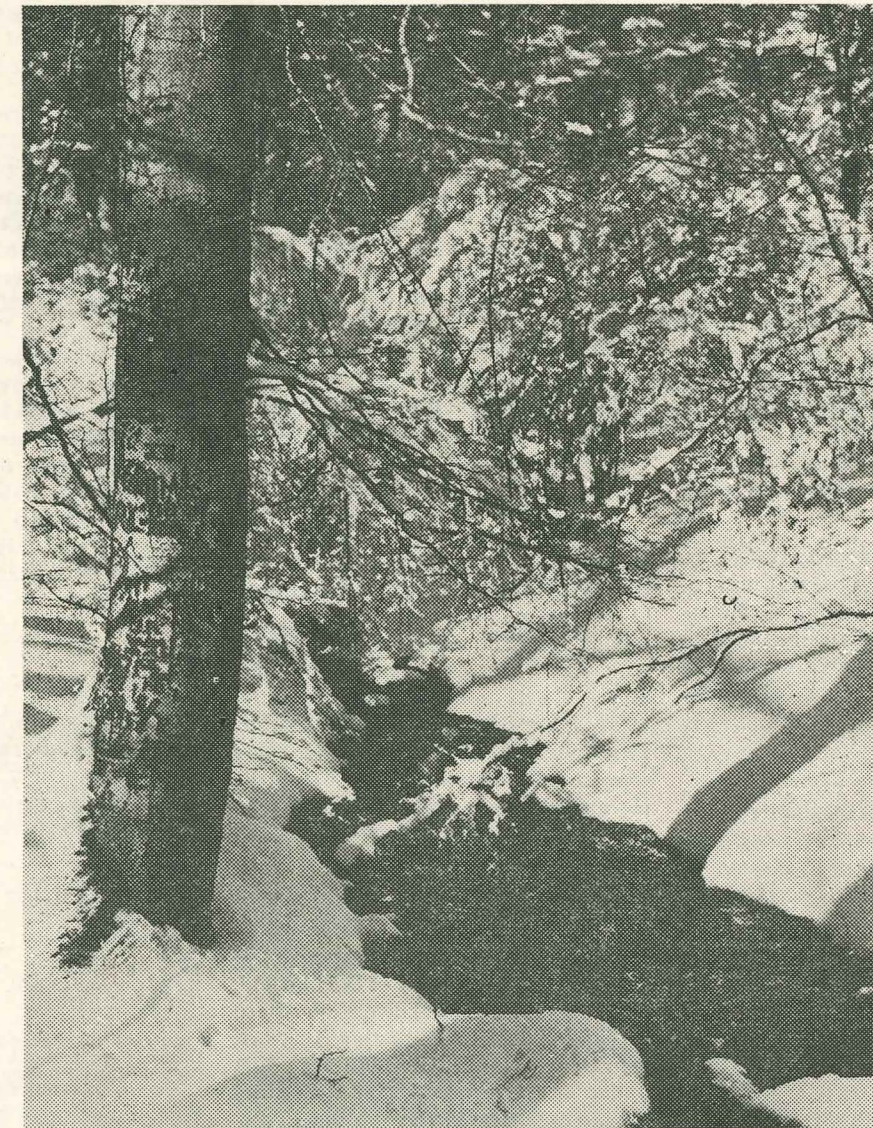


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Hast Thou Entered Into the Treasures of the Snow?—Job 38:22



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Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me,
and I shall be whiter than snow.—Psalm 51:7.

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Gleanings From The Field

Mrs. R. A. Slinker, wife of Missionary R. A. Slinker in West Kentucky, suffered a broken arm in December.

Sam L. Branham, missionary in Owen County, underwent an emergency appendectomy immediately after the State Workers' Conference.

Deacon Jed Miller, of the Severns Valley Baptist Church, has returned to his home in Elizabethtown, Ky., after several weeks in the Kentucky Baptist Hospital.

Mr. C. P. Hargis, Sunday school worker with the State Board, was the speaker at the Severns Valley Associational Meeting on Sunday afternoon, February 5.

The eighth Baptist World Alliance will hold its next congress in Cleveland, Ohio, July 22-27. Registration blanks may be obtained from Dr. W. C. Boone, 127 E. Broadway, Louisville 2, Ky.

A week of Bible study is being held by Pastor F. G. Schlafer in the Lebanon Baptist Church during February 19-24, at which time Dr. Dale Moody will spend six nights teaching First Corinthians.

During the month of December workers for the State Board conducted 1,328 preaching services in which there were 96 professions of faith, 108 baptisms, 46 received by letter, 5 surrendered for full-time Christian service.

During the recent absence of Dr. L. E. Martin from his pulpit at the Severns Valley Baptist Church, Elizabethtown, Ky., his place was taken by Brother Kyle M. Yates, Jr., a student in the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Dr. W. C. Boone, General Secretary, was the preacher, and Dr. L. E. Martin, pastor at Severns Valley Baptist Church, Elizabethtown, was the song leader, in a revival with Pastor W. H. Horton at the First Baptist Church of Mayfield, Ky., recently. There were forty additions.

James T. Ford, former pastor of the First Baptist Church of Sturgis, and now pastor of the First Baptist Church of Huntsville, Alabama, was one of the feature speakers in Alabama's State-wide Evangelistic Conference January 30 to February 1, held with the First Baptist Church of Birmingham.

E. D. Davis, recording secretary of

the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky, and pastor of the Olivet Baptist Church of Paducah, has accepted a call to become pastor of the First Baptist Church of Benton, Ky., succeeding C. L. Niceley who has become pastor of Calvary Baptist Church of Akron, Ohio. Pastor Davis takes up his new work February 10.

Dr. John W. Dowdy, President of Southwest Baptist College, Bolivar, Mo., presided over the Annual Efficiency School in that institution during February 6-10. Program speakers included Judge John W. McCall, Dr. L. M. Sipes, Dr. M. F. Ewton, Dr. J. P. Edmunds, Dr. Laurence W. Cleland and Rev. Carl Goodson. Also conferences were conducted by Mrs. C. D. Creasman, Dr. R. J. West, Miss Eva Berry, Rev. L. A. Foster, and Rev. James R. Dinwiddie, Jr.

Fleming H. Revell Company, 158 Fifth Avenue, New York, has discontinued its retail department in order that they might devote all of their efforts to publishing. Their entire business, including retail store and mail order department, have been taken over by Messrs. Brown and Delhi, experienced booksellers. No street address is given of Brown and Delhi, but presumably mail will reach them in care of the Fleming H. Revell Company address.

Alonzo Maddox, member and deacon of the Fort Thomas Baptist Church, Fort Thomas, Ky., died January 6 at Lake Wales, Fla., while on his vacation. His remains were returned to north Kentucky, and burial took place in the Alexandria Cemetery. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Alma Maddox, one daughter, Mrs. Irene Riedinger, Westwood; one son, Lloyd G. Maddox, Fort Thomas. He also leaves a grandchild, and one sister, Mrs. Edith Baker, Jasonville, Ind.

Pastor Clyde R. Barrow, formerly of First Baptist Church, Monticello, Ky., but for some time since with the Trinity Baptist Church of Springfield, Oregon, writes that his work out there is challenging and moving forward satisfactorily. Springfield is just under 14,000 in population and offers a wide opportunity for Southern Baptist growth. The church now worships in the new educational building and hopes to enter the new auditorium this fall. Pastor Barrow is a member of Baptist State Mission Board of

Oregon and also moderator of his association.

Pastor Pete Franz, of Jeffersonville, Ind., assisted Pastor John E. Douglas in a revival at a rural church near Washington, Indiana, recently. Special prayer services were held before each worship service, one prayer group for youth and one for adults. Large attendance was in evidence at each service, with an overflow crowd on Sunday. Thirty-one were added to the church roll—twenty-five of whom were for baptism, ranging from ten to fifty-six years of age. Also there were 100 rededications on the closing night. The Sunday school has now reached 195, which is 98 per cent of the enrollment. Pastor Douglas is a product of the Kentucky Baptist Children's Home at Glendale.

Dr. Robert Lee Moore, President Emeritus since 1938 of Mars Hill College, died at his residence in Mars Hill, N. C., on December 16, 1949. He had been President of the Baptist mountain school of the Tar Heel State for forty-one years. He was born September 8, 1870, the son of Mary Ann Berry and Jesse Daniel Moore. He had 180 students his first year—1897. Year by year he built up the attendance, until he had 700 the year he retired. The acreage was increased from four acres to 100; and the two original dilapidated buildings have been augmented until the school now has a dozen. Likewise, the faculty of three was gradually increased to thirty-six.

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By Z. T. Connaway
Sullivan, Ky.

For the Work Of the Ministry

"For the work of the ministry"—Eph. 4:12.

(Continued from last week)

The Minister's Moral Qualification.

It is of utmost importance that the calling or office of the minister, a calling made of God, and filled by a man called of God, be filled with a man *filled with God*. My brethren, it matters little *who* we are, but it matters much *what* we are.

Some years ago a minister was called over the telephone. And someone said, "Will you come to house number so-and-so" (calling the number)? "The street is so-and-so" (calling the street). "Will you come immediately? A woman is dying, and she wants a preacher to come and say some word to her before she dies."

The minister answered, "I will come immediately." He took his wife, and they together went to the place. When they reached the house he knocked on the door. A voice within said, "Come!" They stepped inside. The room was dark, dirty, dingy. Over near a window was a cot. Upon it lay a poor, emaciated form. It was the wasted, diseased body of a scarlet woman. Sin had done its work. She was dying. "The wages of sin is

death." She finally, but hopefully turned her eyes toward the minister, and in a low whisper said, "Are you God's man?"

Oh, my brethren, above all else in this world, the preacher should be *God's man*. A man of God! From first to last, everywhere, in every place, under all circumstances and conditions! If the preacher is not morally sound, pure in character, he is lacking in a fundamental qualification for the holy ministry of the Word of God. "Take heed to thyself, and unto the doctrine"—(I Tim. 4:16). Notice *character* comes first. Character before teaching. "Keep thyself pure"—(I Tim. 5:22).

The Christian ministry is distinctly

a *spiritual* ministry, a ministry to give life. "I have come that ye might have life." "As the Father hath sent me, even so send I you." We as ministers are the special mediums through which the mystic life of the religion of the Lord Jesus Christ is to find its way unto others. But, alas, if these channels are contaminated with moral corrosion, defiled with the rust and putrefaction of an unclean and corrupt life, how then can we expect the Holy Spirit to work through us unto others to impart the vital saving life of Jesus Christ who was without sin? Loose, lax morals in the preacher are unthinkable! Such an one is deeply culpable. He is deceptive. His sin is like a canker; it is more: it is cancerous, and eats like gangrene at the very vitals of his own spiritual life!

The minister who continues to preach while his own life is besmirched and poisoned is like an adder, subtle, "despising the very flock of God." If the preacher does *not* live a "pure and undefiled religion," he will never lead others to live it. He should remember that he represents *the ministry of Christ*, and that he is a representative of Christ. He is an exponent of the Immaculate Son of God. Any sort of sex familiarity or indiscretion on the part of a minister of the gospel is to be severely condemned. Such a life leads to a fall from which there is scarcely any recovery. We are to be courteous, and confidential, but unceasingly vigilant. When a real breach has come between the herald of the Cross and Christ, he should not go on acting the hypocrite. The same door is open through which he entered the ministry. He can go out this door, rather than continue heaping reproach upon the "high calling in Christ Jesus." The preacher preaches to others and insists that they practice what he preaches. Shall he not practice his own preaching? At least well enough "that the ministry be not blamed" (II Cor. 6:3). If he does not, he is a colossal inconsistency. We have come upon a day when the people can say of some ministers, "Physician, heal thyself!" To be sure there are no perfect men, therefore, no hope for perfection in the ministry. But a preacher can be clean, straight, and honest.

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By J. W. Storer, Pastor
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Into The Air

"For ye shall speak into the air" (I Corinthians 14:9)

When Paul writes to Titus (2:8) about "sound speech"—he is not referring to radio! But it could be that Revelation 9:2, "The sun and the air were darkened," is descriptive of much which in the guise of religious broadcasts, goes out through the mystery of radio-dynamics. Nor should that description be help applicable only to religious broadcasts. There are certain commercials concerned with soap, smoke and stomach that make one long for the actuality on earth of another sentence from the Revelation, "There followed a silence in heaven for about the space of half an hour."

In all this fourteenth chapter of I Corinthians, the dominant note stressed by the Apostle is that of distinctness of thought and certitude in speech. There is, he says, no place for preaching which is not the proclamation, nor by the same token is there any excuse for language which is, either through design or by chance, obscure in its meaning and thereby difficult to understand. Words, he says, are to illumine truth, not to darken counsel!

Radio is equally an opportunity for the charlatan, the imposter, the demagogue, the grafter, the crack-pot (for some people tell best what they do not know), and for the plain preaching of the eternal Word of God.

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The pulpit is no place for either a Mr. Makebelieve, or for a Mr. Doubtful. In reply to all the modern critics of the churches and of Christianity, there is one unanswerable argument—it is the irrefutable argument of *experience*—the validity of which is recognized in every department of life and thought, in politics, in economics, in science, in religion.

For example, what is science if it is not the correlated results of experiences? It was this ground upon which stood the man born blind—you may read the story in the ninth of John—"One thing I know," he said, "that whereas I was blind, now I see!" He had not many words to say, but he had *much* to say—his witness was

definite, because his experience was positive.

Such faith rests on a foundation that lies far beyond the reach of things seen—it rests upon the pledged word of God—that Christ "loved me, and gave Himself for me."

You may never be a philosopher, but you can *know* the wisdom of God; you may never know Latin or Greek, but you can *know* the Alpha and the Omega; you may never be a botanist, but you can *know* the Rose of Sharon and the Lily of the Valley; you may never be an astronomer but you can know the Bright and Morning Star; you may never be an architect but you can know the Foundation and the Chief Corner Stone.

The wisest man is a fool without this knowledge, and the most foolish is wise with it.

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The cause of Christianity has not always been well served by controversy—it has advanced by testimony rather than by argument. Jesus never said, "Ye shall be My debaters"—He did say, "Ye shall be my witnesses."

All our intellectual concepts of Jesus are in vain unless we have had a *personal experience* with Him.

The Gospel is not offered as a creed for intellectual apprehension, but as life for personal appropriation. Many are the problems which confront us—domestic, social, national, international, educational, political—and certainly I am not saying that our church

should be indifferent to them, nor can we stand aloof from them. But our supreme business is in the realm of the spirit. We must have certitude, we cannot live in the enervating atmosphere of doubt or so called rationalistic criticism; we must find the bracing heights of evangelistic truth, of glowing experience, and from that height, speak into the air! Our churches must never cease to proclaim the Gospel of accepted faith in Christ's redemptive work, and show to the world an even more thoroughgoing exhibition of the Gospel's power in our own personal experience.

God's redemption is God's infinite mystery—the Bible so declares in I Timothy 3:16: "And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness." But such a mystery is not a justifiable cause for the rejection of Christianity. Indeed if He were understandable by us, then He should be rejected. Christianity is believable because it is unbelievable. Mystery, indeed! God was in Christ Jesus, reconciling the world unto Himself—men took Him to a cross—and watched Him die! Two men came and laid Him in a grave; it was sealed with the symbol of Roman authority, and hope was at an end. But He broke down death's pallid doors, crushed them beneath His feet, and made a bridge of them over which your loved ones and mine have walked, to enter the mansions not made with hands!

Mystery? To be sure! But please do not think that He who is from everlasting to everlasting, He who taketh up the hills as a very little thing, don't think that He in whose hands the oceans wildly writhe, don't think that He is to be divested of His mystery by such minds as yours and mine. But oh how companionable is He! He that watcheth over us doth not slumber nor sleep!

And this brings me to the concluding thought as I speak into the air—that this God of mystery and might, is the God of tenderness and light. What is God doing this morning? Making the worlds? Rolling out the tides?

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Pastor J. Ray Dobbins has just completed his first anniversary with the Beechmont Baptist Church, Louisville.

Evangelism calls for Bibles!

