	620	113	C. W. Drake, Smyrna
LaFayette, Second	835	12	460	80	M. M. Youngblood, LaFayet
Thomaston, East	840	47	330	141	Herbert Morgan, Thomaston
*Cairo, First	857	23	593	138	O. E. Rutland, Rome
Rome, North Broad	864	59	483	98	Rossville
Rossville, First	873	42	403	85	J. E. Dillard, Jr., Atlanta
Atlanta, Jackson Hill	845	30	572	112	W. E. Smith, Cairo
Augusta, Thee Hill	906	40	660	147	L. B. Joyner, Augusta
Douglas, First	907	51	658	138	B. E. Donehoo, Douglas
Savannah, Immanuel	928	57	754	148	H. E. Gaddy, Savannah
Americus, Central	946	23	518	137	M. C. Gardner, Americus
Macon, Mabel White	951	70	695	.....	W. W. Williams, Macon
Macon, East Side	977	32	382	.....
Atlanta, Center Hill	985	6	502	81	A. C. Marshall, Marietta
Atlanta, Edgewood	994	37	533	93	
Cartersville, Tabernacle	995	8	430	83	E. E. Keen, Cartersville
Carrollton, Tabernacle	1,001	34	634	121	John T. Tippet, Carrollton
Chattahoochee, First	1,002	183	619	157	Jno. A. Pirtle, Chattahoochee
Milledgeville, First	1,004	38	526	115	J. M. Teresi, Milledgeville
Toccoa, First	1,009	22	1,004	91	A. T. Cline, Toccoa
Canton, First	1,012	9	614	90	
Atlanta, North Side Park	1,014	22	428	69	Thos. W. Hagood, Atlanta
Macon, Second	1,016	32	602	.....	J. A. Timmerman, Macon
Thomaston, First	1,018	75	922	111	R. C. Moore, Thomaston
Dublin, First	1,026	16	398	109	P. D. Hodges, Dublin
Albany, Bayne Memorial	1,029	19	573	112	C. R. Pittard, Albany
Cordle, First	1,033	33	813	127	Clifton E. Fite, Cordle
Fitzgerald, First	1,042	41	913	190	C. T. Vinzant, Fitzgerald
Dalton, First	1,073	18	722	120	J. L. Clegg, Dalton
Cedartown, First	1,090	11	1,080	228	Jno. McGinnis, Cedartown
Atlanta, Bellwood	1,099	22	305	53	J. H. Holcomb, Atlanta
Barnesville, First	1,110	22	566	137	Harvey Mitchell, Barnesville
Valdosta, First	1,110	40	714	209	T. B. Gibson, Valdosta
Atlanta, East Side Tabernacle	1,117	46	150	.....	Guy C. Rainwater, Atlanta
Macon, Cherokee Heights	1,123	24	563	.....	W. J. Self, Macon
Newman, First	1,127	28	1,076	129	L. O. Leavell, Newman
Augusta, Second	1,136	16	559	119	J. Y. Frady, Augusta
Columbus, North Highland	1,138	87	491	177	G. E. Snider, Columbus
Statesboro, First	1,200	54	801	179	T. L. Serson, Statesboro
Bainbridge, First	1,225	24	850	272	H. P. Giddens, Bainbridge
Americus, First	1,229	48	767	220	J. A. Ivey, Americus
Atlanta, Oakhurst	1,260	38	968	328	L. H. Miller, Decatur
Augusta, Woodlawn	1,261	47	618	123	C. A. Forrester, Augusta
Rome, First	1,263	33	977	154	Bunyan Stephens, Rome
Elberton, First	1,270	49	927	109	Herman Ihley, Elberton
Macon, Mikado	1,287	69	877	.....
Atlanta, Central	1,292	62	517	149	Jno. F. Mitchell, Atlanta
Gainesville, Central	1,299	50	854	.....	Jas. W. McKay, Gainesville
Waycross, First	1,342	10	612	128	W. L. Moore, Waycross
Atlanta, Oakland City	1,345	18	724	168	W. M. Marshall, Atlanta
Marietta, First	1,350	54	935	170	Geo. F. Brown, Marietta
Waycross, Central	1,393	113	993	240	R. W. Major, Waycross
Macon, Vinehill	1,423	36	1,211	.....	C. G. Campbell, Macon
Valdosta, Lee Street	1,427	55	1,140	181	G. D. Ferguson, Valdosta
Atlanta, Inman Park	1,431	54	1,126	236	J. L. Steele, Atlanta
Gainesville, First	1,434	36	1,113	Franklin Owen, Gainesville
Griffin, First	1,443	38	1,085	175	H. W. Lindsey, Griffin

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Tifton, First	1,469	57	1,167	214	D. M. Sanders, Tifton
Athens, Prince Avenue	1,529	24	984	207	T. R. Harvell, Athens
Atlanta, Grant Park	1,573	54	1,030	43	E. B. Shivers, Atlanta
College Park, First	1,586	36	1,231	121	J. A. Baggott, College Park
Columbus, Rose Hill	1,657	69	1,255	203	A. J. Burrell, Columbus
Atlanta, Capitol Avenue	1,676	57	913	108	
Athens, First	1,688	21	1,020	90	J. C. Wilkinson, Athens
Atlanta, Park Avenue	1,688	45	809	168	L. E. Smith, Atlanta
Hapeville, First	1,696	48	1,082	165	D. V. Cason, Hapeville
Macon, Tattnall Square	1,735	42	1,182	.....	E. A. Oesterle, Macon
Brunswick, First	1,770	45	939	199	Brooks Webster, Brunswick
Savannah, First	1,783	21	989	59	L. G. Clarendon, Savannah
LaGrange, First	1,813	99	1,063	139	Montague Cook, LaGrange
Augusta, Crawford Avenue	1,837	79	1,216	295	C. A. Dabney, Augusta
Atlanta, North Atlanta	1,892	76	1,364	215	C. C. Buckalew, Atlanta
Albany, First	2,051	39	1,680	331	L. A. Stephens, Albany
Atlanta, Mooreland Avenue	2,115	100	1,612	170	W. B. King, Atlanta
Thomasville, First	2,142	66	1,241	135	T. F. Galloway, Thomasville
Atlanta, Colonial Hills	2,146	117	675	138	P. R. Van Gorder, Atlanta
Augusta, First	2,239	92	1,572	198	A. W. Huyck, Augusta
Decatur, First	2,271	56	1,720	200	D. H. Hill, Jr., Decatur
Atlanta, Gordan Street	2,277	73	1,535	363	D. J. Evans, Atlanta
East Point, First	2,310	74	1,858	294	W. A. Duncan, East Point
Moultrie, First	2,313	31	1,606	98	R. C. Gresham, Moultrie
Atlanta, Capitol View	2,409	44	1,727	157	W. Lee Cutts, Atlanta
Atlanta, Kirkwood	2,428	137	1,735	514	Paul Aiken, Atlanta
Augusta, Curtis	2,533	27	1,178	349	E. C. Sheridan, Augusta
Macon, First	2,538	47	1,708	.....	W. E. Denham, Jr., Macon
Atlanta, Tabernacle	2,580	82	1,734	195	Paul S. James, Atlanta
Columbus, First	2,714	67	1,806	211	F. S. Porter, Columbus
Atlanta, Second Ponce De Leon	2,721	101	2,049	401	M. F. Swilley, Jr., Atlanta
Atlanta, West End	2,782	105	1,898	432	J. L. Waldrop, Atlanta
Savannah, Bull Street	3,227	101	1,996	223	Searcy S. Garrison, Savannah
Atlanta, Druid Hills	3,637	57	2,865	413	Louie D. Newton, Atlanta
Macon, Tabernacle	4,059	35	1,119	.....	Raymond Collier, Macon
Atlanta, First	4,299	97	2,753	320	Jas. M. Middleton, Atlanta
Savannah, Calvary Temple	4,507	44	1,249	311	Jas. S. Wilder, Savannah
Total Churches (109)	160,407	4,881	100,466	16,250	

Illinois—1947

<i>Church</i>	<i>Mem- bership</i>	<i>Baptisms</i>	<i>S. S. Enrol.</i>	<i>T.U. Enrol.</i>	<i>Pastor and Address</i>
Harrisburg, McKinley Avenue	775	18	576	122	Chas. W. Miller, Harrisburg
Pinckneyville, First	805	21	604	94	Lee Swope, Pinckneyville
El Dorado, First	824	27	514	88	H. R. Moore, El Dorado
Johnston City, First	828	13	433	65	Jack DeVore, Johnston City
Carmi, First	860	35	457	144	William J. Purdue, Carmi
East St. Louis, Rosemont	967	51	628	74	A. B. Constanz, East St. Louis
Carbondale, Walnut Street	1,006	36	630	214	C. H. Warren, Carbondale
McLeansboro	1,047	39	700	113	I. E. Miller, McLeansboro
E. St. Louis, Lansdowne	1,054	33	478	102	C. W. Culp, E. St. Louis
Anna, First	1,162	25	1,100	109	L. H. Moore, Anna
DuQuoin	1,249	24	1,291	162	I. E. Lee, DuQuoin
West Frankfort, First	1,255	27	808	87	T. H. King, W. Frankfort
Harrisburg, First	1,341	32	908	210	R. W. Wallis, Harrisburg
Salem, First	1,400	52	801	261	Jas. M. Baldwin, Salem
E. St. Louis, Winstanley	1,499	32	900	148	E. V. Lamb, East St. Louis
Marion, First	1,567	47	929	86	T. W. Nelson, Marion
Herrin, First	1,774	74	1,239	206	Paul A. McCasland, Herrin
Total Churches (17)	19,413	586	12,996	2,285	

Kentucky—1947

<i>Church</i>	<i>Mem- bership</i>	<i>Baptisms</i>	<i>S. S. Enrol.</i>	<i>T.U. Enrol.</i>	<i>Pastor and Address</i>
Hamilton, Ohio, West Side	751	12	421	72	E. R. Petroff, Hamilton, Ohio

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Lebanon	756	15	359	F. G. Schlafer, Lebanon
Irvine, First	757	40	426	89	J. C. Stevens, Irvine
Louisville, Hazelwood	768	21	673	96	Campbell Jeffries, Louisville
Beaver Dam	769	51	408	120	Chester Badget, Beaver Dam
Taylorsville	784	23	369	46	W. E. Fusselle, Taylorsville
Winchester, First	790	9	368	48	
Louisville, Franklin Street	807	45	847	97	I. Ferd Graves, Louisville
Sand Spring	818	15	379	39	Roy A. Hamilton, Lawrence- burg
Ashland, Unity	822	33	863	141	L. H. Tipton, Ashland
Louisville, Beechmont	829	41	861	223	Geo. W. Cummins, Louisville
Franklin, First	832	28	564	72	Bailey F. Davis, Franklin
Audubon	841	36	551	172	John R. Flynn, Henderson
Louisville, Grace	854	20	512	65	J. B. Sawyer, Louisville
Louisville, Immanuel	869	42	613	68	Robert H. Alston, Louisville
Covington, Southside	881	10	907	.....	A. B. Colvin, Covington
Henderson, First	888	56	745	149	E. K. Judy, Henderson
Owensboro, Walnut Street	895	49	603	141	H. Van Eaton, Owensboro
Russellville	903	24	472	77	Howard D. Olive, Russellville
Central City	907	69	580	145	Ray Dean, Central City
*Richmond, First	920	29	567	75	E. N. Perry, Richmond
Owensboro, Hall Street	950	93	744	157	J. Ray Dobbins, Owensboro
Lexington, Felix Memorial	952	12	386	171	W. G. Walker, Lexington
Pineville, First	957	55	850	143	Wayne Dehoney, Pineville
Paducah, East	965	27	945	127	T. J. Tichenor, Paducah
Corbin, Central	967	38	789	136	Glynn Harwood, Corbin
Louisville, Fourth Avenue	971	13	432	75	M. A. Cooper, Louisville
Evansville, Indiana, Calvary	983	131	1,010	134	A. H. Cullen, Evansville, Ind.
Fulton, First	986	25	470	66	J. H. Heisner, Fulton
Campbellsville	996	12	687	136	H. F. Morrison, Campbellsville
Louisville, Highland	997	29	629	57	H. F. Parker, Louisville
Greenville	1,005	16	684	105	R. M. Gabbert, Greenville
Louisville, 23rd and Broadway	1,012	87	904	150	H. E. Rowlett, Louisville
Louisville, Third Avenue	1,041	84	730	168	T. E. Williams, Louisville
Hopkinsville, Second	1,055	16	601	103	J. H. Maddox, Hopkinsville
Winchester, Central	1,075	54	620	54	T. E. Wortham, Winchester
Danville, First	1,075	28	545	196	Ray E. Roberts, Danville
Lexington, First	1,087	6	326	91	George Ragland, Lexington
Louisville, Deer Park	1,087	12	898	92	L. M. Polhill, Louisville
Paris, First	1,116	28	388	120	J. H. Whitt, Paris
Williamsburg, First	1,119	53	598	130	H. C. Gabhart, Williamsburg
Hazard, First	1,120	33	748	134	W. F. Badgett, Hazard
Covington, Madison Avenue	1,123	21	455	62	P. E. Taylor, Covington
Corbin, First	1,133	41	814	207	E. O. Edwards, Corbin
Ashland, Pollard	1,166	105	893	.....	D. W. Wells, Ashland
London	1,187	38	789	.....	George Phillips, London
Barbourville, First	1,193	32	711	35	H. C. Chiles, Barbourville
*Berea, First	1,197	65	780	135	O. B. Mylum, Berea
Lexington, Grace	1,199	55	745	136	W. L. Shearer, Lexington
Louisville, Baptist Tabernacle	1,209	62	1,128	239	Lewis C. Ray, Louisville
Louisville, Victory Memorial	1,215	121	1,033	197	Geo. H. Riggs, Louisville
Georgetown	1,246	37	1,012	313	E. L. Skiles, Georgetown
Shelbyville, First	1,246	13	1,007	.....	C. W. Elsey, Shelbyville
Louisville, Clifton	1,259	31	977	259	Paul G. Kirkland, Louisville
Glasgow, First	1,262	33	875	138	
Louisville, Eastern Parkway	1,329	47	854	138	Ray L. Puckett, Louisville
Princeton, First	1,336	38	914	137	H. G. M. Hatler, Princeton
Ashland, First	1,338	84	1,145	131	Carroll Hubbard, Ashland
Danville, Lexington Avenue	1,355	25	792	137	R. R. Couey, Danville
Louisville, South Jefferson	1,365	37	433	112	D. E. Jones, Valley Station
Louisville, Highland Park First	1,388	17	656	121	E. H. McElroy, Louisville
Somerset, First	1,406	58	1,145	192	Preston L. Ramsey, Somerset
Louisville, Eighteenth Street	1,430	89	986	184	W. O. Gibson, Louisville
*Madisonville, First	1,441	59	1,005	112	Harold D. Talland, Madison- ville
Murray, First	1,458	39	891	168	
Paducah, First	1,472	31	876	101	Thomas R. Brown, Paducah
Hopkinsville, First	1,515	5	1,023	125	W. Peyton Thurman, Hopkins- ville

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Severns Valley	1,535	43	788	133	L. E. Martin, Elizabethtown
Newport, First	1,560	24	1,200	161	O. J. Stegar, Newport
Lexington, Porter Memorial	1,598	125	1,244	201	O'Ray Weeks, Lexington
Lexington, Immanuel	1,667	45	1,112	204	E. N. Wilkinson, Lexington
Louisville, Crescent Hill	1,668	64	1,161	168	Rollins S. Burhans, Louisville
Middlesboro, First	1,716	20	1,006	121	Marvin Adams, Middlesboro
Owensboro, Third	1,740	48	1,321	268	H. B. Kuhnle, Owensboro
Harrodsburg, First	1,871	68	1,432	135	
Covington, Latonia	1,930	84	1,545	330	John E. Huss, Covington
Louisville, West Broadway	1,935	56	1,201	118	E. F. Estes, Louisville
Harlan, First	1,990	57	1,366	174	W. J. Bolt, Harlan
Louisville, Carlisle Avenue	2,018	96	1,361	257	A. W. Walker, Louisville
Louisville, Ninth and O Streets	2,070	137	1,772	355	Roy C. McClung, Louisville
Mayfield, First	2,079	39	1,063	40	W. H. Horton, Mayfield
Owensboro, First	2,263	52	1,646	153	R. E. Humphreys, Owensboro
Louisville, Parkland	2,273	134	1,336	282	H. Leo Eddleman, Louisville
Paducah, Immanuel	2,278	37	731	134	Carlyle Marney, Paducah
Lexington, Ashland Avenue	2,400	138	1,800	50	Clarence Walker, Lexington
Bowling Green, First	2,505	3	1,090	280	H. J. Purdy, Bowling Green
Lexington, Calvary	2,511	48	1,361	200	F. Russell Purdy, Lexington
Frankfort, First	2,559	73	1,837	263	F. T. Moffett, Frankfort
Indianapolis, Indiana, Broadway	2,713	174	1,779	204	R. M. Dodrill, Indianapolis, Indiana
Louisville, Walnut Street	4,573	163	2,770	292	W. R. Pettigrew, Louisville
Total Churches (90)	120,877	4,431	79,933	12,382	

Louisiana

Church	Mem- bership	Baptisms	S. S. Enrol.	T.U. Enrol.	Pastor and Address
Tallulah, First	756	30	325	92	
Baton Rouge, Monte Sano	769	24	696	231	Chas. E. Lamb, Baton Rouge
Bogalusa, Calvary	776	66	477	227	Stafford Hebert, Bogalusa
Hammond, First	805	43	417	157	Finley W. Tinnin, Jr., Ham- mond
New Orleans, Valence Street	816	37	320	92	Otto Sutton, New Orleans
Jena, First	820	9	454	118	J. P. Owens, Jena
Denham Springs, First	821	16	515	139	E. N. Weaver, Denham Springs
Bogalusa, Second	829	76	473	135	D. W. Nix, Bogalusa
Cotton Valley	840	12	520	183	R. W. Singleton, Cotton Valley
Shreveport, Caddo Heights	860	41	588	247	E. P. Smith, Shreveport
Springhill, Central	873	35	657	194	L. V. Fortenberry, Springhill
Leesville, First	895	63	460	129	E. E. Field, Leesville
Baton Rouge, North Highlands	910	56	912	314	M. C. Irwin, Baton Rouge
Ponchatoula	921	37	243	84	J. P. Brock, Ponchatoula
Lafayette, First	926	20	392	128	R. L. Holmes, Lafayette
New Orleans, Coliseum Place	987	29	537	182	T. J. DeLaughter, New Or- leans
Homer, First	997	37	718	173	G. W. Trussell, Homer
Bogalusa, Superior Avenue	1,039	31	547	143	Chas. A. Webb, Bogalusa
Shreveport, Parkview	1,049	18	491	161	A. T. Pilgreen, Shreveport
Jonesboro, First	1,084	37	604	205	J. W. Buckner, Jonesboro
Vivian, First	1,088	71	573	167	
Bogalusa, First	1,100	41	764	177	J. Pat Horton, Bogalusa
Shreveport, Broadmoor	1,100	38	930	214	S. E. Wilkes, Shreveport
Haynesville, First	1,101	122	809	295	W. T. Holland, Haynesville
Winnfield, First	1,128	17	715	145	H. H. McBride, Winnfield
Bastrop, First	1,132	35	757	206	E. C. Whitsitt, Bastrop
Ruston, First	1,197	29	587	118	
DeRidder, First	1,228	50	1,062	164	C. W. Williams, DeRidder
Mansfield, First	1,260	45	755	172	Geo. A. Ritchey, Mansfield
Natchitoches, First	1,306	12	610	156	Troy V. Wheeler, Natchitoches
Oakdale, First	1,340	32	798	149	H. T. Sullivan, Oakdale
New Orleans, Central	1,385	22	640	222	Horatio Mitchell, New Orleans
Shreveport, South Side	1,415	62	690	201	J. F. Kane, Shreveport
Baton Rouge, Weller Avenue	1,436	51	734	201	W. A. Trotman, Baton Rouge
Shreveport, Calvary	1,448	109	1,032	270	H. G. Buchanan, Shreveport

Church	Mem- bership	Baptisms	S. S. Enrol.	T.U. Enrol.	Pastor and Address
New Orleans, St. Charles Avenue....	1,483	19	671	68	Harvey T. Whaley, New Orleans
Bossier, First	1,589	61	1,144	278	Earl Gwinn, Bossier
Ruston, Temple	1,630	64	915	346	Leroy Smith, Ruston
Lake Charles, First	1,639	40	683	158	W. L. Stagg, Jr., Lake Charles
Baton Rouge, Emmanuel	1,693	27	898	179	T. D. Sumrall, Baton Rouge
Lake Charles, Trinity	1,714	126	1,150	403	E. B. Abington, Lake Charles
Shreveport, Ingleside	2,202	111	1,258	290	T. C. Pennell, Shreveport
Baton Rouge, Istrouma	2,285	136	1,746	492	S. C. Rushing, Baton Rouge
Minden, First	2,498	60	1,784	338	Vernon G. Miles, Minden
Alexandria, Emmanuel	2,558	74	1,470	413	F. M. Segler, Alexandria
Alexandria, Calvary	2,590	77	1,095	431	C. R. Shirar, Alexandria
Shreveport, Highland	2,741	51	1,409	285	R. O. Cawker, Shreveport
Monroe, First	2,815	41	1,320	223	L. T. Hastings, Monroe
Pineville, First	2,935	78	1,583	326	R. H. Smith, Pineville
Shreveport, Queensboro	2,949	188	1,808	675	Ira H. Peak, Shreveport
New Orleans, First	3,211	93	1,428	421	J. D. Grey, New Orleans
West Monroe, First	3,604	119	1,489	466	C. E. Autrey, West Monroe
Shreveport, First	4,317	98	1,959	372	M. E. Dodd, Shreveport
Baton Rouge, First	5,233	118	2,346	429	J. N. Palmer, Baton Rouge
Total Churches (54)	86,123	3,034	47,958	12,784	

Maryland

Church	Mem- bership	Baptisms	S. S. Enrol.	T.U. Enrol.	Pastor and Address
Baltimore, Hampden	825	6	354	22	B. F. Richards, Baltimore
Hagerstown	963	17	712	92	P. B. Watlington, Hagerstown
Baltimore, Gregory Memorial	1,207	63	1,347	208	W. H. Brannock, Baltimore
Baltimore, Seventh	1,340	24	588	78	J. H. Day, Baltimore
Total Churches (4)	4,335	110	3,001	400	

Mississippi

Church	Mem- bership	Baptisms	S. S. Enrol.	T.U. Enrol.	Pastor and Address
Hazelhurst	758	50	465	130	Carey Cox, Hazelhurst
Hattiesburg, Petal-Harvey	764	36	316	124	Virgil Ratcliff, Hattiesburg
Cleveland	790	24	611	160	C. F. Treadway, Cleveland
Winona	818	28	631	100	C. B. Hamlett, III, Winona
Macedonia	818	18	200	78	A. W. Talbert, Jackson
Pontotoc	825	34	441	47	J. C. Monroe, Pontotoc
Meridian, Southside	835	50	519	172	A. E. Mason, Meridian
Canton, First	849	45	575	81	John W. Landrum, Canton
Yazoo City	907	31	516	74	Webb Brame, Yazoo City
Blue Mountain, Lowrey Memorial	943	27	596	314	C. J. Smyly, Blue Mountain
Water Valley	948	2	298	62	W. C. Howard, Water Valley
Newton	965	27	680	221	R. A. Morris, Newton
Leland	1,003	39	591	140	Wilford Lee, Leland
Meridian, 41st Avenue	1,019	53	484	89	Tom L. Pfeifer, Meridian
Philadelphia, First	1,024	43	742	157	
Oxford, First	1,025	34	528	114	F. M. Purser, Oxford
Louisville	1,031	38	748	165	W. L. Day, Louisville
Meridian, Highland	1,040	60	681	195	E. L. Byrd, Meridian
Corinth, First	1,046	19	614	73	D. L. Hill, Corinth
Picayune, First	1,072	33	796	156	O. P. Estes, Picayune
McComb, East	1,082	54	746	325	E. C. Edwards, McComb
Laurel, Second	1,085	11	596	140	J. H. Street, Laurel
Jackson, Davis Memorial	1,096	74	606	134	A. S. Johnston, Jackson
Pascagoula, Calvary	1,102	92	873	215	M. S. Varnado, Pascagoula
Biloxi, First	1,109	41	542	111	G. C. Hodge, Biloxi
New Albany	1,170	23	917	311	J. R. Davis, New Albany
Starkville, First	1,185	17	776	179	Wilburn S. Smith, Starkville
West Point, First	1,208	45	789	159	E. J. Caswell, West Point
Pascagoula, First	1,218	60	1,109	223	L. E. Green, Pascagoula

Church	Mem- bership	Baptisms	S. S. Enrol.	T.U. Enrol.	Pastor and Address
Meridian, 15th Avenue	1,255	40	862	141	Paul G. Horner, Meridian
Kosciusko, First	1,289	31	852	149	R. C. Holcomb, Kosciusko
Natchez, First	1,305	33	580	85	W. A. Sullivan, Natchez
Grenada, First	1,312	44	826	112	G. E. Wiley, Grenada
Jackson, Parkway	1,323	27	1,010	301	G. Norman Price, Jackson
Crystal Springs	1,333	53	997	168	M. D. Morton, Crystal Springs
Hattiesburg, Fifth Avenue	1,430	41	690	184	J. C. Murphy, Hattiesburg
Greenwood, First	1,484	35	882	119	J. H. Kyzar, Greenwood
Clarksdale	1,522	34	1,143	121	F. K. Horton, Clarksdale
Laurel, First	1,545	64	1,178	227	J. W. Parrish, Laurel
Laurel, West	1,555	71	845	169	H. J. Rushing, Laurel
Columbia, First	1,572	43	560	110	J. T. Horton, Columbia
Hattiesburg, First	1,632	64	1,062	255	W. A. Bell, Hattiesburg
Clinton, First	1,744	13	783	368	Nolan M. Kennedy, Clinton
Brookhaven	1,808	55	1,197	183	W. Landon Miller, Brook- haven
Greenville, First	1,832	65	1,241	234	E. D. Elliott, Greenville
Vicksburg, First	1,953	67	912	212	D. Swan Haworth, Vicksburg
Gulfport, First	2,009	69	704	154	J. T. Odle, Gulfport
Hattiesburg, Main Street	2,024	82	1,297	420	J. E. Barnes, Hattiesburg
McComb, First	2,031	24	977	207	W. R. Hunter, McComb
Tupelo, First	2,069	51	997	259	H. R. Holcomb, Tupelo
Jackson, Griffith Memorial	2,136	43	809	288	L. W. Ferrell, Jackson
Meridian, First	2,347	52	1,182	169	Norman W. Cox, Meridian
Columbus, First	2,708	96	1,265	337	S. R. Woodson, Columbus
Jackson, Calvary	3,726	156	2,911	410	Claude B. Bowen, Jackson
Jackson, First	4,749	77	2,435	582	W. Douglas Hudgins, Jackson
Total Churches (55)	78,428	2,538	46,183	10,413	

