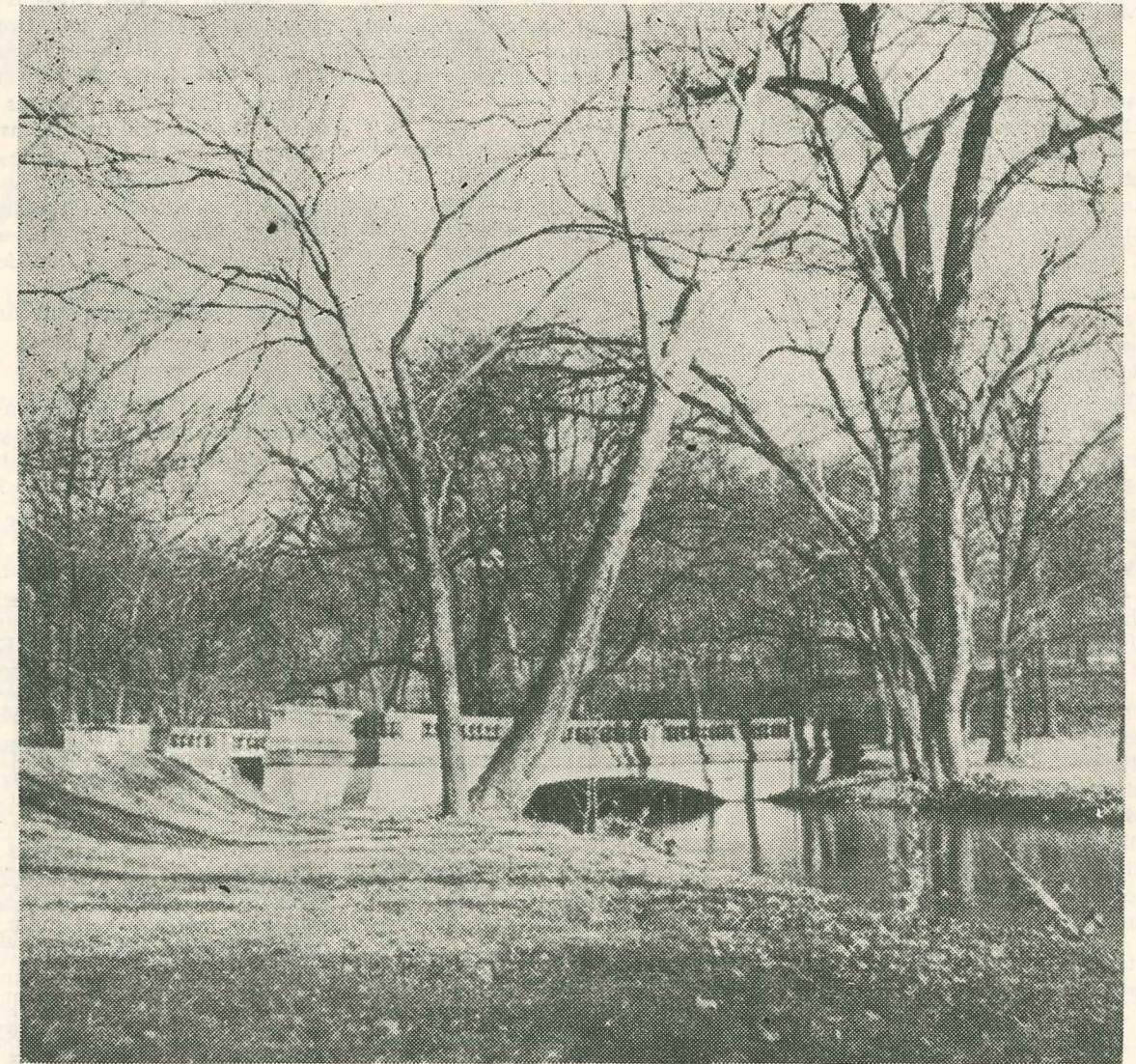


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The Pride Baptist Church gave its Associational Missionary Fred W. Martin, of Sturgis, Ky., a helpful food shower recently.

The sermon of Pastor Thomas E. Halsell at the regular morning worship hour is broadcast over Radio Station WJPS, 1330 on the dial, each Sunday morning from 11:00 to 12:00 Noon.

Associational Missionary Eldred M. Taylor, of Daviess-McLean Association, supplied the pulpit of the First Baptist Church of Owensboro for Pastor Robert E. Humphreys on Jan. 8.

The First Twelve Mile Baptist Church, in North Kentucky, has called Russell Heyne to be its pastor. The First Baptist Church of Dayton, Ky., has set a date to go into the matter of ordaining him.

Loren R. Williams has resigned as Minister of Music at the First Baptist Church, Owensboro, Ky., to accept a similar work at the First Baptist Church, Tulsa, Oklahoma. He will remain at Owensboro until the first of March.

The following missionaries left the States for foreign mission fields during December: Rev. and Mrs. Stanley P. Howard for Japan, Rev. and Mrs. David Mein for Brazil, Rev. and Mrs. B. Elmo Scoggin for Jerusalem, Miss Edith West for Brazil.

The quarterly Sunday school meeting of Ohio Valley Association met at Clay, Ky., on January 8. Though ice filled the roads, the goal of 140 was surpassed with an attendance of 179. Report was made that all the churches except one had welcomed a planning team for 1949-50 Sunday school program.

There were forty-eight decisions in the revival which Pastor Aubrey C. Halsell, of Poplar Avenue Baptist Church of Memphis, Tenn., conducted for his brother, Pastor Thomas E. Halsell at the Walnut Street Baptist Church of Evansville, Ind., recently. Brother Robert Farrall, student in the Southern Seminary, led the singing.

Pastor Leslie Gilbert, of the Marion Baptist Church spoke to the Brotherhood at East Baptist Church of Paducah, Ky., on January 16. The month before he addressed a fine group of men at the First Baptist Church of Wickliffe, Ky. This meeting resulted in the appointing of a committee to organize a Brotherhood in the Wickliffe Church.

On a recent Wednesday night Pastor Leslie Gilbert asked the members of the Marion Baptist Church to bring their oldest Bible to church. This was called "Bible Night," and was a fine meeting. Many fine testimonies were given about the Bible and Scripture verses quoted. The following Sunday was Neighbor Day, at which time members were asked to bring their neighbor to church.

Dr. C. Y. Dossey, of the Department of Evangelism of the Home Mission Board, led a simultaneous revival campaign among the Baptist churches of Havana Province, Cuba, recently. He himself preached in the Calvary Church of Havana, where 320 professions of faith were made, with 43 baptisms and 24 letters transferred. In the 23 churches of the province there were a total of 1,060 professions of faith.

Brother John L. Parker, formerly pastor of the Friendship Baptist Church in Muhlenberg County, and his good wife, both members of this church, have gone to Florida for a much needed rest and for a visit to their daughters. Under his leadership a new building was completed at Friendship, a new light plant was installed, and a bus was engaged to bring people to church. He is a member of the Executive Board of the General Association

Missionaries returning to the States from overseas during December are: Rev. and Mrs. Maurice E. Brantley from Nigeria to 402 S. Woodward Street, Tallahassee, Florida; Rev. W. Howard Bryant from Chile to 1320 2nd Court West, Birmingham Alabama; Miss Dorine Hawkins from Brazil to Southwestern Baptist Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas; Rev. and Mrs. L. C. Quarles from Argentina to Hanover, Virginia (c/o Mrs. J. R. Gravatt); Miss Vada Waldron from Argentina to 1012 E. Browning St., Pampa, Texas; Miss Mary-Ellen Wooten from Nigeria to 505 Echota Drive, NW, Atlanta, Georgia.

An appreciation dinner, attended by about 350 employees of the Sunday School Board and other friends, was given at the Hotel Hermitage recently for Dr. and Mrs. John L. Hill. Just about everybody was there. From *The Circle*, house organ of the Sunday School Board employees, we copy: "Dr. Hill confided to someone that he believed his old watch must be jeal-

ous! It stopped when he received the new one, given to him at the Appreciation dinner. On that occasion Dr. Hill explained that he had carried the watch nearly twenty-eight years. It was a gift from the student body, presented to him at the last chapel service he attended at Georgetown College before coming to employment at the Board."

The new Missouri Baptist Building, 213 Adams Street, Jefferson City, Mo., was dedicated on January 9. The new headquarters contains twenty-four office rooms arranged in departments. The building also contains a reception hall, a book store, a chapel and a work room. The Print Shop of the Missouri Baptist Press is in the basement. Missouri has two large metropolitan centers—St. Louis and Kansas City—but they are on the extreme east and west edges of the state. The removal from Kansas City to Jefferson City was made in the hope of being in the center of the state. Governor Forrest Smith, and Dr. T. L. Holcomb, were present for the ceremonies. T. W. Medearis is the General Superintendent of the General Association of Missouri Baptists.

"Judge," said the waiter in a Washington restaurant, "I notice you always drink tea at lunch. Haven't you ever tried gin and bitters?"

"No, I haven't," smiled the judge, "but I've tried a number of fellows who have."—*Arkansas Baptist*.

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By Dr. Gaines S. Dobbins  
Southern Baptist Theological Seminary

## The Problem of Evangelistic Method

Thirty-eight major Christian bodies in the United States, representing approximately as many millions of members, launched last Fall a fifteen months' preparatory program looking toward their UNITED EVANGELISTIC ADVANCE. Southern Baptists had already committed themselves to a program designated as the SIMULTANEOUS EVANGELISTIC CRUSADE. In the United Advance movement, each of the thirty-eight denominations sets its own goals, utilizes its own resources, and determines its own methods. The "united" aspect refers chiefly to plans of publicity and promotion. Southern Baptists will follow their historic tradition of separateness and independence of other churches, yet are seeking co-operation of all their churches in two great periods of simultaneous evangelism, in the territory of the Convention west of the Mississippi during the spring of 1950, and in the eastern territory during the following spring.

While mission and messages are of first importance in the hope of a new Great Awakening, *method* also becomes tremendously significant. Message and method interact, each conditioning the other. Sound gospel message may be vitiated by unsound evangelistic practice. Effective method may be utilized to propagate an unscriptural message. We need frequently to re-examine our evangelistic methods.

Spurgeon was fond of saying, "There is no wrong way to win people

to Christ." If the actual result is sound Christian conversion, the method employed is not to be despised. Obviously there is no one method in soul-winning. Persons vary greatly in background, interests, needs, difficulties, capacities. Paul said, "I am made all things to all men, that I might by all means save some." Literature of the UNITED EVANGELISTIC ADVANCE indicates that chief emphasis is being placed on "visitation evangelism." Our Southern Baptist leadership is

stressing "revival evangelism." In neither movement are these two types of evangelistic method mutually exclusive. Our friends of other denominations recognize the value and power of the "preaching mission," or revival; and our Dr. Matthews makes much of visitation and personal witnessing.

In my class in evangelism, we recently undertook a careful analysis and evaluation of the several main types of evangelistic method now in use. We set up certain simple criteria by which to adjudge the strength and weakness of a given type of method. The result was a new appreciation of the value of each kind of method and a fresh awareness of the need to use "all means to save some."

We first listed the following main types of evangelism:

(1) The revival—a special season of evangelistic effort, in which as many people as possible are brought together to hear the preaching of the Gospel, with accompanying personal work.

(2) Educational evangelism—the use of the Sunday school as the principal evangelistic agency, either continuously or during special seasons.

(3) Perennial pastoral evangelism—a church under the leadership of its pastor seeking to make all of its services evangelistic.

(4) Visitation evangelism—the organization of laymen and women for visits into the homes of selected persons to present to them the claims of Christ and the obligation of church membership, continuously or occasionally.

(5) Counseling evangelism—adaptation of the techniques of the trained counselor to dealing with peculiarly difficult cases.

(6) Radio evangelism—broadcasting the Gospel and following up inquiries in every practicable way.

(7) The written and printed word—evangelistic use of letters, tracts, advertisements, special articles, and the like.

### Criteria Proposed

Each of these types of method has its value and special appeal. How may we determine the relative value of each method? The following criteria were proposed:

(1) Is it Christ-like? Does it follow the example or would it meet with the approval of Christ himself?

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By Leonard C. Smith  
New Chancellor, Georgetown College

## A Personal Statement To Kentucky Baptists

Georgetown College has had my love and admiration since I enrolled as a freshman in 1918. I was an active member of the Kentucky Baptist Educational Society after my graduation until the college charter was amended and the termination of that organization. I was then elected to the Board of Trustees of the College and have served in that capacity until the present time.

Although my employment for several years has been in Louisville, I have maintained my home in Georgetown. My son graduated from Georgetown College last May. Therefore, I have observed the college and its operations as a student, alumnus, neighbor, its banker, trustee, parent of a student, and a member of the denomination to which it belongs. These relationships, all together, have extended over a period of almost a third of a century.

I stood on the campus and watched a disastrous fire destroy the building housing the chapel, library, gymnasium and biology laboratories. I saw the college carry on through the depression years, largely through the personal sacrifices of an able and devoted faculty. I saw, with great distress, the widening breach between the college authorities and the denomination. Then, with thankful heart I participated in the devoted and successful efforts of the trustees and denominational leaders to eliminate the differences and restore the college to its rightful owners and make it truly an instrumentality of Kentucky Baptists for the education and religious training of our youth.

Ownership of the college will be clearly established when the amendment to our charter, providing for the nomination and election of trustees by the General Association, is completed. With ownership comes responsibility. It is my sincere belief that Kentucky Baptists will recognize their responsibilities to the youth of our denomination by providing adequate facilities for Christian Education.

Great progress has been made under

the able and courageous administration of Dr. S. S. Hill. The operating budget has been balanced through the generous assistance of the Cooperative Program and educational campaigns . . . generous contributions by friends and alumni have built the Chapel, which has been needed for so many years . . . but, many additional facilities are needed to provide the type of education so earnestly desired for our boys and girls and to attract them to our Christian Colleges.

Too many worthy students are deprived of a Christian Education provided by Georgetown College because of an insufficient number of endowed scholarships. It is a great strain upon our operating budget to provide so many scholarships from current funds.

We are losing many students, who want to attend Georgetown College, because of an insufficient number of comfortable and attractive dormitory facilities. This is our most pressing problem and one that must be solved in the near future, if we are to attract and hold students during this period of decreasing enrollment. Many of our Baptist boys and girls will be attracted to the new dormitories at state-supported schools, especially when conditions are not so crowded in those schools.

Our disastrous experience twenty years ago, in the loss of our library, must not be repeated. Valuable private libraries and collections will not be given to us until a fireproof building is provided.

Annual donations and grants from large educational foundations would be available, if we

had adequate natural science laboratories and facilities.

Additional funds are needed to match generous contributions from friends for the purpose of erecting the Student and Music Buildings.

The endowment must be increased and reserves established to provide funds for low periods in the business cycle when our income may not be sufficient to meet operating costs. We have had such periods in the past and prudent judgment demands provisions be made for such periods in the future.

I have a deep and abiding faith in the destiny and purpose of Georgetown College. I am confident of the ability and willingness of Kentucky Baptists to provide for its needs, if those needs are made known to them as individuals and as a group. Therefore, when President Hill and the trustees asked me to assist the administration of the college in a program to present its worthy needs to Kentucky Baptists, friends, and alumni, I was to some extent surprised that I was selected. There was never a doubt in my mind, however, but that I wanted to accept.

Although it means leaving a business in which I have spent all of my adult life, I look forward with a great deal of pleasure and anticipation to assisting the trustees, the alumni, and Kentucky Baptists in achieving their hopes and ambitions to place Georgetown College at the top of the educational field in scholarships, facilities, endowment, and in training Christian leaders in whatever walk of life chosen by its graduates. This is not a difficult program for 500,000 Baptists with a vision of a type of school we should have for training our denominational leaders of the future. It will not be difficult to achieve if individual Baptists, alumni and friends will think of Georgetown College—its purpose and its needs—when providing for Christian and charitable contributions in their personal budgets and wills. This program will not be difficult if, as individuals and organizations, we think of Georgetown College as an institution in which we have a personal interest.

