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AN UNUSAL SEMINARY EXTENSION CENTER

An unusual Seminary Extension Center was started in the Black River Association, Kennett, Missouri, Rev. H. L. McClanahan, Superintendent of Missions. The classes meet every Thursday from nine to twelve and from one through four. This will make it possible to earn a Certificate in a year.

Two semesters have already been completed. The following courses have been offered: Old Testament 111 and 121, New Testament 112 and 122, Religious Education 135, Preaching 113, Evangelism 123, and Theology 116. There were nineteen enrolled the first semester and twelve the second semester. All of those enrolled are pastors in the association.

The following pastors have taught in the center: Rev. Leroy Madden, Dean, First Baptist Church, Senath; Rev. Orville McGuire, First Baptist Church, Hornersville; Rev. Edward Goodwin, First Baptist Church, Parma; and Rev. R. A. Pollock, First Baptist Church, Gideon.

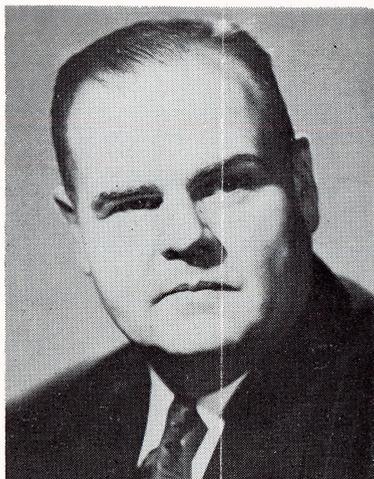
—Albert H. Fauth

STATISTICAL REPORT

September 1959—July 14, 1960

New Correspondence Students	737
Correspondence Students	
Re-enrolling	38
Extension Center Students	2,619
Total	3,394

WEST COAST VACANCY FILLED



Rev. Paul R. Jakes, Phoenix, Arizona has accepted the position as an associate of the Seminary Extension Department and began his work on July 15. He was pastor of the Orangewood Baptist Church, Phoenix and taught on a part time basis at Grand Canyon College.

Mr. Jakes is a graduate of Baylor University, Waco, Texas and of Southwestern Baptist Seminary, Fort Worth. He has done graduate work at Southwestern and also at Arizona State University.

The new associate comes to the Department with experience in extension work. For the past two years, Mr. Jakes has promoted and supervised the extension program of Grand Canyon College in Phoenix.

Arizona, Nevada, Utah, Idaho, Colorado, North and South Dakota, Wyoming, Montana, and Nebraska. Forty-six centers were set up in these western states.

Mr. Jakes has served as a pastor and was an army chaplain in World War II. His work with Grand Canyon College also included part time instructor in Bible and Religious Education.

He is married to the former Maxine Conner and has two sons. He will continue to live in Phoenix and serve as representative for the Seminary Extension Department for the west coast area. He succeeds Dr. D. E. Wallace who has resigned to accept a full teaching load at California Baptist College.

CHANGES IN COURSES AND NUMBERING

The new folders and Plan Book will give new numbers to several of the courses. Some will be listed as "Advanced Courses," and recognition will be given those who complete the requirements for this series.

If you have already completed some of the courses listed as "Advanced," the credits may be applied on the regular Certificate in Pastoral Training or our new Certificate in Christian Training which will be substituted for the Certificate in Religious Education.

All credits will be recognized—no credit will be "lost" due to this

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*"Think
on
These
Things"*

SOUTHERN BAPTISTS AND THE SOCIAL GOSPEL

In some quarters we have read that there is fear that Southern Baptists might be drawn into preaching the social gospel. Such broad ideas as the achievement of world peace, the interpretation of Christian ethics in matters of race, family, and alcohol education have led some to believe that too much emphasis here will lead us toward the social gospel. For my own part, I am not disturbed about Baptists and the social gospel. Of course we still believe in the social application of the gospel. We are not thinking in terms of a society achievement apart from the results of evangelism and missions. And we are not thinking in terms of pronouncements on all social problems apart from the preaching of the gospel.

