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Dear Brother Pastor:

A letter to each of you has gone from the business manager concerning the campaign to increase the circulation of the Western Recorder to 75,000 during October.

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Prayerfully yours,

G. T. Skinner

Editor

Gleanings 'From The Field

►A new Baptist church which is being organized in Bradford, Pa., has voted to affiliate with the State Convention of Baptists in Ohio.

►Texas Baptist executive board has voted to recommend to the state convention in November that approval be given for construction of a \$1,729,000 hospital at Harlingen, Texas.

►The B. B. McKinney Music Research Foundation—to perpetuate the memory of B. B. McKinney—has been incorporated and located on the campus of Oklahoma Baptist University.

►Miss Lorene Tilford, Southern Baptist missionary to Formosa who is in the states on furlough, has moved from Chattanooga to Louisville, where she is studying at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. She may be addressed at Williams Hall, c/o the seminary.

►Pastor Harry L. Carter, formerly of Scottsville and Bowling Green, Ky., has been interim supply preacher for the Los Lunas Baptist Church, Los Lunas, New Mexico, during the month of September. We hope that the western climate will continue to improve his health during his stay.

►Our own Mary Sampson, missionary to Shanghai, the Philippines, and more recently to Formosa, will be the guest speaker at the Long Run Federation of Business Women, to be held Tuesday, October 12, with supper at 6:15 p. m., at the West Broadway Baptist Church, Fortieth and Broadway, Louisville.

►Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary, California, began the fall session with 226 students enrolled, of which number 167 are ministerial students. They came from 27 states, District of Columbia, Hawaii, and three foreign countries. Eighty-nine colleges are represented.

►The executive board of the Louisiana Baptist Convention has approved a record budget for 1955 of \$1,620,000. This reflects an increase of \$470,000 over 1954 and almost double the 1951 budget. It provides for the first time for full support of all institutions and agencies of the Convention.

►A revival was conducted for two weeks, August 29 to September 13—at the Clear Creek Baptist Church, Rockcastle Association, by J. B. Allen, pastor of the Ottawa Baptist Church, in which 68 persons confessed Christ and 4 moved their memberships into the church, according to their pastor, James I. Dean.

►A budget of \$378,620 will be recommended to the Baptist General Convention of Arizona for 1955. Other actions of the Board included recommendation for changes in the constitution, adoption of policies governing employees of the convention, and the approval of a

set of rules governing the executive board.

►Earl Waldrup of the Audio-Visual Aids Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board, has returned to Nashville from a two-month tour of twelve European and Asiatic countries. He was accompanied on the tour by Fon H. Scofield, Jr., associate secretary of audio-visual aids, Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Va.

►The First Baptist Church, Huntington Park, Calif., membership of 1,500, has voted to co-operate with the Southern Baptist Convention in their world mission program. The church for some time affiliated with one Baptist group withdrew because it felt that it "could serve the cause of Christ better by co-operating with Southern Baptists."

►Brother R. B. Hines, Wallingford, Route 1, writes that Foxport Baptist Church, near Mt. Carmel, Ky., has had a wonderful revival with Evangelist Tom Dillon, Mt. Eden, as the preacher. There were 13 professions. Many thought it was the best revival Foxport has experienced, and the number added was the largest in eighteen years. There have been 27 added since May 1.

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►Mrs. V. V. Brown, 3238 Oakland Ave., Catlettsburg, Kentucky, is chairman for entertainment at the Northeastern Regional Woman's Missionary Union Meeting at the Catlettsburg Missionary Baptist Church on October 19, 1954. Those desiring entertainment overnight should write Mrs. Brown immediately for reservations, according to Mrs. E. L. Howerton, president of the Northeastern Union and Mrs. Dewey H. Jones, president of the Catlettsburg Union.

►Two things have happened in recent months to Pastor William F. McGibney, well remembered in Kentucky where he was for some years pastor at Hodgenville. He was awarded the Doctor of Theology degree this summer by the Central Baptist Theological Seminary at Kansas City, Kans., and he has resigned from the pastorate of the Memorial Baptist Church, Columbia, Mo., and has accepted the care of the Hanley Road Baptist Church, St. Louis, Mo.

►Dr. Harold W. Seever, pastor of the 5,700-member Dauphin Way Baptist Church, Mobile, Alabama, is the revival minister for an evangelistic crusade in the Lexington Avenue Baptist Church,

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—Jude 3.

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Danville, Kentucky. The Dauphin Way Church is the largest church in the state of Alabama. Dr. Seever is a native Kentuckian. He held several pastorates in the state, the last one was at the First Baptist Church of Williamstown, Ky. He is a graduate of Georgetown College and the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. He has been a member of numerous boards and committees of our Southern Baptist Convention. Dr. Seever will speak twice daily, September 26 through October 3. Richard Lin, Minister of Music at Lexington Avenue, will direct the music and Dr. Elroy Lamb is the pastor.

The Rock On Which The Church Is Built

By J. B. LAWRENCE

[Editorial Note: Dr. Lawrence, former executive secretary of the Home Mission Board, here gives his interpretation of Matthew 16:18.]

I suppose everyone knows something of the controversy which has raged around Christ's statement to Peter: "And I say unto thee, that thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church" (Matt. 16:18).

Catholic View

On this statement the Roman Catholic church bases its claim that Christ designated Peter as the foundation of the church, and gave to him and to his successors in office the keys that open and shut the gates of heaven. Basing their organization upon this interpretation, they have built a totalitarian structure of priestly arrogance—a sacerdotal class—which has assumed the authority to say who shall and who shall not enter heaven.

What Is The Rock?

Is Peter the rock on which Christ said, I will build my church? Is the New Testament church—the church of Christ—built on the man, Peter? Some seem to be afraid to admit that Christ referred to Peter lest they concede all that the Roman Catholic Church claims. I have no such fear. I think Christ referred to Peter, and that in a sense Peter is a rock in the foundation of the church, but not as Roman Catholics claim.

It was Peter as the acknowledged leader of the Apostles; as a representative of all those who believed, and who would believe, that Christ was the Son of the living God; and not Peter as a man or as an Apostle. It was the rock-like element in Peter—his declaration that Jesus of Nazareth was the Christ, the Son of the living God—that Christ referred to. The rock-foundation of Christ's church was represented by Peter whose confession of faith in Christ was a revelation from God (Matt. 16:17). As the first one of the followers of Christ to confess publicly that Christ was the Son of God, he was a type and a representative of all those who would forever after become members of Christ's church.

Peter and the other Apostles were the upper stratum of the rock. They were the part which jutted above the surface, but underneath was the solid rock—foundation, deeper than the earth,

laid in eternity. That foundation is the fact that Jesus of Nazareth is the "Christ, the Son of the living God," that the words from his lips are the words of God, and that his life and power are eternal and indestructible—Christ, divinely revealed and publicly confessed before men, is the cornerstone of the church.

All Believers Are Rocks

We are all "rock" if we believe that Christ is the Son of God. The humblest person today takes his place beside Peter if he believes that. Human feebleness becomes as solid and as immovable as the ground under our feet—as solid as rock—when one becomes firmly fixed in the faith that Christ is the Son of God; that his work cannot fail; that his promises are unchangeable and everlasting, and that He will save to the uttermost all that come unto God through him.

The Church's Sure Foundation

If you want to know what the true spiritual foundation of Christ's church is, go to Paul's statement in Ephesians: "Now, therefore, ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints, and of the household of God, and are built upon the Apostles and Prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: in whom all the building fitly framed together groweth unto an holy temple in the Lord: in whom ye also are builded together for an habitation of God through the spirit (Eph. 2:19-22; 1 Peter 2:5).

One may think it strange that Christ should call him a rock—that wayward, impulsive, fickle nature; that man of many moods, bold as a lion one hour and frightened as a sheep the next; that impetuous mountain current overflowing its banks one moment and sinking down to the dry stones of the bed in the next. Was it strange that Christ should call him a rock? No, not a bit. He changed his name because he was going to change his nature. Faith in Christ and the Spirit of God were going to do with Peter just what they will do with any one of us: they were going to change his weakness into strength and his fickleness into impassive sta-

bility. Christ knew what a grand thing he was going to make of this bit of plastic, yielding human stuff when he said, "Upon this rock I will build my church."

And Christ is always building his church upon a rock-like faith and rock-like nature; it may be upon wills and natures that were once as weak as ever Peter's was, or any one of ours can be: but which have been solidified and made like adamant by the coming in of the Holy Spirit. Christ first makes rock-like people, and then He builds upon and with them. Upon a rock does Christ build His church and He wants rock for the building up of any church—rock-like members, rock-like deacons, rock-like teachers in the Sunday school, rock-like preachers—men that know in whom they have believed and what they have believed and speak out with clear, unfaltering certainty the things which they have seen and felt and heard of God.

Rock-Like Men Needed

I think there never was a time when that was more needed than it is today. There never was a more urgent demand made for rock-like men. We live in an age of almost general unsettlement. You can hardly think of a department in which there are no doubtful minds, no adverse opinions. All questions seem to be in a state of flux. Nothing is fixed. Nothing is determined.

Wherever you look, except where Jesus and his messengers stand, there is a sort of heaving, restless sea that tosses up a great deal of mire and dirt; and thinking men are getting weary of it all, tired of their own vacillations and unconsciously crying out for certainty; crying out, though they don't know it. yet: "To whom shall we go but unto thee, for thou hast the words of eternal life." Men are becoming fed up with the glory of uncertainty and the surpassing excellence of doubt. They cannot feed their hungry hearts on the husks of conjectures and possibilities; they cannot tread on clouds, still less climb up to heaven on negations.

A Positive Faith

What men want is rock. Deep down in the hearts of men everywhere, whether they know it or not, they are saying: "Away with those who preach negations and doubts and darkness; who come and sit upon the threshold of our hearts like some Poe's raven croaking out a dismal "Nevermore." Away with those! And come ye, John and Paul, and all such clear-voiced witnesses with the glow of hope on your faces and the music of conviction on your lips."

This is the message we need; this is the message which this age needs and which Christ would have his representatives give. He builds his church upon a rock.

A Plea for Doctrinal Emphasis

Of late, there has been a revival of interest in the doctrines of our faith but this revival has for the most part been confined to leaders and as yet has not gained sufficient momentum to reach the masses. A great many are ignorant concerning the doctrines of our faith and of why we believe them.

There have always been and probably always will be conflicting schools of thought among Baptists on certain doctrines and shades of interpretation. This is inevitable among a free people. But though they may differ among themselves on certain points, Baptists hold enough doctrines in common to admit of a general statement of those beliefs which have through the years marked us as a people. This group of doctrines should be known and understood, and we should be able to defend them.

For years our churches have been so absorbed in and concerned with organizations and plans and programs and promotional work—all good in themselves and necessary—that special doctrinal emphasis has been neglected. But without knowledge of stabilizing doctrines our people lose spiritual vitality even though they grow in numbers. There needs, then, to be a resurgence of doctrinal conviction and a will to teach fundamentals.

We need not only to know and teach doctrine but to know and teach *all the doctrines*, not just one or a few. Churches and individuals have become lopsided because all the doctrines were not stressed. We know of churches which in other years went to seed on the highly important doctrine of election because they did not consider also man's responsibility. Election ought to be believed and taught. We recently heard a strong sermon on this doctrine but the man who preached it also believes and teaches the other doctrines. He is therefore safe and his people are safe from the dangerous concept which destroyed so many churches in other years, namely, that God will save whomsoever He will without human effort in behalf of the lost. Neither he nor his people will ever cease to believe John 3:16 even though they believe (as does this writer) Romans 8:29 and 30 and all other passages which declare God's elective purposes and grace. Others have become doctrinally lopsided by studying and proclaiming *only* the glorious doctrine of our Lord's Second Coming. And of course there are other doctrines I could mention which, when stressed constantly to the neglect of equally vital truth, cause individuals and churches to become ill-balanced.