Missouri

Church	Mem- bership	Baptisms	S. S. Enrol.	T.U. Enrol.	Pastor and Address
St. Joseph, King Hill	753	9	463	44	John McBain, St. Joseph
Kansas City, Tabernacle	756	42	761	....	Harry McKnight, Kansas City
Joplin, Forest Park	764	61	519	156	Thurman D. Kelly, Joplin
Kansas City, Michigan Avenue	764	41	889	131	
Slater	774	17	366	80	Lynn T. Richardson, Slater
Springfield, Phythian Avenue	786	47	338	101	L. V. Swadley, Springfield
Hannibal, Calvary	788	42	645	77	F. M. Baker, Hannibal
Caruthersville	797	14	587	57	D. K. Foster, Caruthersville
St. Louis, Webster Groves	804	18	497	81	Robert J. White, St. Louis
Kenneth, First	818	33	700	115	Owen Sherrill, Kenneth
St. Louis, St. Johns	823	66	751	154	J. T. Shirley, St. Louis
Elvins	829	27	545	....	Roy Lambert, Elvins
Louisiana	845	16	749	....	J. E. Chappel, Louisiana
St. Louis, Second	858	4	237	50	Leon C. Robinson, St. Louis
Flat River	860	32	478	135	Arthur R. Hicks, Flat River
Kansas City, Independence Avenue	877	45	537	126	G. S. Swadley, Kansas City
Fulton	878	38	706	25	C. E. Hanan, Fulton
De Soto	890	18	532	109	Chas. W. Jennings, DeSoto
Cape Girardeau, Red Star	900	35	390	101	J. B. Ragsdale, Cape Girar- deau
Springfield, National Blvd	919	36	382	155	M. L. Murdaugh, Springfield
Marshall	924	26	691	75	W. M. Taylor, Marshall
St. Louis, Jewell	937	54	507	168	J. H. Wright, Jr., St. Louis
Kansas City, Swope Park	939	17	1,125	151	W. Ross Edwards, Kansas City
Lebanon	942	31	610	97	V. L. McKee, Lebanon
Chillicothe	942	46	892	135	A. S. Day, Chillicothe
First, Poplar Bluff	950	43	881	224	Chester B. Pillow, Poplar Bluff
Liberty	987	12	996	93	
Warrensburg	1,012	19	722	103	
Festus, Crystal City	1,022	65	672	122	
Baxter Springs	1,025	40	402	115	H. Ellis Ogden, Baxter Springs
Kirkville	1,044	58	606	111	Ralph M. G. Smith, Kirkville
St. Louis, Water Tower	1,061	50	1,106	168	D. F. Risk, St. Louis
St. Louis, West Park	1,064	49	979	145	U. S. Randall, St. Louis

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St. Louis, Maplewood	1,076	58	803	171	H. E. DeLozier, St. Louis
St. Joseph, Wyatt Park	1,083	58	794	83	W. W. Pierce, St. Joseph
Independence, Maywood	1,096	35	926	181	W. H. Allison, Independence
East Sedalia	1,126	23	735	77	Walter P. Arnold, Sedalia
Independence	1,131	33	602	106	H. M. Huntlow, Independence
Kansas City, Kensington Avenue.....	1,147	55	1,264	144	E. J. Rodgers, Kansas City
Moberly First	1,166	47	434	36	Joseph P. Grant, Moberly
Kansas City, Wornall Road	1,169	24	1,032	103	W. E. King, Kansas City
Clinton	1,170	26	720	161	E. B. Calvin, Clinton
Springfield, Grant Avenue	1,176	20	680	72	Lloyd W. Collins, Springfield
Columbia, First	1,180	22	685	180	
Kansas City, Temple	1,216	65	748	137	R. L. Decker, Kansas City
St. Joseph, First	1,222	29	918	103	Adiel J. Moncrief, St. Joseph
St. Louis, Delmar	1,226	47	621	164	R. N. Dutton, St. Louis
Kansas City, Centrapoles	1,251	45	818	161	Gordon Carpenter, Kansas City
Mexico	1,265	45	793	118	Geo. A. Hammon, Mexico
Sedalia, First	1,275	25	900	109	Thos. W. Croxton, Sedalia
St. Joseph, Savannah	1,316	55	771	116	W. I. McClung, St. Joseph
Kansas City, Bales	1,329	75	1,380	214	A. G. Hause, Kansas City
Hannibal, Fifth Street	1,341	63	848	172	F. M. Baker, Hannibal
Springfield, Hamlin Memorial	1,343	41	823	98	Haskett T. Abbott, Springfield
St. Louis, Euclid	1,351	58	1,032	224	J. E. Rains, St. Louis
Kansas City, Bethany	1,360	61	1,261	147	Bradley Allison, Kansas City
Carthage	1,371	47	776	118	Hardie C. Bass, Carthage
Kansas City, Calvary	1,522	66	843	219	D. M. Nelson, Jr., Kansas City
Cape Girardeau, First	1,608	23	744	123	Lawrence Cleland, Cape Girardeau
Jefferson City, First	1,726	81	1,394	196	James Heaton, Jefferson City
St. Louis, Fourth	1,798	95	931	128	Oliver Shank, St. Louis
St. Louis, Park	2,210	89	1,717	293	O. R. Shields, St. Louis
Joplin, First	2,310	55	1,372	205	B. A. Pugh, Joplin
Springfield, First Baptist	2,320	83	1,492	307	Fred C. Eastham, Springfield
Springfield, First	2,816	47	3,167	195	R. I. Wilson, Kansas City
Kansas City, Tower Grove	3,156	101	2,110	406	F. A. Lowry, St. Louis
St. Louis, Third	6,191	165	2,660	497	C. O. Johnson, St. Louis
Total Churches (69)	60,240	2,274	58,055	9,256	

New Mexico

Church	Mem- bership	Baptisms	S. S. Enrol.	T.U. Enrol.	Pastor and Address
Tucumcari, First	757	27	1,010	133	W. D. Laws, Tucumcari
Alamagordo	769	44	416	111	E. F. Lawson, Alamagordo
Las Cruces	878	68	693	134	S. M. Maddox, Las Cruces
Artesia, First	1,000	89	763	268	S. M. Morgan, Artesia
Portales, First	1,077	56	624	247	W. E. Barnes, Portales
Carlsbad, First	1,206	127	998	212	J. T. Barbee, Carlsbad
Clovis, Central	1,223	105	708	173	Harold E. Dye, Clovis
Clovis, First	1,236	47	1,013	234	B. P. Maddox, Clovis
Hobb, First	1,509	120	1,100	341	Earl R. Keating, Hobbs
Roswell, First	2,167	91	1,463	341	A. A. Dulaney, Roswell
Albuquerque, First	2,185	90	1,602	495	P. C. McGahey, Albuquerque
Total Churches (11)	14,007	864	10,390	2,689	

North Carolina

Church	Mem- bership	Baptisms	S. S. Enrol.	T.U. Enrol.	Pastor and Address
Greensboro, Florida Street	751	34	551	111	J. R. Thompson, Greensboro
Bessemer City, First	754	30	549	135	J. N. Taylor, Bessemer City
Statesville, Front Street	754	39	708	226	C. C. Holland, Statesville
Gastonia, East	759	48	849	196	T. L. Cashwell, Gastonia
Wadesboro, First	764	28	685	87	D. G. Myers, Wadesboro
Kannapolis, Centerview	766	22	630	165	R. W. Bailes, Kannapolis
Boiling Springs	770	29	572	180	J. L. Jenkins, Boiling Springs

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Waynesville	775	14	522	103	L. G. Elliott, Waynesville
Gastonia, Loray	779	9	684	171	F. H. Malone, Gastonia
Mineral Springs	779	45	682	60	R. E. Adams, Winston-Salem
Scotland Neck	779	34	562	93	W. D. Morris, Scotland Neck
Boone	785	16	563	130	W. G. Bond, Boone
Belmont, First	786	38	589	120	W. N. Long, Belmont
Durham, Watt Street	787	14	642	100	W. T. Carr, Durham
Burlington, Hocutt Memorial	791	14	509	77	T. M. Freeman, Burlington
Rosemary	803	33	571	65	B. M. Whitehurst, Roanoke Rapids
Camerton	804	27	705	144	E. V. Hudson, Camerton
Mount Holly, First	807	9	415	72	L. S. Clark, Mount Holly
Sanford	807	22	725	125	Y. E. Elliott, Sanford
Belmont, East	807	17	934	235	Edward Roustco, Belmont
Asheville, Merrimon Avenue	820	22	422	103	G. C. Cox, Asheville
Roxboro, First	838	34	522	92	J. B. Brooks, Roxboro
Concord, McGills Street	843	13	765	159	W. V. Tarlton, Concord
Burlington, Glen Hope	845	31	721	134	G. W. Swinney, Burlington
Durham, Bethesda	846	63	848	227	Jno. H. Knoght, Durham
Gastonia, Calvary	850	21	353	99	B. B. Littleton, Gastonia
Durham, Grace	862	31	627	88	H. B. Anderson, Durham
Wake Forest	862	6	581	248	J. G. Blackburn, Wake Forest
Salisbury, Stallings Memorial	868	18	739	78	C. A. Rhyme, Salisbury
Hamlet, First	869	13	525	86	J. B. Willis, Hamlet
Monroe, First	884	45	454	.....	J. T. Akin, Monroe
Rocky Mount, North	884	70	778	50	R. C. Lanier, Rocky Mount
Charlotte, Myers Park	887	77	814	137	Geo. D. Heaton, Charlotte
Wilson, First	887	38	1,026	89	E. E. Baucom, Wilson
Lenoir, First	892	6	646	164	O. R. Mangum, Lenoir
Winston-Salem, South Side	894	11	538	75	W. R. Griggs, Winston-Salem
Canton, First	901	41	739	121	
Roanoke Rapids	901	30	708	18	G. L. Price, Roanoke Rapids
Albemarle, First	903	9	492	74	W. J. Bradley, Albemarle
Dunn, First	904	50	769	125	S. L. Morgan, Jr., Dunn
Winston-Salem, Waughtown	933	37	675	69	A. M. Church, Winston-Salem
Rocky Hock	935	24	363	120	W. C. Francis, Tyner
Thomasville, First	936	29	586	61	C. F. Leek, Thomasville
Spencer	954	27	705	122	F. R. Wagner, Spencer
Durham, Edgemont	958	15	636	76	J. S. Johnson, Durham
Kingston, First	965	54	514	43	H. G. Dawkins, Kingston
Charlotte, 9th Avenue	991	6	526	65	A. B. Wood, Charlotte
Elizabeth City, First	992	22	649	63	W. W. Finlator, Elizabeth City
Morganton, First	992	21	688	125	Jno. D. McCready, Morganton
Chickasaw	999	173	734	.....	Bob Barker, Chickasaw
Lexington, First	1,012	21	636	141	J. R. Clifford, Lexington
Greensboro, Ellen Memorial	1,022	47	705	131	R. Von King, Greensboro
Cliffside	1,023	46	886	173	T. S. Lawrence, Cliffside
Fairmont, First	1,025	48	809	72	C. P. Herring, Fairmont
Elizabeth City, Blackwell Memorial	1,026	40	724	54	R. E. Wall, Elizabeth City
Forest City, First	1,048	31	633	96	H. H. Stembridge, Jr., Forest City
Lenoir, South	1,075	73	960	190	W. F. Woodall, Lenoir
Asheville, West	1,076	25	910	105	Nane Starnes, Asheville
Ahoskie, First	1,087	11	677	75	Oscar Creech, Ahoskie
Statesville, Western Avenue	1,117	15	678	189	
Concord, First	1,134	46	780	152	E. S. Summers, Concord
Edenton, First	1,145	45	527	75	R. W. Carroll, Edenton
Hickory, First	1,152	58	1,128	230	R. K. Benfield, Hickory
Fayetteville, First	1,167	37	1,138	73	L. S. Gaines, Fayetteville
Hendersonville, First	1,179	45	907	87	E. N. Gardner, Hendersonville
Winston-Salem, North	1,191	32	1,096	61	Jas. M. Hayes, Winston-Salem
Oxford	1,291	53	641	41	M. L. Banister, Oxford
Hayes-Barton	1,292	31	1,074	192	J. W. Kincheloe, Jr., Raleigh
Greensboro, Asheboro Street	1,303	34	1,085	173	J. B. Eller, Greensboro
Gastonia, First	1,315	19	1,082	313	V. W. Barr, Gastonia
Lumberton, First	1,315	57	1,183	222	Phillip J. McLean, Lumberton
Salisbury, First	1,366	48	1,000	139	R. A. Ellis, Salisbury
Durham, Temple	1,406	66	1,388	165	H. G. Hammett, Durham
Charlotte, St. Johns	1,432	38	1,094	145	C. U. Broach, Charlotte

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Goldsboro, First	1,470	41	1,209	101	A. J. Smith, Goldsboro
Durham, West	1,492	53	1,244	112	B. E. Morris, Durham
Winston-Salem, Salem	1,492	48	1,209	111	Chas. H. Stevens, Winston-Salem
Burlington, First	1,529	12	1,148	158	
Kannapolis, First	1,542	29	996	125	D. M. Branch, Kannapolis
Asheville, Calvary	1,543	33	1,615	160	C. D. Bessinger, Asheville
Wilmington, First	1,594	45	1,126	100	Chas. A. Maddry, Wilmington
Durham, Angier Avenue	1,612	41	1,040	81	C. N. Royal, Durham
High Point, First	1,644	61	1,472	226	
Charlotte, Pritchard Memorial	1,698	33	1,345	244	Wm. H. Williams, Charlotte
Hendersonville, First	1,653	50	1,151	242	
Raleigh, First	1,806	42	1,138	178	Broadus E. Jones, Raleigh
High Point, Green Street	1,937	101	1,629	233	J. S. Hopkins, High Point
Durham, First	2,038	36	1,165	140	J. W. Pearce, Durham
Rocky Mount, First	2,107	95	1,256	77	J. W. Kincheloe, Rocky Mount
Asheville, First	2,400	33	1,727	316	W. P. Crouch, Asheville
Shelby, First	2,546	59	1,731	272	
Greensboro, First	2,630	102	2,358	244	J. Clyde Turner, Greensboro
Winston-Salem, First	3,116	69	2,024	229	Ralph A. Herring, Winston-Salem
Charlotte, First	3,173	121	2,789	402	C. C. Warren, Charlotte
Raleigh, Tabernacle	3,298	76	2,349	373	F. Orion Nixon, Raleigh
Total Churches (95)	113,224	3,716	85,268	12,924	

Oklahoma

Church	Mem- bership	Baptisms	S. S. Enrol.	T.U. Enrol.	Pastor and Address
Sulphur, First	752	19	324	68	Chas. E. Myers, Sulphur
Oklahoma City, Portland Avenue	760	20	590	170	Baily Sewell, Oklahoma City
Shawnee, Calvary	774	37	322	106	D. C. Hall, Shawnee
Healdton	787	25	310	100	H. G. Barnett, Healdton
Sulphur, Calvary	810	50	476	68	E. L. Gray, Sulphur
Poteau, First	810	20	590	155	J. O. Kincannon, Poteau
Oklahoma City, South Memorial	813	48	634	166	P. G. Woodruff, Oklahoma City
Oklahoma City, Welmont Place	814	58	585	133	D. B. Haskins, Oklahoma City
Cordell	861	25	443	120	Roy L. Hurst, Cordell
Bartlesville, Virginia Avenue	870	46	498	75	
Hollis	884	10	543	95	R. T. Hopper, Hollis
Tulsa, Phoenix Avenue	903	37	778	234	L. E. Smith, Tulsa
Commerce	907	46	562	112	Grover Scales, Commerce
Marlow	923	13	466	133	
Woodward	927	28	648	150	L. O. McCracken, Woodward
Oklahoma City, North West	945	23	724	107	Jno. T. Daniel, Oklahoma City
Atoka	956	127	589	157	Harold McGlammery, Atoka
Vinita, First	967	79	461	172	J. H. Scottm, Vinita
Okemah	988	24	435	76	E. A. Spiller, Okemah
Oklahoma City, Kentucky Avenue	990	18	540	116	Jno. N. Goss, Oklahoma City
Claremore	992	53	601	159	L. C. Robbins, Claremore
Tulsa, Hillcrest	1,051	31	669	248	G. A. Bierman, Tulsa
Tulsa, University	1,059	47	772	185	
Drumwright, First	1,063	54	639	168	H. M. Roark, Drumwright
Wewoka, First	1,065	36	657	145	H. B. Woodward, Wewoka
Lawton, Central	1,067	48	718	155	P. B. Smith, Lawton
Elk City	1,074	36	716	151	H. L. Jones, Elk City
Pryor, First	1,111	111	978	149	E. R. Jacks, Pryor
Oklahoma City, Downtown	1,112	28	605	143	W. E. Cook, Oklahoma City
Oklahoma City, Crestwood	1,114	40	778	198	Garland Howard, Oklahoma City
Tulsa, Springdale	1,136	50	1,007	272	Carlos Berry, Tulsa
Oklahoma City, No. East	1,141	36	640	36	E. L. Smith, Oklahoma City
Walters	1,142	72	760	129	Jno. T. Evans, Walters
El Reno	1,147	20	853	149	J. W. Hodges, El Reno
Sand Springs	1,151	39	692	153	D. H. Corwin, Sand Springs
Ardmore, First	1,181	51	1,003	112	Karl Moore, Ardmore

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Paul's Valley	1,183	26	733	201	Tom Carter, Paul's Valley
Hugo, First	1,198	34	573	91	J. F. Murrell, Hugo
Holdenville, First	1,218	80	719	183	E. L. Stark, Holdenville
Tulsa, Glenwood	1,224	42	582	147	L. B. Golden, Tulsa
Blackwell	1,248	36	729	110	M. M. Stigler, Blackwell
Edmond, First	1,265	44	884	154	M. E. Ramey, Edmond
Henryetta, First	1,290	31	759	125	J. S. Segler, Henryetta
Durant, First	1,292	102	1,440	324	L. L. Armstrong, Durant
Pawhuska, First	1,299	57	913	132	T. H. Scott, Pawhuska
Muskogee, Central	1,307	75	1,000	210	Geo. C. Boston, Muskogee
Clinton	1,446	40	771	209	H. W. Stigler, Clinton
Hobart	1,448	83	836	219	F. G. Baugh, Hobart
Ada, Oak Avenue	1,455	50	934	105	C. L. Mason, Ada
Guthrie, First	1,488	63	1,068	257	Leo M. Perry, Guthrie
Oklahoma City, Exchange Avenue ..	1,491	49	1,133	450	R. S. Holloma, Oklahoma City
Cushing, First	1,724	135	1,143	180	L. D. Prince, Cushing
Norman, First	1,750	75	1,562	256	E. F. Hallock, Norman
Mangum	1,768	29	917	125	
Lawton, Calvary	1,779	115	826	179	D. S. Squires, Lawton
Bartlesville, First	1,784	49	1,129	220	H. R. Graves, Bartlesville
Sapulpa, First	1,826	136	1,278	269	C. H. Black, Sapulpa
Oklahoma City, Immanuel	1,857	38	648	149	Jas. A. Hogg, Oklahoma City
Ponca City, First	1,851	85	1,133	156	Wm. A. Carlton, Ponca City
Oklmulgee, First	1,987	73	1,046	218	H. E. Lindsay, Okmulgee
*Chickasha, First	2,025	....	1,208	....	R. C. Miller, Jr., Chickasha
Duncan, First	2,218	77	1,153	281	J. T. George, Duncan
Frederick	2,221	52	1,298	243	Milo B. Arbuckle, Duncan
Tulsa, Immanuel	2,223	131	1,947	571	Jno. Newport, Tulsa
Miami, First	2,232	77	1,260	304	B. M. Jackson, Miami
Oklahoma City, Kelham Avenue ..	2,246	167	1,694	368	Anson Justice, Oklahoma City
Altus	2,267	58	1,169	263	J. W. Read, Altus
Lawton, First	2,282	175	1,746	340	H. T. Wiles, Lawton
Tulsa, Noglas Avenue	2,426	150	1,834	741	
Muskogee, First	2,438	142	1,610	333	Wm. D. Wyatt, Muskogee
Shawnee, Immanuel	2,494	50	1,296	245	Clayton Deering, Shawnee
Oklahoma City, Olivet	2,573	40	1,294	179	R. F. Naney, Oklahoma City
Stillwater	2,621	92	1,347	396	C. D. Matthews, Stillwater
Shawnee, First	2,640	113	1,506	408	R. L. Hudson, Shawnee
McAlester, First	2,836	142	1,746	374	Henry Auguie, McAlester
Enid, First	2,848	34	1,537	334	M. F. Ewton, Enid
Seminole, First	3,117	106	1,501	510	
Ada, First	3,305	92	1,337	348	C. C. Morris, Ada
Oklahoma City, Capitol Hill	3,426	151	1,757	185	H. R. Bumpass, Oklahoma City
Oklahoma City, Trinity	3,618	159	2,087	349	T. L. Yearby, Oklahoma City
Tulsa, First	5,394	179	3,377	468	J. W. Storer, Tulsa
Oklahoma City, First	7,070	109	2,814	538	W. E. Howard, Oklahoma City
Total Churches (82)	135,645	5,348	81,906	17,613	

South Carolina

Church	Mem- bership	Baptisms	S. S. Enrol.	T.U. Enrol.	Pastor and Address
Buffalo	750	45	427	106	George H. Johnson, Buffalo
Spartanburg, Cooley Springs	750	22	388	....	C. O. Page, Spartanburg
Anderson, Orrville	754	26	433	121	C. V. Martin, Anderson
Laurens, Lucas Ave.	756	23	524	97	C. P. Chastain, Laurens
Woodruff, First	788	34	575	92	W. W. Long, Woodruff
Belton, Second	799	23	572	113	Harold Cunningham, Belton
Edgefield, First	803	63	482	186	John S. Winbush, Edgefield
Fort Mills, First	819	22	677	100	Oswell Smith, Fort Mills
North Augusta	820	9	682	77	George Lovell, Jr., Augusta
Graniteville	850	60	420	105	A. L. Gregg, Graniteville
Eau Claire	866	46	736	153	L. G. Payne, Columbia
Greenville, Dunear	893	32	744	142	A. H. Wilson, Greenville
Anderson, Garner Memorial	894	5	663	....	Prue H. Kelly, Anderson
Greenville, Brandon	895	30	1,038	174	J. R. Bruce, Greenville
Inman, First	900	10	517	102	J. E. Lehman, Inman

Church	Mem- bership	Baptisms	S. S. Enrol.	T.U. Enrol.	Pastor and Address
Union, First	905	25	60	118	F. M. Warden, Union
Spartanburg, Boiling Springs	931	25	382	64	J. G. Wood, Spartanburg
Chester, First	934	20	831	150	B. A. Wall, Chester
Greenville, San Souci	939	15	842	164	T. D. Lide, Greenville
Camden	949	64	770	136	O. F. Montgomery, Camden
Lancaster, First	949	53	846	149	James F. Burris, Lancaster
North Charleston	965	118	1,471	518	Paul Pridgen, Charleston
Conway, First	966	52	1,056	210	D. H. Daniel, Conway
West Columbia	975	29	929	127	T. A. Snyder, West Columbia
Columbia, Tabernacle	981	14	688	104	David G. Anderson, Columbia
Greenwood, S. Main Street	983	68	1,070	197	G. H. Moore, Greenwood
Greenville, Ware Shoals	989	9	810	194	J. R. Bruce, Greenville
Mount Bethel	1,006	1	267	125	John Tollison, Belton
Laurens, First	1,023	13	796	176	J. E. Rouse, Laurens
Cross Anchor, Mon Aetna	1,037	27	746	135	H. Haydock, Cross Anchor
Aiken	1,074	17	695	98	A. D. Howard, Aiken
Florence, Immanuel	1,098	34	1,186	151	E. E. Calvin, Florence
Sumter, Grace	1,104	113	780	114	J. H. Simpson, Sumter
Lancaster, Second	1,137	55	733	227	E. K. Anderson, Lancaster
Union, Calvary	1,148	33	791	176	Ray G. Gowan, Union
Greer, Victor	1,160	86	903	152	R. P. Lamb, Greer
Greenville, Earle Street	1,160	41	904	124	Nathan C. Brooks, Jr., Green- ville
Charleston, Hampton Park	1,174	70	630	150	W. D. Kensen, Charleston
Spartanburg, Green Street	1,208		771	91	J. S. Cobb, Spartanburg
Greer, First	1,216	26	1,168	133	J. Roy Robinson, Greer
Greenville, Central	1,216	21	988	193	C. F. Pittman, Greenville
Greenwood, First	1,264	39	866	183	J. A. Bowers, Greenwood
Sumter, First	1,278	30	900	190	W. G. Moore, Sumter
Hartsville, First	1,309	73	1,019	100	Mack M. Goss, Hartsville
Gaffney, First	1,312	20	929	180	Frank E. Morris, Gaffney
Orangeburg, First	1,330	41	1,036	229	J. E. Rawlings, Orangeburg
Charleston, Rutledge Avenue	1,430	56	591	150	O. K. Webb, Charleston
Gaffney, Cherokee Avenue	1,448	39	831	162	C. A. Kirby, Gaffney
Anderson, Oakwood	1,699	20	1,260		E. C. White, Anderson
Columbia, Shandon	1,711	38	1,027	253	F. C. Helms, Columbia
Rock Hill, First	1,745	75	1,456	224	A. B. Hawks, Rock Hill
Spartanburg, Southside	1,757	85	1,576	465	Lewis H. White, Spartanburg
Charleston Heights	1,794	137	1,785	486	L. B. Marion, Jr., Box 59, Naval Base
Greenville, First	1,965	66	1,512	234	L. M. Latimer, Greenville
Columbia, Park Street	2,022	74	1,798	283	Paul Wheeler, Columbia
Greenville, Pendleton Street	2,253	66	2,241	314	James B. Ray, Greenville
Spartanburg, First	2,250	84	2,119	424	O. Norman Shands, Spartan- burg
Florence, First	2,656	116	1,922	231	Harold W. Seever, Florence
Anderson, First	2,764	78	2,382	175	F. C. McConnell, Anderson
Columbia, First	2,791	97	1,771	385	R. A. Naylor, Columbia
Charleston, Citadel Square	3,485	95	2,118	347	Wal'ace R. Rogers, Charleston
Total Churches (60)	75,066	2,947	56,748	10,584	