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PARENTHOOD—There is no better education, for parents, than to have to be a good example for their children.—Michael Soeder, Die Frau, Baden-Baden, Germany.

By O. K. and Marjorie Moore Armstrong

## Greatest Need of Brazil Is Christian Leaders

RECIFE, Brazil—"These are our two greatest needs for Brazil: First, more missionaries from the United States. Second, more and more trained young Brazilian Baptists, ready to carry the gospel and Christian education to their own people."

Our host, DR. JOHN MEIN, was speaking. This veteran preacher and teacher showed us about the North Brazil Seminary. Southern Baptists' North Brazil Mission centers here in Recife. In this, the nation's third largest city, one finds visible evidence of the harvest from seeds planted by the great pioneer missionaries to Brazil—the BAGBYS, the SOLOMON GINSBURGS, the NELSONS, and the MADDOXES.

Southern Baptists staked a claim to Brazil in the name of Christ 70 years ago. Since then, our workers and their converts in this greatest of countries in South America have had to struggle against two allied forces—Catholicism and ignorance. Almost 70 per cent of all Brazilians are still illiterate. Our schools for Christian education are proof that some ground has been gained that will never be lost.

Here in Recife, three Baptist schools occupy a whole block in the residential section. Within the city limits are 56 Baptist churches. One school, known as COLEGIO BATISTA, includes grade school, high school, and junior college. The president is a stalwart Christian leader, DR. JOSE ALFREDO MENEZES, who was converted to the Baptist faith in the process of helping MISSIONARY ONIS VINEYARD translate a book on LOTTIE MOON. They say that when DR. MENEZES strikes a knotty problem in administration, he says to himself, "Now what would Lottie Moon do in this situation?"

The school has an enrolment of 1,000 students. Summer school was in session during our January visit. The elementary section has outgrown its quarters and MISSIONARY KATHERINE COZZENS is supervising the construction of a handsome two-story building for the school to enter by June.

The Training School, directed by MISSIONARIES MAYE BELL TAYLOR and CATHRYN SMITH, last year graduated ten young women into special Christian work, from a student body of 60.

The North Brazil Seminary trains pastors for service in the constantly expanding evangelistic program of this vast section of Latin America. Students range in age from 20 to 62; they are accepted only on recommendation of their churches and after careful examination.

One of DR. MEIN's sons, DAVID, Th.D. of Louisville, is a member of the Seminary faculty. HAROLD SCHALY, also a Louisville graduate, is a Brazilian member of the faculty. DAN LUPER, along with MRS. LUPER, is engaged in language study with a view to seminary service.

DR. ARNOLD E. HAYES is in Recife as mission treasurer, handling the problems of international exchange, building costs, and so on. He and MRS. HAYES know North Brazil from long service. MRS. A. J. TERRY, veteran of interior missions, teaches at the Training School. Here also are JOE and MARY LEE UNDERWOOD; he is serving under the state convention as executive secretary, fostering fellowship and co-operation among the 82 churches of the convention.

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### LIQUOR GLASSES

**Lamed for Teen-Age Drinking Spree**  
**Warrants Issued for 4 in Teen-Age Beer Party**  
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**Drunken Driving No. 1 Problem**  
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**Film Director Held as Drunk**  
**Liquor Sale Banned**  
**New Year's Driving Jail**  
**14 Motorists**  
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**I DON'T SEE ANYTHING WRONG!**  
**PROFITS**  
**Liquor Traffic**  
**Students' Bee**  
**Campaign a Bust**  
**Judge Jails 4 Drinkers**  
**Drunk Drivers**  
**New Year's Eve**  
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**GLASSES BROKEN—FINE IS \$75**  
**TWO HURT, CAT KILLED, BAR**  
**Herald St. (Ind) Nick**  
**Topsy Tucker Hogs Santa's Lap in Store**

By John W. T. Givens  
Bremen, Ky.

## The Call of the Child

And God heard the voice of the lad; and the angel of God called to Hagar out of heaven, and said unto her, What aileth thee, Hagar? fear not; for God hath heard the voice of the lad where he is.—Genesis 21:17.

What striking words are these! What manner of child can this be, whose cry attracts the attention of Jehovah, and calls forth a response from the God of the universe. Whose child can he be?

Are we surprised when we learn he is an outcast? That he is the child of an oriental slave-girl? That his mother has been driven out of the home of her master by her jealous mistress.

This raises a question: Does God care for social outcasts, and their children? Is there a place in the heart of God for those whom the world casts out? The answer is found not only in our text, but also in the context, "And God was with the lad" (Genesis 21:20).

All children are dear to Jehovah, for Jesus said, "Take heed that ye despise not one of these little ones; for I say unto you, That in heaven their angels do always behold the face of my Father which is in heaven" (Matthew 18:10).

We are all slow to learn how important, yea, how fundamental the proper care of the *little child* is to the successful ongoing and well-being of our practical everyday world. We, like our Lord's early disciples, still would deem it wise to push the child aside, and bestow our larger efforts on adults.

Yes, the cry of every physically, mentally, or spiritually neglected child, in every community of all the world, reaches the ear and the heart of God; for Jesus said, "It is not the will of your Father which is in heaven, that one of these little ones should perish" (Matthew 18:14).

Surely, if the God of the universe stops to listen to the cry of a little child, and attends it, and provides for its need, we, His children, whom He has redeemed at the cost of His Son's blood, and made us His heirs, cannot find it in our hearts to neglect their call.

a way to meet the spiritual needs of every child in its bounds, or else default in the sacred trust God gave when he saved us and committed to us the word of reconciliation for a lost and dying world (2 Corinthians 5:18-20).

### The Appeal of a Matchless Opportunity

What glorious possibilities are wrapped up in the life of a child! The tender concern of the visiting minister for a little boy during a revival in Paducah, Kentucky was one of the means used of God for the salvation of Dr. J. D. Grey, now one of the great pastors and soulwinners of the Southern Baptist Convention. Eternity alone can reveal the miracles of salvation and grace that God has wrought through the loving hands of his saints laid in blessing upon the heads of little children.

### The Appeal of An Indescribable Doom

The thought that even one little child might grow up among us, and live and die among us, and spend eternity in hell because our church failed to reach him with our Sunday school and church services is horrible to contemplate.

But what shall we say, when our Sunday school census and records show that we are now reaching *less than three out of every ten* in our community for whom God has made us responsible? Oh, men and women of God, how shall we meet Him with such a record as that?

### II. WHAT A MOMENTOUS CALL THIS IS!

Let us consider the momentous consequences which hang upon the answer God's people make to this call of the child today.

### The World's Destiny Hangs On Our Answer To His Call.

What we make of the babies of today will determine the destiny of the world tomorrow. Through long years Germany and France each taught their children to regard the people of the other nation as enemies. That hate crystallized in the hearts of their people and in their national hymns, until finally, two all-but-impregnable lines of fortifications between the two countries faced and frowned upon each other, at last plunging the whole world into a bloody conflict, the end of which may not yet be seen.

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By W. R. White

## Do Modern "Devine Healers" Have A Special Gift?

2 Kings 20:1-7, 1 Tim. 5:23, 3 John 2

Baptists believe in divine healing but not in divine healers. In other words they believe that people are healed today in answer to prayer but not by people who claim they have a special gift of healing. We do not believe that special gifts are the order of the day in God's plan such as existed in apostolic days.

In those days Christianity was being introduced and established. There was no New Testament. Authenticating signs and wonders were essential to guarantee genuineness and to gain entry for this strange new gospel. It was old in divine revelation but strange and new to most of its hearers. There were the gifts of prophecy, tongues, interpretation, healing and raising the dead, etc. They were bestowed upon different individuals—that is the different gifts as a rule. But they were simultaneous and contemporaneous in the body of Christ. There is no evidence that the gift to prophecy or to raise the dead is with us today. Therefore we doubt seriously that there are genuine gifts of tongues and healing. We do not say that these phenomena will not reappear in the future.

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Someone has suggested that those who claim to be divine healers should have cases of incurable cancers, tuberculosis, diabetes, lepers, lupus, etc., submitted to a group of scientific experts as to whether these cases are incurable. Then seek to cure these by divine healing independent of surgeon or physician. Then present the allegedly-cured individuals to the same band of experts to ascertain the genuineness of the healing. This seems to be fair. We refer to those claiming special gifts.

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There are some people who will get well without any kind of treatment. There are some whose illness is due largely to a mental state who will recover with a changed mental attitude. The power of mind over body is great. The power of mind over mind is still greater. The reach and depth

of psychology is tremendous. But there are some cases of illness that none of these will reach. There are some cases where science will work wonders. There are instances where real science and real prayer will work wonders.

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Some will say that God is always willing to heal and that our healing was purchased on the Cross. They claim that it is our fault when anybody is not healed. Well, none of the apostolic saints are living today. People seem to live and die whether saint or sinner. Yes, I am sure that saints average greater longevity than sinners but they pass on sooner or later. The Christian testimony whether by life or death, whether in healing or victorious suffering, is the main thing. Spiritual objectives are primary. Our Lord can achieve them in a variety of ways.

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In the Old Testament we find that God sometimes used physical means

to affect healing in answer to prayer. Hezekiah was doomed to die. He prayed—God extended his life fifteen years. He instructed the prophet to prepare a poultice and place on the affected part of the body. Paul ordered Timothy to use a little wine for a disordered stomach and associated infirmities. It was the best available medical remedy at that time. Paul and others had the gift of healing but the apostle used other means also. He kept Luke the physician with him much of the time. Paul had a remarkable capacity for combining common sense and religion.

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I have had a definite experience of healing when doctors failed. I have had experiences of healing when faith and medicine were combined. There is no conflict between God's laws in the natural and spiritual spheres of his activity. The two can do wonderful team work. The possibilities of both have been barely tapped. Yes, we should have special prayer for the sick. In fact, we do not do enough of this but we should not be foolish enough to discount the doctor.

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Spiritual health is the main thing. All the rest is a means to an end. The twelfth chapter of first Corinthians reveals that spiritual gifts do not always guarantee spiritual health. The only guarantee of spiritual health is a perennial inflow of divine love mediated by the Holy Spirit. If we have to choose between ordinary miracle working gifts and that love, always prefer the love-gift.—Baptist Standard.

MAN—Every man is an influence for good or for evil, whether he intends or designs it or not. A blank he cannot be.—Wesleyan Christian Advocate.

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# The Call of the Child

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On the other hand, witness here in America, the United States and Canada living neighborly side by side, with no need for defense fortifications between them. Why? Because each nation has taught its children to regard the people across the border as friendly neighbors. Yes, our world's destiny, for weal or woe, depends on what we make of the babies of our world today.

## The Religious Future Of Our Land Depends On Our Answer To This Call.

Note what mighty conquests the Jerusalem church, and all the other early churches, made as long as their members felt their responsibility for giving the gospel to all those about them and "went everywhere preaching the word" (Acts 8:4).

But when they grew cold and formal and careless, and failed to bring up the children "in the nurture and admonition of the Lord" (Ephesians 6:4), they drifted further and further from God, till now we must send missionaries to preach the gospel to their descendants.

God help us to realize that our own beloved land can come to the same sad fate, should our churches fail to lead the children of our day to a living faith in Jesus Christ as their personal Saviour, and to dedicate their lives to His will as their Lord and Master!

Educators, government officials, law-enforcement officers, as well as ministers of the gospel, are troubled about the growing moral delinquency of the youth of our land. What means all this frustration in the lives of so many of our young people today? There is but one answer. It is the lack of an undergirding faith in Almighty God, which can come only through faith in the saving merits of Jesus' death in our stead. Unless we lead the children of today to Christ, our country tomorrow will be without God!

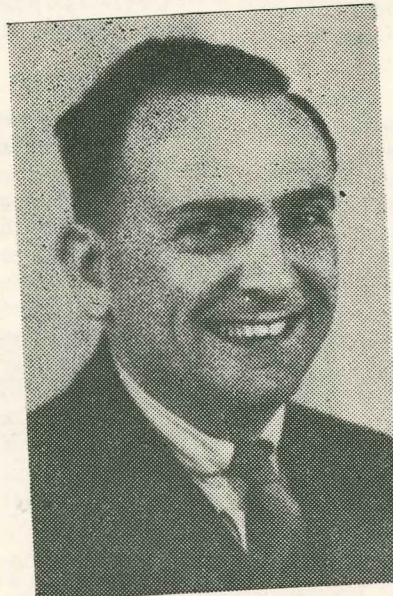
## The Future Of Our Loved Ones Depends Upon Our Answer To This Call.

On the one hand, we may be like the saintly Dr. R. J. Willingham, whose ceaseless efforts for the salvation of earth's "Dying Millions," and whose

agonizing prayers at the family altar for the salvation of the children of all lands, brought his own children to a blessed hope in Jesus.

On the other hand, "Woe to them that are at ease in Zion" (Amos 6:1), calls loudly to all of us who are at ease about the spiritual welfare of the children and youth about us, warning us that we too many come to weep over a lost child, as David did over Absalom: "O my son

## Victory Baptist Chapel Has New Pastor, R. W. Johnson, of Florida



Reginald W. Johnson

Reginald W. Johnson is the new pastor of Victory Baptist Chapel, Louisville, having begun his labors there December 1.

Brother Johnson graduated from the Southern Seminary last May, and for the last four years has been pastor of the River View Baptist Church in Nelson Association.

For nine years prior to that time, he was pastor at the North Miami Baptist Church, Miami, Florida.

A musician as well as a minister, Brother Johnson was soloist for four years on the Baptist Steeple Chimes program, Station WQAM, Miami, Florida.

Absalom, my son, my son Absalom! would God I had died for thee, O Absalom, my son, my son!" (2 Samuel 18:33).

Surely no one today is blind to the fact that the security and happiness of our children, and our children's children, is wrapped up in the answer we make to the crying spiritual needs of the unreached children among us. Who has not observed the baneful influence of the godless youth of a community on the children of those who had tried to bring them up to lives of usefulness and honor? We must make the future safe for our posterity!

## HOW URGENT THIS CALL IS!

The lad, Ishmael, is dying of thirst. Whatever is done must be done at once. God hastens to the lad before it is too late. "And God was with the lad" (Genesis 21:20). Here God uncovers his heart toward the children of all lands for all time, for he is "the same yesterday, and today, and forever" (Hebrews 13:8).

## The Urgency Of This Call Is Shown By The Length God Went To Save The Fallen Race Of Man.

We are in danger of thinking that only adults needed the sacrificial death of Christ. But the whole human race, babes and all, was doomed by Adam's fall, unless God himself had provided a way of escape. (Romans 5:6).

Nothing less than the sacrificial death of God's Son, in man's stead, can provide that way of escape. "For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive" (I Corinthians 15:22). Will God go to such a desperate length as that to save man?

Thank God, He did! "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life" (John 3:16).

No one, by the wildest stretch of imagination, can conceive, let alone picture to others, what that gift and that sacrifice meant to God; for it has no parallel in human experience (Romans 5:6-8). That gift remains, not only earth's greatest wonder, but it is likewise the unfathomed miracle of God's love and grace to the angels and archangels around the throne of God.

Such a love and such a gift for sinful man is the most difficult thing for the sinner to believe; but it is the most glorious truth in all the universe of God, for those who have believed it.

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# Important Meetings In March

By W. C. BOONE, General Secretary

Evangelism and Stewardship will be the themes of our Regional Conferences in Kentucky in March.