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By Ruby Dell Baugher
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I Have Been to Church Again

Last October *Western Recorder* published my I HAVE BEEN TO CHURCH and, judging from the response, the many letters that came to me because of it, a lot of people were rejoicing with me. I am grateful for each one of those letters. I have been in church again—three times, to be exact—and, if the editor of *Western Recorder* is willing, I shall tell its readers about my going.

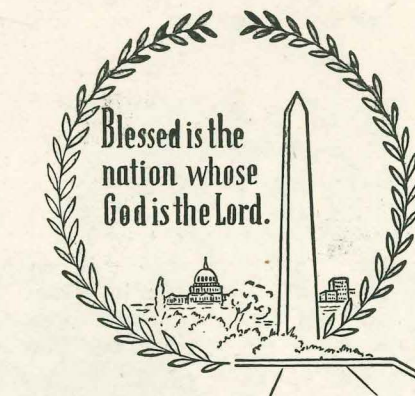
REV. RUSSELL DUNCAN and his Young People's Class who took me to their church, Memorial Baptist Church just outside this city, last July, the first time I had been in church in twenty years, started something that, to this shut-away-one, means a great deal. And, before I go on, I want to say that this good pastor and his young people have not changed; they are still coming to this room at regular intervals. The container of wrapped gifts that they brought me Christmas (the container itself being beautifully and painstakingly designed) still warms my heart every time I think of it. But, as I said in the beginning, their taking me to church started something. However, unless my condition changes, I cannot go to church again as they took me—even on as comfortable a bed as that was in the back seat of the pastor's car; the after-effects were too painful and lasted too long. Painful as it was, *they started something*; for that and for all they have done for me—God bless them!

On October 9 Grace Baptist Church in this city sent the MEYER ambulance to bring me to its morning worship. I lay on the ambulance cot throughout the service. And MR. MEYER and his assistant, MR. GAEKE, were very kind.

I was so happy to be in church again! And I was quite sure there would be no tear-spilling that morning when the music should begin. I told myself that was all out of my system; I figured that I cried at Memorial Baptist Church when the service started only because it was the first time I had been in church in such a long time. However, unexpected to me, the devotion began with

the playing of my favorite hymn, *My Jesus As Thou Wilt*. The pianist was playing it beautifully. Furthermore, I know she was doing it for me. In no time my throat was full of lumps and, even though I had resolved not to cry—I cried.

Then the pastor, REV. WALLACE V. DORRIS, by way of introduction, read my poem, *My Door*, the very first



poem in my first book. He commented on the last two lines,

And then annealing flames enshrouded me;
My door was closed, but God still holds the key.

and said they were in accord with the hymn, *My Jesus As Thou Wilt*, that had just been played. It was such a glorious opportunity—my being there! And how I enjoyed every minute of it!

The other two trips to church of which I wish to write, were for the privilege of seeing weddings in the Walnut Street Baptist Church of this city. How long had it been since I

had seen a wedding? More than twenty years. Again, for each occasion, the young couple sent the MEYER ambulance to bring me and I lay on the ambulance cot while I watched those blessed events taking place.

It was the afternoon of November 27 that EVELYN REED became the bride of JAMES HARRIS, a young Baptist minister. Ever since I had known that they wanted me to see them married I had looked forward to the afternoon—as much as I had looked forward to the coming of SANTA CLAUS a long time ago. Their invitation and assurance that the ambulance would come for me was so unexpected! I had not even dreamed of seeing a beautiful church wedding from a horizontal position.

It was an Indian Summer afternoon and there were evidences of the dying year. The trees had lost their brilliant hues and were standing bare-limbed in the dim sunshine. And the sky was like a blue scarf that had been handed down from generation to generation until it is so pale that it could scarcely be called blue. It was one of those in-between days when one can still be happy in the out-of-doors by remembering the beauty that has passed or the beauty that is coming.

Inside the church it was springtime instead of neither fall nor winter. From where I lay the altar decorations were beautiful, even though I was too far away to see what the pink and white flowers were. So was the flower-designed heart with a white arrow going through it, the candelabra, the glorious organ music while the crowd gathered, the little girl lighting the candles, the bridal solos—it was all beautiful and so new to me! Then came the wedding march, the one-by-one (except the bride on the arm of her father) coming of the wedding party, the ceremony—it was all so exquisitely graceful and too-soon over for one whose eyes had looked on the four walls of a room for such a long time, even one who can see through and beyond the walls.

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ATOMIC ENERGY—Using atomic energy only for the atomic bomb is like using electricity only for the electric chair.—*Origin Unknown*.

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By Frank M. Masters
Princeton, Ky.

"These Forty Years"

Commemorating Benjamin Connaway's fortieth anniversary as pastor of the First Baptist Church of Providence, Kentucky.

The First Baptist Church, Providence, Kentucky, observed the fortieth anniversary of their beloved pastor, BENJAMIN CONNAWAY, Sunday, January 22, 1950. Extensive preparations had been made for the all-day program. The church was beautifully decorated with choice flowers. The attendance was large, and would have been more representative from other communities had it not been for the flooded highways in every direction.

The morning worship was conducted by PASTOR CONNAWAY. Some reminiscences of the long pastorate, pre-

pared by a committee, were read by BROTHER T. T. MORRIS, who was a member of the church when BROTHER CONNAWAY became pastor forty years ago. It was a great joy to the writer to be present, and give the message of the morning, using the text, "These forty years the Lord thy God hath been with thee; thou hast lacked nothing" (Deut. 2:7).

At the noon hour the large congregation was served by fifties to an old fashioned plate lunch in the basement of the church. In the program of the

afternoon, special music was rendered by the excellent church choir with MRS. J. D. RAYBORN at the organ. Z. T. CONNAWAY, pastor at Sullivan, Kentucky, a brother of the pastor, led in the opening prayer. CLARENCE JONES, a member of the church, extended a welcome to other denominations of the town, and REV. S. R. GILLIAM, pastor of the Methodist Church, responded. C. O. SIMPSON, Clay, Kentucky, long pastor on the Ohio Valley Association, delivered the closing message on "God's Ministers."

On Friday evening, January 20, PASTOR CONNAWAY was called by phone about six o'clock to come to the church for a few minutes. He was surprised to find a large congregation awaiting him and supper prepared in the basement, and a shower of envelopes containing money and a great mound of packages in the church auditorium. Only a short time before, PASTOR CONNAWAY had been the recipient of another surprise, when the church presented him a deed to a valuable piece of residential property.

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Pastor Benjamin Connaway of the First Baptist Church in Providence, was honored on the fortieth anniversary of his pastorate with special services at the church. The picture above was made at the morning service and shows seated in front of the choir (left to right) Dr. Frank M. Masters, Pastor Connaway, and Dr. C. O. Simpson. Monroe Travis is shown directing the choir with Mrs. J. D. Rayburn as organist.

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The Minister's Message.

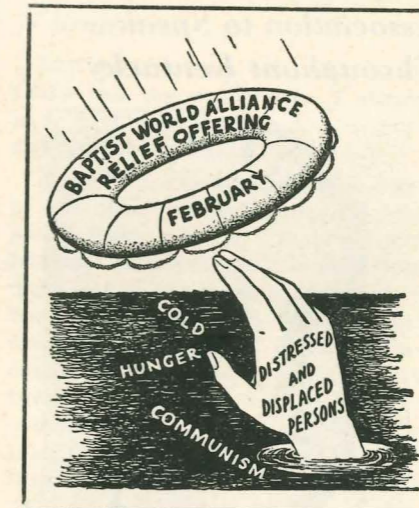
"Preach the word." "Preach the preaching that I bid thee." And the Lord said unto him, who hath made man's mouth? . . . have not I the Lord? Now therefore go, and I will be with thy mouth, and teach thee what thou shalt say"—(Exo. 4:11-12).

The importance of preaching can scarcely be overestimated. "It was God's good pleasure through the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe"—(I Cor. 1:21). But preaching the kind of preaching that God has bidden and the kind that saves involves more than opening the mouth. Sometimes a preacher should keep his mouth closed; especially when he has nothing to say, or worse than nothing. Silence may be gold in the preacher as well as others. However, whether in season or out of season, the preacher should have a life-producing message. Ours is a reading age; it is an age of teaching; but these cannot take the place of preaching. Reading may make a full man; teaching may inform. Men need information. But one of the profound needs of this hour is the uncompromising and whole-hearted preaching of the gospel of Jesus Christ. Teaching "experts" (?) and "presiding elders" (?) in many instances have led our people actually to minimize the importance of the preaching. Lots of the teaching is hollow. Much of it is a farce, an empty performance. One reason for this, perhaps, is that insufficient time is given in preparation. Also, many teachers are not proficient.

Now, the preacher's message should be constructed with one purpose in view. And that is to reach and bless the people. His message is not an oration. It is not built on standards of literary excellencies. These qualities are not to be ignored. The religious needs of all men are substantially and virtually the same. And the contents or substance of the message and every good sermon must, therefore, be the same. Sin is everywhere. Sorrow is universal. Discouragement and despair are abroad. Confusion and darkness, more or less, find their way into almost every soul.

And there is but one message in all the world that can bless and save, comfort, illuminate, inspire, and lead to God and that is the story of the crucified Christ.

A big business man in a large city sometime ago wrote in a magazine his view and conviction as to the man in the pulpit. He said in substance, "What we need, and what we want when we go to church on Sunday is a burning gospel message. We do not want science, literature, philosophy, economics, dissertations on current affairs: but we want a living message from the Word of God. One that will



prove an inspiration and a practical help in everyday life."

Brethren we are God's spokesmen. God has said that "Man shall not live by bread alone." God has given us the living, inspired Word, and nothing other than this will feed men's souls, and assure them of forgiveness of sin, and eternal life, and victory over death and the grave.

Stories of dead people may move and stir living people to tears, but they will not move and stir and make alive people dead in trespasses and sins. The gospel earnestly preached has not lost its power or attraction. Of course the gospel should be adorned. "Adorn the gospel." Its richest adornment is a life filled with the Spirit. We can and should illuminate the gospel. In this the Holy Spirit has his

place. Illumination is illustration. This was Christ's manner or method of illumination. This is the manner of his teaching. And if it is true that Jesus was pre-eminently a teacher, He taught that the preacher should be pre-eminently a preacher. And the work of the ministry is that of preaching the gospel of the Son of God.

Sometimes the preacher thinks he has run out of something to preach. He begins to scramble and scratch; he grows desperate. He almost sweats blood. But when he comes to himself, and finds his place, he learns again that the Bible holds his message. The Bible is his Book. "Give me the Book. There is just one Book." Certainly the preacher should have that, know it, and preach it.

Virginia Pastor Begins 42nd Year With Church

NORFOLK, Va.—(BP)—The Rev. Sparks W. Melton, D.D., has begun his 42nd year as pastor of Norfolk's Freemason Street Baptist Church.

Dr. Melton began his pastorate here in December, 1908, coming from the First Baptist Church of Augusta, Ga. Until quite recent years he had seldom taken a vacation which would take him from his pulpit for more than one Sunday.

No other living minister has served so long in one pastorate in Norfolk, and there is no definite record of any other minister in the city's history who has served one pulpit longer than 40 years.

Six years ago Dr. Melton was designated as Norfolk's First Citizen, an annual award by the Cosmopolitan Club. In many respects he has been generally regarded as Norfolk's first citizen for many years. He is a graduate of Richmond College (now the University of Richmond) and Crozer Seminary. He is vice-rector of the University of Richmond, and has long been active in Crozer's affairs.

Dr. Melton's church celebrated its 100th anniversary last year. He has never had an assistant pastor, though his church, a downtown church, has grown to an active membership of about 1,150.

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Before we left my room, MR. GAEKE had asked if there were something special that I would like to see along the way returning. Visitors had been telling me that Main Street was dressed up for Christmas; I told him that I would like to see the decorations. So he drove the ambulance slowly where the gayest trimmings were. The display in the store windows was not the only attraction for me; as we rolled toward the foot of Main Street, the sun was low over the Ohio River, the nearest a sunset I have seen since I left my Kentucky home in 1945. It was a picture that only the MASTER ARTIST could paint—the sun, the river, and the waves from shore to shore in varicolored hues. It touched me deeply that I should arrive just at the right moment; it was as if God had planned it for me. Turning there, MR. GAEKE drove slowly along the way we had come that I might see the Christmas displays on the other side of the street. And they were even more beautiful than the side I had seen because the sun was, by then, shining almost horizontally on the tinsel and the greenery, thus lighting it with the glitter and splendor of fairyland. I am sure that God has blessed that ambulance owner and his assistant for the joy they gave me that day.

In the evening of that day, the young couple I had seen united in marriage came to this room, the little bride still wearing her lovely wedding gown and veil and carrying her flowers that I might see her at close range. She asked her groom to straighten out the full train that I might enjoy its exquisite beauty of filmy lace and shimmering satin. She showed me the "something old," a lace-edged handkerchief which she carried, her "something blue," a gift from the groom, and even the coin she had in her shoe. Also, they brought the maid of honor's bouquet and a piece of the wedding cake for me to enjoy—the perishables of that day's happenings—the memory of their thoughtfulness will *always* be sweet.

In the evening of December 26, ELEANOR REED, twin to the bride of

November 27, and her fiancé, JERRY SMITH, also a young Baptist minister, came to tell me they had set the time for their wedding, January 22 at 8:30 in the morning, and would send an ambulance to bring me to the church. So, here was another joyous occasion to which I could look forward. It was a pleasure just to think about it and to feel wanted.

The morning of January 22 was dark and rainy. Again the MEYER ambulance came for me. And I, on

Moderator of General Association to Speak Throughout Kentucky



Robert E. Humphreys

(KBN)—Dr. Robert E. Humphreys, pastor First Baptist Church, Owensboro, and Moderator of the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky, will bring the Evangelistic Messages for the Stewardship and Evangelistic Regional Conferences, sponsored by the Baptist State Board of Missions, March 7-10; March 21-24. Dr. Humphreys will speak at Williamsburg, Pikeville, Harrodsburg, Covington-First Church, Paducah-Immanuel, Madisonville, Glasgow, and Leitchfield.

the ambulance cot, was given a place in the church where I could see all that would take place to a much better advantage than at the November wedding.

There was the majesty of organ music, the beauty of white gladioli and pink roses, the switching off of lights that had dispelled the darkness, and little girls lighting the candles. There were the songs so sacred in all weddings. And, in no time, it seemed, there was the bride, a figure of loveliness in snowy lace and satin, standing beside her groom and the minister was praying. I found myself praying with him. The sacred nuptials were soon over, another beautiful wedding consummated—and I was back in this room.

In the afternoon of that day, the bridal couple, attired for going away, came to see me. The little bride brought her flowers, white rosebuds with loops and streamers of white satin ribbon, and gave them to me. As they lay here on the bed beside me—snowy petals and shimmering satin—they seemed a symbol of something holy, the pure beginning of a Christian home.

I have been in church three times in the last three months—to attend a morning worship service and to see two sacred weddings. And the blessed privilege might never have come my way had not the pastor and Young People's Class of Memorial Baptist Church been mindful of me. I am not only grateful that I have been the recipient of so much beauty and kindness, but I am grateful that each one whom I have mentioned had so much beauty and kindness to give. God bless them all!

Lawrenceburg Gifts To Go Fifty-Fifty In Nineteen Fifty

LAWRENCEBURG, Ky., February 10.—The First Baptist Church of Lawrenceburg has gone fifty-fifty in 1950. A budget of \$15,000 has been adopted for 1950, with \$7,500 going to local causes and \$7,500 designated to outside causes. Most of this will go through the Cooperative Program, according to Pastor Levon Moore.

GIVE to
American Bible Society, Feb. 26

February 16, 1950

By Vincent B. Appleton
Salvisa, Ky.

Salvisa's Pastor Appleton Sponsors The Cause of the D. P. Families

For a realistic approach to missions apply for, and get a D. P. family. We have said, "When Baptists know, Baptists will do." One of the fastest ways to know is to have a D. P. family come into the church community.

Families in our church who said that they thought "All non-English-speaking peoples should be kept out of America," have responded with enthusiasm in this worthy humanitarian and scriptural project. People who said they "would not give a dime for *furigners* to come here," were among those to see the opportunity and help needy humanity.