Tennessee

Church	Mem- bership	Baptisms	S. S. Enrol.	T.U. Enrol.	Pastor and Address
Trenton, First	767	24	856	328	Paul A. Wieland, Trenton
Johnson City, Unaka Avenue	770	21	324	120	D. B. Bowers, Johnson City
Rogersville	774	10	684	163	Evans T. Moseley, Rogersville
Cleveland, Big Spring	774	18	466	179	Sam Melton, Cleveland
Newport, First	781	6	476	93	Carl P. Daw, Newport
Athens, First	782	53	862	111	Sterling L. Price, Athens
Nashville, North End	788	9	400	96	J. C. Pitt, Nashville
Knoxville, Euclid Avenue	802	16	393	129	Creed S. McCoy, Knoxville
Martin, First	806	21	658	12	H. H. Boston, Martin
Columbia, First	807	50	688	137	J. E. Brewer, Columbia
Chattanooga, Chamberlain Avenue	808	20	393	97	A. A. McClanahan, Chatta- nooga
Ripley	811	36	548	72	C. L. Bowden, Ripley
Memphis, McLean	835	28	554	154	D. A. Ellis, Memphis
Nashville, Third	844	29	314	59	Bunyan Smith, Nashville

Church	Mem- bership	Baptisms	S. S. Enrol.	T.U. Enrol.	Pastor and Address
Knoxville, Lonsdale	856	66	797	156	J. Burch Cooper, Knoxville
Knoxville, Elm Street	880	43	412	70	Dewey Jackson, Knoxville
Memphis, Merton Avenue	890	48	661	118	R. C. Cannon, Memphis
Nashville, Judson Memorial	914	51	1,029	172	H. B. Cross, Nashville
Clinton, First	920	29	533	106	C. Eldon Wright, Clinton
Bristol, Calvary	935	72	809	122	James Gregg, Bristol
Brainerd	950	31	599	215	
Chattanooga, East Lake	958	105	730	211	J. B. Hester, Chattanooga
Sweetwater, First	975	24	610	114	O. D. Fleming, Sweetwater
Nashville, Shelby Avenue	990	36	530	140	P. F. Langston, Nashville
Knoxville, Oakwood	991	29	526	235	L. C. Roberts, Knoxville
Lebanon	994	52	733	129	A. H. Hopson, Lebanon
Chattanooga, Ridgedale	1,000	36	1,018	245	Earl Stallings, Chattanooga
Knoxville, Lincoln Avenue	1,007	43	813	209	Charles Ausmus, Knoxville
Nashville, Inglewood	1,008	36	992	266	J. Harold Stephens, Nashville
Harriman, Trenton Street	1,012	57	701	119	O. C. Rainwater, Harriman
Johnson City, Temple	1,019	22	347	91	J. M. Strother, Johnson City
Knoxville, Immanuel	1,034	40	729	98	A. R. Pedigo, Knoxville
Erwin, First	1,039	46	619	54	T. C. Meador, Erwin
Shelbyville, First	1,044	20	548	123	Homer Cate, Shelbyville
Memphis, Calvary	1,055	25	569	130	J. G. Lott, Memphis
Springfield	1,061	56	705	125	Luther Joe Thompson, Spring- field
Memphis, Lamar Heights	1,083	50	928	179	J. W. Bass, Memphis
Nashville, North Edgefield	1,110	39	261	63	W. P. Young, Nashville
Clinton, Immanuel	1,119	40	613	104	Horace L. Smith, Clinton
Chattanooga, Red Bank	1,123	55	964	237	Carl W. Rogers, Chattanooga
Chattanooga, Northside	1,124	48	799	187	
Etowah, First	1,124	34	702	108	
Nashville, Edgefield	1,126	23	684	149	W. E. Kirk, Nashville
Jackson, Calvary	1,127	47	876	211	William W. Warmath, Jackson
Paris, First	1,132	20	731	93	O. E. Turner, Paris
Chattanooga, Avondale	1,159	74	903	259	Ralph Field, Chattanooga
Dyersburg, First	1,171	62	946	136	W. R. Hamilton, Dyersburg
Memphis, Central Avenue	1,177	54	875	214	J. S. Riser, Jr., Memphis
Murfreesboro	1,186	21	772	126	Griffin Henderson, Murfrees- boro
Cookeville	1,188	45	722	170	Bob N. Ramsey, Cookeville
Nashville, Lockeland	1,215	64	901	236	L. S. Sedberry, Nashville
Nashville, Park Avenue	1,218	48	786	160	C. F. Clark, Nashville
Humbolt, First	1,288	81	950	142	Hayward Highfill, Humboldt
Memphis, Seventh Street	1,313	141	1,175	245	E. Pitt Woodruff, Memphis
Morristown, First	1,354	83	1,023	180	
Fountain City, Central	1,374	36	1,178	244	Charles S. Bond, Fountain City
Memphis, Boulevard	1,428	77	515	256	C. M. Pickler, Memphis
Nashville, Eastland	1,428	34	810	97	E. B. Crain, Nashville
Clarksville, First	1,453	28	749	120	R. N. Owen, Clarksville
Jefferson City, First	1,496	24	782	350	Albert S. Hale, Jefferson City
Old Hickory	1,512	78	1,254	435	V. Floyd Starke, Old Hickory
Memphis, Prescott Memorial	1,580	52	1,052	252	Charles L. Morgan, Memphis
Knoxville, South Knoxville	1,597	27	803	121	John T. Courtney, Knoxville
Cleveland, First	1,602	133	932	313	F. M. Dowell, Cleveland
Elizabethton, First	1,659	21	949	162	Wm. C. Taggart, Elizabethton
Jackson, First	1,666	40	1,273	197	W. Fred Kendall, Jackson
Jackson, West Jackson	1,680	68	1,276	427	R. E. Guy, Jackson
Union City, First	1,720	71	1,080	238	W. A. Boston, Union City
Knoxville, McCalla Avenue	1,721	104	1,168	300	Charles C. Bowles, Knoxville
Maryville, First	1,797	23	963	138	James M. Windham, Maryville
Knoxville, Fifth Avenue	1,840	40	1,570	373	Frank W. Wood, Knoxville
Knoxville, Bell Avenue	1,952	58	937	217	A. T. Allen, Knoxville
Nashville, Grace	1,994	103	1,261	213	W. Leonard Stigler, Nashville
Kingsport, First	2,002	70	1,343	127	L. B. Cobb, Kingsport
Johnson City, Central	2,096	54	1,276	148	W. R. Rigell, Johnson City
Nashville, Belmont Heights	2,163	41	1,623	332	Jas. L. Sullivan, Nashville
Chattanooga, First	2,192	28	1,500	208	John A. Huff, Chattanooga
Memphis, Speedway Terrace	2,230	110	596	336	Mark Harris, Memphis
Memphis, Union Avenue	2,371	84	1,915	380	J. Gilliam Hughes, Memphis
Memphis, La Belle	2,413	115	1,337	298	D. M. Renick, Memphis

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Memphis, Highland Heights	2,592	101	1,675	449	S. A. Murphy, Memphis
Chattanooga, Woodland Park	2,618	126	1,081	376	E. L. Williams, Chattanooga
Memphis, First	3,187	104	1,569	388	R. Paul Caudill, Memphis
Memphis, Temple	3,250	85	2,302	476	E. Gibson Davis, Memphis
Knoxville, First	3,408	32	1,863	342	Henry J. Stokes, Jr., Knoxville
Knoxville, Broadway	3,483	118	1,671	368	Ramsey Pollard, Knoxville
Nashville, First	4,035	134	2,583	521	W. F. Powell, Nashville
Chattanooga, Highland Park	4,207	555	3,153	737	L. E. Roberson, Chattanooga
Memphis, Bellevue	7,589	257	4,289	878	Robert G. Lee, Memphis
Total Churches (89)	134,353	5,313	86,565	19,014	

Texas

<i>Church</i>	<i>Mem- bership</i>	<i>Baptisms</i>	<i>S. S. Enrol.</i>	<i>T.U. Enrol.</i>	<i>Pastor and Address</i>
Madisonville	750	53	643	228	I. N. Todd, Madisonville
Mineral Wells, Calvary	750	22	408	73	Clyde R. Campbell, Mineral Wells
Longview, Mobberly Avenue	756	50	677	323	C. L. Porter, Longview
De Leon	759	17	498	90	T. J. Sparkman, De Leon
Luling, First	760	70	414	111	W. L. Crumpler, Luling
Kerens, First	761	23	565	110	Elmer R. Page, Kerens
Dallas, Emmanuel	762	67	503	309	J. A. Peveto, Dallas
Rusk, First	765	45	526	173	Lee C. Perry, Rusk
Port Neches, First	770	26	763	225	Lonnie H. Webb, Port Neches
Hamilton	776	28	519	86	R. C. Tennon, Hamilton
McKinney, First	777	37	551	152	S. T. Skaggs, McKinney
Laird Hill	779	26	467	250	V. M. Nipper, Laird Hill
Mt. Vernon	779	18	339	76	John E. Whitt, Mt. Vernon
Linden, First	779	33	484	119	Ernest L. Potter, Linden
Dallas, Hickory Street	780	16	331	108	J. E. Fender, Dallas
Greenville, Washington Street	781	61	585	161	George Sagan, Greenville
Dallas, Memorial	782	35	416	195	C. A. McCormick, Dallas
Houston, Market Street	783	148	655	287	R. H. Pressley, Houston
Santa Anna, First	784	....	477	46	S. P. Smith, Santa Anna
Pecos, First	785	38	765	122	Wm. M. Turner, Pecos
**Amarillo, Buchanan	785	....	623	234	A. E. Wilson, Amarillo
Dallas, Ervay Street	786	54	681	161	Steve R. Philpot, Dallas
Nocona	789	34	522	149	Lloyd Lester, Nocona
San Benita	792	43	609	107	Aubrey Short, San Benita
Cuero	792	56	612	244	
Decatur, First	795	28	457	121	R. E. Bell, Decatur
Floydada	801	34	708	148	L. A. Doyle, Floydada
Highland, First	801	71	664	268	V. C. Kuester, Highland
Port Arthur, Fourth Avenue	802	37	642	248	M. E. Williamson, Port Arthur
Abilene, Immanuel	809	16	515	123	D. G. Reid, Abilene
Liberty, First	810	23	394	118	A. L. McDaniel, Liberty
Lufkin, Lala Hill	811	92	709	154	W. Scott Stoker, Apple Springs
Tulia	816	32	727	210	C. G. Sewell, Tulia
Tahoka	819	60	650	207	
Brownwood, Melwood Avenue	819	33	427	198	Russell Dennis, Brownwood
Rotan	819	52	451	91	Olie T. Brown, Rotan
Cooper	821	64	618	173	D. H. Bonner, Cooper
Brady, First	826	79	685	112	M. B. Carroll, Brady
Teague, First	828	10	390	106	A. P. Hamrick, Teague
Hamlin	828	43	620	131	J. H. Osteen, Hamlin
Tyler, East	828	63	468	109	E. B. Brooks, Tyler
Eastland, First	830	27	646	81	
Port Arthur, Proctor Street	831	39	797	290	H. D. Dollahite, Port Arthur
Slaton, First	833	14	565	131	W. F. Ferguson, Slaton
Houston, Park Temple	839	102	494	98	M. A. Treadwell, Houston
Georgetown	839	15	474	111	Aubrey F. Russell, Georgetown
Mineola	840	22	770	133	R. E. Streetman, Mineola
Hearne	843	52	560	81	C. W. Sanders, Hearne
Ft. Worth, Turner Memorial	853	22	472	135	John B. Davidson, Fort Worth
Houston, Eastwood	853	26	656	176	R. G. Commander, Houston

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Ft. Worth, Connell Memorial	866	34	709	217	Ira A. Bentley, Fort Worth
Port Arthur, Trinity	871	46	835	321	Don O. Covington, Port Ar- thur
Marshall, Center	880	55	618	312	O. F. Dingler, Marshall
Park Cities	887	24	1,222	137	
Dublin, First	892	29	541	117	Obeys Nelson, Dublin
Turnertown	893	30	641	277	J. Melvin Ray, Selman City
Wichita Falls, Southside	902	41	892	250	N. A. Sanders, Wichita Falls
San Antonio, Central	903	62	763	302	Jack Southerland, San An- tonio
Del Rio	906	21	427	117	H. O. Marres, Del Rio
Uvalde	911	26	814	140	M. M. Fulmer, Uvalde
Pittsburg, First	914	7	524	45	
San Antonio, Northside	919	45	954	294	Tallie Williams, San Antonio
Farmersville	920	36	588	183	M. E. Wyatt, Farmersville
Marshall, Second	920	21	450	141	J. S. Bates, Marshall
Wichita Falls, Highland Heights	925	26	599	113	A. C. Huff, Wichita Falls
Seymour	925	42	589	93	J. R. Balch, Seymour
El Paso, Grandview	928	29	693	151	J. B. Fine, El Paso
Houston, North Central	932	74	725	136	R. W. Durnal, Houston
Winnsboro	934	39	392	203	R. G. Baucom, Winnsboro
Dallas, Trinity	938	57	597	225	Julius R. Hickerson, Dallas
Mart, First	948	31	666	143	
Brownsville	951	24	....	....	E. G. Gregory, Brownsville
Houston, River View	953	36	698	186	
Yoakum, First	955	32	497	63	J. J. Slone, Yoakum
Houston, Kashmere	955	61	806	216	T. S. Burrese, Houston
Weslaca	962	60	616	301	J. Wm. Mason, Weslaco
Bay City, First	969	43	602	147	M. A. Marshall, Bay City
McKinney, First	971	22	786	131	D. D. Seger, McKinney
White Settlement	973	80	1,146	185	
San Antonio, Beacon Hill	974	27	530	114	O. M. Thompson, San Antonio
Austin, Hyde Park	976	56	752	352	Scott Tatum, Austin
Wellington	977	43	584	164	Howard J. Jones, Wellington
Dallas, Forney Avenue	978	54	855	270	A. C. Turner, Dallas
Canyon	980	36	645	213	Roy L. Johnson, Canyon
Handley, First	983	40	573	159	Lory Hildreth, Handley
Kilgore, Eastview	983	84	656	324	Deckert Anderson, Kilgore
Colorado City, First	986	30	690	91	R. Y. Bradford, Colorado City
Galveston, Broadway	986	72	680	124	Chas. R. Smith, Galveston
Gilmer, First	987	50	544	111	J. Kelly Simmons, Gilmer
Cameron, First	988	34	606	202	
Houston, Memorial	990	66	719	121	D. E. Sloan, Houston
McAllen, First	996	44	680	169	Thos. A. Gray, McAllen
Austin, West	997	26	469	108	Manley Reynolds, Austin
Gainesville, Grand Avenue	999	55	558	171	Fred Stumpp, Gainesville
Dallas, North Temple	1,000	82	1,119	303	Fred H. Porter, Dallas
Freeport, First	1,000	54	839	193	Phillip R. Brown, Freeport
Silsbee, First	1,001	65	587	178	C. B. Bass, Silsbee
Cleveland, First	1,004	80	784	215	C. M. Spalling, Houston
Houston, Texas Avenue	1,004	30	647	149	J. T. Deloach, Houston
Comanche, First	1,006	24	477	80	John G. Lambrides, Comanche
Dallas, Hampton Place	1,006	47	802	234	E. M. McGlamery, Dallas
Kermit	1,007	108	937	270	Strauss Atkinson, Kermit
Edinburg	1,014	34	693	169	A. E. Rieman, Edinburg
Amarillo, Pierce Street	1,019	97	984	289	E. W. Hatchett, Amarillo
Denison, Calvary	1,029	28	722	267	B. C. Brown, Denison
Amarillo, San Jacinta	1,032	63	454	124	Leon M. Hill, Amarillo
Garland, First	1,034	32	1,111	293	Charles L. Cockrell, Garland
Marlin	1,036	....	556	53	W. O. Wright, Marlin
Quanah	1,040	55	869	258	
Atlanta, First	1,041	34	590	137	Dean Elkins, Atlanta
Gonzales, First	1,041	33	561	120	Jas. W. Parker, Gonzales
Dallas, Pine Street	1,044	44	880	334	James Cox, Dallas
Jasper, First	1,049	39	562	212	Herman Coe, Jasper
Pelly, Central	1,056	27	526	170	Brooks Sasse, Pelly
Bowie	1,060	49	980	201	G. B. Bradshaw, Bowie
Texas City, First	1,063	51	970	230	Roland P. Hood, Texas City
Cisco, First	1,064	38	659	228	Otis Strickland, Cisco

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Austin, East Avenue	1,067	44	781	314	E. L. Sparks, Austin
Houston, Norhill	1,067	58	687	235	Cooper Waters, Houston
Houston, Faith Memorial	1,071	121	722	259	T. L. Mathis, Houston
Waco, Turner Street	1,072	67	557	143	Verlon A. Gees, Waco
Mexia, First	1,077	26	630	232	D. A. Bryant, Mexia
Waco, Emmanuel	1,083	42	925	317	T. F. Maynard, Waco
Pasadena, Memorial	1,089	60	654	126	H. D. Hale, Pasadena
New Castle	1,090	34	660	161	Johnny Barrett, New Castle
San Saba	1,096	52	684	152	Cecil Meadows, San Saba
Mt. Pleasant, First	1,097	35	552	156	O. J. Chastain, Mt. Pleasant
Kingsville, First	1,099	32	727	127	H. E. East, Kingsville
Snyder, First	1,101	63	544	172	E. K. Shepherd, Snyder
Beaumont, Magnolia	1,108	72	780	231	W. S. Haley, Beaumont
Houston, West University	1,108	52	846	206	Ray V. Mayfield, Houston
Overton	1,110	27	568	151	C. W. Holmes, Overton
San Angelo, Park Heights	1,111	51	770	263	C. T. Aly, San Angelo
Diamond Hill	1,115	73	727	192	
Dallas, Second Avenue	1,123	36	562	149	C. E. Jackson, Dallas
Texarkana, Highland Park	1,127	32	852	266	
Memphis	1,134	55	667	227	Clifton R. Tennison, Memphis
San Antonio, Riverside Park	1,140	56	908	209	Clyde Childers, San Antonio
Ranger, First	1,142	46	654	168	D. C. Ham, Ranger
Wichita Falls, Northside	1,145	87	704	172	Andrew J. Ward, Wichita Falls
Houston, Park Place	1,148	42	1,164	335	Joseph Stiles, Houston
Houston, Emmanuel	1,154	43	860	294	Carroll B. Ray, Houston
Calvary	1,156	35	440	125	
Littlefield, First	1,157	52	884	262	Lee Hemphill, Littlefield
Dallas, Ervay Street	1,170	....	569	256	Wilbur Swartz, Dallas
South San Antonio	1,185	105	871	330	John Daniel Brown, San Antonio
San Antonio, Calvary	1,190	42	597	200	Carl R. McGinnis, San Antonio
Baytown	1,200	67	1,005	246	E. R. Couch, Baytown
Hereford, First	1,205	35	812	239	R. H. Cagle, Hereford
East Sherman	1,206	27	709	127	L. O. Evans, Sherman
Dalhart	1,215	88	786	279	William R. Lawrence, Dalhart
Center, First	1,229	43	642	146	J. Carroll Chadwick, Center
San Marcos, First	1,243	36	931	222	Geo. E. Stewart, Jr., San Marcos
Groves, First	1,243	58	995	270	Frank L. Gayer, Groves
Beaumont, North End	1,245	67	608	608	J. R. Breland, Beaumont
Texarkana, Rose Hill	1,250	63	1,226	282	G. C. Ivins, Texarkana
Eliasville	1,256	120	915	244	J. C. Wade, Eliasville
Victoria	1,262	43	935	189	Avery Rogers, Victoria
Weatherford, First	1,287	46	601	95	H. J. Starnes, Weatherford
Belton, First	1,289	51	676	133	James Basden, Belton
Lubbock, Calvary	1,293	66	708	183	C. J. McCarty, Lubbock
Ballinger, First	1,300	37	840	149	B. J. Martin, Ballinger
Arlington	1,304	49	1,077	271	C. Ellis Meredith, Arlington
Pampa, Central	1,307	71	1,090	555	
San Antonio, Harlandale	1,307	104	1,115	351	Bryon Bryant, San Antonio
Abilene, South Side	1,307	63	786	315	W. C. Ashford, Abilene
Tyler, Calvary	1,309	40	847	226	S. R. Beaty, Tyler
Dallas, Munger Place	1,324	86	515	86	Earl Anderson, Dallas
Stamford, First	1,330	61	689	235	Miles B. Hayes, Stamford
San Angelo, Immanuel	1,333	22	875	248	Roy Shahan, San Angelo
Bonham, Calvary	1,344	60	861	163	John W. Salzman, Bonham
Waco, Brook Avenue	1,344	43	595	150	Roy L. Smith, Waco
El Paso, Immanuel	1,350	78	946	352	B. F. Bennett, El Paso
Beeville	1,352	68	819	172	J. M. Lunsford, Beeville
Houston, North Main	1,355	74	448	136	L. R. Pearson, Houston
Levelland	1,377	46	943	292	
Monahans, First	1,379	93	779	147	Cecil J. Pearson, Monahans
Corpus Christi, Morgan Avenue	1,384	64	1,077	357	J. Ray Clark, Corpus Christi
Dallas, North Dallas	1,385	65	1,089	435	L. C. Craig, Dallas
Freer, First	1,393	39	688	226	H. B. Ramsey, Freer
Goose Creek, First	1,395	60	1,185	357	A. L. Jordan, Goose Creek
Houston, Lindale	1,410	82	978	327	A. A. Palmer, Houston

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Dallas, Ross Avenue	1,422	109	988	316	Homer B. Reynolds, Dallas
Stephensville, First	1,422	91	1,001	234	H. Marshall Smith, Stephensville
Kerrville	1,433	81	920	213	Vernon Shaw, Kerrville
Coleman, First	1,439	46	934	67	Levi W. Price, Coleman
Bellmeade, First	1,441	55	986	350	E. D. Dunlap, Waco
Electra	1,444	54	859	118	W. W. Rivers, Electra
Paris, First	1,454	40	450	144	L. L. Armstrong, Paris
Conroe, First	1,455	61	839	184	A. C. Donath, Conroe
Sherman, North Park	1,463	109	909	315	Claud Johnston, Sherman
Jacksonville, Central	1,477	57	761	165	James T. Draper, Jacksonville
Big Springs, E. 4th	1,484	47	760	205	James Parks, Big Springs
Galena Park	1,489	67	1,027	302	L. L. Hensen, Galena Park
Fort Worth, Trinity	1,500	45	881	250	Floyd Le Fevers, Fort Worth
Alice, First	1,506	81	1,304	235	W. B. Billingsley, Alice
Cleburne, Field Street	1,533	75	1,110	228	Jones W. Weathers, Cleburne
Big Springs, First	1,545	74	922	228	P. D. O'Brien, Big Springs
Austin, Congress Avenue	1,548	68	1,064	371	Fennis A. Williams, Austin
Irving, First	1,553	118	1,287	476	Jack Merritt, Irving
Dallas, Colonial	1,555	84	1,056	420	John G. Moore, Dallas
Lamesa, First	1,572	122	1,225	365	Julian Atwood, Lamesa
Huntsville, First	1,577	59	674	173	H. M. Ward, Huntsville
Sweetwater, First	1,583	62	1,085	205	George R. Wilson, Sweetwater
Grand Prairie, First	1,592	109	1,547	346	S. K. McClung, Grand Prairie
Houston, Magnolia Park	1,592	82	1,014	978	John T. Taylor, Houston
Houston, Tabernacle	1,600	97	903	275	
Ft. Worth, Sagamore Hill	1,602	98	1,168	384	W. Fred Swank, Fort Worth
Pasadena, First	1,608	38	1,211	216	L. D. Morgan, Pasadena
Oak Cliff, First	1,610	39	800	205	Albert W. Luper, Dallas
Harlington, First	1,611	52	1,077	230	Harry V. Hamblen, Harlington
Bryan, College Avenue	1,614	67	1,226	324	W. J. McDaniel, Bryan
Gladewater, First	1,621	64	1,221	327	Ben R. Stripling, Gladewater
Orange, First	1,624	50	941	133	W. A. Corkern, Orange
Houston, Broadway	1,630	54	1,264	196	W. H. Barsh, Houston
Houston, West 14th Street	1,632	63	799	229	R. L. Hollems, Houston
Henderson, First	1,634	79	1,116	354	T. P. Lott, Henderson
Ennis, Tabernacle	1,680	56	944	133	R. C. Fling, Ennis
Waco, North Waco	1,694	88	991	255	W. K. McGuire, Waco
Hillsboro, First	1,695	69	763	247	
Waco, Calvary	1,710	27	962	259	A. J. Holt, Waco
Waxahachie, First	1,724	59	951	166	
Marshall, First	1,733	73	1,213	370	Arthur P. Rutledge, Marshall
Houston, Woodland	1,735	69	1,363	251	W. M. Harrell, Houston
Mineral Wells, First	1,751	102	764	89	Chester G. Watt, Mineral Wells
Kilgore, First	1,755	85	1,326	369	Howard C. Bennett, Kilgore
Dallas, Fernwood	1,759	27	803	255	H. L. White, Dallas
Brownfield	1,771	165	1,409	508	A. A. Brain, Brownfield
College Station, First	1,773	43	765	243	R. L. Brown, College Station
Port Arthur, Memorial	1,780	46	1,231	411	Oscar Perkins, Port Arthur
Temple, Memorial	1,783	29	1,008	232	George H. Brown, Temple
Dallas, East Dallas	1,783	89	830	159	Presley E. Hand, Dallas
Gatesville	1,793	38	962	206	C. A. Morton, Gatesville
Greenville, First	1,811	68	872	171	L. D. Ball, Greenville
Wichita Falls, Lamar Avenue	1,833	77	985	237	James B. McLeroy, Wichita Falls
Brownwood, Coggin Avenue	1,840	62	1,150	182	H. H. Hargrove, Brownwood
Abilene, University	1,849	72	1,306	410	W. E. King, Abilene
Nacogdoches, First	1,875	61	880	195	L. E. Lamb, Nacogdoches
Corpus Christi, Park Avenue	1,875	96	1,244	555	L. L. Roloff, Corpus Christi
Commerce	1,885	51	688	239	A. A. Duncan, Commerce
Odessa, First	1,895	78	1,943	497	Arthur De Loach, Odessa
Bryan, First	1,896	46	1,205	201	W. H. Andrew, Bryan
Texarkana, First	1,903	49	1,288	377	Carl E. Bates, Texarkana
Dallas, Calvary	1,938	62	1,383	328	W. O. Barnett, Dallas
Terrell	1,939	53	1,193	178	Thos. J. Doss, Terrell
Sulphur Springs	1,947	88	1,316	314	Harold A. Southern, Sulphur Springs