Dr. Robert E. Humphreys, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Owensboro, and Moderator of the General Association, will speak each day on Evangelism. Dr. Duke K. McCall, Executive Secretary, and Dr. Merrill Moore, Promotion Secretary of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention, will each speak at four of the meetings on the subject of "Stewardship."

Other speakers will include W. A. GARDINER, State Sunday School Secretary; BYRON C. S. DEJARNETTE, State Training Union Secretary; J. CHESTER DURHAM, State Student Union Secretary; A. M. VOLLMER, Secretary of the Department of Christian Education and of the Kentucky Baptist Foundation; A. B. CASH, Superintendent of the Mountain Mission Program; R. B. HOOKS, State Secretary of the Departments of Evangelism and of Rural Church Work; R. T. SKINNER, Editor of the *Western Recorder*; and W. C. BOONE, General Secretary of the Baptist State Board. L. O. GRIFFITH will show new pictures of our state work at the noon hour. MRS. GEORGE FERGUSON, Executive Secretary of the Baptist Woman's Missionary Union, will conduct a conference for women after lunch.

These meetings will begin at 10:00 A. M. and close at 3:30 P. M. Lunch will be served free to out of town guests by the host churches. Pastors, laymen and women are cordially invited. The dates and places for each of the regions are as follows:

Southeastern Region	March 7	Williamsburg
Northeastern Region	March 8	Pikeville
South Central Region	March 9	Harrodsburg
North Central Region	March 10	Covington (First)
Southwestern Region	March 21	Paducah (Immanuel)
Western Region	March 22	Madisonville
Southern Region	March 23	Glasgow
Central Region	March 24	Leitchfield

## Hear the Baptist Hour

The Baptist Hour is heard through the facilities of 150 stations throughout our Southern Baptist Convention territory. The program is now broadcast over 8 stations in Kentucky.

The speaker for The Baptist Hour is Charles Wellborn, of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas.

Mr. Wellborn's subjects during the month of February will be: February 5, "Down Destiny Road;" February 12, "A Future For Failures;" February 19, "Do You Sleep Well?;" February 26, "Love's Last Appeal."

The Baptist Hour is supported en-

tirely by voluntary contributions mailed to THE BAPTIST HOUR, ATLANTA, Georgia.

## Committee on Location Of New Seminary in East Has Meeting

CHARLOTTE, N. C. — (BP) — A Southern Baptist Convention committee on location of a new theological seminary somewhere in the southeastern states met here last week to receive proposals from Charlotte and Asheville, N. C.; Washington, D. C.; Greenville and Spartanburg, S. C.; and Columbus and Atlanta, Ga.

Members of the committee present at the meeting were Doctors Claud Bowen, Greensboro, N. C.; J. W. Storer, Tulsa, Okla.; J. H. Buchanan, Birmingham, Ala.; Wade H. Bryant, Roanoke, Va.; Vernon Richardson, Baltimore, Md.; A. E. Tibbs, Greenville, S. C.; Duke K. McCall, Nashville, Tenn.; and Louie D. Newton, Atlanta, Ga.

The committee announced to the competing cities that its next meeting will be held in Birmingham, Ala., February 21, at which time final qualifying under terms of minimum requirements will be considered. The committee will make its recommendation to the 1950 session of the Convention in Chicago in May.

## Dr. Mueller Addresses Baptist Tabernacle Brotherhood

DR. WILLIAM A. MUELLER, Professor of Theology at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, recently addressed the Brotherhood of Baptist Tabernacle Church, Louisville, of which Dr. L. C. RAY is pastor.

DR. MUELLER devoted his remarks, in the main, to conditions in Europe as he saw them last summer while touring in his native Germany, and Italy and France and other parts of the Continent. He is a gifted speaker and exceedingly well informed as regards world trends and their relation to religious life.

DR. MUELLER is a Baptist by choice, and became one in a land and time when his decision was expensive. He speaks with abiding devotion to the liberties Baptist cherish. He has had an unusually rich experience of grace in CHRIST, and his devotion to Him and his love for those who follow Him wholly and at great sacrifice (he referred to many such people in European lands) gained for him instant attention and a sympathetic hearing.

DR. MUELLER was interpreter (he speaks many languages fluently) for DR. GEORGE W. TRUETT and others at the Baptist World Congress in Germany. He was one of the few men who could adequately catch the spirit and passion of the great TRUETT and translate his fire and meaning to people of another tongue. DR. MUELLER is in great demand as a speaker among the churches.

## Remember Europe's Suffering February 5, 1950

Elsewhere in this issue is an agonizing appeal from Dr. R. Paul Caudill in behalf of Europe's suffering people.

Next Sunday, February 5, our churches will make an offering through the Baptist World Alliance for the relief of these miserable people in war-torn lands. Please do not fail to read Dr. Caudill's statement, and do all you can. "Inasmuch as ye did it unto one of the least of these . . . ye did it unto me."

## Write or Wire the President

A telegram just received from Dr. LOUIE D. NEWTON, Atlanta, urges that Southern Baptists write or wire the PRESIDENT of the United States insisting that he not name a successor to MYRON C. TAYLOR who recently resigned as the President's personal representative at the Vatican. His telegram is as follows:

Whether PRESIDENT TRUMAN names a successor to TAYLOR may depend on public opinion. If therefore Southern Baptists remain silent now we may miss the best opportunity in giving witness to our cherished convictions on religious liberty. May I be permitted to urge individuals and congregations and all possible Baptist meetings to send immediate telegrams and letters to the PRESIDENT with copies to your senators insisting that the PRESIDENT use this occasion to terminate relations with the Vatican.

(S) LOUIE D. NEWTON

This is a golden opportunity to aid in a great cause. There is far more involved in this question than some suspect. By all means get in touch with the PRESIDENT at the earliest possible time and send copies to your senators. They are: GARRETT WITHERS, and VIRGIL CHAPMAN.

## Do We Have To See It and Hear It?

Mr. Earl C. McComas, 1408 Preston Street, Louisville, raises a question all of us ought to face. He, like many others, enjoys the high school and college games. He bought a television set so he could see more of them: and then, to his surprise, he found that many of the television programs are sponsored by the liquor interests, and that, all along through the broadcasts the vicious advertisements appear for the purpose of tempting youth to drink. They are told: "It's good."

Mr. McComas wrote a letter to the Point of View Column of the *Courier-Journal* and *Times*. We do not know whether it will be printed or not. Anyway, here it is:

Having always wanted a television set, and finally contacting a man who would sell me one on terms I could afford, I was never more shocked in my life to find that the good men—business men, deacons, workers and Christians of Louisville were just too poor to sponsor telecasts of our school games and that we had to depend on the whiskey and beer gang to get them on the air.

Now, *honestly*, how many of you so-called Christians really deserve the name? How many of you have boys, girls, or both that participate in basketball, football, etc., and how many of you really enjoy hearing your child's name called for making a shot that was "GOOD" just like somebody's SLOP? Are the good, legitimate business men of Louisville just too poor, or are they just willing to let ANYBODY sponsor our sports just so long as they are not called on to put forth a little effort themselves?

How about it, folks? Do we do something, or are we just willing to let our children grow up to be BEER GUZZLERS, GUN TOTERS, ADULTERERS or something else we'll be ashamed of the rest of our lives. Haven't we always been taught that sports should be kept clean? How about you Sunday school teachers, superintendents, deacons, elders? You like to see games, so do I. But how can you just sit calmly by and let yourselves be elected as teachers of the Scriptures—a president of a class, a superintendent, a deacon, or something else—and say to yourselves, "Well, now, I don't approve, BUT I don't HAVE to LOOK or listen if I don't want to?"

. . . Let me say to you, IT CAN BE DONE, and you and I know that the above should be acted upon, and we also know that, regardless of the argument, it is TRUE. Let's clean up the telecasting and broadcasting of all things we know should be kept clean. Has anybody ever seen a clean drunkard?

Told in his own way, that statement by Mr. McComas strikes a note that should be sounded all along the line. Let the broadcast stations understand that you demand clean programs. The listening, watching public can have what is desired. The people decide it. Let your stations know, and voice your complaint. They are afraid to displease the public. Remember, they make their money through the listening and watching public. You are a part of their public. Speak your mind! Help stop hurtful advertising.

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## Kentucky Baptists Grieve

Kentucky Baptists grieve over the tragedy of January 4 which snuffed out the lives of JOYCE LEE STEWART, high school student, and BEVERLY COATES, Georgetown College student.

These precious girls were returning, along with many others, from a prayer meeting at Cane Run Baptist Church, near Georgetown. They were all riding in an old bus. For some reason the driver of the bus, Wallace Jeff, a Georgetown College student, lost control of the vehicle and it left the road and crashed, killing the two girls and injuring eleven others. The entire upper part of the old wooden bus was torn away.

There is no disposition here to fix blame. It is no time for that. But the future should be influenced by the blunders of the past. Certainly, hereafter, great care should be exercised by those responsible for the lives of young people, to see that ALL CIRCUMSTANCES, in so far as is humanly possible, shall be watched carefully.

## Dr. Brain Says Great Authors Are Insane

According to *Associated Press*, Dr. Russell W. Brain, noted London brain specialist, has made the statement that "great authors sometimes are at least partly off the beam." He is said to have listed such men as Boswell, Bunyan, Burns, Dickens, Johnson, Lamb, Ruskin, Shelly, and Tennyson as among those displaying mental aberrations. Some, he declared, were so insane that they, today, could be certified as insane and put into institutions.

We do not know the line of reasoning followed by Brain, but in all probability there will be some, at least, who will wonder how he got his name. Also, they will be watching for a few names to be added to his list, probably a few specialists.

►PORTER ROUTH reports: "During the week of January 18-25 member churches of the World Council of Churches will pray for the Unity of Christendom, and Roman Catholics will pray for the 'return to the Church' of heretics." We add: "Baptists will be working and praying through the year for the return of ALL to the principles of the New Testament—the only basis for Christian unity." The trouble all started when the human was substituted for the divine, the will of man for the will of God.

WESTERN RECORDER

►The General Board of the North Carolina Baptist Convention has voted acceptance of \$697,356 from the Government under the provisions of the HILL-BURTON ACT. The amount is "to be repaid in service rendered." Baptists in general will regret this even partial compromise of the principle of complete separation of church and state by our North Carolina brethren. A test case of the aid-to-sectarian-hospital provisions of the HILL-BURTON ACT is sure to be made in the courts, and we predict it will be held unconstitutional.

►Mayor O'Dwyer of New York City has petitioned the New York legislature to legalize gambling on sporting events. It looks like some of the New Yorkers are short on other things besides water. ►A man can't afford to laugh at all his blunders. He can't spend that much of his time laughing.

►More than 20 years ago the *Baltimore Sun* said, "Ah, well, when the churches discover they can't successfully compete with the theater, perhaps they will try religion again." Say it again!

►The American dollar is down pretty low these days. Maybe it's down on its knees in shame for the methods some employ to make it.

►Some of the countries of Europe were bled white by war and then turned red.

►Most people go along with a sermon when it moves in the direction they were going anyway.

►A good many in the "Lord's flock" ought to feel sheepish.

►"The evil men do" makes the head lines; "the good is oft interred" in some hard-to-find corner of the daily.

►Sometimes it looks like the milk of human kindness has clabbered.

►The Christian world finds difficulty explaining England's recognition of the present communistic regime in China. Long a nominal Christian nation, England has, for the protection of financial investments, forgotten, seemingly, the investment of Christian lives and decades of spiritual labors. She recognizes a regime that slams the door to a progressive evangelization of China. What kind of Christianity is this, that is faithful only when investments are secure. We do not believe that her action represents the feeling of the rank and file of the British Christian public! Surely! surely, the United States will not repeat the blunder!

►The pastor who makes numbers count more than he counts numbers will have fewer no-accounts.

►We can't keep raising dogs of war and expect international hydrophobia to die out.

Eleven

By H. C. CHILES, Murray, Ky.

FOR FEBRUARY 5

# The First Gentile Church

Acts 11:19-26; 13:1-3

On account of the violent persecutions which followed STEPHEN'S martyrdom, the members of the church in Jerusalem, with the exception of the apostles, were scattered widely. As in many other cases, what seemed to be a terrible calamity actually proved to be a blessing. Without persecution those early Christians would probably have remained in Jerusalem, satisfied and rejoicing in the grace of God. However, it is interesting to note that the efforts to destroy Christianity simply gave it a new vigor and a wider influence. This was another illustration of the truth, "the blood of the martyrs is the seed of the church."

Having been driven by persecution from Jerusalem, the rank and file of the laity in the church simply preached the Word of God and bore faithful testimony to the LORD JESUS CHRIST wherever they went. To Phenice, Cyprus and Antioch these unnamed disciples went and preached the gospel of CHRIST to the Jews only, not yet understanding that the Gentiles also were to receive it. But some brethren from Cyprus and Cyrene went to Antioch and preached CHRIST to the Gentiles also.

## I. The Establishment of This Church. Acts 11:19-21.

Antioch, the third largest city in the Roman Empire, with a population of approximately one-half million, was the capital of Syria. It was famous for its commerce, art and literature, and infamous for its worldliness, licentiousness and wickedness. Therefore, it pleased God to establish a church there, which would become a great center of Christian testimony. The record of its establishment is interesting and significant.

Into this populous and wicked city the gospel of Christ was carried and faithfully proclaimed by those unnamed disciples, who had been forced to leave Jerusalem in order to live. As those brave and daring souls preached the Word of God and told about Christ, the Lord placed His stamp of approval upon their witnessing. Consequently, many believed on Christ and were saved, and the first Gentile church was established.

## II. The Edification of This Church. Acts 11:22-26.

Tidings of these triumphs of grace soon went abroad and speedily claimed the attention of the church in Jerusalem. Greatly stirred by the news of the extraordinary happenings in Antioch, the leaders in the Jerusalem Church decided to send one of their honored members, along the trail of these zealous evangelists, to inspect their work and to ascertain what should be done about it. They dispatched BARNABAS thither as an official observer and a qualified investigator of this new movement. He was a man of high rank, distinguished presence, unquestioned integrity, unblemished character, open mind, broad vision, keen perception and genuine sympathy. Full of the HOLY SPIRIT and of faith, he was known far and wide as a good man.

Upon arriving in the city, BARNABAS saw that a genuine work of grace had been wrought among the Gentiles. When he saw the wonderful manifestations of the grace of God in the chaste conversion and transformed lives of the believers, he was pleased beyond expression. His heart was filled to overflowing with joy and thanksgiving. Being entirely free from jealousy, he was delighted to see their thriving new church, even though he had not participated in its establishment. It is commendable when one truly rejoices in the achievements of a fellow believer or believers in the work of the Lord. How we need to be like BARNABAS in this regard!

BARNABAS heartily approved the work as being of the LORD. He never proposed a change in it, but he did admonish the believers to live in dependence upon CHRIST and in devotion to Him. He was impressed so favorably with their work and its possibilities that, instead of returning to Jerusalem to make a report, he remained there and led in launching an evangelistic campaign in which many were saved and added to the church. He promoted the work in every way possible.

It was not long until the work had grown to such proportions that ad-

ditional help was necessary. BARNABAS was convinced that the field required the services of the ablest man who could be found. Possessing that remarkable talent for selecting the right man for an important task, he immediately went for SAUL, who had been waiting and watching for an open door of service. Upon their arrival in Antioch, he introduced SAUL to his great work as the apostle of the Gentiles. Immediately they plunged into the great work of teaching those who had been saved. They had remarkable success in giving instruction to the recent converts and in building them up in the most holy faith.

Presently, the nickname CHRISTIANS was first applied by others to the children of God in Antioch. This nickname, which meant LITTLE CHRISTS, was occasioned by their manner of life. In their conversations, lives and work they manifested a close relationship and likeness to CHRIST. When those who were unsaved heard their words or saw their actions, they were reminded of CHRIST. What a compliment! Would that the same were true of us!