Last spring when information was sent out from the Southern Baptist Relief Committee in New Orleans about the need for placing D. P. families in the South, this writer put the article in the church bulletin. An interested farmer gave the name of his associate and employer as one who might be able to use such a family. Negotiations were soon started. That was in April, but the family did not arrive until November. In the meantime the pastor and other interested members prepared the way for their coming. The sponsor guaranteed: (1) a job, (2) a place to live, (3) provided money for transportation from the port of entry, (4) assured the family of any necessary hospitalization. The church (1) redecorated the house, (2) furnished the four rooms with furniture and became genuinely interested in their coming to our community.

The coming of Szpaks has already proved a tremendous blessing to our people. It has helped us to see the needs of other countries; enabled our members to crystalize their willingness into action; has given every member a part in following the scripture, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me." It caused a needy Polish Baptist family to know that Kentucky Baptists are

trying to be true co-laborers in Christ. It has reduced by four the number who remain homeless and helpless in Europe.

There are some 2,400 Baptist families in D. P. camps according to certain reports. If every tenth church would allow itself this wonderful blessing there would not be enough families to go around. Surely one

Whodonit?

Miff is my name. No, not really; that's just the way I act. I always have a chip on my shoulder and it's not much trouble to knock it off.

No, I never say much about a slight at the time. I just pout and stay away from services. Sometimes it happens in the Sunday school class. Then, sometimes it seems the preacher has directed a remark at me. And then . . . W-h-i-f-f! . . . there goes my chip. I drop out of everything until they notice it, and if they don't grieve over my absence and come running, then I'll start telling how inattentive they are, especially toward ME. "That's such a cold church. A person could be away for months and they'd never even notice it." It never occurs to me that I could stand considerable defrosting, myself.—I. M. P. Culliar.

church in ten can take a family. These people will make a missionary impact upon any community into which they come, and focus a consciousness upon our duty to our fellow Baptists. If one interested member, whether it be the pastor or a layman, would take to heart this challenge, responsibility and opportunity, many of our churches would be greatly blessed, as would be the people concerned.

To secure a D. P. family is not an idyllic dream. Rather it is a realistic approach whereby the ethical teachings of Jesus are taken to heart. It

is a project that requires someone to show an interest. A church does not have to be large. The church that helped sponsor the Szpaks—the Salvisa Baptist—has fewer than 200 members. But by the time people anticipate their coming, plan for it, donate furniture, redecorate the house, give a couple dozen chickens and then witness the joy and thankfulness of the family, to be sure their interest in mankind is stimulated.

The Szpaks came to America because they like the liberty here. "There is no liberty in Poland today," said Mr. Szpak. They felt that there is more freedom in America than any country. Last week, Andrej Szpak, and Hartina, his wife, brought their two youngest children, Eugenia 20, and Aleksy 18, and came to our land.

After two years as slaves for the Germans in Bad-Lebenstein, Germany, they were liberated by American soldiers. From 1945 until coming to America they stayed in a D. P. Camp. Their home was Lniniec, Poland, until 1943, when they were "deported" by the Germans and sent to work in a bicycle factory for four cents a day.

They have five children whom they have not seen nor heard from since 1942. Three married daughters and a married son, and their families, were taken a year earlier to work somewhere, along with an unmarried daughter and son. The parents dared not return to their homeland in Poland after the war, because the Russians have taken over that section of the country. They hope sometime in the future to be able to get in touch with some of their family, but are still fearful of reprisals by the Russian police against their loved ones if they should write to them at this time.

The first act of kindness on the part of their sponsor, Mr. Lawrence Brewer, of Lexington, brought a warm hearted welcome from Eugenia, the only one who speaks English fairly well. Because of the language difficulty they had not eaten during their last day on the train from New York to Lexington. As each stood behind his chair in a Lexington cafeteria and gave thanks unto God, gratitude was shown. After they were seated, Eugenia turned to their new sponsor whom they called "chief," and to their new pastor, the writer—Vincent Appleton—and said, "You were so good to help us come to America."

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Will America Wake Up In Time?

Through the courtesy of PRESIDENT D. C. SPARKS, Oneida Baptist Institute, Oneida, Ky., this editor has on his desk, open now before him, some copies of the *USSR Information Bulletin*—a 34-page communistic magazine—printed on beautiful paper and with covers in color.

This magazine extols the present communistic regime in Russia and in other countries behind the Iron Curtain. It is loaded with dangerous propaganda and pictures of Russian leaders and their supposed achievements.

Not only does this USSR magazine praise the Russian communistic system of government, but it openly declares that the United States system is dangerous and destructive to the best interests of our people. The United States flag, the Statue of Liberty, the precious heritage of Americans—all are held up to ridicule.

The December 22 issue of *USSR Information Bulletin* was done in a most attractive fashion to catch the attention of Christmas-loving Americans. The cover carried evergreen trees covered with snow and printed in full color. The entire issue, from cover to cover, magnifies JOSEPH STALIN. In other words, and in true communistic spirit, CHRIST was taken out of Christmas and STALIN substituted.

And where is this magazine printed? Almost under the shadow of our Capitol in Washington, D. C. Twice each month this spreader of Russian propaganda goes out through the United States mails from Washington, D. C., under permit No. 5562, secured and paid for at Washington.

And to whom is it sent? These copies on our desk were sent free of charge to the Library of Oneida Baptist Institute, Oneida, Ky. The libraries of our schools all over the country, it is reported, are being flooded with this kind of Russian propaganda. PRESIDENT SPARKS is careful to see that the magazines do not come before the students, and no doubt other schools are as careful. But are all of them as careful?

And yet the whole thing is going on right under the eyes of the United States Government and our mail system is being used to scatter it to the people—to the young people when they are most impressionable.

This is a land of free speech. The freedom of the press is a treasured heritage. But we believe it is high time we started curtailing the liberties of those who would destroy our liberties. A hungry man breaks into a grocery store and steals a

little food to keep from starving, and he is put into jail to sweat out the penalty. But under the guise of the freedom of the press and speech these people from the Embassy of the Union of Soviet Socialistic Republics at 2212 Massachusetts Avenue N.W., Washington 8, D. C., break into this land to take away the most precious thing we possess—our liberties.

How long would Russia permit American propaganda to go through Russian mails—propaganda decrying Russia and extoling America's way of life? "But," it is replied, "that is Russia and this is the United States." We reply, How long will America be America? There are those who do not know how to deal with this subtle propaganda. Their minds make fertile fields for communistic planting. And the seeds are being sown, and the postal service is carrying them to the planting.

How long will America be America?

When will America wake up?

►NORTH CAROLINA MOVES TO RECONSIDER: According to reports reaching us, the General Board of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina has moved to reconsider its action to accept Federal funds for the Baptist hospital of that state. A special session of the State Convention is to be held not later than April 15 to take final action—perhaps to reverse that taken by the General Board if such reversal is found to be legally possible. The hospital authorities have been instructed to keep intact the Federal funds received.

►Quote Magazine states that Pope Pius XI said: "A federation of Christians is inconceivable in which each member retains his own opinions and private judgments in matters of faith."

In other words the Pope thought that organized groups of Christians will of necessity be compelled to surrender their opinion and personal judgment in all matters of faith. But each member of a Baptist church has the right to exercise his own judgment and to hold his own opinion—reading the Bible for himself and interpreting it for himself. We would that the Pope and his millions of followers could know the sweetness of personal, religious liberty.

►Vice President Barkley is said to have complained recently that there was a stream of air blowing by his seat in the Senate Chamber which would give him a cold, and he demanded that something be done about it. Mr. Barkley has been there a long time not to have discovered that wind until now.

The Survey Bulletin

By PORTER ROUTH

Facts of Interest

... There is a larger per cent of the population 14 years of age and older married than ever before in the history of the U. S., according to the Census Bureau. In 1890, only 53 per cent of the population 14 years and over were married. In 1940, the per cent had climbed to 60, and today it stands at 67.

... The Citizens Committee of Massachusetts, Inc., has estimated that a possible \$31.5 billion is spent each year in the U. S. in gambling on races, sports, number pools, and slot machines. They estimate there were 100,000 bookmakers in the U. S. dealing in off-track betting.

... Dr. Harold C. Urey, Nobel Prize winner at the University of Chicago, told a New York audience that it had been reported regarding the proposed hydrogen bomb "if such bombs were dropped off the Pacific Coast of the United States, the prevailing winds would carry the radioactivity over the country and would result in the extinction of all forms of life."

... It is estimated that New York has 500,000 alcoholics, and each one costs his community about \$1,500 annually.

In the World of Religion

... A New York Court decision has blocked the proposed merger of the Congregational Christian churches and the Evangelical and Reformed Church. The judge ruled that the polity of the Congregational churches "is that system of church organization which recognized the independence and autonomy of the local church in all matters temporal or spiritual, and the association of churches, through voluntary, independent organizations devised for fellowship and co-operation is without ecclesiastical authority."

... The Methodist Commission on Entertainment of the General Conference has listed the following reasons for its decision to hold the next General Conference in San Francisco on April 23, 1952: (1) Major world issues of the future may center in those territories facing on the Pacific ocean; (2) the rapid growth of population in the West; (3) to demonstrate that the Methodist Church has a world, rather than a provincial, outlook.

... In a study of evangelical churches in metropolitan centers in the East,

Central West, and West, Dr. H. Paul Douglas reports that during the past fifteen years the church membership has gained by 15.5 per cent, but Sunday school enrolment has dropped 18.8 per cent. He did not study the South and Southwest.

... The Temperance League of America and the National Temperance Movement have united.

... Vatican officials have been encouraged to believe that Franklin C. Gowen, assistant to Myron C. Taylor, will return to Rome after consultation with State Department officials. Mrs. Gowen is remaining in Rome while her husband goes to Washington.

Baptist Highlights

... Dr. W. E. Richardson has been elected president of Cumberland Uni-

versity, Tennessee Baptist College located at Lebanon.

... Mrs. Minnie L. Guyton has resigned as executive secretary of the Arizona WMU.

... There were 4,721 Baptist churches in the Southern Baptist Convention not reporting baptisms in 1949. This compared with 5,040 churches in 1948.

... Dr. Harry H. Clark, one-time president of Judson College, recently suffered a stroke and is in the Madison Sanitarium, Madison, Tennessee. ... Southern Baptist editors met in Fort Worth last week.

... There were 27,286 churches which reported to Southern Baptist associations during 1949. This compares with 26,822 churches reporting in 1948.

... The Immanuel Baptist Church of Wichita, Kansas, has voted to affiliate with the Southern Baptist Convention. The church has voted to retain its relationship with the Northern Baptist Convention. George D. McClellan is the pastor.

Keep The Record Clear

By ROLAND Q. LEAVELL, President
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NEW ORLEANS, La., January 26.—Recently a prominent speaker in a state-wide meeting made the statement, "Now since our three Seminaries have stopped doing Bible Institute work, the Southern Baptist Convention should build Bible Institutes rather than new Seminaries, etc." Let's get the record straight.

When the name Baptist Bible Institute was changed to New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, not one single point in policy or curriculum was changed. **Not one jot or one tittle was changed regarding admission of students without college or high school credits. There are actually more such students in our school today than ever before in our thirty-two years of history, even though both the number and the percentage of college trained students have gone up amazingly.**

This session we have exactly 400 students with college credits working for degrees and 138 students without college credits working for certificates. Separate classes are given for the two groups, although the same instructors teach both. An award of a certificate of graduation is given for two years of successful work in the "certificate classes." Our Seminary department for degree students maintains as high standards for entrance, curriculum, faculty, credits and degrees as any Seminary in the nation. No academic or scholastic credits are demanded for entrance of certificate students.

In my inaugural address, October 1, 1946, I said: "So long as I am President I never expect to see the time when the non-college men shall not be welcomed into our institution. Yet the policy already established is both fair and wise, namely, that there shall be separate classes for college and non-college groups. Our Seminary gives degrees to college trained students only, giving certificates to those who have not had the privilege of higher training." That has not been, and will not be, changed.

Sunday School Lesson

By H. C. CHILES, Murray, Ky.

For February 19, 1950

The Fight For Christian Freedom

Acts 15:1-6, 22-29; Galatians 2:16.

From the very first time when the gospel was preached in Antioch, the people had been assured that if they would believe on the Lord Jesus Christ they would be saved. Consequently, many believed this truth, accepted Christ as their Saviour, received salvation and went on their way rejoicing. As they lived and labored for the Lord in the church there, He blessed their efforts in a wonderful way. In the meantime a difficult problem arose, and with its solution this lesson is concerned.

I. The Dispute (Acts 15:1-6)

Wherever the whole gospel of Christ has been preached either men have proposed a substitute for it or they have sought to change it. To Antioch, where Paul and Barnabas had preached salvation by grace through faith in Christ, certain teachers came from Judea and started a controversy. Who they were, we do not know, but what they taught is clearly stated. They bluntly denied the sufficiency of faith in Christ for salvation. Very emphatically they declared that believers in Christ could not be saved unless they were circumcised. Earnestly and boldly they taught error as if it were truth. And their attempt to add something to the finished work of Christ, by saying that circumcision was necessary to salvation, brought confusion. Their agitation caused a great controversy over the question, *Can Christ alone save or does salvation come through Christ plus something else?*

Paul and Barnabas refuted the false teachings of these unnamed teachers. The thing that aroused the apostles was not the mere observance of the rite of circumcision itself, but the attempt of these false teachers to make it a condition of salvation. After disputing with them for some time, they realized that these men could not be persuaded to give up their pernicious and erroneous teachings.

Due to the seriousness of the situation, it was decided that the thing to do was to go up to Jerusalem and consult with the apostles and the elders about this important matter. They

wanted a ruling which would settle this question once and for all. As they journeyed toward Jerusalem they told about their success in their work with the Gentiles. Many rejoiced with them, but there was also some critical opposition from the Judaizers.

II. The Decision (Acts 15:22-29)

When the apostles and elders had formally convened the council, the problem at Antioch was presented with the hope of obtaining a ruling on the question of whether salvation is all of grace or partly of grace and partly of works. We do not know how many participated in the lengthy discussion of this famous assembly. First, Peter delivered an extended discourse in which he took the side of Paul and Barnabas, appealing to history (vss. 7-9), experience (v. 10), and essential truth (v. 11). Following Peter, Barnabas and Paul were heard as they stated the facts and gave their testimony (v. 12). Then, after a full discussion, James, the half-brother of our Lord and the President of the council, summarized what had been said and proposed a definite decision. He concluded his address with the statement that Jews and Gentiles are saved on exactly the same terms, namely, by grace through faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.

After the believers in Christ had waited upon Him, discussed fully the question under consideration, examined the matter from every angle, and ascertained the mind of the Holy Spirit (v. 28), they were unanimous in their decision that justification is by grace through faith plus nothing.

It is not surprising that some of the Jews had difficulty in understanding this message of salvation by grace through faith in Christ, because the proud heart of man does not like the idea that it cannot do something to save itself. Somehow man feels that there is something he ought to do to assist the Lord in saving him. He has been slow to realize that there is absolutely nothing that he can add to the redeeming work of Christ as the ground of his salvation. How strange

that through the centuries there has been a determined effort on the part of many to do that when God has said that it is an impossibility!

III. The Declaration (Gal. 2:16)

God's Word plainly declares that the works of the law have nothing to do with justification before God. Justification is by grace through faith in Jesus Christ apart from works of any kind. Christianity is the only religion which teaches justification by grace through faith as the way of salvation; all others more or less teach salvation by works. In Romans 4:5 we read, *"But to him that worketh not, but believeth on Him that justifieth the ungodly, his faith is counted for righteousness."* Works are the fruit of salvation, but they are never the fountain of salvation. *"By the works of the law shall no flesh be justified."* We are saved to serve, but we do not serve to be saved. God's Word repeatedly declares that Christ saves when people exercise faith in Him, and that He does so apart from works. *"For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them"* (Ephesians 2:8-10). *Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost"* (Titus 3:5). *"Who hath saved us, and called us with an holy calling, not according to our works, but according to his own purpose and grace"* (II Timothy 1:9).

