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Front Row on the platform for the inauguration of Dr. H. Leo Eddleman as president of Georgetown College. Left to right, they are: (1) Dr. Frank A. Rose; (2) Dr. R. Orin Cornett, (3) Dr. Duke K. McCall, (4) Supt. Eldred M. Taylor, (5) Dr. Arthur Fox, (6) Dr. James L. Sullivan, (7) Mr. L. R. Cooke, (8) Dr. Eddleman, (9) Dr. Daniel Cecil Moore, (10) Dr. Harold P. Adams, (11) Dr. Leonard E. Meece, and (12) Mrs. Logan B. English.

Gleanings From The Field

►The first unit of the \$2,000,000 Texas Baptist Haven, a home which will care for more than 400 aged persons, was started with ground breaking ceremonies recently in Houston. It is the fifth unit in the Buckner Benevolence Program of Building support by Texas Baptists.

►Dr. Homer G. Lindsay completed his 14th year as pastor of the First Church, Jacksonville, Fla., October 3. During that time there have been 6,901 additions, of whom 2,180 were by baptism. The Sunday school has grown from 750 to 2,550, and the contributions have increased from \$23,000 to more than \$200,000. The church property is now valued at more than \$1,000,000.

►The first Missions Day program for the current school year was observed at Clear Creek Mountain Preachers Bible School, October 19, with Dr. H. Cornell Goerner, head of the Missions Department of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, bringing the address. The night before he showed pictures by projection of his trip to Southern Baptist mission fields around the world.

►The New Orleans Seminary has a record enrollment of 759 this year, which is a 15% increase over last year. They come from 25 states and 4 foreign countries, with the largest number coming from Mississippi. The eight from Kentucky are: William Eliza Donan, Louisville; William O. Graham, Covington; Erma Lorene Horton, LaGrange; Nadine Lovan, Paducah; Mrs. Jack Park, Middlesboro; Ralph Jackson Park, Mt. Sterling; Anita Geniece Pedigo, Glasgow; and William C. Ray, Louisville.

►Mr. and Mrs. M. U. Driskill celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary in a special service at the Grace Baptist Church, Louisville, recently. Pastor I. Ferd. Graves, Middletown; Pastor Gordon C. Whiteley, West Side, Pastor J. Cody Stone, Garfield Avenue, Walter C. House, Sr., of the Temperance League of Kentucky, and Ben Watson were present as Pastor Melvin Torstrick preached and presided in a double ring ceremony for the Driskills. Mr. Driskill is treasurer of the church and a deacon, and Mrs. Driskill has long been the Primary superintendent in the Sunday school.

►The officers of Muhlenburg WMU attended Cedarmore Camp and are now planning a clinic for WMU officers at First Baptist Church in Central City, Friday, November 5. The meeting starts at 10 o'clock. Conferences will be held for superintendents, presidents, young people's leaders, mission study chairmen, community mission chairmen and stewardship chairmen. Anyone else interested is invited. Conference leaders are: Mrs. Earl London, superintendents;

Mrs. John Bass, young people; Mrs. Roy Gossett, stewardship; Mrs. Harvey Taylor, mission study; Mrs. J. T. Devine, community missions.

►The Calhoun Baptist WMU met at the home of Pastor and Mrs. James Baggett on Tuesday, October 12. Pastor Baggett had charge of the installation of new officers for the year 1954-55, who are Mrs. C. H. Smith, president; Mrs. L. C. Moody, vice president; Mrs. John K. Sunn, program leader; Mrs. M. C. Sandefur, secretary and treasurer; Mrs. H. A. McDowell, young people's leader; Mrs. George Miller, GA Leader; Pastor Baggett, RA leader; Mrs. D. H. Wilhite, Mrs. Maude Waltrip, Mrs. Carl Donahoo, Mrs. Forest Smith and Mrs. Karl Kerrick, committee chairmen. After the business session Mrs. John K. Sunn led the program on foreign missions.

►The percentage of total enrolments of ministerial students in Southern Baptist colleges and universities has more than doubled in the last seven years, according to the *Survey Bulletin*. The percentage in colleges has increased from 7.8% in 1946-47 to 16.4% in 1953-54. Enrollment in Southern Baptist seminaries has increased from 1,744 in 1946-47 to 3,710 in 1953-54. The total enrollment of all ministerial students reached an all-time high of 10,007 in 1953-54.—Erwin L. McDonald.

►The new \$600,000 Tidwell Bible Building was formally dedicated at Baylor University, Waco, Texas, October 22. Dr. George C. Humphrey is chairman of the Department of Religion. Dr. W. R. White was the main speaker in the Miller Memorial Chapel. Others on the program included historical reminiscences by Dr. B. O. Herring; Dr. W. W. Melton, chairman of the trustees; and Dr. Forrest C. Feezor, executive secretary of the Baptist General Convention of Texas.

►Pastor Roy Lyons, of the Thornhill Baptist Church, Frankfort, Kentucky, and Ray Jenkins, minister of music of the Cynthiana Baptist Church, Cynthiana, Kentucky, led in a very successful revival meeting just recently at the Burgin Baptist Church, Burgin, Kentucky. Large crowds were on hand each evening to hear the Spirit filled messages of Pastor Lyons and to enjoy the wonderful congregational and choir singing led by Brother Jenkins. There was a total of 33 decisions, 13 of which were additions by baptism, 9 by letter and 11 definite rededications. The church feels that it had one of the best revival meetings in its history. Donald White is pastor of the Burgin Church.

►Petro Melzoni was ordained to the Gospel ministry by the High Splint Baptist Church on Sunday, September 12, 1954, at the request of the Joines Creek

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Baptist Church. He had previously been examined on July 28. The presbytery consisted of Wayne Markham, moderator; Earl J. Lovitt, clerk; and Pastors O. Dogle Denny, Bill Melzoni, Tommie Melzoni, J. M. Skeens, Leonard Reece, Robert W. Terry and N. Powers. The ordination prayer was led by J. M. Skeens, the Bible was presented on behalf of the church by Bill Melzoni, and the ordination sermon was preached by R. W. Terry. Brother Melzoni has led the Jones Creek Baptist Church to have full-time preaching and co-operate with the Missionary Baptist program.

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And Downtown Louisville

By FRED G. TUCKER, Director
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[The term "downtown," as used in this article, is understood to cover the general business area and other older parts joining this area. There are other sections of Louisville in which conditions are quite similar to those discussed here.]

As was pointed out years ago, the Bible presents the first man in a GARDEN, but in the closing part of the Revelation we see the HOLY CITY coming down out of heaven. For some years American people have been leaving the gardens and fields, the farms and the villages, and moving to the city. New cities have sprung up, and small settlements have become giant centers of population. A look at the following figures, concerning our own United States, is revealing. Under the new way of counting city areas, these figures might have some small changes:

Year	Rural Dwellers	City Dwellers
1790	94.9%	5.1%
1840	89.2%	10.8%
1890	64.9%	35.1%
1950	41.0%	59.0%

Thus we see that in 1950 about 59 out of every 100 people in the United States lived in city areas. There are some 26 cities larger than our own Louisville. Here we have a population of some 400,000 within the city and about 600,000 in the greater Louisville area. Some of these other cities have multiple millions of residents.

As town communities were formed, a center or centers developed, where residences were erected, stores opened, churches and schools came into being. Then as the communities grew, business and industry expanded.

But a movement set in, which was to have far reaching effects on the churches. People moved out of their established communities. At first some of them did not go far; but as time passed, the trend toward the suburbs, and beyond, took many of them far from their old communities and churches. Some of these continued as members of downtown churches, at least for a while; others moved their membership, and death took its toll. Naturally, the churches in the new areas attracted the children and young people, for they were nearer, and here playmates and neighbors attended.

This outward movement bereft the downtown churches of many faithful and seasoned workers. Their presence was missed and a decrease in contributions was noticeable. These factors also had psychological effects on the churches. The task of readjustment was

great. Work lay ahead, but the human forces for meeting the tasks were fewer. In addition to this, church after church, representing various denominations, left this area. Numbers of their members had moved out before the churches went. Truly there are great needs that must be met in these growing sections. Adjustments would have been necessary for these churches, in order to meet the situation in these changing downtown areas. Some of them may not have been prepared to make these adjustments. This outward movement on the part of churches continues to this day.

Into these downtown areas others came, many of them seeking rental property. Peoples of diverse national, religious, economic and family backgrounds were represented. Residences that had sheltered a single family, now were often occupied by two, four, or ten families. These new neighbors—fathers, mothers, growing children, young people, and individuals living alone—were as precious as those who had moved away. But their rootages, ties and loves had not yet been entwined in the life of the churches where they now lived. Familiar faces and former friends were missing. Our form of service often differed from what they were accustomed to. Many of them needed, and still need, to be reached by the Lord and for His churches.

A study of the downtown area will reveal many things. Here are still found many protestant groups, Baptists,

the Salvation Army, Volunteers of America, Jewish Synagogues, and several Catholic churches. Business houses, public buildings, schools, hospitals, amusement places, parking lots, and saloons, abound. Many streets are "one way." There are smoke and noise, cars, heavy trucks, and sounding sirens. The encroachment of business has resulted in many residences being torn down.

People live in residences, apartments, over storerooms, and in hotels. Some areas are made up of white people, some of Negroes, and in other places, white and Colored live side by side. There are a good many Jewish people, along with Syrians, Italians, some Chinese, and a few others. These different nationalities live harmoniously.

So many people living in rented property, with furnished rooms and apartments, make moving easy and frequent. This tends toward an unstable community with but scant neighborhood oneness. Let us remember that it is not the house that makes the home, and that some of our finest people live downtown. However, indifference, worldiness, drinking, immorality, crime, and delinquency abound. In this general setting, stand our downtown Baptist churches and missions.

Baptists cannot take lightly this challenge. Every proper effort must be made to reach these precious people. Much crime and delinquency can be prevented, and abiding home ties maintained if our churches have a sense of divine mission and urgency. Above all else we must preach Christ crucified, buried, risen, coming. We must proclaim His rightful Lordship, His love and grace and power to save. Along with this, the judgment of God needs to be declared. Without these central verities, all else that we do will be puny and ineffective. Our preaching must be suited to the understanding of the people. Good music, including children's choirs, is important. Every needed organization should function at its best. A warm, friendly, spiritual atmosphere, coupled with an earnest effort really to minister to the people's needs must be felt. An evangelistic zeal, frequent evangelistic meetings, a visiting program, for which important task the visitors are well instructed, and pastoral counselling are imperatives. During the week days, prayer meeting services at church and in homes, weekday Bible schools, at least once a week, patterned along Vacation Bible School lines, noonday meetings, street meetings, father and son, mother and daughter evenings, family and community nights with lots of singing; educational, missionary, and denominational pictures, and young people's evenings, can all be very helpful. Some attention could be given to supervised recreation; for there are many aspects of human life, and the

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The Doctrine of Justification

To understand the doctrine of justification, one should acquaint himself with the other doctrines related to man's salvation through Christ; and even then he will not be able to grasp it all, for it is "Amazing Grace" in all its aspects.