Those acquainted with the whole field of Baptist beliefs are not easily swept off their feet and carried away by strange teachings. The land is being sown down with leaflets scattered by religious drifters who lead some of our people astray because they are unable to give a "thus saith the Lord" in answer. Radio, a powerful means of broadcasting both truth and error, is being used to sway listeners toward dangerous beliefs. This danger did not confront us so much in other years when people only studied

what they heard at church and read in their Bibles. And it is not uncommon for some radio-preachers and lecturers, after they have spoken, to request listeners to write for further "information." And thus their names and addresses are secured, opening wide the gates for additional propaganda supporting error and heresy. The wild fancies and *isms*, which have in some instances made inroads among our Baptist people, never would have been accepted by any if the hearers had been thoroughly indoctrinated.

Let us, then, in our churches and homes, teach "the way of the Lord more perfectly." Let us teach what Baptists believe and why they believe it. And certainly there is need for all our Baptist papers to magnify our doctrines. This, the *Western Recorder* has sought to do through the years, and it will continue to be a policy. Though promotional material must be used in all our papers, they lose ground along with the readers if the doctrinal emphasis is lacking. Doctrine lies at the foundation of all our work, whether evangelism, stewardship, missions, Christian education, benevolences, or other causes. *Every* Baptist ought to be ready always to give a reason for the hope that is within him.

Many of our great pastors have prepared special series of sermons on the doctrines of our faith and delivered them from their pulpits and in classes. Others have used books now available for study courses. Our Training Union quarterlies have been particularly rich and valuable in doctrinal lessons, but so many do not attend the Training Union. We wish all would attend.

Baptists hold no doctrine which cannot be proclaimed in love and fullest respect for all but without compromise. And this kind of teaching will put an end to the often heard statement that "One church is as good as another," and "It makes no difference what church you belong to." Such statements grow from a lack of understanding. To say that one church is as good as another and that it makes no difference is to say that one group of doctrines is as good as another. That cannot be when those doctrines contradict each other. A church is a particular kind of church because of doctrines held. In other words, doctrines make the difference.

Push Ahead for the Western Recorder

This issue is the first in what has been designated as Western Recorder Month. We are seeking hard here and praying earnestly that the circulation may be pushed to 75,000 by the end of October. Dr. W. C. Boone, our general secretary, and his associates are working with us in the effort and we appreciate more than words can tell their strong support.

Bulletins have been sent out to all who have ordered them (a great many have ordered) for use in the churches. Additional order blanks can be had for the asking.

Dear brethren, set aside a Sunday in this month, if you have not done so already, for emphasis on and heavy effort for your state paper. After careful preparations have been made for that day, seek to

place the paper in your church budget to go to all resident families of the membership. Many churches have already done this and will continue but a great many more need to act now.

The Western Recorder is a friend of the pastor, the church, the denomination, every cause fostered by our General Association. It will help the pastors and the churches in their own local work and will deepen interest in and support of the total denominational program.

Due to vast increase in publication costs there will be, after November 1, a slight increase in rates on budget, club and individual subscription plans. But subscriptions mailed before November 1 will be accepted at the old rates.

The paper's circulation has grown tremendously but we shall not be satisfied, and neither can you, until it is going into every Baptist home. So help us now, this month, to go as far as possible toward this goal. We believe we can count on every one of our dear pastors and churches doing their best. We here shall do our best to give you the strongest possible paper to serve Kentucky Baptists. Pray for us as we carry on for Him and for you!

Missing the Meaning

Observed now and then is the inclination on the part of some to pull words and even whole sentences out of their natural setting and away from the designed purpose, making them mean what was never intended or even dreamed by the speaker.

A striking example of this is found in the last chapter of John's Gospel. A cherished friend, a much loved pastor in Kentucky, called attention to it recently in a conversation in his study. This is the reference:

Jesus, after His resurrection, met some of His disciples on the lake shore (Jno. 21:1-23) and there wrought a miracle. Then, after they had eaten the fish, the Master turned His attention to Peter. Peter had gone through a difficult experience during Jesus' arrest and false trial and had even denied that he knew Him. But Jesus laid on him the commission to feed His sheep, and then went further: He indicated to him the kind of death he would die for the glory of God.

It must have been a solemn moment for Peter and the rest. Peter, turning about, saw John following Jesus, and asked: "Lord, what shall this man do?" He was still thinking of the thing Jesus had said about his death by which he would glorify God, and he perhaps wanted to know how John would die and what John would do for the Lord before his death.

Jesus gave a simple, clear answer, one which Peter should have understood. He said, "If I will that he tarry till I come, what is that to thee." He did not say or even remotely imply that John would not die. But Peter and the rest, except John, took his statement out of its natural setting and away from its intended purpose and jumped to the conclusion

that Jesus had said John would never experience death. And they so talked this erroneous idea that it went abroad among the brethren.

We wonder if this same thing has not happened as members listened to their pastors, or as students listened to their teachers. It is so easy to misunderstand; it is so hard, sometimes, to comprehend.

Sometimes careless listeners in pews and classes have declared, perhaps in all sincerity, as did Peter and the others concerning Jesus' words, "He said this; he believes that; he doesn't believe the other."

Perhaps there are instances in which listeners can be sure of their ground in saying that the wrong thing was proclaimed and taught. In such cases they have the right, in Christian spirit, to speak out against what is wrong. But every hearer should consider every statement in the light of its whole setting and total purpose, thus avoiding the blunder of Peter and other disciples.

Every hearer should be as Christian in his listening as he wishes the speaker to be Christian and sound in his statements. Mature minds are cautious against jumping at conclusions not justified. It is frequently far more difficult to think what a good pastor or teacher is thinking and purposing than it is to think what the hearer wants to think.

God knows this is not written in defense of error or to strengthen the hands of any who may not believe the truth. It is written, rather, to stimulate cautious hearing. Let us hear all that people have to say and understand their words in the light of their actual and total purpose.

We have never heard of a speaker who did not at one time or another say something which, taken out of its setting, could be misconstrued and given alien significance. Jesus said: "Take heed therefore how ye hear: for whosoever hath, to him shall be given; and whosoever hath not, from him shall be taken even that which he *seemeth* to have" (Luke 8:18).

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►One of the commonest of modern expressions is, "I have half a mind to do it." Not much spirit or drive behind that phrase! A man with half a mind never painted a picture, scaled a mountain, made a discovery, or built a house. A man with half a mind never accomplished anything.—Dr. Archer Wallace.

►Spires outlast spears; altars are more lasting than armament freedom, truth, love are invincible. They belong to the stuff of eternity.—Jos. R. Sizoo.

►All that is necessary for the triumph of sin is for good men to do nothing.—Christian Advocate.

►Most of those always bragging about themselves have one real gift—the ability to brag over practically nothing.

►Enthusiasm is a great asset but worthless when hearers do not detect also heart enthusiasm. They are quick to discern the difference between holy fervor and loud, rapid speech.

►It wouldn't be so bad to let one's mind go blank if one always remembered to turn off the sound.—Quote.

►Egotist: A person who knows a good thing when he says it.—Edna May Bush.

The Temperance League of Kentucky

The Temperance League of Kentucky is the churches of Kentucky in action against the liquor traffic. The liquor traffic is one of the greatest evils of our day and one of the greatest menaces to our churches. Alcoholism is one of the leading health problems today. Alcoholism is 16% more prevalent than tuberculosis; 50% more prevalent than cancer; and 225% more prevalent than polio.

The Temperance League is dedicated to the task of ridding our state and our nation of this menace. Since this writer was appointed executive director of the league in 1950, we have made great progress in our work. In 1950 there were only 64 churches in all of Kentucky participating in the work of the Temperance League. Today there are over 1,300 churches working together to fight the liquor traffic in our state. One of the phases of our program is to enlist all the Christians of our state in the fight against the use and sale of alcoholic beverages. We accomplish this by sending representatives of the league to speak in every church in Kentucky that will let us come in. The League has had great success during the past three years, but there are still hundreds of churches that refuse to open their doors to this great cause and deny their people the privilege of participating in this work.

Through our educational program, carried on in the public high schools of our state, we have reached more than 100,000 of our young people with a scientific approach to what alcohol really is, and its true effect upon the human body, presented with the aid of films, posters, tracts, etc.

Two out of three of our young people never go to Sunday school or church. Realizing this fact, the Temperance League feels that we have a divine obligation to go into our schools with this program. It is vitally important for thousands of young people are depending upon us for God's word on Temperance through this program. We have reached only one fifth of the young people of the state. We need the support of more and more Christian people to help us carry on and enlarge this educational work.

The Temperance League also fights the liquor traffic by working for better laws and better law enforcement. The writer is the registered lobbyist at Frankfort, and works with the representatives to our law making bodies

to let them know the opinions of the Christians of Kentucky about the laws of our state. The league, through the aid of thousands of our Christian people, has been successful in getting several bits of legislation enacted which have helped the dry cause greatly. One of these is a bill which prohibits gambling on the same premises where alcoholic beverages are sold. Another is a directive from the State Alcoholic Beverage Control Board which prohibits young people, 16 years of age or under, from loitering in places where alcoholic beverages are sold by the drink. During this past session a bill was passed which will enable our law enforcement officers to use the results of the drunkometer test as evidence in court against drunk

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drivers. Most of our state representatives and senators have recognized the influence of the Temperance League upon the legislative bodies of our state and many of them have written to the writer expressing their appreciation for the efforts of the Temperance League towards better government and better law enforcement.

The league helps the communities of our state to hold local option elections. Last year there were 10 local options held; 9 were won by the dry forces.

The temperance League also helps to organize Citizenship Leagues in our communities and counties. These Leagues work with the local officials for better law enforcement and help the political parties in their communities to find men who are qualified morally and spiritually as well as through training and experience to represent us in our public offices.

There are 83 dry counties in the state; 10 counties are predominately dry, and only 27 counties are predominately wet. Kentucky stands 37th in per capita consumption of alcoholic beverages among the states. Yet Kentucky produces 51% of the nation's entire production of hard liquor.

Every Christian voter and every parent should write to the candidates run-

ning for Congress and United States Senatorial offices in their district. They should ask them to commit themselves to legislation which would out-law alcoholic beverage advertising on T.V., radio, newspapers, magazines, etc. Several of the candidates have committed themselves to this task who are as follows: Hon. Eugene Siler of Williamsburg in the 8th District, and Hon. Carl D. Perkins who is running for re-election for Congress in the 7th District; also M. J. See, Louisa, who represents the 5th District; and Curtis Clark, representing the 7th District.

If the Christians of Kentucky would let God have control of their lives, we could completely destroy the liquor traffic and build a state in which we could bring up our children without fear of the destruction and evils produced by the sale and use of alcoholic beverages.

Great progress has been made, but we are still far short of victory.

Jailed Colonial Clergy Honored in Virginia

Seven Baptist preachers who went to jail in defiance of a colonial church-establishment law 180 years ago were memorialized as "apostles of religious liberty" recently in a ceremony at Chesterfield, Va. Several hundred persons gathered in front of the town courthouse to pay tribute to William Webber, John Weatherford, Joseph Anthony, John Tanner, Jeremiah Walker, Augustine Eastin, and David Tinsley, who in that early day had placed "the authority of our own consciences and the rules of our own church" above the authority of the unjust law under which they were jailed.

As preachers who were not of the established Anglican Church, the seven could have stayed out of jail only by going to Williamsburg and passing an Anglican examination for the ministry. This they refused to do, holding the law to be "morally wrong" as well as an "unnecessary and imposed inconvenience." For preaching without legal sanction, they were sent to prison by Chesterfield County magistrates. The cause of the seven ultimately prevailed when a reaction against such persecution set in throughout the American colonies, leading to the movement in favor of the principle of church-state separation.—CHURCH AND STATE.