The only place any man can be justified by works is in his own sight or in the estimation of other people who refuse to believe what the Bible teaches. He is never satisfied by works in the sight of God, which is the important place after all. *"But that no man is justified by the law in the sight of God, it is evident: for, The just shall live by faith"* (Galatians 3:11). According to the Word of God, salvation is ours on the basis of faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. In Acts 16:30-31 we read, *"What must I do to be saved?"* and the answer, *"Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved."* Christ will save any and all who will believe on Him.

Sunday School Department

W. A. GARDINER, State Secretary

Standard Sunday Schools

The following have been added to the list of Standard Sunday schools.

Hustonville—Pastor Oscar F. Davis; Superintendent John T. Porter.

Casky—Pastor Harold O. Waitman; Superintendent L. S. Petty.

Kitts—Pastor Orie Angel; Superintendent Roy Adams.

Kentucky Leads South Again

Kentucky is again leading the South in the number of Standard Sunday schools with the following standings for the four months of October, November, December and January:

Kentucky	110
Florida	36
Texas	36
Georgia	32
New Mexico	32

Congratulations to Florida for tying Texas for second place and to New Mexico for the large number of standard schools with the small number of churches in the state.

The Ten Leading Churches in Training

For the four months which ended the last day in January, the following is a list of the churches leading in the total number of awards:

Lexington, Porter Memorial	184
Lexington, Grace	140
Madisonville, First	115
Louisville, Victory Memorial	104
Mayfield, First	101
Barbourville	101
Louisville, Highland Park	99
Louisville, Carlisle Avenue	95
Covington, Latonia	76
New Salem (Nelson)	70

How Associations Stand in Standards

The following is the order in which the leading associations stood as to the number of standard Sunday schools at the close of January:

Laurel River	16
Ten Mile	13
Nelson	9
Elkhorn	9
Campbell County	6
Long Run	6
Daviess-McLean	5
Greenup	5
North Bend	5

Is your Sunday school standard? The requirements are very important and we hope you will use the standard and also the class and department standards for the improvement of your work.

Russell Springs

Pastor Simpson B. Rowe states that his Sunday school attendance at Russell Springs has gone from 140 to 200

since last Spring. He is teaching his people the book, "Studies in Acts."

Good School at Lebanon Junction

Pastor Joe Canzoneri reports that he is teaching a large number of people the book, "Studies in Acts." If there had been no flood of two thirds of the town, he thinks his attendance would have run to 150 instead of eighty-one.

American Bible Society Day

February 26 has been set as American Bible Society Day by the Kentucky Baptist Executive Board. All Baptists should contribute to the spread of the Bible, the Baptist Book. The World needs the Bible and we need to give it to the world.

SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

February 5, 1950

Church	Missions	Total
Louisville, Walnut St. (4)	349	1,797
Louisville, Ninth and O (1)	277	1,494
Louisville, Carlisle Ave. (2)	268	1,216
Harrodsburg (4)	217	1,088
Lexington, Ashland (2)	180	1,047
Owensboro, First (1)	91	1,044
Lexington, Porter Memorial (2)	305	1,023
Bowling Green, First (1)	31	918
Evansville, Ind., Grace (3)	338	912
Covington, Latonia (2)	213	858
Louisville, Crescent Hill (1)	91	846
Louisville, Victory Memorial (1)	182	846
Mayfield, First	802	802
Frankfort, First (1)	83	783
Owensboro, Third	774	774
Murray, First	758	758
Madisonville, First	754	754
Lexington, Immanuel	746	746
Louisville, Baptist Tabernacle	736	736
Lexington, Calvary (1)	34	718
Somerset, First	708	708
Paducah, Immanuel (2)	114	688
Louisville, W. Bdwy. (1)	66	688
Louisville, Beechmont	678	678
Evansville, Ind., Calvary (2)	190	660
Newport, First (1)	48	649
Covington, Calvary	602	602
Ashland, Pollard (1)	50	602
Hopkinsville, Second	599	599
Lexington, Grace	589	589
Danville, First (2)	73	574
Louisville, 23rd and Bdwy.	569	569
Elizabethtown, Severns Valley	560	560
Middlesboro, First	551	551
Louisville, Meadow Home (1)	42	544
Glasgow (1)	13	544
Louisville, Clifton (1)	89	542
Hopkinsville, First	530	530
Princeton, First	541	541
Louisville, Highland (2)	142	540
Louisville, St. Matthews	529	529
Lebanon	524	524
Louisville, Eastern Pkwy.	521	521
Danville, Lexington Ave. (1)	50	519
Shively	514	514
London, First (1)	23	504
Louisville, Deer Park	489	489
Owensboro, Hall Street (1)	53	489
Corbin, First	488	488
Fulton, First	475	475
Barbourville, First (1)	139	470
Paducah, First (1)	42	470
Hodgenville, First (1)	28	462
Henderson, Audubon (1)	82	454
Franklin, First (1)	37	444
Henderson, First	439	439
Campbellsville (1)	38	435
Corbin, Central	432	432
Henderson, Immanuel	431	431
Pineville, First (2)	52	427
Covington, Southside	426	426
Erlanger (1)	43	420
Williamsburg, First	419	419
Bellevue	413	413
Morganfield (1)	40	413
Central City, First	412	412
Louisville, Third Ave. (1)	22	403
Winchester, Central	400	400
Louisville, Immanuel (1)	48	398
South Jefferson (near L'ville)	397	397
Louisville, Hazelwood	386	386
Paducah, Twelfth Street (1)	110	377
Owensboro, Eaton Memorial (1)	24	356
Cynthiana (2)	82	352
Louisville, Southside	351	351
Dayton, Ohio, Westside (1)	33	348
Winchester, First	348	348
Louisville, Franklin St.	347	347
Greenville, First	338	338
Versailles	328	328
Stearns, First	328	328
Middlesboro, E. Cumberland Ave.	321	321
Brookville, Ind., Blooming Grove	304	304
Louisville, Shawnee	308	308
Willisburg	298	298
Evansville, Ind., Walnut St.	297	297
Jellico, Tenn., First	293	293
Crestwood, Ky., Crestwood	291	291
Evansville Ind., Temple	290	290
Lexington, South Elkhorn (1)	35	282
Hazard, Petrey Memorial (2)	97	282
Louisville, Gethsemane (2)	39	280
Pikeville	278	278
Owensboro, Seven Hills	277	277
Cumberland (1)	27	274
Ludlow, First (1)	13	273
Middletown, First	272	272
Frankfort, Thorn Hill	270	270
Hima, Horse Creek (1)	59	268
LaGrange, DeHaven Memorial	265	265
Middlesboro, Old Yellow Creek	264	264
Paducah, Trinity	263	263
Pleasant Hill (near Campbellsville)	262	262
Louisville, Kenwood	259	259
Louisville, Baptist Temple	257	257
Hall's Gap, Fairview	256	256
Sturgis, First	253	253
Monticello, First	250	250
Russellville, First	248	248
Louisville, East	247	247
Columbian (2)	79	244
Lawrenceburg, First	243	243
Hartford	241	241
Sand Spring (near Lawrenceburg)	241	241
South Campbellsville	237	237
Auburn	237	237
Russell Springs, First	237	237
Bardstown	235	235
Oneida	235	235
Bruner's Chapel (near Harrodsburg)	228	228
Lexington, Hillcrest	225	225
Whitley City, First	219	219
Vine Grove	217	217
Owensboro, Crabtree Ave.	215	215
Scottsville	214	214
Owenton	211	211
Ferguson	207	207
Albany (1)	45	207
Deep Creek (near Harrodsburg)	205	205
Lee's Lane (near Louisville)	205	205
Hazel	203	203
Dayton, First	201	201
Harrodsburg, Bethel	200	200

Baptist Training Union Department

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Suggested Training Union Activities For Churches and Associations

1. Set Up a Calendar of Training Union Work in Each Church and Each Association.

2. Work By the Standards.

Every Training Union, every union, every department, all Story Hour Units, all Story Hour Departments, and all associational organizations should use their respective Standards as guides for all of their work.

3. Study Course Promotion.

- (1) Promote study course work throughout the year.
- (2) Conduct a graded all-church study course in soul-winning in March, the convention-wide Training Union Study Course Month. Invite all church members.
- (3) Promote a church membership or doctrinal study course for all age groups following every revival meeting.

4. Enlarge the Training Union.

Teach methods books in September, and work definitely to add new unions and Story Hours. Make a survey of possibilities for membership and expand the organization as needed.

5. Do Some Extension Work.

All associations should promote a perennial program of extension work. Every local Training Union should help some other church with its Training Union work every quarter. This may take the form of organizing a new union or Training Union, or teaching study courses. Report this work to the state Training Union Department.

6. Promote the Bible Reading and Prayer Meeting Attendance Crusades.

Training Unions in all churches should join the crusade to enlist all of the church members in reading the Bible and praying daily, following the Training Union Bible Readers' Course. Use Open Windows in this crusade.

Every Training Union should join the crusade to enlist all of the church members in attending prayer meeting.

7. Observe Youth Week.

Observe Youth Week April 2-9, or at some other convenient time. The

associational organization should promote this in every church. A free tract, outlining the plan, is available from the state Training Union department or the Training Union Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tennessee.

8. Observe Christian Home Week.

Christian Home Week in 1950 will be May 7-14. The Training Union and Sunday school forces should combine to make this a great success.

9. Attend a Summer Assembly.

Every church should be represented at its state assembly, and if possible at the Southern Baptist Training Union Leadership Assembly at Ridgecrest. Get the dates of the state assembly from the state Training Union Department, also the dates of the Ridgecrest assemblies.

10. Promote Associational Training Union Work.

- (1) If your association is not organized, write to your state Training Union secretary and ask for help to get it organized.
- (2) All associational officers should attend the annual state associational officers' planning meeting. Write to your state secretary and ask for the date.
- (3) Observe Southern Baptist Associational Training Union "M" Night on Monday, December 4, 1950, for launching the program for 1951.

Beat Your Record in 1950

The following additional churches beat their record Training Union attendance in 1950 as indicated below:

Date	Church	Attendance
Jan. 8	Sonora	122
Jan 22	Danville, Lex. Ave.	124

On Sunday night **January 29**, the following churches beat their record in 1950 up to that night with the Training Union attendance indicated below:

Churches	Attendance
First, Bowling Green	311
Carlisle Avenue	287
Sonora	121
Blue Ash	111
Little Flock	109
Valley View	81
Gethsemane	

JUNIOR JOTTINGS

Mrs. Byron C. S. DeJarnette
State Approved Junior Worker

February is a month of great men. Have you read the Patriotic Birthday Banquet for Juniors in the February Training Union Magazine? Sounds good; your Juniors would enjoy it.

March is Associational Mass Meeting time. In the third month in each quarter the Associational Mass Meetings should be held. Co-operate with your Associational officers by attending this meeting. Take your Juniors. March is also Study Course Month. Is it on your Training Union calendar? It is suggested that soul-winning books be used for the March Study Course. *The Junior and His Church* is suggested for Juniors, as our Junior soul-winning book is not ready yet.

April—Look at your calendar and mark April 12-13. Leaders, Sponsors, Department Officers, and Junior boys and girls are all interested in this date—the State Training Union Convention meeting with First and Pollard Baptist Churches, Ashland. Mrs. J. E. Lambdin will be with us in our Junior section. Mrs. Lambdin, as you know, is the author of our Junior Leadership Manual, the Baptist Junior Union Manual, and is the Editor of our Junior Quarterlies. We all look forward to her being with us.

We hope to make our program a little different this year. What would you think of a demonstration Sunday night program? Of course a very important and inspiring feature of the convention and one of special interest to Juniors and Junior workers, will be the State Junior Memory Work Drill. There were eighteen winners in the Regional Drills last fall who will participate in the State Drill. We hope that many will be inspired and thrilled as they witness the Juniors demonstrate how they have hidden God's Word in their hearts and resolve to train more Juniors for the 1950 drills.

Last year in our State Convention we had 38 Junior Leaders and 78 boys and girls. Let's beat that this year. How about 75 Leaders and 100 boys and girls? Watch the Training Union page for more information about the State Convention. Another Junior Jottings March 30.

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WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

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STATE WMU MEETING AT LATONIA CHURCH, COVINGTON, APRIL 4-6

The forty-sixth annual meeting of Woman's Missionary Union of Kentucky will be held at Latonia Baptist Church, Covington, April 4-6, 1950.

Representation

Messengers to the annual meeting shall be: (1) Officers of the Baptist Woman's Missionary Union of Kentucky and members of the Executive Committee; (2) Regional chairmen of Mission Study, Stewardship and Community Missions; (3) Regional young people's leaders; (4) Superintendents of Associations; (5) Associational young people's leaders; (6) Associational group leaders; (7) All former State presidents; (8) One from each WMS and one additional for every fifty members above the first fifty, three being the limit (except for the hostess society which shall be entitled to six); (9) Each young people's director and Counselor of YWA, GA, RA, and Sunbeam Band or substitute for same. Only such messengers as are present and duly accredited by the societies they represent shall be entitled to vote.

Cards for Messengers

Requests for registration cards for messengers should be sent to the State Office. Names and addresses of those requesting them and the organization they represent should be sent with the request for the cards.

Reservations

Messengers will please write for entertainment to: Mrs. Elmer Ewing, 2033 Madison Avenue, Covington. Entertainment in homes will be on the "pay plan" and the price will be \$2.00 for room and breakfast. For hotel reservations please write direct to the hotel. On this page you will find a list of hotels and their rates. These hotels are located in Cincinnati, Ohio, but are used by Covington and are easily accessible. There are no hotels in Covington.

Report on the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

The amount of the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering as contributed by

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the members of Kentucky Baptist Woman's Missionary Union, according to the latest figures available is \$54,764.27. Judging from the experience of other years more will yet come in for this offering.

Young People's Notes

Royal Ambassador Charters

More Royal Ambassador Charters were sent out during the month of January of this year than were granted during the entire year of 1949 and many applications are still coming in. Application blanks were mailed to all the counselors on the state files in December. Any counselor who did not receive the application may secure one by writing the office.

Though more have been granted than were last year there are still 35 Associations to which not a single Charter has been sent.

Please remember that the organization cannot qualify as a Royal Ambassador Chapter unless it holds a Charter for 1950. If you have not already done so, please get in your application as soon as possible.

More News About Houseparties

Reservations for Georgetown and Bethel Houseparties must be in the state office by February 24, and reservations for Campbellsville and Cumberland houseparties by Mar. 10.

Speakers for the houseparties will be Miss Mary-Ellen Wooten, Nigeria; Rev. and Mrs. Amelio Giannetta, Italy; Miss Akiko Endo, Japan; Miss Cornelia Leavell, Hawaii; Miss Anna Ashbey, New Orleans; Mr. Whitney Young, Lincoln Ridge, Kentucky, and Miss Lillian Williams, Colombia.

Girls who attend the houseparties will want to bring regular school clothes, one Sunday dress, Bible, notebook, towel, washcloth, soap, etc. Girls who expect to be recognized as Maiden, Lady-in-Waiting, and Princess will bring a white dress for the Coronation. Only Queens, Queens with Scepter, and Queens Regent will bring formal dresses.

Y. W. A. Camps

The dates for the Southwide YWA Camp at Ridgecrest, are June 15-21. The State YWA Camp at Clear Creek will be August 21-25. Reservations for both camps will be accepted at the State WMU office.

