

# Western Recorder

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Once for All Delivered to the Saints."—Jude 3.

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## *Your Church Needs You*

By far the greater number of our churches plan their programs a year in advance, not only as regards special days for special emphases, but also in financial matters.

Churches feel they must anticipate their financial needs—pastors' salaries or other helpers if any, utilities, upkeep on property, expansion of work, etc. And then they set the highest possible goal for all the causes supported through the Cooperative Program in the State, through the Home and Foreign Mission Boards and through other Kingdom agencies and institutions.

With such a carefully planned program of work and giving, full victory

can be achieved only when every member gives it prayerful and heartiest support.

In other words, your church felt it had someone on whom it could count when you joined. It takes more than just a name on the roll and occasional giving and attendance to push forward a God-honoring, Kingdom advancing church and mission program. Each church is hurt and limited just to the extent that each member fails to go all-out for the Master, through his church.

Your church offers you your largest opportunity for serving Christ. Serve Him through your church. God's way is the best way, always.

Stanley Hahn has resigned as pastor at Brookville, in Union Association, to accept work in South Carolina.

Pastor A. H. Comer has resigned at Blanket Creek and Richland Churches to become pastor in South Carolina.

Pastor Clarence Walker, Ashland Avenue Church, Lexington, is on the mend, but is even yet far from being well.

Mrs. Otto Murrie, 81, mother of Editor B. J. Murrie, *Illinois Baptist*, died October 9. We extend our sympathy to Editor Murrie.

The Enterprise Association WMS, the Minister's Meeting and the Board of the Enterprise Association met at the Bel-frey Baptist Church, October 17.

Sam Morris addressed a meeting sponsored by the Temperance League of Kentucky at the Porter Memorial Baptist Church, Lexington, September 24.

Thirty-eight of the leading women of the Latonia Baptist Church, Covington, visited the KENTUCKY BAPTIST BUILDING and SPRING MEADOWS on September 30.

Robert Tarzier spoke for Pastor J. William Jones at the Central Baptist Church, Paris, Ky., on October 8 on, "Life and Religion Behind the Iron Curtain in Soviet Russia."

Dr. E. N. Wilkinson, Immanuel Church, Lexington, and Mr. James Morrison have been conducting a revival with Pastor Keevil Judy at the First Baptist Church, Henderson, Ky., recently.

L. O. Griffith, assistant to General Secretary W. C. Boone, was with Pastor John W. Kurtz in a revival at the Westwood Baptist Church, Dayton, Ohio, October 1-12. Claude Schindler was the director of music.

W. Lloyd Hellams has tendered his resignation as pastor of Springfield Baptist Church, Springfield, Kentucky, effective November 26, to accept the pastorate of Southside Baptist Church of Columbia, South Carolina.

The Stanley Baptist Church, near Owensboro, has called as its pastor Brother George Irvin, and he has accepted. Brother Irvin is a student in the Southern Seminary, and will commute back and fourth each week.

Pastor George A. Jones, Bardstown Junction, Ky., will be the evangelist with Pastor Lewis H. Lynch at the Van Lear Baptist Church, October 22-November 3. Ted Arnold, manager of radio station WSP, Paintsville, will be the song leader.

Dr. Frank Norfleet, of the Immanuel Baptist Church, Paducah, has been preaching in a revival at Lone Oak

Church recently. During his absence the Paducah church pulpit was supplied by Rev. B. R. Winchester, pastor at Lone Oak.

Dr. Fred T. Moffatt is continuing to improve. He returned recently for a check-up at the Kentucky Baptist Hospital. Recent supplies at the First Baptist Church, Frankfort, have included Brethren James Cox, Sam Morris and Theron Price.

President H. D. Bruce of the East Texas Baptist College, Marshall, Texas, was evangelist in an 8-day revival with Eastwood Baptist Church, Houston, Texas, of which Rev. R. G. Commander is pastor. There were 33 additions, 25 of these being for baptism.

Mr. Perry Hayden is to speak on his tithing experiences at the Immanuel Baptist Church, Paducah, on October 29 the closing day of their Stewardship Emphasis Month. Pastor Frank Norfleet is hoping for a good attendance on that Sunday.

THE HAWAII BAPTIST continues to come to the WESTERN RECORDER office each month. It is being edited by Kentucky's Chester R. Young, who came from Columbia; and his secretary is Mrs. Chester R. Young, the former Miss Alice Beard of Jellico.

Pastor W. Austin Roberts submitted to a nasal operation at the Christ Hospital, Cincinnati, Ohio, recently. He is rapidly recovering. His pulpit in the First Baptist Church of Cynthiana, Ky., was supplied one Sunday during his absence by Missionary Coleman Clark, of Japan.

The new education building of Winchester, Ky., was dedicated on September 24, at which time Dr. W. C. Boone preached the dedication sermon. Pastor A. Dalton Leath had charge of the cornerstone laying. The new building is three stories high, with a capacity of 400.

The Wildwood Baptist Church now has a Student Loan Fund to be used in assisting worthy members of its constituency in securing an education for definite Christian service. One requirement is that they shall attend Baptist schools in the South. Clel Rodgers is pastor at Wildwood.

Pastor Robert E. Humphreys, First Church, Owensboro, has been preaching in a series of revival meetings with Pastor E. O. Edwards at the First Baptist Church, Corbin, Ky. During his absence from Owensboro the pulpit of the First Church was filled by Associational Missionary Eldred M. Taylor, of Daviess-McLean.

Sam Sloan, Paducah, was the evangelist, and J. M. Chambers, Owensboro, the song leader, in a revival at the Audubon Baptist Church, Henderson, Ky. Pastor John R. Flynn says that these men make a fine evangelist team.

There were 12 professions of faith; 7 additions by letter; and 23 definite re-dedications.

Erwin L. McDonald, director of publicity at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, will deliver the dedication sermon at the new Washington Baptist Church, Washington, Ark., on Sunday afternoon, November 5. Mr. McDonald was pastor at the Washington Church before coming to the Seminary. Rev. Marvin Tate, of Washington, now a student in the Southern Seminary, will also appear on the program.

Pastor Fred Tarpley has resigned the First Baptist Church, Barbourville, Ky., to accept the pastorate of the Island Home Baptist Church, Knoxville, Tenn. During the two years he has been in Barbourville 406 people have united with the church, with 224 of these coming by baptism. Two mission buildings have been secured, the church building has been redecorated, and all phases of the work have gone forward. He began his new duties October 15.

The Ashland Daily Independent has carried an architect's forecast of the proposed new \$350,000 meeting house and education building of the First Baptist Church of Ashland. The plan is to erect first the new education building to the east of the present location. This will take in the parsonage, now occupied by Pastor and Mrs. Carroll Hubbard, and a used car lot owned by the church. After that is erected the present quarters will be raised to make way for the new auditorium.

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By **W. C. Taylor**  
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## Southern Baptists Have So Much to Give!

First and foremost, and of infinite worth, you have the non-sacramental gospel. That is a rare treasure. Few have it. Few understand its worth. That you have kept it pure and pass it on to the whole wide earth is the thing of most significant meaning now to the kingdom of God on earth.

Your money is your smallest possible gift to missions.

The gift of missionaries from your homes to other lands is greater, but is still not the greatest gift. If they carry a false or a confused gospel abroad to lost men, they had far better have stayed at home: and, giving such, you would be giving a stone where men asked you for bread. (I rejoice that those you send here are true to Christ and his grace.)

MONEY AND MEN are for the delivery of the gospel. And neither money nor men are missionary assets at all, unless those so sent can say like Paul: "None of these things move me, neither count I my life dear unto myself, so that I might finish my course with joy, and the ministry, which I have received of the Lord Jesus, to testify the gospel of the grace of God" (Acts 20:24).

This is the supreme gift of the risen Lord, the gospel of grace and called and chosen men to preach it everywhere.

People who don't keep the gospel themselves cannot give it to others. We can only give what we have.

### Many Have Little to Offer

Most of the religious forces of the world have little to offer—pagan sacraments, baptismal regeneration, eucharistic grace, sacrament on sacrament—all of it utterly unknown to the Word of God, alien to any true Christianity revealed by Christ and the New Testament, centralized ecumenical ecclesiasticism, hopeless, helpless, harmful in every way. God pity and forgive! To them and to all, Southern Baptists have so much to give.

With your unsacramental gospel of grace, goes gladly the life-giving Spirit to use the truth whereby he vitalizes dead souls. In such a faith, Christ is received, known, loved and becomes God's unspeakable gift, the best gift any people can give every other people.

A Brazilian proverb says: "My friend gives me what he has and tells me what he knows." You know Christ as Savior

In him is Saviorhood, Lordship and all other titles of authority and grace in the whole reach of the fullness of the Godhead. In so knowing Christ, you have the most important gift any people own and can give to others.

A lot of the Philistines are always sneering at Southern Baptists. Let them sneer. It unmask them.

### Keep the Home-Base Strong

One of the things often said is to blame our people for having so many pastors at home and so few abroad. The comparative numbers are not what they should be, or will be, I agree. But the reason for our thousands of pastors at home is our thousands of churches at home. They obey the call of the Spirit to be the shepherds of those flocks. And those churches and those pastors are the rock whence we are hewn. And its granite of doctrine has gone into the foundations of our whole witness around the world and reached far beyond us to those of other faiths, who have no such Gibraltar in their homeland constituency but confessedly draw strength from yours, through your missionaries and their witness.

### Moravians

It is possible to admire the personal courage of the Moravians and praise their remote snatching of isolated brands from the burning, just where people amount to the least, in this world. But that is no strategy for apostolic missions. Far better would it be had they kept a lot of the missionaries at home and DONE SOMETHING TO SAVE GERMANY. Then we might have been spared two world wars already.

### British Baptists

People praise the percentage of British missionaries. Let the praise continue. But if they could do something to save England, it would mightily help the kingdom of God in every other land. I read a lot of British papers and books. Until recently they have been full of one unending whine that Britain has gone pagan. That is the fruit of the "assured results" of an unbelieving culture in high places. British Baptists grow beautifully less every year, have diminished a third, in half a century. They had far better have kept half their missionaries in the homeland and done something to save England.

### German Baptists

In vital contrast, German Baptists may not just now have so many foreign missionaries, for evident reasons. But they have in their home missions one of the finest pieces of mission work on the globe. And it heartens the German Baptists in Brazil and other lands, and its spirit is catching in their ranks everywhere.

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### Kentuckian New Student Secretary, Blue Mountain



Miss Jane Ray Bean

Miss Jane Ray Bean, for three years the church secretary and promotional director with Dr. Verlin C. Kruschwitz at the St. Matthews Baptist Church, Louisville, Ky., is the new student secretary at Blue Mountain College in Mississippi. Originally she hails from the New Salem Baptist Church, Deatsville, Ky., and graduated from Blue Mountain in 1947. She is being succeeded at St. Matthews by Miss Evelyn Stone, from Lutherville, Ga., a graduate of the Baptist WMU Training School. Miss Stone has worked this last summer with the Sunday School Department in Georgia.

By the Late Dr. J. C. Ryle

# Simplicity in Preaching

["Simplicity in Preaching" was given as a lecture in St. Paul's Cathedral in 1876 and was subsequently published in book form; but the small book is long out of print. We have been able to make the following summary and hope it will prove of help to "Witness" readers. BISHOP RYLE was himself such a master of the art of clear speech that his advice is worthy of close attention.—R. G. Lord, Guilford, England.]

Simplicity in preaching is by no means easy to attain, for it is a very difficult thing to speak simple, clear, perspicuous, forcible English. Every word must be the right word and in its right place. To speak or write what will strike and stick, what at once pleases and is understood, what becomes assimilated and is not forgotten, is a very difficult thing indeed.

## Five Brief Hints

(1) Take care that you have a clear view of the subject, that you understand it thoroughly, know what you want to prove, teach or establish and wish to be remembered. Those who aim at nothing will hit nothing. Avoid obscure passages, fanciful subjects and "accommodated" texts. Do not drag texts out of their contexts or impart meanings into them that the HOLY GHOST never intended. Choose plain, simple texts. Do not be afraid of making divisions in your addresses. Let there be order so carefully arranged that your points shall follow one another in their regularity. Such divisions are like hooks, pegs and shelves in the mind.

(2) Use, as far as you can, simple words, words in daily, common use among people. Beware of using long "dictionary" words. Talk of happiness rather than "felicity," of "almighty" rather than "omnipotent," "lessen" rather than "diminish." Without a simple vocabulary, simplicity in preaching cannot be attained; but there is no need always to use Saxon English.

(3) Aim at a simple style of composition. Avoid long, involved sentences. Cultivate the short sentence: for the long and involved sentence with many colons, semicolons and parentheses is fatal to all simplicity.

Make use of epigrammatic sentences, e. g., "what we weave in time we wear in Eternity," "he that begins with prayer will end with praise," etc. Proverbial and antithetical sayings give clearness and force to a sermon.

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be, and people not plainly told what they ought to be and do, your preaching is of no use.

A good lively, delivery is necessary. There should be no mumbling or droning.

All the simplicity in the world is useless without prayer for God's blessings; and without a life corresponding in some measure to what we preach. Let us never forget to accompany our preaching with holy living and fervent prayer. —The Witness, London, England.

## Patsy Cosby Becomes New Field Representative, Bethel Woman's College

HOPKINSVILLE, Ky., Oct. 5.—Miss Patsy Cosby has been appointed to be field representative for Bethel Woman's College, according to an announcement made today by Dr. Powhatan W. James, president of the college. Miss Cosby is a graduate of Bethel and last June received the bachelor of arts degree from the University of Michigan. She is the daughter of Mrs. P. H. Cosby of Mayfield.