The Author Stresses the Cooperative Program and Says—

Advance in World Evangelism Must Be Total Advance

By H. GUY MOORE

Communism has its eyes on the whole world. Its ideology lays claim to the total man—mind, body, soul. World evangelism in the name of Christ can do no less. Advance must be total advance.

What channel do we have as Southern Baptists through which we can make that total impact? Where can I give, knowing that my gifts go to evangelize, teach, heal, train, educate? Do not let an old name lose its dynamic meaning. When we understand its vital content, its comprehensive purpose, it is what we have chosen to call the Cooperative Program!

The Cooperative Program has revolutionized Southern Baptist stewardship history in the past twenty-five years. It has been the life line of our united and total missionary program. The amazing thing is that we have to be able to do so much on such a small percentage of Southern Baptist dollars.

What are the actual facts? While our total gifts through our local churches have increased since 1946, the year after the war, from \$115,226,949 to \$278,851,129—a gain of 142 per cent—gifts to missions have increased from \$27,240,704 to \$48,427,760 or 77.77 per cent. In other words, gifts to local causes have increased more than twice as much as gifts to mission causes in the past eight years. Only \$6.14 of the average Baptist gift of \$35.36 ever gets outside his local church or, to put it another way, only eighteen and one-half cents out of each dollar.

Some of the states may be adjusting the percentages so as to favor state programs, which means that Southern Baptist Convention causes may get smaller proportions of the Cooperative Program dollar. In most causes the dollar budget will be raised enough to give a slight dollar increase in spite of the reduced percentage. In some cases, however, even this token increase will not prevail.

It is because of this that the Southern Baptist Cooperative Program feels called upon now to send urgent appeal to

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every Baptist church and to our state leaders for the fullest support of the Cooperative Program.

We would offer therefore the following suggestions for immediate and prayerful consideration by every Baptist church in our Convention territory.

1. Prepare and plan your church budget and stewardship program to reach your maximum possibilities.

2. Include the Cooperative Program on the basis of a definite percentage of the total church budget.

3. If it is already included on the basis of a definite percentage, increase that percentage by at least five per cent of the total budget.

4. Seek to enlist every member to tithe.

5. Encourage your people to send their gifts undesignated so that our advance toward world evangelization will be a total advance.

No, this will not win the world this year or the next, but it is a step in that direction. "The journey of a thousand miles begins by the first step," or, to quote another, "Little by little, inch by inch, the insignificant communist movement of forty years ago has now become a crusading, possessing, paralyzing world force. Dare we do less for the Master? Do we dare to fail to make our advance for the souls and the nations inch by inch, undergirded each year per cent by per cent. God help us to do it now, this fall, 1954!"

Court Ends Pittsburg Sectarian Child Home Aid

WASHINGTON, D. C.: Payments made out of public funds to a Baptist, a Methodist, and eight Roman Catholic child-care institutions in the Pittsburg area were ordered ended by a June 30 decision of the Allegheny County Common Pleas Court. An appeal against the decision was filed by attorneys for county officials, the ten child-care institutions, and the commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Judge A. Marshall Thompson upheld the plaintiffs—Fred A. Schade, Edward L. Evans, Mr. and Mrs. Harper B. Storer, and Martha Klein—in their main contentions but declined to hold uncon-

stitutional any part of the 1933 Allegheny County Juvenile Court law or the 1937 County Institution District law, both of which had been called into question by the plaintiffs.

Declared ineligible for grants of public funds were the Baptist Orphanage and Home Society of Western Pennsylvania, the Robert Ward Home for Children (Methodist), Eudes Institute (Roman Catholic), Roselia Foundling Asylum and Maternity Hospital (Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum), and the Toner Institute (Roman Catholic).

Judge Thompson agreed with the plaintiffs that the institutions named were "denominational and sectarian" and therefore barred by Section 18 of Article III of the Pennsylvania constitution from receiving public funds. The section reads: "No appropriations, except for pensions or gratuities for military services, shall be made for charitable, educational, or benevolent purposes to any person or community, nor to any denominational or sectarian institution, corporation, or association."

The court found nothing unconstitutional in the 1937 County Institution District law, however. Judge Thompson held that the unconstitutional grants had been made through faulty administration of the Act, and that "adequate relief can be granted by restraining the Allegheny County Institution District from paying any public moneys to the various defendant charitable institutions."

According to the record, \$253,064.44 in public funds had been paid to the ten defendant institutions from December 27, 1952 to December 25, 1953. The institutions will not be required to repay these funds, for the object of the suit was merely to prevent such payments in the future.

Taking note of the fact that approximately 750 children in the care of sectarian institutions were affected by the decision, Judge Thompson called for the allowance of "a period of time in which to make the adjustment" by which the children might be transferred to "private homes or in some suitable institutions that are not sectarian." —Church and State.

►Mrs. Ardelane Yates, 97, died at Cary, N. C., September 12. Her funeral was held at the Cary Baptist Church on September 14. She was the mother of Pastor Otis W. Yates, of the Rosemont Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky.; Ira C. Yates, Elkin, N. C.; Mrs. C. C. Sorrell, of Cary, N. C.; and Mrs. W. M. Hodge, Tampa, Fla. She was the grandmother of Mrs. Eugene I. (Culley Yates) Enlow, wife of the pastor of the Bethany Baptist Church, Louisville, and nine other grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

Sandy Hook Baptist Church Breaks Ground

By **GAINER E. BRYAN, JR.**
Director of Press Relations



Sandy Hook Baptist Church broke ground for a new building at a new site in the Bell City section of Sandy Hook Sunday, September 12. Pastor John J. Atkins, pastor, was in charge.

A message was brought by the Pastor Gordon Duncan, of West Liberty Baptist Church. Mrs. George R. Ferguson, state W.M.U. secretary, also spoke. Singing was directed by Ray Mayer, choir director of Unity Baptist Church, Ashland.

Mr. Atkins turned the first shovel of dirt. He was followed by Mr. Duncan, by Mrs. Ferguson, by the only two living charter members of the church, by other church members present, by Missionary John Ivy of the Greenup Association, and others.

The charter members who participated are Mrs. Edna Rose and Mrs. Paul-

ine Adkins. Pastor Terrill Durham of Grayson Baptist Church led in the closing prayer.

Gifts from the state W.M.U. helped to make possible the purchase of a new site and construction of a new building. The state mission board assists in providing Mr. Atkins' salary. Mr. Atkins serves as county missionary for Elliott and Carter counties as well as fulltime pastor at Sandy Hook.

Since Mr. Atkins became pastor one year ago Sunday school attendance in the main church has increased from an average of fifteen to an average of forty, and three missions have been organized in the county with a combined average attendance of forty or more. Gifts have increased from about sixty dollars a month to a high of eighty-five dollars Sunday, September 5.

Cornerstone Laid For Beechwood Church Near Louisville

The Beechwood Baptist Church, east of Louisville, gathered to lay the cornerstone of its new building at the corner of Biltmore Avenue and Cordova Road Sunday afternoon, September 26, at 2:30 o'clock. About 150 members and friends of the new congregation gathered before the chapel—almost under roof. Among the friends were a number of the members of the Crescent Hill Baptist Church, which body has given so generously of its leaders to the organization of the new church.

Presiding over the service was Dr.

James B. Sawyer, pastor of the church since February, 1953. The hymn, "The Church's One Foundation," was sung by the congregation, with Mr. Bob Coleman directing. After the hymn, J. K. Williams, treasurer, led in prayer. The Scripture was read by Professor J. Estill Jones. Dr. Rollin S. Burhans, pastor of the Crescent Hill Baptist Church which has given so generously of its money and of its leadership in the organization of the new congregation, brought the message of the afternoon. He pointed out the dangers inherent in Satanic strategy for the discouragement of any congregation.

After the message, Dr. Sawyer introduced George Lewis, chairman of the Building Committee, and described the

contents of the copper box to be placed in the cornerstone. These included a brief history of the church, church roll, a list of the charter members, several bulletins of special occasions, newspaper clippings, church officers, the current issue of the Western Recorder, and the daily paper. The box was then sealed by George Markel and W. H. Pace, other members of the Building Committee. Mortar was spread first by Dr. Sawyer, and the cornerstone was placed in its niche. The benediction was pronounced by the pastor.

Another milestone in the brief history of Beechwood Baptist Church was passed. The first services were held in the Orville J. Stivers School on Westport Road in November of 1952, and full-time services have continued there since December 6, 1952. Dr. W. C. Boone served as temporary pastor until the coming of Dr. Sawyer from the Grace Baptist Church of Louisville. Present membership stands at about 300, school enrollment at 290, and the number present at Sunday school on the day of the cornerstone laying was 205. The congregation hopes to worship in the new building early in December.

Elkhorn Baptists To Have Christian Home Revival

LEXINGTON, Ky. — The Baptist churches of Elkhorn Association will sponsor a Christian Home Revival the week of November 1 through 5, and the First Baptist Church, Lexington, of which Dr. George Ragland is pastor, will be host church for the meeting.

This movement, insofar as this Association is concerned, began at the 1953 meeting when an evening was devoted to the Christian Home. Dr. Joe W. Burton and Judge Siler were the speakers. The program so impressed those present that steps were taken then and later to devote an entire week to a Christian Home revival in which all the churches would participate.

A number of other areas have in the past taken like steps to stress the importance of the Christian Home, and it is believed such programs are of highest value. Dr. Burton, editor of Home Life magazine, Sunday School Board, will be glad to answer questions and offer suggestions concerning such meetings.

Barber: "Your hair needs cutting badly."

Customer: "I thought that was the way you cut it last time."

Kentucky's Date
Simultaneous Revival
Crusade
April 10-24, 1955

Staff of Workers Among Jews Increased to Six



Home Mission Board Jewish Evangelism Staff (left to right): (1) Howard Smith, New Orleans, La.; (2) Frank Halbeck, superintendent of the Jewish Department, Atlanta, Ga.; (3) William B. Mitchell, Houston, Texas; (4) Jack Altman, Jr., Louisville, Ky.; and (5) John Meiss, Fort Worth, Texas.

ATLANTA, Georgia, (BN) . . . The Department of Jewish Evangelism of the Home Mission Board has enlarged its staff to five workers—Frank Halbeck, Howard Smith, William B. Mitchell, Jack Altman, Jr., and John Meiss.

Convention-wide, state, and sectional conferences have been held this year on Jewish work. Each Jewish worker, in addition to his local work, has been assigned a project such as work with Baptist Student Unions to reach Jewish

students, development of a plan to witness to the Jews, production of literature, and enlargement of the annual Jewish Fellowship Week. The first Thursday night in the simultaneous revival campaigns has been designated as a time for special invitations to the Jews to attend services. This will be started extensively in the 1955 crusade.

Many leaders attending the conferences on Jewish work have said, "This is what we have been looking for—church centered Jewish Evangelism."

Miami Committees Announced

MIAMI, Fla.—(BP)—The local committees to make preparation for the Southern Baptist Convention here next May 18-21 have been announced. General chairman is Cecil Carroll, and co-general chairman, C. Roy Angell.

Special committee chairmen are as follows:

Finance—H. Floyd Folsom, 370 Grand Concourse, Miami Shores.

Arrangement—Lloyd Whyte, 1100 Elrado Street, Coral Gables.

Housing Reservations—James W. Parrish, 900 S. W. First Street, Miami.

Exhibits and Displays—J. Perry Carter, 3501 West Flager St., Miami.

Luncheons and Breakfasts—John Halde- man, P. O. Box 6, Allapattah Station, Miami.