Perhaps not until we come at last to the Father's House will we ever be able to comprehend fully all that was involved in our justification.

Paul wrote the Ephesians: "For this cause I bow my knees unto the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, of Whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named, that He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with might by His Spirit in the inner man; that Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love, *may be able to comprehend with all saints what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height; and to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge*, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God" (Eph. 3:14-19).

It was the love of God "that drew salvation's plan;" it was His "love that brought it down to man;" it was His love that opened the way for our justification through Christ.

God's Act

Justification is a legal term and describes God's act, not ours. "It is God that justifieth" (Rom. 8:33). It is the act by which He declares the repentant, believing sinner *just* in His sight. And His declaration is not made on the basis of what man is, or has done, or ever will do; it is wholly on the basis of Christ's meritorious life and work in our behalf, by which He satisfied every claim of God's law against us.

What It Declares

Justification does not declare we have not sinned, for we have. It declares that Christ's righteousness has been imputed to us, and that we who have trusted in Him stand in the Father's sight *as though we had never sinned*. Christ's righteousness is set down to our account, and all our sins are laid on Him.

God could not be God and justify sin, nor has He ever done this. But He justifies the sinner FOR CHRIST'S SAKE AND THROUGH HIS RIGHTEOUSNESS. And, justified by God, through Christ, no one in heaven or in earth can ever show one reason why the believer should thereafter pay the penalty for his sins. "Jesus paid it all; all to Him I owe; sin had left a crimson stain, He washed it white as snow." We were guilty, hell-deserving sinners, and unable to justify ourselves. Note the Scripture:

"Now we know that what things soever the law saith, it saith to them that are under the law: that every mouth may be stopped, and all the world become guilty before God. Therefore *by the deeds of the law there shall no flesh be justified in His sight: for by the law is the knowledge of sin. But now the righteousness of God without the law is manifested,*

being witnessed by the law and the prophets; even the righteousness of God which is by faith of Jesus Christ unto all and upon all them that believe; for there is no difference: for all have sinned and come short of the glory of God; being justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus: Whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation through faith in His blood, to declare HIS RIGHTEOUSNESS for the remission of sins that are past, through the forbearance of God; to declare, I say, at this time HIS RIGHTEOUSNESS: that He might be just and the Justifier of him that believeth in Jesus" (Rom. 3:19-26). Paul again declared, "The just shall live by faith" (Gal. 3:11).

Christ Did Not Die in Vain

If any man could have been justified by good works, then Christ's death in our behalf was in vain. But Paul said, "I do not frustrate the grace of God: for if righteousness came by the law, then Christ is dead in vain" (Col. 2:21), and "Christ is become of no effect unto you, whosoever of you are justified by the law" (Gal. 5:4)—that is, those who attempt to be justified by good works have not the righteousness of Christ.

Conditioned on Faith

It should be kept in mind that God's declarative act of justification is conditioned on *faith in Christ*. Faith has always been, even in Old Testament days, the condition of God's justifying act. "For if Abraham were justified by works, he hath whereof to glory: but not before God. For what saith the Scripture? Abraham believed God, and it was counted *unto Him for righteousness*. Now to him that worketh is the reward not reckoned of grace, but of debt. But to Him that worketh not, *but believeth on Him that justifieth the ungodly, his faith is counted for righteousness*. Even as David describeth the blessedness of the man unto whom God *imputeth* righteousness without works, saying, Blessed are they whose iniquities are forgiven, and whose sins are covered" (Rom. 4:2-7).

The writer of Hebrews called the long roll of those who had exercised faith in the coming Redeemer and were justified (Heb. 11). And Paul said: "Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law, but by the faith of Christ, even we who have believed in Jesus Christ, *that we might be justified by the faith of Christ, and not by the works of the law: for by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified*" (Gal. 2:16).

Free From Condemnation

God's act of justification, then, sets us free from all condemnation and brings us into His favor, even as though we had never sinned. "There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death. For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending His own Son

in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh: *that the righteousness of the law might be fulfilled in us* who walk not after the flesh but after the Spirit" (Rom. 8:1-4). And Paul said again, ". . . and he found in Him, not having mine own righteousness, which is of the law, but that which is through the faith of Christ, the righteousness which is of God by faith" (Phil. 3:9).

In justification the sinner is completely and eternally pardoned for Christ's sake. Christ alone is the ground for justification. "But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon Him, and with His stripes we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the Lord hath laid on Him the iniquity of us all" (Isa. 53:5-6).

Boldness

And because we have *His righteousness* (our standing before God being just as though we had never sinned), we can therefore "come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need" (Heb. 4:16).

Justification is just one phase of the salvation which comes to the believer through Jesus Christ our Lord. This salvation which we have in Him includes the work of the Holy Spirit in regeneration—His act by which we are changed from the children of wrath to children of God and brings us into such union with Christ that the Spirit can dwell within us and carry on the divine process of sanctification which looks toward final glorification in Christ.

Security

Justification is inseparably linked with God's total purpose for the redeemed, and it brings eternal security because we are no longer under law but under grace. "Wherein God, willing more abundantly to show unto the heirs of His promise the immutability of His counsel, confirmed it with an oath: that by two immutable things, in which it is impossible for God to lie, we might have a strong consolation, who have fled for refuge to lay hold upon the hope set before us: which hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and steadfast, and which entereth into that within the veil; whither the

Forerunner is entered for us, even Jesus, made an High Priest forever after the order of Melchisedec" (Heb. 6:17-20).

Character

Justification not only gives us security in Christ, but it leads to the building of the highest moral character. He who is *justified in Him and by Him* participates not only in Christ's imputed righteousness but is *crucified with Him*. He is a new creature in Christ Jesus. He has a new life (2 Cor. 5:17). And he *declares* his death to sin and his resurrection to walk in newness of this life by the act of baptism. He will, because of his union with Christ, bring forth fruit to His glory.

Being justified by God's declarative act does not mean, then, that one will be thereafter willing to live the life of the flesh. To do this would offer convicting evidence that one has not Christ's righteousness; it means, rather, that *he will strive to live the life of Christ*, Whose righteousness he has. Paul said: "I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me. And the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, Who loved me, and gave Himself for me" (Gal. 2:20).

Congratulations to Virginia Baptist Teacher

The *Baptist Press*, Nashville, informs us that a Virginia Baptist teacher in an Alexandria public school has been dismissed by the city board of education because he refused, on religious grounds, to teach dancing to teenagers. The man, Walter A. Kirk, Jr., was gym instructor at Jefferson Junior High School. He declared in his statement to the school board, "Much sin and ungodliness is committed on public dance floors," and added that his religious scruples would not allow him to teach the "evil element" of dancing. Kirk is a former professional baseball player. Although he was promised support from Baptist leaders, he said he would not go into court. He states he has already been offered another teaching position. Any man of Mr. Kirk's Christian steadfastness deserves congratulations. No man ever loses by standing with his convictions. May God give us more men of his spiritual fortitude!

"Award of Merit" Given BSSB'S Advertising Dept.

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BP) — The Baptist Sunday School Board goes out front again in national recognition. The advertising department of the Board was awarded a certificate of merit by the Direct Mail Advertising Association recently. W. D. Kendall, director of the Board's advertising department, attended the DMAA convention in Boston, and received the award for the Board.

In the annual judging, the major mail

advertising programs of the United States and Canada were reviewed by a panel of advertising experts, and the advertising department was given the "Award of Merit" in the publishing field.

The prize-winning materials were on books published by Broadman Press, publishing agency of the Sunday School Board. Outstanding in the group was the 1954 advertising program on the book, *Very Truly Yours*, by Chester Swor, Jackson, Miss. Kendall said that the advance promotion of this book was so effective that the first edition was sold before publication date.

►Evangelistic meetings were held recently at the First Baptist Church, Smithland, Kentucky, with Brother Tom Dillon as the evangelist, and Brother Neil Travis, song leader. Brother Dillon is a student at the Southern Seminary and Brother Travis is a recent graduate of Bethel College. These two young men proved a blessing to the church with their outstanding messages in sermon and song. There were eight additions to the church. Pastor G. O. Cavanah is happy to announce that they are nearing the completion of an educational building.

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very needs can become opportunities and channels for Christian service. Life and leisure must be captured for the Lord and His churches. Playgrounds and recreational rooms, in whose activity many participate, would be preferable to that of highpowered athletic contests. The church building ought to be adequate for our needs, clean, comfortable and attractive. Closed church buildings are not in keeping with the urgency of our tasks. Neither can we do all that we should in an indifferent and slipshod way.

We must let people know that we are here, and that the church has something that will bless them and their homes. Church bulletins, church cards, a paper distributed in the homes of the community and placed in the hands of the members, church name and address stamped on the tracts we give out, the mails, newspapers, radio and television, all provide useful means of publicity. Every church should have a good bulletin board and a readable sign in front of the building. Then when people come to the church they must feel God's presence there and be made to realize that it was worthwhile to come. A church library with the best of books and periodicals, maps and reference works for teachers, is a good investment when properly administered.

A program like this will require workers and money. Both are available. The church itself will have to take the initiative here. Praying, planning, winning, teaching, and training will be necessary. But, this challenge should touch others also. Former members, through their present churches, daughter-churches that have grown strong, friends, and the denominational agencies can make important contributions in this field. Some churches need more employed personnel and better equipment, including well equipped offices. A few hundred extra dollars for the pastor's salary can mean the difference between bare necessities, or less, and freedom from undue financial strain.

There should be close ties among the downtown Baptist churches and missions, and between them and the association. We need to know and understand and love each other, and seek to make a common impact on downtown Louisville. A house-to-house census of this whole area would do something to the thinking of Long Run Baptists. Think

of 300 people from over the association joining hands with 200 from the downtown Baptist congregations, going to every home down here! This Association, through such an effort would become acquainted with conditions, difficulties, necessities and opportunities that many have never before realized.

Here are a few suggestions to our

Owensboro's Richard G. Cook Becomes New Pastor at Hartford



Richard G. Cook

Rev. Richard G. Cook recently resigned as pastor of the Macedonia Baptist Church at Owensboro, the resignation becoming effective October 31, to go to the pastorate of the First Baptist Church, Hartford, Ky., November 7. He has been at Macedonia since June, 1952, after graduating from the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth, Texas. Since his arrival at Macedonia there have been 154 additions, with a net increase of 112 in membership, bringing its total of 112 in membership, bringing its total membership now to 416. The average attendance has increased from 186 in 1951-52 to 235 for this past year. The new educational building, which was occupied in the fall of 1951, has been completed, and the basement of the old building has been renovated and beautified. The building debt was lowered from \$8,800 to \$1,200 at the present.