## III. The Extension of This Church. Acts 13:1-3.

In this first Gentile church there immediately appeared a genuine interest in the salvation of those in the regions beyond. The members realized their responsibility for others. While in the pathway of Christian duty, the HOLY SPIRIT commanded them saying, "Separate me BARNABAS and SAUL for the work whereunto I have called them." He spoke thus because He wanted them to do pioneer missionary work among the unevangelized in distant places. Without a single complaint the church promptly complied with the expressed will of the HOLY SPIRIT. After a most impressive service, the church sent forth their most brilliant and beloved men, BARNABAS and SAUL, as their own foreign missionaries. They were convinced that, inasmuch as their Christian brethren had brought the glorious gospel of Christ to them, they should carry it to the unsaved elsewhere. In the performance of this task, their best was not too good for them to give. Thereafter, this church in Antioch was a great and famous center of Christian activity and missionary effort. As such it enjoyed the marvelous blessings of our Lord.

# Sunday School Department

W. A. GARDINER, State Secretary

## Leading Twenty Churches

The twenty leading Kentucky Baptist churches in the matter of Sunday school training during the period October 1, 1948, to September 30, 1949, were:

Madisonville, First	655
Louisville, Victory Memorial	602
Louisville, Carlisle Avenue	244
Ft. Thomas	216
London, First	209
Frankfort, First	189
Louisville, Parkland	185
Louisville, Franklin Street	169
Lexington, Porter Memorial	162
Ashland, Pollard	154
New Salem (Nelson)	151
Louisville, Victory Chapel	149
Glasgow	144
Harrodsburg, First	135
Owensboro, First	131
Whitley City	131
Louisville, Walnut Street	127
Newport, First	121
Bellevue	120
Victoria (Nelson)	116

A NEW RULE permits one to receive an award without an examination PROVIDED HE ATTENDS all ten class periods and reads the book during the week in which the book is taught.

## Do We Like Our Record In Enrolment?

Last year Kentucky gained 6.3 per cent in Sunday school enrolment, and the percentage gain for the entire South was 7.6 per cent. Do we like the record we made in Kentucky? Although we had a net gain of nearly 20,000, yet we failed to reach the goal for 40,000. Kentucky ranked fourteenth among the states in percentage gain, with the leading states as follows: Kansas, 35 per cent; California, 25 per cent; and Arizona, 17 per cent. Of the states east of the Mississippi River, Georgia was first with 10.2 per cent; and South Carolina, second with 9.7 per cent.

Kentucky Baptists, we should "lift our eyes and look on the fields," and get such a conviction that we would not be satisfied so long as there is one person out of Christ. Actually we should work for more than 40,000 this year.

## Making Your Class Better

Do you want a better Sunday school class. Start by improving yourself as teacher. How? Study the books in

the Sunday School Training Course, attend your Weekly Officers and Teachers' Meetings, go to Clear Creek or Ridgecrest this Summer. Attend your associational and regional conventions. Visit your pupils and become intimately acquainted with them—their needs and capabilities.

Organize your class and teach the officers and others the book on your department if your pupils are above the Junior age. Direct the class officers in their promotion of visitation, in soul winning and in stewardship. Use your class STANDARD. Get your class to do all the standard calls for. Explain to the pupils the value of each point in the standard that they may work on these points from conviction as to their helpfulness. Help your department to attain its standard. **Make your Sunday school class better than it has ever been and you will be a better teacher.**

## SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

January 22, 1950

Church	Missions	Total
Louisville, Ninth and O (1)	283	1,399
Louisville, Carlisle Ave. (2)	263	1,163
Lexington, Ashland Ave. (2)	187	1,014
Lexington, Porter Memorial (2)	306	987
Owensboro, First (1)	82	975
Evansville, Ind., Grace (3)	371	962
Louisville, Parkland (1)	55	942
Harrodsburg (4)	185	935
Louisville, Crescent Hill (1)	104	838
Frankfort, First (1)	109	816
Mayfield, First	812	812
Louisville, Victory Memorial (1)	158	782
Covington, Latonia (1)	102	782
Bowling Green, First (1)	22	781
Murray, First	741	741
Owensboro, Third	734	734
Lexington, Calvary (1)	25	720
Lexington, Immanuel	718	718
Madisonville, First	712	712
Newport, First (1)	61	696
Louisville, Baptist Tabernacle	689	689
Somerset, First	682	682
Evansville, Ind., Calvary (2)	222	675
Louisville, West Bdw. (1)	66	672
Louisville, Beechmont	657	657
Ashland, First (1)	104	650
Paducah, Immanuel (1)	96	647
Barbourville, First (2)	157	613
Ashland, Pollard (1)	52	599
Hopkinsville, Second	596	596
Covington, Calvary	588	588
Danville, First (2)	57	571
Louisville, 23rd and Bdw.	566	566
Louisville, St. Matthews	552	552
Lexington, Grace	540	540
Middlesboro, First	536	536
Hopkinsville, First	525	525
Louisville, Highland (2)	132	523
Louisville, Eastern Pkwy.	504	504
Shively	501	501
Danville, Lexington Ave. (3)	33	497
Louisville, Clifton (1)	56	495
Glasgow (1)	17	494
Louisville, Deer Park	491	491
Princeton, First	485	485
Lebanon	478	478
Owensboro, Hall Street (1)	55	478
Paducah, First (1)	43	475
London, First (1)	30	471
Elizabethtown, Severns Valley	468	468
Henderson, Immanuel	452	452
Central City, First	434	434
Hodgenville, First (1)	19	431
Henderson, Audubon (1)	81	429
Corbin, First	428	428
Henderson, First	421	421
Williamsburg, First	421	421
Pineville, First (1)	38	414
Fulton, First	408	408
Dayton, Ohio, Westside (1)	46	407
Louisville, West Side (1)	84	405
Louisville, Third Ave. (1)	33	401
Erlanger (1)	42	396
Corbin, Central	393	393
Paducah, Twelfth St. (1)	111	388
Morganfield (1)	34	388
Bellevue	378	378
South Jefferson (near Louisville)	375	375
Franklin, First (1)	44	374
Louisville, Hazelwood	366	366
Louisville, South Side	353	353
Meadow Home (near L'ville) (1)	46	351
Winchester, Central	350	350
Beechland (near Valley Sta.)	344	344
Owensboro, Eaton Memorial (1)	33	341
Cynthiana (2)	60	338
Middlesboro, E. Cumberland Ave.	334	334
Beaver Dam	323	323
Richmond, First (2)	29	317
Evansville, Ind., Temple	314	314
Winchester, First	300	300
Frankfort, Thorn Hill	299	299
Versailles	295	295
Louisville, Shawnee	292	292
Hazard, Petrey Memorial (2)	91	290
Ludlow, First (1)	17	284
Louisville, Gethsemane (2)	46	282
Paducah, Trinity	279	279
Hima, Horse Creek (1)	56	272
Evansville, Ind., Walnut St.	281	281
Middletown, First	268	268
Middlesboro, Old Yellow Creek	268	268
Louisville, Baptist Temple	263	263
Pleasant Hill (near Campbellsville)	258	258
Willisburg	257	257
Louisville, East	254	254
Sand Spring	250	250
Owensboro, Seven Hills	248	248
Cumberland (1)	32	248
Louisville, Kenwood	246	246
Ft. Thomas	242	242
Jellico, Tenn., First	239	239
Russellville, First	238	238
Hazel	237	237
Shepherdsville	236	236
Bruner's Chapel (near Harrodsburg)	236	236
Bardstown	235	235
Auburn	234	234
S. Elkhorn (near Lexington) (1)	30	234
Owensboro, Crabtree Ave.	231	231
Mt. Sterling, First (1)	56	231
Brookville, Ind., Blooming Grove	230	230
Pikeville	229	229
Dayton, First	224	224
Hartford	223	223
Scottsville	223	223
Monticello	220	220
Crestwood	217	217
Lawrenceburg, First	216	216
Lee's Lane (near Louisville)	213	213
Lexington, Hillcrest	212	212
High Splint (1)	51	209
Jeffersonton, First	209	209
Sturgis, First	208	208
LaGrange, DeHaven Memorial	206	206
Hall's Gap, Fairview	205	205
Vine Grove	203	203
Ouedia	202	202

## Baptist Training Union Department

BYRON C. S. DEJARNETTE, State Secretary  
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### "M" NIGHT EXCEEDS 7,000

#### LONG RUN HEADS LIST WITH 2,000

The total attendance in the 23 "M" Night meetings heard from was 7,152. This was only 348 short of our goal of 7,500. We appreciate the fine work of those responsible in the associations and the able assistance of our State Director, Rev. George W. Fletcher.

Under the splendid leadership of the Associational Director, Miss Dorothy Blankenship, Long Run heads the list with an attendance of 2,000. The meeting was held with the Ninth and O Baptist Church, Louisville. Miss Blankenship did excellent work in preparation for the meeting and in planning for and presenting a very interesting and helpful program. She received the co-operation and assistance of the Associational Officers and many others. The speaker for the occasion was Rev. Harold D. Talant, Madisonville. There were 60 churches represented, and 50 pastors and 55 Directors present. The largest number from any one church was 162 from Victory Memorial, Louisville.

#### "M" NIGHT MEETING REPORTS

Long Run .....	2,000
Daviess-McLean .....	530
Shelby County .....	519
Caldwell County .....	470
Owen County .....	392
Elkhorn .....	315
West Union .....	311
Rockcastle .....	289
Ohio County .....	256
Gasper River .....	225
North Bend .....	222
Salem .....	210
Tates Creek .....	205
Franklin .....	185
Baptist .....	181
Bell County .....	170
Nelson .....	156
West Kentucky .....	133
Warren .....	128
Boone's Creek .....	85
West Kentuckiana .....	70
Lincoln County .....	60
Upper Cumberland .....	40
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>7,152</b>



Long Run Associational Training Union "M" Night meeting on December 6, 1949 at Ninth and O Baptist Church, Louisville, with 2,000 present.

### Associational Items

George W. Fletcher  
State Director of  
Associational Work

WHAT DO YOU WANT? That is, what do you want discussed in this column? Do you have any special questions you would like to have answered through this column? Has anything SPECIAL been done in your association that might be helpful to some other association if it were printed here? Is there some special information you would like to have sent out from this office in this article each time? If there is would you write and tell me about it, and send me the news from your association?

The "M" Night reports for this year have been wonderful. The attendance, for the state, has more than doubled that of last year, and the credit goes to you associational officers. You did a grand job of planning and promoting it. Let's make it even bigger this year, on December 4. We can start working toward that now by preserving and using the good things that came out of the last one. Have good associational meetings all this year. Go into all the churches with a good training program. Keep everyone working. Be sure all the associational officers are trained and kept trained. Study and review the Associational Manual together. Let the new officers then take the Manual home and study it for credit through the Individual Study by Correspondence method. This is done by: (1) Carefully studying the book and then writing the answers to the questions printed in the book, or (2) Writing a development of the chapter outlines. Either of the above may be done with the open book before you. These exams will then be sent to the State Training Union Department, where they will be graded and proper credit given. Remember, an officer cannot do his best unless he knows what to do and how to do it.

NOW, ABOUT THOSE ASSOCIATIONAL MEETINGS: For the Officers' and Leaders' Council, let each of the Associational department directors have something definite to offer in his conference period. Your Associational Bulletin gives some good suggestions for discussions. Then, for the Mass Meeting, you will notice the theme is "Lead Me to Some Soul Today." Build a helpful and inspiring program on this great theme.

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#### Our Sympathy

The WMU family unites in extending sincerest sympathy to Miss Inez Hillenbrand, office secretary for WMU of Kentucky for many years, in the recent death of her mother; also to the family of Mrs. H. T. Larimore, in their recent bereavement. Mrs. Larimore served on our Executive Committee for many years and in other capacities in our state work.

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These Regional officers can be of much help to you in your work. Contact them often!

#### Important Reminders!

Program materials for the Week of Prayer for Home Missions are now being sent out to those organizations that have sent in their list of officers for 1950. Has your list been sent in to the State Office? If not, please do so at once. The material for counselors of young people's organizations has been sent to the Young People's Directors, to be distributed by them to the various organizations. Counselors, be sure to get this material from her.

Are your plans laid for your group of GA's who are planning to attend one of the Houseparties? Don't forget the dead-line for sending in your work to be approved for participation in the Coronation Services!

Plan now to attend the Regional Conference on Stewardship and Evangelism nearest you. See previous issues of the *Western Recorder* for dates and places. Conference for WMU members will be conducted during each of these meetings by our State President, Mrs. Harold J. Purdy and your Executive Secretary.

The Annual Meeting of Woman's Missionary Union of Kentucky will be held at Latonia Church, Covington, April 4-6. Watch this page of the *Western Recorder* for full announcements.

#### BWC Clinic Not To Be Held

The proposed State BWC Clinic will not be held just now. We are anxious that the questionnaires sent out be returned, however.

## Students at Bethel Woman's College Study Vocational Guidance

By MRS. G. MARVIN GREEN,  
Director of Publicity

HOPKINSVILLE, Ky., January 16.—Emphasizing the theme, "Link your life with God's great purpose," the students of Bethel Woman's College observed Vocational Guidance Week January 8-15, with a series of daily programs in which students, faculty members, and guest speakers and conference leaders all participated.

Using for their regular Morning Watch hour the subject, "God has something great for you," students themselves spoke each day and led discussions of topics. Helen Foote, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Foote, Elizabethtown, spoke on "God's Blue Print," and Nancy Crowder, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Crowder, Mayfield, talked about "He That Wavereth." Marilyn Miller, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. J. Thomas Miller, Whitesville, outlined "Differing Gifts." From out of state, Peggy Hampton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Hampton, St. Louis, Missouri, talked about "A Greater You—With God," and Imogene Polley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Polley, Hodgenville, conducted a devotional on "All to the Glory of God."

Likewise, at the regular student noon prayer hour, four students and a recent alumna spoke on their chosen vocations. "Nursing" was discussed by Phyllis Hayes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard E. Hayes, of Crofton, and "Teaching," came in for some treatment by Grace Noel, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. E. R. Noel, Cadiz. Then came the Bethel Alumna, Evelyn Morgan, who is now church secretary at the First Baptist Church of Hopkinsville, to talk about "Full-time Christian Work."

"Christian Home Building," was the subject of a talk by Sally Sue Johnson, Pembroke; and Virginia Morgan, Madisonville, investigated "Social Work."

At the daily assembly hour guest speakers were heard as follows: Dr. Wm. Peyton Thurman, Pastor, First Baptist Church of Hopkinsville, *The danger of drifting*; Charles Petrie, Principal, Hopkinsville High School, *I chose teaching*; Mrs. Wm. G. Duncan Hopkinsville housewife, *I serve through home-making*; Miss Durham,

Family Service Department, Louisville, *Social service is my chosen field*; and Rev. R. J. Hunter, Pastor, First Presbyterian Church of Hopkinsville, *What will you be?*

On Tuesday evening Dean Wm. E. Burton spoke on the subject, "The why and when of vocational choice."

The vocational potentialities of the various fields represented by Bethel's curricula were considered at Wednesday and Thursday conferences, with practically every faculty member leading a discussion, the others participating. Two guest speakers also served as conference leaders, Mrs. W. G. Duncan on homemaking, and Miss Durham on social work.

First organized under the leadership of Dr. J. Niles Puckett several years ago, Bethel's vocational week program was directed by Miss Maurine Elder, instructor in Bible and Student Secretary at Bethel.

In thus exploring and stressing during the whole week the question of how one's daily occupation affords constant opportunities for purposeful, useful, Christian living, Bethel College was high-lighting certain of its own constant and steady objectives.