Ushers—Jay D. Hicks, 66 N. E. 24 Street, Miami.

Registration—Ralph Langley, 3200 Se- govia Street, Coral Gables.

Publicity—Carl Moberg, 495 N. W. 77 Street, Miami.

Pulpit Supply—R. B. Culbreth, 5954 N. E. 5 Avenue, Miami.

Radio and Television—William Ritten- house, 2323 S. W. 27 Avenue, Miami.

Transportation—Ladislau Biro, P. O. Box 396, University Branch, Coral Gables.

Information—Forrest Watkins, 2692 S. W. 32 Avenue, Miami.

Recreation and Entertainment—Joseph Folds, 150 N. W. 58 Avenue, Miami.

Post Office—R. Perry Tomlinson, 244 East 7 Street, Hialeah.

Pages—C. H. Pollard, 850 Plover Ave., Miami Springs.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE, SEPTEMBER 26, 1954

(Numeral after church indicates number of missions.)		
Ashland, First	103	824
Unity	172	478
Bardstown		383
Bellevue	61	440
Benton, First		221
Bowling Green, First (2)	375	1,386
Eastwood	83	201
Buffalo	116	247
Burlington		323

Cadiz, Blue Spring	141	275
Campbellsville, Pleasant Hill	161	278
South Campbellsville		258
Carlisle	86	215
Carrollton, First	35	271
Central City	267	473
Clay, First		227
Cloverport	59	269
Corbin, First	133	445
Central (1)	156	575
Covington, Calvary		684
First (1)	144	419
Latonia (2)	248	1,108
South Side	109	506
Crestwood	84	323
Cynthiana (2)		447
Danville, First (3)	238	743
Lexington Avenue (1)	122	576
Dayton, First		266
Dawson Springs		300
Elizabethtown, Severns Valley (3)	134	817
Erlanger	79	404
Evansville, Ind., Calvary	126	615
Walnut Street (2)		525
Falmouth		215
Ferguson (1)	73	258
Fort Thomas, First	64	306
Frankfort, First (1)	171	907
Fulton	152	469
Georgetown (1)		586
Glasgow (1)	119	654
Greensburg	70	206
Greenville, First	136	398
Second	110	211
Harlan (5)	141	694
Harrodsburg (2)	272	912
Hawesville		244
Hazard, First (2)	110	505
Petrey Memorial	72	290
Hazel	179	408
Henderson, First	197	560
Immanuel Temple (1)	120	692
Hodgenville, First (1)	128	422
Hopkinsville, First	142	725
Second	164	865
Independence (1)	192	361
Jenkins		200
Junction City		221
LaGrange, DeHaven Memorial		327
Lancaster (1)	57	353
Lawrenceburg, First	93	345
Sand Spring	49	296
Leitchfield	138	301
Lexington, Calvary	220	884
Grace (2)		789
Immanuel	241	852
Porter Memorial		617
London, First (1)	180	674
Louisville, Audubon	72	220
Baptist Temple		361
Beechland	138	622
Beechmont (2)	176	1,169
Bethany	81	265
Bethlehem	89	275
Broadway (1)		384
Carlisle Avenue (2)	325	1,607
Clifton (1)	112	507
Crescent Hill (2)	290	1,101
Deer Park		499
Eastern Parkway	83	620
Eighteenth Street	112	355
Fairdale (2)	202	445
Farmdale		429
Harmony	109	338
Hazelwood	89	545
Highland Park, First		474
High View	60	224
Immanuel	104	501
Jeffersonton	99	259
Kenwood		283
Lee's Lane	90	317
Lynn Acres	74	
Ninth & O (5)	330	1,549
Okolona	61	502
Parkland	256	1,050
St. Matthews (1)	239	813
Shawnee		377
Shively (1)	143	903
Southside (1)	135	628
Third Avenue	100	617
Twenty-third and Broadway (2)	182	735
Valley View	88	225
Walnut Street (4)	407	1,838
West Broadway (1)	171	741
Ludlow, First	110	447
Madisonville, First	284	1,221
Marion	131	304
Mayfield, First	314	880
Middlesboro, First (5)	113	655
East Cumberland Avenue		251
Monticello, First	74	247
Morganfield, First	127	516
Morgantown	147	238
Mt. Washington	42	336
Murray, First		904
Newport, First (2)	88	756
Trinity	114	260

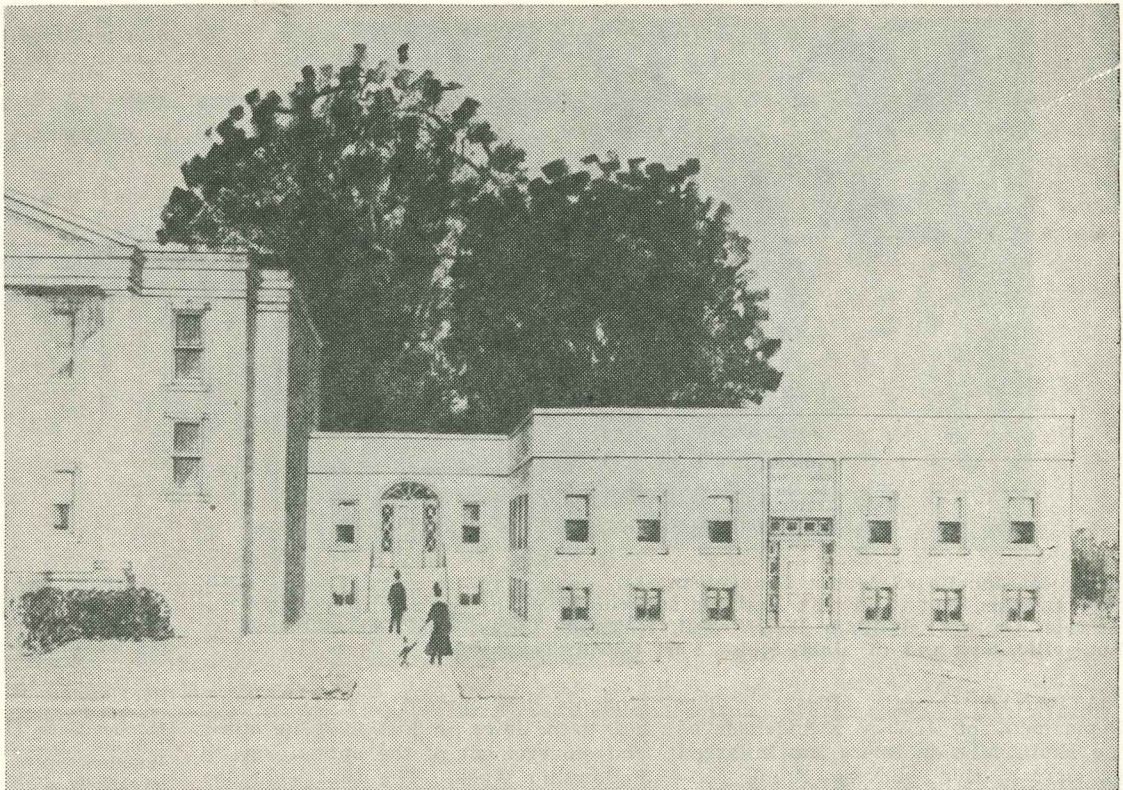
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New Sunday School Annex being Erected for Falmouth Baptist Meeting House

FALMOUTH, Ky.—Ground has been broken and excavation begun for the new educational building annex for the Falmouth Baptist Church, in Union Association. The present building was dedicated in 1929. The new addition is being erected at a cost of \$51,000. The members underwrote three-fourths of the cost before construction. The church hopes to dedicate the new building practically debt-free shortly after the turn of the new year. There are 5,908 square feet of floor space in the two floors, basement and ground floor.

The basement will contain a large room to be used for recreational programs and general church work plus a modern, up-to-date kitchen. Like Jesus and His disciples, we think it good for the brethren to dine together.

The ground floor will have a modern nursery for three age groups, a large beginner room which will double our present beginner capacity. A primary



department complete with assembly room, six class rooms. The building also provides for a large room which will be used as a small chapel by the church, this will divide into three large Sunday school class rooms by modern fold-

ing doors. The future plans of the church include another story added to this which will make it one of the most modern and adequate Sunday school buildings in northern Kentucky.—Carl Sears, Pastor.

Nigeria Needs You Now!

Are you a qualified teacher? Are you a registered nurse? Read these excerpts from letters which have just arrived at the offices of the Foreign Mission Board in Richmond, Virginia, from three Southern Baptist missionaries in Nigeria.

From *Marjorie Stephens*: "One of the most interesting reports during the annual Mission meeting in Nigeria each year is that of the locations committee. Such was the case in the recent meeting held in Ogbomoso.

"With six couples and three single women to be located, and with four hospitals, three dispensaries, and a children's home in need of medical staff, and five schools in need of teachers, besides numerous areas ready to be opened for mission work, it is not difficult to see that for many, many requests the report read, 'We regret there is no one to send at this time.'

"As we sat and thought of our many friends at home—doctors, nurses, teachers, and others who are so well trained and so capable of doing the work that needs to be done here—how we wished that you might have been sitting with us and heard the pleas for someone to fill the needs. I am sure if you had been

with us for just that one session and had felt the presence of God as we felt it, you would be compelled to say, 'Here am I, Lord, send me.'"

From *Margaret Lambert*: "We regret that due to emergency situations in five of our schools at the present time, there is no one to send.' This was the reply of the Nigerian Baptist Mission to the request of the Nigerian Baptist Convention that we release one of our women teachers to open a new secondary school for girls.

"We hated to make that decision. We hated to turn down the opportunities to open mission work in other new areas because almost without exception the Baptist national leaders in Nigeria are products of our mission schools. Yet with circumstances as they are there seemed to be no alternative. The fact is: *We do not have enough teachers to meet the needs of our existing work . . .*

"Someone has defined God's will as 'a need which I see, which at the same time is a need I can fill.'"

From *L. Raymon Brothers*: "If there was ever a time when we must act urgently on a mission field it is here and now. A delay of a year or two will be entirely too late. Nigeria is going to have several thousands of new teachers

in the next few years. How many of these will be Moslems and how many will be Catholics and how many will be Baptists must be determined in the very near future.

"In the western region alone it has been found that last year's census of the child population was wrong by more than 200,000 children. Instead of the expected 170,000 children six years of age, the education department has now registered 400,000, which calls for 10,000 new teachers in 1955 for this region alone."

Compensations: Traveling expenses, living quarters, a missionary stipend, and the privilege of participating in building a Christian Africa.

If you are interested in meeting the need, write to George W. Sadler, secretary for Africa, Europe, and the Near East, or Elmer S. West, Jr., personnel secretary, Baptist Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Virginia.

►Eldred M. Taylor, superintendent of Missions and Evangelism, conducted a revival with the First Baptist Church, Middlesboro, September 29-October 6. Wendell Rone is pastor.

"Pretty is As Pretty Does"

By MARTIN B. BRADLEY

Department of Survey, Statistics, and Information
Baptist Sunday School Board

"Beauty is only skin deep." My mother often repeated those words to me as I was growing up and would have my eyes on some "sweet young thing."

This counsel given by her always conveyed a warning to look beneath the surface, to determine a girl's personality and character masked by her beauty. And, of course, I learned Mother's words to be wise counsel—appearance does not always denote performance and quality.

We Southern Baptists have been blessed in our evangelistic efforts, especially in the recent years of our history. Our membership has grown from 5,493,027 in 1943 to 7,886,016 in 1953. There were 202,301 baptisms in 1943, but 361,835 in 1953. Fine progress in ten years.

However, let us never believe that our increasing numbers are a sure sign of equally encouraging growth in strength and stature within!