As field representative for Bethel Miss Cosby will visit homes in various communities throughout Kentucky as well as in several near-by states, especially Tennessee and Illinois, making contacts with Bethel alumnae and prospective students.

While a student at Bethel Miss Cosby was president of Phi Theta Kappa, national honorary junior college society for students in education. She was a member of the Woman's Athletic Association and of the Young Woman's Auxiliary, of the Baptist Student Union, and of the college orchestra. At the University of Michigan Miss Cosby was a member of the student advisory committee for the school of education and was financial secretary of the Roger Williams Guild, an organization similar to the Baptist Training Union in the Southern Baptist area.

Miss Cosby is a member of the First Baptist Church of Mayfield. She entered upon her new duties on October 2.

## American Negro Seminary Receives Library Addition

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—(BP)—Dr. Ryland Knight, Pulaski, Va., has presented to the American Baptist Theological Seminary seven cartons of books from his personal library. Dr. Knight, at one time pastor of Immanuel Church here, is retiring from the pastorate. He has been a life-time friend of Negro ministerial education. This gift has already been received and added to the seminary library, which now approximates 15,000 volumes. The announcement was made by Dr. L. S. Sedberry, executive secretary, Southern Baptist Commission on the American Baptist Theological Seminary.

(4) Use directness in speaking and writing. Say "I" and "you" rather than "we." Do not mind if directness brings criticism. Get into the habit of talking plainly to the people.

(5) Call in the aid of illustration.

## Joins Home Life



New editorial assistant on "Home Life" is Richmond O. Brown, native of New Mexico who came to the Nashville position by way of the University of Oklahoma.

The LORD constantly illustrated from everything around Him. If you illustrate by means of stories, tell them naturally. Don't overdo an illustration or carry it too far.

Take time and trouble in preparation. Read good models, especially the Bible, Pilgrim's Progress, and Shakespeare. Beware of trying to preach "beautiful," "clever," or "popular" sermons. If CHRIST crucified has not His rightful place, if sin is not exposed as it should

October 26, 1950

By Duke K. McCall

Executive Secretary, Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee

# Lepers Find Life

EDITOR'S NOTE: Dr. Duke K. McCall (Nashville, Tenn.) and Dr. W. A. Criswell (Dallas, Texas) are on special mission to various existing and prospective Southern Baptist mission fields of the world. Following is one of Dr. McCall's reports from Ogbomosho, Nigeria.

Today I visited a leper colony. It was hard on my stomach but good for my appreciation of missionaries.

Dr. Robert Goldie took me to see his 700 patients. The treatment room looks like a rain shelter on a golf course instead of a hospital. There was so little equipment that I was embarrassed. I could not share the good doctor's enthusiasm.

The face of the school girl waiting to be admitted would make good material for a nightmare. She had been sent to the Baptist leper colony by a mission of another denomination in order to get her away from home. There is too much work to be done here for the various denominations to bother much about who does it. Winning people to a particular church takes a poor second place to winning them to Christ.

In the shops men without feet wove baskets. Men without fingers carried the loads.

There are no hospital rooms or wards. The patients build mud houses for themselves. Those who are able work in the fields. They prepare their own food on the ground.

The more the doctor showed me the worse I felt. Then it happened.

In the woman's compound was a little boy about three years old. He was dressed in an old shirt some European had discarded. He wrapped himself in his shirt as though it was a chief's robe. After all, he was the only child with anything to wear. Africans do not use clothing for modesty's sake nor for warmth most of the year. Clothes are just decorations which may be put in a safe place if it rains. The little boy's pride and dignity made me ask about him.

A British government officer had found him lying by the side of the road. His parents had guessed that an ugly sore was leprosy. They were right. The officer brought the starved lad to the leper colony.

There was no question in the doctor's mind about taking in the child. The gift of a cup of cold water to a little

the physician who is investing in it his talent and his life can build with gifts of American Christians. The important thing is that the sick are healed, the hopeless find hope, the "unclean" find friends. I am proud of the leper colony.

The Christ who cleaned lepers on the dusty roadside in Galilee long ago is still doing business through his followers today.

I used to think missionaries spent their time designing and building schools and hospitals. Not a single missionary is a pastor of a church. They are school superintendents, nurses, farm supervisors, and orphanage attendants.

The Africans are pastors of the churches now. They and many of the members were trained in the schools, rescued in the orphanage, or healed in the hospital. Now they lead and the missionaries serve.

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The set-up is rough on the missionaries. The rising of nationalism has created resentment against all non-Africans.

Dr. W. A. Criswell, pastor of the largest Southern Baptist Church in the United States went to Ibadan to preach on Sunday. The African pastor announced he had decided to preach himself. The white preacher sat in the pew and listened to a sermon in a foreign language.

This incident does not accurately represent the attitudes of most of the Africans. It does indicate who determines the policies of the churches. Most of the 2,500 Africans shook their heads in dismay when a missionary speaker called for them to assume leadership responsibility because, as in China now, the day may come when there will be no more missionaries in Nigeria. The missionaries have no authority over the natives except that which love provides. There has been much service in the past, so there is much love.

child in Jesus' name is one of the proofs of a Christian. The problem was finding some African woman to care for a leprous child.

They found such a woman. I met her and my enthusiasm for the leper colony soared to match that of the doctor. Her face was all smiles. There was a spring in her step.

Proudly she showed me the long scar on her right arm and shoulder. There was, however, no leprosy wound. She was almost cured. In gratitude for what the doctor's injections had done for her, she had offered to care for Goldie, the little boy whom she had given the doctor's name.

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By American standards the leper colony at Ogbomosho is not much. It is all

## Kentucky Baptist Ministers' Meeting To Be Held At Murray Next Month

The 115th annual session of the Kentucky Baptist Ministers' Meeting will be held at the First Baptist Church, Murray, Ky., on the night of Monday, November 13, and the following morning, according to announcement made by its president, Manual A. Cooper, of Louisville. The program, as adopted at the last session, will be as follows:

Monday	
7:30	Song Service.....L. E. Martin
	Devotional.....E. Keevil Judy
7:45	Election of officers, etc.
8:00	Sanctification.....T. E. Smith
8:40	The Lord's Return.....Robert E. Humphreys
Tuesday	
9:30	Song Service.....L. E. Martin
	Devotional.....Thomas R. Brown
9:45	Preaching For a Revival.....W. K. Wood
10:15	Power For a Revival.....W. R. Pettigrew

The program committee consists of E. N. Wilkinson, L. C. Ray and H. B. Kuhnle.

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# Cuban Seminary Building

ATLANTA, GA.—Dr. J. B. Lawrence, executive secretary-treasurer of the Home Mission Board for the past twenty years, has just returned from Cuba where he dedicated the beautiful and commodious seminary building which has just been completed.

The Baptist Seminary of Cuba has held classes and housed students in the Baptist Temple for many years. Now there is a seminary building, particularly adapted for such work. In the new building which was dedicated on September 21 is a large chapel which will be used for the meeting place of the church to be served by Nemesio Garcia, who for several years has been pastor of the church at Guanajay. Professor Garcia teaches in the Seminary, is a graduate of the University of Havana and of the Cuban Seminary. He has served well as pastor at Guanajay and now takes over responsibilities at the new church on the seminary grounds and in the seminary building.

There are classrooms and dormitories for students of the Seminary and young women of the Training School. There are apartments for Dr. Herbert Caudill and his family, Dean Jose Sanchez and his wife, and pastor Garcia and his family in the seminary building.

Dr. M. N. McCall believed in a trained ministry and invested much of his life in the training of Cuban pastors. It is still the policy of the Home Mission Board to train Cuban workers to do the work in Cuba. Therefore, a minimum of Anglo missionaries is stationed in Cuba.

In the October meeting of the Home Mission Board, appropriation was made for a student center building at the University of Havana. Cuba's University has more than 15,000 students. The Home Mission Board is represented on the University grounds by A. C. Queen, student secretary. The building is to furnish him equipment for his service to the students of the University.

## New Home Mission Appointments

Rev. and Mrs. Eugene S. Wolfe have just arrived in Chorrera as missionaries to Panama. They had been serving as student missionaries among Mexicans in Texas.

Mrs. Ima O. Boyd is new kindergarten worker at Artesia, New Mexico. Rev. and Mrs. Aubrey E. Beard have been appointed missionaries to Las Vegas, New Mexico. Rev. and Mrs. Juan Arrambula have been appointed student missionaries to Winters, Texas. Rev. Fred Banda, Jr. becomes student pastor at Alamo, Texas.

## Additional Missionaries to Alaska

Rev. and Mrs. Arthur Hinson, of Augusta, Georgia, have been named

missionaries to Alaska. It is expected that Dr. Hinson will serve the Calvary Baptist Church at Anchorage as pastor. Recently Brother Hinson was awarded an earned Doctor's Degree. He has served for several years as city superintendent in Augusta, Georgia, and is considered one of the outstanding leaders among Southern Baptists. His election to serve as missionary in Alaska is an effort on the part of the Home Mission Board to supply Alaska with the best leadership possible.

## Southern Baptist Home Missions

This is the budget season in churches. Many new budget subscriptions to the magazine are coming in. The 32c rate makes Southern Baptist Home Missions inexpensive. It is invaluable.

## Our Small Colleges

By F. W. Fink, Editor, The Kentucky New Era, Hopkinsville, Kentucky.

The small college, with little endowment, has always had difficulty in making both ends meet; and, even when there were large numbers of them, it usually required annual drives for funds to keep going. Within the past fifty years many of them have pulled down the blinds and quit; while a few, by virtue of large endowments, grew into large institutions.

In view of the continued growth of state institutions and private colleges and universities, there were undoubtedly too many of these small institutions; but, we shouldn't make the mistake of permitting all of them to close their doors. They have a definite place in our educational setup, and exert a tremendous influence on the youth of our land. What they need is ample endowment, and our denominational institutions, especially, should bend their efforts to increase their endowed assets. Many churchmen would be glad to make a provision in their wills for the benefit of some church college, if they were fully acquainted with the need.

In the past the mistake has been made to work only for the large bequests while persons with small means have been overlooked. In the beginning of this country, the education, at all levels, was largely taken care of by religious bodies; and, while it is right and proper that the state should assume the major portion of the responsibility of educating the young people, religious denominations still have a duty to perform in this con-

nection. If the churches are to have properly educated ministers and workers, of necessity, they must make arrangements for the religious education of a certain percentage of their young people. Under our Constitution, church and state must remain separated, and there is no way for the state to furnish religious education for church workers.

Aside from furnishing religious education, the small college, particularly those of the Junior type, fill a great need. For many students, two years in college is all that is needed, and they will get more education out of two years in a small college than they can possibly get in two years at a large university.

Many students finishing high school are not mature enough to take their place in a large university; and, even if they are going to complete their college work, they will get along much better if they will take the first two years of the work in a small college. Many timid children need a lot of personal attention and advice in their studies, and they cannot get it in the big schools, where education is on a more or less assembly-line basis.

Here in Hopkinsville we know the value of a Junior college, as, through the years, we have watched the fine results that have been obtained at Bethel. It is now almost a hundred years old and we should see to it that it goes on for another hundred years. To do this we must support it with our donations, and by sending our children to receive its benefits. Remember you can't live always, and, if you would have some good live after you, make a provision in your will for a bequest to a denominational college of your choice.

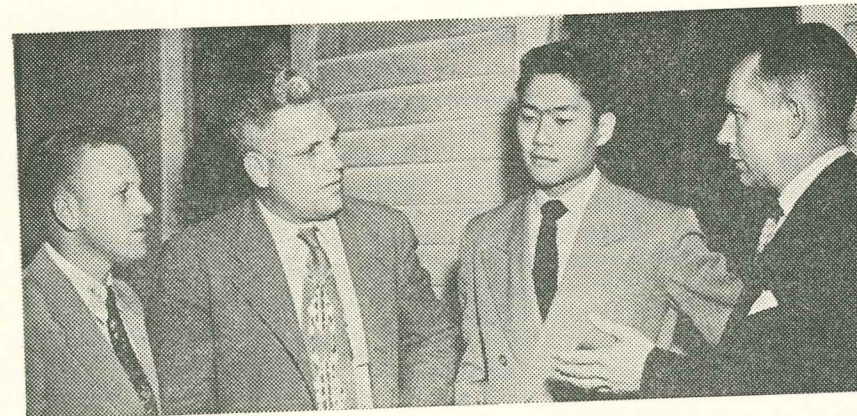
## President Truman Commends Evangelism

DALLAS, Texas, Sept. 26.—Dr. C. E. Matthews, Secretary of the department of Evangelism, Home Mission Board S. B. C., with offices here in Dallas, today received a telegram from President Harry S. Truman from Washington, concerning the work Dr. Matthews is performing in the field of evangelism. The telegram follows:

"I NOTE WITH PLEASURE THE EFFORT SOUTHERN BAPTISTS, ALONG WITH OTHER RELIGIOUS GROUPS ARE MAKING TO BRING ABOUT A SPIRITUAL AWAKENING IN OUR NATION. I WISH THE BLESSINGS OF GOD UPON ALL OF THESE MOVEMENTS IN THIS CRITICAL PERIOD OF SPIRITUAL NEED IN ALL NATIONS."