Baptist people: Do not seek to get members from these downtown churches. They are needed where they are. Around the suburban churches are hundreds who should be reached and used by the newer churches. At the same time, let the downtown church feel that it is logical for it to draw from all parts of the city; for this work here is more than a local task. Baptists moving into our cities should study the mission needs there, and some of them ought, lovingly and loyally, to join and work in downtown churches. In such case the proper attitude on their part, and that of the churches they join will make this a blessed undertaking. Many people come long distances every day to work, and could come down on Sunday to worship and to work in these churches. Let no one say that this work is hopeless. God still lives. He has faithful children. Only God and His children are adequate for these heavy burdens.

BAPTISTS MUST MAINTAIN A STRONG WITNESS DOWNTOWN. People still live here. But if everybody should move out, which will not happen, our streets are alive with people going to and from work, shoppers, transients, service men, and others. Sometime a movement may develop to build large apartment houses near the shopping area. There is talk of reclaiming some of our blighted downtown area. We now have a housing project for white people, and three for colored folk in this general area. Where people are, there we must be. All people must be precious in our sight. We must set ourselves to minister in Christ's Name to all people of every color, creed, and condition. When death, sickness, sorrow, and need strike we must stand by. Jesus saw the multitudes. His heart was moved with compassion; and when He saw the city of Jerusalem, He wept over it. He also did something, terrific, about it. How do our hearts feel, and what are we doing about it?

If we cannot meet every need in all life's areas, we can tell people of Jesus, manifest Him in our lives, and provide incentives that will lead them to a better life. We must set out to clean up the filthy moral conditions that effect our city, and look forward to that Holy City that comes down out of heaven from God, of which He is the builder.

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►Dr. J. T. Burdine, Jr., has resigned as pastor of the First Baptist Church, Clinton, Ky., effective November 13, and will become pastor of the Bardstown Baptist Church November 14. There have been 75 additions to the Clinton Church in the past associational year, with 38 of these being for baptism. The net Sunday school enrolment has grown in spite of the fact that their mission became the Second Baptist Church last April.

Why Do People Criticize The Cooperative Program?

By ALBERT McCLELLAN

The pastor often hears objections to the Cooperative Program. Sometimes they are stated in a very foolish way like the deacon who said, "Pastor when do we get this Cooperative Program thing paid up? We've been paying on it a long time." Usually the objection is more direct and less ridiculous, and calls for a careful simple answer.

One way to deal with these criticisms is to examine the motive behind them. To clearly see the object or his attitude and his way of thinking is the first step in disposing of his objections. Here are a few of the reasons behind the objections. As you read them see if you can devise a remedy.

First, *the objector doesn't know what it is and how it works.* He knows about the Cooperative Program, he vaguely realizes that it is for the denomination, but he does not have the slightest idea about the inner workings. It is easy for him to imagine it as some bumbling operation that hurts the cause rather than helps. For this man there is hope, because he will change his attitude when he learns what the Cooperative Program is all about.

Second, *the objector doesn't want to know what the Cooperative Program is and how it works.* Something is wrong with this man's Christian experience. He needs either a revival in his heart or a long session with his New Testament, perhaps both. His attitude needs changing and he needs to see clearly that as a believer he is placed under a mission obligation by the Great Commission. He must see that it is not enough for him to rest on the great doctrine of the priesthood of believers. He must stand on the doctrine of the prophethood of believers, for surely this is what Jesus had in mind when he said "Ye shall be witnesses unto me."

Third, *the objector who is using his objection as a cover up for not doing anything,* and there are plenty of these almost in every church. Very often he knows all about the Cooperative Program but his selfishness has blighted his Christian experience. Like the stubborn Christian who doesn't want to know, this objector needs a revival. His heart needs to be warmed and he needs to feel that he personally is responsible. This man had better take care, "To him that knoweth to do good, and doeth it not, to him it is sin" (James 4:17).

Fourth, *the objector expects a perfect*

plan. He wants a plan that costs nothing to administrate and nothing to promote, or he wants the plan to give to his pet cause exactly what he thinks his pet cause ought to have. And sometimes he wants the Cooperative Program to need less and less, like the mule the farmer was training to get along on less feeding. He succeeded in completely eliminating the hay, but the mule died. This man is very difficult to handle, but thank God, there are not too many of them in our churches. They are usually the hopelessly disgruntled who pass out from us to the dissident groups.

Fifth, *the objector is echoing what someone else has said,* an altogether too common practice. A second-hand objection is not always easy to detect, especially if one is inclined to take at face value all that is said. But with a little doubt and a few skilfully worded cross questions you can soon see whether a man's mind is his own or another's. Once located this objector can be quick-

ly corrected with some sharp teaching on loyalty and massive courses of information administered in broken doses.

Sixth, *the objector raises objections because the Cooperative Program is succeeding.* Satan always sees to it that when Baptists do a work well that there will be agitators, some of them inside and plenty of them outside. They are the ones who cannot stand success, especially if they are not in the middle of it. They may be *Christian* in name and their names written in the Book of Life but they are not Christian in attitude. They belong to that same group constantly pointing to the way other denominations are doing their work. For them, the grass is always greener out yonder. They are the discontents, but far from hopeless. Their perspective needs adjusting and their hearts need mellowing.

What is the remedy for these objectors? Here are a few suggestions: (1) A constant preaching on the biblical basis for missions. (2) Information in an ever continuing avalanche. (3) Frequent contacts with denominational leaders. (4) A parade of home, foreign and state missionaries before the church. (5) The Cooperative Program in the church budget on the basis of a definite percentage and *with no apologies by the pastor.* (6) A patient, loving, devoted pastor who believes in the Cooperative Program and knows how to meet the objections and love the objector.

BAPTIST PROGRAM

Severns Valley Association Meets at Mill Creek



James S. Haskins

ELIZABETHTOWN, Ky. — Severns Valley Baptist Association met in its annual session September 14-15, 1954, at Mill Creek Baptist Church where it elected Pastor James S. Haskins as its moderator for the coming year. He is pastor of the Vine Grove Church. The association also elected Pastor James E.

Hill, Jr., as assistant moderator; Harry Lee Goodwin as clerk, and Walter Horrell as treasurer.

The fellowship admitted a new church—Bethel Baptist Church of Smithersville—to make a total of 29 churches. These 29 churches reported a total membership of 9,090; a Sunday school enrollment of 7,582; total gifts for the year of \$347,764, with \$65,142 of this amount going to missions. Property value of these churches went up to \$1,045,615. Baptisms totaled 403, with 353 other additions by letter.

Outstanding accomplishments include the reaching of the state quota in the "Million More in '54" campaign. The quota for our churches was 1,160, and the churches reported a net gain of 1,286 during the year. Also it is noted, every church gave to the Cooperative Program with a \$1,235 increase. The increase to all missions was nearly \$5,000 in spite of the fact that the total receipts of churches was down from last year. Other substantial increases were noted in all the associational organizations.

Severns Valley is looking forward to another great year of progress with these officers, especially in the field of evangelism.—H. D. Sandifer, Associational Missionary.

The Nationwide Evangelistic Crusade in 1955

Southern Baptists are planning the most ambitious evangelistic crusade they have ever undertaken in 1955. The success of this crusade will depend upon several things.

The crusade will depend upon the degree of cooperation of Southern Baptist pastors and churches. It could hardly be expected that the more than 29,000 Southern Baptist churches will participate in the crusade, and yet we have a right to expect that only a small per cent of these churches will fail to cooperate. It staggers the imagination to think that 20-odd-thousand churches will be engaged in a serious effort to win the lost to Christ during the last days of March and up to the 24th of April in 1955. What this can mean to the denomination and to the cause of our Lord only eternity will tell. Certainly these pastors and churches who do not participate in the crusade will be the losers.

Advance Preparation

The success of the crusade will depend on the advance preparation. This preparation will include organization set up well in advance for visitation and publicity. Those churches which do not prepare for visitation and publicity in advance are likely to be disappointed in the results of their individual revival meeting. The church should know who the possibilities are and where they are. Until they have this information, they are not prepared to reach the possibilities for evangelism and church membership. It requires work, first of all, to get the information necessary and more work to use the information effectively in advance of and during the revival.

However, our churches should not become so absorbed in the details of organization and publicity and other mechanical devices that they forget the most essential preparation of all—prayer. It requires time to pray. We mean by that a long period of time. That is the reason the promotion of the crusade is beginning months in advance of the dates actually set for the crusade. If this evangelistic effort could become an obsession of the soul of our Southern Baptist people for months in advance of the actual dates, and if that obsession would lead them to pray, would possess their souls that they could not help praying, there is no telling what would happen during the 1955 crusade. We cannot wait, we must not wait until March 27 to begin praying for this crusade. If we do, we shall be disappointed and wonder why our prayers have not been answered. To wait to pray until the crusade is upon us, we cannot prepare ourselves for the

By B. H. DUNCAN

rich outpourings of God's blessings. We must first pray ourselves into unison with God and see this crusade from His point of view. It will require considerable time, perhaps many months of prayer to clear our lives, our souls, our minds of the debris of the world by which our lives are cluttered, and so make a larger place in our lives, in our thoughts, in our activities for God and His cause.

Another phase of preparation should look toward the integration of the new additions to the churches in the life and program of the churches. We shall realize the full benefits of the evangelistic crusade only to the extent that we prepare for the enlistment of the new members to drift until they become cold and indifferent before we seek to enlist them in the organizations and activities of the churches. Every organization of the church should be alerted both to participate in the preparation for the crusade and in the enlistment of the new members that are won during the crusade.

Help Wanted

Securing evangelistic help and song leaders for the crusade is going to be quite a problem. It will be necessary for many pastors to preach in their own revival meeting and use local help exclusively. However, this may not prove to be a handicap but a blessing. Why should not the pastor and his people conduct their own meeting? It might be a refreshing experience both for pastor and church. Too often we expect the visiting evangelist to bring the revival with him. We may not have a very clear idea just how he is to do that, but somehow we have a vague idea that the man coming to preach during the revival will somehow bring it about that God will pour out His blessings, that souls will be saved and that the church will be revived. Ordinarily it doesn't happen that way. The visiting evangelist can no more bring a revival to a church than he can bring rain to the parched earth. The church itself must be ready and waiting. In fact, the church should already possess the revival spirit and experiencing the revival fires.

The sermon has its proper place in an evangelistic crusade, but the sermon is not the whole thing; it is only the

climax. When there is no build-up before we reach the climax, the climax becomes an anti-climax.