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Palestine, First	1,947	69	1,301	433	D. D. Sumrall, Palestine
Beaumont, South Park	1,971	74	1,238	465	
Ft. Worth, Riverside	2,006	102	1,388	193	Judson Prince, Fort Worth
Houston, First Heights	2,029	50	1,239	236	M. L. Rhodes, Houston
Childress, First	2,032	57	1,201	209	W. H. Colson, Childress
Temple, First	2,052	48	1,131	225	Grady W. Metcalf, Temple
Breckenridge, First	2,073	50	1,140	280	Truman Aldredge, Brecken- ridge
Beaumont, Calvary	2,104	86	1,444	445	J. M. Sibley, Beaumont
Denison, First	2,116	76	1,078	382	Guy Newman, Denison
Ft. Worth, College Avenue	2,128	46	1,047	311	A. B. Van Arsdale, Fort Worth
Corpus Christi, First	2,132	67	1,538	415	C. E. Hereford, Corpus Christi
Dallas, Forrest Avenue	2,167	100	1,213	325	Odell Jameson, Dallas
El Paso, First	2,184	80	1,278	251	W. Herschell Ford, El Paso
Borger, First	2,185	76	1,270	323	Paul B. Cullen, Borger
Austin, University	2,189	57	907	209	Blake Smith, Austin
Gainesville, First	2,201	106	1,195	344	T. Hollis Epton, Gainesville
Orange, North	2,250	170	1,440	539	Jaroy Weber, Orange
Midland, First	2,289	94	1,342	341	Vernon Yearby, Midland
San Antonio, Baptist Temple	2,368	81	1,343	364	Ollie G. Matthews, San An- tonio
Waco, First	2,378	65	1,389	170	F. C. Feezar, Waco
Ft. Worth, Evans Avenue	2,444	152	1,512	418	Lloyd R. Simmons, Ft. Worth
Brownwood, First	2,449	51	1,207	269	Harry Lee Spencer, Brown- wood
Dallas, Highland	2,475	75	1,431	310	
Paris, First	2,483	124	1,603	162	L. B. Reavis, Paris
Houston, Park Memorial	2,500	108	1,653	478	W. L. Shuttlesworth, Houston
Houston, West End	2,567	169	2,163	429	Chas. L. McClain, Houston
Dallas, Hillcrest	2,605	106	1,631	610	J. C. Sisemore, Dallas
Dallas, East Grand Avenue	2,651	85	1,623	586	A. B. White, Dallas
Pampa, First	2,652	90	1,601	489	E. D. Carver, Pampa
Waco, Seventh and James	2,672	77	1,401	516	Woodson Armes, Waco
Corsicana, First	2,696	59	1,341	256	Jared I. Cartlidge, Corsicana
Ft. Worth, Polytechnic	2,729	101	1,786	584	Floyd B. Chaffin, Fort Worth
Plainview, First	2,753	187	1,527	529	A. Hope Owen, Plainview
Houston, Trinity	2,790	57	1,181	389	A. E. Harrison, Houston
Vernon, First	2,908	68	2,115	321	E. S. James, Vernon
Port Arthur, First	2,958	64	1,403	406	John M. Wright, Port Arthur
Sherman, First	2,992	44	1,502	205	J. A. Ellis, Sherman
Waco, Columbus Avenue	3,068	39	1,601	411	W. W. Melton, Waco
Tyler, First	3,271	74	1,742	587	Porter M. Bailes, Tyler
Lufkin, First	3,296	154	2,124	232	Jas. M. Bradford, Lufkin
Ft. Worth, Rosen Heights	3,223	120	1,744	317	Jesse Garrett, Fort Worth
San Angelo, First	3,431	65	2,317	512	James B. Leavell, San Angelo
Houston, Baptist Temple	3,491	131	2,539	966	T. C. Jester, Houston
North Fort Worth	3,497	137	1,943	479	James N. Morgan, Fort Worth
Beaumont, First	3,803	97	2,221	555	T. A. Patterson, Beaumont
Austin, First	3,860	108	2,500	471	
Galveston, First	3,875	121	1,875	517	H. L. Ficket, Galveston
Longview, First	3,935	89	2,130	502	W. Morris Ford, Longview
Houston, South Main	4,060	112	3,075	455	E. H. Westmoreland, Houston
Abilene, First	4,222	99	2,171	419	M. A. Jenkins, Abilene
Ft. Worth, Broadway	4,335	87	2,312	529	H. Guy Moore, Ft. Worth
Wichita Falls, First	4,755	236	2,893	637	James H. Landes, Wichita Falls
Houston, Second	4,856	149	3,347	427	Kyle M. Yates, Houston
Denton, First	4,905	85	1,812	356	Roger D. Hebard, Denton
Amarillo, First	5,075	145	4,137	1,276	A. D. Foreman, Jr., Amarillo
Houston, First	5,301	155	2,519	625	W. Boyd Hunt, Houston
Lubbock, First	5,847	178	3,407	1,142	J. Ralph Grant, Lubbock
Ft. Worth, Travis Avenue	6,142	148	2,844	740	E. L. Carnett, Fort Worth
Dallas, Gaston Avenue	6,244	194	3,461	921	W. Marshall Craig, Dallas
Dallas, Cliff Temple	7,077	129	4,526	786	Wallace Bassett, Dallas
San Antonio, First	8,137	235	3,246	937	Perry F. Webb, San Antonio
Dallas, First	8,636	175	2,133	856	W. A. Criswell, Dallas
Total Churches	497,070	19,543	309,257	82,551	

Virginia

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Franklin	764	13	636	82	R. L. Gregory, Franklin
Union	765	33	558	63	David C. Anderson, Bena
Portsmouth, Park View	771	15	660	144	W. Wilbur Hutchins, Ports- mouth
Norfolk, South Norfolk	783	26	709	36	Frank Hughes, Jr., South Nor- folk
Waynesboro	795	27	612	103	Pierce S. Ellis, Waynesboro
Cradock	801	53	880	110	Harvey L. Bryant, Portsmouth
Crewe	813	19	485	....	Frank B. Handley, Crewe
Hilton	820	13	780	86	John V. Tinnin, Newport News
Richmond, Clopton Street	833	56	448	99	Chas. A. Morgan, Sr., Rich- mond
Danville, Lee Street	835	23	808	104	G. M. Turner, Danville
Danville, Moffett Memorial	840	25	709	145	D. S. Hammock, Danville
Petersburg, Second	840	22	498	42	H. E. Henderson, Petersburg
Richmond, Calvary	842	43	592	86	D. F. White, Richmond
Lynchburg, Franklin Street	850	13	430	24	Geo. Rumney, Lynchburg
Alexandria, Del Ray	852	33	762	89	J. P. Gulley, Alexandria
Richmond, Broadus Memorial	855	16	644	73	Horace L. Ford, Richmond
Roanoke, Tabernacle	875	32	551	106	E. M. Vaughn, Roanoke
Hampton	880	27	905	83	John H. Garber, Hampton
Bluefield, First	882	22	614	62	Cecil V. Cook, Jr., Bluefield, West Virginia
Petersburg, First	885	22	814	70	W. W. Leathers, Jr., Peters- burg
Norfolk, Central	897	37	671	102	P. Rowland Wagner, Norfolk
Newport News, Tabernacle	901	17	860	78	Jack V. Tesh, Newport News
Princeton	916	10	549	....	D. J. Davis, Princeton, West Virginia
South Boston	921	17	717	114	F. C. Riley, South Boston
Roanoke, Villa Heights	923	32	630	81	J. L. Maddex, Roanoke
New Bridge	931	37	737	69	W. A. Roberts, Highland Springs
Lynchburg, West Lynchburg	935	27	846	135	P. T. Harman, Lynchburg
Covington	937	23	667	95	John Hamilton, Covington
Roanoke, Jefferson Street	945	42	408	72	B. L. Mozingo, Roanoke
Richmond, Second	948	16	636	....	James H. Ivey, Richmond
Staunton, First	962	85	692	126	C. C. Thomas, Staunton
Portsmouth, Jackson Memorial	967	61	795	184	John W. Wood, Portsmouth
Norfolk, Ocean View	989	42	793	186	A. M. Coltharp, Norfolk
Newport News, Calvary	998	32	720	99	A. E. Simms, Newport News
Richmond, Grove Avenue	1,007	27	649	125	Byron M. Wilkinson, Rich- mond
Culpeper	1,015	35	582	....	W. Frank Cale, Jr., Culpeper
Portsmouth, Court Street	1,021	32	455	....	Archer B. Bass, Portsmouth
Portsmouth, Calvary	1,022	64	744	116	R. J. Kirby, Portsmouth
Richmond, Fairmount Avenue	1,053	22	759	105	W. I. Barkley, Sr., Richmond
Roanoke, Oakland	1,086	53	1,126	285	
Clifton Forge	1,120	22	805	116	W. A. Brooks, Clifton Forge
Vinton	1,126	2	816	145	Geo. D. Stevens, Vinton
Richmond, Ginter Park	1,127	45	1,036	100	T. Rupert Coleman, Richmond
Hopewell, First	1,127	36	517	80	G. B. Harris, Hopewell
Danville, First	1,129	2	753	11	L. D. Johnson, Danville
Clarendon, First	1,134	26	1,066	93	F. L. Snyder, Arlington
Richmond, Venable Street	1,145	5	533	....	Junius E. Foster, Richmond
Norfolk, Freemason Street	1,146	24	494	56	Spark W. Melton, Norfolk
Norfolk, Trinity	1,147	48	834	119	G. T. Terrell, Norfolk
Bristol, First	1,172	13	655	156	J. P. Allen, Bristol
Bristol, Euclid Avenue	1,179	68	871	209	G. R. Graham, Bristol
Lynchburg, Rivermont Avenue	1,183	11	829	103	Josef Nordenhaug, Lynchburg
Richmond, Park View	1,184	31	957	112	E. Y. Robertson, Richmond
Richmond, Grace	1,192	14	828	135	Garis T. Long, Richmond
Portsmouth, Port Norfolk	1,192	58	1,427	99	H. L. Arthur, Portsmouth
Portsmouth, South Street	1,205	26	744	63	T. A. Russell, Portsmouth
Roanoke, Virginia Heights	1,207	42	814	80	Jesse E. Davis, Roanoke

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Salem	1,283	30	909	74	R. P. Downey, Salem
Suffolk, First	1,315	51	1,146	191	J. Lester Lane, Suffolk
Lynchburg, First	1,316	26	796	35	W. W. Shrader, Lynchburg
Richmond, Woodland Heights	1,323	50	1,121	139	M. J. White, Richmond
Richmond, Weatherford Memorial	1,351	28	1,342	112	J. L. Evans, Richmond
Richmond, Bainbridge Street	1,418	24	878	.....	J. W. Hughston, Richmond
Lynchburg, College Hill	1,464	41	1,085	116	H. M. Fugate, Lynchburg
Portsmouth, Fourth Street	1,536	50	682	126	E. F. Chauncey, Portsmouth
Richmond, Pine Street	1,565	43	937	.....	C. S. Norvelle, Richmond
Roanoke, Melrose	1,613	29	1,445	212	W. B. Denson, Roanoke
Martinsville, First	1,624	28	803	172	Chevis F. Horne, Martinsville
Petersburg, West End	1,650	66	1,192	135	G. T. Tunstall, Petersburg
Roanoke, Waverly Place	1,841	72	828	149	C. S. Trammell, Roanoke
Richmond, Leigh Street	1,852	59	1,416	166	.....
Alexandria, First	1,877	54	1,226	128	E. F. Campbell, Alexandria
Newport News, First	1,892	34	1,215	119	Bruce H. Price, Newport News
Fredericksburg	1,923	37	1,086	126	R. F. Caverlee, Fredericksburg
Newport News, Orcutt Avenue	1,928	49	1,451	182	H. T. Stevens, Newport News
Richmond, Northside	2,058	55	1,495	107	R. Wade Kay, Richmond
Norfolk, Park Place	2,120	54	1,156	113	H. W. Tiffany, Norfolk
Roanoke, Belmont	2,197	65	1,587	136	E. D. Poe, Roanoke
Norfolk, First	2,246	44	1,010	99	.....
Roanoke, First	2,322	53	1,193	139	Wade H. Bryant, Roanoke
Roanoke, Calvary	2,421	30	1,402	112	Harry Y. Gamble, Roanoke
Richmond, Tabernacle	2,427	27	1,661	117	J. R. Noffsinger, Richmond
Charlottesville, First	2,494	81	1,708	240	Allen Graves, Charlottesville
Richmond, Barton Heights	2,519	87	1,876	236	C. V. Hickerson, Richmond
Richmond, First	3,248	90	2,560	200	T. F. Adams, Richmond
Total Churches (85)	108,493	3,074	76,316	8,937	.....

Alabama

Church	Baptisms	Membership	Ratio to Membership	Pastor
Prichard, First	270	1,683	6.2	Henry S. Inabnit
Chickasaw, First	173	999	5.8	Bob Barker
Mobile, Dauphin Way	128	5,084	39.7	H. H. Hobbs
Montgomery, Highland Avenue	119	2,512	21.1	Henry L. Lyon
Powderly	107	1,231	11.5	Dalton Leath

Arizona

Church	Baptisms	Membership	Ratio to Membership	Pastor
NONE

Arkansas

Church	Baptisms	Membership	Ratio to Membership	Pastor
Little Rock, Immanuel	205	3,421	16.7	W. O. Vaught, Jr.
Little Rock, First	124	3,447	27.8	R. C. Campbell
Benton, First	123	1,368	11.1	V. A. Rose
Ft. Smith, First	110	4,069	37.0	B. V. Ferguson
Little Rock, Gaines Street	104	724	7.0	C. E. Lawrence
Paragould, First	103	1,264	12.3	I. M. Prince

California

Church	Baptisms	Membership	Ratio to Membership	Pastor
NONE

District of Columbia

Church	Baptisms	Membership	Ratio to Membership	Pastor
NO REPORT

Florida

Church	Baptisms	Membership	Ratio to Membership	Pastor
Miami, Allapattah	207	2,234	10.8	J. H. Haldeman
Tallahassee, First	167	2,565	15.3	H. G. Sanders
Jacksonville, Main Street	147	3,219	21.9	Thomas Hansen
Miami, Riverside	139	2,300	16.5	C. H. Bolton
West Palm Beach, First	137	2,023	14.8	R. Kelly White
Tampa, North Rome Avenue	132	324	2.4	R. T. Porter
Jacksonville, Woodlawn	127	1,623	12.8	A. L. Carnett
Tampa, Spencer Memorial	126	807	6.4	J. Elwood Rawls
Miami, Central	125	4,308	34.5	C. Roy Angell
Jacksonville, Springfield	125	716	5.7	J. Earl Lewis
Jacksonville, First	122	2,666	21.8	H. G. Lindsay
Jacksonville, Southside	118	2,212	18.7	A. M. Herrington
Jacksonville, Franklin Street	114	918	8.0	H. M. Liechty
Daytona, First	113	1,544	13.7	Lee Nichols
Tampa, Palm Avenue	100	1,196	12.0	Wm. M. Jones

Georgia

Church	Baptisms	Membership	Ratio to Membership	Pastor
Chattahoochee, First	183	1,002	5.5	Jon A. Pirtle
Atlanta, Kirkwood	137	2,428	17.7	Paul Aiken
Atlanta, Colonial Hills	117	2,146	18.3	P. R. Van Gorder
Waycross, Central	113	1,393	12.3	R. W. Major
Atlanta, West End	105	2,782	26.5	John L. Waldrop
Atlanta, Second Ponce de Leon	101	2,721	26.9	Monroe F. Swilley, Jr.
Savannah, Bull Street	101	3,227	31.9	Searcy S. Garrison
Atlanta, Moreland Avenue	100	2,115	21.1	W. Bertram King

Illinois

Church	Baptisms	Membership	Ratio to Membership	Pastor
NONE				

Kentucky

Church	Baptisms	Membership	Ratio to Membership	Pastor
Indianapolis, Ind., Broadway	174	2,713	15.6	R. M. Dodrill
Louisville, Walnut Street	163	4,573	28.0	W. R. Pettigrew
Lexington, Ashland Avenue	138	2,400	17.4	Clarence Walker
Louisville, Ninth & O	137	2,070	15.1	Roy C. McClung
Louisville, Parkland	134	2,273	17.0	H. Leo Eddleman
Evansville, Ind., Calvary	131	983	7.5	A. H. Cullen
Lexington, Porter Memorial	125	1,598	12.8	O'Ray Weeks
Louisville, Victory Memorial	121	1,215	10.0	George H. Riggs
Ashland, Pollard	105	1,166	11.1	Donald W. Wells

Louisiana

Church	Baptisms	Membership	Ratio to Membership	Pastor
Shreveport, Queensboro	188	2,949	15.7	Ira H. Peak
Baton Rouge, Istrouma	136	2,285	16.8	S. C. Rushing
Lake Charles, Trinity	126	1,714	13.6	E. B. Abington
Haynesville, First	122	1,101	9.0	W. T. Holland
West Monroe, First	119	3,604	30.3	C. E. Autrey
Baton Rouge, First	118	5,233	44.3	J. N. Palmer
Shreveport, Ingleside	111	2,202	19.8	T. C. Pennell
Shreveport, Calvary	109	1,448	13.3	H. G. Buchanan

Maryland

Church	Baptisms	Membership	Ratio to Membership	Pastor
NONE				

Mississippi

Jackson, Calvary	156	3,726	23.9	Claude B. Bowen
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Missouri

Church	Baptisms	Membership	Ratio to Membership	Pastor
St. Louis, Third	165	6,191	37.5	C. Oscar Johnson
Kansas City, Beaumont	113	654	5.8	Bill Eustis
Noesha, North Side	105	637	6.1	Arnold Long
St. Louis, Tower Grove	101	3,156	31.2	T. A. Lowery

New Mexico

Church	Baptisms	Membership	Ratio to Membership	Pastor
Carlsbad, First	127	1,206	9.5	J. T. Barbee
Hobbs, First	120	1,509	12.6	Earl R. Keating
Clovis, Central	105	2,223	11.6	Harold E. Dye

North Carolina

Church	Baptisms	Membership	Ratio to Membership	Pastor
Charlotte, First	121	3,173	26.2	C. C. Warren
Moffitt Village	111	343	3.1	
Greensboro, First	102	2,630	25.8	J. Clyde Turner
High Point, Green Street	101	1,937	19.2	J. S. Hopkins

Oklahoma

Church	Baptisms	Membership	Ratio to Membership	Pastor
Tulsa, First	179	5,394	30.1	J. W. Storer
Lawton, First	175	2,282	13.0	H. Tom Wiles
Oklahoma City, Kelham Avenue	167	2,246	13.4	Anson Justice
Oklahoma City, Trinity	159	3,618	22.7	I. L. Yearby
Oklahoma City, Capitol Hill	151	3,426	22.7	Hugh R. Bumpas
Tulsa, Nogales Avenue	150	2,426	16.2	J. A. Pennington
McAlester, First	142	2,836	20.0	Augie Henry
Muskogee, First	142	2,438	17.2	Wm. D. Wyatt
Sapulpa, First	136	1,826	13.4	Charles H. Black
Cushing, First	135	1,724	12.8	Lewis G. Prince
Tulsa, Immanuel	131	2,223	17.0	Herbert Howard
Atoka	127	956	7.5	Harold McGlamary
Lawton, Calvary	115	1,779	15.5	Dewey C. Squires
Shawnee, First	113	2,640	23.4	R. Lofton Hudson
Pryor	111	1,111	10.0	E. R. Jacks
Oklahoma City, First	109	7,070	64.9	Willis E. Howard
Seminole, First	106	3,117	29.4	Floyd M. Craig
Durant, First	102	1,292	12.7	

South Carolina

Church	Baptisms	Membership	Ratio to Membership	Pastor
Charleston Heights, First	137	1,194	8.7	L. B. Marion, Jr.
Sumter, Grace	119	1,104	9.3	J. H. Simpson
North Charleston, First	118	965	8.2	Paul Pridgen
Florence, First	116	2,656	22.9	Harold W. Seever
Charleston, Ashley River	103	685	6.6	O. E. Burton

Tennessee

Church	Baptisms	Membership	Ratio to Membership	Pastor
Chattanooga, Highland Park	555	4,207	7.6	L. E. Roberson
Memphis, Bellevue	257	7,589	29.5	Robert G. Lee
Memphis, Seventh Street	141	1,313	9.3	E. Pitt Woodruff
Nashville, First	134	4,035	30.1	W. F. Powell
Cleveland, First	133	1,602	12.0	F. M. Dowell
Chattanooga, Woodland Park	126	2,618	20.8	E. L. Williams
Knoxville, Broadway	118	3,483	29.5	Ramsey Pollard
Memphis, La Belle	115	2,413	21.0	D. M. Renick
Murfreesboro, West Vue	111	399	3.6	Woodrow Medlock

Speedway Terrace	110
Chattanooga, East Lake	105
Memphis, First	104
Knoxville, McCalla Avenue	104
Nashville, Grace	103
Memphis, National Avenue	102
Memphis, Highland Heights	101

2,230	20.3
958	9.1
3,187	30.6
1,721	16.5
1,994	19.3
587	5.7
2,592	25.7

Mark Harris
J. B. Hester
R. Paul Caudill
Charles C. Bowles
W. Leonard Stigler
W. E. Lyles
S. A. Murphy

Texas

Church	Baptisms	Membership	Ratio to Membership
Wichita Falls, First	236	4,755	20.1
San Antonio, First	235	8,137	34.6
Dallas, Gaston Avenue	194	6,244	32.2
Plainview, First	187	2,753	14.7
Lubbock, First	178	5,847	32.8
Dallas, First	175	8,636	49.3
Orange, North	170	2,250	13.2
Houston, West End	169	2,567	15.2
Brownfield	165	1,771	10.7
Houston, First	155	5,301	34.2
Lufkin, Calvary	154	3,296	21.4
Ft. Worth, Evans Avenue	152	2,444	16.1
Houston, Second	149	4,856	32.6
Ft. Worth, Travis Avenue	148	6,142	41.5
Amarillo, First	145	5,075	35.0
Fort Worth, North	137	3,497	25.5
Houston, Baptist Temple	131	3,491	26.6
Dallas, Cliff Temple	129	7,077	54.9
Odessa, Immanuel	129	811	6.3
Paris, First	124	2,483	20.0
Dallas, Eagle Ford	125	585	4.7
Lamesa, First	122	1,572	12.9
Houston, Faith Memorial	121	1,071	8.8
Galveston, First	121	3,875	32.0
Eliasville	120	1,256	10.5
Ft. Worth, Rasen Heights	120	3,223	26.8
Amarillo, Line Avenue	115	613	5.3
Irving, First	118	1,553	13.2
Houston, South Main	112	4,060	36.2
Houston, Victory	110	680	6.2
Dallas, Kass Avenue	109	1,422	13.0
Grand Prairie, First	109	1,592	14.6
Sherman, North Park	109	1,463	13.4
Houston, Park Memorial	108	2,500	23.1
Kermit, First	108	1,007	9.3
Austin, First	108	3,860	35.7
Dallas, Hillcrest	106	2,605	24.6
Gainesville	106	2,201	20.8
South San Antonio	105	1,185	11.3
San Antonio, Harlandale	104	1,307	12.6
Houston, Park Temple	102	839	8.2
Mineral Wells, First	102	1,751	17.2
Ft. Worth, Riverside	102	2,006	19.7
Ft. Worth, Polytechnic	101	2,729	27.0
Dallas, Forrest Avenue	100	2,167	21.7

Pastor
James H. Landes
Perry F. Webb
W. Marshall Craig
A. Hope Owen
J. Ralph Grant
W. A. Criswell
Jaroy Weber
Charles L. McClain
A. A. Brian
W. Boyd Hunt
Fletcher Erwin
Lloyd R. Simmons
Kyle M. Yates
E. L. Carnett
A. D. Foreman
James N. Morgan
T. C. Jester
Wallace Bassett
J. B. Dolon
L. B. Reavis
W. L. Harrod
C. A. Morton
T. L. Mathis
H. L. Fickett
J. C. Wade
Jessee Garrett
J. W. Sisemore
Jack Merritt
E. H. Westmoreland
J. T. Brown
Homer B. Reynolds
S. R. McClung
Johnston, Claude
W. L. Shuttleworth
Straus Atkinson
J. C. Sisemore
Dan Smith
John Daniel Brown
Byron Bryant
M. A. Treadwell
Chester G. Watt
Judson Prince
Floyd B. Chaffin
Odell Jameson

Virginia

Church	Baptisms	Membership	Ratio to Membership
Newport News, Copeland Park	144	555	3.8

Pastor
Joseph B. Flowers

The Minister and the Marriage Muddle

By C. DeWITT MATTHEWS

On every hand we hear the cry that the modern marriage is not "sticking." Statistics are cited by learned students of the problem to support the fear that the ease with which couples marry and divorce is one of the surest signs of the deterioration of our civilization.

If the threat is that serious, one might conclude, there is little that can be done but wait for the inevitable. On the other hand, some of the wisest observers say something can be done to off-set the calamity, and that the minister and the church should spearhead the counter attack. What in a practical, workable way can the minister do to stem the flood of divorces and broken homes?

All other opinion to the contrary, the church and the minister still vitally affect public opinion. In the area of the family and the home, particularly, his word is a trusted thing. However, ministers are often discounted as competent marriage counselors because some of them are ill-prepared to cope with the problem. Frankly, the average persons contemplating marriage give less thought and study to their own qualifications for it than they do to their entering business, buying property, building a house, or shopping for clothes. Yet, somehow, they still expect marriage to work!