By Edison H. Thomas

# A Busy Day With the Camera at Harrodsburg



E. T. Moseley, (right) pastor of the Harrodsburg Baptist Church shown here with his workers who are carrying on an active mission program. They are (left to right) Kenneth Hollingseed, Arlie Carter, church mission pastor, and Danny Kong.

Late in the afternoon of Sunday, September 24, while we were looking through the new education building of the Harrodsburg Baptist Church, I finally had time to catch my breath.

It had been an eventful day. There was a feeling of the Lord's nearness as I walked down the hall with Pastor E. T. Moseley and Glave G. Vivian, Sunday school superintendent for the past 33 years, and Kenneth Williams, camera assistant for the day.

The day had been practically a sea of faces. But it was a joyous sea—faces happy in the Lord's work.

Walking from room to room of this handsome, new plant, I noticed that Pastor Moseley was removing a piece of paper from the wall of each one. Every time he took one down he smiled with satisfaction. Closer inspection revealed that these pieces of paper bore this legend: "1200 IN SUNDAY SCHOOL ON SEPTEMBER 24, PLUS 500 IN THE MISSION SUNDAY SCHOOLS."

Only a short time before I had cornered Pastor Moseley to get his picture. I caught it while he and Brother Vivian were standing in front of the Daviess-town Mission, totaling the attendance figures for the day. Yes, he had a reason for that satisfied smile. Goal for the day was 1700. Attendance totaled 1720.

The day began bright enough. When we arrived in Harrodsburg, Arlie Carter, the church mission pastor, was already going strong. He had a program lined up that didn't allow for much time in between. "Be here at 8:45," his note had said. We arrived at 8:45, started work at 8:46.

Our first stop was at Cornishville Street Mission, where we found attendance and enthusiasm high. They had considerably exceeded their goal. Now in its second year, this mission had its beginning when Arlie set up a tent in the neighborhood and began a revival. Eventually a building was constructed, and already its capacity is taxed.

"We're 44 over our goal," Arlie said with satisfaction.

A dash out to the Old Mud Meeting House was another interesting experience. Built by the Dutch Reformed Church in 1800, the building has stood 150 years, as a monument to Christ. The structure has undergone a considerable renovation during those years but recently a window has been so placed that one may see the walls, almost a foot thick, and the hand prints of those who built it.

Kenneth Hollingseed was holding forth here, and though his group was somewhat smaller than at Cornishville Street, enthusiasm was just as high.

"You're wanted at the church in ten minutes," Arlie cautioned, as I finished the last picture. Remembering the goal, I knew I couldn't keep 1,200 people waiting very long.

We set up our camera for movies just as Brother Vivian came out saying, "Are you ready—?"

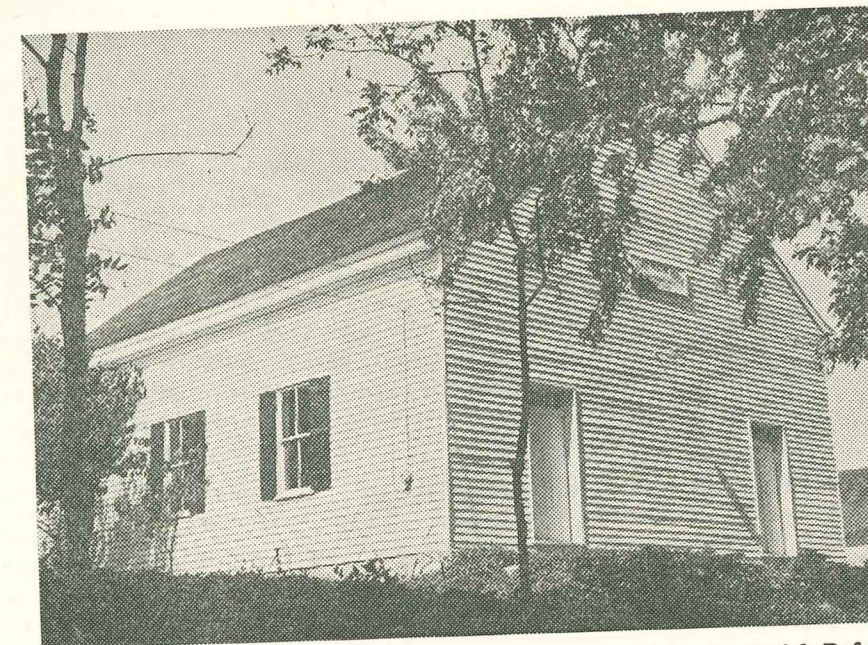
A veritable flood of people poured out of the church doors, and I think it was the largest group of men I had ever seen in a Sunday school.

"Is that all?" I asked, as the last man stepped out. "All the men," Mr. Vivian said, "the women are next; then we'll go around to the side entrance of the education building for the Beginners; then around to the back for the Juniors and others—"

Reloading the camera on the run, we did just what he said, in that order.

The shutter had hardly stopped clicking on the final picture when Arlie Carter put in, "Now if we hurry, we can almost make Sunday school at Shaker-town."

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Old Mud Meeting House just outside Harrodsburg. Built by the Dutch Reformed Church in 1800, it is now one of four missions supported by the Harrodsburg Baptist Church.

The Guard Must Stay Awake

Paul exhorted Timothy: "But watch thou in all things." The *American Standard Version* has it: "But be thou sober in all things." The word translated "Be thou sober" is the present imperative of *nepho* and Dr. A. T. Robertson translated it: "Be sober in thy head."

Timothy was to consider himself a spiritual guard at his assigned post. He was to keep a close watch. He was not to grow sleepy or dull-headed, no matter how long the watch or how dark the night.

This same word is used in the First Epistle of Paul to the Thessalonians (5:6): "So then, let us not sleep, as do the rest, but let us watch and be sober." It is a warning to all believers, particularly to those in places of leadership.

The man of God who for any reason suffers himself to become dull in his attention to the perils within and without will find himself ashamed and defeated. He must be awake in his head as well as sincere in his heart.

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**ON GUARD AGAINST SELF:** The religious leader's big danger is self. Self gets in the way of everything. Self dams up the streams of power. Self limits what God will do for us and through us. No man ever wins his race until he has taken the high hurdle of self. None can effectively bear witness to Christ and self at the same time. Paul said: "For we preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus our Lord; and ourselves your servants for Jesus' sake" (2 Cor. 4:5).

Until self is dead—utterly dead—Christ will not live in our witnessing. Alexander Whyte said, "It is out of self-love that all our evil passions spring."

How the man of God is tempted by the flesh and Satan to preach himself, to appear clever, to be winsome and entertaining, to draw hearers to himself, to play to the crowds! There has probably never been a man of God who has not felt the pull of that dangerous gravity. Remember, it was Simon the Sorcerer who "bewitched the people" and sought to make his hearers believe "that himself was some great one" (Acts 8:9).

Let the man of God ask himself in his study and on his knees, "Is there to be anything at all of self in this?" And then, out on the pulpit, before heart-hungry people, let him see to it that self is dead and that Christ literally lives in every attitude and manner and word. When we are nothing, Christ is something. When we are nothing at all, then Christ is everything.

Christ's strength is made perfect in our weakness. "Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my weakness," said Paul, "that the power of Christ may rest upon me" (2 Cor. 12:9). The word for rest in that verse means literally to cover, to be over and about us on every side. Christ's mighty power will not cover the man who holds self dear or who, in any sense, is self-seeking in his witnessing for Christ. The Holy Spirit came into this world to glorify and magnify Christ, not man. He leaves us in our weakness and dismal failure and shame the moment self takes over. No degree of cleverness can substitute for the power of Christ which rests on those who preach him only.

**ON GUARD AGAINST UNSOUND DOCTRINE:** In his Scripture admonishing Timothy to keep his head sober and awake, Paul said, "Preach the Word; be instant in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine. For the time will come when they will

not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears. And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables. But watch thou [keep a sober head] in all things. Endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of thy ministry" (2 Tim. 4:2-5).

Somewhere along the line, religious leaders have been responsible for the false doctrines and fables which have crept in. They slept at their post while the enemy slipped by the lines.

As a young pastor this writer resented, as did others, being told that he was the 'key man' in his church. But the years have shown the truth of that statement. No congregation ever raises higher, spiritually, than the heart of the man in the pulpit. No spiritual fires in the pews ever burn hotter than the preacher's soul. No missionary passion, no evangelistic zeal in the church as a whole ever exceeds that of the pastor. He cannot be a slumbering spirit and expect his people to stay awake. He cannot be an icicle and expect the warm winds to blow across his valley of dry bones. He cannot be a mumbler and expect his hearers to speak plainly the language of Zion.

"Be thou sober—awake—in all things." And the awakening of the man of God will bring His hosts to their feet and set them marching for him.

Baptists Behind Prison Bars

The persecution of Baptists, by the town authorities of Val d'Or, Quebec, Canada, has attracted widest attention in the press. Thirty-one Baptists have been arrested there, over a period of weeks, for preaching the gospel on the street, and 24 have received jail sentences. Eighteen are still in jail serving their terms.

Those arrested are charged with violating a recently amended by-law of the town which forbids anyone to obstruct traffic or do anything which causes others to.

J. R. Armstrong, secretary-treasurer of the Union of Regular Baptists of Ontario and Quebec has announced that his people are determined to continue holding the street services, jail or no jail. The Baptists insist that their services do not obstruct traffic and that, therefore, their services are not in violation of the law.

**BAPTISTS AND OTHERS**, including the Salvation Army, have been holding street services in Val d'Or for the past 11 years. The Salvation Army has stopped. It seems no complaint was registered until within recent weeks, and there is a general feeling that the complaints were made by some who objected to the proclamation of the evangelical message.

This is a matter which should be gone into thoroughly. If Baptists are violating the law, then they have an adjustment to make themselves. Paul commanded, "Let every soul be subject unto the higher powers (governments)... and they that resist shall receive to themselves judgement" (Rom. 13:1-2). If authorities in the Canadian town are twisting a law away from its normal purpose in order to stop the preaching of the gospel, then Baptists throughout Canada and even the United States should bring every possible pressure to bear to insure equal and absolute religious liberty, even if the case has to be carried to the highest authorities for settlement.

Sunday School Department

W. A. GARDINER,  
State Secretary

STANDARD SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Here are the Sunday schools that qualified for the standard award during the first seventeen days in October. This is a good start. Let those whose Sunday schools are standard send on applications.

**Riverside**—Pastor Ralph Voris; Superintendent W. R. Pearman.

**Hazel**—Pastor H. F. Paschall; Superintendent Gene Mullins.

**DeMossville**—Pastor R. E. McElmurry; Superintendent Arvel Roland.

**Gardnersville**—Pastor Virgil Clark; Superintendent H. Taft Mann.

**Owensboro, Buena Vista**—Pastor J. D. Herndon; Superintendent James M. Davis.

**East Hickman**—Pastor Fred E. Richardson; Superintendent O. J. Hisle.

**Mt. Vernon**—Pastor H. Morgan Radford; Superintendent W. D. Congleton.

**Mt. Freedom**—Pastor Joseph R. Estes; Superintendent George P. Cox.

**West London**—Pastor James Riddle; Superintendent L. Green.

**London First**—Pastor G. W. Phillips; Superintendent D. P. Johnson.

**Laurel River**—Pastor H. Hatcher; Superintendent Roy Brewer.

**New Salem**—Pastor Hoyt Withers; Superintendent H. W. Jones.

**New Brandenburg**—Pastor E. B. Stewart; Superintendent Roy Foor.

**Rock Haven**—Pastor L. L. McGee; Superintendent E. Lewis.

**Glencoe**—Pastor W. G. Burkett; Superintendent James Boaz.

**Ten Mile**—Pastor W. M. Smith, Superintendent K. R. Connelly.

**Oakland**—Pastor Ray Alexander, Jr.; Superintendent (name not given).

**Macedonia**—Pastor F. B. Taylor; Superintendent R. Edrington.

**Lynch**—Pastor A. R. Hoe; Superintendent C. H. Hollin.

**Paducah, West End**—Pastor G. C. Lovan; Superintendent Byron Stark.

**Corinth**—Pastor A. H. Keith; Superintendent E. L. Conn.

Recent Training Schools

**MAYFIELD, First**—The writer had the privilege of teaching in a training school at the First church in Mayfield where we had about ninety-five awards. Superintendent George Cook and Pastor H. W. Horton have done a great work in

training this year, having had four books leading to the diploma used.

**PRINCETON**—Bob Fitts was in a good training school at Princeton. Pastor H. G. M. Hatler and Educational Director O. C. Allcock are having a good year in the Sunday school.

**ARLINGTON**—Bob Fitts was recently with Pastor G. W. Archer in a good enlargement campaign. He reports a good time with this fine church.

**BARDWELL**—C. P. Hargis was with Harry Harp and the Bardwell church. Mr. Hargis always has a good week of work.

**MT. CARMEL**—Orman Stegall conducted an enlargement campaign with the Mt. Carmel Church in West Kentucky Association. There was a good attendance in this rural church.

**NEW BETHEL**—O. C. Markham conducted an enlargement campaign with Pastor H. T. Luther and the New Bethel Church for a week of good work. Dan Thomas has been with the First Church in Corbin and the First Church in London where he reports good services.

**MISS MARY ELLA DAVIS** is engaged in a number of weeks on the field with different churches. We discovered she was too heavily dated for three months, and one week of work was cancelled so she could do some necessary office work in connection with the elementary departments of the Sunday schools. Miss Davis is doing a great work in her field and Kentucky should be grateful that she stepped out of the class room to take up this work.