Hotel Rates in Cincinnati, Ohio, for WMU State Meeting

Netherland Plaza Hotel

Single Room	\$5.50; \$6.00; \$7.00; \$10.00
Double Room	\$8.00; \$8.50; \$9.00; \$10.00; \$12.00
Twin Bedroom	\$9.00; \$10.00; \$10.50; \$11.00; \$12.00; \$13.00

Hotel Sinton

Single	\$4.00; \$4.25; \$4.50; \$5.25; \$6.00; \$6.50; \$7.00
Double	\$6.00; \$6.50; \$7.50; \$8.50; \$9.00
Twin Beds	\$8.00; \$9.00; \$9.50; \$12.00
Rooms with Cots Added	\$2.50

Gibson Hotel

Single Room	\$4.00
Double Bed	\$6.50
Twin Beds	\$7.50

Fountain Square Hotel, Mr. Robert Cordray, Manager

Single Room	\$3.50
Double Room	\$5.00
Twin Bed Room, Single	\$4.75 and up
Twin Bed Room, Double	\$7.25 and up

Southern Seminary Honors Polio Victim

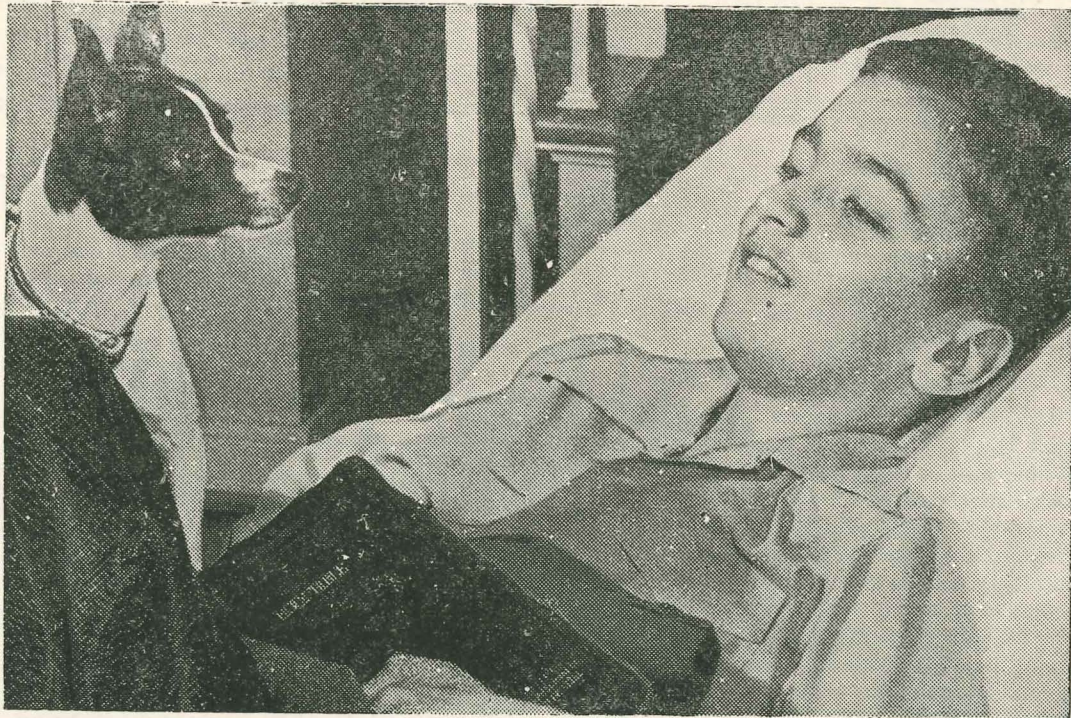
A room in the new Alumni Memorial Chapel of Southern Seminary, Louisville, Ky., is being named in honor of Bill Cain, 15, polio patient of Houston, Tex., Dr. Ellis A. Fuller, president of the Seminary, announces. The honor is an expression of appreciation of the Seminary for a \$35 donation from the youth for the Chapel building fund.

Announcing the Seminary administration's decision to designate a Bill Cain Room, Dr. Fuller said:

"In all of my ministry I have never known of a gift that more nearly approximates the memorable widow's mite than does this donation by Bill Cain out of his meager savings from his allowance."

Bill's friends have indicated they will contribute \$1,000 to pay for the room furnishings, Dr. Fuller said. Pictures of Bill will be placed on the walls. The room will be open to the public for the first time during the annual Pastors' Conference, March, 20-24.

Bill was stricken with polio about 4½ years ago. For two years he was



Bill Cain and Happy

confined to his room, spending most of the time in an iron lung. He still must be carried wherever he goes, but he and his ambulance cot regularly are seen at church, community, school, social and athletic events. In the field of sports he particularly likes base ball and wrestling.

Bill's pastor, Dr. E. Hermond Westmoreland, of South Main Baptist Church, said of Bill recently:

"His long illness and continued disability has not lessened his interest in the church. He attends all of the services and participates actively in

all of the organizations. He is a constant source of inspiration to his pastor and to all the members of the congregation. If the sermon is interesting, he listens attentively, but if the sermon is uninteresting he takes a brief nap on his cot. Naturally, I watch Bill out of the corner of my eye because his degree of interest sits in judgment of my sermons.

Bill has had visits from many of the nation's celebrities and his room is lined with their autographed photographs. His most constant companion, however, is Happy, a year-old fox terrier.

ter of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Gaines, Lancaster, Music Committee; Betty Holder, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Holder, Huntsville, Ala., Fellowship Committee; and Edna Earle Wiley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Wiley, Providence, Devotional Committee.

CONCEIT—Conceit may puff a man up, but never prop him up.—John Ruskin, English author.

God's Word for hungry hearts!
GIVE to
American Bible Society, Feb. 26

Imogene Polley, Baptist Student Union president, as General Chairman, and Miss Maurine Elder, Bible Instructor at Bethel, are directing all plans for Religious Emphasis Week, Bethel's version of the Evangelistic Week services being observed on many other campuses. Bethel chose to observe Religious Emphasis Week because with only two exceptions Bethel students are church members. Miss Polley is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Polley, Hodgenville.

Other Baptist Student Union officers who are heading committees are: Phyllis Hayes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard E. Hayes, Crofton, Publicity Committee; Sue Gaines, daughter

Miserable Me

I promised I'd help to build a church;
I have enough money to spare;
But why should I give my hard-earned cash
When so many I don't like go there?
I think I shall keep the gold that I have:
I'll need it in old age, you see;
What good will the church be when I am dead?
It won't be any use to me.

So why should I help them in any way
To put up this church house so fine?
No matter how much of this money I give,
The buildings will never be mine.
Yes, I think I'll take back the promise I gave
And keep all my money for "ME":
I'll get that new car I've wanted so long;
It's time I should go on a spree.

I've worked and saved for the time when I
Could sit back and enjoy everything;
And now that I can, I'll get that new car,
And forget what I said in the spring.
Just let the poor saps, who haven't so much,
Help build the church house so fine;
While I'm enjoying the rest of my life,
With the money that really is mine.

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There are many such people in this world today,
Whose promises don't mean a thing;
They're thinking of only one thing—themselves,
Not caring for Jesus the King.
What do they care if there's no room at all
In the church to bring in the lost?
What do they care for the souls of men,
Or that Jesus Himself paid the cost?

There's only one thing really matters to them,
That's poor, little, miserable "ME":
They're fond of "ME," "MYSELF," and "I,"
Only room in their hearts for the three.
If I'd break a promise to help God in His work,
I'd be so ashamed all the time:
For I know that the things I have in this world
Belong to God; they are not really mine.

But there's coming a day before very long,
When the Saviour is coming to earth:
And you'll see the soul of poor, miserable "ME,"
And find out what it really is worth.
What good will money or a new car do then?
What then will miserable "ME" do
When God collects double what we should have given?
Do your part, and it won't happen to you!

—MRS. MAY BELL, Rt. 2, Box 163, Butler, Ky.

In Memoriam

DEACON ELISHA E. ASHCRAFT
LOUISVILLE, Ky., January 16.—Whereas, God in His wisdom saw fit October 27,

1949, to end the work here on earth of Brother Elisha E. Ashcraft, Deacon Emeritus of the Highland Baptist Church, Louisville, Kentucky.

Be It Resolved, by the members of the church, in assembly, that they individually

and as a church body express regret over the untimely death of Brother Ashcraft, who united with the congregation of Highland Baptist Church, June 15, 1919, and unstintingly gave of his time and ability as a servant of the Lord in various capacities in the church life, particularly as a member of the Board of Deacons where his work over a long period of years merited the high office of Deacon Emeritus.

Be It Resolved, that thanks be given to God for the 30 years' service Brother Ashcraft devoted to Highland Baptist Church, the members realizing fully that the church as an organization was made better because of his service, and that individual members were led to better ways of living because of the fine example he set in his own life; and

Be It Further Resolved, that these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of the church and published in the Western Recorder, and that a copy be presented to Brother Ashcraft's family so that they may know of the respect and love the members held for him.

WILBUR HARRISON SHUMATE

Whereas God in his infinite wisdom has removed from our midst Wilbur Harrison Shumate, a faithful and devoted member, who died November 20, 1949;

Therefore be it resolved by the deacons of Hillgrove Baptist Church:

1. That we recognize the loss incurred to the deacons and to the church.
2. That we express our appreciation for his useful service rendered to God and the church as:
 - (1) A faithful and devoted member for 65 years.
 - (2) A loyal deacon for 44 years.
 - (3) An efficient clerk for 40 years.
3. That we express our deepest sympathy to the family in their hour of bereavement.
4. That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, the Western Recorder, the Meade County Messenger and a copy be incorporated in the permanent minutes of the church.

School of Missions

Program In West

Kentuckiana Association

The churches in West Kentuckiana Association are to put on a Simultaneous School of Missions Program on February 19-24. Rev. Herbert Schmitz, the progressive City Missions Superintendent for Evansville and Henderson, is in charge of the program.

Each church will have a different missionary in every service. There will be missionaries from the Foreign, Home and State Mission Boards. Some of the very best men supported by our Baptist Cooperative Program will speak in the participating churches.

We urge all the Baptists in West Kentuckiana Association to hear as many of these missionaries as they can. The messages of these missionaries will be both informing and inspiring.—W. H. Curl, Director Missionary Training, Louisville, Ky.

Bibles for worldwide missions!

GIVE to
American Bible Society, Feb. 26

Box on Her Dresser

There's something special about the beautiful box on Patty Lee's dresser. To everyone else it is merely an empty candy box covered with bright silver tin foil and tied on top with a big red satin ribbon. But to Patty Lee it means far more.

Patty Lee learned a very important lesson in connection with that candy box. Would you like to hear about it?

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Just two days after Valentine's Day is Patty Lee's birthday, and every year when she has her birthday party she uses the Valentine theme of hearts, and red and white decorations.

One year as Patty's birthday drew near, the White family did not have much money to spend for the party, and Patty Lee was afraid she would not get to invite her friends over as she always did. But her mother promised to save enough out of the grocery money if Patty, herself, would plan the games and use homemade decorations.

She was so happy! She jumped up and down and clapped her hands! This was to be her tenth birthday and she had looked forward to the party for ever so many weeks.

For two whole weeks before February 16, Patty Lee worked and planned and made decorations for her Valentine-birthday party.

She cut a large red heart from cardboard and on either side put a cupid with a bow and arrow. Little hearts with one-sentence fortunes were placed all over the large heart. Each girl was to be blindfolded, turned around three times, and then sent to select her fortune.

Patty Lee bought some comic valentines—one for each girl—and cut the valentines in many pieces, like a jig-saw puzzle. She planned to have each girl put her valentine together and then paste the pieces on a sheet of bright red construction paper.

Then they would have a relay. Patty would divide the number of girls into two sides. Each side would be given two pieces of paper, each cut in the shape of a "birthday cake." The first girl in each line would place the "birthday cakes" on the floor before her. At the word "Go," she would step on one "cake," pick up the other one, place it before her, and step

on it. This she would continue—always placing her foot on the paper "cake," never on the floor—until she reached the other side of the room. Then she would pick up the two "cakes" and run back to the next girl in line, who was to repeat the relay. The first team to finish was the winning side.

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As the day of the party approached, Patty Lee became more excited. She decorated the serving table with white lacy paper doilies and red hearts. She cut red and white crepe paper ribbons to hang from the doorway. Even the cake which her mother baked had white icing and "Happy Birthday," written in red, on top.

The party was to be on Thursday afternoon; and although Patty did not have a new dress, she looked very pretty, indeed, as she greeted her guests at the door. Of course, each girl brought a birthday present, and all the gaily-wrapped birthday gifts were a sight to behold.

The presents were opened first thing after all the girls had arrived. The little hostess received many lovely gifts. These she placed on the living room table with a beautiful box of Valentine chocolates which Daddy had surprised her with that morning. (The very same box to which we referred at the beginning of the story—remember?) This was Patty's favorite candy, and she meant to keep it all for herself—perhaps she'd leave a few pieces for Mother.

But now it was time for the games. All the girls had such fun. They liked best of all the game where they marched around on hearts while the music was being played. Janice was the last one to be left standing on a heart, so, of course, she was the winner.

Well, the afternoon passed quickly, and the girls were getting ready for refreshments. It wasn't quite time for Daddy to come home with the ice cream—perhaps Patty Lee should have planned one more game.

Louise was looking at Patty Lee's presents again, and asked if she might have a piece of candy out of the lovely Valentine box. Now her hostess hadn't expected that, and you know she had planned to eat all the candy, herself.

But she couldn't refuse Louise—the chocolates did look delicious! Then she suddenly realized that if Louise ate a piece, it would not be fair to leave the rest of the girls out. So the candy was passed around. Almost a whole layer was gone before you could say "Czechoslovakia."

After Mrs. White had told the girls a Valentine story—all about the legend of St. Valentine and how the day started—Patty Lee's candy was passed around again. Poor Patty! When the box was at last returned to its place on the table with the other gifts, there were only two pieces left. She brushed a tiny tear from her eye, quickly, before anyone saw it, and ran to open the door for Daddy who was bringing the ice cream.

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All too soon the long-anticipated birthday party was over, and the girls were telling, all at once, what a very good time they had had. Then the living room door was closed behind the last girl.

Patty Lee fondly looked at each of her birthday presents again. She had received so many lovely things. Then her eye fell on the cherished box of Valentine chocolates. At a glance, Mrs. White learned the story, but she knew, too, that this was a good lesson for Patty Lee's tenth birthday.

Quickly, she suggested: "Patty, after the last piece of candy is gone, that will make a lovely box to keep on your dresser. It will be just the right size for the shells you have been making into jewelry."

Patty Lee's face brightened. She had been needing a box for her many-colored shells. And this would look so pretty in her room.

And even now that "box on her dresser" reminds Patty Lee that sharing with others will keep the ugly trait of selfishness from her life.

Giving

God might have used his sunset gold
So sparingly,
He might have doled his blossoms out
Quite grudgingly;
He might have put just one wee star
in all the sky—
But since He gave so lavishly,
Why should not I?

—Author Unknown

He leads me where the waters glide,
The waters soft and still,
And homeward He will gently guide
My wandering heart and will.

—J. Keble

A. K. Wright Attends Homecoming at Former Birmingham Pastorate

The Ensley Baptist Church of Birmingham, Ala., observed its Golden Anniversary on February 12 with a Homecoming program that extended throughout the day. Lamar Jackson is the pastor there. The ten former pastors, with their wives, were invited to be the guests of the church and to have part in the program. Dr. A. K. Wright, long pastor of Baptist Tabernacle in Louisville, together with Mrs. Wright have taken this trip to the church where he labored for ten years, and where their son, Leslie Wright, is quite active at the present time.

South Fork Church Enters New House of Worship in Lynn

HODGENVILLE, Ky., February 10.—The South Fork Baptist Church of Hodgenville, in Lynn Association, moved into its new house of worship on December 18. The building was started the latter part of July, 1949. Pastor W. T. Smith says that the Building Fund was started during the pastorate of L. Clyde Allen. The people are now enjoying the facilities of their new building, valued at more than \$26,000. The total indebtedness is about \$5,500. Joel Dixon was chairman of the Building Committee, and Mrs. Henry Sallee was treasurer of the Finance Committee.

Tribute to Bloomfield Pastor Childress, Now Gone to Harrodsburg

Bloomfield, Ky., February 6.—May I have sufficient space in the *Western Recorder* in which to pay tribute to a great preacher and pastor—Brother George Childress, former pastor of the Bloomfield Baptist Church for the last ten years. I was closely associated with him during this time, five years of which I was Superintendent of Sunday school. I have never been associated with a more congenial, conscientious and sincere Christian than he. His every thought was on the activities of his church in all departments. He received many calls to churches in other states during his

pastorate in Bloomfield, but these he declined because of his love for the work he was doing here. His theme, "A Closer Walk With God," was evidenced by his every-day living. By his leaving, the Bloomfield Church suffers an irreparable loss.

Here's wishing he and his good wife Godspeed in their new field at Bethel Baptist Church, near Harrodsburg, where he accepted the pastorate on January 1.—J. Alvin Stevens.