As a radiant young couple was leaving the church following their wedding, a bystander was heard to remark: "Isn't that the most wonderful thing you ever saw? It is simply perfect!" A stranger nearby replied, "Madam, I disagree. There isn't

anything perfect about that marriage. This young couple has set out to build something fine, but they've just laid the first two bricks. Let's observe them ten years hence when the structure is more complete than it is now before we say it is perfect." The stranger was right, for marriages are not "made in heaven," as insistently as we still like to believe that they are. Rather, marriage is a challenge to men and women to make something beautiful right here on earth! Not everyone is willing, however, to prepare himself, or herself, for adequately facing all the risks involved in building it. If they were, marriage would not turn out to be such a muddle!

The minister, in his place of priority in the minds of his people, needs to major on his preparation for marriage counseling. I know one such man who rigidly adheres to the rule of thoroughly counseling with each prospective bride and groom separately before he will perform the wedding. In the conference, he digs to the bottom of their lives, finding out any possible childhood inhibitions that might make marriage adjustment difficult, and examining everything, both positive and negative, that will affect each couple's making a "go" of marriage.

Cases Are Cited

Specifically, I recall these cases which have come under my observation: (1) A young woman who had become engaged before she was ready for marriage came for counseling. It was evident that she was abnormally anxious about it, and

rather than dismiss her nervousness as a natural reaction to a new experience the pastor probed deeper. Since she had accepted the engagement ring, she felt honor-bound to go through with the marriage. Her fear of social disapproval if she should break the engagement was strong. It was increasingly obvious to her and to the counsellor, however, that she and the young man didn't "fit." A subsequent conference with the prospective groom, and then with the two together, led the couple to "break" their engagement without too much tension and misunderstanding. Now both are greatly relieved as they proceed with their college careers, without having lost a healthy respect for each other, and both confident that marriage will come later for them. In this instance the pastor was the "listening ear" to two confused and unhappy people whom he was able to guide out of an all-too-hasty engagement.

(2) Again, a couple came for counseling whose chief concern was that the groom was not a Christian. Although it is not necessarily advisable to refuse to perform a marriage ceremony unless both parties are Christians, or become so before the wedding, many times it has been this pastor's happy privilege—as in this particular case—to lead one or both to Christ during a pre-marital conference. Usually it is better to approach this matter, like all such eternal issues, with the bride or the groom alone.

(3) A young woman who came for counseling about her approaching marriage was strangely unhappy. After considerably inquiry, she admitted the existence of a haunting feeling of inferiority which, it was revealed, grew out of her small size, what she thought was her unattractive face, and a general feeling of incompetence when in the presence of more impressive people. She, consequently, felt herself to be marrying primarily to escape

facing such situations alone, rather than because she really wanted to marry. It required several weeks of the most patient and careful counseling. Her childhood had been poverty stricken, and she had lived in the "wrong" part of town. These two conditions had only added to her feeling of inadequacy, which was obvious in her general appearance. The minister led her to make helpful changes in the style and type clothing she wore, the way she fixed her hair, and the manner in which she held herself when she stood or walked. The pastor helped project her into church and social groups where she would be on a par with others and thus not feel over-shadowed, or inferior. Of course, he pointed out to her some attractive features in her appearance which, in her melancholy, she had overlooked. As a result, the girl shows marked improvement in her poise, self-confidence, and general happiness. Her fiancé is delighted with her new zest for life, and the marriage date has been set.

(4) An area of danger to marriage often neglected, which the minister may neutralize, is the variety of misconceptions concerning sex. One young woman revealed that her father had instilled into her a distrust of men, always cautioning her against what he said was their ulterior motives. The young man knew nothing of her difficulty until the pastor told him. Further probing revealed that the girl's father had been loose morally before his own marriage and was playing a favorite psychological trick on his daughter, which many frustrated people use, i.e., that of projecting his own weakness and early moral failure on to every man.

(5) An increasing number of young men have come to their pastor for pre-marital counseling, disturbed because of their unmoral behavior prior to marriage. The pastor can be of vital assistance in leading such persons into a great ex-

perience of forgiveness, forgiveness before they go further with their marriage plans.

(6) The minister who sets up a pre-marital counseling schedule will find it necessary to know how to recognize potential difficulties that develop with in-laws, the menace to marriage that grows out of differences in the background and interests of the couples, and above all the need for a religious experience with Christ, and the advisability of establishing a family altar. Whatever the influences and conditions that affect the success of the marriage, the sincere and alert minister will find them, if he equips himself to be a competent counselor.

(7) Of course, there are those fortunate brides and grooms who have a minimum of adjustment to make for marriage. These, happily, are in a decided majority. The problems in these cases, of course, are less complex, than they are in the more acute instances cited above; but they, nevertheless, should receive the most careful attention, looking especially for certain latent attitudes that will injure the marriage relationship.

Many Problems Arise

These examples of pre-marital counseling, both the specific cases cited and the more general statements of problems, do not, of course, constitute a complete picture. They are, however, representative of those conditions that so often make a successful marriage difficult to maintain.

I have found that preponderance of early marriage difficulties occur when: (1) The marriage is entered into too hastily; (2) one, or both, parties are not Christians; (3) the couple has little appreciation for the family altar and group worship in the home; (4) one person in

the marriage has an abnormal inferiority feeling; (5) there are misconceptions of the place and purpose of sex in marriage; (6) there exists a guilt complex from pre-marital sex experience; (7) one, or both, parties have had a previous marriage; (8) in-laws interfere; (9) there is a wide difference in the social and economic background of the bride and groom; (10) the bride and groom have little common interest; (11) Juvenile traits of thinking and acting are prominent in one or both parties to the marriage; (12) the couple has had no competent pre-marital counseling.

The medical doctor advises on physical adjustments, but the minister can equip himself for counseling on the level of marriage, which includes the mental, emotional, and spiritual adjustments that people have to make to it. We often conclude that the modern generation knows so much more than former generations about "what every young man or woman should know," that such a detailed probing into the background, etc., is unnecessary. The facts do not support such a view. For it is the rarest of couples who have the opportunity for thorough counseling on the sane approach to marriage.

Try it, Mr. Preacher. When you reach your hand out to counsel and guide prospective brides and grooms, be assured that you are doing far more than merely sticking your finger in the dike to hold back the flood of broken homes. You will be re-routing and channeling the waters themselves! This ministry is very important for the future of our civilization. But the minister must prepare himself for it. If he doesn't know the field, or, at least, isn't willing to learn it, he'd better not venture into it. The minister can be, if he will, one of the major differences in modern society between a successful marriage and a confusing muddle!

Suggestions for Sermons

By JEROME O. WILLIAMS

THE PEOPLE OF THE LORD

The eternal God is thy refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms.—Deuteronomy 33:27.

The Lord's people have every reason to be happy. They should rejoice always and praise the Lord for his goodness. Also, they should seek to live and serve in a way worthy of the position they occupy. The Scriptures teach this in many places. It is clearly taught in the above text. Take a look at the good things in it.

1. *The Lord Secures His Own*

"The eternal God is thy refuge." A refuge is a place where one is safe or protected from danger. It is a shelter, a sanctuary, where one can be at ease and be satisfied and feel secure. The psalmist said, "Lord, thou hast been our dwelling place in all generations" (Psalm 90:1). He said also of the Lord, "He is my refuge and my fortress" (Psalm 91:2). When the soul and life take refuge with the eternal life of this universe, they can feel secure and satisfied. The Lord will take care of his own with every blessing which is best. Rest in the Lord and be happy and secure.

2. *The Lord Will Support His Own*

"Underneath are the everlasting arms." What more could one ask? What more could one expect? When the strong arms of the eternal God are underneath the life, the support is substantial and eternal.

He will uphold his own. He will support his own. He will not allow his own to falter and fall. It gives supreme joy to know that the Lord has power to uphold and will use this power for his own. When the Lord's arms support a soul it is secure. All people should desire to rest all of life's interests in the everlasting arms of God.

3. *The Lord Will Protect His Own*

"He shall thrust out the enemy from before thee." Life needs protection from dangers, distress, defeat, depression, and all other enemies of the soul. The Lord has power to protect his people from those of an enemy nation. The Lord will protect his people's home, community, and nation. Anything that hinders a soul from normal spiritual development is an enemy to that soul. In the power of the Lord, the Lord's people can overcome all such enemies and know and do the Lord's will. He will guide his own away from harm and danger and lead them in paths of peace and prosperity. The Lord will thrust out the enemy. Trust him.

4. *The Lord Will Satisfy His Own*

"Israel then shall dwell in safety alone." The human soul is made for the Lord and it is restless and uneasy until it finds him. When the soul finds God, responds to his love and mercy, and will trust all in his care, it will come into satisfaction and perfect peace. "Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee" (Isa. 26:3). Only in the Lord can such satisfaction be found.

The suggestion for this sermon grew out of contact with individuals and families which seem restless and ill at ease at all times. It is written to meet one need. May it find many needs and meet each one.

MEN HONOR GOD

The Lord God of Israel saith . . . them that honour me.—1 Samuel 2:30.

This text states the fact that men can honor God. It will sober any soul to pause and ask, What can I do to honor the God of this universe? God is so high and holy, so superior and sublime, that men feel unable to honor him. Yes, men can honor God. We mention some ways in which men may honor God.

1. Men Honor God by Their Attitude Toward God

The psalmist declared: "Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised." "The Lord made the heavens. Honour and majesty are before him; strength and beauty are in his sanctuary" (Psalm 96:4-6). The Lord God created all things. He is in all, under all, and above all. He gives all life and sustains life. He placed all the planets in position and holds them there. Truly "the Lord reigneth" (1 Chron. 16:31). Men honor themselves and God by acknowledging this position of God.

2. Men Honor God Through Worship in His Name

"O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness" (Psalm 96:9). "Give unto the Lord the glory due unto his name" (Psalm 96:8). The Lord is to be praised for his matchless name. He is the God of grace and goodness; the God of justice and righteousness; the God of love and mercy; the God of beauty and holiness; and the God of might and majesty. Man may worship God. He can magnify God in his own heart and before men. Man can glorify the name of the Lord. All men should adore the Lord God.

3. Men Honor God by Faith in His Word

"O Lord, I have said that I would keep thy words" (Psalm 119:57). The Lord has revealed himself to man. He created man and reserves the right to speak to him. The record of the revelation of God to man is in the Bible, the holy Word of God. Man honors God when he hears this word, believes it, accepts it, and seeks to live by it. He honors God when he can say, "Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path" (Psalm 119:105). Also, "Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee" (Psalm 119:11). Surely all men everywhere should believe God and accept his Word. He who accepts God's Word honors himself as well as God.

4. Men Honor God Through Gifts for His Cause

"Honour the Lord with thy substance, and with the firstfruits of thine increase" (Prov. 3:9). Since man lives, moves, and has his being in the Lord and receives every good and perfect gift from him, the Lord God has a right to expect generous gifts out of what a man earns. God is honored when man makes a gift in the Lord's house on the Lord's Day of not less than a tithe of his income, for the Lord's work. Man can honor God by giving his substance to the Lord's treasury.

5. Men Honor God Through Service in His Kingdom

"I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service" (Rom. 12:1). It is the plan of the Lord to use saved people to aid him in his work. Man can honor God in giving his life for consecrated service in preaching, teaching, singing, visiting, comforting, and praying in the name of and for the sake of the kingdom of God. Serve the Lord

with gladness. Honor the Lord in service.

In these and other ways man can honor the Lord God.

GOD HONORS MEN

The Lord God of Israel saith . . . them that honour me, I will honour.—1 Samuel 2:30.

In a former message we took the words "them that honour me," and suggested a sermon on "Men Honor God." Here we take the other three words and speak on "God Honors Men." It is easy to see in a study of this contrast that God honors men far more than men honor him. We mention a few ways in which God honors men.

1. God Honors Men in Creation

When God had created the heavens and the earth and the other living creatures, he said, "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness" (Gen. 1:26). "And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul" (Gen. 2:7). Thus God created man with a physical, mental, social, and spiritual nature. "Thou hast made him [man] a little lower than the angels, and hast crowned him with glory and honour" (Psalm 8:5). Thus man is "fearfully and wonderfully made" (Psalm 139:14). God has honored man in creating him in his own image and likeness.

2. God Honors Men with Salvation

After God created man in his own image, man disobeyed God and became sinful and passed this sinful nature on to all descendants. The Word describes all men as it says, "There is none righteous, no, not one" (Rom 3:10). "There is none that doeth good, no, not one" (Rom 3:12). "All have sinned and come short of the glory of God" (Rom 3:23). But God loved sinful man and sent his only begotten Son into the world to reveal this love, and to die that sinful men might be saved from

sin. "Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures" (1 Cor. 15:3): "The gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord" (Rom. 6:23). God saves man from the guilt and penalty of sin and from the habit and dominion of sin, and gives him eternal life. What honor!

3. God Honors Men in Adoption

When the Lord saves a man from sin he becomes a child of God and is a member of the family of God. "As many as received him [Christ], to them gave he power to become sons of God" (John 1:12). "The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God: and if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ" (Rom. 8:16-17). In the family of God, his children take on the nature of God and strive to attain his characteristics. "Now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him" (1 John 3:2). What honor God bestows upon men!

4. God Honors Men As Co-Workers

"We are labourers together with God" (1 Cor. 3:9). When the Lord saves a person from sin and takes him into his family, he gives that person some work to do in his kingdom. God calls Christians to serve, as apostles, prophets, teachers, healers, helpers, pastors, evangelists, singers, writers, organizers, and all phases of his work. The joy of it all is that God works with his own and helps them to accomplish his will and work. The Lord bestows such honors on men as to permit them to work with him in his high and holy work.

5. God Honors Men with Help

"God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus" (Phil. 4:9). God is ready, able, and willing to help all men in every need. God is ready to comfort the sorrowing,

feed the hungry, clothe the naked, strengthen the weak, save the sinner, give peace to the troubled, and to supply all needs of all people. He graciously invites all to come to him for help. He will turn no soul away. He will supply any need. He will satisfy every righteous desire. How God does honor men! God will give the soul of man complete victory over death and the grave, and will give a place of eternal joy with himself in heaven.

"Them that honour me, I will honour."

At some time in reading the Scriptures I underscored these words in 1 Samuel 2:30: "Them that honour me, I will honour." Later as I turned through the Book I had an impression to develop a sermon on each phase of this, making a study of the contrast. The result is the suggestion on "Men Honor God," and "God Honors Men."

OUR BLESSINGS

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ.—Ephesians 1:3.

Every person should pause often and sincerely note all blessings of life. It is well to count the blessings of home and health, love and life, family and friends, flora and fauna, and all others in all realms. When we have counted all blessings, it is well to evaluate each one and seek to see which is the most precious and eternal. The following facts apply to our blessings.

1. Our Blessings Are from God

"Blessed be the God . . . who hath blessed us." All blessings come from God. We live and move and have our being in him. He gives life and sustains life. Every good and perfect gift is from him. This is true about blessings in every realm of life. We bless his name for every blessing of life. We give thanks unto him and praise him for every blessing. The Lord

may use other people to bring blessings to us or use us to take them to others, but all blessings come from him.

2. Our Blessings Are Spiritual

"Blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places." It is a great blessing to enjoy the good things of the physical, mental, and social realms of life, but the greatest blessings are in the spiritual realm. These are supreme blessings. These are eternal blessings. They shall never perish and shall become brighter and brighter as the years go by. Also, the happiness of spiritual blessings prepares one to better use and enjoy the blessings in all other realms. "Truly our fellowship is with the Father, and with his Son Jesus Christ" (1 John 1:3). And with saints and angels and redeemed souls. All children of God have great reason for rejoicing before the Lord.

3. Our Blessings Are Abundant

"Hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings." Note the little word "all" in this expression. In the American Revised Version it is translated "every." The word is comprehensive. It is all-inclusive. The Lord does not bless meagerly. He gives abundantly. He gives abundant light and life, water and wealth, grace and goodness, power and pleasure. The Lord gives to his own before they ask for he knows every need and is able and willing to supply each one. He gives all essential blessings in each place of need.

4. Our Blessings Are Through Christ

"Spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ." Christ is the mediator between God and man (1 Tim. 2:5). On the cross he gave himself in death to satisfy law, love, justice, and righteousness and to open the flood gates of eternal blessings to all who will accept them. It is by grace through faith in Christ that souls enter the spiritual realm of eternal joy. Blessed be the name of the Christ, the name of

Jesus, for all blessings which he brings to his own.

This suggestion for a sermon grew out of an intense desire to thank God for his abundant spiritual blessings. The text divides itself logically. This might be used as a message on Thanksgiving Day if the desire is to confine the sermon to spiritual blessings.

CHRIST'S LOVE FOR HIS CHURCH

Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it; that he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word.—Ephesians 5:25-26.

Christ instituted the church. He is the founder and the head of the church. The church is a divine institution. It is divine in its origin, organization, ordinances, and objectives. The passage before us shows the extent of the love of Christ for the church. Note the following phases of the love of Christ for his church.

1. *The Power of His Love*

"Christ also loved the church." Jesus said, "I will build my church" (Matt. 16:18). Christ has built every true church on the foundation of the apostles and prophets with himself as the Chief Cornerstone (Eph. 2:20). He therefore loves the church. He loves lost people and gave himself for their salvation. As people accepted eternal life which he offered, he loved them more and associated them with himself in the fellowship of his church. Thus Christ loved the church with supreme devotion. That which Christ loved with such devotion must be a most precious institution. The church is that and we should so recognize it, cherish it, love it, serve it, and be loyal to it because of Christ's love for it.

2. *The Proof of His Love*

"And gave himself for it." Here is positive and sufficient proof of the love of Christ for his church. In several ways

Christ gave himself for his church. During the earthly life of Jesus he gave his time, energy, wisdom, judgment, and ability for the church. It was his to select, save, and train the first members of the church which he founded. He gave himself to this task that it might be well done. He also gave his ideals and his perfection for his church. It is his because he founded it and is at the head of it. Christ gave himself for the church because it is the agency charged with the promotion of his gospel to the ends of the earth. He gave himself for the church that it might have its grace, goodness, wisdom, and power to do its work through the ages. Because Christ gave himself for the church, we should be willing to do the same thing.

3. *The Purpose of His Love*

That he might sanctify and cleanse it." Here is stated the twofold purpose of the love of Christ for his church. First, it was that it might be separated. "Sanctify" means "to set apart for a sacred purpose." Christ would therefore set apart his church as the divine agency for his holy ministry on earth. It is a divine institution with a divine mission. It is a special agency with a special message. It is set apart for the work of Christ. Second, it is that he might "cleanse" or purify his church. The ideal of Christ for his church is that it may be without "spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish." Christ would have the members of the church live pure and holy lives, that the church might be the same. Christ's love for his church demands that his church be in the world and yet separated from worldly things, that it be pure and seek to purify the world.

4. *The Plan of His Love*

"With the washing of water by the word." The love of Christ for his church employed two instruments for performing his ministry and mission in and through the churches. One is the Holy Spirit and

the other is the Word of God. The Holy Spirit is to convict the world of sin, righteousness, and judgment; to testify of Christ, to regenerate the soul, and to lead and guide the Lord's people in life and service. The church is to learn the truth as it is in the Word, establish the church according to its teachings, and be true and loyal to it always. Thus powerful instruments help to build the church according to the plan of Christ.

Know the truth about the church. Love the church devotedly, and be loyal and true to its ministry and mission always.

This sermon outline developed in the following way. A member of an Adult union wrote to me asking for help on a talk on "Christ's Love for His Church." I referred to this passage of Scripture and made some comments. Then later I began to study the verse more earnestly with the result as shown in this outline.

SEEKING GOD

O God, thou art my God; early will I seek thee.—Psalm 63:1.

Here is an anxious cry of a hungry person for food, a thirsty body for water, a lonely heart for fellowship, and a longing soul for God. This text contains a glorious expression of faith and a positive resolution of purpose. Note some thoughts which grow out of this expression.

1. I Will Seek

What will you seek? What do most people seek? Evidence shows that most people seek material things as silver and gold, stocks and bonds, houses and lands, jewels and garments. Others seek personal satisfaction in pleasure and power, favors and fame, beauty and attractiveness. Such seeking is short of things of eternal value. It is lamentable that so many people spend their time, talent, and energy seeking that which will not endure. There is a better way.

2. I Will Seek God

"Early will I seek thee." I will seek the Lord because he gives life and sustains it. He has revealed himself to man and given a record of this revelation. He has shown his love for all men and his willingness and ability to supply every need of every person. I will seek his presence and power, love and life, way and Word, grace and goodness, will and work. I will come into his presence and learn of him and love him and live for him. He will be the one supreme Person in my life. I am assured that in seeking him and his kingdom first, all other necessary things will be added. Those who seek the Lord will be able to find him and to have eternal joy and satisfaction in him.

3. I Will Seek Early

"Early will I seek thee." This is a resolution to seek the Lord early in life. Happy is that young person who finds the Lord and yields his life to him before the ways of the world shapes his destiny and claims his time and service. It is good to seek the Lord early in life. Early each morning each soul should seek fellowship with the Lord and gain strength and confidence for every duty of the day. Early in the making of a home the Lord should be received into the home as one loved, honored, and obeyed. "Seek ye the Lord while he may be found, call ye upon him while he is near" (Isa. 55:6).

4. I Will Seek Earnestly

"My soul thirsteth for thee." Those who seek the Lord must be in earnest about it. One must go about seeking God in an intelligent manner. The seeking should be constant for always there will be more and more to learn about the God of this universe. Those who come to know him best long most earnestly to know him better. The hopeful heart should seek the Lord for the Lord is ready and waiting for souls to come to him and trust him. No soul will be disappointed that shall seek the Lord

earnestly, anxiously, intelligently, and hopefully. The Lord will welcome such seeking soul and grant abundant blessings.

5. *I Will Seek Everywhere*

The Lord speaks to souls in many ways and places. One may find the Lord in the house, the school, or the church; on the highway or in the fields; in the shop or in the office; or as he travels on land, sea, or

in the air. God is everywhere. God may speak to souls in song or sermon, sorrow or suffering, troubles and trials, through nature and conscience, and by his Word through the Holy Spirit. Seek the Lord in all places and ways.

Those who seek the Lord will be able to find him. The promise is "Seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you" (Matt. 7:7).

Plotting Your Church Field

By R. B. HOOKS

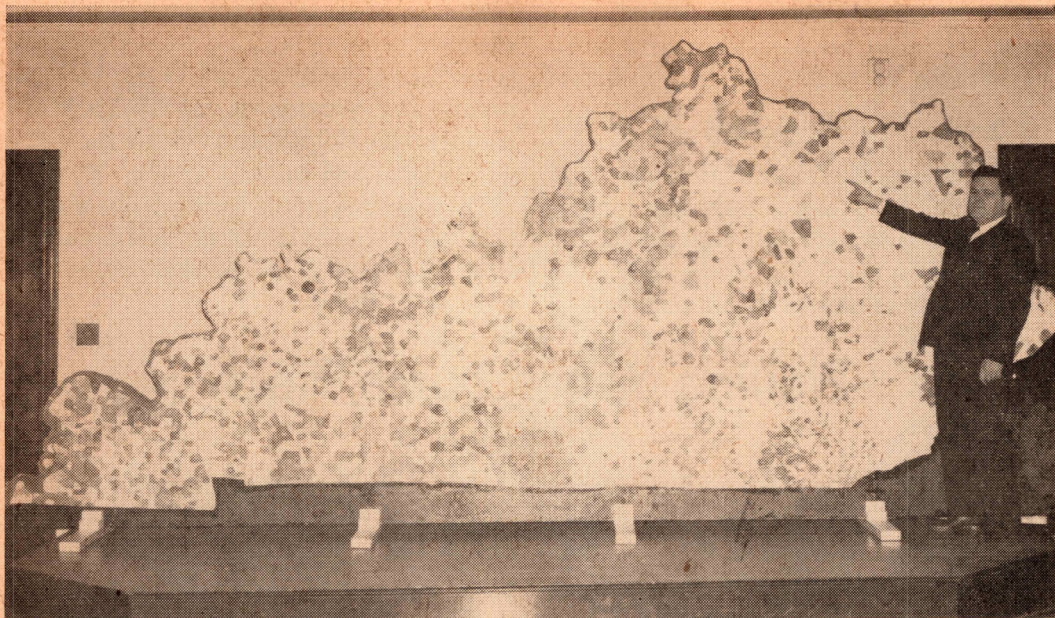
"I want you to study the country churches in Kentucky, and help formulate a program of work that will enable them to take their place in the kingdom work of Jesus Christ our Lord." These were the words of Dr. J. W. Black to me when I accepted the position under the State and Home Mission Board as field secretary of rural work in Kentucky.

I have a genuine interest in country churches, having been reared in a country community and baptized into the fellowship of a country church at the age of nine. I have spent sixteen years as a pastor of country churches. My desire, as secretary of rural work was to know where each country church was located, to meet the pastor and members, and to know something of the geographical surroundings and work. I learned when I was pastor if I knew something of the home life of my members, it was easier to help them, but in order to know the home life of each member I had first to know where his home was, the house he lived in, and his neighbors. I felt that this same principle should be applied to my work in the study of the churches of the state.

I secured from the Highway Department of Kentucky maps of each of the 120 counties. These were bound in one large volume. The engineers of the Highway

Department drew these maps to the scale of one-half inch to the mile, showing all roads—those improved, and those that were plain dirt trails; each map also showed where villages, towns, parks, rivers, creeks, mountains, forest reserves, dwellings, churches, burial grounds, schools, stores, mines, quarries, saw mills, military camps, etc., were located. For two years, wherever I went in Kentucky, I carried these maps with me. When I visited a church I would take my map, find the exact location of that church, and write the name on the map.

In 1944, at the Home Mission Conference for rural workers at Ridgecrest, Dr. Courts Redford showed how to plot a church membership field. I saw the value of this information. The method is simple. To plot the resident membership of a church, draw a line on a map around the territory where the members of that church live. This territory is determined by going out each road from the church building to the house where the last resident member lives. I do not mean you pass by a great number of homes where no church people live, but out each road as far as the fairly solid membership lives. Some members live in far distant cities, in fact a country church of today may have members living in all parts of the world. The picture I wanted was how large an



R. B. Hooks, secretary of rural work for Kentucky Baptists is shown above with the large map which he has used in plotting the field of every rural church in Kentucky.

area the active membership of each church covered. The first association where each church field was plotted was Henry County. When this was completed we saw that at least one-third of the county was not included in any of the church fields, and the church fields themselves included many lost people.