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Your Church Planning Meeting

Have you met with your officers and teachers to plan for the Sunday school work in your church for the coming twelve months? Such a meeting will be of great value to your work. If you do not have copies of the booklet containing the PROGRAM for the year get in touch with your associational Sunday school superintendent and he can supply you. We had a supply for the association mailed to him. Study the booklet, set goals for the year, and set to work to start new classes, new departments and a new emphasis on visitation, on training and on evangelism.

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Paintsville High Attendance

The Paintsville Sunday School recently had 240 present and in some way we failed to get it in the Western Recorder. Pastor Roy Hamilton is justly happy over this good attendance.

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R. F. Doll Teaches at Valley View

The Valley View Baptist Church of Long Run, has just completed a Sunday school study course, studying "The School in Which We Teach." With 21 taking test and passing. The book was taught by R. F. Doll.

FALLEN ASLEEP

REV. E. H. BLAKEMAN

WHEREAS the Harrodsburg Baptist Church of Harrodsburg, Kentucky has sustained the loss of a faithful member and wise Christian counselor in the home going of Rev. E. H. Blakeman, and

WHEREAS Brother Blakeman chose our church and community in which to spend his retirement and never ceased to give his highest fidelity and untiring service to the Lord Jesus Christ through the church, and WHEREAS our Pastor and the many ministers of the Word who knew Brother Blakeman have lost a faithful prayer helper and friend:

BE IT RESOLED that we express as a body our gratitude to God in whose loving providence our brother was permitted to serve as a gospel minister for more than fifty years.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLED that we bespeak our assurance that the memory of his faithfulness to the church, in which he gave large accents of Christian living to all that he had preached during a long and fruitful ministry, will strengthen the church in this place.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLED that we express our deepest sympathy to his loved ones through a copy of these resolutions, that we publish the same in the Western Recorder and that they be spread upon the minutes, and that they be spread upon the minutes. Done by the order of the Harrodsburg Baptist Church in business session, October 11, 1950.

Glave Vivion, Moderator  
E. T. Moseley, Clerk, pro tem

MRS. DAVID WASH

Mrs. David Wash, Owenton, Kentucky Route One, fell asleep September 17, 1950.

Whereas, it has pleased our Heavenly Father in the dispensation of Divine Providence and Wisdom to call from our midst Mrs. David Wash, a beloved member of our Woman's Missionary Society, to her eternal rest.

Whereas, in the death of Daisy Plum Wash the Society has lost a beloved member, the community a faithful friend, the Richland Baptist Church an untiring worker, and the sick and poor a consistent helper in the time of trouble.

Whereas, the said Society recognizes the love of God in all things, we thank our Lord for having permitted us to enjoy her lovely personality through these years.

Resolved, that we deeply regret the passing of our member and extend to the family our deepest sympathy. We further resolve that a copy of this resolution be spread on our minutes and a copy sent to the bereaved family.

Amanda Rowlett, President  
Mary Frances Kingkade, Secretary  
Alma Greene

W. L. WRIGHT

In the course of events it pleased God, our Heavenly Father, to call Bro. W. L. Wright from our midst on August 19, 1950, to be with Him. To His will we humbly bow. Although we deplore our loss and will miss him, we know the Lord makes no mistake. Surely it may rightfully be said of Bro. Wright that he had the respect and admiration of all who were privileged to be associated with him. His advice was sought on many vital questions and the way was brightened for many by his timely advice.

It was our privilege and joy to have Bro. Wright serve as Deacon for 22 years and as Trustee for the entire 24 years of the existence of the church, also he was an active member of the Building Committee. His spiritual life was manifested in kindly disposition and his courage and leadership were factors in producing results at Virginia Avenue Baptist Church. His perception of the need of man, together with an unselfish desire to render aid, inspired Bro. Wright on the way to many activities.

In appreciation of Bro. Wright and his long and faithful service, we rededicate our lives to the service of God's will and with grateful hearts for his untiring efforts in behalf of his Saviour, we continue unabated the great task before us. We also wish to express our profound sympathy to Mrs. Wright and her family in the home going of their beloved and devoted husband and father and covenant to pray for their happiness and general well-being.—Mrs. E. L. Moore, Church Clerk.

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## Baptist Training Union Dept.

BYRON C. S. DeJARNETTE,  
State Secretary

### CORRECTION

Through error the "Guest Writer" under "Intermediate Highlights" in the second column of this page for the October 5 issue of the *Western Recorder* appears as "Mr. Orrin W. Stites." It should have been "Mrs. Orrin W. Stites." We are sorry for this error and glad to correct it.

### ATTENTION ASSOCIATIONAL OFFICERS

Please do your best to get every one of your associational Training Union Officers to attend the Planning Meeting which is most convenient. The Sunday School Board will pay three cents per mile for one or two cars from each association bringing officers. The meetings, with afternoon and night sessions in each, will be as follows: October 30—Mt. Sterling; October 31—Hazard, First; November 2—Elizabethtown; November 3—Dawson Springs.

If your association is not organized, please see that prospective officers or interested workers in one or two cars attend.

In these meetings the workers of the State Training Union Department will be assisted by two workers from the Training Union Department of the Sunday School Board as follows: Mr. R. Maines Rawls at Mt. Sterling and Hazard and Miss Frances Whitworth at Elizabethtown and Dawson Springs.

### AWARDS FOR JUNE

Associations and Churches	Methods	Other Books	Total
<b>BAPTIST—</b>			
Mt. Pleasant		64	64
<b>BELL COUNTY—</b>			
Pineville, First	76		76
<b>BLACKFORD—</b>			
Hawesville	8	12	20
<b>BOONE'S CREEK—</b>			
Cow Creek	22		22
<b>CAMPBELL COUNTY—</b>			
Cold Spring, First		34	34
<b>CENTRAL—</b>			
Thompsonville	27		27
<b>CHRISTIAN COUNTY—</b>			
Casky	18		18
Sinking Fork		11	11
<b>CRITTENDEN—</b>			
Turner Ridge	1		1
<b>DAVISS-McLEAN—</b>			
Glenville		42	42
Owensboro, Third	13		13
<b>EAST LYNN—</b>			
Pleasant Grove	33		33
<b>ELKHORN—</b>			
Georgetown College		39	39
Paris, First		36	36
Stonewall	10		10
White Sulphur Chapel		11	11
<b>ENTERPRISE—</b>			
Allen	5		5
<b>FRANKLIN—</b>			
North Fork	45		45
<b>GASPER RIVER—</b>			
Salem	28		28
<b>LITTLE BETHEL—</b>			
Dawson Springs, First		55	55
Nortonville		12	12

(To be Continued)

## THE ADULT CHALLENGE

By D. E. JONES  
State Approved Adult Worker

### The Importance of Adult Training Union Work.

We fear many of our people and churches have never realized the importance of Adult Training Union work. There is not a more important phase of our church work than the training of Adults. It is of great advantage to the church itself, to the pastor and to the individual as well as to the whole Kingdom movement. It helps to build a great worship service, a strong prayer meeting, a good stewardship program and trains leaders for all organizations of the church. A church is missing one of its greatest opportunities if it does not have a good adult group in Training Union. Any church will be stronger if it has its adults in training.

The pastor is to be pitied who has never seen the importance of getting his adults in the Training Union. The group which comes to Training Union will be the ones who will stand shoulder to shoulder with the pastor in his work and they will be sympathetic with him in the problems of church work. The Baptist Adult Union will stand behind the pastor and will work heart to heart with him. Pastors, if you want a wide awake, thriving, soul-winning church; then get your adults into the training Union. The adult work is indeed important to the God Called Man, the Pastor. Try it and see!

But perhaps the adult union does more for the individual who is active in it than for anyone else. It will develop ones personality and make him radiant in the Lord's service. In the adult union we have an opportunity to stand up and bear testimony to the saving power of the Lord Jesus. This is both Biblical and Christ-commanded. We are able to discover our talents and to find undiscovered and unseen talent in our churches going to waste because people have never been given the privilege of finding themselves. The adult who is active in Training Union will find himself developing spiritually, mentally and physically. We will be inspired to read our Bible and have prayer daily in our homes. Our minds will be made keen through study and the opportunity to express what we have learned. Our physical lives will be developed through the social life and fellowship provided in the Adult union. It's indeed a challenging work. Churches, Pastors and individual adults, let's build a great Adult training Union in every church for the glory of God!

And by the way, do you have a good study course and fall social planned? Why not? It'll do you good and help you too!

## A Busy Day With the Camera At Harrodsburg

(Continued from Page 7)

We hurried, but didn't quite make Sunday school. Instead, we were just in time to hear Danny Kong, a talented Chinese boy, bring the morning message. Danny came to the United States nearly four years ago from Hawaii. A graduate of Georgetown College last spring, he is now a student at Southern Seminary.

"My voice isn't as strong today as usual," he said with slight apology, but it was strong enough to carry over that old building once used by the Shakers.

After the services, Arlie showed us through the building. Designed and built years ago, it had been adapted perfectly for the church and Sunday school. Its many rooms on the second floor made it ideal for an education building. The major portion of the interior had been repainted and new window panes put in. Services have been held here about three years.

"We have a lease for five years," Arlie said, and it was needless to say that interest was manifest.

We drove to Burgin where Mrs. Carter was putting the finishing touches to a wonderful meal—including the fried chicken. We were in good mood to give it a real, finishing touch.

Services were to be held at Daviess-town Mission at 2:00 that afternoon. When we arrived I got my first real glimpse of E. T. Moseley. He and Brother Vivian were conferring off to the side. That's when I got the picture mentioned earlier.

Sunday school was announced and Arlie went into action to round up some youngsters from a game of some kind down the street. Danny Kong who was to deliver the message again that afternoon didn't say much because he wanted to rest his voice. Kenneth Hollingsseed was also there, so I managed to get Pastor Moseley, his mission pastor and workers together for a picture. Even then I had to catch them in the middle of a discussion of their work.

Daviestown is their oldest mission and was established in 1942. It occupies two former residences, and a building program is under way.

Then when the camera shutter clicked on the last picture we went back to the main church building to inspect the new education plant. It represents an outlay of approximately \$200,000 including the furnishings, and is functional in every respect.

"Our next goal will be a new church," Pastor Moseley said.

From what I saw of the work in Harrodsburg on that Sunday in September, that new church won't be too distant in the future.

## WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

MRS. GEORGE R. FERGUSON  
Executive Secretary

### FOCUS WEEK NOVEMBER 5-11

More than 90,000 Royal Ambassadors over the Southland will be observing this Royal Ambassador Focus Week. In every Baptist church the spot-light should be on this organization. As we face the future with a hope that our youth will be qualified to take the place of leadership in our churches, we should decide now to give them the opportunity for service and the proper recognition. If the church does not recognize the boy today, it may not have the opportunity tomorrow. This week will be your opportunity to promote Royal Ambassadors in your church. Many plans should have already been made, but it is not too late to plan a program.

Your Royal Ambassador chapter will want to begin their activities on the first day of Focus Week, and it is important to begin on Sunday. Some of the boys may be used as ushers during the worship services, while others pass out the church bulletin or the Royal Ambassador promotional leaflets. The program for the morning or evening worship service should challenge every boy to take part in the activities of the week. Use as many boys as possible in this program. If you have special talent among the group help them to grow stronger in Christ by singing, speaking, making posters, or helping to plan the week's activities. Some of the outstanding members should be used to speak during the worship services or during Sunday school and Training Union assemblies.

If you have never had a recognition service in your church try to have one this week while the attention is on the boys. This is one way of informing the local church people about the Royal Ambassador program. When they see its influence on their youth and see what these boys mean to the church they will be more concerned about the organization's activities. Be sure the boys have been before a reviewing counsel; you might plan this counsel when the boys come to practice for the recognition service.

The Father-son banquet is one of the outstanding events of the year. Many of the fathers have little time to have fellowship with their sons in this way; this is your opportunity to create a better relationship between father and son and at the same time to present the need for missions.

### Do You Have An R. A. Chapter?

If not, then this is the best time to organize your boys. Through much prayer enlist a counselor, order the free material from the state office, and re-

assure the counselor of your assistance. The Royal Ambassador program could be presented at the worship service by the young people's leader. Have a definite day and time for the boys to meet for the organizational meeting. This meeting should be announced in the bulletin, by special announcements, and by posters.

### State Royal Ambassador Congress

Many boys have already sent in their registration and banquet fees for the Congress. It is to be held at the First Baptist Church in Bowling Green, Kentucky, November 10-11. There will be accommodations for 200 overnight guests and 300 for the banquet Friday night. After the Congress, Royal Ambassador "T" shirts, in three colors (white, blue, gold), will be for sale; also the new Royal Ambassador Jackets that so many boys have requested.

### Additional Focus Week Information

Last year Kentucky had 551 Royal Ambassador chapters, and a total of 4,406 members. A list of suggestions has already been sent to every counselor of these organizations. It is imperative that you see the October issue of AMBASSADOR LIFE, pages 10 and 11. Select the best suggestions for your own chapter and make these aims become a reality by carrying them out as suggested.

### Attention Northeastern Region

Those who will be attending the meeting of Northeastern Region at Unity church in Ashland October 31, are asked to write Mrs. Orville Felty, Sr., 2206 Crook St., Ashland, Kentucky if they desire to spend the night.

## Hand In Hand

I stood with the crowd at busy Fourth Avenue and Chestnut in down-town Louisville, waiting for the light to change. Adults in the group were watching the light as if their lives depended on getting into the street a split-second after the red turned green.