A Greatly Appreciated Letter From James P. Kirk, Brazil

Dear Dr. Skinner:

When I see the date line on your last letter (how I hope you've lost your carbon copies from February 2, 1949, on) I realize that I have more brass than the doors of the First National Bank of Rio. However, we were delighted to hear from you, and had not forgotten you, nor the *Western Recorder*, nor the promised article. It was good to hear from Rachel again, too, and I know it is a blessing to have her on the *Western Recorder* staff. [Miss Rachel Jackson is the new editorial secretary.]

Since coming back from Campinas (December 4), I've had the usual backlog of work that awaits the worker just back from "vacation" except that mine wasn't a vacation, and it lasted four months! I'm reminded of MARGARET FISHBACK's poem, "Busy Day at the Office":

This is a day when I covered no ground,
Just pushed and shuffled my papers around,
Nudged at my papers and winced at my bills,
Sorted them out into nine different hills,
Ranted fretfully for a ruler,
Worried the overworked watercooler,
Sharpened pencils and filled my pen,
Then shuffled my papers around again.

However, we're happy to be back in Rio, and feel much better qualified (though not satisfied!—this satisfied refers to our command of the language, and not our work here!) to continue our work, and grow in grace and knowledge of the language and service of these wonderful people.

Also, in addition to my work in the church, and the department of visual education, I'll be in charge of the pre-seminary boys (counselor) in our Baptist college here in Rio beginning in March. At the present time I'm heels over head in plans for our

church, and the V. E. Department, and the college. I have my notes in order to prepare an article or two on a trip I made while gone, but don't hold your breath until it gets there. I'll get it to you as soon as possible, but right now I can't say when "possible" will be.

Mrs. Kirk, Cora Margaret, and I had a nice Christmas. Our friends in the States remembered us with many beautiful cards, and in fact, the cards are still arriving daily. In Brazil, as in the States, the Christmas mail is heavy, and they don't put on extra help (here) which means we'll be receiving cards for a week or two yet. We were in five "Festas de Natal" (which is the Brazilian equivalent for the church Christmas party), besides our own mission party, and observance of the season at home. We felt the real spirit of Christmas this year as we have never felt it before, and even yet our hearts are rejoicing in the blessings we received—and are receiving.

The WESTERN RECORDER is coming through regularly, and we are reading it avidly. I like the new format and size very much. You changed it while I was in Campinas, I believe, so I can't say just how far I am behind with my "congratulations." However I noticed it upon our return.

Mrs. Kirk and Margaret join me in sending best wishes for a Happy, Prosperous New Year, spiritually as well as materially, for you and yours. Cordially and sincerely, Jim.

[Editor's Note: This is printed that the many friends of the Kirks may hear from them also. They are great missionaries, and, while here in Kentucky, and particularly in their work with the Parkland Baptist Church of Louisville, made a large place for themselves in all our hearts. Their address: James P. Kirk, ATLAS, Caixa Postal 320, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.]

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Spring Registration Reaches 643 At Georgetown; Ten Graduate

GEORGETOWN, Ky., February 4.—Georgetown College's registrar, J. Foley Snyder, revealed today that the enrollment for the spring semester at Georgetown had reached 643. He anticipated that the figure would rise slightly by February 14—the final date for enrollment.

Registrar Snyder also revealed that ten students were graduated from Georgetown College at the end of the last semester. They were: Ralph Hallon of Gravel Switch, Ky.; James Hipps of Buechel, Ky.; Don Hill of Covington, Ky.; Noah Lambeth of Mobile, Ala.; Earl Campbell, of Covington, Ky.; Harold Bratcher of Morganfield, Ky.; Dennis B. Penn of Georgetown; Jesse Lair of Georgetown; Glenn Jude of Williamson, W. Va.; and Emmett Mitchell of Carrollton, Ky.

The spring enrollment figures show that there are 170 veterans—including two girls, and 473 non-veteran students, made up of 234 girls and 239 boys. Thirty-five students are new to the campus, transfers, high school graduates, or returnees.

Last semester the enrollment at Georgetown College reached 675. The drop of approximately thirty students is in keeping with figures of past years, Mr. Snyder pointed out. The spring semester enrollment is always less than the fall semester.

Arthur Fox, Father of Winchester Pastor, Holds Revival In Ohio Town

MIDDLETOWN, Ohio, February 4.—Noting your article in a recent issue of the *Western Recorder* concerning the calling of Paul Fox from Pine Bluff, Arkansas, to the Central Baptist Church of Winchester, Kentucky, as pastor, stating also that he is the son of Dr. Arthur Fox, evangelist of Morristown, Tennessee, I am glad of the opportunity to report that Dr. Arthur Fox completed a two weeks' revival service for the Grace Baptist Church of Middletown, Ohio, January 8-22, divinely led and directed to the saving and profession of faith of 113 souls. More than 100 of these came for baptism. Forty-eight of them were

baptized the closing night of January 22. Seven more came to make a profession of faith on January 29 in the morning service, and eight more were baptized in the evening service.

Pastor Howard Sears, of Grace Church, is leading this newly established congregation of between 400 and 500 members with a great faith, and they are planning to build a large addition to an already crowded auditorium which was dedicated only last April.

It was surely an inspiration and restoration of the joy of my salvation (even as David requested of the Lord) to hear Dr. Fox at morning, night and Sunday services.—Arthur A. Stubbs.

"God's Hurry" Is Studied In Training Union Course At Dry Run Church

GEORGETOWN, Ky., February 8.—Dr. Thomas Powers, of Versailles, Ky., taught Dr. Duke K. McCall's new book, *God's Hurry*, at the Dry Run Baptist Church during the latter part of January. Thirteen were awarded certificates. Joe Pribble is Training Union director, and Brother Wilbur Sutherland is pastor. The Sunday school is planning a study course also.

Foreign Mission Board's Executive Secretary At Frankfort Services

FRANKFORT, Ky., February 6.—Dr. M. Theron Rankin, Executive Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Va., was the speaker for both morning and evening services for Pastor Fred T. Moffatt at the First Baptist Church of Frankfort yesterday. He also addressed the Training Union just before the night service.

Northern Kentucky News

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Mann Observe Golden Wedding Anniversary At Knoxville

DRY RIDGE, Ky., February 3.—Brother and Mrs. C. A. Mann, for forty years members of the Knoxville Baptist Church, near here, celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary on Saturday, January 21, 1950, with open house at Knoxville, Ky. They were married at Gardnersville on January 21, 1900, by Pastor Robert H. Tandy, then at Crittenden, Ky., but now retired and living in Louisville.

The Manns moved to Knoxville in the year 1910, and united with the local church—Knoxville Baptist—in the same year. Shortly thereafter Brother Mann was elected a deacon, and he has served in that capacity ever since. Also during that time he was clerk of the church about twenty-three years. He is a member of the Men's Adult Bible Class, and is always present at the church unless he is sick, or the weather is too bad—which is seldom.

Mrs. Mann was converted at the age of eleven under the preaching of Brother J. A. Lee, pastor, evangelist and song writer. Mr. Mann was converted in the year 1908 under the preaching of Brethren R. H. Tolle and G. W. Manley.

Mrs. Mann served as Sunday school teacher of the ladies' class for about twenty-five years, and was the president of the WMS for a like period. She is sick now and confined to her home most of the time. If all the members were as loyal as are these two, our church would grow by leaps and bounds.

Brother and Sister Mann have four children—Mrs. Claud Elliott, Knoxville, Ky.; Mrs. Williams, near Williamstown, Ky.; Mrs. Elbert Klaber, of Falmouth, Ky.; and G. Austin Mann, Erlanger, Ky.—Omer Lindsey, Teacher of Men's Bible Class.

Only thy restless heart keep still,
And wait in cheerful hope; content
To take whate'er His gracious will,
His all-discerning love hath sent;
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To Him who chose us for His own.

—G. Neumark

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Huss Closes Ministry at Latonia With 1,212 at the Hour of Power

By CHASE W. JENNINGS



COVINGTON, Ky., February 4.—The accompanying picture was taken Wednesday, January 11, 1950 at the last Hour of Power at Latonia Church in charge of Pastor John E. Huss. There were 1,212 present at this service. Immediately following the Hour

of Power everyone present was invited to the parlors of the church where a farewell party was given for the departing pastor and family.

Many of Bro. Huss' preacher friends were present, each expressing his esteem and admiration for the pastor

during his ministry at the Latonia Church.

In token of their love and appreciation for Rev. and Mrs. Huss the Latonia Church presented them with a beautiful set of silverware and a cash purse. May God bless them as they go to another field of service.

Bullittsburg Church Breaks Ground For New Pastorium Next Sunday

BURLINGTON, Ky., February 10.—The Bullittsburg Baptist Church—the mother church of Northern Kentucky—will break ground for its new parsonage basement on Sunday, February 19, with an all-day program with dinner being served by the ladies of the church. Dr. Dale Moody, Assistant Professor of Theology at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, will be the guest speaker. Brother Joe G. Canzoneri, a third-year student at the Southern Seminary, will bring request messages in song. Former pastors, as well as neighboring pastors, will be guests of Pastor E. Lionel Patton and the congregation for the day.

Brother Roy Johnson will bring the devotional at 1:15 P. M. A brief history of the church will be read by Brother W. B. Campbell, and the Board of Trustees will burn the note. The congregation will adjourn to the pastorium lot for the formal ground breaking for the parsonage, which is expected to be finished by July or August.

Three New Deacons Ordained By The Alexandria Church

ALEXANDRIA, Ky., January 31.—An ordination service was held at the Alexandria Baptist Church on Saturday, January 28, at 7:30 P. M., for the purpose of ordaining three new deacons. Those ordained were Stanley Marshall, Ralph Vater and Woodrow

Vater. There were twenty-one ordained ministers and deacons present. A council was organized to examine these brethren as to their fitness for the office. After finding them qualified, the council recommended that the church proceed with the ordination.

Pastor O. J. Steger, of the First Baptist Church of Newport, gave the charge to the church. Pastor Warren Redding, of Turner Ridge Baptist Church, gave the charge to the deacons, and Pastor Harmon Eggleston, of Newport's Baptist Tabernacle, pronounced the ordaining prayer. James K. Gardner is pastor of the Alexandria Church.

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Campbellsville Church Calls J. Chester Badgett Of Beaver Dam, Ky.

CAMPBELLSVILLE, Ky.—Dr. J. Chester Badgett, of Beaver Dam, Ky., has accepted the unanimous call to become pastor of the Campbellsville Baptist Church. He expects to assume his new duties on the fourth Sunday in February. He and Mrs. Badgett have three children.

The Campbellsville Church has been pleased in having Dr. John M. Carter, President of Campbellsville Baptist Junior College, supply the pulpit regularly during the interim it has been without a pastor since the going of Dr. Harvey F. Morrison to South Miami, Florida.

Springfield Church Has 66th Anniversary; Now Erecting New Annex

SPRINGFIELD, Ky., February 3.—The Springfield Baptist Church observed its sixty-sixth birthday Sunday morning, January 29, in a special service. Special music was given by Mrs. J. F. McWhorter and by the male quartette, and talks by members of the congregation were featured on the anniversary program. These included: "My Church of Yesterday," discussed by Joe C. Cleveland; "My Church of Today," by Clifton Murphy, and "My Church of Tomorrow" discussed by Rudolph Sutton.

The history of the present congregation dates back to January 29, 1884. On that day they met at the old Methodist Church in Springfield twenty-seven members of eleven different Baptist churches, and organized themselves into a Baptist Church. At first the new group worshipped in the Methodist Church until the time a building of their own could be provided.

They had no regular pastor for the first two years, but a converted Jew, L. H. Salin, supplied for them.

The first church was located on West Main Street, on the north side, just a few lots below Doctor Street. According to the Deed Book, the cost of this lot was \$225. It was not until 1886 that the church had a regular pastor. William J. Holtzclaw served in this capacity.

In 1910, under the able leadership of Pastor William Harrison Williams,

the present plant was built for the cost of around \$22,000. The building was dedicated on May 1, 1910.

The church is now in the process of erecting a three-story annex to accommodate the Sunday School Department at a cost of \$53,000. The Building Committee is composed of Brethren J. C. Robinson, D. C. Hubbard, Sr., and W. Lloyd Hellams, the last named committeeman also being the pastor.

Beech Grove Church To Erect New Building Late This Coming Fall

PERRYVILLE, Ky., January 30.—Yesterday was a great day in Beech Grove Baptist Church. About 5 years ago a building fund was started. An offering was to be taken on the fifth Sunday of all fifth-Sunday months. The idea at the time was to build, either on our present church, or to erect another structure. In these five years the building fund has reached the \$10,000 mark. Then the past summer the church voted to start to take our offerings toward erecting a new church.

So, accordingly, on yesterday we met to bring our offerings for the building fund. The offerings have all been strictly on the free-will basis. When the offering was counted we found that our folk had brought in a cash offering of \$4,308.00. This was the largest single offering ever brought into the church. We are hoping now to be able to start making our plans for our new meeting house, with the idea of beginning work late this fall.

Beech Grove Baptist Church is one of the greatest country churches in Kentucky. It is situated in Washington County, but has members living in the adjoining counties of Boyle, Marion and Mercer.

The Sunday school attendance runs from 175 to 200 each Sunday. This is about all the present equipment will accommodate, having only six class rooms. The new meeting house is expected to take care of at least 100 more.

The 27th annual Bible Institute is being held this year during the week of March 26-April 2. During these years we have had the greatest preaches which Kentucky can furnish.

Brother J. L. Adkins, now deceased, was pastor of this church for twenty-

five years. The church now bears faithful testimony to the work of this great pastor who served them for a quarter of a century.

The present pastor is now in his eighth year. These years have been years of rich blessing to him. He delights in being pastor of a church which stands true to the truth of the Word of God. May God help us that our new building will be erected for His glory.—*Burton Callico, Pastor.*

New Glasgow Sunday School Building Now Being Planned

GLASGOW, Ky., January 26.—The Glasgow Republican today carried the architect's sketch of the new Sunday School Building for the Glasgow Baptist Church on which work is to start this spring. The article stated:

"The building will be located on the corner of Race and College streets and will be of brick construction, three stories high, 62 feet on Race and 110 feet on College. The ground floor, as shown in the sketch will contain a spacious dining room and kitchen; the pastor's study and library; and the heating plant. The second and third floors are divided into individual class rooms.

"At the present time more than \$70,300 has been contributed or pledged on the building, and according to our information, it is expected that actual work will be started on the structure when the contributions and pledges reach \$75,000. However, this is not an official commitment by the building committee.

"The general building committee is composed of Elbert Jewell Myers, chairman; T. Carl Walbert, Cecil C. Williams, Mrs. J. H. Tulloh, D. L. Jackson, Mrs. Irl C. Worsham and Mrs. Ray Brown.

"The building finance committee includes Mrs. John Altsheler, Mrs. W. A. Weldon, Mrs. L. J. Neumeister, Mrs. L. C. M. Bloss, Mrs. Levy Gerald, Mrs. Clem Elliott, Miss Grace Beebe, Miss Dorothy Moss, Miss Louise Thomerson, Miss Louise Brown, C. A. Goodman, Sr., Henry W. Goodman, Sam Morford, Wood Davis, Messrs. and Mesdames A. E. Meador, O. E. Calvert, J. H. Stephens, William J. Bradford, Robert Hogue, Jewell Pace, E. L. Myers, Jr., B. C. King, George Evans, Morris Wilson, James Downing, Robert F. Goodman, C. G. Bowman, Russell Francis, Lawrence L. Miller, Joe Lewis Goodman, Jr., and Herbert Denson."

Charles Owens Ordained By The Grace Church Of Evansville, Indiana

EVANSVILLE, Ind.—The Grace Baptist Church here was the scene of ordination to the Gospel ministry of another of its young men on January 29. He is Charles Owens, present pastor of the Emmaus Baptist Church of Salem, Kentucky.

The council was composed of the following: Moderator, Pastor W. V. Dorris, of Grace Church; Clerk, Mrs. C. W. Kennedy; Examinator, Pastor John Betts, Friendship Baptist Church; Ordination sermon, Superintendent Herbert Schmitz; presentation of Bible, Pastor Gilbert Roberts, Vann Avenue Baptist Church; ordaining prayer, Kelly Fitzgerald, Cash Creek Church. Brother Owens dismissed by leading the final prayer.