This survey was presented to Dr. W. C. Boone, who had been elected when Dr. Black retired. He suggested that in 1947 we complete the locating and plotting of each church field in Kentucky. With the co-operation of Brother L. O. Griffith, assistant to Dr. Boone, the local, county, and associational missionaries, this task was brought to as near completion as possible for the present time. Maps of the counties which had not been plotted were furnished to the men out on the field. Forty-four of the 120 counties had already been plotted by the rural men. As these maps

were completed by the men they were sent to the Baptist Building, and the information was transferred to a new set of maps. These maps were cut out and placed together in their respective places like a jigsaw puzzle; then they were glued to a large piece of cloth. The cloth was glued to pieces of plywood, which had been hinged together. The rivers were painted blue and each field painted a bright color, trying not to have any two adjoining church fields the same color. The over-all dimensions of the map are 18 feet by 8 feet.

There are in Kentucky 1,628 country churches, 385 village and town churches, and 187 city churches. The city and town church fields could not be plotted separately, so the town or city limits with any adjoining territory that was being reached by the churches was colored. The white portion or uncolored area of the map

shows the territory not being reached by any missionary Baptist church.

Map Reveals Much

This map was presented to Kentucky Baptists at the General Associational meeting in Owensboro, November, 1947. The question that was asked by many was, "What are you going to do with that map?" My answer was, "I aim to look at it." Here are some of the things I see. I can see the location of every country church in Kentucky. I see the places where the first missionary Baptist churches were organized, and from them has gone out the gospel of Christ to other parts of the state. I see the result of one hundred and fifty years of mission work—a total of 2,200 Missionary Baptist churches with a total membership of 478,000; yet there are approximately one million lost people above nine years of age in Kentucky. The different types of mission work done in Kentucky in the past can be evaluated. In one section of Eastern Kentucky, a pioneer missionary preacher entered preaching the gospel of Christ. He stood for a church-centered mission program, declaring that the Commission of Christ was given to the church, and that the church of Jesus Christ is, and must ever be, a missionary church.

Fourteen churches were organized by the efforts of this one man. Now, there are three or four counties that have a great number of churches in them, whereas in another section of Eastern Kentucky there came independent evangelists, non-denominational groups; thousands of dollars were spent and this part of the state has but few churches. The hoofbeat of the Kentucky thoroughbred has received more glory than the heartbeat of Christ for the lost people of Kentucky and of the world.

In the plotting of the church fields of the state, we have found many churches that have been lost to the world mission program. We have a list of the churches by counties as well as by associations. We found, in one county, churches from eight different associations. Some of the backward associations are scattered over several counties. The associations that have made the most progress in kingdom building are those that have in them a natural geographical center around which the churches can rally in a united associational and world mission program.

We now have the ground work for the promoting of the rural church program. The rural church program must enable the pastor and members to get a clear vision of what could and should be done on their church field, and the work they should be doing in the kingdom of God around the world.

Revivals Sponsored

This program is put on by the church and pastor inviting one of the rural men of the state or a pastor, who has had experience in putting on this program, to come and lead in this eight days of work. The visiting worker preaches each night and both Sunday mornings. Sunday afternoon the church under the leadership of the pastor and visiting worker make a survey of the entire church community, using the rural survey cards.

Each night, Monday through Thursday, the facts found by the survey are presented to the church by the visiting worker before he brings the evening message.

Monday.—Sunday school possibilities or the stewardship of teaching.

Tuesday.—Training Union possibilities or the stewardship of training.

Wednesday.—Mission possibilities or the stewardship of soul-winning.

Thursday.—Financial possibilities or the stewardship of money.

Friday through Sunday night.—Evangelism; four evangelistic services, and three days of visitation and soul-

winning when the deacons, Sunday school teachers and officers, Training Union leaders, W.M.S. members, pastor and all interested members of the church are given an opportunity to visit each home, witness to the lost, and provide religious services for the shut-ins.

Organizing the Preacher's Library

By L. R. ELLIOT

The preacher's library needs a system of arrangement in order to make it most useful with the least cost of time and money. Many systems have been suggested. Some of them are more cumbersome than necessary. The following suggestions have been worked out for maximum usefulness with the least time and effort. The material should be divided into two main groups—permanent and ephemeral. The permanent material is books, pamphlets, and magazines whose articles have permanent value. The ephemeral material are leaflets, small tracts, and newspaper clippings.

Books and other permanent material can be simply classified by orderly arrangement of logical groups. For the libraries of many preachers, this is all that is needed, thus saving time and expense of classifying books, labeling them, and making card catalogues. For a logical scheme of arrangement, place together reference books such as concordances and Bible and other dictionaries. Then bring together books on the shelf under the following subjects: Bible text in languages and versions; whole Bible; Old Testament; Judaism and interbiblical period; New Testament; church and general history; systematic theology and philosophy; miscellaneous doctrinal topics; the church, its life and work; pastoral duties; preaching and homiletics; sermons, out-

lines, and illustrations; evangelism and soul-winning; missions and comparative religions; religious and general education; social, economic, and political problems; poetry and general literature. This is expansive enough for a preacher's library of less than five hundred volumes. As the library grows, logical subdivisions will suggest themselves. For example, in each of the Old and New Testament groups, subdivisions can be made into introduction, commentaries, history, biography, and theology. In religious education, subdivide into Sunday school work, Training Union, Vacation Bible schools. These, in turn, may be subdivided on the basis of age levels—elementary, secondary, young people, and adults.

The basis for the foregoing simple system is that the preacher's library is for his personal use. He soon learns that any given group is on a certain shelf. When he thinks of material on that subject, his hand naturally reaches toward that particular shelf, thus quickly finding the material wanted; no more elaborate system is needed. Not until his library gets above five thousand volumes will a system of card classification and notation on the books be needed.

Many devices are on the market for classifying ephemeral material. The simplest is probably the vertical file using

standard commercial letter-size folders with tabs one-third the length of the folder in left, center, and right position. On each tab print a subject on which the preacher has leaflets, clippings, and the like. On each item, in the upper left-hand corner, write the subject that is the principal content of the piece and place it in the folder whose tab carries the same subject. One must be careful to use consistency of subject terminology. He must decide whether he will make, for example, salvation and redemption as synonymous terms for a subject heading on the folder tab. If he decides to make two different headings, then under each tab make a cross reference to see the other subject. This system is indefinitely expansive. To add a new subject, one needs only another filing folder with a new subject on the tab and placed in the alphabetic sequence of the subject. When the file is small, one may set up a folder for poetry and another for illustrations, but as the file grows, a series of folders for poetry will be needed with the poems subdivided into the various subjects active in the preacher's work. The same principle will apply to illustrations.

This system of folders can also be used for a simple but effective subject index of permanent material. Take a plain, letter-size sheet of good grade of paper that will stand wear. At the top center place the name of a subject in the folder file. Draw two vertical lines dividing the length of the paper into three equal columns. Starting at the top of the left-hand column, enter references to subjects found as one reads his permanent material. Let each citation on the sheet of paper be done uniformly—first, author; then, title; then, chapter or pages; then, a brief note describing the particular material, application, or possible use of the material cited. This will usually take about one or one and one-half column

inches. By this means, one may cite fifty or sixty different excerpts on one sheet of paper. This adds up to an extensive amount of indexing with little effort and almost no space.

Some periodical material will be ephemeral and some permanent. The decision should be made on the basis of whether the majority of the contents will have future value to the preacher. Certain paper-covered booklets written by able writers, quarterly magazines like the *Review and Expositor*, and some monthlies, if they are in the field of the preacher's special interest, will be permanent. Other magazines and probably the religious weeklies will be ephemeral. From the latter, the preacher will clip those articles that appeal to him. Personal appeal is the basis of his clipping. Systematic habits of reading ephemeral material will pay dividends in time saved and useful material properly filed. Have scissors and paste on the reading table. Clip and mark articles at the first time they are read. The best work in the least time is done then. Postponing to a more convenient season is wasteful of time and inefficient in result. In cutting from any publication, be sure to make a note of the title and date of the paper whence the clipping came as well as the filing subject in the corner.

This system is inexpensive to install, especially for young preachers with a small amount of material. All that is really needed for a beginning is two or three dozen stout, Kraft paper folders which can be bought in any office supply store and an empty fruit box or cardboard carton. As the collection grows, one may later secure a two- or four-drawer vertical filing case of the standard size to hold folders for 8½ by 11-inch-paper. This system seems very simple, but it has been proved by experience to be practical, useful, and indefinitely expansive.

You'll Read It, Relish It, and Recommend It

By GEORGE W. CARD

Presenting the pastor's "must" book for 1948

If there are 18,000 Southern Baptist pastors, the distribution of *Building Better Churches* should reach the minimum of 18,000. Here is a "must" book for every pastor's study and for every church library. It is also a "must" book for every educational director and other church leaders who are determined to achieve the utmost in their particular phase of church activity.

Building Better Churches, Dr. Gaines S. Dobbins, Broadman, 1947, \$3.75.

The enthusiasm of early readers of this book has flooded our review files. From a few of these testimonials we present brief excerpts following the general review by Rev. William T. Douglas, pastor, First Baptist Church, Brookville, Mississippi.

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Other books: *Deepening the Spiritual Life*; *Working Together in a Spiritual Democracy*; *A Winning Witness*, and others.

To every minister and religious worker who wants helpful, practical, readable, and spiritual guidance in his field of service, this book by Dr. G. S. Dobbins should prove to be a valuable source book.

This is not a book of theoretical ideology, but one of facts. However, so at-

tractively is it written as to be interesting reading, and yet so serious and challenging as to demand study and provoke earnest thought.

The author leads us to see our place as we face a changing world. The complex task of the minister is stated in a manner so as to make the reader determine to be a better minister and thus help build better churches. We search our own hearts as we test our pattern against that of the New Testament. We are led in our thinking from the soul-searching task of seeing the church in the world of today, to the practical task of how to take and really use a religious census.

The serious reader of this book is left with a deeper awareness of the seriousness of his God-given responsibility, yet he also comes to see his task more clearly and knows now the many resources that are his. The book has been given the correct title for the study and use of this book will be a great help in "*Building Better Churches*."—Rev. William T. Douglas, pastor, First Baptist Church, Brookville, Mississippi.

Out of more than a quarter of a century of experience as teacher of preachers comes this exhaustive work on the life and growth of the local church. Every aspect of the church is dealt with in a way which shows the author's genius in being able to grasp in its totality the meaning, message, and method of the greatest institution on earth. The essential value of this work

lies not only in its broad scope but also, and to a greater extent, in its concise, yet adequate, treatment of a large number of specific subjects.

In the reviewer's opinion this book is destined to become the classic in its field which Broadus' *On the Preparation and Delivery of Sermons* has been for so many years in the field of homiletics. No pastor should be without it.—Rev. Elmer Stone West, Jr., *Glen Allen Baptist Church, Glen Allen, Virginia.*

Dr. Dobbins gives us a handbook of practical forms, plans and methods, hammered out on the anvil of experience and research. He helps us to catch from Jesus the vision and to learn the secret of building better churches.

I place this book next to my Bible and study helps. It has been well named and should be in the hands of every pastor and all laymen who want to build better churches.—Rev. Louis Wunneburger, *Evangelist, Austin, Texas.*

It covers the relation of pastor and church more completely than any book I have read outside the New Testament. It glorifies both the ministry and the church in a purely scriptural manner. It makes you search your ministry regardless of what relation you bear to the church, layman or pastor.—Rev. J. H. Brister, *Calvary Baptist Church, Roswell, New Mexico.*

Dr. Dobbins is one of the outstanding writers among Southern Baptists. He knows his objective with each chapter and he writes authoritatively and interestingly. Ministers cannot afford to be without this book from the Broadman Press. It will be of equal value to laymen.—CHRISTIAN INDEX.

Every pastor who wants to be an effective servant should earnestly study this book. Dr. Dobbins goes below the surface of things in a thorough discussion of the most vital problems the pastor faces.—

George C. Humphrey, Bible Department, Baylor University, Waco, Texas.

This is one of the finest works that I have examined in many, many years—a monument to a great man and a perennial source of inspiration and challenge.—R. T. Skinner, editor, *WESTERN RECORDER.*

I am delighted to know that *Building Better Churches* is to be taught in our Seminary. It should be one of the most practical and helpful courses. If I had had this book years ago, it would have saved me many heartaches and made my ministry more useful.—Rev. D. I. Purser, Jr., *Tuscaloosa, Alabama.*

I am going to use it as a regular textbook in my class of Religious Education. It meets our needs better than any other book I have ever read.—S. W. Eubanks, *Department of Bible, Ouachita College, Arkadelphia, Arkansas.*

His discussion of the changes in our century is the finest thing of its kind that we have seen in print; his demand that this period of change be used to bring the churches back to the New Testament pattern is most convincing.—ARIZONA BAPTIST BEACON.

This book is the crowning achievement of a life devoted to preaching, teaching, and research in the field of church administration. It is a most comprehensive study of the entire church life. A book review will not do justice to all the wonderful material in this book.—Dr. W. Fred Kendall, pastor, *First Baptist Church, Jackson, Tennessee.*

It is a most valuable and scholarly treatise on an important subject, and touches every phase of church and ministerial requirement for building better churches—especially Baptist churches.—BAPTIST OBSERVER.

Sound practically matches high spiritual vision in this survey of the duties and demands of the pastoral office in a New

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Popular Religious Books Listed

Each book listed here is reviewed by three pastors in different states, who are asked to give unbiased reviews. In event of disagreement, a representative statement from the dissenting review is quoted.

Art

The Arts of the Church

By Richard H. Ritter, Pilgrim, 1947, \$4.00

AUTHOR: Pastor of a charming Colonial church in Southington, Connecticut. President of the Church Arts Guild of the Congregational Christian Churches.

Reviewed by Rev. F. Clyde Helms, pastor, Shandon Baptist Church, Columbia, South Carolina.

Sometimes it seems that we have almost believed in ugliness in our church life. We have reacted so violently against the ritual and misuse of symbols by the Roman Catholics and other denominations that our churches and religious life have often been bald and ugly.

The author of this book has done a very excellent job in presenting the place of art in our church life. We believe that study of this beautiful volume will be of great value to churches contemplating building, to ministers who are responsible for the worship of the church, and to all others who have anything to do with the program.

We, Baptists, believe in symbols. Baptism and the Lord's Supper are expressive symbols. This book certainly shows that there are other symbols which might be made more of in our worship and lives.

We found the discussion of church music most helpful. We could greatly improve the quality of our music by giving more attention to it.

The closing chapter deals with the artist himself, and it suggests the formation of an "Arts Guild" in a church which would give opportunity for expression of our religious impulses creatively.

Other Reviewer: A serious study of this book by any church group would result in great improvement in the beauty and the attractiveness of the church services.

But like all good books, one must at times come to a violent disagreement with the author, particularly in his rejection of the miraculous in the Bible and the statement that many of the Bible stories are pure legend, and the further subtle suggestion that worship had its beginning in "an ape bowing before a full moon." We cannot afford, however, to reject so good a book because of a few such statements. It is so valuable a book from the standpoint of inspiration and information that it ought to be in every church library as a reference book and also for the sheer pleasure of reading.—Rev. R. W. Acree, pastor, First Baptist Church, Blountstown, Florida.

The World's Great Madonnas

By Cynthia Pearl Maus, Harper, 1947, \$4.95

AUTHOR: Superintendent of young people's work for the Disciples of Christ for many years. Now in frequent demand as lecturer.

Reviewed by Dr. George D. Heaton, pastor, Myers Park Baptist Church, Charlotte, North Carolina.

For years now, everyone interested in religious education has been indebted to Cynthia Pearl Maus for her marvelous book, *Christ and the Fine Arts*. The teaching ministry of the church has been immeasurably enriched both by the materials which she has given for vocal presentation and also for the available materials in visual education which have accompanied this significant book.

Now, the author gives to us a book which focuses the artistic skills of all the world upon the one theme of the mother of Jesus. From Europe, Asia, Africa, Australia, North America, and South America come paintings of the Madonna as well as poems, stories, and great music. This book is dedicated to international and interracial understanding and good will, and unless the reviewer is greatly mistaken, this dedication is not exaggerated. But there will be a great enrichment of religious education as well. Any person who proposes to teach Jesus Christ should possess *The World's Great Madonnas*, and also *Christ and the Fine Arts*.

Other Reviewer: The title is correct. This lengthy volume, although giving evidence of great research, is a great disappointment to the reviewer. The author's *Christ and the Fine Arts* has much usable illustrative material, but this volume would be of little interest or use to non-Catholics.

The best of art, music, and poetry from some twenty-five different countries concerning the virgin Mary is interestingly arranged in the volume. However, there seems to be far too little of real worth in it to suggest that it be put in a pastor's library, or among a teacher's books.—Rev. W. Douglas Hudgins, pastor, First Baptist Church, Jackson, Mississippi.

Bible

How to Study Luke

By Joseph M. Gettys, Knox, 1947, \$1.00

AUTHOR: Professor of English Bible, Assembly's Training School, Richmond, Virginia.

Reviewed by Rev. J. E. Rains, pastor, Euclid Baptist Church, St. Louis, Missouri.

This book, using in general the question and answer method of study, is quite well adapted for the average layman and is comprehensive in its contents. It is designed as a guide for the detailed study of the gospel according to Luke and to guide the student in the direct approach to the Scriptures.

An outline is presented which is largely divided according to paragraphs and chapters of the King James Version and the Revised Standard Version of the Bible.

The student is asked to think through the logical paragraphs suggested and to give his own title to each one. This method should be thought provoking and quite helpful to the average person.

This volume is based upon the English Version of the Bible and is not designed for deep research for theological students. However, it is an excellent book for the detailed study of Luke's Gospel.

Other Reviewers: Rev. O. D. Moore, pastor, First Baptist Church, Lincolnton, North Carolina; and Rev. Earl W. Hatchett, pastor, Pierce Street Baptist Church, Amarillo, Texas.

On Reading the Bible

By A. D. Norris, Pickering and Inglis, 1947, \$1.25

Reviewed by Dr. W. Fred Kendall, pastor, First Baptist Church, Jackson, Tennessee.

A unique little book which will meet a great need for those who have not studied the Bible extensively. The author outlines a splendid plan for Bible reading which is topical. He connects the Old and New Testaments in such a way as to give the unity of the message of the Bible and to reveal the marvelous plan of the revelation of God through his Word. The author is a confirmed believer in the Bible as the Word of God and his plan of reading will be a splendid aid to anyone who is not thoroughly familiar with the entire content of the Scriptures. We highly recommend this book for Bible readers who seek more light in intelligently understanding the Scriptures.

Other Reviewers: Rev. Stanley E. Wilkes, pastor, Broadmoor Baptist Church, Shreveport, Louisiana; and Rev. B. G. Henry, director, Fruitland Baptist Assembly, Hendersonville, North Carolina.

Standing on the Promises

By Dr. Charles J. Woodbridge, Moody, 1947, \$2.00

AUTHOR: Born in China, served as missionary—now, pastor of the Independent Presbyterian Church, Savannah, Georgia.

Reviewed by Dr. W. Ross Edwards, pastor, Swope Park Baptist Church, Kansas City, Missouri.

A book of twenty-eight brief addresses on the book of Acts. It is the product of rich study and experience. The contents challenge both the mind and heart of the reader. Having served as a missionary himself, born of missionary parents, and having taught in a school in mission territory, it is worthy of note that the first volume by this man of God has a missionary book as its background, the book of Acts. This portion of the Bible will mean more to anyone who has read these lectures. It is a pleasure to commend, without reservation, this splendid volume to pastors and other church workers.

Other Reviewers: Dr. A. B. Wood, pastor, Ninth Avenue Baptist Church, Charlotte, North Carolina; and Rev. C. Paul Rich, pastor, First Baptist Church, Clayton, New Mexico.

Bible Evidences

Great Is the Company

By Violet Wood, Friendship, 1947, \$1.25

AUTHOR: Wife of Dr. Louis C. Knorr, a plant pathologist in Michigan State College, East Lansing, Michigan.

Reviewed by Rev. R. L. Orr, pastor, First Baptist Church, Brownsville, Tennessee.

A book of romantic and informing stories of the translation of the Bible into the languages and tongues of the peoples of the world that they might read the Book of God. These stories begin with the translations of Jerome, continuing with those of Wycliffe, Luther, Tyndale, the King James Version, and finally with the noble works of missionaries such as Eliot to the Indians; Bingham to the people of Hawaii; Judson to the Burmese; Morrison to the Chinese; and Carey to India.

This little book can be acceptably used among younger groups as the stories are told, or profitably used in a series of talks—one on a general theme as to how the Bible was found among so many different peoples and their languages. It is inspiring to read these stories and a grand source of information as to missionaries and peoples of other lands and races. I would say that it ought to be in every pastor's study and in every church library.

Other Reviewers: Rev. Will Edd Langford, pastor, Bay View Southern Baptist Church, San Francisco, California; and Rev. L. H. Davis, pastor, Calvary Baptist Church, Fort Smith, Arkansas.

Biography

Albert Schweitzer an Anthology

By Charles R. Joy, Harper, 1947, \$3.75

AUTHOR: Editor of *Harper's Topical Concordance* and *Wayside Pulpit*.

Reviewed by Rev. Loyal Prior, pastor, First Baptist Church, Norphlet, Arkansas.

A collection, as the title suggests, of short, pithy paragraphs from all the writings of Albert Schweitzer. This book sets forth a comprehensive expression of the philosophical thought of the man who has given himself unstintingly to the medical treatment of the African. These paragraphs are classified and arranged in a systematic way so as to furnish the reader a ready reference on the various subjects treated.

Since there is no continuation of thought, except that similar subjects are treated under the same heading, the interest value is not so great as it might have been otherwise. The statements are often involved and difficult to comprehend.

Schweitzer has a profound belief in the dignity of the individual and a very lofty conception of life in the midst of all of its hardships and ugliness, and yet Baptists would not accept the theology of one who "dared to disagree with distinguished theological teachers, and proved that Jesus had been mistaken in his eschatological expectations which he shared with the Jews of his age."

He believes in Christianity above all the religions of the world, but his Christianity is not the authoritative religion of the Son of God.

Other Reviewers: Rev. Eual Lawson, pastor, First Baptist Church, Alamogordo, New Mexico; and Rev. Paul Forsythe, pastor, Ashland Baptist Church, Ashland, Virginia.

Ann Judson, Heroine of Burma

By Basil Miller, Zondervan, 1947, \$1.50

AUTHOR: A writer of both adult and juvenile fiction. At present, devoting all his time to Christian literature. Other books (Biographies): *Martin Luther*; *George Muller*; *David Livingston*; *John Wesley*, and others.

Reviewed by Dr. C. M. Coalson, pastor, Hendricks Avenue Baptist Church, Jacksonville, Florida.

The story of Ann and Adoniram Judson has perennial appeal for all who share their hope for world evangelization, and Dr. Miller has made a notable addition to the voluminous literature concerning one of the greatest heroines of the cross, Ann Judson.

There is nothing essentially new in this biography so far as facts are concerned, but the author has caught and interpreted her heroic spirit in an unusual way.

One feature of this story is disappointing. Dr. Miller seems not to recognize the great contribution of Luther Rice to the Burma Mission, dismissing him with too little notice—almost with a slur—when he writes, "Rice's ambition waned when his health failed and he gave up the missionary life and returned to the homeland." Not a word about Rice's giving his life to traveling up and down the eastern seaboard of America informing the Baptists and inspiring support of the Judsons and their work. History will not, I think, bear out the implication here that Rice was the "Mark" of the Judson missionary expedition.

The saga of the Judsons is ever increasing, and as their age recedes further into the past, they more and more assume their rightful place among the greatest and most heroic of Christian pioneers. Dr. Miller has done a notable thing in so delineating the character and life of his heroine that the reader lives over her experiences as he reads.

Other Reviewers: Rev. William R. Lawrence, pastor, First Baptist Church, Dalhart, Texas; and Rev. C. E. Wright, pastor, First Baptist Church, Clinton, Tennessee.

Paul

By Edgar J. Goodspeed, Winston, 1947, \$2.50

AUTHOR: Professor of Biblical and Patristic Greek in the University of Chicago. Other books: *The New Testament, An American Translation*; *How to Read the Bible*; *The Story of the Bible*; *An Introduction to the New Testament*, and others.

Reviewed by Rev. Theron H. King, pastor, First Baptist Church, West Frankfort, Illinois.

With the deftness of a skilled surgeon, Dr. Goodspeed takes the scalpel of the master scholar and probes with rare insight into the life and background of this man, Paul. The book reveals the man, Paul, as the great personality and Christian that he was.

The author's style of expression and choice of words leaves little to desire. His historical and psychological presentation of Paul's background is very interesting. This narrative is rich in biographical information. As you read *Paul*, you get a better understanding of the human side of this great man of power and personality; you understand much of his inner thinking that motivated his actions.

This book can be read with much profit even though one may not agree with all that the author has to say—and there are a number of statements that I cannot accept.

The physical makeup of the book is good—the print is easy to read, the map adds to the book. Other interesting features are the chronology of Paul's life, the notes on the twenty-one chapters, the index, and the bibliography.

Other Reviewers: Dr. A. B. Rutledge, pastor, First Baptist Church, Marshall, Texas; and Rev. Robert Wade Kay, pastor, Northside Baptist Church, Richmond, Virginia.

Christ's Life and Teachings

An Introduction to Jesus for the Twentieth Century

By R. W. Stewart, Macmillan, 1947, \$1.75

AUTHOR: Minister of Killermont Parish Church, Glasgow, Scotland. Other books: *The Singing Mountains*, and *The Mystery of the Lord's Supper*.

Reviewed by Rev. R. Don Gambrell, pastor, Erlanger Baptist Church, Erlanger, Kentucky.

Recently I had heard or read several times of the great Scottish preacher, R. W. Stewart. I was therefore glad when I received for the purpose of reviewing a book written by him. With eagerness I picked up the book anticipating some rich blessing. Imagine my surprise when I began to read and found numerous statements that showed that the man does not believe in the deity of Christ, or in the inspiration of the Scriptures, in the sense that I believe in these things, and in the sense that the average Southern Baptist believes in them.

Numerous sentences and paragraphs could be quoted to show that this book is absolutely contrary to beliefs held by Southern Baptists, and therefore has no place among us. I would not recommend its reading to anyone, unless it were to find out what is being taught under the guise of Christianity.