One Conversion For Every Sermon

Would it be too much to expect one conversion and one baptism for each sermon delivered throughout the campaign if the proper prior build-up has preceded the sermon. We have done a little figuring and discover that if the 29,496 churches each conducts a two-weeks' revival and that 28 sermons are delivered during those two weeks, that would make a grand total of 825,888 sermons delivered. You can see the possibilities if there should be one convert for each sermon. Arkansas has approximately 1,100 churches. If these 1,100 churches should each conduct a two-week's revival with 28 sermons delivered during the revival, the total would be 30,800. If there were one convert for each sermon, then we should have 30,800 converts.

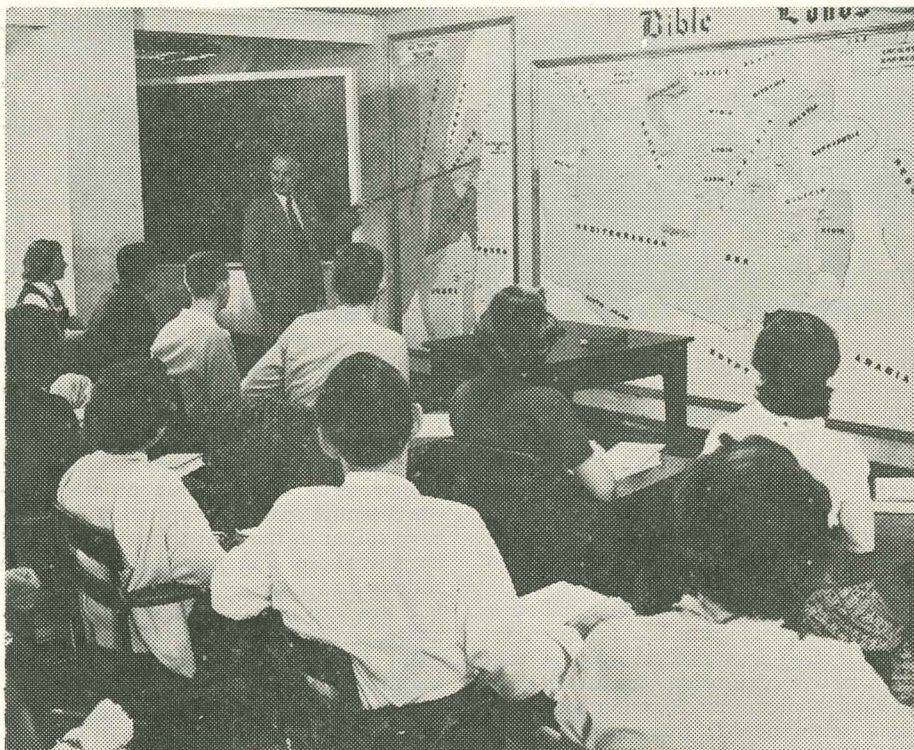
Perhaps you think that is putting the results of the evangelistic crusade on a mathematical basis, yet it is inevitable that mathematics will figure in the crusade. Why should it be thought impossible that Southern Baptists should win 825,888 souls to Christ during this crusade? Why should it be thought impossible for Arkansas Baptists, 260,000 of them, to win 30,800 souls to Christ during the crusade? Our Saviour is not limited either in His interest or in His power to save the souls of men, whatever the number may be. He is limited only by His representatives upon earth. Will we fail Him in this strategic hour or will we throw ourselves at His feet and yield ourselves to the challenge presented in the 1955 crusade.

We come back to the most essential and all-important feature in the preparation for a revival meeting—and that feature is prayer. Our Southern Baptist pastors, our Southern Baptist churches, our Southern Baptist members will realize the full values of the 1955 crusade only as they lay themselves out before the Lord in prayer.—The Arkansas Baptist.

►The Eastwood Baptist Church, Bowling Green, of which William H. Rogers is pastor, has just experienced a gracious revival in which Rev. Bob Lively, pastor of Forest Park Baptist Church, Bowling Green, was the evangelist and Mr. Tandy Faxon the leader of song. There were 34 additions to the church. A correspondent writes: "The Lord blessed in a mighty way. Bob Lively brought some great gospel messages and Tandy Faxon of the First Church did a good job with the music."

The Kind of Education We Need

By ERWIN L. McDONALD, Executive Secretary, Department of Christian Education, General Association of Baptists in Kentucky



Dr. George W. Redding, professor of Bible at Georgetown College, and a class in New Testament. A full year of Bible is required of all students in Kentucky Baptist schools and colleges.

An old school teacher who lived in Germany in the 15th century had a peculiar custom that has caused him to be remembered to this day. He would doff his hat to the school boys and girls when he met them on the street. Many thought the old master was a bit queer. But one of the boys to whom he doffed his hat grew up to be Martin Luther.

(First in a Series)

Dr. John W. Raley, president of Oklahoma Baptist University, in an address entitled "Conquest of America," declares there are those in America today who are getting ready to take over the nation. When the time comes, they will step in and take over the nation's schools, deciding who the teachers will be and determining what will be taught, he states. He points out that from this group will also come those who will make the laws of the land and decide how much or how little freedom the individual shall have; they will take over our churches and will determine what

will be preached from the pulpit and taught in the church classes; they will take over trade, business, commerce, industry, communications, and transportation. The group to whom Dr. Raley refers are the boys and girls and young people who are today in the schools and colleges of America.

What a tremendous responsibility rests upon our educational system! To educate a mind when the heart is not right would be to turn loose upon society one who is a greater threat to society than if that one had never been educated.

The kind of education the world needs desperately is education which not only trains minds but also builds souls and bodies and helps people to live together in a world neighborhood, each loving his neighbor as himself. Such education must necessarily be Christ-centered, for only through the transforming power of Christ in the lives of teachers and students is it possible.

This is the kind of education Ken-

tucky Baptists are providing today through their seven schools and colleges, in which are currently enrolled nearly 2,000 students. Among these students are many who will be pastors, missionaries, evangelists, religious education directors, church musicians, and theologians of our denomination tomorrow. Of equal significance is the fact that many of those who will be the consecrated laymen of our churches in the days ahead, in the persons of Christian doctors, lawyers, scientists, merchants, teachers, editors, etc., are today in the process of growing "in wisdom, in stature, and in favor with God and man," on the campuses of our own schools and colleges.

Revival Held at the Second Black Water Baptist Church

OLIN (Jackson County), Ky. — The revival at the Second Black Water Baptist Church, in the Jackson County Baptist Association, closed October 15, with Rev. William King, of Olin, as the evangelist. There were two conversions and one came by letter.

Pastor King has served during the past year as pastor of two churches and in addition has conducted eight revivals resulting in 58 persons confessing Christ as their Saviour, 12 restorations. Also he assisted in a revival at Annville with Rev. John P. Weaver doing the preaching, at which time 3 others came by letter and 1 accepted Christ.

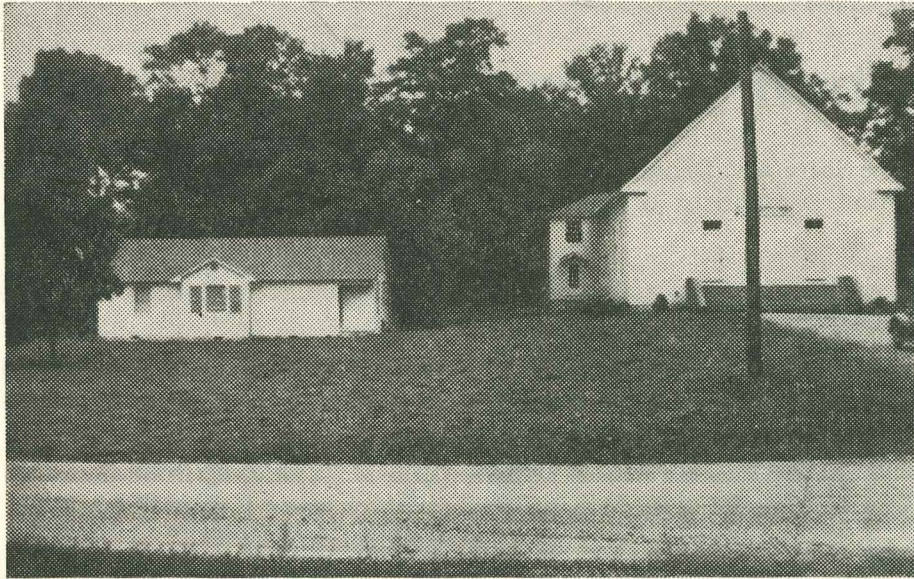
Brother King has started his work this year as pastor of three churches—Annville, Bond and Letter Box—preaching at each four times each month.

Religion and Politics

A lot of people are saying, "Religion and politics don't mix." They ignore the fact that the minute we take "religion" seriously, we've got to be concerned about our fellow men. And in our kind of world, concern for fellow men inevitably means concern with the political arena in which men live. Since the "gospel" is concerned not only with individuals but with individuals in their social relationships, it must be relevant to the way people order their social relationships in politics and government.—Robert McAfee Brown, "Biblical Faith and Politics," *Presbyterian Life*, 10-2-'54.

► Grace Baptist Church, Louisville, has concluded a revival meeting with Superintendent Ben F. Mitchell, Long Run office, preaching and Wallace McGill leading the singing. "A revival spirit was manifested throughout the week, and God blessed us as Brother Mitchell spoke to us," says Pastor Melvin Torstrick.

Elk Lick Baptist Church Completes a New Parsonage



LEWISBURG, Ky. —The Elk Lick Baptist Church, in Logan County Association, has reached another milestone in progress and growth. In 1946, the church realized an urgent need for additional space for an adequate Sunday school and Training Union program. The people, out of willing hearts, placed their tithes and offerings on the altar and provided the much needed additional space.



Edwin L. Douglas

In 1953, the church took another step forward by going full-time. Soon thereafter it was realized that a pastorium

was essential for a full-time program. The church while without a pastor this summer again brought their tithes and offerings together and built a modern three bedroom home next door to the church. The building program offered a goal for the church while without a pastor and out of it came a revival spirit throughout the membership of the church.

Rev. Edwin L. Douglas was called as Pastor of the church and accepted the call effective September 1. Bro. Douglas, a native of Florida, graduated from Howard College in Birmingham, Alabama, with the AB degree, in the class of 1950, and from Southern Baptist Seminary in May, 1954, with the BD degree. He was pastor of the Hays Fork Baptist Church in Tates Creek Association for three years during his student days at the seminary.

County. It explains why St. Charles is thriving in a predominantly Catholic area; it also helps explain why Bradfordsville has her doors closed. Bradfordsville has never sponsored anybody's religion while St. Charles is being used to advance the cause of Catholicism. Otherwise the taxpayers are helping finance the missionary efforts of the Catholic church. Who would deny that a Catholic nun is a missionary of Catholicism?