Closing the program on Sunday, January 15, which was called Life Commitment Day, Dr. William Peyton Thurman preached his morning sermon at the First Baptist Church, of which many Bethel students are active members, on the subject, *God is my partner.*

### W. M. Rankin, China, to Address Baptist Business Women's Federation

Dr. W. M. Rankin, a missionary to South China for the last twenty-six years will address the quarterly meeting of the Louisville Baptist Business Women's Federation at their meeting to be held at the Ninth and O Baptist Church, this city, on Tuesday, February 14, at 6:15 P. M. Dr. Rankin retired from China in April of 1949, and is well acquainted with conditions there as they now exist. As an evangelist around Kukong, South China, he has been successful in

winning more than 1,400 Chinese people to Christ.

The business session will be in charge of Mrs. Ralph Brown, president, and special music has been arranged by Mrs. Frank Phillips.

Reservations for supper must be made with Circle leaders by Friday, February 10, 1950.

### Roy M. Gabbert's Sixth Anniversary as Pastor At First, Greenville

GREENVILLE, Ky.—Brother Roy M. Gabbert has just completed his sixth anniversary as pastor of the First Baptist Church of Greenville.

For the year just closed there were eighty-two additions, and contributions of \$31,308.36. Altogether there have been 344 members added in the last six years, and a total of \$77,800.94 was contributed to local expenses and \$71,689.94 to missions and benevolences.

In 1944 a committee was appointed to investigate the erection of a mission building in the northern part of Greenville. The building was erected at a total cost of \$20,000 and dedicated free of debt on May 21, 1948. On September 12, 1948 Brother J. H. Lyon was elected Superintendent of the mission. In March, 1949, the mission was organized as the Second Baptist Church of Greenville, with 103 charter members, and Brother Lyon was elected as full-time pastor. —S. G. Noffsinger, Clerk.

### In Memoriam

MRS. BARBER McELRATH  
Murray, Kentucky

God, who doeth all things well has in His loving kindness called Mrs. Barber McElrath to join the heavenly host.

The First Baptist Church at Murray suffered a great loss in her going. As a worker that "needeth not to be ashamed" she served many years as a teacher in the Sunday school and as a leader and teacher of missions in the Woman's Missionary Society. As a deacon's wife she was loyal and helpful, for many years preparing the loaf for the Lord's Supper.

As organist and pianist she served about forty years. Beginning with the chapel organ and later the piano she contributed to the worship services of her church. Then in later years she found pleasure in playing the electric organ.

In commemoration of thirty-seven years of faithful service the church presented her a loving cup with flowers that symbolized her beautiful life among us. Her attractive and consecrated life was an example to all young women who grew up in the Murray church.

We, the members of Woman's Missionary Society in regular meeting November 15, desire that this tribute to "Miss Fannie" as she was affectionately called be recorded in our minutes, a copy be sent to her sons, and a copy be sent to the Western Recorder for publication.—Mrs. Hugh McElrath, President; Mrs. George Upchurch, Mrs. Amanda White, Mrs. R. H. Falwell, Committee.

## West Kentucky Baptist Bible Institute Opened at Clinton

CLINTON, Ky., January 21.—The West Kentucky Baptist Bible Institute came into being as the result of a keenly felt need on the part of some pastors and others in the West Kentucky Baptist Association. Inspired by this need and the Spirit of Christ, these brethren requested the West Kentucky Baptist Association, through its Executive Board, to organize a Preacher's Bible School, the organization of which was authorized by the Association at its annual session in October, 1948, convening with the West Hickman Baptist Church.

Upon this authorization by the Association, a committee was elected, which arranged for teachers and classes during the winter of 1948-49. This work made such a favorable impression upon our people in general that it was decided to organize the school on a permanent basis. Whereupon, the Executive Board proceeded with such organization.

Brother Curry O. Simpson, Pastor of the First Baptist Church of Clinton, was elected President of the school; and the following brethren were elected to membership on the Board of Trustees: Galen Hargrove, Beunice Fleming, Dentis McDaniel, Walter Williams, Howard Hocker, Calvin Hudson, T. H. Streeter, Leo Gale, and Fred Key. This Board of Trustees upon recommendation from the Executive Board of the Association, elected O. C. Markham as Executive Secretary.

The present school year, beginning September 12, 1949, has seen marked growth and development. Classes in both High School and Bible (College Level) subjects are in progress. Seven (full or part-time) regular instructors, along with a number of visiting lecturers, are teaching these classes. And the enrolment has grown until there are about forty men and women on the class rolls.

The Board of Trustees now consists of nine members from the West Kentucky Baptist Association and two members each from the West Union, Blood River, and Graves County Associations. The membership of this enlarged board is as follows: Dentis McDaniel, Clinton; Leo Gale, Cunningham; L. M. Cunningham, Clinton; B. A. Fleming, Cunningham; Howard Hocker, Arlington; Calvin Hudson,

Bardwell; T. H. Streeter, Hickman; Fred Key, Fulton; Walter Williams, Clinton; Paul Weber, Jr., Paducah; R. Perkins Atherton, Paducah; Herbert Gream, Mayfield; J. R. Barley, Mayfield; J. J. Gough, Benton; and T. G. Shelton, Murray.

For the time being, the school is using the building of the First Baptist Church at Clinton, Kentucky. This church and its noble Pastor, Curry O.



Curry O. Simpson

Simpson, have been and are very gracious; and they have had a large part in establishing and maintaining the school.

### Book Reviews

PROGRESS IN THE CHRISTIAN LIFE. By Austin Crouch, Broadman Press, Nashville. Cloth 75c, paper 50c.

Dr. Austin Crouch is thoroughly equipped both by Christian experience and personal growth in grace to write such a book as this. He has dedicated it "to Baptist young people in the hope that they will make a success of the Christian life." Long a successful pastor and later the executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention's Executive Committee, he has literally given himself to bringing about a stronger day for Southern Baptists, the deepening of the spiritual life of the people.

This is a Training Union study course book for Young People and Adult Unions and its successful completion secures the seal for course III, The Christian Life. But whether or not one is in the Training Union, this book ought to be read again and again. We know no one who makes the plan of salvation and growth in Chris-

tian life plainer than does Dr. Crouch, and few even approach his clarity of expression.

There are eight chapters, every one of them loaded with New Testament truth. Even pastors will refresh their souls by reading this big, little book. It abounds in usable material.

THE LITTLE WORLD OF HOME. By Dr. Wilfred and Frances Tyler, the Broadman Press, Nashville. Price \$1.50.

Here is a book you simply do not want to miss reading. Its mission is to lift the level of home life, to establish the Christian ideal. It is written jointly by a Christian father and mother who themselves have made a success of home. Dr. Tyler for thirteen years has been Bible teacher in Blue Mountain College, and Mrs. Tyler is a graduate of Mississippi Woman's College and the W. M. U. Training School. Dr. Tyler did his graduate work at the University of Michigan and later received his Ph.D. from Southern Baptist Seminary. This book grew from their experiences in the home and from their counseling with hundreds of students, and leading conferences on marriage and home.

THE GOSPEL PREACHER AND HIS PREACHING. By J. O. Williams, Broadman Press. Price \$1.00. Can be purchased at any of our Baptist Book Stores.

This cloth-bound, five-chapter book is one of the best yet to come from J. O. Williams' pen, and that's saying a lot. He deals with The Preacher's Personality, The Preacher's Position, The Preacher's Preparation for Preaching, The Preacher's Preparation of Sermons, and The Preacher's Preaching. If you want a book that will challenge and guide you, then spend a dollar wisely and make this great book yours.

### Missions in Thailand

The China missionaries transferred to Bangkok have been unable to secure a chapel in the Cantonese community. Consequently, they have devoted their time to street preaching and making trips into near-by Chinese farming villages where they preach in the market places. Missionary Edward D. Galloway has organized a Bible study class of about thirty members who aid in the street preaching. In addition, the missionaries are continuing their study of Cantonese in order to be ready to resume work in China when they can re-enter.

### Missouri Baptists Plan Posters on Protestant-Catholic Marriages

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo.—(BP)—Missouri Baptists are considering a program of advertising to educate people in what is involved in the marriage of Protestants to Roman Catholics, according to Dr. T. W. Medearis, general superintendent. They will print posters to be distributed to every church and Baptist home in the state. The posters will be planned around the promise Protestants must make to the Catholic Church when marrying Catholics.

## David and His Sling

"What shall we do! What shall we do! There is no man among us who is willing to fight a giant as big as this!"

"He has challenged the whole army. Truly, are we defeated unless someone is willing to go against this man named Goliath."

Israel's captain, standing to one side, once again reviewed his army. No, it was true; there was not a soldier who could battle with Goliath.

Goliath of Gath was from the camp of the Philistines who had gathered to fight the army of Israel. Saul, who was Israel's king at that time, and his men had made ready for battle, but they were wholly unprepared to fight a Philistine giant! The camp of the Philistines was on a mountain on one side, and the camp of Israelites was on a mountain on the other side. There was a valley between the two camps.

Only a short time ago Goliath had stood and shouted unto the Hebrew soldiers: "Choose you a man for you, and let him come down to me. If he be able to fight with me, and to kill me, then will we be your servants: but if I prevail against him, and kill him, then shall ye be our servants, and serve us . . . Give me a man, that we may fight together."

When Saul and the men of Israel heard these words, they were greatly afraid; and, of course, no Hebrew was willing to take on the giant. Goliath was more than seven feet tall. He had a helmet of brass upon his head, and wore a coat of armor. He had pieces of brass covering his legs and a brass target over his chest, so that no sword or spear might wound him.

Every morning and evening for forty days, he came out to dare the men of Israel.

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Among the soldiers of the Israelite army were three brothers, sons of Jesse. Jesse's youngest son was David, who cared for his father's sheep at Bethlehem.

One day Jesse called his son to him and said: "Take now . . . this parched corn, and these ten loaves, and run to the camp to thy brethren; and carry these ten cheeses unto the captain . . . and look how thy brethren fare."

The next morning David arose early and, leaving someone else to

keep the sheep, he took the food and the present for the captain and went to the army camp.

As he came near the valley, he saw the two armies just going out against each other. David left the things he had brought in the carriage, and ran to greet his brothers before the battle started. While they were talking, Goliath made his appearance in the valley. As at other times, the soldiers trembled and fled before him.

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The men who stood by David told him all about the giant and his threat, and how there was no one to fight Goliath. They told David how the king had offered a reward of great riches and his own daughter to be the wife of the man who was willing to go out against the giant.

Eliab, David's oldest brother, heard him talking and became angry with him, and asked why he was not back at home tending the sheep. But David answered Eliab that he had done no wrong.

When the men saw how interested and unafraid the boy David was, they went and told King Saul. Saul asked for David to come before him.

David talked with Saul, and told him that he would go out and fight against the Philistine giant so Israel's army could be saved. David said: "Let no man's heart fail because of him; thy servant will go and fight with this Philistine."

Saul was very surprised, and answered David that he could not go out against Goliath, for he was just a boy, and Goliath had been a man of war ever since he was a young man.

But David was not afraid. He told the king how he kept his father's sheep at home and how he had killed a lion and a bear who took one of the lambs. Said David: "The Lord that delivered me out of the paw of the lion, and out of the paw of the bear, he will deliver me out of the hand of this Philistine."

Then King Saul replied, "Go, and the Lord be with thee." And he dressed the young shepherd in his armor, and put a brass helmet on his head, and gave him a sword.

David was almost bowed down with the weight of the armor, and realized

he could not fight with it on. He took off the heavy armor, and took only his sling for a weapon.

On the way to meet the giant, David chose five smooth stones out of the brook to use in his sling.

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How Goliath must have laughed to himself as he saw David coming toward him to represent the Hebrew army. David was but a youth, very fair in countenance, but very healthy. Surely Goliath must have thought this shepherd boy not even worth fighting against. He called on his gods which he worshipped to curse David, and told David to come near him and be killed.

But the giant was in for a great surprise. David reminded him that "Thou comest to me with a sword, and with a spear, and with a shield: but I come to thee in the name of the Lord of hosts."

As the Philistine came near, David ran to meet him. He took from his shepherd's bag one of the stones he had gotten from the brook and put it in his sling. When David let go his sling, the stone hit Goliath in his forehead, and he fell upon his face to the earth.

David overcame the Philistine giant with his simple sling and a stone; he did not have a weapon of war in his hand. David ran and stood upon Goliath. He took the sword out of Goliath's sheath and cut off the giant's head. When the Philistines saw that their champion was dead, they fled and the Hebrew army was saved.

Goliath trusted in his weapons, but David trusted in God!

### A Boy

Nobody knows what a boy is worth,  
A boy at his work or play,  
A boy who whistles around the place,  
Or laughs in an artless way.

Nobody knows what a boy is worth,  
And the world must wait to see,  
For every man in an honored place,  
Is a boy that used to be.

Nobody knows what a boy is worth,  
A boy with his face aglow,  
For hid in his heart there are secrets deep  
Not even the wisest know.

Nobody knows what a boy is worth,  
A boy with his bare, white feet;  
So have a smile and kindly word,  
For every boy you meet.

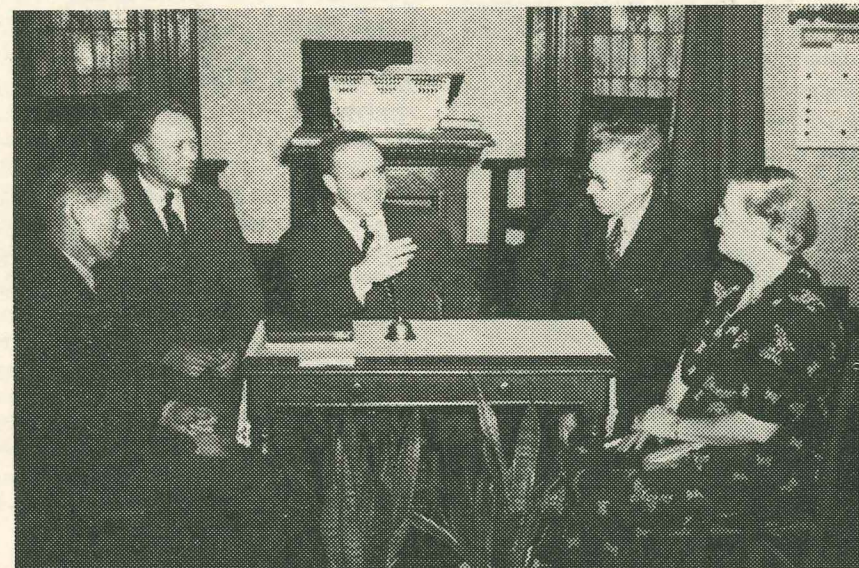
—Margery Isabel

## Ekron Baptist Church Holds Fellowship Revival

By ALBERT CRAIGHEAD, Pastor

EKRON, Ky., January 16.—Two months before the Church Fellowship Revival was held in the Ekron Baptist Church, Harold Marsh, Association

ing preceded the Church Fellowship Revival. A community-wide visitation also was arranged. At first the people seemed somewhat indifferent,



Ekron Church leaders in recent Fellowship Revival: Austin Roberts, Moderator; James Craycraft, Jr., Sunday School Superintendent; Albert Craighead, Pastor; Rice Dugan, Chairman of Deacons; Mrs. Everett Miller, President of WMS.

tional Missionary for Salem, and L. O. Griffith, Assistant to the General Secretary of the Baptist State Board of Missions, conferred with me at my request concerning the possibilities of a Church Fellowship Revival. It seemed to me that this would meet a definite need in our church.

The matter was presented to the deacons and they recommended to the church that the Fellowship Revival be held. Effective newspaper publicity was arranged by Brother Marsh; a poster contest also publicized the meetings, and a week's prayer meet-

but, by the use of visual aids, and with speakers who adapted themselves to the needs, the interest and attendance grew in spite of unfavorable weather conditions. Throughout the Fellowship Revival the people were drawn closer together, and the Ekron Church now has a new sense of its responsibility, having seen its place in this World Mission Program.