Other Reviewers: Rev. Arthur L. Jordan, pastor, First Baptist Church, Goose Creek, Texas; and Dr. Carl G. Campbell, pastor, Vineville Baptist Church, Macon, Georgia.

Jesus, What Manner of Man

By Henry J. Cadbury, Macmillan, 1947, \$2.25

AUTHOR: Hollis Professor of Divinity at Harvard. Other books: *The Style and Literary Method of Luke, Parts I and II*; *The Making of Luke-Acts*, and others.

Reviewed by Dr. O. P. Moore, pastor, Moorhead Baptist Church, Moorhead, Mississippi.

Anyone reading this book will need to take the time required to weigh words, sentences, paragraphs, and pages, keeping in mind the author's methodology which is psychological. Was Jesus an extrovert or an introvert, a pessimist, or an optimist? What were his character traits? Independence? Fixed intentions as to ends and means? Negative reactions to the suggestions of others? What were Jesus' chief interests? Ethics? . . . All such questions indicate the author's approach.

Many will probably not enjoy reading this book, but it is believed that any thoughtful student will greatly profit by doing so. This is said with almost certain knowledge that they will not agree with all the author's conjectures, and what he reads in between the lines of the historical records of Jesus.

The author is quite penetrating in his discussion of the originality and independence of Jesus, and shows that it was his independence and nonconformity that led to his crucifixion. He states Jesus indicted the scribes and Pharisees more for their inconsistency than for their insincerity. In the concluding paragraphs of his book, he states that it is difficult to analyze Jesus and that, "These chapters make no pretense of fathoming him."

Other Reviewers: Rev. Carey T. Vinzant, pastor, First Baptist Church, Fitzgerald, Georgia; and Dr. H. K. Masteller, pastor, First Baptist Church, Ashboro, North Carolina.

Christian Life

Christianity and Property

By Joseph F. Fletcher, Westminster, 1947, \$2.50

AUTHOR: Professor of Pastoral Theology and Social Studies, Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge, Massachusetts. Lecturer on Social Problems.

Reviewed by Dr. T. Emerson Wortham, pastor, Central Baptist Church, Winchester, Kentucky.

The eight chapters of this volume contributed by as many writers, and dealing with property, a basic issue in the field of our controversial economic conditions, merit unbiased and thoughtful study. One will not find himself in agreement with many expressions in this volume concerning the Christian view and use of property.

One of the constructive criticisms I would offer to some of the statements regarding property as examined in the light of Christianity is that some of the writers have a tendency "to stray too far afield" and leave the basic teachings of Christ in connection

with the particular point they are seeking to establish. There is noticeable in much of the discussion presented, to great emphasis on the "social" aspects, and too little emphasis on the "individual" aspects of the problem of property. In other words, one gets the impression that the writer has lost sight of the individual in his thought of the crowd.

There is much of real value, however, in the discussions presented in this volume. Certainly, in this day of much agitation of the controversial economic issues of our world, the discussion of property in relation to the teachings of Christ, and in the light of the teachings of the New Testament generally, is most timely and of tremendous importance. A careful study of the common theme presented in this volume will help to prepare one to act more intelligently in seeking to make his individual contribution to the establishment of a more safe and secure economic world order.

Other Reviewers: Rev. W. M. Turner, pastor, First Baptist Church, Pecos, Texas; and Rev. Joe B. Currin, pastor, Olive Branch and Rock Grove Baptist Church, Roxboro, North Carolina.

Preface to Ethical Living

By Robert E. Fitch, Association, 1947, \$1.25

AUTHOR: Dean of the faculty at Occidental College, Los Angeles, California. Other books: *A Certain Blind Man* and *Essays on the American Mood*.

Reviewed by Dr. Hugh M. Lindsey, pastor, First Baptist Church, Griffin, Georgia.

A very timely book written by a sane, scholarly author. Dr. Fitch begins with the spiritual and moral conditions of the world as they now exist and seeks to work up to where we want to be. The book diagnoses the ills of our country, ethically speaking, as moral indecision and religious confusion . . . The author concludes that any hope for a brighter tomorrow, morally and spiritually, can only be found in a courageous faith that is anchored in Jesus Christ.

It is a pleasure to recommend this book to all thoughtful readers with the hope that it might open our eyes to our present conditions and inspire us to work for a better tomorrow.

Other Reviewers: Rev. Paul Fisher, pastor, First Baptist Church, Nevada, Missouri; and Rev. Clifton C. Thomas, pastor, First Baptist Church, Staunton, Virginia.

This I Know

By Theodore W. Engstrom, Zondervan, 1947, 35c

AUTHOR: Editor, *Christian Digest*.

Reviewed by Rev. E. E. Griever, pastor, First Baptist Church, Harrison, Arkansas.

This little booklet is unique in its makeup. It is deeply inspirational, due to the fact that with each testimonial the name and picture, along with the business or professional connection, is given. It is easy to read and should be attractive and helpful in the hands of every layman in the land. Churches would do well to distribute copies of this little publication among their men.

Other Reviewers: Rev. W. E. Pettit, pastor, Ardmore Baptist Church, Winston-Salem, North Carolina; and Rev. E. L. Smothers, pastor, Magness Memorial Baptist Church, McMinnville, Tennessee.

Church

The Small Town and Country Church

By Edwin A. Hunter, Abingdon-Cokesbury, 1947, \$1.50

AUTHOR: Methodist minister and editor of the *Southwestern Advocate*.

Reviewed by Harry N. Hollis, assistant pastor, Immanuel Baptist Church, Paducah, Kentucky.

The author of this book believes, and so states, that a gospel preacher must minister to the "total life of his people." In this volume he suggests various ways in which the rural pastor can help his people. At the outset he sounds a warning to the effect that the Catholic hierarchy is making a supreme effort to capture rural America and he tells something of how they propose to accomplish this feat.

By chapters he discusses some of the major problems confronting people living in the country and names the pastor as the one who should concern himself with these problems and solutions. He lists these problems as soil erosion, improper health conditions, mortgage farm lands, and lack of recreational facilities and leadership. By implication, he suggests that the pastor should be, at times, county agent, health officer, banker, recreational leader, and home demonstrator. He has a vast knowledge of rural conditions, and his encyclopedic analysis of these problems is an indication of his interest in the subject in preparation for the writing of this book.

It is difficult to believe, however, that the writer has a message for the Southern Baptist undershepherd, for his entire approach to these problems is sociological. His desire, it seems, is to raise the level of national existence in rural America, and the general tone of his writing is to the effect that salvation is directly related to abundant material exist-

ence. His goal seems to be economic security for all rural dwellers.

He also seeks, at least by implication, to raise denominational lines.

Other Reviewers: Dr. O. M. Seigler, pastor, First Baptist Church, Hendersonville, North Carolina; and Rev. Loyal Prior, pastor, First Baptist Church, Norphlet, Arkansas.

Consolation

The Christian After Death

By Robert Ervin Hough, Moody, 1947, \$2.00

AUTHOR: Pastor, Central Presbyterian Church, Jackson, Mississippi.

Reviewed by Rev. Paul Forsythe, pastor, Ashland Baptist Church, Ashland, Virginia.

Here is a scripturally sound volume that does a preacher good. It brings him face to face with death, the preparation for it, and the consequences of it. The book is written for the enlightenment and assurance of the redeemed in the after life, specifically heaven. One reading will produce a good sermon but a second reading and study could produce a whole series of them.

The author believes people are just as interested in the next life as Jesus and Paul and the apostles were. He marshals the Scripture passages, assures us of the facts of the Christian faith without always answering "why" or "how" it can happen. This is why the book is so suggestive and inviting for further study.

Other Reviewers: Rev. Joe Weldon Bailey, pastor, First Baptist Church, Vivian, Louisiana; and Dr. L. G. Cleverdon, pastor, First Baptist Church, Savannah, Georgia.

Denominations

The Protestant Faith

By George A. Crapullo, Abingdon-Cokesbury, 1947, 25c

Reviewed by Rev. E. E. Griever, pastor, First Baptist Church, Harrison, Arkansas.

This little booklet is informative concerning the rise and development of Protestantism. It deals solely with Protestantism, and of course includes as Protestants all Christian bodies other than Catholics. In the actual dealing with the rise and promotion of Protestantism, it is tops, but Baptists do not like to be included in that group. With this exception and some references in the closing chapter pertaining to the Federal Council of Churches, I would pass my sanction on it completely.

Other Reviewers: Rev. E. L. Smothers, pastor, Magness Memorial Baptist Church, McMinnville, Tennessee; and Rev. W. E. Pettit, pastor, Ardmore Baptist Church, Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

Devotions

The Family Altar

By editors of *Christian Herald*, Winston, 1947, \$2.00

Reviewed by Rev. C. B. Hamlet, III, pastor, First Baptist Church, Winona, Mississippi.

This collection of daily devotions for all members of the family, according to the editors, is made up of the choicest selections of the "Daily Meditations for the Quiet Hour" which has been a popular feature of the periodical, *Christian Herald*. The foreword of the book sets forth ably the purpose of this, another daily devotional book.

There are several things which are most commendable about this particular book of daily devotions. Its title is not misleading. It will provide the average family with excellent material for a daily family altar. For each day of the year there is a suggested Scripture passage to be read from the family Bible. Key words are selected from this passage as the text for the brief but thought-provoking meditation. This is followed by a very short prayer; then as a special feature there is a section for the children.

There is this one criticism which is offered. There is no definite connection either in Scripture passages used or in meditative thoughts used from day to day. It is the opinion of this reviewer that for the family altar, or for private devotions of an individual to be most effective there must be a systematic study or approach to God's Word. Each day's devotion should build for the next day's, and there should be a progressive development from day to day.

Many parents with small children in the home will find that this book fills a real need. It is certainly a usable book for the family altars in our homes.

Other Reviewers: Dr. H. D. Frink, pastor, First Baptist Church, Melbourne, Florida; and Dr. B. M. Jackson, pastor, First Baptist Church, Miami, Oklahoma.

Thoughts to Live By

By J. A. Rosenkranz, Abingdon-Cokesbury, 1947, \$3.00

AUTHOR: President of National Schools, Los Angeles, California. Other books: *The Self Advancement Series*.

Reviewed by Rev. Thomas A. Gray, pastor, First Baptist Church, McAllen, Texas.

A unique but interesting and inspiring book of daily devotions. It is easy to read, and the thoughts on each page are made attractive and impressive. Anyone who is anxious to live closer to God and have his vision broadened and spiritual life deepened will profit greatly by having this book. It can be read through in a very few minutes, but to get the most out of it, it should be used for daily devotion.

Other Reviewers: Harry N. Hollies, assistant pastor, Immanuel Baptist Church, Paducah, Kentucky; and Dr. O. M. Seigler, pastor First Baptist Church, Hendersonville, North Carolina.

Doctrines

Our Christian Faith

By Walter M. Horton, Pilgrim Press, 1947, \$2.50

AUTHOR: Fairchild Professor of Theology, Oberlin Graduate School of Theology.

Reviewed by Rev. Eual F. Lawson, pastor, First Baptist Church, Alamogordo, New Mexico.

This book deals with many of the fundamental truths and presents them in modern day language. However, I cannot accept the author's suggested hope for Christianity as being unionism; especially so, if that unionism is to be directed by the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America to which the author refers in his book. This, along with his doctrine of the church as well as baptism, I cannot recommend.

Other Reviewers: Rev. John C. Busby, pastor, First Baptist Church, Washington, Georgia; and Rev. Bruce Maples, pastor, First Baptist Church, Crane, Missouri.

Fiction

A Crisis in Morningdale

By William Allen Knight, W. A. Wilde, 1947, \$1.00

AUTHOR: Minister and journalist. Other books: *A Lovely Find*; *Our Bethlehem Guests*; and *A Christmas Secret*.

Reviewed by Rev. E. Norfleet Gardner, pastor, First Baptist Church, Henderson, North Carolina.

The temptation to lose faith before the shocking tragedies of life is thrown into the forefront in the short, graphically told story of this gifted writer. With a Christian faith that knows how to meet problems for which there is only the answer of trust in God, in the midst of a world that must have its tragedies because it is itself so far from perfect, the author relates real incidents of life.

Although these incidents have been portrayed in a larger, much earlier book, they lose none of their freshness in being retold

in this smaller volume. They fitted the needs of thousands of homes struck by the fearful blows of war, and still bear a personal message of comfort, assurance, and encouragement to carry on. Faith in God emerges stronger in the mind of the reader, and the love for a place to minister in the name of the Master grows warmer within his heart. For those who sorrow on account of strange calamities, and for those who would speak a word of comfort to those who mourn, this writing may prove most helpful.

Other Reviewers: Rev. Gilbert B. Waud, pastor, Emmanuel Baptist Church, Carlinville, Illinois; and Rev. Rowe C. Holcomb, pastor, First Baptist Church, Kosciusko, Mississippi.

Tola

By Anabel Walker, W. A. Wilde, 1947, \$2.00

Reviewed by Rev. M. M. Fulmer, pastor, First Baptist Church, Uvalde, Texas.

A story of New Testament days. Tola, a shepherd, becomes greatly interested in compounding perfumes, which he sells to the priests at the temple. Unwittingly, he hits upon the formula for making the holy anointing oil for the high priest, but he lacks one ingredient, frankincense. To get this becomes the consuming passion of his life, for he wants to make this for his wife, whose grief at the slaughter of her children has unbalanced her mind.

Tola's passion for this missing ingredient makes an outlaw of him, for he would steal that which he cannot buy. Finally he robs the temple of frankincense and compounds the perfume. Apprehended by the authorities, he is imprisoned and sentenced to be crucified. There at the cross, for the first time, he sees Jesus, of whom he has heard so much. In his dying hours he becomes convinced that Jesus is the Messiah and calls upon him for forgiveness. This is the climax of a very readable story.

The book is reverent in tone and spirit and is good reading for older Juniors and Intermediates as well as adults. It is simply written, and while I would not count it a great book, I do feel that it is worth a wide reading.

Other Reviewers: Rev. R. Wade Kay, pastor, Northside Baptist Church, Richmond, Virginia; and Dr. W. G. Bond, pastor, First Baptist Church, Boone, North Carolina.

Illustrations

Chemical Illustrations

By Basil Miller, Zondervan, 1947, \$1.50

Reviewed by Dr. C. Roy Angell, pastor, Central Baptist Church, Miami, Florida.

A very interesting and unique book. The experiments are presented in a clear and attractive manner. They might well be used with great effectiveness before groups of young people.

I am sure none of them are dangerous, but I do not think many of them should be performed by a person who does not have some knowledge of chemistry.

Small groups of boys and girls would be fascinated by these illustrations and greatly interested in them.

I do not believe the book has much pulpit value, if any, but I do believe it would be practical for boys' clubs.

Other Reviewer: Dr. Miller has given twenty-two chemical experiments which anyone can work out, and which can be used as illustrations. It is the only book of its kind in print and will have a very wide sale, for in this scientific age there are many people interested in this sort of teaching. Each of these experiments presses home a moral or spiritual lesson. Teachers of Juniors, Intermediates, and Young People will want this book.—Dr. F. Orion Mixon, pastor, Tabernacle Baptist Church, Raleigh, North Carolina.

Three Thousand Illustrations

By Walter B. Knight, Eerdmans, 1947, \$7.50

AUTHOR: Minister, one of the editors for young people's literature of the Union Gospel Press, Cleveland, Ohio.

Reviewed by Evangelist Leslie O. Evans, Dallas, Texas.

A refreshingly new type of book of illustrations that is as modern as electronics and the atomic bomb. There are very few of the old, trite illustrations that have been used with various shades of interpretations for the past twenty-five years.

The problem of where to find the suitable illustration for any particular sermon is solved to a great extent in this volume. These illustrations have been collected from a wide range of source material, over a period of twenty years.

This book will be very helpful to pastor, layman, and Sunday school teacher. It is true to the faith and a source of inspiration to anyone who will read it from time to time.

Other Reviewers: Rev. Rowe C. Holcomb, pastor, First Baptist Church, Kosciusko, Mississippi; and Dr. E. H. Potts, pastor, Calvary Baptist Church, Alexandria, Virginia.

Missions

Contending the Grade in India

By J. M. Baker, Biltmore, 1947, \$3.00

AUTHOR: Northern Baptist retired missionary to India.

Reviewed by Rev. W. Lowrey Compere, pastor, Northside Baptist Church, Jackson, Mississippi.

An account of struggle and triumph. As the author tells his own life story, he records his experiences of contending with difficulties—the difficulties of securing an education, of determining his lifework—and then the many difficulties faced during thirty-four years as a missionary in India.

His life as pastor of the great church at Ongole and head of large missionary enterprises conducted from this center had its hardships but was a life of victory through God's guidance and strength.

This is a readable volume and should be enjoyed by those who are interested in missions.

Other Reviewers: Dr. John M. Carter, Dean and Bible Professor, Campbellsville College, Kentucky; and Rev. Robert S. Scales, pastor, First Baptist Church, Durant, Oklahoma.

Darkness of the Sun

By Richard Terrill Baker, Abingdon-Cokesbury, 1947, \$2.50

AUTHOR: Associate professor of Columbia University School of Journalism.

Reviewed by Rev. R. H. Tharp, pastor, First Southern Baptist Church, Tucson, Arizona.

Here is a gripping story of Christianity in the Orient, more particularly in Japan, during the war years. This book meets a distinct need which many Christian thinkers have felt. All persons interested in missions will eagerly follow Dr. Baker's story which answers many questions concerning the relation of the Japanese state to the Christian groups during the years when a curtain of iron and smoke shielded Japan from our vision. Particularly interesting is the discussion of the United Church of Japan and the relation of conscientious denominational groups to that ecclesiastical body. Of practical importance are those lines of narrative which indicate probable tendencies in post-war Japan. No book that has come to my desk compares with this one as an up-to-date text for mission students of the Orient. Missionary round tables and other discussion groups will find this to be the most popular

current book of missionary information. Since the author is not a Baptist, his point of view at times is not acceptable to our concepts. However, there are very few objectionable viewpoints to be found, for the author is a truly broadminded scholar who knows how to treat the facts in a fair and charming manner. No doubt this book will be one of the best sellers of current times among church people.

Other Reviewers: Dr. Harry P. Clause, pastor, Huntingdon Baptist Church, Baltimore, Maryland; and Dr. P. H. Anderson, Jr., pastor, First Baptist Church, Plaquemine, Louisiana.

The Missionary and Primitive Man

By Gordon H. Smith, Van Kampen, 1947, \$2.50

AUTHOR: Missionary to French Indo-China. Other books: *The Missionary and Anthropology*; *The Blood Hunters*.

Reviewed by Rev. Will Edd Langford, pastor, Bay View Southern Baptist Church, San Francisco, California.

This is not a book that the average pastor or teacher would buy, but it is one that each one would do well to possess. It was written primarily as a manual for missionaries, giving an intimate insight into primitive life, religious customs and beliefs, as well as a clear understanding of the problems to be faced. The work will be of exceedingly great value to the busy pastor since it presents so much "out-of-reach material at one's finger tips."

The term "primitive" is used to designate a people having no written language and has to do with a stage of culture rather than a period of time. Part One of the book deals with the mentality and the psychological qualities of the primitive man. The second part presents the primitive religions from fetishism and black magic to cannibalism and human sacrifice. For further study on any phase of the primitive man's religion, the author has given helpful notes and a lengthy bibliography.

The true missionary, according to this author-missionary, veteran of twelve years of service in French Indo-China, will make a straightforward approach with the gospel message. He will never compromise with evil but really understand his people lest he should be practically throwing the gospel at them. A study of his book will help each preacher to avoid merely throwing the gospel at our modern heathen cults.

Other Reviewers: Dr. D. M. Nelson, pastor, Calvary Baptist Church, Kansas City, Missouri; and Rev. M. B. Webb, pastor, Barnwell Baptist Church, Barnwell, South Carolina.

A Pioneer for Jesus

By Thomas S. Dunaway, Broadman, 1947, 60c

AUTHOR: Deceased. Former pastor of Smithfield Baptist Church, Smithfield, Virginia.

Reviewed by Dr. W. E. Denham, pastor, First Baptist Church, Miami, Florida.

This short biography of the life and work of Henrietta Hall Shuck was written from a hospital bed. This adds to its interest.

Henrietta Hall Shuck was the daughter of a Virginia Baptist preacher. At the age of sixteen she felt a call to go to the foreign field to preach the gospel. She married Lewis Shuck who also felt that call and they were sent out to China by the old Triennial Baptist Convention before Baptists in our country had been divided by the war between the North and the South. Later, when division came, the Shucks came under the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

The story of the Shucks at Macao first and then at Hong Kong is interestingly written. It shows the heroine of the book as a devoted wife and mother, but also as a zealous missionary of the cross, whose worth and influence counted much in establishing Christianity in China. She and her husband laid the foundation for the work of later missionaries.

The Shucks are well known as our early missionaries in China and any biography of them is interesting and instructive.

Other Reviewers: Rev. D. M. Branch, pastor, First Baptist Church, Kannapolis, North Carolina; and Rev. Thomas A. Gray, pastor, First Baptist Church, McAllen, Texas.

Philosophy

Does God Exist?

By Dr. A. E. Taylor, Macmillan, 1947, \$2.00

AUTHOR: Professor of Moral Philosophy, Edinburgh University. Other books: *The Problem of Evil*; *The Faith of a Moralist*, and others.

Reviewed by Rev. Clyde Burke, pastor, Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church, Mt. Pleasant, Tennessee.

"We are told in many quarters today that 'God is dead.' It is meant, of course, that God never was alive." This seems to be the reason for the title of the book and the inspiration for the author's meditations.

While the book is written "simply and clearly, with the average reader in mind," it has some difficulties for the average reader. For example: there is no table of contents and no chapter headings to suggest the following thoughts, the reader must discern the topical sentence and then dig in for himself.

It is not a book that can be read after dinner. The author is a profound thinker, a logician of no mean ability, and a great reservoir of argumentative power is marshaled on the pages here.

He is equally at home among philosophers, scientists, and logicians, and shows a familiarity with them all, both past and present. . . .

It is the judgment of this reviewer that the author has succeeded in this purpose, by sound, sensible reasoning, and by a fair and judicial appraisal of the writings of those who would lead us to believe that God does not exist.

This book will be read with a sense of comfort and assurance because it comes from a man who believes that there cannot be a vital religion without a revelation from God, and that "Our sufficiency is of God."

Other Reviewers: Rev. J. M. Sibley, pastor, Calvary Baptist Church, Beaumont, Texas; and Rev. Nathan C. Brooks, pastor, Earle Street Baptist Church, Greenville, South Carolina.

The Path of the Saint

Anonymous, 1947, Harper, \$2.50

Reviewed by Rev. W. H. Barsh, pastor, Broadway Baptist Church, Houston, Texas.

In this age of writing and publishing of books, the reader often becomes discouraged by the trite and commonplace facts. This book is unusual and fresh to the mind of the reader who searches for facts, and who is concerned with intellectual achievement of man's results. The author has established the validity of the spiritual work of the "researcher" as well as giving unlimited encouragement to this worthy enterprise. There is no doubt that the author has maintained an unbroken line of thought, and portrayed the highest spiritual values of the message of God as man may develop in the light of his ability under the spiritual power of his Lord.

I recommend this book to those who seek intellectual stimulus, and those who are concerned about the validity and the importance of men who search and spend their time to

achieve the things that are of greater importance. The book is not very important to the average Sunday school teacher nor to the individual who reads for amusement, but it becomes vitally important to the individual who is seeking knowledge, spiritual purposes, and the direction of God's opportunities in building a better world.

Other Reviewer: From the standpoint of literary production, this is an excellent book, also from the standpoint of philosophical reasoning. But from the standpoint of biblical definitions and doctrines, it is completely another story. His definition of "saint" has no connection with the New Testament conception. "Chastity"—according to his view completely disavows the marriage relationship. Although he quotes mystics from all ages, religions and races, he leans most heavily on the men of the East. His preponderant use of Eastern terminology, insistence upon a depersonalized god, belief in metempsychosis, and his belief that one religion is as good as another, and that the Christian religion is not *The Way* makes one very sure that he is not Christian in his beliefs. The whole book is shot through with a pantheistic conception with the main thesis and body of the material being drawn from Buddhism and Hinduism.

There are many good things in the book, and if one wants it for a restudy of the mystic conception for all ages and religions, it is good. But, it is not definitely Christian. In fact, it does exactly the thing that is most dangerous to our work today—teaches that belief does not matter.—Rev. J. Ivey Edwards, pastor, First Baptist Church, Quincy, Florida.

Poetry

Therefore Choose Life

By Edith Lovejoy Pierce, Harper, 1947, \$1.75

AUTHOR: A Britisher by birth, but now an American citizen, living in Evanston, Illinois. Other book: *In This Our Day*.

Reviewed by Dr. Paul Wheeler, pastor, Park Street Baptist Church, Columbia, South Carolina.

The second volume of poems from the gifted pen of Edith Lovejoy Pierce. The book contains a collection of sixty-seven poems dealing largely with religion, morals, and nature. They are very good in structure, excellent in thought, and reveal a keen insight into the problems of life. . . .

Evidently these poems have been created out of a heart and mind of wide experiences and of deep grief and anguish. This is revealed in one of the poems entitled, "A Book of Poems."

Other Reviewer: This is supposed to be a book of outstanding poems, but regardless of the fact that I am a lover of poetry, I must say that if this is good poetry I fail to recognize it.—Rev. I. Ferd Graves, pastor, Franklin Street Baptist Church, Louisville, Kentucky.

Prophecy

Daniel-The Prophet

By M. R. DeHaan, Zondervan, 1947, \$3.00

AUTHOR: Conducts Worldwide Radio Bible Class. Other books: *The Chemistry of the Blood; Revelation*; and *The Second Coming of Jesus*.

Reviewed by Dr. G. Earl Guinn, pastor, First Baptist Church, Bossier City, Louisiana.

The author gives us here thirty-five radio addresses based on the book of Daniel. The interpretations are typically dispensational and premillennial. It is the conviction of the author that Daniel and Revelation must be studied together to be understood, each shedding light on the other. Many readers will fail to find in Daniel or Revelation justification for some views expressed by Mr. DeHaan.

This book will appeal to those who hold to the premillennial view of our Lord's return and to those who are not aware that several views exist. The scientific student will feel that the author has approached the book of Daniel with certain established convictions and that he has been more interested in reinforcing those convictions than in finding out just what Daniel has to say. In fairness it should be stated that an intensive study is not intended by Mr. DeHaan, but rather the bringing together in book form of some simple studies to meet the demand of the radio audience.