But one in the waiting throng was refreshingly oblivious of time and traffic lights. She was a three-year-old, brown-eyed beauty in a baby-blue frock, black, patent-leather shoes, and with brown hair in ringlets. She danced about, light-hearted, thinking, the Lord only knew what, but certainly not worrying about crossing the street. She did not have to worry. Her hand was in her mother's hand.

What a lesson for the rest of us who worry about the crossings that may lie ahead in life. There is One with an all-seeing eye and a loving and outstretched hand who knows when the light is green for us, and who will lead us gently all the way. We can do no better than to put our hand confidently into his.—Erwin L. McDonald.

## Initial Key Of Bethel Passed To "Girl Of '54"

HOPKINSVILLE, Ky., Oct. 5.—The early beginnings of a significant Kentucky Baptist educational institution was effectively symbolized this afternoon, at Bethel Woman's College, Hopkinsville, in the Friendship Ceremony of the College.

Commemorating the founding of Bethel by Baptists of Kentucky in 1854, Dr. Powhatan W. James, president of Bethel gave into the hands of the "Girl of 1854", Miss Marjorie Browning, senior honor maid, the great brass key which first opened the doors of Bethel to the long line of students that have entered the college in its near-century of existence.

Paying tribute to what Bethel is, has been, and hopes ever to be, Dr. James said in part, "Her record has been written, her achievements have been recorded, and her treasures have been guarded in trust for those who are worthy to receive them . . . The Bethel that was strongly believes in the Bethel that is. Therefore, this key of high privilege and of corresponding responsibility is trustfully delivered to you of the present."

After receiving the key from Dr. James, Miss Browning, in turn, passed it on to the junior honor maid, Miss Mary Eades, the "Girl of 1950."

Miss Browning, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Browning, Island, and her senior attendants were costumed in period dresses of the 1850's. Miss Eades, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Eades, Herndon, was in traditional white, and attended by junior maids, who wore pastel formals as did all the ushers.

To be chosen for any part in the annual Friendship Ceremony at Bethel is a coveted honor, choice being made by all-college vote of students and faculty.

Throughout the pageant, which was given on the north campus of Bethel, a musical program under the direction of Mrs. Deva Howard and Miss Mary Eli Mitchell was provided by the Bethel Octette.

Following the ceremony a brief reception for college and community friends was held in the college parlors.—Mrs. G. Marvin Green.

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# Life or Death in The Print

A book did it—sent him to prison for fifty-six long years.

Made a felon out of a fourteen-year-old lad who intended to be a decent citizen.

A few months ago, they released from an American prison, the grey-haired, pale-faced shell, Jesse Pomeroy, who, when only fourteen years old had killed a man during an attempted robbery.

Just a lad, but a boy with a mind inflamed by dime novels—the cheap blood-and-shooting kind, read secretly.

The books did it: they made him a killer.

Col. Robert G. Ingersoll ("Bob" Ingersoll, the notorious infidel) showed a friend his great library—one of the most complete in the land. There were few works, particularly philosophy, that he did not own.

"Col. Ingersoll, this library must have cost you a great deal," he exclaimed.

"It has," the infidel answered. "It has. It has cost me the presidency of the United States."

A high price to pay for a wrong conception of life—the result very largely of wrong reading.

Again, the books did it.

From somewhere comes this little incident, told by an English Christian worker:

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A Puritan preacher wrote "The

Bruised Reed," a successful devotional book for a brief period before it was forgotten.

But a copy that chanced to fall into the hands of Richard Baxter, started him thinking of religion; later he wrote a great book, "The Saints' Everlasting Rest."

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William Wilberforce, philanthropist, read it and then penned "The Practical View of Christianity."

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We believe in the sovereignty of each individual church, and because of that we do not recognize creeds of hierarchy.

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Evangelist Arthur Fox of Morristown, Tenn. has just concluded a revival with the First Baptist Church of Ardmore, Okla. in which there were 33 additions by baptism. Dr. Fox goes next to Charleston, W. Va., then to Washington, D. C., then to Huntington, W. Va., and to Cincinnati, O. Karl Moore is pastor of the Ardmore church.

# Louisville Area News

## The First Salem Association GA Coronation



BRANDENBURG, Ky., Sept. 27.—The first Salem Associational GA Coronation service was directed by Mrs. Horace Brown, YP leader of the association. FOLLOWING IN HIS STAR was the program presented by 60 GA girls who received rewards for their faithful work. There was one Queen Septre from New Brandenburg, one from Phillips Memorial, five from Buck Grove, and three from New Salem, shown standing in

the back, with Mrs. John Burnett, WMU Supt., on the extreme left, and Mrs. Horace Brown, YP leader on the right, both standing.

The other girls seated in the foreground are ladies in waiting and maidens from Raymond, New Highland, Phillips Memorial, Salem, Ekron, Hill Grove, New Brandenburg, Buck Grove, New Salem, West Point and Muldraugh Churches.

dent; Joseph M. Robinson, Promotion vice president; James H. Drake, St. Matthews, Activities vice president; Tex Eldridge, Victory Memorial, Program vice president; Taylor Bowers, Walnut Street, secretary-treasurer; and Robert James, Parkland, musical director.

The advisory committee consists of: Ray Bensing, Chairman, Crescent Hill; A. W. Walker, Carlisle Avenue; George H. Riggs, Victory Memorial; Ben F. Mitchell, Shively; L. C. Ray, Tabernacle; Hankins F. Parker, Highland; J. D. Boykin, Shawnee; and W. C. Fields, Bethany.

## Henry County Pastor Enters Military Chaplaincy School

NEW CASTLE, Ky.—Called to active duty as an army chaplain with the rank of captain, Rev. Frederick D. Gant has resigned as pastor of Bethlehem Baptist Church, Henry County, and is now in chaplain's school, Fort Dix, N. J.

Chaplain Gant, who served for nearly two years as a chaplain in Korea following World War II, was enrolled at Southern Seminary for the current session and was to have completed work for the bachelor-of-divinity degree this year. He is the first of the 950 ministerial students of the seminary to be called to military duty.

Mrs. Gant and the three Gant sons are located at Plant City, Fla., where Mr. Gant formerly served as pastor.

## Gleanings

Pastor Harold C. Zicafoose is back in his pulpit at the Kenwood Baptist Church, Louisville, after his recent illness.

Dean Kaufman has resigned as pastor's associate at the Deer Park Baptist Church of Louisville to enter the service as chaplain. Dr. Lucius M. Polhill is pastor.

The Asenath Brewster Business Woman's Circle, of Calvary Baptist Church, Louisville, observed its 15th anniversary with a banquet to celebrate the occasion on October 5. Invitations were sent to all members, former members and prospective members. Forty were present. Mrs. E. L. Averett was the speaker.

## Ex-Priest W. E. Burke Thrills Long Run's Fall Brotherhood Meeting

The program of the September meeting of the Long Run Associational Brotherhood, held in Alumni Chapel at Southern Seminary, September 29, was thought by many to have been the finest ever given before that body. This was the last meeting presided over by Ray Bensing, retiring president. Rev. W. E. Burke, ex-Roman Catholic priest who is now a member of the Calvary Baptist Church in New York City, in which city he is a representative of Christ's Mission, was the speaker. He gave a ringing testimony to the saving Christ, whom to know is life eternal.

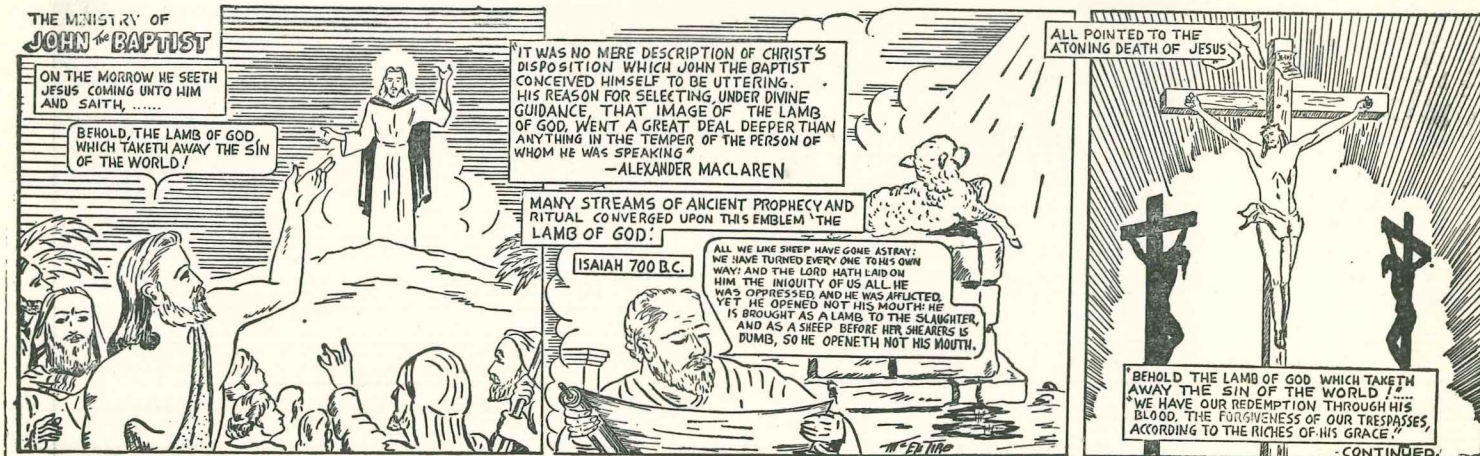
He told many of the events in his colorful life history during the twelve years he was a priest. His talk was filled with many documentary episodes which had indelibly impressed him throughout his career. His approach is

one of factual presentation, given in tenderness of spirit and all good humor, free from bitterness and hatred

Though he spoke for more than an hour and a half, by actual check only one person in the nearly 1,200 present left before his last sentence was uttered.

This was the last in a series of sermons Dr. Burke has preached in about twenty churches throughout the Louisville sector during September under the sponsorship of the Louisville Baptist Pastors' Conference. He had made a similar, though shorter, visit here last spring. He next went to Owensboro for similar services in the churches further down the Ohio River valley.

Before the program started, William H. Johnston, layman of the Carlisle Baptist Church, was named president of the Associational Brotherhood for the coming year, succeeding Ray Bensing, Crescent Hill, in that office. Other officers selected included: A. J. Shankle, West Broadway, membership vice presi-



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"Furnace Day" Observed In Nicholasville

NICHOLASVILLE, Ky., Oct. 3—"Furnace Day" was observed in the Nicholasville Baptist Church on Sunday, September 24, and on that day funds were raised and pledged for the furnace which is being installed in the new parsonage of the church.

Dr. Dale Moody, of the Southern Seminary faculty, spoke at the morning service and brought an inspiring message on, "The Church and the Christian Home." There were 243 in Sunday school that morning. This was the second highest number ever recorded as being in the Nicholasville Sunday school. During the day \$1,200 was pledged and paid on the parsonage furnace.

Note For Building Repairs Burned At Calvary, Harrodsburg

HARRODSBURG, Ky., Oct. 13—Pastor Darty Stowe, of the Benton Baptist Church, preached for Pastor Clark McMurray at the Calvary Baptist Church, Cornishville Road, near here on October 8, at which time the trustees and Pastor McMurray burned a \$1,500 note for remodeling repairs.

Kiddville Church Calls John E. Barrow From Sturgis, Mississippi

WINCHETER, Ky., Oct. 16.—The Kiddville Baptist Church recently called Rev. John E. Barrow as pastor. He began his new work October 8.

Mr. Barrow is a student in the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, and came to Kentucky from the pastorate of the Baptist Church at Sturgis, Mississippi, where a new meeting has just been completed.

Mrs. Barrow is at present teaching in the Sturgis (Miss.) Consolidated School, but plans to join her husband as soon as residential arrangements are completed.

Elkhorn Has Its 166th Session In Great Crossings Church

GEORGETOWN, Ky., Oct. 4.—The 166th session of the Elkhorn Association met with the Great Crossings Baptist Church, September 26-27. Outside visitors included Sam Ed Bradley, L. O. Griffith and Robert L. Pogue.

On Tuesday night the Georgetown Choir was present and Dr. H. Leo Eddleman spoke on evangelism, "Preparing for the Simultaneous Revival Next Spring."

Some 1,500 baptisms were reported

over last year, with more than 25,000 members in the district association.

Pastor T. J. Powers, Versailles, was elected moderator. Pastor Ira McMillen, Hillcrest Church, Lexington, is the new assistant moderator; and Professor Charles Hatfield, Georgetown, was re-elected clerk-treasurer.

A spirit of harmony and interest prevailed throughout, and many present called attention to that. The meeting next year will be at the Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church, September 25, 26, 1951.

Georgetown College To Have Homecoming On November 10 And 11

GEORGETOWN, Ky.—Plans are being made at this time for a homecoming at Georgetown College November 10 and 11. A portrait of the late Dr. J. J. Rucker, president of the old Seminary during the time when it was merged with the college, will be unveiled. The portrait is the gift of J. J. R. Briscoe, Dune-din, Fla., a relative of the late Dr. Rucker.

An alumni luncheon will be held in Euepian Hall on the second day of the homecoming at noon, and many campus activities will highlight the visit of former students and friends.

Gleanings

Evangelist E. J. Daniels have been preaching in a revival meeting recently at the Felix Memorial Church, Lexington, where John T. Wallace is pastor.

Pastor Clarence Walker is now preaching again in his pulpit at the Ashland Avenue Baptist Church, Lexington, after a long seige of illness. Also he is broadcasting over Radio Station WLAP on Saturday morning at 9:15 to 9:45 a. m.