Can we sometimes be deceived? Picture yourself arriving at a service station to buy gas with your car's tank having a large hole in it. As the attendant opens the valve, allowing gas to spurt into the tank, the gas merely flows unimpeded through the rusty hole onto the ground. When the attendant closes the valve, how much gas have you really obtained? How much has been contributed to the trouble-free operation of your car? Certainly, a conclusion can't be based on the quantity of gas taken into the tank!

Take a look at the composition of our church membership. A trend seems to have developed that warrants inspection. Of our membership of 6,270,819 in 1947, resident members totaled 4,891,239. This means there were 1,379,580 non-resident members, or 22 per cent of the total. Of 7,886,016 members in 1953, 2,460,437 were non-resident—31.2 per cent. Such an increase in the proportion of non-resident members—from 22 per cent to 31.2 per cent—should not go unnoticed.

The amount of increase is not necessarily important as such, since campaigns of "purging the rolls" may have taken place. Nevertheless, the condition that 31.2 per cent non-resident or inactivity represents is important.

All desire to avoid a condition of status quo or stunted growth. We eagerly prefer the pains of progress to the malodor of stagnation. One of Southern

Baptists' growing pains is the increasing tendency toward inactivity on the part of many members.

In addition to the large percentage of non-resident members, we are cognizant of a sizable number of resident members who are inactive and for all practical purposes useless to God in promoting his cause through the churches. Not only are these people relatively dead weight to our positive task but they are actually pulling against us. Jesus once stated axiomatically, "He that is not with me is against me."

I fear the church member who lends no weight to his one-time profession acts as a deterrent to the cause of Christ, not just as a neutral force.

How well would a football team do if some of its players should line up with the opposing team? Although their uniform would be right, their actual performance, or lack of it, would determine the success of the team whose uniform they wore. Many one-time Southern Baptists have either quit playing the game entirely or have joined some other team.

Is this most unfortunate situation due entirely to those individuals? Could it be partly because we, in our denomina-

tion and in our churches, have fallen short in our challenge, development, and conservation of people?

Perhaps too many of our churches are majoring in people-reaching and minor-ing in Christian-developing. Of necessity, we must major in reaching people with the gospel because people must be reached before they can be taught and strengthened and permanently conserved. Still, our minor must become major in proportion and minor only in sense of being second temporarily in the cycle of kingdom work.

May God give us continuing vision of reaching more and more people through our Sunday schools and other arms of our churches! May he also impress us with the urgency of strengthening and deepening and enlarging our efforts together toward enlisting new Christians and inactive church members in the ever-expanding task for him!

He then shall cause there to be fewer mission fields within and more missionaries from our churches.

Sinking Fork Church Has Had a Fine Year

HOPKINSVILLE, Ky. — This has been a special year for Sinking Fork Baptist Church in Christian County.

After over 100 years of quarter-time and half-time preaching, we began this year with a full-time program of work with a new pastor, Brother W. Earl Nelson, in charge.

April 25 we enjoyed a fine day of fellowship and dedication of our new debt-free Annex.

June 6 we began a two weeks' VBS with an average attendance of 97. Three professions of faith resulted from this school.

A series of revival services were conducted August 11-18 with Pastor W. Earl Nelson bringing the message each evening. God used the speaker in a great way and the Holy Spirit did His office-work in the hearts of men, women and young people, bringing souls to repentance and greatly reviving the membership. There were 21 additions to the church, 16 by baptism, 4 by letter and 1 by restoration.

Brother Nelson came to us from Guthrie, where he was ordained by the Guthrie Baptist Church in October 1952. He graduated from Bethel College, Hopkinsville, in June, and is enrolled at Belmont College, Nashville, Tenn., for this fall term.

He was born and reared in Tennessee, where his father, Brother John W. Nelson, has been a Baptist minister for the past 40 years. He now resides in Hopkinsville with his lovely wife, the former Nellie Foster, and two small daughters.



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Thanksgiving Offering



When so *little*
Means so *much*
To so *many*

Full
GIVE ONE
AS YOUR THANKS

KENTUCKY BAPTISTS!

Offering Coming Soon!

Each issue of the Western Recorder in October and November will carry an urgent message from all the boys and girls at Spring Meadows and Glendale and from all the children who will soon be living at the new Home now under construction at Morehead.

Our message will always be found on the two pages in the center of the Western Recorder. We will be telling you why we think Kentucky Baptists should make the approaching Thanksgiving Offering one of the largest in our history.

Look For Our Message Each Week

Read Our Message Each Week

Heed Our Message At Thanksgiving!

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WEDNESDAY'S PAY
THANKSGIVING OFFERING

You're giving for *more* in '54
For *Spring Meadows, Glendale*
and now, *Morehead*

Baptist Training Union Department

JAMES H. WHALEY
State Secretary

South Central Regional Convention Meets at Berea

The South Central Regional Training Union Convention met with the First Baptist Church of Berea, Kentucky, on September 17 and 18. The Convention got underway in good fashion with a "Wilderness Road Banquet" sponsored by the host church, with emphasis built around the theme of 100 years' celebration of Berea College. Mrs. O. B. Mylum, wife of the host pastor, served as the congenial toastmistress. The tables were set in pioneer fashion, and the principal personalities on the program were dressed in quaint early American costumes.

The Convention music was led by Pastor John W. Lucas, of Eastwood Baptist Church, near Louisville, and the devotionals at each session were conducted by Dr. Elroy Lamb, pastor of Lexington Ave. Baptist Church, Danville, Ky.

Friday evening's session was highlighted by the Young People's Speakers' Tournament under the direction of Mr. James H. Whaley. Those participating in the Tournament were: Laura Elizabeth Todd, Bates Creek Association; Johnny Meadows, Rockcastle Association; Margaret Hall, Central Association; Elvin Carey, South District Association; and Lois Money, Russell Creek Association. Margaret Hall from First Baptist Church of Lebanon, Central Association, took first place, and each speaker brought a challenge to the convention in their splendid presentations. The Friday evening session closed with a showing of the new Broadman film, "Missionary to Walker's Garage."

Saturday morning simultaneous conferences were held for each department of the Training Union program. Following the conferences, the Junior Memory Work Drill was held by Mrs. James Whaley, state approved junior worker. The participants in this drill were: Joseph DeSpain, Russell Creek Association; Carolyn Thompson, Pulaski Association; Nancy Harmon, Central Association; and Charlotte Devine, South District Association. Nancy Harmon, First Baptist Church, Lebanon, Central Association, led in this elimination. Following the drill, Rev. E. H. Egge, vice president of this convention and pastor of Lancaster Baptist Church, brought a stirring message.

Saturday afternoon was devoted to the Intermediate Sword Drill and the

election of officers for next year. Mrs. O. W. Stites, state approved intermediate worker, conducted the drill with the following representing their associations: Jack Murphy, Pulaski Association; and Brenda Harmon, Central Association. After a close drill that was inspiring to watch, Jack Murphy, First Baptist Church, Somerset, Pulaski Association, emerged the victor.

The following officers were elected for the next year: Rev. E. H. Egge, Lancaster, president; Rev. Robert O. Fitts, Sterns, vice president; Jo Ann Asher, Danville, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. O. B. Mylum, Berea, nursery-beginner leader; Mrs. E. H. Egge, Lancaster, primary leader; Bethel Burdine, Squib, junior leader; Sarah Dean, Danville, intermediate leader; Winnie Cocanougher, Lebanon, young peoples leader; Dr. C. R. Daley, Harrodsburg, adult leader; Dr. J. Chester Badgett, Campbellsville, pastor-advisor; and Homer Kirtley, Campbellsville, associational leader.

The closing moments of the convention were brought to a spiritual peak as Rev. Wayne E. Todd, pastor of Immanuel Baptist Church, Lexington, brought the Life Dedication message.

Southwestern Region Meets Tomorrow at West Paducah

The Southwestern Regional Training Union Convention will be held at the Harmony Baptist Church, West Paducah, Ky., this Friday and Saturday, October 8-9. Registrations will begin at 4:30, Friday afternoon, October 8. Reservations should be made as early as possible for lodging by contacting Mrs. Robert Hughes, Route No. 2, West Paducah, Ky. Please state age, sex, time and method of arrival when requesting reservations.

The banquet will be held Friday evening at 6:00. For banquet reservations contact Mr. Roy Grief, Box No. 758, Paducah, Ky.

Rev. John Tracy is president of the Southwestern Region and also pastor of the host church.

SOUTHEASTERN REGIONAL TRAINING UNION CONVENTION

OCTOBER 11-12, 1954

PINEVILLE, KY.

Make reservations for Banquet
now!

Banquet will be held at Clear
Creek Bible School Oct. 11,
at
6:30 p.m.

price \$1.25 per person

Write:

Rev. Raymond Sanderson
First Baptist Church
Pineville, Kentucky.

Kentucky Baptist Hospital's New Student Director and Assistant to Chaplain

Miss Dorothy Wallace, student director and assistant to the hospital minister, assumed her duties at Kentucky Baptist Hospital, Louisville, September 1. Miss Wallace came to her present work from the Memorial Baptist Church



Miss Dorothy Wallace

of Portsmouth, Va., where she was educational director and pastor's assistant for the past ten years. She is a graduate of Blue Mountain College, Mississippi, and has studied voice and piano extensively with private tutors.

Under Miss Wallace's leadership, the Virginia church developed seven choirs and several assemblies. Also the educational program was vastly enlarged, making it necessary to employ additional workers. The pastor of that church, Rev. John W. Wood, wrote concerning her: "Miss Wallace has been active in every phase of Baptist work in the association and state, and has been music leader for Sunday school and Training Union and W.M.U. associational work. . . She has also directed the music for the State W.M.U. Convention which was held at Norfolk." And he adds: "Miss Wallace has made a great contribution to the Jackson Memorial Baptist Church, to the city of Portsmouth and to the state of Virginia." Pastor Wood expressed his church's deep regret in losing her services, and was "confident that her consecrated life and winning personality will make a large contribution to the cause of Christ in Kentucky."

There is a vast difference in education and intelligence. There are many educated fools, but no intelligent ones.—*Automotive Dealer News.*

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

MRS. GEORGE R. FERGUSON, Executive Secretary
MISS BEULAH WINGO, Young People's Secretary
MR. J. C. BALLEW, Royal Ambassador Secretary

Regional Meetings October 19-29, 1954



Miss Ethel Harmon, Nigeria,
will speak in the meetings Oct. 19-22.

The time is here to begin to plan for a large group from your church and Association to attend your Regional Meeting to be held the last of October. We always look forward to these meetings with eager anticipation of the Christian fellowship and missionary inspiration. A total of more than two thousand women are usually in attendance in these meetings. Begin to work now to have the largest attendance ever, in the meeting in your region.

The theme for the meetings is to be "Look and Live," ("Look," John 3:14; "Live," Isa. 6:1-9).

Kentucky's own Miss Ethel Harmon, of Corbin, missionary for a number of years in Nigeria, has just arrived home on furlough, and will be the missionary speaker for the first week of these meetings. Miss Harmon is greatly loved in Kentucky and her message will be awaited eagerly. Many in our state have read in the Courier-Journal the life story of the Nigerian young man, Mr. Thelophilus Adepoju ("Ade") Aderonmu, who is enrolled in the University of Louisville School of Medicine, preparing to return to Nigeria to minister to his people as a Christian physician. You will be interested to know that he was won to the Lord through the work of Miss Harmon and is proving a great blessing to the cause of missions during his stay here.



Miss Irene Chambers, Home Missions
will speak in the meetings Oct. 26-29.