So I call upon Kentucky Baptists or any other freedom-loving persons who might read this, to awake. The noble citizens of Bradfordsville are fighting a hard and desperate struggle; they need your help and prayers. I would urge you to write to the Governor, the Superintendent of Public Instruction, and the Attorney General, letting them know how you feel on the matter. They could open the doors of these schools if they would. You as a citizen cannot afford to sit idly by and think of Bradfordsville as a local situation; because if Bradfordsville falls, it will allow the conquest to move one step nearer your school. So I say with Paul, "And that knowing the time now it is high time to awake out of sleep." Remember, political leaders will listen when the people speak. I feel this situation exists because we as Kentucky Baptists have failed in the past to take our stand for the rights and freedom we say we believe in.

There are 600,000 Baptists in Kentucky and I believe God expects us to stand for right. If you as a reader, would like to write a word of encouragement to these folks, address your letters to Rev. J. C. Rawlings, Bradfordsville, Ky.

Yours in Christ,
PAUL PAYNE

Lewis W. Martin Completes 20 Years With Home Board

Kentucky friends will be interested to know that Dr. Lewis W. Martin recently completed 20 years of service with the Home Mission Board.

For eight and one half years he was missionary-evangelist in eastern Kentucky. Since January, 1943, he has promoted missionary education for the Home Board. He is now secretary of the Department of Missionary Education.

Dr. Martin assists in several revivals each year, and this year has enjoyed good meetings in Liberty Baptist Church, Norwood, Ohio, resulting in 25 professions of faith, six by letter and one volunteer for there were 30 professions, five by letter and two volunteers for mission service; Waterproof Church, Waterproof, Iowa, reporting 11 professions and nine by letter; and in the First Church of Roy, Utah, where there were 12 professions and seven additions by letter.

Letter to Editor

Campbellsville, Ky.
October 6, 1954

Dear Dr. Skinner:

I am writing you this hoping you will find place for it in the *Western Recorder*. I do not feel that many Kentucky Baptists know all the facts that are involved in the Bradfordsville School issue, because of the biased publicity given it by some of the papers. I feel that Mr. Spaid's article that appeared in the *Courier-Journal*, Sunday, October 3, gave only part of the facts. I feel that the matter of religion does play a very important role in the closing of Bradfordsville school.

As a former citizen of Marion County, I have observed for some time the working of a certain group against some of our schools. The people of Bradfords-

ville are not the victims of a social, economical or geographical condition, any more than the citizens of Dixon, New Mexico, were, but rather the victims of a long range plan set forth by the Vatican either to destroy or use for sectarian purposes our free public schools. The hierarchy openly admits that it is against the free public school system. William J. McGucken, Priest, says in *The Catholic Way in Education*. It would be absurd to say that the pope approves of our public school system. No Catholic can approve of such a system where religious instruction is barred. The only system he could approve is one where Catholics would be free to follow their own system in schools that are entirely Catholic and where religious instruction would be provided for non Catholics."

This statement helps to explain the situation that now exists in Marion

Tenth Anniversary of Eastern Parkway's Pucketts Is Climaxed With Surprise Party and Noteburning



Burning note at Eastern Parkway Baptist Church (Left to Right): (1) Forrest Steverson, church clerk and assistant chairman of deacons; (2) Pastor Roy L. Puckett; and (3) Stephen L. McCoy, chairman of the Finance Committee.

The members of the Eastern Parkway Baptist Church gave a Surprise Party, recently with program, for Pastor and Mrs. Roy L. Puckett, in observance of their tenth anniversary with the church.

They were presented to a large crowd, assembled in the church auditorium; and after a few words of explanation as to the occasion, the newly elected minister of music, William B. Tally, led the congregation in singing "Praise Him, Praise Him." Dean Lee Mays led in a prayer of thanksgiving for God's past and continued blessings.

Short reports were then given by the various department leaders of the church as to the progress made therein during the past ten years.

The chairman of the Finance Committee, Stephen L. McCoy, gave the report on the progress made on retiring the church debt. He stated that on July 18, 1949, the church broke ground for a new educational building. In the construction thereof, and the remodeling of the old educational facilities, an indebtedness of \$58,000 was incurred. And that August 23, 1954, while the pastor and his wife were on vacation the last payment was made. A photostatic copy of the mortgage note was presented to the pastor, who was asked to burn it in the presence of the congregation.

After a few brief remarks by the pastor, Forrest Steverson presented to Pastor and Mrs. Puckett an electric roaster oven complete with automatic timer and cabinet on behalf of the entire membership, in appreciation of their ministry in the church.

"Blest Be The Tie" was then sung by

all; after which the congregation retired to the basement of the educational building for a period of fellowship. Refreshments were furnished by the Woman's Missionary Society and the Brotherhood.

FALLEN ASLEEP

THEODORE NORTH

GHENT, Ky., Oct. 10. — Theodore North passed away August 26. Ted, as he was known by his host of friends, was the last of eight children of Theodore and Eliza Scott North, and was born November 6, 1874, in the old ancestral North homestead.

On October 24, 1900, Mr. North was married to Josie Brown, daughter of Dr. N. C. Brown, of Ghent. To this union were born two sons, one who died in infancy and Nicholas, who met with a tragic death in April 27, 1951. From the shock of Nick's death, the parents never recovered.

At the age of 17, Mr. North united with the Ghent Baptist Church under the ministry of L. N. Walne. Mr. North was a loyal, consistent and active member. He served as moderator, trustee and deacon for many years. Mr. North was closely related to Rev. John Scott, who gave the ground in Ghent, where the present Baptist Church now stands.

Mr. North's funeral was held at the church by his former pastor, Rev. R. T. Doll, Louisville. Mr. North leaves his wife; three nieces—Mrs. T. C. Carroll of Shepherdsville; Mrs. Marion Buckingham, Louisville; Mrs. Paul Thompson, St. Jo, Texas; three nephews, Adj. Gen. J. S. Lindsay, Frankfort; E. T. Lindsay, Louisville; and Harry North, Ghent. Burial was in Ghent Cemetery.

MRS. PETER HEPPNER

MURRAY, Ky., Oct. 5, 1954. — God in His infinite wisdom has called unto Himself our beloved sister in Christ, Mrs. Mae Heppner who passed away April 26, 1954. She was the beloved wife of Rev. Peter Heppner.

Mrs. Heppner was a faithful and devoted member of the First Baptist Church, Murray, continuously for forty years. She taught in the Primary Department of the Sunday school for thirty years, and rejoiced to see a number of young men enter the gospel ministry whom she had taught in the Primary Department.

Mrs. Heppner was an active member of

the Adult Training Union for many years, always contributing some worthy discussion. She was also a long-time member of the Woman's Missionary Society of our church. During her active years, she was very faithful in attendance and activities of the W.M.U.

She is greatly missed by our entire church, as well as by the citizens of Murray, being a helper to her husband in the tailoring business, the larger community with whom she was associated, will miss her friendly greetings.

Her influence will continue to live to inspire and to encourage others to nobler living. She was indeed a great soul-winner for her Lord and found many opportunities to witness for Him.

Be it resolved, that the W.M.S. of the First Baptist Church will ever remember her readiness to serve her Lord with her substance and service with joy. That we honor her who served her Lord so long and faithfully, and that we seek to appropriate to ourselves the rich heritage of her unselfish devotion.

That we express our deepest sympathy to her husband, her step children and other members of her family. That a copy of these resolutions be spread on the minutes of the W.M.S. of the First Baptist Church, a copy sent to her family and one to the Western Recorder.—Mrs. J. H. Thurman, Mrs. A. G. Outland and Mrs. R. H. Falwell, Committee

DAVID ERNEST WALLACE

OAKLAND, Ky., Oct. 16. — Whereas, God in His infinite wisdom called from our midst on July 14, 1954, one of our most faithful members, David Ernest Wallace, who has been a member of the Oakland Baptist Church for many years and because of this, and also because of his love and devotion to the cause of Christ, this church feels it to be appropriate that we record our appreciation of him.

We hereby express our gratitude to God for this life of faithful and devoted Christian service as deacon, Sunday school superintendent, executive board member and choir member of our church.

We tender our deepest sympathy to his wife, daughter and son and to the community at large in their bereavement, and earnestly pray that his exemplary Christian life will cause us to have a greater trust and more abiding faith in the Christ he served so unselfishly.—Oakland Baptist Church Committee.