Pastor John W. Kurtz, Westwood Baptist Church, Dayton, Ohio, has been assisting Pastor M. P. Delaney, Jr., in a revival meeting at the Trinity Baptist Church, Lexington.

FALLEN ASLEEP

ARTHUR A. DeLONG

LEXINGTON, Ky., Sept. 13.—The home-going of our brother in Christ, Arthur A. DeLong, chairman of the deacons of East Hickman Baptist Church, Elkhorn Association, August 17, 1950, was deeply lamented. He had served his Lord faithfully for many, many years here and for short periods in other Baptist churches in Versailles and Lexington. The minutes of our church serve as a record of his zeal to serve his Master in His church. The friends who gathered to offer their heartfelt sympathy to his wife and family were in such number they could scarcely be seated. He served in nearly all the offices of the church, and taught a men's Bible class; in fact, he taught on the Sunday before his death. Thursday, August 17, of an heart attack. Among the various positions so admirably filled by him was a place on the executive committee of Elkhorn Association.

We wish to express our appreciation of fellowship with him and look forward anxiously to meeting him in heaven as we worship our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.—Deacons: Warren Saunders, Ed. Ward, Clyde West, Grover Rupard, Ollie Hisle, and Arthur Smith; and the pastor, Fred E. Richardson. Recorded in the minutes of East Hickman Baptist Church in business session, September 3, 1950.

SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE October 15, 1950

Church	Missions	Attendance
Louisville, Walnut St. (4)	309	1,803
Louisville, Carlisle Ave. (1)	260	1,249
Louisville, 9th and O	—	1,157
Owensboro, First (1)	107	1,134
Lexington, Porter Memorial (2)	330	1,126
Lexington, Ashland Ave. (3)	242	1,114
Louisville, Parkland (1)	68	1,032
Harrodsburg (4)	309	1,076
Harlan (5)	264	1,034
Bowling Green, First (2)	101	999
Evansville, Ind., Grace (2)	210	866
Murray, First (1)	21	852
Covington, Latonia (2)	242	827
Lexington, Immanuel	—	824
Madisonville, First	—	792
Lexington, Calvary (1)	28	781
Louisville, Victory Memorial (1)	120	775
Mayfield, First	—	757
Frankfort, First (1)	72	740
Danville, First (3)	176	683
Louisville, Beeson	—	679
Hopkinsville, Second	—	651
Hopkinsville, First (1)	43	650
Middlesboro, First (1)	—	643
Middesert, First	—	635
Paducah, Immanuel (2)	72	632
Louisville, St. Matthews	—	630
Louisville, West Broadway	—	619
Owensboro, Hall St. (1)	37	615
Evansville, Ind., Calvary (2)	171	612
Glasgow (1)	22	611
Campbellsville (1)	68	598
Covington, Calvary	86	595
Ashland, Pollard (3)	150	583
Princeton, First	—	591
Paducah, First (1)	26	576
London, First (1)	27	569
Danville, Lexington Ave. (1)	32	563
Lexington, Grace	—	562
Hopkinsville, First (1)	154	561
Winchester, 23rd and Broadway	—	555
Louisville, Severns Valley	—	554
Elizabethtown, Severns Valley	—	549
Louisville, Clifton (1)	102	538
Georgetown	—	537
Louisville, Deer Park	—	523
Barbourville, First (2)	130	517
Lebanon (1)	64	512
Louisville, Eastern Parkway	—	503
Willisburg	—	485
Dayton, Ohio, Westwood (1)	68	474
Shively	—	473
Central City, First (1)	83	463
Henderson, Immanuel Temple	—	457
Corbin, First	—	453
Corbin, Central	—	445
Fulton, First	—	444
Williamsburg, First	—	437
Henderson, First	—	431
Covington, Southside	—	420
Paducah, East	—	417
Louisville, Third Ave. (1)	24	413
Hodenville, First	—	389
Franklin, First (1)	38	388
Middlesboro, E. Cum. Ave.	—	385
Louisville, Meadow Home	—	381
Winchester, Central	—	374
Louisville, Southside	—	371
Bellevue	—	361
Beechland	—	353
Elsmere	—	352
Versailles	—	352

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Eight Deacons Are Ordained By Two Dayton Churches

DAYTON, Ohio.—The North Dayton and the Westwood Baptist Churches, both of the White Water Association of Kentucky Baptists, met jointly on September 17 at 2:30 p. m., and ordained eight men to the office of deacon. Four were from each church. The North Dayton Church ordained Joe Beasley, Ed Jackson, Russell Turner and Lee Arrowwood, with their pastor, William Beasley, delivering the message of the evening. The Westwood Church, where John W. Kurtz is the pastor, ordained Raymond Hopper, Sharron Brooks, James Combs and Raymond Evans. Pastor George Haney, Miamisburg Baptist Church, led in the opening prayer, and Superintendent Buckner, of the North Dayton Mission, led in the ordaining prayer. Pastor Kurtz was moderator.

H. L. Malone Goes From Long Ridge Church To Madisonville, Tenn.

LONG RIDGE, Ky.—Pastor H. L. Malone has resigned at the Long Ridge Baptist Church, in Owen County, to go to Madisonville, Tenn.

During the three and one-half years of his ministry here the church has made much progress: 91 have been added to the church; a 50% increase in enrollment and a 65% increase in attendance of the Sunday school have been accomplished; an 80% increase in total gifts to the church and all causes. Weekly prayer meetings were started and kept up. The Six-Point Record System and the Unified Budget were installed. The Sunday school has attained the Standard, and four Vacation Bible Schools were successfully held. A new electric organ, an oil heating plant and a mimeograph machine were all purchased, and a Nursery, Extension and Cradle Roll departments, with three new Sunday School classes, have been added. Also, four deacons—Gayle Bramlette, Charles Mason, Roscoe Martin and A. J. Houchens—were ordained during his pastorate.

Robert W. Brown In Revival At Bethany, Crittenden Association

WILLIAMSTOWN, Ky.—The Bethany Baptist Church, Holbrook, in Crittenden Association, enjoyed a spiritual revival in September, with Pastor Robert W. Brown, of the Visalia Church, doing the preaching, and Morton Oliver, local pastor, directing the music. Miss Helen White, Erlanger, played the piano and worked with the juniors.

Evangelist Brown is a student now in Georgetown College. There were sev-

eral additions to the church, plus many dedications by the Christian people. Especially did the church rejoice over the coming of two elderly men to give their lives to Christ.

The church has made marked progress under the leadership of Brother Oliver. The church attendance has increased 50%. The spiritual life of the church has been deepened. He has led the church to go to full-time preaching, organized the young people's work, and began prayer services in the year that he has been pastor.

New Stone Building Being Erected At Monterey Church

MONTEREY, Ky.—The Old Cedar Baptist Church, in Owen County had a revival recently in which Ray Johnson did the preaching. Six souls were won to Christ and many rededicated their lives to Christ. Two young men surrendered to preach the Gospel. These young men are Robert Karsner, who has already enrolled in Georgetown College, and Joseph Tackett, who expects to enter the Southern Seminary in Louisville in the near future. Pastor W. M. Wilson is leading the church in the erection of a new stone building.

Prominent Carrollton Woman Dies After A Brief Illness

CARROLLTON, Ky.—The funeral of Mrs. Myrtle Johnson Minish, wife of Mr. T. M. Minish, and beloved Christian of this city, was conducted by her pastor, Dr. Weldon Marcum, and a former pastor, Dr. Ernest N. Perry, Richmond, Ky., at the Carrollton Baptist Church, September 18. She died after ten days of sickness.

She was a daughter of the late Susie Criswell and B. Johnson. She was born March 8, 1891 in Owen County, Kentucky. She and Mr. Minish were married October 10, 1906, and they have two sons, Dr. Stanley B. Minish, who died April 1, 1942, and Alfred W. Minish, Lexington, an attorney. Her brother, W. S. Johnson, died June 26, 1948.

The local newspaper said of her: "Practically all of her married life had been spent in Carrollton, where she was

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one of the most faithful members of the First Baptist Church. She had been for many years, before her health failed, a teacher in the Sunday school, and was secretary of the missionary union in her church at the time of her death."

The deacons of the church were the active pallbearers, and a number of business men and Rotarians were honorary pallbearers. Her remains were taken to the Carrollton Cemetery for burial.

Verona's New Bethel Church To Have Home Coming and Dedication

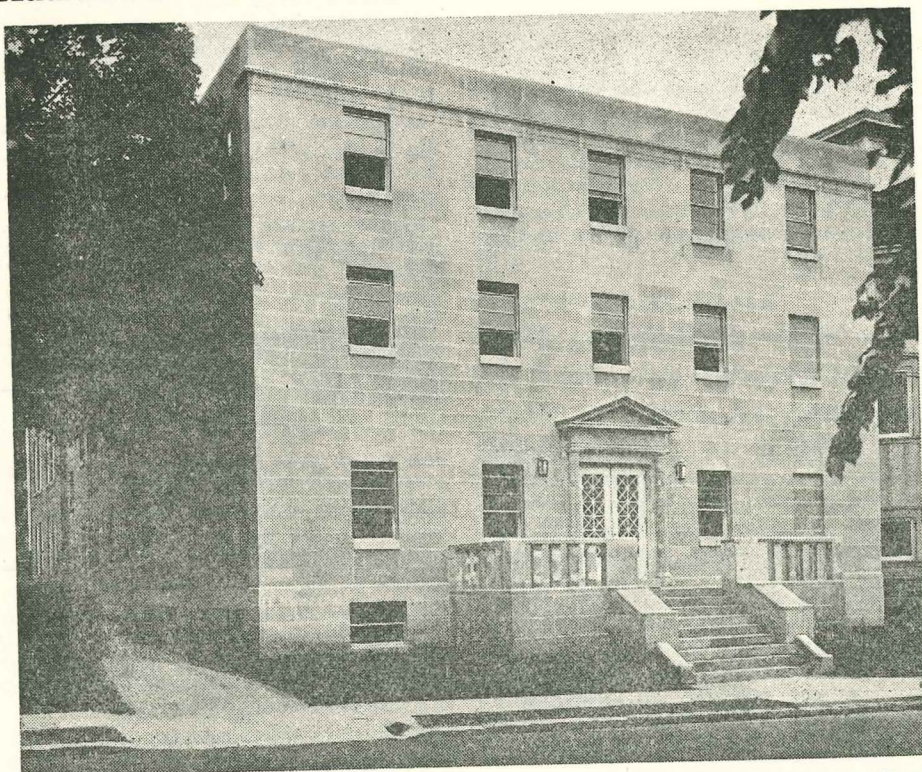
COVINGTON, Ky.—The New Bethel Baptist Church, Verona, Ky., near here, will have a dedication for its completed new church and education building combined and home coming October 29. Pastor Ray Stewart will speak at the morning service, and following dinner on the grounds, A. D. Childress, Erwin, Tenn., a former pastor who started the building program at New Bethel, will speak at 2:00 p. m.

Miss Jean Mooreman, secretary to Dr. W. R. Pettigrew at the Walnut Street Baptist Church, Louisville, and Pastor Ray Stewart were united in marriage in the Chapel of the Walnut Street Baptist Church on Friday afternoon, October 20, at 5:30 p. m.

The Fairview Baptist Church, Union Association, under the leadership of Pastor Virgil Wright, and with the assistance of Rev. Carl Sears, is in the midst of an evangelistic meeting.

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**Addition To First Church, Bowling Green**



The new Education Building, built to the rear of the First Baptist Church, Bowling Green, Ky. This new structure was dedicated on September 3, at which time Pastor Harold J. Purdy had with him as speakers two former pastors, Dr. Jerome O. Williams, of the Baptist Sunday School Board Nashville, Tenn., and Dr. R. T. Skinner, editor of the Western Recorder, Louisville.

**Six Ordained As Middleton Deacons**

FRANKLIN, Ky., Oct. 1.—An ordination service was held at the Middleton Baptist Church on Thursday night, September 24 in which seven men were ordained as deacons. Those consecrated for this work were: George Ferguson, Jr.; Nelson Wilkins; Oliver Monroe; Russell Collins; John Searcy; Byron Collins and Gilbert Milliken.

The church was beautifully decorated with flowers, and appropriate special music was given. Rev. Bailey F. Davis, pastor, Franklin Church; Pastor J. L. Hart of New Hope Church; and Pastor D. T. Jones, Sulphur Springs Church, took active parts in the ordination service. Thirty-three deacons from churches in Simpson Association were present. A complete reorganization of the deacons was made, giving each man a special work to do. The Middleton Church feels that the spiritual impact of this ordination service will produce a good and lasting work.— J. J. Bowman, Auburn, Ky.

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**Mt. Tabor Pastor Goes To Tennessee**

PAINT LICK, Ky., Oct. 10.—Pastor Eugene F. Dobbs has recently resigned at the Mt. Tabor Baptist Church to become the pastor of the Trezevant Baptist Church, Trezevant, Tenn. In the past year and a half there have been 50 additions. The church has carried on an approximately \$9,000 program of additions, which included a partial basement and a modern automatic oil burning heating system. A new all-modern six room parsonage has also been constructed.

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ted. During the past year total gifts to all causes tripled those of the previous year. Also a Training Union has been organized. Since its organization it has not been uncommon for the Training Union to exceed the Sunday school in attendance.

**Clyde Voyles In A Revival At Pikes Ridge**

CAMPBELLSVILLE, Ky., Oct. 1.—A series of revival services closed at the Pikes Ridge Baptist Church recently. Rev. Clyde Voyles, Reynolds Station, Ky., was the evangelist, helping Pastor John W. Farmer. The meeting house has been repainted, and a new roof has been placed thereon. Also the building has been redecorated inside, and shrubbery has been placed on the lawn.