Miss Irene Chambers, field worker for our Home Mission Board and well-known and greatly loved in Kentucky, will be the speaker for the second week of our regional meetings. Miss Chambers, a graduate of the Carver School of Missions and Social Work (when it was the W.M.U. Training School) has served the Home Mission Board as field worker since May, 1944. In the course of her work she has had occasion to visit most of the mission fields of the Board, including Panama and the Canal Zone, Cuba and Alaska. She has visited the Indian work in Oklahoma, Arizona and New Mexico as well as the work of the Board among the Chinese, Spanish-speaking, and Good Will Centers. From her rich experiences she will have a vital message on the importance of missions in our own land.

Both of these missionaries are excellent speakers and we are assured of interesting, vibrant, fresh messages from these important fields of our work.

The schedule of these meetings is as follows:

Northeastern, October 19, Catlettsburg, Mrs. E. L. Howerton, president; North Central, October 20, Immanuel Church, Covington, Mrs. B. W. Wright, president; South Central, October 21, First Church, Danville, Mrs. E. B. Lanter, president; Southeastern, October 22, Harlan, Mrs. Wendell H. Rone, president;

Southwestern, October 26, Mayfield, Mrs. Hugh McElrath, president; Western, October 27, Mrs. Al Burton, president; Southern, October 28, Glasgow, Mrs. W. F. Ware, president; Central, October 29, LaGrange, Mrs. A. C. Overall, president.

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Attention Northeastern Region

We have been asked to give you the following information: The local Chairman of the Entertainment Committee the Northeastern Regional Meeting October 19, at Catlettsburg is Mrs. V. V. Brown, 3238 Oakland Avenue, Catlettsburg. Those desiring entertainment overnight should write Mrs. Brown immediately for reservations.

Y. W. A. House Party

The third State Annual Young Woman's Auxiliary House Party is for all girls who are members or who are interested in the work of the Young Woman's Auxiliary. All counselors, and regional and associational young people's leaders are also invited.

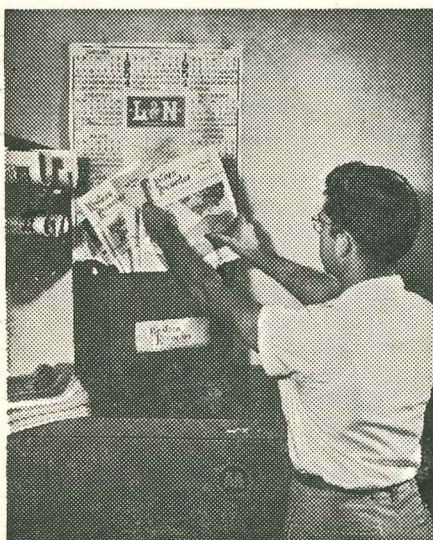
At the State Young Woman's Auxiliary Camp at Cedarmore Miss Martha Goodwin of Eminence was elected as the new president of the Y.W.A. Council. She will be in charge of the program and will be assisted by the other officers who are Miss Rosalyn Wilkey of Georgetown College and Miss Shirley Furnish of Owenton.

The program will consist of missionary messages, worship services; organizational activities, a banquet, promotional activities, and fun and fellowship. There will be an important business meeting on Saturday. In this meeting the State Y.W.A. Constitution will be revised. This is a meeting that we hope we will have a good representation from the entire state attending.

The registration will begin at Rucker Hall on the campus at 3:00 p.m. The activities will continue through lunch on Sunday. There will not be any charge for staying in the dormitories. There is a one dollar registration fee and the banquet ticket will be approximately \$1.25. Meals will be served in the college cafeteria at a very reasonable price.

The number that can be accommodated at the college is limited; therefore, reservation should be sent in immediately. Each reservation must be accompanied by \$1.00 reservation fee and sent to the W. M. U. Office, 127 E. Broadway. Complete information has been sent to each individual counselor.

There will be a special meeting for presidents and for associational council officers. Plan now if you are one of these officers to be present for this training. If you would like to organize an associational council you will also receive help from these conferences.



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On account of the few hotel and motel rooms available in Georgetown, many persons attending the Kentucky Baptist Ministers' Meeting, November 15-16, and the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky, November 16-18, especially those who attend in their automobiles, will find it expedient to make their reservations in Lexington, 12 miles away, and some might even prefer to stay in Frankfort, 18 miles distant.

We have not been able to secure rates from all of the hotels and motels, but we are passing on those which have been obtained. The time has come to make arrangements, and persons expecting to attend would do well to communicate with one of these places, asking that if a room is not available that your request be passed on to a second or third choice.

For Tourist Homes in Georgetown, please write to the Georgetown Baptist Church.

These sessions are a part of the 125th Anniversary of Georgetown College which has been going on all of 1954. It ought to be a vitally significant occasion for alumni and friends of Kentucky's senior Baptist college.

The hotel and motel rates and names which we have in hand are as follows:

Georgetown Hotels and Motels

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Lexington Hotels and Motels

	Single	Double
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Phoenix Hotel	4.50	6.00
Kentuckian Hotel	4.50	6.00
Springs Motel	4.50	6.00
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Hilltop Motel	4.00	
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Hayden Motel	4.00	
Ritz Hotel	2.50 up	

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Foreign Mission Board Reports to the People

PERCENTAGES OF OPERATING COSTS

For Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1953

	Amount	Percentage of Total Operating Costs
1. Administrative Expenses:		
Expenses of home office in Richmond, including all salaries, traveling expenses, stationery, postage, insurance, office equipment, and miscellaneous expenses.	\$ 272,029.77	2.98
2. Promotion Expenses (Home Cultivation):		
Publicity through denominational papers, The Commission , audio-visual education, literature, conference expenses, deputation work of missionaries on furlough, etc.; also the amount recalled by the Woman's Missionary Union, S.B.C. (\$60,000.00) from its contribution to the Foreign Mission Board through the Cooperative Program.	239,015.35	2.62
3. General Expenses:		
Cost of Board meetings, annual audit, agent's fee for handling investments, legal expenses, and miscellaneous expenses.	53,296.20	0.59
4. Foreign Fields:		
Salaries and expenses of missionaries, furlough travel, missionary pension plan, special allowances to emeritus missionaries, advanced training of selected Baptist leaders from abroad in U.S.A., direct evangelism, maintenance of schools and hospitals, operation of publishing houses, purchase of property abroad, travel abroad, and miscellaneous expenses.	8,552,643.65	93.81
Total Operating Costs	\$ 9,116,984.97	100.00

Listen to the Baptist Hour

During October Dr. Roy O. McClain is speaker on the Baptist Hour. His subjects for the rest of the month will be: the 10th, Three Steps Down; the 17th, A Cushion or a Cross; the 24th The City Four Square; and the 31st, Taking God Seriously.

As reported to us, the Baptist Hour can be heard over the following radio stations in Kentucky and at the times indicated each Sunday:

WLCK—Campbellsville	5:00 p.m.
WAIN—Columbia	10:00 a.m.
WHIR—Danville	2:00 p.m.
WFKY—Frankfort	
WIEL—Elizabethtown	3:00 p.m.
WKAY—Glasgow	7:00 a.m.
WGTC—Georgetown	
WHLN—Harlan	7:30 a.m.
WLAP—Lexington	2:00 p.m.
WFMW—Madisonville	2:00 p.m.
WMIK—Middlesboro	4:00 p.m.
WVJS—Owensboro	9:00 p.m.

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WSIP—Paintsville	12:30 p.m.
WPKE—Pikeville	12:30 p.m.
WPRT—Prestonburg, Sat.	5:30 p.m.
WPKY—Princeton	7:30 a.m.
WSFC—Somerset	2:00 p.m.

►The first annual Ohio Baptist Woman's Missionary Union meeting has been set for Westside Baptist Church, Hamilton, O., October 12. Mrs. George R. Martin, Norfolk, Va., president of the Southern Baptist Convention WMU will be the inspirational speaker at both morning and evening sessions.

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►Pastor H. Franklin Paschall, Bowling Green, was elected chairman of the Executive Committee of the Executive Board, General Association of Baptists in Kentucky September 28.

►Dr. A. M. Vollmer, secretary of the Kentucky Baptist Foundation, has been invited to speak at the annual session of the Tennessee Baptist Convention, meeting in Nashville, November 9-11. He will speak on the "Purpose and Work of the Baptist Foundations."

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Forest Park Church, Bowling Green Makes Progress

The Forest Park Baptist Church of Bowling Green was organized four years ago. It has grown steadily since its organization. The church membership shows 193 members with 263 enrolled in Sunday school. At present the Sunday school is organized on the class basis and is graded. There are six Adult classes, two Young People's, three Intermediates, two Juniors and three Primary. As soon as the new educational unit is completed they will departmentalize the Sunday school.

The religious census shows 560 prospects within three-fourths mile radius of the church. Rev. Robert Lively is the pastor. We wish to commend the good work of this church.

Elkhorn Association Standard

For a number of years the Elkhorn Association has been successful in its Sunday school program in reaching the Standard of Excellence and this year is no exception. We wish to commend Mr. Homer William Smith, associational Sunday school superintendent and his workers for this distinct achievement.

Kentucky is leading the Convention in standard Sunday schools and standard associations. To date we have nine standard associations.

The standard Sunday schools of Elkhorn Association are: Grace, Hillcrest, Millville, Rosemont, South Elkhorn, Versailles, South Broadway, Silas, Pincard.

Hold Associational Plan Meeting

Each association in the State should hold a plan meeting with the officers to plan the program for the ensuing Sunday school year. Many of the associations have already held their meeting, however, we learn of many that have not. Get your officers together to make plans for the advance program of 1955.

Here are some things which your association can do in planning the program:

1. Complete the organization. Have an officer for each office:

Associational Sunday school superintendent
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Superintendent of training
Superintendent of enlargement
Superintendent of Vacation Bible School Work

Superintendent of New Work

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2. When the officers are secured then hold a clinic to train each one in his respective field.

3. Plan the number of meetings to be held during the year. There should be an associational officer's meeting held each month and a mass meeting. During these mass meetings plan for Departmental Conferences.

4. Set goals for enlargement. Plan to increase your Sunday school enrollment.

5. Adopt the Associational Standard as a program of work. Set goals for a certain number of Standard Sunday schools.

6. Set training objectives: Plan to assist or encourage each church to have some training during the year. Plan for an Enlargement Campaign, Central Training School or Group Schools for the churches of your association. (This year we are urging associations to conduct Group Training Schools). Encourage all churches to teach the new book by J. N. Barnette, "One to Eight," as one way to prepare to win more to Christ. Seek to get every church to observe January Bible Study Week. This year we urge our churches to study the Book of Hebrews following the new Training Course book, "Studies in Hebrews," by H. H. Hobbs.

7. Set up plans for a Vacation Bible School to be held in every church, and see that each school held is properly reported. Plan to have representatives attending the State Vacation Bible School Clinic held with the Carlisle Avenue Church in Louisville, January 27, 28, 29, 1955.

Plan to have an Associational Vacation Bible School Clinic.

8. Set a goal for a certain number of churches having Cradle Rolls.

9. Set a goal for a certain number of churches having Extension Departments.

10. Encourage your associational officers to attend one of the Summer Assemblies, Cedarmore, August 8-12, 1955; Glorieta, July 7-27; Ridgecrest, August 7-21. Plan to have your association represented at the Convention-wide Sunday School Clinic held at New Orleans, Louisiana, January 9-21.

11. Make plans for your association to co-operate with the Evangelistic Movement of 1955.

Georgia Executive Committee Adopts Budget of \$1,804,200

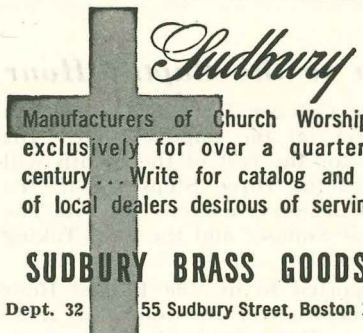
ATLANTA, Ga. — (BP) — The Georgia Baptist Convention's Executive Committee adopted a total budget for 1955 of \$1,804,200, an increase of \$191,000 over the current year at the recent annual meeting of the committee.