I believe every church in the state, large or small, could gain much by having a church Fellowship Revival.

### Broadway, Louisville, Working Toward Goal Of 50-50 Distribution

The Broadway Baptist Church of Louisville on Sunday, January 15, 1950, observed the first anniversary of Pastor Edwin Fleetwood Perry. On the same day a rather significant action was taken unanimously re-

garding the acceptance of a goal by the church of coming to a fifty-fifty distribution of offering receipts on a local-worldwide mission basis. The budget for 1950 carries an increase in missions-and-benevolences giving over the past year, and the action of the church Sunday morning authorized the Finance Committee to include in the future budgets an increase of at least five per cent for missions

annually until they arrive at the fifty-fifty distribution within a period of three or four years.

The budget for 1950 has been pledged through anticipated receipts. This is the first time in twenty years that the entire budget of the church has been fully subscribed in advance.

The Broadway Baptist Church is expecting to move into the first unit of its new building on Brownsboro Road, just east of Chenoweth Lane about the first of May.

The recent passing of Mrs. George W. Norton, Sr., was a sadness to the fellowship. She was among its most active members throughout her long and useful life. The church has received a great deal of encouragement in the building program through a generous bequest in her will, making the church one of the four major Baptist institutional beneficiaries of her estate. Referring to this just before his Sunday morning sermon, Pastor Perry said: "Mrs. Norton was always thinking of her church during her life-time; and she thought of it in her death. She always remembered her church, and her church will always remember her."

The Twenty-third and Broadway Baptist Church, Louisville, of which Herman E. Rowlett is pastor, ordained two deacons Sunday night, January 15. The new deacons are Oscar Raymer and Delbert Fields. Dr. R. T. Skinner, the editor of the *Western Recorder*, preached the ordination sermon, and Dr. Bradley T. Kimbrough delivered the charge to the deacons and church.

ORGANIZATION—This sign hangs in the dressing room of the St. Louis Cardinals: "Organization is the art of getting men to respond like thoroughbreds. When you call on a thoroughbred he gives you all the speed, heart and sinew in him. When you call on a jackass, he kicks."—*Chicago Tribune*.

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**Georgetown Faculty Mourns Loss of Miss Beverly Coates**

GEORGETOWN, Ky., January 24.—The faculty of Georgetown College has adopted resolutions regarding the untimely death of one of their students, Miss Beverly Coates. The resolutions read as follows:

"In the sudden homegoing of Miss Beverly Coates, Georgetown College has suffered a severe loss. The members of the faculty take this means of expressing their profound sorrow, sympathy, and appreciation.

"As a student, Miss Coates was characterized by cheerfulness, co-operation, and devotion to the cause of Christ. It is significant that her earthly life came to an end while she was on a mission of Christian service. She is greatly missed—in the classroom, the dormitory, the church—by all who knew and loved her.

"To the members of her family we extend our sincere sympathy. We wish also to express our appreciation for the admirable way in which they have borne this sudden and shocking loss. Their courage and Christian confidence have been an inspiration to many.

"We commend all the Coates family to the sustaining grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, their Saviour and hers."

The three members signing the resolutions and presenting them to the faculty for their adoption were: Professors George W. Redding, of the Bible Department; Charles Hatfield, of the Mathematics Department; and W. B. Jones, of the English Department.

**Merton W. Tanner is Ordained to Baptist Ministry at Nicholasville**

NICHOLASVILLE, Ky., Jan 17.—The ordination of Rev. Merton W. Tanner into the Baptist ministry was held at the Nicholasville Baptist Church here on Friday night, January 13, at 7:30 in the evening.

Brother Tanner has been for four-years a preacher in the United Brethren Church in Wisconsin and Pennsylvania, in which latter state he was born and reared. He was a chaplain in the United States Army

for eight of those years, rising to the rank of Major in the Army.

After working and worshipping in the Nicholasville Church for some months, and after studying his New Testament in the light of the Baptist position, Brother Tanner came to the conclusion that the Baptist position was the closest to the New Testament church, and, for that reason, has been baptized into the Baptist church and ordained into the Baptist ministry

He is now finishing some studies at the Asbury Theological Seminary, Wilmore, Ky., and is planning to enroll this coming fall in the Southern



Merton W. Tanner

Baptist Seminary in Louisville for a year of graduate work.

The ordination council of Brother Tanner was composed of Missionary W. H. Curl, in charge of Schools of Missions for the General Association of Kentucky Baptists; Pastor T. W. Spicer, Mt. Pleasant Church of Keen, Kentucky; Pastor O'Ray Weeks, Porter Memorial Church, Lexington; Pastor Eugene T. Moseley, Harrodsburg Baptist Church; Pastor Dallas J. West, of the Lewis Creek Baptist Church in Indiana; and Supply Pastor Samuel G. Shepard of the Nicholasville Church.

After the candidate was found to be sound in faith and doctrine, on Friday night, Pastor West delivered a message on "The Church," taking for his text I Thes. 1:1-20. Pastor Moseley then gave the charge to the candidate, speaking from Romans 15:29, on the subject, "Preaching the Full Gospel."

After that the candidate was ordained, with Brother W. H. Curl leading in the prayer of ordination.

Brother Tanner and his wife are both accomplished musicians, and Brother Tanner himself is an able preacher of the Gospel. He is available for supply or pastoral work, and can be reached at the present at Wilmore, Kentucky.

**Wm. Carter Wynn Dies In the Bluegrass Section of Kentucky**

GEORGETOWN, Ky., January 6.—The funeral of William Carter Wynn, 70, was conducted by Prof. J. Elmer Weldon, of Georgetown College, and Pastor Ralph Hensley of the Great Crossings Baptist Church at the Tucker Funeral Home here today. His remains were taken to the Georgetown Cemetery for burial.

Mr. Wynn was a member of the Georgetown Baptist Church. He leaves his wife, Mrs. Lula Moore Wynn; six sons, Roy, Lorenzo, Freddie, Carl, Robert and Verda Wynn, all of Scott County; three daughters, Mrs. Henry F. Devers and Miss Margaret Wynn, both of Scott County; and Mrs. Laurel Lusby, Frankfort; fifteen grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. He also is survived by one brother, U. O. Wynn, Lexington; and one sister, Mrs. J. F. Sargent, Georgetown.

**T. Emerson Wortham Now Interim Pastor At Lake Worth, Fla.**

WINCHESTER, Ky., January 15.—Dr. T. Emerson Wortham, former pastor of the Central Baptist Church, here, is feeling fine since his trip to Florida, and is now serving as Interim Pastor of the First Baptist Church, Lake Worth, Florida, where Pastor Richard A. Kelly recently resigned to return to North Carolina.

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**Centennial of Dayton Church to Be Observed In May of This Year**

DAYTON, Ky., January 15.—The First Baptist Church of Dayton, Kentucky, will observe its centennial in May of this year. A. Drury was their first pastor. The church had an initial start of sixteen charter members in its first location at Fifth and Main Streets—just opposite the Speers Memorial Hospital. The church was moved to its present location in 1893. The membership at the beginning of 1950 is 603.

Pastor Walton R. Cole and the members of the Dayton Church are calling this their Jubilee Year. They are planning a new educational building, and the architect is now working on some plans. Goals are being set up to win more souls for Christ, to increase the church membership, the Sunday school enrollment and Training Union; also to increase the number of tithers.

**Campbell County to Have School of Missions Program February 5-10**

The eight churches in Campbell County Association will start a simultaneous School of Missions program on Sunday, February 5. The program will continue through Friday night, February 10. Missionaries from all sections of the South and from foreign mission fields will be on the program.

Hobart Beck, a veteran missionary from the mountains of Kentucky, will speak for State Missions. The Home Mission Board will be represented by Dr. J. B. Rounds, Superintendent of Indian Missions, G. O. Foulon, missionary to the French people; "Big Jim" Pickup, a full-blooded Cherokee Indian; Maurice Augillard, missionary to the foreign speaking people of Louisiana; and O. R. Burnham, with the Home Mission Board at St. Joseph, Missouri.

There will be two foreign missionaries fresh from the firing line—G. W. Strother and Harold Hall. All speakers will be rotated so that a different speaker will be in each church each evening.

The Baptists of Campbell County

are urged to hear these men of God bring warm and fervent reports about the work on their fields.—W. H. Curl, Director, Missionary Training, Baptist State Board of Missions, Louisville, Ky.

**Surprise Party Given To Pastor and Mrs. W. A. Fox and Two Children**

HAMILTON, Ohio, January 25.—The New Zion Baptist Church here gave a surprise party recently for their pastor, W. A. Fox, and his family at their home on the M. R. 61. Sixty-five members of the church were present.

Brother Robert Armstrong, now pastor of Grant's Lick Baptist Church, Grant's Lick, Ky., and formerly a member of the New Zion Church, led the group in singing. After the presentation of many beautiful gifts for their home and for each personally, Pastor and Mrs. Fox and their two children were taken to the kitchen to view a table piled high with groceries of every description.

Brother Fox has been pastor at New Zion Church for thirteen years. The church has grown steadily under his leadership. He has led the members in the erection of a new building which will soon be ready for occupancy.

**Dayton Church Ordains Russell Heyne, Jr., to The Gospel Ministry**

DAYTON, Ky., January 16.—The First Baptist Church of Dayton met on Saturday night, January 14, having invited the pastors and deacons of the churches in the Campbell County Baptist Association to come and form a council for the purpose of considering the ordination of Russell Heyne, Jr., to the Gospel ministry.

The council was organized by electing Host-Pastor Walton R. Cole as moderator. Pastor O. J. Steger, of First Church of Newport, was elected interrogator, and John Meyer as clerk.

After a beautiful description of God's saving grace, and also an experience of a call to the ministry by the candidate, and after he answered the many questions put to him in a

fine way, the council recommended that the church authorize the ordination. To this the church acceded, and the ordination took place on Sunday afternoon.

Pastor Wayne Byland, of the First Church of Bellevue, gave the charge to the church and candidate. Pastor Leo Drake, Trinity, Newport, presented the Bible to the candidate, and Pastor Cole preached the ordination sermon. The ordaining prayer was led by Pastor O. T. Harmon, of the First Baptist Church of Cold Springs. Following the laying on of hands, Candidate Heyne pronounced the benediction.

Brother Heyne is at present attending Georgetown College and has accepted the call to become pastor of the First Twelve Mile Baptist Church in Campbell County Baptist Association.—John Meyer, Clerk.

**Charles V. Fuller is Ordained A Deacon By Cynthiana Church**

CYNTHIANA, Ky., January 25.—Charles V. Fuller was ordained as a deacon of the Cynthiana Baptist Church on Sunday morning, January 15. He was elected with three other brethren in November to serve a term of three years. The other brethren—Eureka Whiteker, R. B. Pulliam and J. W. Switzer—had been ordained before.

Dr. William A. Mueller, professor of Theology at the Southern Seminary in Louisville, brought the ordination message on "Interpreters for Christ." Pastor W. Austin Roberts says, "It was a high hour in the Cynthiana Church, and we thank God for the gracious outpouring of His Spirit upon us."

"Remember, Bridget," said the lady to the new maid "there are two things I insist upon, truthfulness and obedience."

"Yes, mum," said Bridgett, "and when you tell me to tell callers that you're out, when you're in, which shall it be, truthfulness or obedience?" —Akansas Baptist.

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**Pastor Guy P. Hall,  
Lawrenceville, Ill.,  
Returns to Kentucky**

Brother Guy P. Hall recently left the pastorate of the First Baptist Church, Lawrenceville, Ill., and returned to a former pastorate—The Walnut Grove Baptist Church, near Russellville, Ky. The Walnut Grove Church has entered a full-time program. He left the Audubon Baptist Church in Kentucky fifteen years ago and founded and became pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church, Alton, Ill., near the campus of historic Shurtliff College. He then went into denominational work, becoming Director of Religious Education and Evangelism in Nine Mile Association.

**Lynn Association Has  
Fifth Sunday Meeting  
At the Upton Church**

A fifth Sunday program was held by the Lynn Association of Missionary Baptists at the Upton Baptist Church on January 28-29. The Saturday afternoon program consisted of addresses by Pastors W. T. Jewell and Manley Towles. On Sunday morning Leon Larimore spoke at the conclusion of the Sunday school hour on "The Value of Bible Teaching." This was followed by a sermon at the morning worship by Dr. R. T. Skinner, Editor of the *Western Recorder*. The Sunday afternoon program called for three addresses: "My Missionary Plans For 1950," by Harvey Puckett; "Three Important Financial Needs of Our Churches," by Nobel Cottrell; and "Does the Bible Teach World-Wide Evangelism?" by W. M. Lunsford.

**Jess Moody, Texas  
Evangelist, to Conduct  
Bowling Green Meetings**

Evangelist Jess Moody, of Fort Smith, Texas., and Ken Howard, song leader, will conduct a revival at the First Baptist Church of Bowling Green, Ky., during February 12-17. Pastor Harold J. Purdy says that the revival is being sponsored by the Baptist Student Union of Western State College and Bowling Green Business University. Pastor Purdy has just completed his third anniversary at the

Bowling Green Church. There were 246 additions his first year, 249 the second year, and 287 additions last year. Sunday school attendance was an average of 650 in 1947 and an average of 703 in 1949. Total gifts have increased from \$57,319.93 the first year, to \$90,083.18 the third.

**Dr. and Mrs. C. C. Warren  
Visit Lexington Avenue  
Church of Danville**

In connection with Dr. C. C. Warren's addresses before the Kentucky Baptist Evangelistic Conference in Louisville recently, he and Mrs. Warren visited former friends and made new ones at the Lexington Avenue Baptist Church of Danville, Ky. Pastor Ralph R. Couey and the members arranged what they called a *Pot Luck Supper* in their honor, and they also had them for prayer meeting in Danville.

**Gleanings**

The East Lynn Association held its fifth Sunday meeting with the Mount Washington Baptist Church, near Campbellsville, Ky.

Brethren Mervyn Vick, Ryland Sansom, and Mervyn Vick have been elected deacons of the First Baptist Church of Russellville, Ky.

Pastor D. L. Druen has announced that his Pleasant Hill Baptist Church, Campbellsville is to install a new electric organ, with chimes attachment.

A Church-Wide Bible Study Week was observed at the First Baptist Church of Somerset during January 23-27, at which time William J. Fallis' "Studies in Acts" was the text.

The funeral of Mrs. Grace L. Ritter, 39, was held at the Caney Fork Baptist Church, on January 10, and was conducted by Rev. C. E. Carter. She was the wife of F. J. Ritter. She was a member of the Beech Grove Baptist Church, and resided at Beckton.

Dr. Henry Turlington, of the Southern Seminary faculty, and recently returned missionary from the Orient, spoke on "The Effects of Communism versus Christianity," on January 8, at the First Baptist Church of Danville, Ky., where Brother Ray Roberts is pastor.

Funeral services for Mrs. Rosalie Timmons Willock, 56, were conducted by Rev. T. S. Curry at the Parrott-Ramsey Funeral Home, Campbellsville, on January 7. Internment was in the Brookside Cemetery. She was a member of the Campbellsville Baptist Church.

President John M. Carter, Campbellsville College, was with Pastor C. W. Devine at the Scottsville Baptist Church in their "1950 Advance Program," during January 18-22. The music was in charge of "The McGrews." Beginning January 23 the book, "Studies in Acts," was studied.

A total of 261 new members were added to the Lebanon Baptist Church during 1949. A total of 211 were baptized upon a profession of faith in Christ as their personal Saviour. During 1949 four of Pastor F. G. Schlafer's young people have responded to the Lord's call to full-time Christian service. Dr. Dale Moody will teach First Corinthians during a week of Bible study, February 19-24.