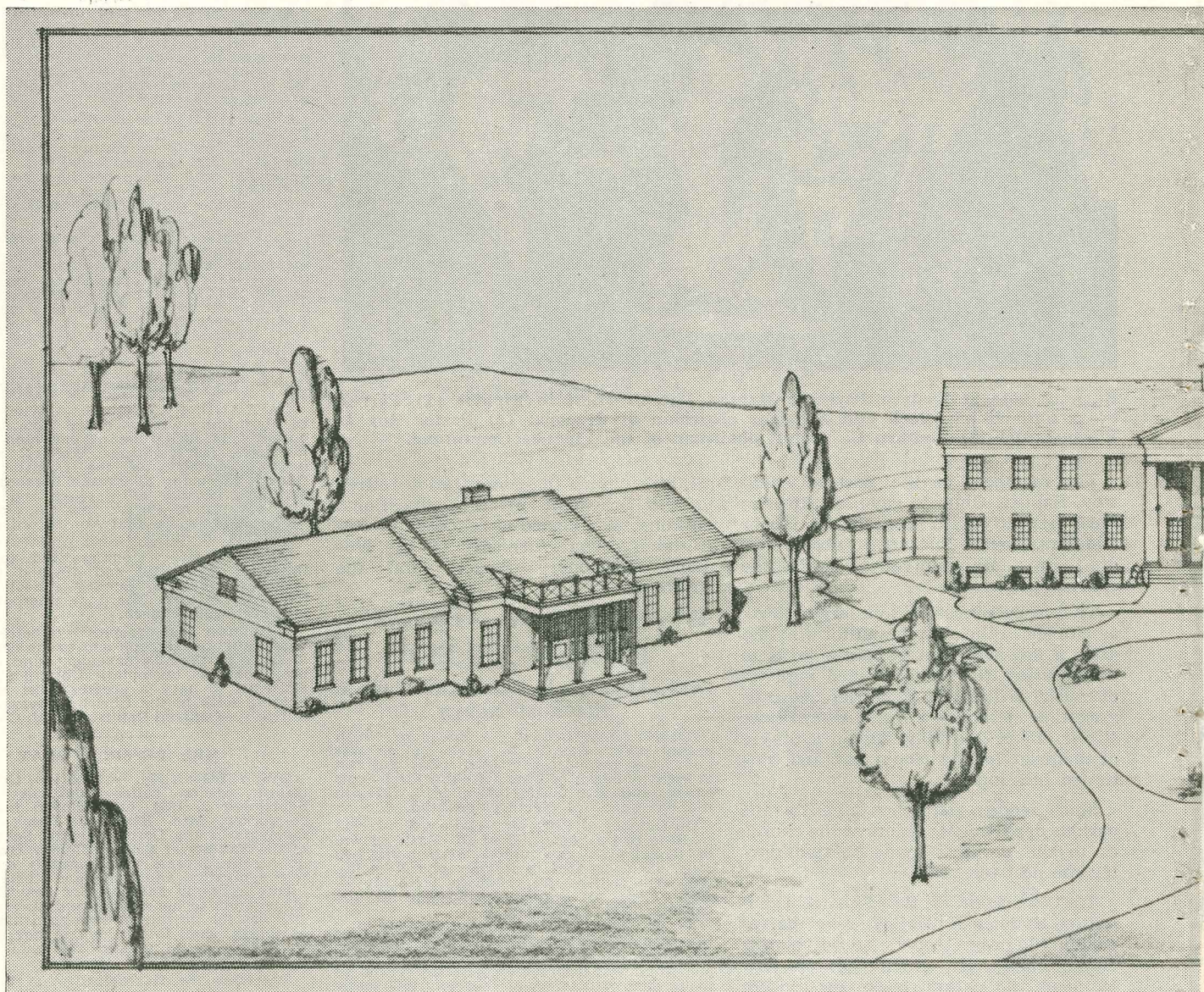
MRS. BESSIE J. GRAY

OWENSBORO, Ky. — Whereas, God in His infinite wisdom called from our midst on September 2, 1954, our beloved friend and co-worker, Mrs. Bessie J. Gray, we, the members of the Dorcas Sunday School Class of the Hall Street Baptist Church, Owensboro, do hereby express to her family our heartfelt sympathy and commend them to our loving heavenly Father. Her beautiful spirit of devotion to her church and class of which she was the president, through a long period of illness, shall linger long in our memories to inspire us to greater zeal and devotion in the service of our Master.

Therefore, be it resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the Western Recorder, a copy to the family and one placed on our record book.—Dorcas Class, Hall Street Baptist Church, Committee.

►Pastor Harry L. Winters, Guthrie, assisted Pastor T. L. Campbell in special meetings at the Briensburg Church, near Benton, Ky., recently. Large crowds attended every service and the Sunday school attendance for the mid-Sunday was 235, and 231 on the Sunday following the close of the meetings. Grandfathers and great grandfathers were converted. There were 15 additions by baptism and 2 by transfer. Twelve of the baptisms were adults above 25 years of age. Ten of them were men 25 to 77 years of age. More than 500 people attended the baptismal service at which time the new baptistry was used.

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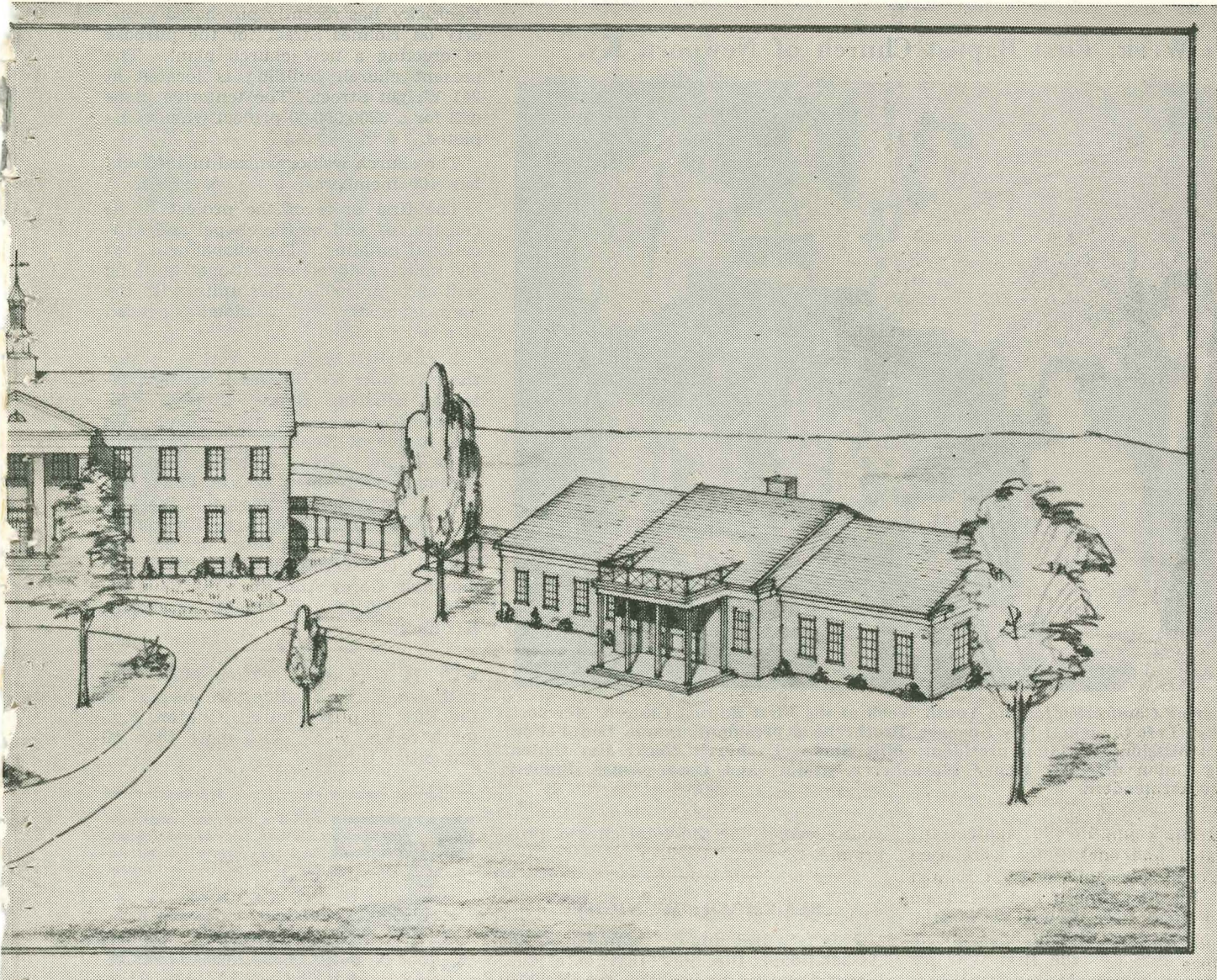
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Frankfort's Memorial Church Purchases Property For Erecting \$300,000 Plant

FRANKFORT, Ky., Oct. 14. — The Memorial Baptist Church, Frankfort, Kentucky, has recently purchased property on Holmes Street for the purpose of erecting a new church plant. The present church building is located at 241 Wright Street. The tentative plans call for a \$300,000.00 project when completed.

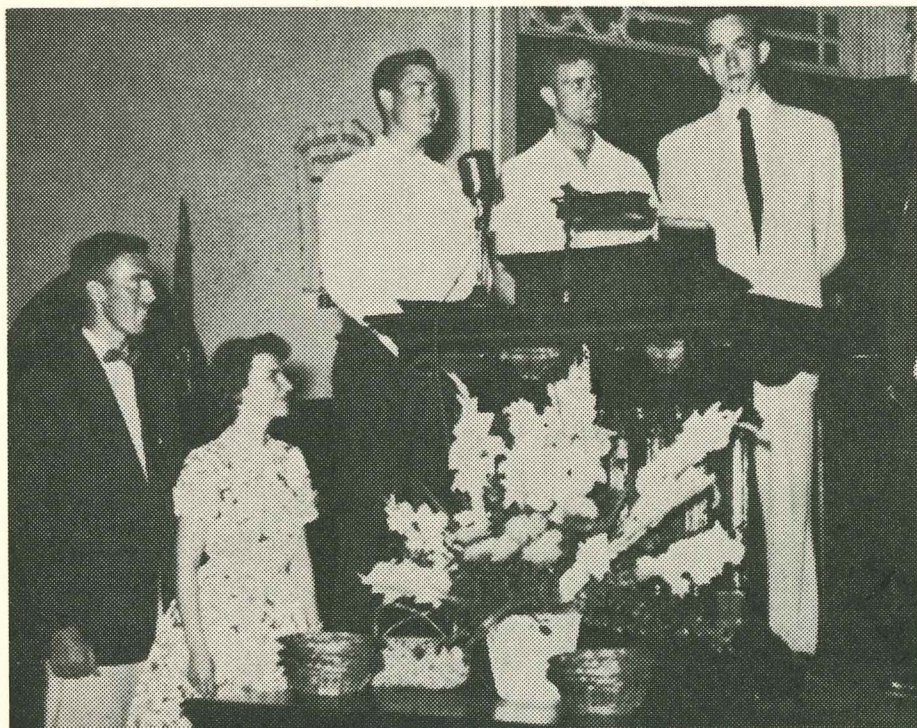
The church was organized in 1945 and has 400 members.

The first units of the project to be constructed will be the chapel and educational building. The chapel will seat 400 and the added educational building will care for 500. Other units, with the main sanctuary, will be added as needed at a later date.

Earl S. Bell began his work as pastor there October 3. He was formerly pastor at Hillsboro Baptist Church, Versailles, Kentucky for four years. He is a native of Kentucky, a graduate of Georgetown College, and also Southern Seminary with the B.D. and Th.M. Degrees. Pastor Bell is married to the former Miss Linda Overall of Lawrenceburg, Kentucky, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. A. C. Overall, and they have one daughter, Carey Annette. The Bells reside at 326 Murell Street, Frankfort, Kentucky.

►Dr. B. C. Land, Jackson, Miss., was with Dr. J. T. Burdine, Jr., pastor, at the First Baptist Church, Clinton, Ky., for a recent week, with more than 90 committed tithers.

Youth Week, First Baptist Church of Newport, Ky.



The Steering Committee for the Youth Week at the First Baptist Church, Newport, Kentucky (Left to right): Ray Spencer, Brotherhood president; Emma Lou Yelton, Woman's Missionary Union president; Milt Sumevel, church clerk; Jim Ogden, Training Union director; Henry Marksberry, pastor; and Oscar Jones, Sunday school superintendent.

Thirty-one Young People, eighteen Intermediates, and one Junior were used at the Youth Week at the First Baptist Church—the first time it had ever been observed there. Mr. Lewis W. Martin, Jr., the educational director, has this to say, "Since this was the first year for our church to carry out a Youth Week on such a large scale, much was learned which will aid us in the future. By having it in the summer two observations were made; one, we were able to use college students home on vacation; two, however, others were also away from the home church on their own vacations. We plan to hold Youth Week in April of 1955.