Principal item in the budget changes the special allocations of \$20,000 for each of the colleges.

The budget for 1954 would continue the 50-50 division with the Southern Baptist Convention. It provides a total of \$767,500 for state causes, an increase of \$62,500 and the same amount for the Southern Baptist Convention.

The Executive Committee agreed to recommend to the state convention that both Truett-McConnell and Brewton-Parker junior colleges be moved to "a more favorable location." Brewton-Parker College is located at Mt. Vernon, and Truett-McConnell College at Cleveland.

►Mrs. J. Cecil Travelsted, prominent worker in the Woodburn Baptist Church, Woodburn, Ky., has begun operation of what is known as the Travelsted Rest Home. Mrs. Travelsted states concerning her project: "I have for so many years wanted to help those less fortunate." Mr. Travelsted operates a grain and feed store at Woodburn. They were formerly members of the First Baptist Church of Bowling Green.



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REPORTING ON SEPTEMBER

We began the month by catching up on office details and went to Ashland on the second day where we spoke that night to the Greenup Association in its annual meeting at the Unity church. On the third we went to Long Lick Baptist church in Elkhorn Association for their regular meeting. We visited in the Sunday school leadership conference at the Immanuel Church in Lexington on our way to Long Lick. September 4, we visited the Erlanger Brotherhood. We had a cancellation on the fifth. September 9 we spoke to the Brotherhood at Hardinsburg, and organized a Brotherhood at Dover Church, Shelby County, on the 10th. We supplied at Ralph Avenue, Louisville, on the 12th. The remainder of the month was spent, as follows: 13—DeHaven Church, LaGrange; 14—Rockford Lane, Louisville; 15—Mill Creek, near Bardstown; 17—Parkland Baptist Church, Louisville; 19—Supplied at Virginia Avenue, Louisville; 20—Beaver Dam Baptist Church; 21—Christian County annual Association, Hopkinsville; 22—Ohio Valley annual Association, New Harmony Church; 23—Caldwell Association, White Sulphur

Church; 25—Florence church Brotherhood, Florence, Kentucky; 26—Calvary Baptist Church, Harrodsburg, Kentucky; 27—Brotherhood, Bagdad, Kentucky; 28—Horse Cave Brotherhood, Horse Cave, Kentucky; 30—Southside Brotherhood, Louisville.

Help!

Please send us the names of your new Brotherhood Officers for 1955. We are trying to keep our mailing list up-to-date and these names are important.

The Baptist Hour Layman's Day

The *Baptist Hour* on Sunday, October 10, will be keyed to Layman's Day. The speaker, Dr. Roy O. McClain, will bring a special message for men. Dr. George W. Schroeder, executive secretary of the Brotherhood Commission, will bring an opening message concerning men and youth. His subject will be "We Have a Debt To The Future." The broadcast will be carried over 380 stations in 36 states and the District of Columbia. In addition, 14 stations outside the territory of the United States will carry the broadcast. Pastors and Brotherhood leaders are urged to encourage the men of their churches to listen to this special broadcast.

Four Young Men Have Been Ordained by Severns Valley Within the Last Year

ELIZABETHTOWN, Ky. — The Severns Valley Baptist Church set apart to the Gospel ministry four young men within the past thirteen months, which is a record for this historical church, now in its 173rd year of service for the Master. Dr. Verlin C. Kruschwitz is the pastor.

William D. Jagers was ordained on August 2, 1953. He has been called as pastor of the Rowlett Baptist Church, and is continuing his studies at the Southern Seminary.

On March 17, 1954, John W. Nichols was publicly set aside to the Gospel ministry by his home church and since that time has been called as pastor of Glenview Baptist Church, Glenview, Kentucky. He has completed his work at the Southern Seminary this past spring and is now living with his family on the church field.

Richard Allison was ordained June 6 by his home church. He is a senior at Georgetown College and has recently

accepted the pastorate of Barren Run Baptist Church, in Severns Valley Association.

The fourth young man to be ordained by this church was Mervin A. Brown, who comes from Charleston, S.C., and is a second year student at the Southern Seminary. He has recently accepted the pastorate of the Haycraft Chapel, one of three missions sponsored by the Severns Valley Baptist Church, and at the request of the mother church, was ordained on Sunday, September 19.

All of these young men are sent forth by the Severns Valley Baptist Church with its hearty approval and with the belief that they are thoroughly Baptist, consecrated Christians, and will prove to be good ministers of the Lord Jesus Christ.

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Sunday School Lesson

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By H. C. Chiles

The Way of Wisdom

Proverbs is a book which contains many pointed sayings about the way of wisdom for the daily walks of life. Throughout this remarkable book God, through Solomon, constantly stressed the tremendous importance of gaining wisdom. He made it clear that one may be an encyclopedia of information and yet lack the wisdom to apply that knowledge to life. Knowledge comes by learning, but wisdom, which is far greater, comes largely by revelation.

Proverbs 3:1-6

Solomon admonished his son to remember the counsel which he had given him. Forgetfulness of his instruction would have prevented him from being obedient as a dutiful son. These verses contain God's admonitions to all His children.

Memory is always a primary factor in a life of obedience to God. Unless we remember His commandments and admonitions it is impossible for us to obey Him. Faithful obedience to God is conducive to longevity and peace. We are urged to avail ourselves of mercy and truth. Because they have their source in God, we should surrender our wills to Him in order that they may be wrought into our lives. Upon our reception of them from God, we are taught to bind them about our necks as a valuable ornament and to write them upon our hearts as something that is very precious to us.

Obedience to God is the only pathway to happy living. The happy life is the one which is lived within the circle of the will of God. Regardless of how good precepts may be in themselves, they are of little value unless they are engraved upon the heart from which emanates the issues of life. Honesty is something which delights the heart of God. It is also a means of making us a blessing to others. How excellent it is when the Christian has an unblemished reputation for integrity in his dealings with his fellowmen!

What does it mean to "trust in the Lord with all thine heart?" Trust conveys the idea that one is conscious of his feebleness and therefore turns to the Lord for support. He wants us to have the same loving confidence in Him that a child reposes in his parents. We are told here how to trust—"with all thine heart." Half-heartedness has no place in the purpose of God for His people. We can count on the faithfulness of God under all circumstances. He will never fail us. Our Lord has said, "I will never

leave thee nor forsake thee." Nothing is more fickle and frail than our own understanding and that is why we are admonished to distrust it. Our blessed Lord is to be acknowledged in all the details of life. He is worthy of being acknowledged with the supreme affection of our hearts, the complete homage of our intellects and the unswerving loyalty of our lives. He will direct our paths on the condition that we acknowledge Him. Our attitude toward and response to this condition specified here will mark the difference between yieldedness to God's will and rebellion against it, happiness and unhappiness, victory and defeat. There is no satisfaction in life like that which comes from living in accordance with His holy will. He will never disappoint us if we will trust Him, lean not unto our own understanding and acknowledge Him in all our ways.

We should trust our wonderful Lord with the heart, serve Him with our talents, praise Him with our lips and honor Him with our gifts. He will use us in a mighty way if we will only dedicate ourselves without reservation to Him for His blessed service. If we expect the Lord to lead us, we must let Him determine our thoughts, form our opinions, mold our character and control our lives.

Proverbs 4:10-15, 18-19

Instruction of youth should be both positive and negative. In this connection, however, parents should realize that admonition is unavailing unless their examples are in conformity thereto. They must never indulge in those things which they forbid their children to do. Unfortunately many children will not heed the admonitions of their parents which are based on the Word of God and are the outgrowth of experience.

Merely hearing God's Word is not enough. We must feed upon it and apply it to our lives. The voice of God appeals for attention to His directions and a cheerful response to His teachings. Obedience to His appeal guarantees happiness and progress in the Christian life. Listening to His voice and obeying His instructions will build Christian character to the extent that it will be beautiful, strong and able to withstand the assaults of Satan.

It goes without saying that there are two paths through life, the right and the wrong ones. Nobody ever regretted following the right one, but innumerable

multitudes have been sorry that they pursued the wrong course. Going in the right way is always for our good. Wisdom demands that one avoid the way of the wicked as he would a plague. The way of evil men is to be abhorred and avoided as much as possible. Distance from sin is the best way to escape its defilement. It is best not to frequent the places where the wicked congregate.

Why be so foolish as to ask God to give you grace to keep from sinning and then deliberately walk into the presence of evil? It is far better to ask Him for grace to stay away from the places of temptation. To linger in the presence of temptation is to run the danger of falling into sin. There are those who indulge in wickedness whose great delight is to lead others into their evil paths. It is a mark of wisdom to shun that crowd and to avoid their way. So determined are they to cause the downfall of others that they frequently spend sleepless hours in scheming and plotting for the fulfillment of their evil purpose which is to bring others down to their own level.

It is a well-known fact that Satan does not have any happy old people. Therefore, wisdom teaches us to shun the evil way which goes down with increasing darkness. In contrast with the way of the wicked, the path of the righteous is pictured as a shining light increasing in luster as one progresses. The increase of light from dawn to noon is an appropriate illustration of how the children of God should advance toward the goal of likeness to Christ. Daily we should make progress in knowledge of the Lord's will, in holiness of heart and life, and in Christian usefulness. The way of the righteous is like the morning sun that increases in brightness and brilliance from the dawn to the meridian. This beautiful passage of scripture portrays the supreme worth of Christian character.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE, SEPTEMBER 26, 1954

(Continued from Page 9)

Owensboro, Buena Vista (1)	128	559
Eaton Memorial (1)	225	453
First (1)	197	1,024
Hall Street (1)	---	464
Seven Hills	104	294
Third (1)	400	1,192
Paducah, East	236	553
First (1)	166	617
Oaklawn (1)	161	304
Trinity	155	334
Twelfth Street (1)	154	389
Paintsville, First (2)	80	266
Paris, Central	124	407
First	81	307
Pikeville, First (3)	81	418
Prestonburg, Irene Cole Memorial (2)	---	530
Princeton, First (1)	165	623
Northside (1)	132	237
Second (2)	104	304
Russellville, First (1)	122	433
Somerset, First	203	730
Pleasant Hill No. 2	62	205
Sonora	121	250
Springfield, First	161	443
Sturgis, First	---	277
Versailles	70	394
Whitesburg, First (8)	98	609
Williamson, W. Va., East Williamson	84	304
Willisburg	128	303
Winchester, Central	127	472
First	134	435



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Georgetown Church Calls Dan C. Moore As Its New Pastor

The Georgetown Baptist Church, Georgetown, Ky., has called Dr. Dan C. Moore, pastor of the Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, Avoca, Jefferson County, Kentucky, and he has accepted. He will succeed Dr. E. Lowell Adams, now in Memphis, Tenn. Dr. Moore will begin his new duties about the middle of October or later.

Native of Gainesville, Ga., he was graduated from Clemson College and Southwestern Seminary before coming

to Louisville, where he has been a student in the Southern Seminary since 1948. He has been awarded the B.D. and Th.D. degrees since coming here.

He served in World War II in the Southwest Pacific theatre, being advanced in rank all the way from a first lieutenant to a lieutenant colonel.