But Southern Baptists are not only organized teams of evangelists. By reason of the fact that we call our organized bodies "churches" we obligate ourselves to the world to make a Christian interpretation of the ethic by which we live and the goal which we expect to be achieved in our evangelization. And this is something that is incumbent upon any group. On one side it means to the world what will be the result of the individual and the society in which he lives, of one who is won to your faith, your belief. The other side is a simple question of

what do you consider to be the ethics of your faith.

The biggest problem Southern Baptists have is not preaching the social gospel but ignoring the social and religious implications of the gospel. The church that has as its main objective winning lost people to the baptismal pool has no problem with an ethic—it ignores ethics. But a church that boasts that it preaches the whole gospel to the whole world must surely recognize that such a preaching has to be examined in content as well as method.

BOOK REVIEW

The Master's Men, William Barclay. (New York: Abingdon Press, 1959.) pp. 127. \$2.00.

Whatever William Barclay writes is worthy of attention. This latest book is a study of the twelve apostles. His reason for attempting such a book is stated in the following: "The twelve apostles are the foundation stones of the Christian church. It is, therefore, right that we should study them not only to learn the facts about them but also to see what apostleship meant to them and what discipleship must mean for us."

With this thesis set forth he pursues with scholarly interpretation and human interest his study of the apostles. He uses the New Testament record and gleans from it every bit of factual data. This is supplemented with whatever can be found in the writings of the early Christian writers—Eusebius, Irenaeus, and Clement of Alexandria.

Tradition is also considered with a recognition that though it may not be historically factual, yet it holds a secondary value of the impressions the apostles left upon the early church.

The following chapter headings lend themselves readily to a series of sermons on the lives of the apostles: Peter: The man who became a rock, John: The son of thunder who became the apostle of love, Andrew: The man who in-

troduced others to Jesus, Thomas: The man who became certain by doubting, Matthew: The man whom all men despised, Judas Iscariot: The man who became a traitor, James the brother of Jesus: The man who became a friend, Phillip: The first man called to follow Jesus, Simon the Zealot: The man who began by hating and ended by loving, James the brother of John: The man who was the first of the twelve to become a martyr.

We recommend this book because of its excellent simplicity of style and lucidness of presentation. It will be of value to pastors as well as laymen and will increase your understanding and appreciation of the apostles.

—Albert H. Fauth

Mr. James E. Jessee, pictured below, was awarded the Certificate in Pastoral Training on May 25, 1960. He is a Virginian and is now employed in secular work but is also doing supply work. He is a licensed minister in the Mt. Vernon Baptist Association.

He writes of the Seminary Extension courses, "This study has been a real blessing to me. I was called to preach at the age of thirty-three and without preparation. It was a God-sent study. I hope to go to college as time and money permits."





Rev. E. G. Calhoun of Shelby, North Carolina was awarded the Certificate in Pastoral Training on June 13, 1960. He has attended Fruitland Baptist Bible Institute in North Carolina. He writes, "It has been a most gratifying study with the Seminary Extension Department and I feel my life has been enriched because of my studying your courses and I shall go on studying for I realize it is the only way for one to grow. . . . I do want to thank Dr. Lee Gallman and his entire staff for the kindness shown me in the studies. I shall be much in prayer for you and do all I can to promote it to men who need it."

We have received an advanced course in New Testament Theology which will be for those who have had seminary work. This course, New Testament Theology 436 was prepared by Dr. Heber Peacock, pastor of the First Baptist Church, North Wilkesboro, North Carolina. It is a study of the theology of the New Testament based on theological and critical exegesis of significant doctrines. Dr. Peacock is a former member of the faculty of Southern Baptist Seminary and is now teaching a class in the Seminary Extension Extension Center in his association. The Text, *Theology Of The New Testament* is by Alan Richardson. Price, \$15.00.