Other Reviewers: Rev. George R. Wilson, pastor, First Baptist Church, Sweetwater, Texas; and Rev. Ralph R. Couey, pastor, Lexington Avenue Baptist Church, Danville, Kentucky.

Psychology

Common-Sense Living

By Herbert Winston Hansen, Abingdon-Cokesbury, 1947, \$1.50

AUTHOR: Pastor, Scarsdale Community Baptist Church, New York City.

Reviewed by Rev. L. C. Roberts, pastor, Oakwood Baptist Church, Knoxville, Tennessee.

This book presents ways of daily living based on psychology and the vital truths of the Bible. It shows how a person's mind works by describing his choices, habits, fears, prejudices, and instincts. It then challenges such person to apply the forces within himself toward growth and fulness of life.

It is a good presentation of sane religion and common-sense psychology. Every mature mind should find something here that will challenge him and cause him to think.

There is one section in the book entitled, "Our Sins in Terms of Our Primitive Instincts" that spends a half page on original sin or depravity. Most Baptists will not agree with the author's interpretation of total depravity. With this one exception, I would recommend the book for mature minds. There are several chapters that are outstanding.

Other Reviewers: Dr. Roy L. Johnson, pastor, First Baptist Church, Canyon, Texas; and Rev. H. B. Anderson, pastor, Grace Baptist Church, Durham, North Carolina.

Prayer

Prayers for Young People

By Abigail Acker Johnson, Westminster, 1947, \$1.50

AUTHOR: Teacher at Sleighton Farm School for girls in Pennsylvania. Now a student at Union Theological Seminary.

Reviewed by Rev. A. L. Parker, pastor, First Baptist Church, Honea Path, South Carolina.

Abigail Johnson has rendered a splendid service for our young people in writing this little book. Adults could also profit from reading it.

Private and group prayers are dealt with. They are not marked with "vain repetition." Each prayer is short, concise, and right to the point. The language is simple and beautiful. We pray to the Lord to teach us how to pray. He can do so, to a degree, through this fine book of prayers.

The author includes prayers for most of the special days, those in need, mistakes and quarrels, and several graces for mealtime.

Other Reviewers: Rev. William R. Lawrence, pastor, First Baptist Church, Dalhart, Texas; and Rev. I. Ferd Graves, pastor, Franklin Street Baptist Church, Louisville, Kentucky.

Religious Drama

Christ in the Drama

By Fred Eastman, Macmillan, 1947, \$2.50

AUTHOR: Professor of biography and drama, Chicago Theological Seminary. Other books: *Men of Power*; *The Arts and Religion*; *Fear God in Your Own Village*, and others.

Reviewed by Rev. Chester A. Molpus, pastor, Belzoni Baptist Church, Belzoni, Mississippi.

This book is the published lectures of Dr. Eastman on the Shaffer Foundation at Northwestern University in 1946. In this book, Dr. Eastman's purpose is to show the influence of Christ on representative dramas of England and America. He does not seek to do this by counting the number of references directly to Christ, or by the number

of quotations from the Bible in any play. Rather, he accomplishes his purpose by this threefold test: (1) The principal characters—have they behaved as if they were influenced by Christianity? (2) The author's spiritual insight—does he show an understanding of life that is in harmony with Christ's? (3) The total effect of the play on the audience—does it send the audience away with a deepened sense of fellowship with God? . . .

This is a well-written and interesting book. The author has done a splendid job in condensing a number of plays with which Christian workers would do well to familiarize themselves. The most practical chapter is the last entitled "Drama in the Modern Church." The author points out that there are great possibilities for teaching Christian principles through the use of the drama in church activities. Religious leaders thus far have failed to appreciate the potentiality of this art to minister to the souls of men. I recommend the book to those interested in religious drama.

Other Reviewers: Dr. Ira D. S. Knight, pastor, Memorial Baptist Church, Williamston, North Carolina; and Rev. Burton A. Miley, pastor, First Baptist Church, Arcadia, Louisiana.

The Good Night at San Gabriel

By Susana Clayton Ott, Harper, 1947, \$1.50

AUTHOR: Principal of the Reference and History Department of Los Angeles Public Library for thirty-six years. Other book: a play, *The Nativity*.

Reviewed by Rev. Burton A. Miley, pastor, First Baptist Church, Arcadia, Louisiana.

This narrative deals with the emergence of Indians to the Christian faith as portrayed by Catholic Missions. The holding to the old while the new is tediously tested is vividly pictured and leaves the reader with appreciation for the struggles within the primitive breast when civilization bids advance. The author has done a good work in portrayal of custom and people.

The modern mind might question the inconsistency between the setting and characters and the stately dialogue used.

There is humor in the book and human interest is superb. An angel stole the grinding stone and San Gabriel had to be purged before his entrance. Father Serra has the influence of long service and Father Juan the zeal of a beginner. The book carries good en-

tertainment with enlightenment thrown upon the customs and people of its day.

Other Reviewer: This book is a descriptive narrative of the preparation for, the practice of, and the presentation of a playlet supposed to have been given on Christmas Eve in a Catholic Mission of San Gabriel in California in the 1780's.

The author shows rare ability in presenting the interesting incidents and the activities of the fun-loving children, but a great deal of the subject matter has too much Catholicism in it to be enjoyed by Baptist and Protestant readers.—Rev. C. Paul Rich, pastor, First Baptist Church, Clayton, New Mexico.

Religious Education

Christian Education Through the Church

By Frank M. McKibeen, Abingdon-Cokesbury, 1947, 75c

AUTHOR: Professor of Religious Education at Garrett Biblical Institute.

Reviewed by Rev. Robert C. Foster, pastor, First Baptist Church, Leaksville, North Carolina.

This book is written primarily for the person who is a student of religious education. It addresses itself to the best ways of providing all the ministries of the church to its total constituency. The discussion is very thorough and the scope is broad enough for the local community and also for the larger community—the world. The author sees the church in the world as a whole, rather than localized to some spot. He advocates the thorough training of every member for worldwide missions in the Christian way.

The twelve chapters of the book provide an extensive outline for the local church's total program of education and suggests some excellent methods for right direction and guidance to that program. The basic philosophy stressed by the author is generally sound in doctrine; however, we do not agree totally with his interpretation of church polity relative to Worldwide Ecumenical Movements. His suggestions are thought provoking and follow the trend of the liberal thinker in that federal direction of church movements.

The interpretation of religion, the needs of education in the local church, the methods of supplying such, and the understandable language used in the book, are as good as I have read anywhere. It is a valuable little book for minister, or anyone else interested in building a more efficient church program. It is a "teachable" book and may be used well for group discussions in the church.

Other Reviewers: Rev. Joe Weldon Bailey, pastor, First Baptist Church, Vivian, Louisiana; and

Rev. Robert B. Oldham, Jr., pastor, Muddy River Baptist Church, Bowling Green, Kentucky.

Creative Activities

By Rebecca Rice, Pilgrim Press, 1947, \$2.75

AUTHOR: Public school teacher, Sunday school superintendent and teacher, and guardian of Camp Fire groups. Other book: *Exploring God's Out-of-Doors*.

Reviewed by Rev. Troy E. Jones, pastor, Carrboro Baptist Church, Carrboro, North Carolina.

Experienced teachers have found that children "learn to do by doing." Activity is a necessity in the educational process. There has long been felt the need of books giving aids for supplemental teaching. Here is a source book of plans and procedures for making the teaching period alive in directed activities. Not only are actual patterns given, but the author explains their use. Most of the illustrations can be drawn or mimeographed for class use.

Here is a handwork book for workers in Sunday schools, Vacation Bible schools, and for workers in the elementary grades in the public schools. It is the best book yet prepared for this purpose, and is in accord with the best teaching practices.

Other Reviewers: Rev. E. Lamb, pastor, Winstanley Baptist Church, East St. Louis, Illinois; and Rev. Ira H. Peak, pastor, Queensboro Baptist Church, Shreveport, Louisiana.

The Pastor and the Children

By Mildred and Frank Eakin, Macmillan, 1947, \$2.00

AUTHORS: A Director of Elementary Education for Methodist Church, and pastor and professor of New Testament in Western Seminary. Other books: *Let's Think About Religion*; and *Your Child's Religion*.

Reviewed by Rev. I. Ferd Graves, pastor, Franklin Street Baptist Church, Louisville, Kentucky.

As the title of the book suggests, it is not one for the great masses of people but for a selected few who want to do some real constructive thinking. It should be read by every pastor, Sunday school superintendent, and deacon, so that we might understand the needs of children better, and see how we are neglecting spiritual opportunities and the larger use of our church buildings. It is not a book of theology but one of practical dealings with children.

Other Reviewer: While this volume wisely gives emphasis to the need for individual attention in

Christian education, and though its theme is the need for understanding children, in the end it will mean little to the average Southern Baptist for its approach and illustrative material are so foreign to the average Southern Baptist situation. The book should mean much to churches and denominations that have no program. The authors, however, indicate the type of constituency with which they are dealing when they write concerning adults, "That hour between the time when they brought the children and the time when they came after them—could it not be put to use, in a way that would be helpful?"

There is a sense in which the book constitutes a report of laboratory findings in the field of religious education. A helpful bibliography is added at the end of the book.—Rev. Nathan C. Brooks, Jr., pastor, Earle Street Baptist Church, Greenville, South Carolina.

Projected Visual Aids in the Church

By William S. Hockman, Pilgrim, 1947, \$3.75

AUTHOR: Director of Religious Education, Lakewood Presbyterian Church, Lakewood, Ohio. Lecturer, teacher on audio-visual aids at Union Theological Seminary.

Reviewed by Rev. C. S. Cadwallader, pastor, College Place Baptist Church, Monroe, Louisiana.

There has been a definite need for this manual on some of the known projected visual aids which should be utilized and integrated into the development of a more adequate religious education program in our churches. Mr. Hockman in eleven fitly constructed chapters reminds us that included in the business of the church is the task of education and not the responsibility of entertainment. . . .

In presenting the possibilities and adaptability of opaque materials, stereopticon slides, film strips, the silent film, and the sound film, the author gives out sound advice as to a sane and sensible policy which should be pursued by churches as they seek to incorporate them in their worship programs. According to the author, the visual aids in a class or department does not relegate the teacher to a lower position but rather makes his or her role more complex. Thus, the helpful chapter on "The Teacher Visual Aids" finds its logical place in this good book.

Perhaps one of the most neglected themes which has needed discussing, when church visual aids are mentioned, is the utilization of these aids. How important this is! "The whole job of teaching cannot be done with pictures. The total job of preaching cannot be done with films. In the total curriculum of the church visual materials must be supplementary and not substitutionary."

This book should be in the hands of all church leaders. Especially would it be profitable for those who anticipate a visual aid program soon in their own churches. It greatly aids in the necessary planning which should be carefully made beforehand. It will also be a constant source book in the promotion and administration of a sane, sound visual aid program in our churches as we seek to bring the message of Christ afresh to the souls and hearts of the multitudes.

Other Reviewers: Dr. Earl B. Edington, pastor, First Baptist Church, St. Petersburg, Florida; and Rev. D. H. Daniel, pastor, First Baptist Church, Conway, South Carolina.

Winning the Child for Christ

By G. A. Neilson, Pickering and Inglis, 1947, \$1.25

Reviewed by Rev. R. Frank Marshburn, pastor, Ingold Baptist Church, Salemburg, North Carolina.

Sometime the eyegate is wide open when the eargate of a little child may be closed. Through this little volume of suggestive object and flannel-graph lessons, the author seeks to assist teachers and workers to reach little children who may be unresponsive to the normal gospel message.

In more than one hundred pages, one finds suitable lessons, illustrations, objects, and pictures, to help one make a lesson or message to young people instructive, attractive, and full of interest. The lessons are not too detailed or too scant to give the desired aid. They have been worked out to help parents, teachers, pastors, or friends in the supreme task of winning the child for Christ.

Other Reviewer: A little book which sets forth its purpose the reaching of children for Christ. Though there are some good object lessons in the book, it does not measure up to other books in his field. Its value lies in the suggestions given which may be enlarged upon by the one using them. Since there are so few books on the subject, the object lessons included may be added to one's library with profit.—Dr. Charles Treadway, pastor, First Baptist Church, Cleveland, Mississippi.

Sermons

Best Sermons 1947-48

By G. Paul Butler, Harper, 1947, \$2.75

AUTHOR: Religious editor and book reviewer. Reviewed by Dr. Andrew M. Smith, pastor, West Woodlawn Baptist Church, Birmingham, Alabama.

The 1947-48 edition of *Best Sermons* gives us a panoramic view of the preaching of today. The authors, who represent

men of all faiths, have pitched their preaching on a high plane. Grouped according to subjects, these sermons form an excellent handbook for the busy minister who wishes to read with an open mind what those of other denominations, as well as his own, have to say. They are to be read for their homiletic value and spiritual message rather than their doctrinal expression. This volume brings us abreast of what the pulpit is doing and saying today.

Other Reviewers: Rev. Forrest Maxwell, pastor, First Baptist Church, Erwin, North Carolina; and Rev. C. G. Davis, pastor, College Hill Baptist Church, Texarkana, Arkansas.

Burning Hearts

By E. D. Head, Broadman, 1947, \$1.35

AUTHOR: President of the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. Other book: *Why All This Suffering?*

Reviewed by Dr. James P. Wesberry, pastor, Morningside Baptist Church, Atlanta, Georgia.

This beautiful little book of sermons is highly welcomed because they represent the thinking of a great preacher—one widely known and greatly beloved. These sermons were preached during his great pastorate of the First Baptist Church, Houston, Texas.

They originated in his teaching of the New Testament at Baylor. While dealing with the resurrection, he felt the need for a key title which would help his students distinguish one account from another. These key titles are the subjects of the chapters. His sermons are brief, simple, scriptural, spiritual and powerful.

Other Reviewer: Rev. H. Marshall Smith, pastor, First Baptist Church, Stephenville, Texas.

The Minister's Manual

By G. B. F. Hallock and M. K. W. Heicher, Harper, 1947, \$2.50

AUTHOR: Hallock, pastor Brick Church, Rochester, New York; Heicher, pastor, Community Church, Altadena, California. Other books: Dr. Hallock: *The Minister's Week-day Manual*, *The Evangelistic Cyclopedia*, and many others. Dr. Heicher: *Living on Tiptoe*; and *Meditations for Days and Seasons*.

Reviewed by Rev. Victor Coffman, pastor, Immanuel Baptist Church, Fort Smith, Arkansas.

I have just finished reviewing the 1948 edition of *The Minister's Manual* and find it to be a very helpful book for any pastor. There are suggestions for sermon messages for

each Sunday of the year, together with many choice illustrations, suggestive orders of service, helps for midweek prayer service, and helpful notes on the Sunday school lessons. All suggestions are short and very useful to busy pastors.

This will make a handy and serviceable guide or reference book for any pastor, particularly those that are in a busy pastorate. It will furnish help for special occasions and most every type of service that the pastor may be called upon to render. It is well worth the price, and more, to any minister.

Other Reviewer: A volume which is well indexed to make all material immediately available to the busy pastor. Because the two hundred and fifty thousand words are put in double columns on three hundred and seventeen pages, the type is not large enough. Perhaps the most useful part of the manual will be the illustrations.

Any Baptist minister will find some things with which he cannot agree in a volume prepared for the use of ministers of all faiths. This reviewer does not agree with the editors in calling the ordinances, sacraments.—Rev. Clint Irwin, pastor, First Baptist Church, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Practical Sermon Outlines

By H. K. Downie, Zondervan, 1947, \$1.50

AUTHOR: Native Scotch preacher. Traveling evangelist. Contributor of sermon outlines to various magazines under initials H.K.D.

Reviewed by Dr. John W. Landrum, pastor, First Baptist Church, Canton, Mississippi.

A crutch has definite therapeutic value in assisting one to walk for himself. The use of a crutch does not imply mental deficiency or illness in itself, but the continual use without necessity would.

In preaching, a man needs to know the ideas that another has—not so that they might be appropriated *per se*, but that new points of view may be assimilated.

This book does not provide a crutch, but provides some very practical outlines full enough to inspire thinking on the part of the reader. Not only can the preacher find suggestions which would lead on to higher thoughts, but the layman can also benefit through the devotional use of these practical outlines.

Along with many other fine books of this sort, here is one of great value to any who will appreciate the spirit in which the book was written, and the Spirit which has obviously guided the thought-progressions.

Other Reviewer: Here is a group of sixty-six outlines, about evenly divided between topical and textual in nature and between the Testaments as to source. Many of them are the barest of outlines

while others are rather fully developed with comments and illustrations. The author indulges quite a bit in typology and allegories. Christ, Salvation and the Christian Life are the major themes. A Scripture index at the back of the book is a welcome asset.

Some helpful suggestions can be secured from these outlines, but it is very doubtful that they will prove of much help to a Spirit-led preacher in his search for sermonic material. Many of them are strained and not very logical. Use them for added material but not for sermons as a whole. One thing very much in their favor is that they are literally saturated with Scripture. All preachers can well afford to study the author's technique from this angle.—Rev. A. B. Van Arsdale, pastor, College Avenue Baptist Church, Fort Worth, Texas

The Protestant Pulpit

By Andrew W. Blackwood, Abingdon-Cokesbury, 1947
\$2.75

AUTHOR: Professor of Homiletics, Princeton Theological Seminary. Other books: *Preaching from Samuel*; *Preaching from the Bible*; *Planning a Year's Pulpit Work*; *Evangelism in the Home Church* and *The Fine Art of Public Worship*.

Reviewed by Dr. J. L. Rosser, pastor, Ancient City Baptist Church, St. Augustine, Florida.

A collection of sermons from the Reformation to our own day makes up this volume. Such an anthology is not a new thing. Many of like character have been published. Some represent a theme, a denomination, a nation, a region, or an era. It was designed by the compiler primarily for classroom laboratory work. Under his guidance his students study these examples of preaching, but he has in view also ministers in general, and also laymen. While the compiler says he has kept away from sermons that appear in other collections, some old favorites appear.

Perhaps we may use the word variety as keynote. There is variety in content, and variety in time, extending from the sixteenth to the nineteenth century. The conservative and the liberal are here. Channing, Bushnell, Fosdick, Poteat appear along with Moody, Spurgeon, Clow, and Sunday, though the conservatives are largely in the majority. There is variety in style. The labored arguments of Wesley and Edwards appear along with the simpler pictorial style of Truett and Macartney. The refinements of Clow and Jowett are here side by side with the rugged and crude style of Billy Sunday. . . .

A reviewer cannot undertake to analyze or evaluate the thirty-nine sermons separately further than to say that they are a by "masters," and therefore are masterpieces. The reader should prove this by buying the volume, learning truth, and learning the art of presenting the truth.

Other Reviewers: Rev. J. V. Carlisle, pastor, First Baptist Church, Rolla, Missouri; and Rev. R. O. Cawker, pastor, Highland Baptist Church, Shreveport, Louisiana.

Stewardship

Great Stewards of the Bible

By John E. Simpson, Revell, 1947, \$1.25

Other books: *Stewardship and the World Mission; Faithful Also in Much; This World's Good; He That Giveth; and Into My Storehouse.*

Reviewed by Rev. C. B. Hall, pastor, First Baptist Church, Winnsboro, Louisiana.

A book of brief but deeply moving stewardship sketches from the attitudes and habits of six Bible characters not usually considered in the classification of stewards. Abel, David, Job, Malachi, Paul, and Jesus are presented in the language of the Bible itself, with appropriate and co-ordinating interpretations. It is original in approach, replete with fresh, delightful interpretations, and constructive in thought.

Other Reviewers: Dr. James M. Baldwin, pastor, First Baptist Church, Salem, Illinois; and Dr. R. Paul Caudill, pastor, First Baptist Church, Memphis, Tennessee.

More Stewardship Parables of Jesus

By Roswell C. Long, Abingdon-Cokesbury, 1947, 60c

Reviewed by Rev. Robert B. Oldham, Jr., pastor, Muddy River Baptist Church, Bowling Green, Kentucky.

A good book on parables. A brief discussion is given showing the practicality and applicability for each parable.

The author has presented his discussion in a very interesting way and most laymen who read the book will finish it with a clearer and better understanding of the parables of Jesus.

In a few instances the doctrine is contrary to Baptist beliefs, but otherwise it is sound.

In presenting this book, the author has shown the relationship of stewardship of money and material possessions, time, talent, and abilities to the parables of Jesus.

All in all, I believe that all Christians will profit from reading this volume.

Other Reviewers: Rev. R. L. Patillo, Jr., pastor, Trinity Baptist Church, Tucumcari, New Mexico; and Dr. Grady D. Feagan, pastor, Lee Street Baptist Church, Valdosta, Georgia.

Theology

The Christian Faith in Modern World

By J. Gresham Machen, Eerdmans, 1947, \$2.50

AUTHOR: Late Professor of New Testament, Westminster Theological Seminary, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Other books: *The Christian View of*

Man; What Is Faith; and Christianity and Liberalism.

Reviewed by Rev. Paul B. Cullen, pastor, First Baptist Church, Borger, Texas.

This book is a collection of radio addresses delivered by the author over Radio Station WIP in the year 1935. The book was copyrighted in 1936 and originally published in 1936 and re-published in 1947, after the death of the author.

This is a book of theology. The reality and person of God, the authenticity and reliability of the Bible, the Deity of Christ, the resurrection, the Holy Spirit, and other vital subjects are treated. The author does the best job of dealing with theological subjects in terms easily understood by the laity of any book I have encountered in several years. There was only one statement in the entire book that the reviewer disagreed with and that was his definition of a church.

I believe this book is the best of its kind that it has been my privilege to read. I commend it not only to the preachers but to the laity as well. It has my wholehearted endorsement. It is a better book than the companion volume, *The Christian View of Man*.

Other Reviewers: Rev. O. Jack Murphy, pastor, First Baptist Church, La Follette, Tennessee; and Rev. J. I. Edwards, pastor, First Baptist Church, Quincy, Florida.

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This is a companion volume of *The Christian Faith in the Modern World*.

It constitutes the second part of a series of radio addresses delivered by the author over Radio Station WIP in 1935. It was copyrighted in 1937 and published in 1947, after the death of the author. As stated in the preface, "the volume deals with the Biblical doctrine of man, including the related subjects of the decrees of God and predestination. A considerable part of the discussion is concerned with what the Bible says about sin."

This book, like its predecessor, is lucidly written so that people with no theological training can readily understand it. The only

criticism in this regard is that in places it tends toward redundancy. In our opinion the author goes too far in his theory of predestination and the decrees of God. Another criticism is the frequent reference to the Shorter Catechism.

Aside from the above criticism, we believe the book to be one of the best discussions that one could find. The author holds to the fundamental thesis of the authenticity of the Bible, the sovereignty of God, the fall of man, the actuality and reality of sin, the fact of original sin and salvation of sinners by grace. We commend it as helpful to all preachers and believe that laymen, who will read with discretion, will receive great blessing from it.

Other Reviewers: Rev. O. Jack Murphy, pastor, First Baptist Church, La Follette, Tennessee; and Rev. J. I. Edwards, pastor, First Baptist Church, Quincy, Florida.

Youth

53 More Sunday Talks to Children

By Joseph A. Schofield, Jr., W. A. Wilde, 1947, \$1.50

Reviewed by Dr. Pierce S. Ellis, pastor, First Baptist Church, Waynesboro, Virginia.

Another book of 53 Sunday Talks to Children. Obviously the author understands the child and his needs, and has a passion for bringing the young people into touch with all the activities of the church. Through his messages to children, he aims to instill in them a thirst for and appreciation of the sermon. This experiment has worked magnificently in his own church at Gouverneur, New York.

A reading of these talks will convince one that the pastor has devoted no little time and care to the selection of each text and the treatment of it. Each talk centers about the Bible. Each uniquely exalts Christ. All of these sermonets, for they are sermonets, are clear and to the point, and the truth of each subject is made impressive and abiding by the employment of some object lesson. Object lessons enable children to better understand and remember longer. I am convinced that Mr. Schofield is more or less an artist in the presentation of biblical truths to children. Doubtless his method, if employed by the pastors, would interest the young folk of their congregation in the sermon.

I have read this little book with a measure of personal profit. I believe it should be in the hands of all pastors, teachers, and leaders of children, and used extensively.

Other Reviewers: Rev. Wayne Rosecrans, pastor, Highland Avenue Baptist Church, National City, California; and Rev. James P. Harrelson, pastor, Cottageville Baptist Church, Cottageville, South Carolina.

Youth After Conflict

By Goodwin Watson, Association, 1947, \$4.00

AUTHOR: Research scholar for the International Committee of Young Men's Christian Association.

Reviewed by Rev. Owen Sherrill, pastor, First Baptist Church, Kennett, Missouri.

An extensive sociological study of the effect of war and its aftermath upon the generation that fought and survived. It covers the period since the Civil War.

The author's thesis is to discredit the general idea that wars have had great influence upon the behavior of youth. He urges that we should minimize these influences and get to the deep currents of social change.

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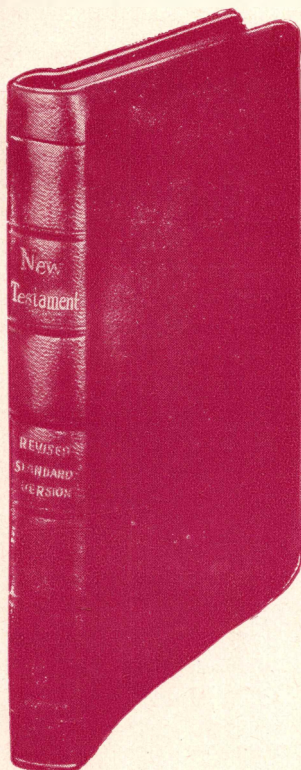
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There ought to be two or three copies of this great work in circulation among the members of every church.—*B. O. Herring, Golden Gate Seminary, Berkeley, California*.

Surely no one is better qualified to write such a book than Dr. Dobbins, and it is the conviction of this reviewer that such a task was never more satisfactorily done.—*Rev. O. L. Gibson, Yukon, Oklahoma*.

No pastor can read this book without receiving great inspiration and practical help. While it will be most useful to Baptist pastors and churches, yet, at the same time, we believe it will also be a big blessing to the pastors and churches of all Christian denominations.—*Faris D. Whitesell, Northern Baptist Theological Seminary, Chicago, Illinois*.

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