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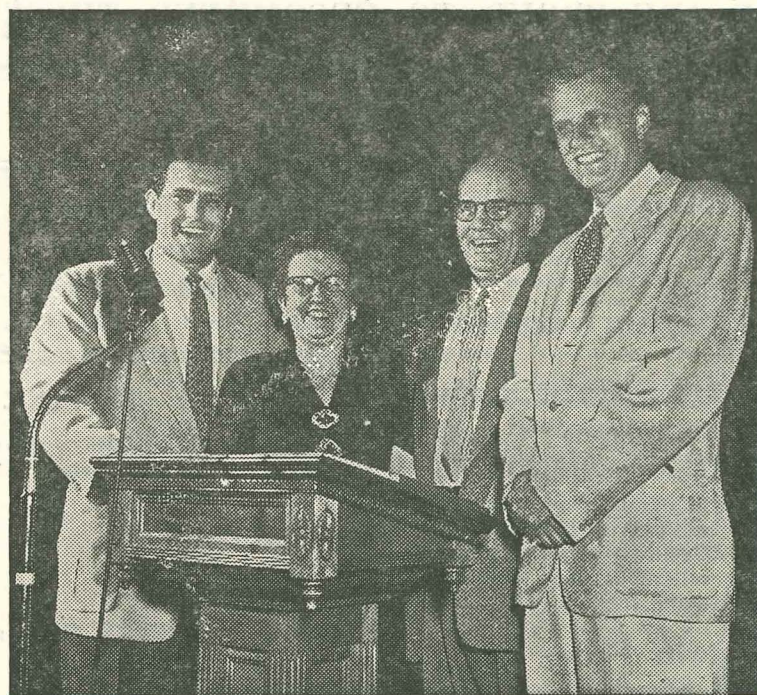
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Evangelist Billy Graham Addresses Friday Morning Chapel at the Baptist Sunday School Board



NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BSSB) — Dr. Billy Graham and Cliff Barrows met with the Baptist Sunday School Board family in their Friday morning chapel service during the Greater Nash-

ville Billy Graham Evangelistic Crusade. Left to right: Cliff Barrows, Mrs. Agnes Durant Pulant, Dr. James L. Sullivan and Dr. William Franklin Graham, Jr.

God's Honor in Stewardship

By FORREST C. FEEZOR

The twin slogans, "Ask, believe, commit" and "Bring ye all the tithes," of our Convention-wide Stewardship Revival calls to mind a memorable experience of some two decades ago.

People were unemployed. Bills were hard to pay. Times were difficult. In my new pastorate in Raleigh, N.C., I had met a new friend. At the time he was out of work and was finding his

financial road rough and uneven. He came to talk about his plight.

Formerly a newspaper man, then the private secretary of a governor or two, he had had better days. We prayed and

asked God's help. Because he could write, he sent in several biographical sketches for the "Dr. I. Q." program. If accepted, the sketch was worth a minimum of \$150.00. He was without success in several attempts. One night when he had finished a sketch on Walt Disney, while yet in his room, my friend prayed that God would prosper his paper. He prayed simply "asking" that the Lord would give success to the sketch.

Later, as he restated it to me, he said: "When I asked the Lord to bless and prosper my sketch, there came an answer, 'Where is my honor in this request?'" My friend said the voice so real and lifelike. He went to his knees to promise the Lord a tithe of all that was received. Of all this, I knew nothing. Then one day he appeared at my study. He was bearing a check for \$27.00. His sketch had been accepted.

My friend became a believer in stewardship from his experience. He asked, he believed, he committed his case to the Lord.

Although the money greatly relieved his financial situation, yet it was not the money that meant most to him. It was that God was his partner when he honored the Lord with a tithe. The question is one for all of us—"Where is my honor in this?" The question recalls to mind the Scripture, "Them that honour me I will honour" (1 Samuel 2:30). The promise in Proverbs 3:9 likewise comes to mind, "Honour the Lord with thy substance, and with the first-fruits of all thine increase: (Then the promise) So shall thy barns be filled with plenty, thy presses shall burst out with new wine."

Forrest C. Feezor is state secretary for Texas Baptists.

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Uniform Crime Reports For January-June, 1954

WASHINGTON, D.C. — FBI — J. Edgar Hoover, director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, pointed out the following trends in releasing the semi-annual Uniform Crime Reports for the first six months of 1954:

An estimated 1,136,140 major crimes were committed during the first six months of 1954. This represents an increase of 88,850, or 8.5 per cent, over a similar period last year. If this trend continues, major crimes will reach an all-time high during 1954.

A major crime was committed every 13.8 seconds.

Each day during the first six months of 1954, it is estimated that an average of 35 people were feloniously slain and 252 other felonious assaults were committed; 48 rapes were committed; 608 cars were stolen; 197 robberies and 1,454 burglaries were committed.

It is estimated that during the period from January to June, 1954, a crime of murder, manslaughter, rape or assault to kill was committed every 4.3 minutes.

The timetable for crime during the first half of 1954 is as follows: 1 murder or negligent manslaughter every 40.9 minutes, 1 rape every 29.8 minutes, 1 robbery every 7.3 minutes, 1 aggravated assault every 5.7 minutes, 1 burglary every 59 seconds, 1 larceny every 23.5 seconds, 1 auto theft every 2.4 minutes.

Robbery jumped 20.4 per cent while burglaries rose 13.2 per cent and larceny 9 per cent during the first six months of 1954.

Estimated murder figures rose 0.9 per cent and aggravated assaults showed no change. Rape offenses declined 1.2 per cent and auto theft and negligent manslaughter were down 2.3 and 3.9 per cent, respectively.

Urban crime rose 7.2 per cent. Urban robberies increased by 22.6 per cent, while burglaries and larcenies in urban areas increased by 11.8 and 7.1 per cent, respectively. Urban murders decreased 2.1 per cent, and negligent manslaughter declined 6.4 per cent. Auto thefts in the cities decreased 2.7 per cent, while aggravated assaults in urban areas declined by only 0.5 per cent. Urban rape increased 0.6 per cent.

Rural crime increased 11.9 per cent in the period from January to June, 1954. Burglaries and larcenies in rural areas increased 16.7 per cent and 13.6 per cent, respectively. Robberies were up by 10.8 per cent in the rural areas, while murders increased 5.8 per cent. Rural aggravated assaults increased 1.8 per cent, but rape declined 3.5 per cent. Both negligent manslaughter and auto thefts showed declines of 0.6 per cent and 0.8 per cent, respectively, in rural areas.

Although a decrease is noted over

the first six months of 1953, auto theft continues as a major criminal problem in the United States. During the first six months of 1954, an estimated 110,060 cars were stolen as compared with 112,600 in the same period last year.

Victims of killers in the United States totaled 6,380 while more than 54,000

other individuals were feloniously assaulted by potential killers or rapists. Robbers jeopardized the lives of 35,650 victims.

As of April 30, 1954, there was an average of 1.8 police per 1000 inhabitants.

In 1953, 63 police employees were killed in line of duty according to reports submitted by 3,721 cities representing a 1950 population of 87,423,339. The rate of 3.6 police employees killed per 5,000,000 population is the same as last year's.

More than nine out of ten homicides committed in 1953 were cleared by arrest. Police cleared by arrest 75.5 per cent of crimes against the person, namely, murder, rape, negligent manslaughter and aggravated assault. By contrast, only 22.9 per cent of property crimes were cleared by arrest.

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Kentucky Baptist Children's Home News

VACATION SEASON ENDS

All of our children are now back in school after an exceptionally happy vacation season. During the summer months they were scattered far and wide on vacation trips of from one to three weeks' duration. In addition to practically every section of Kentucky, children from our Home have gone for visits to Ohio, Indiana, Michigan, Illinois, Tennessee, North Carolina, South Carolina, Mississippi, and Florida. Forty-three of our boys and girls spent a week in camp, either at Cedarmore or Kava-naugh. To all those people who made it possible for our children to enjoy these delightful summer experiences the Home staff is deeply grateful. We hope they made such impressions by their conduct and general attitude that they will be invited out in like manner and degree next year.

REVIVAL POWER FELT

Gilead Baptist Church has just closed a splendid revival meeting. For 8 days Dr. Clyde T. Francisco, of Southern Seminary, was with us preaching the gospel message. Our pastor, B. G. Hickem, was the song evangelist for the meeting. Large crowds attended every service. One of our girls announced for foreign mission service, and last Sunday five of our children were baptized. Our boys and girls attend the services of Gilead Church every Sunday, morning and night, and 130 of them hold membership here.

"WHERE LOVE IS"

This is the title of the new film produced by the Sunday School Board for the purpose of promoting the work of our Southern Baptist children's homes. Already many of our people in Kentucky have seen it and have pronounced it a splendid picture. We are particularly anxious that it be shown in as many churches as possible between now and the time of the Thanksgiving Offering. Write to us at Glendale or to Spring Meadows at Middletown for details and a date for the showing of this lovely color and sound movie. The rental fee is quite nominal, only \$3.00.

MANY NEW CHILDREN

During the past six weeks 18 children have come to live with us. The counties represented and the number from each are as follows: Nelson (3), Grant (2), Jefferson (3), Hardin (8). At least as many more applications are being followed up at the present time, and some of these applicants will be coming into our Home in the very near future. Without question this is going to be one of our greatest years from the standpoint of the total number of children receiving care in our institution.

SPECIAL GIFTS RECEIVED

We are truly grateful for thoughtful and generous friends who come to visit us and, without solicitation on our part, send us gifts to be used for the children. For example, one fine Christian man gave us \$1,000.00 this summer, with the request that it be used directly for the children's benefit and pleasure. With this we purchased, and the end is not yet, 3 electric drinking fountains, 1 television set, and a number of croquet and badminton sets, to the delight of the children who are using them. Another television set has been installed in our pre-school cottage—the gift of the Victory Class of Hodgenville Baptist Church. Last Christmas the Young People's Department of Deer Park Church, Louisville, gave our older girls a lovely television set. Now all of our cottages are thus equipped, and we have a huge, 27 inch receiver, also a gift, installed in our main building for the benefit of all the boys and girls who still live in the dormitories. On two Sundays this summer we have been served bountiful picnic dinners by the Franklin Cross Roads Baptist Church, of our own association, and by the Oak Hill and Aetna Grove Churches, of Lynn Association. Other classes or churches that have brought us ice cream and cake treats include: Mt. Washington, of Nelson Association, the Good Samaritan Class of Ninth and O Baptist Church, Louisville, and the Vine Grove and Red Hill Churches, of our own association, Severns Valley.

PAGEANT DRAWS CROWD

On Sunday evening, August 29, a huge crowd packed our new Play-Assembly Building to witness the missionary pageant "Go Ye." This pageant was written and directed by Frances Barbour, who has charge of religious and recreational activities in Kentucky Baptist Children's Home. The costuming and lighting effects were exceptionally well done. It was the consensus of opinion that this was the very best program yet to be presented on our campus by the children and young people of our church.

NEW TEMPERANCE TEXT

In the evenings we try to teach our children memory verses from the Bible. One evening not long ago the superintendent was leading the regular mid-week prayer meeting and in the course of the service called upon the children for Scripture verse quotations. One boy arose and gave Prov. 20:1, as follows: "Wine is a mocker, strong drink is **outrageous**: and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise." Sunday school teachers seeking material for that next temperance lesson may use this story. The lad was certainly not far wrong!

OUR CURRENT NEEDS

With the pick-up in our enrollment there arises a need for additional sponsors. Any church group desiring to sponsor a child in our Home should write to the superintendent for a complete description of the child, costs involved, etc. Also, with the fall and winter months ahead of us, gifts of canned goods, meal, flour, and sorghum molasses will be greatly appreciated. Feeding over 200 children daily is no small item.

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT RESIGNS

Mr. Hobart H. Hines, who has served with us for over 5 years, has resigned his position as assistant superintendent effective October 1, to establish a business of his own in Elizabethtown, Ky. Mr. Hines has been an invaluable worker in Kentucky Baptist Children's Home, and is a man of the highest Christian character. We regret to lose him, and shall miss him greatly, but pray God's blessing to be upon him in this new venture.

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