**Indiana Pastor Holds Revival With Brother At Campbellsville**

CAMPBELLSVILLE, Ky.—Dr. J. Chester Badgett, pastor of the Campbellsville Baptist Church, had with him his brother, Pastor W. F. Badgett, Richmond, Indiana, in a revival during October 9-19. The Indiana brother was pastor for five years in the First Baptist Church, Hazard, Ky., before going to Indiana.

Elliot Alexander, Texarkana, Texas, is the new minister of Music at the Campbellsville Church, and he arrived in time to conduct the music for the revival.

Campbellsville College graciously gave their radio time to the church for the duration of the meetings.

**Sunday School Class Honors Member, 92**

ALBUQUERQUE, N. M. (RNS)—Mrs. A. J. Winians, who will be 92 years old on October 25, was presented with a corsage of roses at the meeting of her Sunday school class because of her good attendance record.

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**New Sunday School Rooms Being Added To Cerulean Church**

CERULEAN, KENTUCKY, October 9.—The dream of many years of many of the good people of Cerulean is coming to pass. The Cerulean Springs Baptist Church has entered upon a building program—that of building a much needed Sunday School Building and remodeling the auditorium. The Sunday School Building is a wooden structure two stories high and heated by electricity. It will have separate rooms for each department of the Sunday School and is so arranged to allow for expansion.

**James A. Lester Is Ordained At Bethel**

HEBBARDSVILLE, Ky., Oct. 1.—The ordination service for James A. Lester was held at the Bethel Baptist Church here on September 10 at 2:30 p. m. Brother Lester has been called to be pastor of the First Baptist Church, Southern, of Charleston, Illinois.

The council was composed of Rev. Wayne Thomas, Labry Hazelwood, William Briscoe, Cecil Boswell, Joe Butler and E. F. Lester, of BETHEL CHURCH; Rev. Kelly Fitzgerald, Charles Crafton, Cooper Broadley, R. S. Staple, and Russell Percy of CASH CREEK; Rev. W. D. Hundley, Frederick Williams, L. D. Rideout, James Keach and William C. Moore of ZION; Rev. Lyman Smith Allen, Harold Golday, H. E. Ginger and Charles Book of IMMANUEL; Rev. John Flynn, J. J. Kizer, Gilbert Richmond, Fred Cohron, Raymond Chapman and Rudy Rideout of AUDIBON; Rev. Montford Lester of CYPRUS, INDIANA; Rev. John L. Phillips of LEBANON, MO., and Rev. Eddie Haire of DUPAY.

R. S. Staples was elected clerk; L. S. Allen the examiner; John Flynn to give the ordination prayer; Montford Lester to present the Bible; W. D. Hundley the charge to the candidate; Kelly Fitzgerald to give the charge to the church, and Pastor Wayne Thomas to preach the ordination sermon.

Following the examination the candidate was recommended to the church for ordination, which the church proceeded to do. The benediction was given by E. F. Lester, father of the candidate.

**Harvey King Ordained As Deacon, Crabtree Ave.**

OWENSBORO, Ky.—The Crabtree Avenue Baptist Church here ordained Harvey King as a deacon on September 10. Eldred Taylor, Associational field worker for Daviess-McLean Association, questioned the candidate, whose answers were completely satisfactory to the council. Pastor I. M. Hallford preached

the ordination sermon which stirred the hearts of every one present. Paul Shanks led in the ordination prayer, and expressed the church's appreciation of Brethren James Easton, Ed Rogers and E. R. Leachman who were retiring from the active diaconate this year. Also coming back to the active status were Deacons Edward Sweat and Herman Walker.

**J. S. Bell In Revival At Marion Baptist Church**

MARION, Ky., Oct. 9.—Dr. J. S. Bell, Hindman, was the evangelist in a revival with Pastor Leslie Gilbert at the Marion Baptist Church, recently. W. Rudolph Howard, minister of music at the First Baptist Church, Owensboro, led the singing. Nine came on profession of faith and were baptized. There were seven who made professions who have not yet joined the church. Also there were six who came by letter, and several came for reconsecration.

More than 120 people have been saved or have joined the Marion Baptist Church in the last ten months.

Layman's Day was observed October 8, at which time 38 men took part on the program.

**Cross Roads Church Goes To Full-Time**

EDDYVILLE, Ky., Oct. 3.—The Cross Roads Baptist Church in Little River Association is now a full-time church. They have just closed a revival with ten additions. A preachers and layman's school is held in the church each Monday and Friday, at which time Pastor M. R. Ramsey teaches the Bible. Church Clerk Daniel Fox writes that they have a good Sunday school and Training Union, and are participating in the Co-operative Program.

**Newman Church Has Camp For Boys And Girls**

OWENSBORO, Ky.—A youth camp was held for junior and intermediate boys and girls of Newman Church recently. Mr. and Mrs. George Cain and Mrs. Mae Smith were official chaperones. The morning watch was conducted by Brother Cain, and the reception periods were conducted by Mr. and Mrs. Laymond Cain and Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Bugg. The guest speaker was Rev. Eldred Taylor, field worker for the

Daviess-McLean Baptist Association, who gave a talk on "The Baptist World Wide Missionary Work."

The camp closed with a worship service led by Rev. J. E. Minister, pastor of the Newman Church. Mrs. Chester Kruger and Miss Nina J. Jett were camp directors.

**Audubon Church, Henderson, Ordains Three New Deacons**

HENDERSON, Ky., Sept. 28.—The Audubon Baptist Church here ordained Brethren C. V. Sutton, Lloyd King and Carl Connell as deacons on Sunday afternoon, Sept. 24. Twenty-five brethren from six different churches composed the council. Pastor John R. Flynn served as moderator and Robert Overton as clerk. Pastor Bert Williams led the examination, Pastor A. A. Thacker the ordaining prayer, and Pastor Verner Barnett preached the sermon. The benediction was by Pastor W. D. Hundley.

**Sturgis Young People Observe Stewardship**

STURGIS, Ky., Oct. 18.—A Stewardship Night was given by the Young People's Organization under the direction of Mrs. I. L. Baughn on the night of September 30. Mrs. Brown Simpson, W. M. S. president, introduced the program. A short talk on the importance of tithing was given by the Stewardship chairman, Mrs. Jay Markham.

Joyce Greenwell a Sunbeam, gave a stewardship story, and the Junior R. A.'s gave scriptures on tithing. Mable Faye Martin, an Intermediate, gave a poem on stewardship. The Y. W. A.'s brought the devotional, and this was presented in an unique way, each one drawing their Scripture references from a huge treasure chest.

The program was replete with many musical numbers, among them being: "Jesus Wants Me For a Sunbeam," sung by the Sunbeams; "Pay the Tithe!" sung by the Junior R. A.'s; "Make Me a Blessing," by Delores Oakely and Sara Dale Martin, two Intermediates; and the congregation sang, "When Baptists All Learn How to Tithe."

There are 80 young people enrolled in these organizations.

H. A. Bickers, Beaver Dam, Ky., closed a two weeks' revival at the McHenry Baptist Church on Sunday, October 8. There were 13 professions of faith, and 7 joined the church for baptism.

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**W. K. Wood In Revival At Cole Memorial Church**

PRESTONSBURG, Ky., Oct. 9.—Last night Dr. W. K. Wood, our Mountain evangelist, closed his second successful revival with the Irene Cole Memorial Baptist Church here. Among those baptized the last night were one of our best dentists, a mother of three, a mother of thirteen, and a bookkeeper.

Excellent attendance was maintained throughout, and Brother Wood preached old-time repentance and faith. Our Sunday school attendance was 57 and 151—total 208. Our offering for the week end were equivalent to \$3.00—plus for every member of the church.—L. W. Benedict.

**L. H. Tipton, Recovering From Sickness, Has 14th Anniversary At Unity**

ASHLAND, Ky., Oct. 6.—The fourteenth anniversary of L. H. Tipton has been noted by the Unity Baptist Church here. For some weeks he has been sick, so the church voted to give all the offerings—both morning and evening—on a recent Sunday to him to aid him in paying his hospital bills. Under his leadership the Unity Church has set up and is operating the Belmont Baptist Chapel, which had 130 people attending on its first anniversary. The pulpit was supplied on a recent Sunday by Brother J. Chester Durham, B. S. U. Secretary in Kentucky.

**Bracken Is Promoting Progressive Plans**

MAYSVILLE, Ky., Oct. 9.—The Bracken Mission Board, at its meeting held at the First Baptist Church, Maysville, October 2, decided to continue broadcasting the Baptist Hour over Station WFTM each Sunday afternoon at 3:30 p. m.

Associational Missionary George Grubbs was authorized to initiate plans for a school of Missions during 1951. Also plans were projected for a simultaneous revival in all the churches of the association from March 25 to April 8.

Bracken intends to sponsor an associational rally of Training Unions in November.

**Freasier Goes To Virginia**

Rev. Barney R. Freasier, a fellow in the New Testament department at the Southern Seminary and pastor of the Powersville and Willow Baptist Churches near Brooksville, Ky., has resigned to become pastor of the Bainbridge Street Baptist Church, Richmond, Va., effective October 1. He is a B. A. graduate of Ouachita College, Arkadelphia, Ark., and

a B. D. graduate of the Southern Seminary. Mrs Freasier is the former Miss Ann Grant, Little Rock. The Freasiers have three children—Roland, Dolores and Virginia.

**Carroll Hubbard In Owensboro Revival**

ASHLAND, Ky.—Pastor Carroll Hubbard has been in a revival meeting with the Hall Street Church, Owensboro, Ky., recently, and during his absence the pulpit of the First Baptist Church of Ashland was supplied by James Hatley, of the Student Union Department of Louisville.

The First Baptist Church, Ashland, is anxious to start a mission in the western down-town section of Ashland. A building is available there as soon as the present tenant can find other living quarters. Pastor Carroll Hubbard is challenging his men to take hold of this project.

**Gleanings**

Pastor R. Truett Miller has returned to the First Baptist Church, Middlesboro, after a revival at Pikeville.

Pastor Clel Rodgers, Wildwood Baptist Church, Ashland, Ky., has been in a revival recently at Cheshire, Ohio.

The Willow Grove Baptist Church, near Danville, has called as its pastor Brother Kit Yeaste. He has been pastor of churches near Campbellsville, and is now a student in Georgetown College.

E. C. Brewer has moved from Bethel Church, Fairview, Ky., where the Jefferson Davis Monument is located, to begin his new work as pastor at Inez, Ky. He is also to be the State Missionary in Martin County.

Dr. Vance Havner, well known evangelist, will conduct a revival meeting with Pastor Harold Wainscott at the Central Baptist Church, Corbin, Ky., beginning November 27. L. G. Kee will conduct the singing.

Pastor Dewey H. Jones, Missionary Baptist Church of Catlettsburg, has been in a revival meeting at Whitesville. While he was away from home, the Catlettsburg pulpit was supplied by Dr. O. W. Yates, executive secretary of the Central Baptist Hospital, Lexington.

Dr. A. Warren Huyck, pastor of the First Baptist Church Augusta, Ga., and formerly at the First Church, Paducah, Ky., helped Pastor George W. Phillips in an evangelistic meeting at the First Baptist Church, London, Ky., October 9-19. The Southern Baptist Convention was started in the church where Dr. Huyck is now pastor.

The Sixth and Oak Baptist Chapel has been started in Ironton, Ohio. Associa-

tional. Missionary Bert Caldwell, of Greenup Association, Ashland, Ky., preached the first sermon there on the night of October 12 to a congregation of 47. The first Sunday school was held on October 22. Wildwood Baptist Church is sponsoring this new chapel.

Miss Yvonne Lakins and Mr. Robert Moore were united in marriage at the Marrowbone Baptist Church, Lookout, Ky., on Sunday morning, October 1, Pastor A. R. Coleman officiating. Miss Glenna Belcher was maid of honor and the bride's only attendant. Kenneth Moore, brother of the groom, served as best man. Mrs. Gifford J. Chaney sang, accompanied by Miss Joyce Morris. The groom is a member of the Marrowbone Baptist Church.