All the Young People did an excellent job even though the majority had never participated in a Youth Week before. The young men conducted the monthly Advisory Board (Deacons') Meeting. Youth Week did much in introducing the youth of our church to the tremendous responsibilities which rest upon the shoulders of the Adult Leadership. It helped deepen the concern of our

young people for the total church program."

REMEMBER "M" NIGHT!

This is a last minute reminder to all Associational Directors that only one month is left until the time for the Associational "M" Night meeting, December 6. Briefly a suggested outline of the program is as follows: (1) Worship service.—The suggested theme is the 1955 Training Union there "Be Strong in the Lord." (2) Announcements and recognition of churches present. (3) Presenting the 1955 Training Union Program of goals, drills, monthly themes, Youth Week, Associational Youth Night and other associational projects. (4) Use film strip "Approved Unto God." (5) Special Music. (6) Inspirational speaker using the subject "Be Strong in the Lord."

Many reports are coming in of plans of directors to make this year the greatest of "M" nights that have yet been held.

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Two New Workers Elected

Two fine new workers were elected recently to fill important positions in the life of Kentucky WMU. They are Mrs. Paul E. Stewart, Paducah, state Mission Study chairman, and Mrs. H. D. McBrayer, Lawrenceburg, president of the State B.W.C. Federation.

Mrs. Stewart is no newcomer to our state family as she served so capably as vice-president of Kentucky WMU for four years, representing Southwestern Region. She has also served in many other important capacities in our state, most recently as state approved Mission Study worker until the death of our State Mission Study chairman, Mrs. Frank Hill. We are sure she will continue to lead us in a very fine way to new heights of achievement in Mission Study.

Mrs. H. D. (Grace) McBrayer, is also well-known in our state for her exceptional leadership among business women. She has been active in our State Federation since its organization and even before the days of the Federation in our BWC Camp at Clear Creek, appearing on the programs and cooperating in all phases of our work in a very fine way. She led her BWC at Lawrenceburg in outstanding accomplishments during her term of office as chairman and was a moving spirit in the organization of the Baptist-South District Federation, giving unsparingly of her time and ability as their president, also. We are confident that our Federation will continue to

grow and inspire business women to greater missionary service as she leads them.

1954 BWC Camp

Members of Kentucky BWC Federation gathered at picturesque Cedarmore September 4-6 for their annual meeting with 151 attending. Miss Edith Dority, president, presided at each session during the Labor Day week-end, which began on Saturday evening with a delicious and colorful circus banquet complete with real clowns and appropriate decorations. Mrs. O. B. Mylum, of Berea, acted as "Ringmaster" (master of ceremonies) at the banquet in her usual winsome way. She was assisted by some of the girls from the Berea Baptist Church, namely: Miss Roemele Stivers, "Trapeze Artist" (song leader), Miss Margie Hammond and Miss Jean Wilson, "clowns." Miss Velma Scheible, of Louisville, gave a "toast" to the "Line Tamer," Miss Christina Stokmann. Miss Stokmann has attended all of our State BWC Banquets and served us in so many fine ways. She retires this year from her position as manager of the Baptist Book Store and we shall greatly miss her services in this capacity.

The theme, "Learn-Love-Live" was displayed on a large poster above the speaker's platform, in the auditorium, which was also decorated with flags of various nations and baskets of lovely flowers. The flowers were graciously provided by Shelbyville BWC's.

The theme was emphasized throughout the entire session in each wonderful, inspirational message brought by missionaries Paul Sanderson of Brazil, Mary Sampson and Lorene Tilford, of Formosa, and Cora Ney Hardy, of Nigeria. Music for the camp, under the direction of Mrs. Ronald K. Wells, vocalist, and Miss Florence Ritter, pianist, both of Walnut Street Church, Louisville, was unusually fine. Among other highlights of the meeting was an impressive lakeside service on Sunday evening.

At the Monday morning service, Mrs. J. S. Woodward, superintendent of Elkhorn Associational WMU, and Mrs. Walter Wash, past-superintendent, presented a demonstration on the State Mission Week of Prayer. At the business session, Mrs. Grace McBrayer, of Lawrenceburg, was elected president of the State BWC Federation, succeeding Miss Dority who had served her full term, since the constitution of the Federation limits the term of office to two years.

Those who attended this year's camp agreed that it was one of the best which Kentucky BWC's have experienced.—Jeanette Case, Secretary, State BWC Federation.

Severn's Valley Organizes B.W.C. Federation

At a dinner meeting at the Severns Valley Baptist Church, Elizabethtown, Kentucky, on September 16, 1954, a federation of Business Women's Circles was organized in the Severns Valley Association.

Representatives of Business Women's Circles from Vine Grove, Sonora, Gilead and Severns Valley churches were present. It was stated that representatives from Buffalo were unable to be present for this meeting, but that their Circle favored federation.

Mrs. H. M. Goranflo, president of Severns Valley WMS, brought the devotional. Mrs. Marvin Jones and Mrs. Lester Meredith, accompanied by Mr. J. P. Keith, furnished the special music.

Honored guests at the meeting were Mrs. George R. Ferguson, executive secretary of Kentucky WMU; Mrs. Roscoe Murray, president of Severns Valley Association WMU; and Mrs. C. Ford Duesner, BWC advisor of Severns Valley Association.

Mrs. Murray introduced Mrs. Ferguson who explained the reasons and advantages of federation. By unanimous vote it was decided to federate and the following officers were elected: Mrs. W. P. Denney, Elizabethtown, Chairman; Miss Mary Norris, Vine Grove, co-chairman; Mrs. Orene Copeelin, Sonora, secretary; Mrs. Lelia Parish, Buffalo, treasurer; and Mrs. C. Ford Duesner, Gilead, WMU advisor.

Date of the next meeting was set for Thursday, January 28, 1955, at 6:30 P.M. with the Sonora BWC as host.—Reported by Mrs. W. P. Denney, chairman-elect.



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Church	T.U.	S.S.
Ashland, First	109	709
Unity	141	484
Bellevue	85	440
Benton, Briensburg	96	224
First	86	232
First Missionary	68	209
Bowling Green, First (1)	350	1,308
Buffalo	---	353
Burlington	69	253
Cadiz	125	308
Blue Spring	136	222
Campbellsville (3)	---	713
Pleasant Hill	191	328
South Campbellsville	---	305
Carrollton	32	263
Central City (1)	266	474
Clay, First	---	247
Cloverport	54	210
Corbin, First	94	300
Covington, Calvary	---	677
First (1)	---	464
Latonia (2)	289	1,035
South Side	97	483
Crestwood	53	283
Cynthiana (2)	---	635
Danville, First (3)	268	755
Lexington Avenue (1)	114	556
Dayton, First	---	267
Dawson Springs	89	336
Earlington	89	284
Elizabethtown,	---	---
Severns Valley (3)	161	875
Erlanger	73	389
Evansville, Ind., Calvary	169	602
Keck Avenue	148	283
Walnut Street (1)	---	491
Ferguson (1)	77	268
Florence	94	348
Ft. Mitchell	42	210
Fort Thomas, First	84	293
Frankfort, Crestwood (2)	75	327
First (1)	184	913
Thorn Hill	146	---
Franklin, First	---	428
Fulton	148	532
Georgetown (1)	214	582
Glasgow (1)	128	615
Greenville, First	161	390
Second	95	222
Harlan	197	650
Harrodsburg (2)	405	922
Hawesville	85	340
Hazard (2)	115	435
Hazel	95	284
Henderson, First	176	593
Immanuel Temple (1)	119	250
Hima, Horse Creek	---	764
Hodgenville, First (1)	150	451
Hopkinsville, First (1)	176	810
Second	203	873
Independence (1)	167	327
Junction City	79	229
LaGrange, DeHaven Memorial	---	314
Lancaster (1)	74	376
Lawrenceburg, Sand Spring	52	271
Lebanon, First (1)	129	490
Leitchfield	120	289
Lexington, Calvary	200	825
Fellowship	---	488
Grace (1)	---	750
Immanuel	284	851
Porter Memorial	158	627
London, First (1)	166	611
Louisville, Audubon	223	63
Baptist Temple	---	313
Beechland	647	267
Beechmont (2)	228	1,044
Bethany	268	84
Broadway (1)	65	351
Buechel	93	298
Carlisle Avenue (2)	383	1,512
Clifton (1)	131	489
Crescent Hill (2)	255	969
Deer Park	---	485
Eastern Parkway	96	599
Eighteenth Street	119	---
Fairdale (2)	209	458
Farmdale	---	401
Gethsemane	95	268
Harmony	114	316
Hazelwood	86	502
Highland (1)	225	657
Highland Park First	---	418
Immanuel	105	407
Kenwood	---	272
LaSalle	49	---
Lynn Acres	78	245
Ninth and O (5)	523	1,609
Okolona	83	498
Parkland	242	938
St. Matthews (1)	216	814
Shawnee	414	---

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**Charles W. Holland, Jr.
Goes to Fountain Memorial
Church, Washington City**



Charles W. Holland, Jr.

Pastor Charles W. Holland has resigned the care of the Lee's Lane Baptist Church, Louisville, preaching his last sermons there October 17, and has gone to be pastor of the Fountain Memorial Baptist Church in Washington, D.C. He, his wife and daughter, Sylvia Gay, moved to their new home at 2215 Naylor Road, Washington 20, D.C., on October 23.

Brother Holland has spent the last year at Lee's Lane, and previous to that spent seven and a half years at the Harmony Baptist Church here. He was called into the ministry from the education field, having taught for seven years at the Barrett Junior High School, near the Seminary on Grinstead Drive, in Louisville. He was awarded both the B.D. and Th.M. degree on completion of his studies at the Southern Seminary.

In the past year there have been 143 additions to Lee's Lane, 75 of these being by baptism and 68 by letter. The Sunday school has almost doubled in that time, and the receipts of the church are almost three times what they were a year ago.

Recently he assisted Pastor Hugh Hayes in an evangelistic effort at the Bethel Baptist Church, near South Boston, Virginia, resulting in 70 additions to the church.

►Referring to the article, "Retired Missionary J. O. Willett, Ex-Kentuckian, Dies in Phoenix, Arizona," published on page 14 of the Western Recorder of October 21, the last paragraph was mistaken in saying "He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Kathryn Willett," etc. This should have said, "He is survived by his daughter, Miss Kathryn Willett." We regret the error.

Sam Morris to Speak on National Broadcasting Hook-up Next Sunday

Dr. Sam Morris, of San Antonio, Texas, has been scheduled for a thirty minute broadcast over the coast-to-coast facilities of the National Broadcasting Company for November 7, according to Walter C. House, executive director of the Temperance League of Kentucky, 308 McDowell Building, Louisville. He will speak on "Liquor—A Curse to America," at 6:00-6:30 p.m., Central Standard Time.