Fred Martin Assists New Pastor Jesse Rye At Ohio Valley Church

BARLOW, Ky.—Brother Fred Martin, Missionary in Ohio Valley Baptist Association, Sturgis, Ky., recently helped the Ohio Valley Baptist Church of West Union Association, in Ballard County, in a Sunday school methods study course, *A Church Using Its Sunday School*. The new pastor is Brother Jesse Rye, of near Wickliffe, Ky. He is young in the ministry, but is a good preacher. He is taking to heart the fact that he is pastor of his Sunday school. In 1946 the church moved its meeting place up and over to higher ground and built a neat one-room building with concrete entrance porch and a sign with the name of the church over the door. The church is dreaming of building Sunday school rooms to take care of the seven organized classes and new ones which the enrollment demands. They are to take a census when the flood waters recede.

Travis Terrell Ordained By New Bethel; Called To Donaldson Creek

FREDONIA, Ky., January 19.—The new Bethel Baptist Church met Sunday afternoon, January 8, for the purpose of considering the ordination of Travis Terrell, a member, to the

Gospel ministry. This service was called at the request of the Donaldson Creek Baptist Church, which had recently called Brother Terrell as its pastor. The ordaining council was organized, and consisted of thirteen preachers and nine deacons:

Elected in council were G. R. Pendergraph, moderator; J. Holland Thomas, clerk; L. J. Knoth, interrogator; G. R. Pendergraph, to deliver sermon and charge; L. L. Terrell, to



Pastor Travis Terrell

offer ordination prayer; and H. B. Deakins, to present the Bible.

In the assembled presence of the council and church, Brother Terrell answered quite satisfactorily the questions relating to his conversion, call, and church doctrines. Motion was made to recommend to the church that he be ordained. The motion was seconded and carried. Acting then upon the motion of the council, the church voted to proceed with the ordination.

Brother G. R. Pendergraph delivered the ordination sermon and charge, after which Brother L. L. Terrell offered the ordination prayer. The brethren of the council then laid their hands upon the head of Brother Terrell. After that Brother Deakins

made a presentation of the Bible. The service was concluded with the extending of the hand of fellowship by the church and friends to Brother Terrell and his wife.—*J. Holland Thomas.*

Eaton Memorial Church Loses W. B. Thommasson, A Faithful Member

OWENSBORO, Ky.—Mr. W. B. Thommasson, a devoted and faithful member of the Eaton Memorial Baptist Church, went home to be with Jesus on December 26, 1949, at 6:45 A. M., at the Daviess County Hospital. "Mr. Will," as he was called by his pastor and friends, had been seriously ill for about a year. His patience and tenderness, during the time of his most intense suffering, will long be remembered by all as being like unto Christ's, and will serve as a challenge to us all to surrender, as did he, our will to the will of God and to live and die with a steadfast faith.

Mr. Will and his devoted companion loved every phase of the life of the church. Truly their lives placed foremost the work of Christ through their church. During the time of absence because of Mr. Thommasson's illness, they sent regularly their tithes and offerings to the church. Upon every visit of the pastor to the home they inquired as to the work of the church and expressed sorrow because they could not attend.

The prayers of the church are for his faithful wife and all of the family. We thank God for his grace out in the life of our brother and pray that this Christian example so ably set may inspire us all to more Christ-like living.

In the bitter waves of woe,
Beaten and tossed about
By the sullen winds that blow
From the desolate shores of doubt,
Where the anchors that faith has cast
Are dragging in the gale,
I am quietly holding fast
To the things that cannot fail.

—Washington Gladden

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The DeJarnettes And Others Teach For A Week In Central Church, Corbin

CORBIN, Ky., February 6.—The Central Baptist Church at Corbin had with them Mr. and Mrs. Byron C. S. DeJarnette and Miss Dorothy Blankenship for a Training Union Enlargement Campaign during the week of January 30-February 3. In spite of the rain, we had an average attendance of 119 for the week. Mr. DeJarnette taught the Adult Manual; Mrs. DeJarnette the Junior Manual; Miss Blankenship the Intermediate Manual; Miss Vynaetta Bucn the Young People; and Mrs. R. S. Terrell the Story Hour. As a result of the campaign we organized two new Junior unions and one Adult union, and had an attendance Sunday night of 172.—Harold Wainscott, Pastor, 600 Kentucky Avenue, Corbin, Ky.

Ross Hanna, Morehead Student, Is Ordained By Grayson Church

GRAYSON, Ky., February 3.—The First Baptist Church of Grayson ordained Brother Ross Hanna, pastor of the Barrett's Creek Baptist Church, to the full Gospel ministry Sunday afternoon, January 29. A council of eighteen ordained men, representing eleven churches, gathered for the occasion.

Pastor C. E. Wiley was elected as moderator, and Pastor W. T. Pepper, Jr., of Sandy Hook Church, was elected clerk of the council. The interrogator was Pastor L. H. Tipton, Unity Church of Ashland. The ordination sermon and the charges to the preacher and to the church were combined and delivered by Field Secretary A. B. Cash, of the Home and State Mission Boards. Pastor Carroll Hubbard, First Church, Ashland, presented the Bible. The ordination prayer was led by Pastor Spurlock, Greenup Baptist Church.

The laying on of hands was followed by a hand shake, after which the service was dismissed with prayer led by Brother W. L. Louis, Sunday school superintendent of the Grayson Baptist Church.

Brother Hanna is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Price Hanna, Elizabethtown, Ky. He is twenty-one years of age,

was converted in the Gilead Baptist Church, Glendale, Ky., at the age of fifteen, and surrendered to the call to the ministry in the same church four years later. After attending one year at Carson-Newman College, Jefferson City, Tenn., he came to Grayson to do mission work with the First Baptist Church, under the direction of the Kentucky State Mission Board. He is now a student at Morehead State Teachers College, Morehead, Ky., and plans to attend



Ross Hanna

the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville after his college work is completed.

Another Great Soldier, Lewis Lyttle, Lays Aside His Armor

By John W. Kurtz, Pastor West Side Baptist Church Dayton 7, Ohio

DAYTON, Ohio, February 8.—The Rev. Lewis Lyttle died February 3, 1950, at the age of eighty-one years. His funeral was conducted by this writer on February 5 at the West Side Baptist Church of Dayton, and the deacons of that church were his pallbearers. He is survived by his wife, three sons—Horace and Boyce, all of Dayton, Ohio, and Cecil of Lexington, Ky., and one daughter, Mrs. LaRue Cannon, of New York.

He was born February 17, 1869, in Eastern Kentucky. In the year 1901 Mr. Lyttle was ordained into the Bap-

tist ministry. The same year he was sent to Hindman, Ky., by the Baptist State Board of Missions in Kentucky to organize a Baptist church there. At that time Hindman, as were the other seventeen counties in South-eastern Kentucky, was without a church. He stayed in Hindman six years and built up a strong work there.

He was then moved to Hyden, Ky., where he organized another church. He also organized one at Middle Fork of the Kentucky River, near the mouth of the famous creek which bears the name of "Hell-fur-Sartin."

In 1911 Brother Lyttle went to Hazard in Perry County to teach in the Hazard Baptist Institute, with A. S. Petrey. While there he was busy with his life's calling—that of starting new churches, for he organized a church at Leatherwood Creek during that time.

In 1914 he went to Wallins Creek, in Harlan County, and built another Baptist church. At Wallins he was also elected as Judge, and served in that position for some twenty-seven years at the same time he was serving as pastor of the new Wallins Creek Baptist Church. He resigned as judge last April to move in with his son, Horace L. Lyttle, at Dayton, Ohio.

Mr. Lyttle was one of the key figures in establishing the Pine Mountain School, which today stands as one of the model institutions of its kind in the world of education. It was in 1913 that Miss Katherine Petit solicited his assistance in finding a site for a Settlement school near the place where Harlan, Letcher and Leslie county lines come together. He is said to be the last member of that group which founded Pine Mountain to pass on.

As his pastor I will miss the moments of fellowship we have been enjoying together. The careful instruction gathered from many years of experience, and his studies of the Scriptures, his close walks across the hills with God, were passed on to me, much to my advantage, as we have chatted with each other. I treasure the memory of having had such a privilege to be the pastor of such a great and valiant warrior for our Lord. He and his wife have made their home in Dayton during the past year.

GIVE to American Bible Society, Feb. 26

Concerning Hotel Reservations in Chicago

CARBONDALE, Ill.—More than eight thousand reservations for hotel rooms already have been received for the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention May 9-12, 1950 in Chicago, according to a statement under date of February 1 by Dr. Noel M. Taylor, Chairman of the Illinois Baptist State Association's general committee on arrangements for entertaining the convention.

Space in many of the larger hotels already is entirely exhausted for the convention. The following hotels will not be able to receive any further reservations: the Atlantic, the Roosevelt, the Dearborn, the Harrison, the La-Salle, the Dalton, the Midland, the Sherman, the Stevens, the Palmer House and the Morrison.

Other hotels within a five-minute streetcar ride from the meeting place of the convention still have rooms available for reservations, but they are rapidly filling up. Those who have not already secured hotel reservations for the convention should write soon to one of the following hotels for reservations:

Hotel	Size (Rooms)	Blocks from Coliseum	Blocks W.M.U. Convention	RATES	
				Sing'e	Double
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Burton, 1429 N. Clark	200	26	6	2.00 Up	4.00 Up
Union Park, 210 S. Ashland Blvd.....	105			2.00 Up	4.00 Up
Wacker, 111 W. Huron		20	2	2.50	4.50
Cass, 640 N. Wabash	145	20	2	2.50 Up	4.00 Up
Hamilton, 20 S. Dearborn	200	14	10	2.50 Up	3.50 Up
Plaza, 1553 N. Clark		28	8	2.50 Up	
Berkshire, 15 East Ohio	40	21	1	3.00 Up	3.00 Up
Devonshire, 19 East Ohio	250	21	1	3.00 Up	4.50 Up
Alexandria, 542 Rush St.	240	18	3	3.00 Up	4.00 Up
Planters, 19 North Clark	130	12	10	3.50	6.50
Bismarck, 171 West Randolph	450	16	8	3.50 Up	5.75 Up
Sheridan Plaza, 4605 Sheridan Rd.....	135			3.50 Up	5.00 Up
Chicagoan, 67 W. Madison	450	13	9	3.75 Up	5.50 Up
Croydon, 616 N. Rush		19	2	4.00	4.40
Maryland, 900 Rush	175	22	2	4.00	7.00
Parkway, 2100 Lincoln Park	95			4.00	6.00
St. Clair, 162 East Ohio	189	21	1	4.00 Up	6.00 Up
Windermere, 1642 E. 36th	65	55	76	4.00 Up	6.00 Up
Eastgate, 162 E. Ontario	100	21	1	4.00 Up	6.00 Up
Brevoort, 120 W. Madison		13	9	4.00 Up	5.00 Up
Sheraton, 505 N. Michigan	449	21	1	4.50 Up	7.00 Up
Shoreland, 5464 S. Shore Drive	150	40	63	6.00 Up	8.00 Up

In your letter to the hotel be sure to indicate the price and type of room desired and that you will be attending the Southern Baptist Convention. In case the hotel of your choice is full, your request will be forwarded to another hotel with like accommodations.

Salvisa's Pastor Appleton Sponsors the Cause of The D. P. Families

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The Southern Baptist Relief Committee and the local Salvisa Baptist Church co-operated with Mr. Brewer in the arrangement for their coming to Kentucky. Because of their character and faith in God, their ability to tend an orchard and do gen-

eral farm work, they were selected from a larger group in the D. P. Camp. They brought their church letters with them from the Evangelical Christian Baptist Church in Germany. They had transferred their letters from Poland. On the first Sunday they united with the Salvisa Baptist Church and began life anew. They don't have to lock their doors here, nor fear reprisal.

The evening the family arrived in the Salvisa community the church

gave them a pantry shower of canned goods, bacon, flour, etc. The women also gave them a couple dozen hens that they might have their own egg supply. The men of the church went a second mile and presented them with a used car that they might have transportation to and from their home.

The father, Andrej Szpak will work for Mr. Brewer on his farm three miles south of Salvisa and the family will live on the farm. Eugenia has taken a sewing course in the Camp and Aleksy has finished a mechanic's course. They hope to become American citizens at the earliest date.

On returning home after shopping in Harrodsburg on their third day in this country, they came up over the last hill and within view of their new home. With a pleasing voice and best English, Eugenia exclaimed, "Our leetle white cottage."

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O fear the Lord, ye His saints: for there is no want to them that fear Him.—Psalm 34:9.

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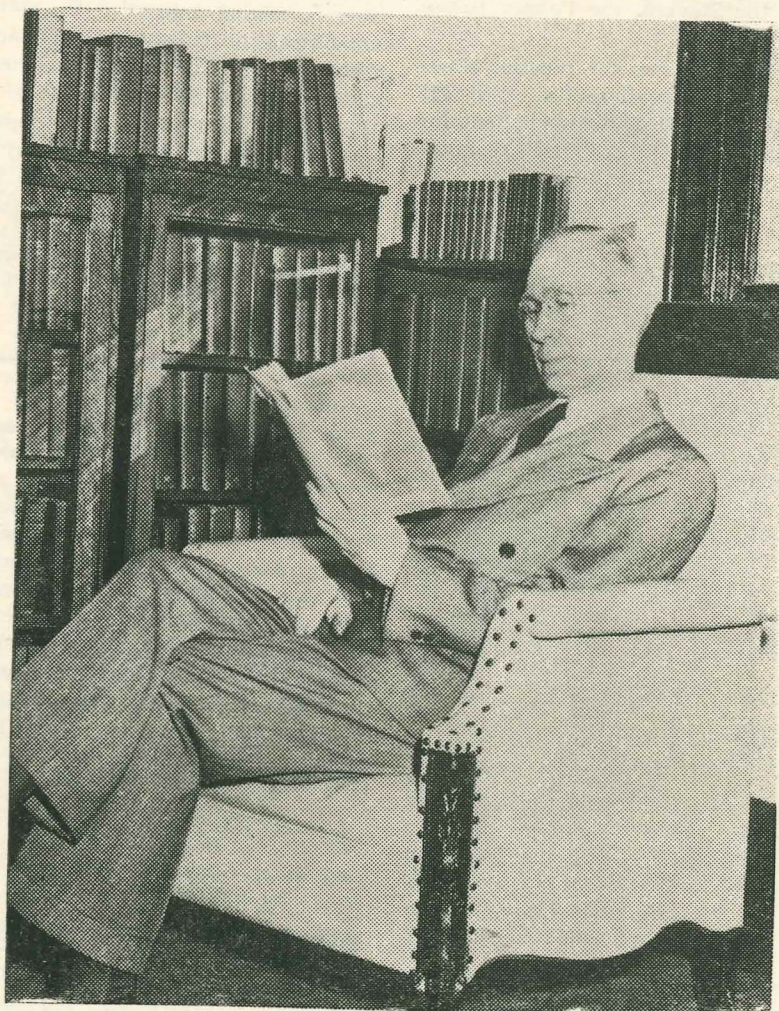
"These Forty Years"

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On a cold Wednesday night of Christmas week in 1909, a young preacher, BENJAMIN CONNAWAY, then in his third year as pastor at Leitchfield, Ky., visited the Providence Church in response to an invitation.

home was built. In 1949 the interior of the church building was re-decorated, Sunday school rooms added, and an electric organ and chimes installed.

BENJAMIN CONNAWAY is a native of



Pastor Benjamin Connaway Reading in His Study

The church extended a call which he accepted, and he preached his first sermon as pastor on the fourth Sunday in January, 1910 in a one-room brick church building heated with stoves. In 1916, this brick building was enlarged into a commodious house of worship. Later, a pastor's

Henderson County, Kentucky, and was ordained to the ministry by the Old Bethel Church nearby. Young Connaway went from Bethel College, Russellville, Kentucky, to the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, where he received the Th.M. degree in May 1907.