Joel M. Scott, 76, Etoile farmer, and in former years a Trustee of the Barren County Board of Education, died January 8 at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. Mary Belle Osborne, Route 1, Valley Station. His funeral was conducted by Pastor C. E. Carter at the Caney Fork Baptist Church, where he was a member. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Rebecca Scott, his daughter, already mentioned, and a half-sister, Mrs. Dillard Chambers.

James Richard Miller, 25, farmer, is thought to have been accidentally killed with a shotgun which his wife had recently given him for Christmas. The instrument was found to have had a defective safety gadget on the trigger, meaning that the slightest jar would discharge the gun. He was alone at the time of the accident. His funeral was conducted by Pastor T. F. Grider at the Poplar Log, near Glasgow. He was a member of the Freedom Baptist Church.

**OPPORTUNITY**—In the course of his long expression as an employer, the late Henry Ford opened jobs to many men with prison records. Because of his willingness to give men of good intentions another chance, he was appealed to by thousands who wanted an opportunity to come back. To all who assured him of their deep desire to make good, he had one reply: "Then start from where you are."—*Christian Advocate*.

**Coronation Services at Immanuel Church in Paducah**



PADUCAH, Ky., January 20.—Impressive services in recognition of work done in girls' auxiliaries of the Woman's Missionary Union were held on a recent Wednesday evening in the Immanuel Baptist Church at Paducah. The occasion was one of great im-

portance in the lives of young people and the auditorium was well filled, attesting interest in the young people's advancement. The title of queen regent, highest recognition that can be given a member of the girls' auxiliary, was bestowed upon Miss

Elizabeth Lessley, seated in center. Leaders of the group, all standing on back row and reading left to right, are: Mrs. Inez Johnson, counselor; Mrs. Fred G. Neuman, Y. P. Dir.; Wayne Dehoney, pastor, and Mrs. Grover Long, WMU president.

**Second Church, Marion,  
Ordains and Calls  
Arthur Lynch as Pastor**

MARION, Ky., January 11.—Arthur Lynch has been called to the pastorate of the Second Baptist Church of Marion, where he holds membership. He was ordained to the work of the Gospel ministry on December 4. The ordaining council was composed of Elders O. M. Shultz, C. D. Chick, Young E. Holland, W. G. Potts, Leslie Gilbert, J. S. Woodall, James Boone, Raymond Thurmond, and Deacons C. H. Hollowell, Guy Rose, Charley Clark, Melvin Hughes and Paul I. Paris. Brother Chick conducted the examination, Brother Shultz preached the sermon, Missionary Potts presented the Bible, and Pastor Gilbert led in prayer.

**Things Are Happening  
At the Geneva Church**

HENDERSON, Ky., January 18.—Things are happening! Things for which long we have prayed and

labored and expected. The Lord our God is showing us at Geneva how He can answer prayer when we really get in earnest. His Spirit is working in a mighty way there and visible results are evident on every hand.

The Sunday school, under the capable leadership of Superintendent E. S. Nichols and assisted by a group of praying teachers, is making steady and substantial growth. The attendance is 50 per cent above that of last year and still increasing. That means that new classes are being started from time to time to take care of the new members.

That in itself is fine, but the thing that brings the most joy to our hearts is that souls are being saved and added to the church steadily in the regular services. Eleven have been

baptized since October 1, 1949, and three candidates are awaiting baptism at the present time. During that same period, three have been received into the fellowship of the church by letter.

Two Training Unions attempt better to prepare our people for more efficient Christian service. The WMS is doing an outstanding job of teaching Missions—at home by precept and practice, and abroad by prayer and finances. We are using the book, "Studies in Acts," in connection with our prayer services.

Yes, things are "happening" at Geneva, for which we thank God fervently, for He is the giver of every good and perfect gift.—*Geo. R. Cartwright*.

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**Artemus Church Has Fine Year in 1949; Needs Class Rooms**

ARTEMUS, Ky., January 17.—The year 1949 was one of the best years of the pastorate of A. S. Marsee on the field of the Artemus Baptist Church. He was born within two miles of the Artemus Church, and 1949 was his twelfth year here as its pastor.

The first report to the North Concord Association, made in 1937, was 137 members. Now the roll has on it 350 members.

Two fine, consecrated men were ordained to the ministry last year. Brother Hugh M. Hayes, who is now in the Southern Seminary in Louisville, was one of these, and Brother L. W. Buchanon, who has been called to full time work at Swan Pond Baptist Church, in North Concord Association, is the other.

The Sunday school attendance has grown from an average of 40 to 140. The greatest need the church now has is for more class rooms, which the church hopes to build in the immediate future.

A good revival has been held each year Pastor Marsee has been here, but the one last year was the best. Forty-three were baptized upon their professions of faith, and thirty-four of these came during the revival.

Brother Buchanon started a Training Union in the Artemus Church, and it bids fair to furnish the church with many trained leaders. There is much work being done among the lay members in the form of visitation, and it is not unusual to have several baptizings between revivals as a result of this work.

Besides his work at Artemus, Brother Marsee also holds about six revivals each year in other churches.

**Riverside Church Ordains Raymond Smith To Gospel Ministry**

PINEVILLE, Ky., January 25.—Brother Raymond Smith, student of the Clear Creek Bible School, Pineville, was ordained Monday night, January 16 at the Riverside Church, R. S. Voris, pastor. The ordaining council was composed of the following: R. S. Voris, John F. Carter,

James Crowell, John S. Davis, Orville Hickey, Archie Oliver, John Philips, T. D. Brown, Amos Combs, T. S. Robinson, Wallace Green, J. J. Curtis, and L. T. Hastings. Brother Voris was elected moderator of the council and L. T. Hastings, secretary. John F. Carter conducted the examination which was very thorough, and the candidate's answers were satisfactory. He related his conversion experience, his call to the ministry, and gave evidence that he was well-grounded in the scriptures.

The council unanimously recommended to the church that he be formally set apart by prayer and the laying on of hands of the presbytery. L. T. Hastings preached the sermon, Archie Oliver offered the prayer of ordination, and J. J. Curtis presented the Bible on behalf of the Riverside Church of which Brother Smith is a member. John S. Davis, missionary from Zion Association, delivered the charge to Brother Smith, and T. D. Brown delivered the charge to the Pleasant View Church, which was represented by a group who attended the ordination.

Brother Smith has been called to the pastorate of the Pleasant View Baptist Church in East Union Association. He will continue his studies in school until graduation in May, then he will move his family on the field.

**Sunshine Church, Near Middlesboro, Has Fine Success in Year of 1949**

SUNSHINE, Ky., January 7.—The Sunshine Baptist Church recently closed a meeting with Brother Fern D. Robinson, of Middlesboro, doing the preaching. Twelve presented themselves for baptism, and eight were added to the church by transfer of letters from other Baptist churches. Five were added by statement and restoration.

Following the baptismal service, as a result of that series of meetings, house-to-house prayer meetings were started, and thirteen more were baptized the following week. They were continued, and five more were baptized the next week, and six more the week after that.

Brother S. R. Helton, associational evangelist, taught "The Church Using Its Sunday School," in the Sunshine

Church the first week in January, with fifty-nine taking the final test.

The year 1949 was a great year for the Sunshine Baptist Church—the greatest in the history of the church. Ninety-two souls were baptized by Pastor J. C. Jackson into the fellowship of the church during the year.

**Widow of Judge John R. Sampson is Buried At Middlesboro, Ky.**

MIDDLESBORO, Ky.—The funeral of Mrs. John R. Sampson, widow of the late Judge John R. Sampson, was conducted by Pastor J. Marvin Adams here just before Christmas. She died in a Louisville Hospital and was brought here for burial. She formerly lived in Middlesboro during the life of her late husband, who had labored in the development of both Harlan and Middlesboro, but since his death she has resided with a daughter, Mrs. H. K. Brooking, at Anchorage. Mrs. Sampson was a native of Glasgow.

**Training Union Class Taught By Jess Cooper At Wildwood Church**

ASHLAND, Ky., January 20.—Jess Cooper, Training Union Director of the First Baptist Church of Ashland, taught a training class at the Wildwood Church last week. The class study was the beginning of a graded Training Union in the Wildwood Church.

The class periods were well attended, and the teaching of Brother Cooper was highly appreciated. The book taught was, "The Training Union Manual." Mr. Cooper is president of the Northeastern Regional Training Union Convention. Clel B. Rodgers is pastor of the Wildwood Church.

The First Baptist Church of Paintsville studied the Book of Acts during January 23-27. C. E. Brown, Robert Gunning, Escam Chandler and Brown McCubbin assisted Pastor Roy A. Hamilton as teachers.

CONVERSATION—A little girl listened quietly while her mother's club spent an entire afternoon discussing aches, pains, the faults of friends, troubles of the world and other negative opinions. Afterward the child said to her mother, "Next time those ladies come, let's talk happy!"—*Union Herald.*

**Winning College Youth**

By CHESTER DURHAM

LEXINGTON, Ky.—Three minutes of your time please! Are you interested in the salvation of the 4,000 college students of Baptist preference who are lost and without God?

If so here is how you can help. Set aside February 8 as a time when you will call your church to prayer for the salvation of these young people. Let your church bulletin of February 5 and 12 carry announcements about this group of young people and the effort to win them to Christ during February.

February 12-19 is the time that has been set aside for Simultaneous Youth Revivals in college centers in Kentucky. The purpose of these revivals is (1) to win the lost; (2) to "call out the called" for vocational Christian service; and (3) to challenge the saved to maximum Christianity expressed in all-out church loyalty and vigorous Christian witnessing.

More than 10,000 Baptist college students in Kentucky left church communities and went away to college. Many of them were unenlisted before they left home, some who were active at home are no longer active. Every lost student on a college campus left some church community as a lost young person. This is your opportunity to have a part in the salvation of these lost young people and the spiritual welfare of college students. Pray definitely for their spiritual condition on February 8.

For your information we are listing the college centers that are having these revivals.

Williamsburg, Cumberland Junior College, February 12-19. Evangelist, Hankins Parker, Pastor, Highland Baptist Church, Louisville, Kentucky.

Hopkinsville, Bethel Woman's College, February 12-19. Evangelist, Luther Joe Thompson, Springfield, Tennessee.

Murray, Murray State College, February 12-19. Evangelist, James Hatley, Associate, State Department of Student Work, Louisville.

Berea, Berea College, February 16-19. Evangelist, Charles Wellborn, Southwestern Seminary; Song Leader, Frank Boggs, Southwestern Seminary.

Georgetown, Georgetown College, February 12-17. Evangelist, Dr. Carlyle Marney, Austin, Texas; Song Leader, Dr. B. B. McKinney, Nashville, Tennessee.

Bowling Green, Western State Col-

lege and Bowling Green Business University, February 12-17. Evangelist, Jess Moody, Texas.

Louisville, City-Wide Meeting, February 13-17. Evangelist, Monroe Swilley, Atlanta, Georgia.

Barbourville, Union College, February 12-19. Evangelist, Wayne DeHoney, Immanuel Church, Paducah.

Campbellsville, Campbellsville Junior College, February 12-19. Evangelist, Ernest Brown, Southern Seminary.

Richmond, Eastern State College, February 19-24. Evangelist, Bo Baker, Southwestern Seminary; Song Leader, Walton Connelly, Southern Seminary.

Jackson, Lee's Junior College, February 5-12. Evangelist, Walter Price, University of Kentucky; Song Leader, Weston Bergman, Jr., University of Kentucky.

Lexington, University of Kentucky, February 20-24. Evangelists will be ministerial students from the University.

Other college towns working on revivals for another date are Paducah, Ashland, Columbia, Pikeville, and Oneida.

**Frankfort's Men's League Has First 1950 Meeting; Nuchols, New President**

FRANKFORT, Ky., January 17.—The Men's League of the First Baptist Church of Frankfort held its first 1950 meeting Monday night, January 16. It was ladies' night and covers were laid for more than a hundred. After installation of the officers for the year, the pastor, Dr. Fred T. Moffatt, introduced the speaker of the evening, Dr. R. T. Skinner, editor of the *Western Recorder*. Coming over from Louisville with Dr. Skinner, as banquet guests, were Mrs. R. T. Skinner, and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Parrent, of Walnut Street Baptist Church, Louisville. The new president of the Men's League is Robert L. Nuchols.

**Greatest Need of Brazil Is Christian Leaders**

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At Belem, Pan America's first Brazilian stop, we spent a morning with MISSIONARIES VANCE and SUE VERNON and the P. D. SULLIVANS. At Fortaleza, we worshipped in the beautiful First Baptist Church, designed by MISSIONARY PASTOR BURTON

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**TODAY IS CHRISTMAS**

[Written by a young man, member of West Van Lear Baptist Church.]

Today is Christmas, a time of good cheer, And it's through God's grace we can gather here.

Let us give thanks through song and prayer, And pray for those who are in despair.

Let us pray for those who are out in sin, Who've not opened their hearts and let Him in, That they too many know what it means to live For the Saviour to Whom themselves they give.

Let us sing His praises, "Oh, Most High," And witness to Him as the days go by! Let us pray to Him by night and day, And trust His Word, and go His way.

Let's remember our dear old "Golden Rule," And go to church and Sunday school; Let Him fill our hearts with joy and cheer, Not only today, but throughout the year. —Charles E. Spears

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# The Call of the Child

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This matchless sacrificial love-gift of God for fallen man makes every baby safe from the law of sin and death until it comes to the years where it, like Adam, consciously chooses to sin against God.

God calls upon man to bear witness to his all-out effort for his salvation, saying, "What could have been done more to my vineyard, that I have not done in it" (Isaiah 5:4)?

## The Urgency Of This Call Is Seen In The All-out Sacrifice Jesus Made To Answer It.

The call was so urgent our Lord gave up the riches and glories of heaven and came to the poverty and sorrows of earth in order to answer it. "For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though He was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor, that ye through His poverty might be rich" (2 Corinthians 8:9).

The call was so urgent that our Lord endured on earth the base ingratitude and cruel persecutions of man in order to answer it. "I gave my back to the smiters, and my cheeks to them that plucked off the hair: I hid not my face from shame and spitting" (Isaiah 50:6).

The call was so urgent our Lord went voluntarily to the cross (John 10:18), taking our place there under the law of sin and death. When we remember that He knew that His Father would there have to forsake Him, and wreak upon Him all the anguish of hell that was due the sinner, we see how urgent He regarded the need of man. For, "He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with His stripes we are healed" (Isaiah 53:5).

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most tragic in all human history, our Lord's anguish found expression in those matchless words of human woe, "My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me" (Matthew 27:46).

## The Supreme Urgency Of This Call To Us Is Seen In The Brevity Of Our Time For Answering It.

Childhood, the most favorable time for reaching them, will soon be gone forever. We must seize upon it, and use this God-given opportunity lest, alas, it be forever too late. "Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it" (Proverbs 22:6) is still God's burning exhortation to all his people.

Fortunate indeed is the child who has forbears like Timothy, for Paul said of Timothy, "That from a child thou hast known the holy Scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus" (2 Timothy 3:15).

But if a child has not such forbears, O beloved, let us not forget that God has made it our business as his church to go our length to provide that child with such a father and such a mother. Thank God, we have in the Cradle Roll Department of our Sunday school, the means at hand which are eminently efficient in accomplishing this. Every church should make utmost use of it.

Then again, so many of them will soon be gone from our midst. Some will be moving away. Death will come and tragically take others in their youth. Let us not delay our intended efforts to reach them for Christ, lest we have to face them at the judgment, and hear God say to us, "Their blood will I require at thine hand" (Ezekiel 3:18).

But perhaps more tragic still for us is the fact that our days for this work, even at the longest, are all too few. Before we know it, we find ourselves getting old. How supremely wise the exhortation of God's word, "In the morning sow thy seed, and in the evening withhold not thine hand (Ecclesiastes 11:6).