The Catlettsburg Church is to have a series of special services November 6-11, according to Pastor Dewey H. Jones. Each night a different speaker will appear, and his church members will be guests of the Catlettsburg Church. The speakers and their churches are: Monday—Ralph E. Webb, Westmoreland; Tuesday—Donald Wells, Pollard of Ashland; Wednesday—Cletus Wiley, Grayson; Thursday, Clay Caudill, Central of Ashland; and Saturday—Clel Rodgers, Wildwood of Ashland.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE**

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Greenville, First	350
Louisville, Franklin St.	340
Cynthiana (2)	339
Owensboro, Buena Vista	329
Clay, First	326
Middlesboro, Old Yellow Creek	317
Evansville, Ind., Temple	316
Louisville, Harmony	315
Jellico, Tenn., Crouches Creek	315
Vine Grove (1)	313
Owensboro, Eaton Memorial (1)	312
La Grange, De Haven Memorial	304
Louisville, East	296
Richmond, First (2)	293
Auburn	287
Middletown, First	284
Columbia (2)	282
Russellville, First	281
Hall's Gap, Fairview	277
Harrodsburg, Bruner's Chapel	271
Oneida	271
Farmdale (near Louisville)	270
Frankfort, Thorn Hill	268
Louisville, Baptist Temple	267
Ludw., First	267
Evansville, Ind., Walnut St.	267
Jellico, Tenn., First	263
Nicholasville	262
Mt. Sterling, First (1)	89
Paducah, Trinity	253
Dawson Springs	253
Sturgis, First	253
Hazel	252
West Danville, Gethsemane	250
Louisville, Shawnee	249
Hima, Horse Creek	248
Lawrenceburg, First	245
Bardstown	242
Louisville, Gethsemane (1)	32
Ft. Thomas	236
Lee's Lane (near Louisville)	233
Fairdale (near Louisville)	233
Pikeville	232
Buffalo	231
Buffalo	231
Lexington, Hillcrest	230
Lexington, South Elkhorn (1)	38
Dayton, First	225
Marion Baptist	225
Sonora	217
Prestonburg, Irene Cole Mem. (2)	79
Midway	212
South Campbellsville	211
Deep Creek (near Harrodsburg)	205
Blue Springs (Little River Assn.)	203
Monticello, First	203
Ruechel	202
Palmouth	200
Paintsville	200

**Book Reviews**

**POINTS FOR EMPHASIS**, by Dr. Hight C. Moore; Broadman Press, Nashville; price 60c.

Anything Doctor Moore writes is good and needs no commendation from anybody. This handy, pocket-size booklet covering the 1951-International Sunday School Lessons is even better than ever. Clear, concise, readable, trustworthy, this book meets the busy person's need. Just reach into your pocket or purse and there it is, all ready for use. Open it and read it and you are satisfied with the treatment of the lesson. Buy it at your Baptist Book Store.

**GOD'S MESSAGE FOR THIS HOUR**, by Louis W. Arnold, price \$1.25, Fellowship Press, Lexington, Kentucky.

Concerning this book Dr. R. G. Lee says: "With sharp and merciless strokes, the author accuses churches and individuals of losing their passion and power in the main business of the individual Christian and individual church—soul winning. He issues a solemn warning assigned to arouse us from the drowsiness of death that seems to have overtaken many. This book is a challenge to the best that is in us, and the book is permeated with the clarion calls of a true evangelist. The author uses no languid lute; he has taken down the trumpet, wherein the thunder sleeps, and has called down fire."

**THE SNOWDEN - DOUGLASS SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSONS—1951** by Earl L. Douglass, D.D. 478 pages. The Macmillan Company, New York (1950) \$2.50.

This volume is exactly what it claims for itself, "practical expositions of the International Sunday School Lessons." It is valuable not only for those who use the Uniform lessons in Sunday School, but for those who desire to do home study. The lesson is treated from several different aspects. First, a lesson plan is given. An explanation of the lesson follows in language that is easily understood. Suggested questions and topics are added to create greater interest. Hints to Teachers provides an analysis of the lesson with suggestions as to how it can be taught and applied to everyday life. This is a scholarly, stimulating, and scriptural help, a must book for Sunday School teachers. —William Martin

**ESTHER**, by Nora Lofts. 163 pages. The Macmillan Company, New York (1950) \$2.50.

In this volume, the story of Esther as we have it in the Bible has been embellished with a great deal of imaginary material. But this does no harm to the story. Some of the incidents though perhaps based on the customs of the day may appear somewhat overdrawn. However, this being true, they may serve as good a purpose for others as they did for the reviewer in sending him back to the Book of Esther to reread the story as we have it in the Bible. The author succeeds in holding the interest of the reader by her unusual ability for making the characters of the story live. —William Martin

**THE HEART OF THE NEW TESTAMENT**, by H. I. Hester, vice-president and professor of Bible in William Jewell College. Preface by Charles D. Johnson, chairman of the Education Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention. 368 pages. \$3.50. Published by the William Jewell Press, Liberty, Mo.

This new book is the companion volume to Dr. Hester's "The Heart of Hebrew History," published fourteen months ago which was adopted within that time by fifty-one colleges and universities as a textbook. Despite this phenomenal success of the earlier book, this new book, which was published September 1, is very likely to prove even more successful.

"The Heart of the New Testament" will have an important place in implementing Christian education in America. The college

and university students today demands a textbook that challenges his interest as well as satisfies his deep desire to understand the Bible. Particularly, he wants to know what the New Testament has for him in this age, and Dr. Hester just as particularly makes this today want something new and fresh; in fact, something written AFTER the atom was smashed.

With full realization of this inherent demand today, Dr. Hester has written "The Heart of the New Testament." It is the product of many years research both in America and in the Holy Land, but more significantly it is the product of a quarter century's contact with college students in the classroom. As an author, Dr. Hester's style is of such a nature that the student feels that he himself is writing the book as he studies it.

This new book lets the New Testament speak for itself. Essentially, it is the narrative of the New Testament history arranged in accurate and chronological order. It is not a book about the New Testament but it IS the New Testament.

"The Heart of the New Testament" makes it possible for the reader to comprehend the New Testament as a complete whole. When

you have finished reading "The Heart of the New Testament," you feel deeply that the Christian story is as new as today or tomorrow's newspaper. This is something that youth needs today as they need nothing else. Dr. Hester, by his instructional skill, by his literary style, and by his dynamic concept, has satisfied this need in his latest book.—P. Caspar Harvey.

**HOW LOVE GROWS IN MARRIAGE**, by Leland Foster Wood. 183 pages, The Macmillan Company, New York, \$2.50.

This volume is another excellent book from the pen of a great Christian scholar. It is practical and realistic, based on sound principles that have been tested in human situations. Dr. Wood analyzes many typical marriage problems and points out how people can improve themselves and their marriages. His liberal use of interview material not only illustrates the principles discussed but also makes the book unusually interesting and readable. It is a great contribution to the field of personal counseling, a must book for pastors.

Pastor Ralph R. Couey has returned to the Lexington Avenue Church, Danville, Ky., following a two weeks' revival in Moreland Avenue Church, Atlanta, Ga.

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## DP Families Exist On Starvation Budget

WASHINGTON—Hundreds of Baptist displaced persons in Germany are living on a "dole" of about fifteen cents per day since the International Refugee Organization closed out on July 1, Dr. W. O. Lewis, Baptist World Alliance relief director in Europe, has reported to the BWA relief committee. "Out of this fifteen cents per day, these people must buy their food, pay rent, buy clothing and all the other necessities of life," Dr. Lewis said.

Approximately 8,000 Baptists are among the Volksdeutsche made eligible for entry into the United States by the New Displaced Persons law. An additional 500 Baptist displaced persons are eligible by the same law. Dr. Lewis urges Baptists in America to make haste in sponsoring their immigration.

"Since the newly amended law will take care of only seven per cent of the Volksdeutsche in the camps, we will be fortunate if we get more than seven per

cent of our 8,000 Baptists into the U. S.," Dr. Lewis said. Biographical sketches of eligible Volksdeutsche and displaced persons are being sent daily from the Baptist representative in Germany to the BWA office in Washington. Among the occupants listed are: textile workers, weavers, carpenters, bricklayers, painters, bakers, shoemakers, iron grinders, instrument makers, hat makers, etc.

**Southern Baptists who desire to offer a job and housing to one of these families should contact the Southern Baptist Displaced Persons Office immediately. The address: 2940 Napoleon Ave., New Orleans. Proper forms and full information will be sent by return mail.**

The Barretts Creek Church, in eastern Kentucky, has purchased a bus, and its pastor, Ross H. Hanna, has purchased a tent. Both of these have been used to carry the Gospel to the uttermost parts of the surrounding area, and to bring the people to hear it preached. Especially the Sunday night crowds have been greatly increased.

## Baptist Sunday School Board Plans Visual Aid Production

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—(BP)—The Sunday School Board is making progress in establishing and implementing the instructions from the Convention to act as central agency for the production, promotion, and distribution of visual aids for the various boards, agencies, and institutions of the Convention, according to Dr. Jerome O. Williams, secretary for the Division of Education and Promotion. The work is under direction of Mr. Earl Waldrup.

"The Convention appointed an advisory committee of five members for aiding the Sunday School Board in securing the widest possible cooperation of the agencies, boards, and institutions of the Convention and to be of any other possible help," Williams said. This committee has been informed of each step of progress in this field and its members most heartily endorse the program in its present stage of development."

## Southern Baptists Have So Much to Give!

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### The Hub Is Home Missions

I WAS A MISSIONARY of the Home Mission Board before I became a missionary of the Foreign Mission Board, and have never lost my enthusiasm for the world-wide ministry of Home Missions. One of the mightiest pieces of mission work on this continent, below the equator, is that of our Brazilian Home Mission Board. It is not at all a mere imitation of yours; but, in its own way, guided by gifted and praying pastors and laymen, loved by our churches, and served by sacrificial missionaries in the hardest fields in the land, that Board, under the leadership of Dr. L. M. BRATCHER, spreads our Baptist witness over this half a continent.

If our Baptist World Alliance leadership, and the thoughtful men in every Baptist Convention in the world, would take time off and study the principles and policies on which our Home Mission Board leads the Southern Baptist hosts in the evangelization of our homeland, it would mean more for FOREIGN MISSIONS than anything I can think of.

Seven million Southern Baptists at home are a demonstration of the same unsacramental gospel that we take abroad. And it is a tremendous assurance on the foreign field to know, and let it be known, that the gospel and the doctrine we preach is not repudiated where we came from, but is the power of God unto salvation, and unto a great Christianity, all about you, as well as in the far-off places where you send it. SO MUCH TO GIVE! The eternal

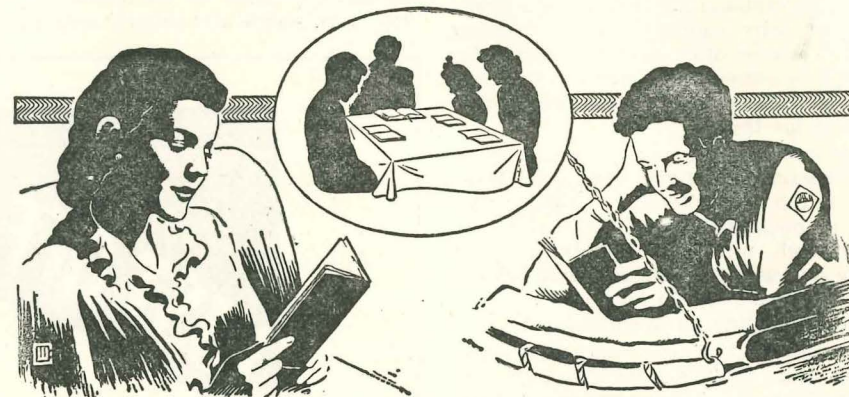
Savior. The Word of his grace. The Good News. The unsacramental gospel. It is far better than are we men you gave to others, or the money that supports us. We pass: it abides. That is the best gift of which you are capable. And maybe, when I have time, your generous editor will allow me to indicate other ways in which Southern Baptists have so much to give!

[This editor and the readers of the *Western Recorder* will be glad to have,

from this great foreign missionary, other and any articles he may feel moved of the Spirit to give us.]

Mrs. E. R. Wright has been installed as the new president of the WMU of the First Baptist Church, Ashland. Pastor Donald Wells spoke at the installation on "A Must in Missions." Mrs. Wright is prominent in many Ashland enterprises and organizations. Other officers include: Mrs. C. E. Quillen, first vice president; Mrs. A. A. Hines, second vice president; Mrs. T. J. Owings, recording secretary; Mrs. J. B. Blagg, corresponding secretary; Mrs. L. G. Gross, treasurer; and Mrs. R. J. Dils, YP director.

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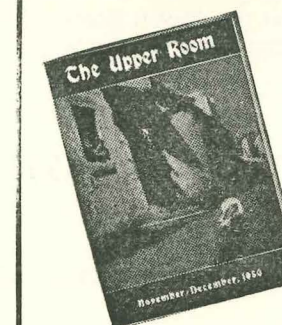
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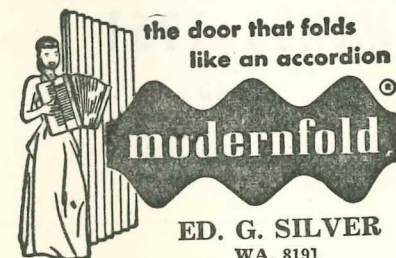
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## Concerning Business Meetings

By John W. Kurtz

How often have our Baptist churches come together for a business meeting, feeling, "Well, what will happen today?"

We teach our church to pray for the business meetings, but how can we acceptably pray for issues that we know nothing about and that have never been mentioned to us?

We have accounts in Acts when the church prayed before important matters were decided upon. But let's go a step further and notice that the church was informed as to the items to be considered in the business meeting (Acts 6:3). This item was the selection of deacons.

If the Congress of the United States knows beforehand the items on the agenda, then why cannot Baptist churches remain democratic and still know far enough in advance the items to be considered, to have time to do some definite praying for them?

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tension tower struck by lightning. They are not afraid of what some complainer might present tonight that, in effect, will hurt the program, and get it passed by a few voters while the rest of us are wondering what to do.

2. More people are voting—they have had time to pray about the proposed items. They are prepared to vote. It is a tragedy in the life and spirit of the church when items are suddenly proposed and the consecrated workers do not know which way to vote.

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Our people came informed and prepared and the vote was overwhelming in favor. We believe that praying, informed people will exercise a spirit-filled, intelligent voice in the business meetings. This is most necessary in the life and function of a New Testament church.

### Baptist Gift Parcels Seized In East Berlin

BERLIN (RNS)—East Berlin people's police and State security service officials were reported here to have seized a shipment of gift parcels intended for needy Baptists in the capital.

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