Pictured below are those who participated in the first commencement of the Aiken Baptist Association Extension Center Graniteville, South Carolina. They are left to right: Rev. D. Maurice Smith, associational superintendent of missions and director of the center, Rev. J. R. Kirkland, chairman of the Advisory Committee, Mr. Marvin Atkinson, graduate, Rev. Fred Lowery, Advisory Committee, Mr. Howard Ogletree, graduate, Dr. W. E. Spears, Jr., Advisory Committee, Rev. L. A. Thompson, graduate, Rev. Frank Koger, Associate, Seminary Extension Department who delivered the commencement address, and Mr. S. H. Moody, registrar-treasurer of the center.

Rev. Smith writes: "Our first Seminary Extension School Commencement was an encouraging and gratifying experience. We were encouraged by the fine attendance and interest expressed, especially since our program was aimed toward making the churches and leaders conscious of the school's existence, and to better understand the benefits the churches might receive by having their pastors and workers enrol.

"The Aiken Association has operated the center for the past three years with 178 individuals enrolled. We appreciate the splendid work of the fourteen busy pas-

ters, ministers of education and music who have taught the various classes. . . .

"In addition to Rev. Koger's address, the members of the Advisory Committee and those graduating had brief parts, giving testimonies, enumerating the benefits the local church may receive from the school with Rev. L. A. Thompson speaking for the graduates."

Announcement was also made that the next semester opens September 1, at the Calvary Baptist Church, Graniteville, where classes will be held each Thursday, 6:30-9:30 p.m.

WHAT DO WE MEAN?

In the July issue of the *Bulletin* this writer made an error by using two terms which in the minds of most people have become fixed. The use of "liberal" has often been equated with "modernism." The liberal theologian has been thought of as one who denied the fundamentals of the faith. In quite another outlook, however, this term applies to one who is willing to think, to question, and to continue to search for answers. He is one who may well have an evangelical faith, but the fact that he is unwilling to settle with history on the basis of what others have





said means, in some circles, that he has a liberal outlook.

In view of the emotional fixation of this term and the ideas which it often arouses, despite its use in other circles, we will not use this term again to indicate that one has an open mind.

The second term was "tradition." In our popular circles it is often contrasted with "truth." This caused some to think that the reference to the Old Testament stories as coming through tradition questioned their validity. As contemporary writers use the term (and indeed as it was used as far back as when Robertson, Dana, and Davis taught New Testament and Sampey taught Old Testament) it refers to sources that were circulated orally. We heard these men speak of the "Oral Tradition of the Bible." Many scholars use the term "myth" in this manner and mean by it simply a story, the source of which is not known. The idea of validity is not involved in such use. In the last editorial we overlooked the possibility that these two terms would fail to say what we meant.

The Bible is divinely inspired. If the early stories were orally circulated at first, this does not destroy their value.

—Lee Gallman

TRENTON, MISSOURI GRADUATES

Pictured above are those who participated in the second commencement exercises of the Trenton, Missouri Extension Center. They are left to right: Rev. Beecher Shrum, director of the center and pastor of the Rural Dale Baptist Church, Trenton; Dr. Albert H. Fauth, Associate of the Seminary Extension Department who delivered the commencement address; Rev. Robert Eberling, Superintendent of missions; Rev. Kenneth Peery, pastor of the Laredo Baptist Church, graduate; Rev. Lavern Wood, pastor of the Dunlap Baptist Church, graduate; Rev. Robert Capps, pastor Center Grove Baptist Church, graduate; Rev. Fred Draper, pastor, First Baptist Church, Galt; and Rev. Cleo Sexton, pastor, First Baptist Church, Melbourne.

The Certificate in Pastoral Training was awarded to Rev. Lavern Wood, Rev. Kenneth Peery, and Rev. Robert Capps who completed sixteen courses as prescribed by the Seminary Extension Department. The extension center has operated for six years under the supervision of the Davies-Harrison and North Grand River Associations. Sixty-one persons have enrolled and five have completed the requirements for the Certificate.

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