How heartening are the promises of God to those who will seriously undertake this work in His name! "He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come

again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him" (Psalm 126:6). "Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord" (1 Corinthians 15:58).

May the shortness of our time for reaching the children for Christ constantly admonish us, as it did our blessed Lord, who said, "I must work the works of Him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh when no man can work" (John 9:4).

## S.B.G. Already Given Million for Missions

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—(BP)—More than a million dollars for Southwide and world-wide mission causes reached the offices of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention during the first 16 days of 1950. The exact total, announced by Dr. Duke K. McCall, executive secretary of the Executive Committee, was \$1,019,843.30. This compares with \$1,210,626.91 for the entire month of January last year.

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# The Problem of Evangelistic Method

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(2) Is it person-minded? Is it directed toward individuals whose names are known?

(3) Is it spirit-led? Is there conscious dependence on the Holy Spirit's guidance?

(4) Is it sin-conscious? Does it stress the fact and the consequences of sin?

(5) Is it faith-inducing? Does it seek the response of vital personal faith in Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord?

(6) Is it emotion-stirring? Does it melt icy hearts and stimulate conviction and confession?

(7) Is it intellect-honoring? Does it appeal not only to faith but to intelligence?

(8) Is it obedience-producing? Does it result in baptism, church membership, Christian service?

(9) Is it church-building? Does it strengthen and develop the church in all its other activities?

(10) Is it character-growing? Does it form the beginning point of development toward the ideal of "unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ?"

## Suggested Exercise

The writer suggests this illuminating and enriching exercise: Let the pastor bring together his "inner circle" of church officers, teachers and leaders, and other faithful men and women. As preparation for the evangelistic crusade into which we are entering, *not just for one year but for the remainder of this century*, let these types of evangelistic method be discussed, analyzed, evaluated, interpreted. Each will be found to have certain points of strength and of weakness. Each may be employed to special circumstances and with various individuals.

The brightest star of hope in the dark sky which overarches us as we enter into the second half of this tragic century is the resurgence of concern among all Christian groups for effective evangelism. We who have the saving message should lead in its implementation through the utilization of every right method. In

every great revival of Christian history divine and human factors have

been combined. Perhaps even now God is awaiting our response to his manifestation of saving power as we seek to use the means he has placed at our disposal in the winning of the unsaved multitudes at our doors and "unto the uttermost part."

## Boy Scouts Mark 40th Anniversary

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Official poster marking the 40th birthday.

The 40th anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America will be observed Feb. 6 to 12 in every part of the nation by more than 2,300,000 boys and adult leaders. "Strengthen Liberty" is the birthday theme. The Boy Scouts' "Crusade to Strengthen the Arm of Liberty" continues through 1950. During Boy Scout Week, Units will hold "Crusade Night" meetings when 1949 Crusade Awards will be presented. Representing the 12 Scout Regions, 12 outstanding Boy Scouts will make a "Re-

port to the Nation" at Washington, D.C., where the Movement was incorporated Feb. 8, 1910. They will also take part in an impressive ceremony at Independence Hall in Philadelphia.

The highlight of 1950 will be the Second National Jamboree which will see 40,000 Scouts and Leaders camping together at Valley Forge, Pa., from June 30 to July 6, including Scouts of other lands. Since 1910 more than 16,500,000 boys and men have been identified with the Boy Scouts of America.

WESTERN RECORDER

Twenty-seven

# PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE,

Please, please, please give generously to the offering that is to be taken in the churches throughout our Convention on Baptist World Alliance Sunday, February 5. This offering, following the action of the Convention at the Oklahoma session last May, is to go entirely for the Relief Committee of the Baptist World Alliance with the exception of \$4,000 which will go to the over-all program of the Alliance.

Contrary to popular belief, the relief job is not yet finished in needy Europe. The last two weeks have brought distressing calls for added assistance particularly in the Berlin area and the Eastern zone. **In fact, there are yet thousands upon tens of thousands who are yet homeless, hungry and poorly clad.**

Since the Relief Committee is now able to channel supplies into the Eastern zone, our trucks are carrying all available food stuffs and clothing into the Russian zone where the need continues to be desperate. The meat ration, for instance, for the laborer has been only twenty-five grams per day (less than one ounce), and many of the people rarely see meat at all.

With the exception of some feeding centers, and assistance to select groups of old people and students, the larger ministry of the Relief Committee, as to food and clothing, is now being carried on in the Eastern zone.

The special need, at the moment, however, is for cash. The Relief Committee has made great progress in helping our fellow-Baptist DP's to emigrate to the U. S. and elsewhere. But there are yet other thousands of our fellow-Baptists who are "refugees" or "expellees" and whose lot is in many instances much worse than that of the DP's. They are living from hand to mouth wherever a kind

door of circumstances opens for them in the Western zones.

The future of our whole enlarged program in behalf of these thousands of our fellow-Baptist refugees depends on the outcome of this offering. Many of these people could emigrate to other lands if they only had funds with which to pay ocean transportation. It is hoped that the offerings of Alliance Sunday will make available a great sum of money so as to

## Father and Son Tour South America



Dr. Merrill D. Moore, Sr.,  
and son, Merrill D., Jr.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., January 24.—Dr. Merrill D. Moore, Sr., and his son, Merrill D. Moore, Jr., recently made a father-and-son tour of South American mission fields. They touched thirteen countries in a 25,000-mile trip. Dr. Moore is Secretary of Promotion for the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee.

enable the Relief Committee to move forward in a worthy program of assistance to these needy brethren whose hands are continually stretched out toward us in prayerful petition for help.

Some two million envelopes have been printed for the special offering, and they are being mailed, together with a letter of instruction, to every pastor in the Southland. Please, I beg you in the name of Christ, take an offering in your church, whether it be large or small, and send it immediately to the Relief Committee

of the Baptist World Alliance in Washington. The address is as follows: 1628 Sixteenth Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

You will hardly take an offering throughout the year that will be more worthy and more desperately needed than this offering. May God give us a generous response on Alliance Sunday! This is my prayer. Please, please—R. Paul Caudill, Chairman, Baptist World Alliance Relief Committee.

## A Personal Statement To Kentucky Baptists

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I promise you, on behalf of the administration, that we shall strive constantly to conduct its affairs in a businesslike manner. We shall endeavor to use available funds for needed facilities. We shall continuously improve the scholarships. We assure you of a continuation of the wholesome and Christian atmosphere and environment for your boys and girls at Georgetown College.

I am sincerely grateful to Dr. Skinner, Editor of the *Western Recorder*, for his kind invitation to make this personal statement for publication in Kentucky's Baptist paper. I have made it personal, for I want you to know something of the feelings and ambitions which I have for Georgetown College. I have been interested in it for so many years and so active in committee work on the Board of Trustees and so eager to see it progress that it no longer represents a hobby or outside interest. It has become a main interest in my life. I ask for your prayers that I may be able to accomplish, if only a small portion, my ambitions for Georgetown College.

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The following resolutions were adopted at the 1949 meeting of the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky:

"First, that we earnestly request our churches and our people to make contributions to the work of the American Bible Society, all such contributions to be sent through the regular channels to the Baptist state headquarters office, designated for the work of the American Bible Society.

"Second, that we request the State Board to work out a plan for securing the support of the churches in harmony with the financial plan of the General Association."

The Executive Board of the General Association, at its annual meeting on December 6, 1949, designated **Sunday, February 26, 1950** as a day for special emphasis on the work of the American Bible Society, but recognized the fact that the General Association has approved only two special offerings for the coming year.

The Executive Board suggested that the work of the American Bible Society be called to the attention of the people, in order that individuals who wish to make a contribution might be given an opportunity to do so.

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# Foreign Mission Advance

**M. THERON RANKIN**  
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## 100 Foreign Missionaries To Be Appointed in 1950

Appointment of 100 new missionaries this year was proposed at the January 5 meeting of the Foreign Mission Board. This is an increase of 30 over the number appointed in 1949.

"This is a prelude to Advance, getting a running start for the real Advance to come next year," Secretary M. Theron Rankin stated.

The Board appointed two new missionaries and one contract worker at its January meeting. Dr. and Mrs. H. F. Peacock, Jr., of Arizona and North Carolina, will serve at the international Baptist seminary in Zurich, Switzerland, and Miss Anna Mae Wollerman of Arkansas will serve in Brazil. Mr. Peacock, a chaplain during the war, is teaching at the Louisville seminary. Miss Wollerman has served two and a half years in Brazil as an independent missionary.

## China Work is not Curtailed

Dr. Baker J. Cauthen sent a written report on the Orient just before he left Hongkong for India enroute to the United States. Mission work in the territory recently taken over by Chinese Communists has not been curtailed and national Baptist leaders here and in northern areas are permitted to travel about the country to visit their work.

Pastor M. C. Fan of Hwanghsien, elected traveling secretary for the North China Baptist Convention at a meeting of the convention's executive committee in Tsingtao, urged all Chinese workers to return to the interior places as early as possible to build up the work of the churches.

Dr. Daniel Fu, vice-president of the Board of Trustees of the University of Shanghai, has been elected acting president since the resignation of Dr. Henry Lin. Students in the university number 1,234, more than half of them freshmen and about one fourth of them Christians. Dr. Fu, a Christian layman, has stated his purpose of maintaining the Christian character of the institution.

Only medical missionaries and wives of men already in China have been able to obtain permits to enter the country. Missionaries who have

requested re-entry permits have been refused.

Mining the waters of China ports by the Nationalists may mean heavy loss of life, Dr. Cauthen says, because many of the passengers on ships sailing from Hongkong for the ports carry Chinese people returning to their homes.

## Missionary Education Council

The Missionary Education Council of Southern Baptist agencies met in Richmond January 4-6 to discuss mission study themes and printed and visual materials to implement their use in study groups.

Themes chosen for 1952 are "Advance in New Fields" for foreign missions and "Home Missions Meeting Human Needs." Next year's study themes are Latin American missions and "The Urban Church Serving its Community" for home missions.

Mr. George W. Schroeder of the Baptist Brotherhood was elected chairman of the Council. Dr. Frank K. Means of the Foreign Mission Board was elected vice-chairman and Miss Mary Christian of the Sunday School Board secretary. Miss Juliette Mather of the Woman's Missionary Union presided at the January meeting in Richmond.

The sixth annual meeting of the Council will be held at Nashville, January 2-4, next year.

## Board Receives Surprise Package

Secretary M. Theron Rankin casually opened a brown paper parcel marked "Printed Matter" that appeared on his desk with the accumulation of mail over the Christmas holidays. Just as casually he opened the first of eight envelopes he found inside.

It contained fifty \$20 bills—a thousand dollars in cash. Each of the other envelopes contained fifty \$20 bills, with one extra bill that may have been put in through an error in counting. A total of \$8,020.

Hurriedly Dr. Rankin fished the brown wrapping out of the waste basket. But there was no return address. The donor remains anonymous.

## Tokyo Mail Destroyed by Fire

Much of the Christmas mail sent to missionaries in Tokyo was destroyed

when the Mission Post Office (APO 500) at Tokyo burned to the ground December 27. No Christmas mail had been put up since the preceding Sunday. Nothing was saved from the fire.

The Japan Mission has asked the Foreign Mission Board office to duplicate all mail written after December 12 and addressed to the APO post office. (This does not apply to mail sent to a Japanese post office or to the missionary's house address).

Churches or individuals who sent Christmas mail to missionaries at the APO address will understand, if they should fail to receive acknowledgment from the Tokyo missionaries, that the mail was probably destroyed in the fire.

## As We Approach Eighty January 22, 1950

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Your brother,

John W. T. Givens,  
Bremen, Ky.

[Editor's Note: We pass on to the readers this greeting from a cherished friend who on Sunday, January 22, attained his eightieth birthday. The *Western Recorder* wishes for him many more before he goes to the heavenly home and a great reward.]

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# Southern Baptists Comment on Myron C. Taylor's Resignation; Urge No Successor

WASHINGTON, D. C.—(BP)—The resignation of MYRON C. TAYLOR as PRESIDENT TRUMAN's personal ambassador to the Vatican brought immediate rejoicing to Protestant leaders and groups, who have repeatedly called on the President to abolish the special post Taylor held. Taylor had served as personal envoy to the Pope for ten years. He was first named to the post by President Franklin D. Roosevelt.

DR. JOSEPH M. DAWSON, executive director of the Joint Conference Committee on Public Relations of Baptists of the United States, with offices here, wired the President immediately upon announcement of Taylor's resignation: "On behalf of 14,000,000 Baptists in the United States who have consistently protested Myron Taylor's appointment to the Vatican I wish to express satisfaction that he is no longer the occasion of controversy and national disunity. Our earnest hope is that in complete recognition of the American principle of separation between church and state, Mr. Taylor will have no successor in the office he has held."

DR. DAWSON had predicted that eventually Taylor would resign and thus relieve the President from withdrawing him in fulfillment of a promise made in June 1946 when he was visited by a group of representatives from seven Protestant denominations. The group presented the President with resolutions stating that the

President's personal representative to the Vatican was "unauthorized," "unconstitutional," and "contrary to the historic American principle of the separation of church and state."

The delegation reported they were given assurance that the appointment of Taylor was "a temporary expedient to give the President the fullest opportunity to make his contribution to the peace, that it might terminate at an early date but would certainly terminate with the signing of the peace treaties."

"It occurs to me," Dawson said, "that Mr. Truman will discover that whatever political advantage there may be in retaining the favor of Roman Catholics, a minority in this country, he will conclude there is more support to come from a right attitude on this matter from Protestants who constitute, with those who think like them, more than 70 per cent of the people in the nation."

DR. LOUIE D. NEWTON, Atlanta Baptist pastor, who as president of the Southern Baptist Convention in 1946 was a member of the delegation that visited the President, commented on the resignation of Taylor: "It is earnestly hoped that the President will use the advantage of the Taylor resignation to terminate U. S. relations with the Vatican, which he promised in June 1946 he would do at an early date. This emergency appointment threatens to become a permanent arrangement already embodying full-time services of at least one career diplomat and embassy staff costing taxpayers \$40,000 annually. Congress ended original diplomatic relations with the Vatican in 1867 stating that no money shall be paid for support of American legation at Rome after June 20 unless Congress authorizes and approves resumption of diplomatic relation with the Vatican. The President assumes great responsibility in continuing the present arrangement."

DR. DUKE K. McCALL, executive secretary of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention, said in Nashville, Tenn.: "In private conversation President Harry Truman has indicated that he felt justified in continuing the appointment of Myron Taylor as special ambassador to the Vatican because it was a matter

inherited from the Franklin D. Roosevelt administration. Without in anywise approving the continuation, some of us have been able to understand the President's position. We rejoice now that without embarrassment to any part of his political constituency he is relieved of his problem and may freely chart his own course.

"It would be appropriate at this time for all who have repeatedly petitioned the recall of Myron Taylor to send a personal communication to the President indicating rejoicing that this embarrassing relationship is now terminated and urging that regardless of the pressure no successor be appointed."

## No Vacant Seats At Nassau Revival

NASSAU, Bahama Islands—(BP)—A Baptist goodwill tour in the Bahamas has turned into an evangelistic crusade, according to Dr. Guy A. Bellamy, leader of a group of six laymen and ministers now visiting Negro churches of the island.

He writes, "The greatest experience of my life. We had more than 50 professions of faith last night. We lost count of exact number. The building is full. Every inch taken. They sit on laps, stand in aisles, in doors, windows, more out in the street than inside. We have a P. A. outside. We move to school auditorium tonight. Since Sunday night we have had more than 80 professions. Never in my life saw such rich field and such a response."

Dr. Bellamy is superintendent of Southern Baptist Negro work.

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