The Providence Church was constituted in 1837 under the name of Sharon Grove Baptist Church, three years before the beginning of the town of Providence. During the church's existence, ten preachers have

filled the pastoral office. Two brethren—ELDER J. C. HOPEWELL, and the present pastor, BENJAMIN CONNAWAY, have served, to date, seventy-three years out of the one hundred and twelve years of the church's history. Four preachers and one foreign missionary have gone out from the church.

During these forty years the church has been loyal to its pastor. In 1924, the members sent him to the Baptist World Alliance at Stockholm, Sweden, and made it possible for him to tour Europe. The church has made provision through the years for its pastor to attend the Southern Baptist Convention and has also sent him to the sessions of the Baptist World Alliance held at Toronto, Canada, and in Atlanta, Georgia.

The committee closed the account of the forty-year pastorate with these words: "We have begun a new day. The church is united, having no schisms or divisions: we plan to go forward in a great way with our pastor in our Lord's work."

PASTOR CONNAWAY is full of zeal and energy. He certainly has the hearts of his people, young and old. During the past twelve years this pastor has prepared a one-minute sermon, for the weekly local paper, sufficient to make a good sized volume.

Twin Sons Take Over The Parsonage At Town of Wickliffe

WICKLIFFE, Ky., January 20.—Pastor Bruce Wills, of the Wickliffe Baptist Church, and Mrs. Wills are the proud parents of twin boys who arrived on December 28. The boys weighed seven pounds and two ounces, and six pounds and two ounces, and have been named Daniel Parker Wills and David Williams Wills. Pastor and Mrs. Wills have one other child, a boy named Michael. Brother Wills has been at Wickliffe for about three years, and much progress has been made since his coming.

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DP Family Arrives at New Orleans Seminary



DR. ROLAND Q. LEAVELL, president of the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, is shown as he reads the Bible to the Gaiakens family on one of his many visits to their new home. OSKARS GAIKENS, right, a former displaced person, came to this country with his family four weeks ago to take up his duties as grounds keeper and gardener on the new campus of the seminary. MRS. GAIKENS, left, a music graduate with superior ability and wide experience in teaching piano, is happy now that she is a "new American" and hopes to teach music at the seminary when she learns English. Their six year old son, OSKARS, JR., is shown as he sits on the floor listening to Dr. Leavell read. Many Baptist and Protestant displaced persons still need sponsors. For further information, write Charles R. Gage, displaced persons representative, Southern Baptist Relief Committee, 601 South Olympia Street, New Orleans 19, La.

Two New Deacons Ordained At Buffalo

BUFFALO, Ky., January 24.—In the opening part of Watchnight Service the last night of 1949, a council called by the authority of the Buffalo Baptist Church met for the purpose of ordaining some deacons. The council was composed of the following ordained preachers: Wilbert Taylor, Mt. Tabor Baptist Church; J. L. Bradshaw, Holly Grove Baptist Church; W. L.

Cloud, First Baptist Church, Hodgenville; Asa Jones, H. W. Jones and W. W. Johnson, Buffalo Baptist Church. Also on the council were twenty deacons representing four different Baptist churches. The men ordained were: Paul Brownfield, Charles W. Sprowls and Carl Shaw. Pastor Johnson was elected as moderator of the meeting and Deacon Berny M. Morris, First Baptist Church, Hodgenville, was elected clerk. The candidates were questioned by Wilbert Taylor. H. W. Jones led in the ordination

prayer. W. L. Cloud brought the message, which was both informing and inspiring. The men ordained have proven themselves through the years to be faithful to the Lord's work.

After the ordination a varied program was continued until after the midnight hour. Messages were brought by Brethren Asa Jones and Wilbert Taylor.

Executives Of Homes For Children May Ask For Orphanage Commission

DALLAS, Tex. — (BP) — Southern Baptists may be asked to establish an Orphanage Commission with a full-time secretary. The idea was advanced by H. Truman Maxey, president, Southern Baptist Association of Executives of Homes for Children, in his address to the annual meeting of the Association.

He cited the following advantages of the commission: (1) Co-ordination of effort in establishment of needed new homes. (2) Better advertise the ministry now performed by the orphanages. (3) Further emphasize consciousness of need in child care and welfare. (4) Properly emphasize child benevolence as an SBC ministry. (5) Would provide leadership for training of young people in social and child welfare.

Maxey also listed several disadvantages: (1) SBC does not own a children's home (2) tendency to overlordship (3) a better way might be a strong organization of the homes themselves (4) could hinder promotion.

Maxey, who is superintendent of the Oklahoma home, was re-elected president of the group.

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WESTERN RECORDER

Advance Brings Results Among Southern Baptists

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—A militant advance program projected last year by the 27,286 churches affiliated with the Southern Baptist Convention on the Southern arc from Maryland to Oregon made possible in 1949 the greatest gains ever reported in any one year, a complete tabulation from the 961 associations in the 22 states revealed today.

Membership climbed 4.1 per cent to reach a new high of 6,761,265, the tabulation shows, with most of the gain provided by the record number of conversions, 334,862. A total of 22,565 churches reported one or more conversions during the year.

The 25,396 churches with Sunday schools reported a membership of 4,643,650, a 7.9 per cent gain over 1948. The Sunday schools have gained more than 1,000,000 in membership during the past four years.

An additional 1,208 churches started Training Union work during the year to bring the total number of churches in the training program to 14,450. Membership gained 156,614 during the year to reach a new record of 1,235,638.

Enrolment in the Woman's Missionary Union climbed 10 per cent during 1949 to reach 943,135. There are now 14,312 churches with WMU work, compared with 13,335 in 1948.

There are now 4,153 churches reporting Brotherhoods, with a membership of 142,402, a 19 per cent gain in enrolment over 1948.

Value of church property took the biggest percentage jump, with property valuation of churches and parsonages owned by Southern Baptist churches passing the half-billion mark for the first time. Church property was reported valued at \$548,261,564, a gain of \$97,772,047 over 1948. Some of the gain is probably in increased valuation, but most of it reflects expanded building programs. Texas Baptist churches now report property valued at more than \$100,000,000, a gain of more than \$15,000,000 over 1948.

The supply of pastors was more adequate in 1949. Of the 27,286 churches, there were 23,981 churches with pastors at the time the annual reports were made. This compares with 23,362 churches with pastors in

1948. The average salary paid Southern Baptist ministers increased slightly more than 10 per cent during the year.

Southern Baptist church members were more generous with their gifts during 1949, with total gifts reaching \$178,504,778, or \$26.40 per capita. Of this, \$32,347,420, or \$4.78 per capita, went for missions and benevolences outside of the local church.

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First Boys July 10-15
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We are looking forward to seeing you this summer.

—Ralph S. Voris, Director
Four Mile, Ky.

Health Department Sounds Warning

There have been several recent deaths in Kentucky from botulism, caused by eating home canned food. Botulism, says Mrs. Sarah Vance Dugan, Director of the State Department of Health's Division of Foods, Drugs, and Hotels, is a disease caused by a spore which is present in soil, and is transferred from the soil to food products. The poison is produced only when food products have been placed in a sealed can or glass jar as is done in the canning of foods by the water bath method.

The spores causing the disease can be destroyed by high temperature. Production of poison is prevented by canning food in a pressure cooker, in which the heat is allowed to penetrate to the very center of the food in the container. For many years

there have been no reported cases of this type of food poisoning from commercially canned food.

Botulism may be caused by any type of food—meat, cheese, vegetables, fruit or fish which has not been properly canned. The disease can be prevented if home canned vegetables, meat or fish are never eaten without having first been boiled for at least 15 minutes after being removed from the container. This must be done because it is not possible to tell that the food is capable of causing botulism by looking at it or smelling it. If the food is poisonous even the tiniest amount may cause death. If in doubt about fruits, remove them from the container and boil them. Never eat any canned fruit which shows mold growth, or appears in any way to be abnormal.—Bruce M. Underwood, M.D., State Health Commissioner.

Will Congress Approve Continued Vatican Relations?

By Louie D. Newton, Atlanta

Can President Truman name successor to Myron C. Taylor on the basis that he was originally named in 1939—that of meeting a war emergency? If not, will Congress authorize and approve resumption of diplomatic relations with the Vatican, which the Constitution requires in naming an Ambassador?

Diplomatic relations with the Vatican were ended in 1867 by an Act of Congress, which: "No money shall be paid for the support of the American legation at Rome, from and after the 30th of June, 1867."

President Truman promised a delegation of American churchmen, of which I was a member, in June, 1946, that he would terminate the appointment of Mr. Taylor, "at an early date, certainly not later than the signing of the peace treaties."

If you have not already done so, please wire or write the President, urging him to terminate our relations with the Vatican, sending copy of your telegram or letter to your Senators.

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J. L. White, II, Son of Late Miami Pastor, Dies in Virginia Hospital

James Livingston White, Jr., pastor until his illness about a year ago at the Campostella Heights Baptist Church, Norfolk, Va., died at Kecoughtan Veterans' Facility, Hampton, Va., on December 9, 1949. He was a son of the late Mrs. Dovie Poston White and Dr. Jacob L. White, I, the latter long being pastor of the First Baptist Church of Miami, Fla.

His funeral services were conducted on December 11 at the Campostella Heights Church at Norfolk, with his son, Pastor James L. White, III, Louisville, Ky., student at the Southern Seminary and pastor at New Salem Church in Nelson Association, and Pastor E. E. Rutledge, of Hampton Memorial Baptist Church, conducting the services.

The deceased came to Kentucky twice in recent years to assist his son in revivals at the New Salem Church. The first revival was in the summer of 1946, and the second was in the summer of 1947.

In his younger days Pastor White was an athlete of some note. He was a three-letter man at the University of Virginia, where he graduated, starting in football, basketball and baseball. He was captain of the baseball team during his junior year, and was both captain and coach during his senior year. He then became coach for two years at Wake Forest College. This was followed by work at the University of Florida, Gainesville, where he was athletic director and coach during 1922-27.

Somewhere back in those athletic days he was signed up to play baseball by the manager of the Washington Senators. The manager had agreed to his terms of a six-day-a-week playing contract, with the def-

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inite no-Sunday-playing clause written there in the contract. However, when the matter came up before the owner of the Washington Senators he maintained that "We can't pay you that much money without expecting you to play every day in the week." With that attitude on the part of the owner, young White withdrew, and refused to enter professional major league baseball.

Brother White held his first pastorate during his Southern Seminary days at Clay Village Baptist Church, in Shelby County, Ky. He next went to the Fork Union Baptist Church in Virginia—home of the Baptist school—Fork Union Military Academy. Other churches he served before going to Campostella Heights at Norfolk, were the Blackwell Memorial Baptist Church at Elizabeth City, N. C., and Tabernacle Baptist Church at Newport News, Va.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Virginia Gardner White; one son, Pastor James L. White, III, already mentioned; and two grandchildren. Also by three brothers—Pastor Charles M. White, Caldwell, Texas; Prof. Lee McBride White, who conducts a school for spastic children in Birmingham, Ala.; and Russell C. White, formerly pastor of the Twenty-third and Broadway Baptist Church of Louisville, but now retired from the ministry because of ill-health, and living in Houston, Texas, where he is in business.

The late Dr. Jacob L. White, Sr., of Florida, and his sons and grandson have together spent 148 years in the active ministry.

Relief Committee Asks For Good Offering On RWA Sunday

WASHINGTON, D. C.—(BP)—Multitudes of the world are still homeless, hungry and poorly clad, according to Dr. R. Paul Caudill, chairman of the Baptist World Alliance Relief Committee. Despite progress made by the peoples of war-stricken areas in their valiant efforts toward recovery, actually there are tens of thousands whose plight is so miserable as to beggar description.

Dr. Caudill says, "If the Relief

Committee of the Baptist World Alliance is to minister to these unfortunate people throughout the world this winter there must be immediate help."

He analyses the problem as two-fold: (1) to keep open the necessary feeding centers and (2) to render assistance to the unfortunate people now ready to immigrate to other lands, thousands of whom are Baptists.

He asks for a generous offering from the churches. "Please, please pray and work that God may give your Relief Committee a worthy offering to the end that we may minister in the name of Christ to the needy across the sea."

This offering for WORLD RELIEF and the Baptist World Alliance was authorized by the Southern Baptist Convention last May. In December the Executive Committee voted to budget the offering, \$4,000 to the over-all program of the Alliance and the rest to WORLD RELIEF. Because of the time element and urgency of need SEND OFFERING DIRECT to the Baptist World Alliance, 1628 16th Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

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I am not bound to make the world
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With cheerful heart, the work that
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Where Was Thomas?

By W. LLOYD HELLAMS, Springfield, Ky.

But Thomas . . . was not with them . . ."—(Jno. 20:24).

This must be the lament of many weary pastors as they try to relax on Sunday and Wednesday evenings when the day's hard labor is done. Memories of empty seats here and there race through their minds—all because the Thomases were not there.

To be sure, the anxious pastor could salve his conscience and say, "Well, I prepared the sermons, did my best; let them come or stay." But that is not the remedy. We must ask as did Jesus, over and over, "Where are the nine?"

Someone wrote recently: "There are over a MILLION lost people in Kentucky over ten years of age. That means there are about 500 lost people for every one of our Missionary Baptist churches. Since the average membership of our churches is 220, there are more than two unconverted persons in Kentucky for every white Baptist church member." Where do these people live? Maybe a block

from the busy city church, close enough to hear the village church bell, or a few hills away from the little white country church house. Right there you will find "Thomas." Fine men and women, waiting for someone to win them to Christ, enlist them in church life, or persuade them to move their letters. Would they make great servants of Christ? Let's win them, and see!

Perhaps the minister thinks of other Thomases—the non-attenders. They do not regard the prayer meeting as important. A small boy was asked, "Who is supposed to attend prayer meeting?" Recalling what he had seen he replied, "The old people." We are told that two-thirds of our one-half million church members in Kentucky do not attend prayer meeting regularly. They fail to see the value.

Prayer meetings are refueling stations in church life. Those who do not attend are the ones, usually, who tell the church what it needs. If

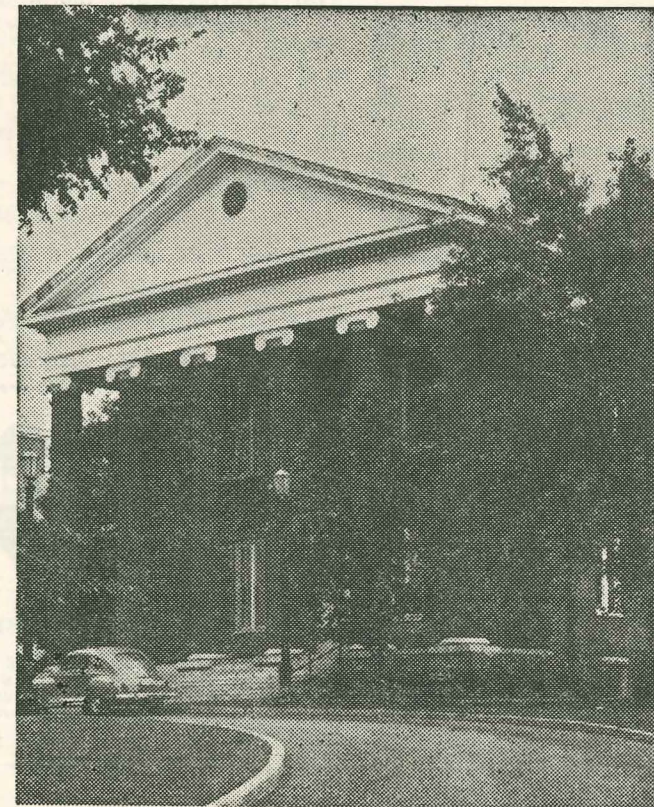
the church had no prayer meeting these, in all probability would be the first to register a "baptistic complaint." Prayer meeting makes a winning church.

Pastors have still another group—the business meeting Thomases. They never attend those "long, uninteresting, less important services." But wouldn't it be useless to have a lovely car and no motor? Mr. Thomas, the business meeting is in some respects the motor in your church. You should be there to hear and plan for the Lord's program. In all other investments you see to it that the money is well spent. Must the church be an exception?

Pastors and pew manufacturers are alike in one respect—both must deal with the empty benches.

Save us from the evil tongue,
From the heart that thinketh wrong,
From the sins, whate'er they be,
That divide the soul from Thee.

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