Dr. Morris is a nationally known Baptist minister, the author and publisher of many temperance and religious books, and for twenty years the broadcaster of "The Voice of Temperance" program advocating abstinence and prohibition. "He is also co-founder and president of the Preferred Risk Mutual Insurance Company, with home office in Des Moines, Iowa, a nationwide auto insurance company for non-drinking car owners," says Mr. House.

Continuing, Mr. House says: "This will be the first time since the repeal of national prohibition that a national network has sold time for a public discussion of the highly controversial subject of prohibition. It culminates a fifteen-year struggle on the part of the National Temperance Council, spearheaded by Mr. Morris to get on the networks.

"Sunday, November 7, the International Sunday School Lesson to be taught in churches throughout the nation will deal with the subject of beverage alcohol and world temperance. The broadcast is scheduled to originate from Dallas, Texas, preceded by a mammoth afternoon temperance rally to be held in the First Baptist Church there."

Zurich Theologian, John Allen Moore, Now Visiting Professor at Carver School

Dr. John Allen Moore, while on furlough from his work as a professor of church history and missions in the Baptist Theological Seminary at Ruschlikon-Zurich, Switzerland, is this year, during the 1954-55 session, serving as visiting professor of missions in the Carver School of Missions and Social Work.

Dr. Moore is a native of Clarksdale, Mississippi, and was reared in Tupelo. He is a brother of Dr. Merrill D. Moore, director of promotion and associate secretary of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Before leaving this country about 24 years ago he was graduated with the A. B. degree by Mississippi College and was given the Th. M. and Th. D. de-

grees by the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

He married Miss Pauline Willingham, a graduate of WMU Training School, and is now a postgraduate student at Carver School. She is a niece of the late Dr. R. J. Willingham, who was executive secretary of the Foreign Mission Board at the time of the founding of the WMU Training School. They have two children.

Dr. and Mrs. Moore were appointed by the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board as missionaries to Yugoslavia in 1938, where he established the Baptist



Dr. John Allen Moore

Seminary at Belgrade. Later he became professor of theology at James Memorial Training School, Budapest, before going to Switzerland for his present labors.

In addition to all these things, he has been a member of the faculties of Howard College and Baylor University in this country, and a welfare worker in Egypt among European refugees during his furlough years.

B. C. Land Dies In Arkansas

JACKSON, Miss. — Dr. B. C. Land suffered a fatal heart attack in Fort Smith, Ark., Wednesday afternoon, October 20.

He had been conducting a stewardship revival for the First Baptist Church of Van Buren, Ark. Funeral services were conducted in the auditorium of the Calvary Baptist Church, this city, Oct. 23.

Dr. Land was at one time connected with the state Baptist work of Mississippi but resigned to take up his stewardship revival work. Some years ago he suffered a very serious heart attack which confined him to his bed for several weeks.

Kentucky Baptists on the Move

- Bellevue**—Mrs. Anna Furnish, 211 Patcher.
Bowling Green—Mr. Keith Rish, 635½ East 12th St.
Caneyville—Rev. J. Lawless.
Cattlettsburg—Betty McCoy, 11th St.
Corbin—Mr. Hugh R. Bell, 704 S. Main St.
Covington—Mrs. Charles Dammert, 703 Pike St.
Danville—Rev. C. R. Hill, 700 Parkland.
Dayton—Mr. Jesse Dean, 931 Second St.
Elkhorn—Mr. Bernal Dickens.
Guston—Tom Rogers.
Lexington—Mr. Bill King, 1811 Carolyn Drive; Ted Johnson, 51 Mentelle Park.
Loyall—Mr. Lawrence Carter.
Lynch—Carl Brasher.
Newport—Normand Burgess, 203 W. 13th St.
Owensboro—Rowan Rock, Rt. 1.
Paducah—Robert Philpot, 3236 Spring; Mrs. Olin Richards, 1052 Madison St.
Richmond—Mrs. Ray Salyer.
Somerset—Mrs. J. K. Brown, 140 Griffin Avenue.
Spottsville—Charles Tillotson, Rt. 1.
Stanford—Mr. T. D. Denney, Rt. 2.

►Reginald Wall of Decatur, Ga., recently conducted a revival with Inglewood Baptist Church, Nashville, in which there were 110 additions, a number of rededications and nine who surrendered to full-time Christian service. Harold Stephens is pastor.

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Clinics for Associational Workers

Plans have been made to hold six Regional Clinics for Associational Officers. The places and dates are: Williamstown, November 11; Campbellsville, November 12; Louisville, Kentucky, Baptist Building, November 22; Madisonville, November 23; Manchester, December 9; West Liberty, December 10.

The Sunday School Department workers will be at each of these meetings. The program will be held in the afternoon and evening of each day. We urge every Associational Superintendent to plan to have his workers present at one of these clinics.

There is a great need for Associational improvement. These meetings will be beneficial.

Vacation Bible School Reports

We still know of 486 Vacation Bible Schools which were held this past summer of which we have no report. Will you please check to see if your school was reported?

Thus far we have received 1,247 reports. This is 268 more than we have received at the same time last year. We are very anxious for every school to be officially reported. This is the only way we have of getting a correct record of Vacation Bible Schools. Help us in this matter, please.

Training Advancement

A pastor wrote: "I believe that we have had close to 4,000 Training Awards in the past several years. I attribute the great success of our church to the training program that has been in operation. Of course, there are many contributing factors but I must give a large credit to training."

This testimony rings true. Where a good training program is in operation in the Sunday school the work makes rapid growth.

There were 805 churches which did some training in the past year. The number of awards rose to 40,326, an increase of 7,083.

It would be well for us to keep in mind the requirements for awards for books in the training series. In order for one to receive credit, the student must attend at least six of the ten forty-five minute class periods to be entitled to take the class examination. All who attend all of the class sessions and who read the book through by the close of

the course may be exempted from taking the examination.

Those who for any reason wish to study the book without the guidance of a teacher will use one of the following methods: (1) Write answers to the questions printed in the book, or (2) write a development of the chapter outline.

All written work done by such students on books for Sunday school credit should be sent to the State Sunday School Secretary.

NOTE: When you have training schools will you please make your requests for awards on the regular report blank for training awards? These blanks can be secured from the Sunday School Department, 127 E. Broadway, Louisville, without cost to you. This will assist us greatly in handling your requests for awards.

A Teacher's Resolution

1. A good teacher should worship the Lord, therefore, I resolve to attend opening exercises; attend both preaching services; and maintain private devotions.

2. A good teacher sets a good example for others to follow, therefore, I resolve to live consistently; to shun evil, and reject all temptations to compromise.

3. A good teacher prepares himself for his task of teaching, therefore, I resolve to take every training course my church offers, prepare and plan my weekly lessons, attend the weekly officers and teachers meetings, get plenty of rest on Saturday nights, see that my class room is ready before time on Sunday mornings, and to dress neatly.

4. A good teacher is punctual and dependable, therefore, I resolve to be present fifteen minutes before beginning time on Sunday mornings, be regular in attendance, to notify my superintendent in case of unavoidable absence, see that a proper substitute is ready when I must be absent.

5. A good teacher is a good visitor, therefore, I resolve to contact my absentees, and to visit my new pupils and prospects personally.

6. A good teacher is skilled in the use of the Bible and seeks constantly to lead every member of his class to be skillful users of the Bible, therefore, I resolve to use my Bible in teaching, encourage all members of my class to bring their Bibles, and to carefully plan opportunities for them to use their Bibles.

7. A good teacher is a soul winner, therefore, I resolve to seek the salvation of every lost person in my class, to lead them into church membership, and to lead them into active Christian service.

Standard Sunday School

Lexington, Hillcrest—Pastor Paul Hatfield; Superintendent Lee A. Lindsey.

A Last Minute Check Up

By C. C. Warren

I boarded an airplane last night about five minutes before its time for departure. I watched the pilot and the co-pilot as they took their seats and adjusted their "head gear." Then they seemed to feel of about twenty or twenty-five gadgets about which I, of course, knew nothing. I assumed that they were making a last minute check up to be assured that everything about the plane was functioning properly.

After we took off I thought about another last minute check up that I firmly believe should be made immediately by every Southern Baptist pastor. This has to do with the suggestion of a Stewardship Revival October 31-November 7. We have heard about it for some time. Some have doubtless planned well and anticipate good results. Others have been absorbed in crowded programs and now find the time for launching their 1955 finance program narrowing into uncomfortable limits. The time for action is really here. What have you done about it?

The more I think about our Stewardship Revival the more I am convinced that it is too important to overlook any detail that may contribute toward its success. Here we are dealing with individual souls. Nothing will develop them spiritually like giving God's way. Giving is one of the most prominent subjects in the New Testament. It records more about giving than prayer and faith combined. Why then should we not give more emphasis to this most vital theme?

In thousands of our churches it is not too late to plan a school of stewardship, somewhat similar to those used with excellent results last year. Other programs will call for a series of messages from the pulpit to be followed up by well planned personal stewardship visitations. Regardless of the plan you adopt and follow let us do all that we possibly can to get our people to Ask God—Believe him—and Commit their way unto him. If Southern Baptists could be revived or aroused to practice scriptural giving, according to the Department of Commerce figures we would give annually \$950,000,000.

A great Stewardship Revival is our immediate need. For the sake of the individual and to more adequately meet the growing needs of the kingdom of our Lord in a time like this, let us make the last minute check up and pray, prepare, preach, and promote a great stewardship revival October 31-November 7.

C. C. Warren, pastor of First Baptist Church, Charlotte, N. C., is president of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention.



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REPORTING ON OCTOBER

October was a busy and profitable month, we feel, for Brotherhood work in Kentucky. Following was our schedule: 1—Victory Baptist Church, Louisville; 3—Seven Hills Baptist Church, Owensboro; 4—Parrish Avenue Baptist Church, Owensboro; 7—Annual meeting Sulphur Fork Association, Westport, and also annual meeting of White's Run Association, Ghent; Beginning on the morning of the 10, we were in a School of Missions in Boone's Creek Association. Our schedule there took us into seven churches as follows: Central Winchester, Corinth, Ephesus, Kiddleville, Macedonia, North Side, Winchester, and Allensville where we concluded our work there on the night of the 15. We picked up our schedule again on the 16 when we went to Dayton, Ohio, to speak to a large gathering of men at the Westwood church when its Brotherhood was host to men from a number of churches in and about Dayton. 17—Munfordville Baptist Church; 18—First Baptist Church, Frankfort; 19—Annual meeting of West Kentuckiana association at Cypress Baptist Church. That night we spoke to the Brotherhood at First Missionary Baptist Church Benton, Kentucky; 20—Annual meeting of Blood River Association meeting with the New Bethel Church in Marshall County. That night we spoke to

the Brotherhood at Oak Grove Church, Homer, Kentucky; 21—Brotherhood Rally at Old Cedar Church near Beechwood, Kentucky; 22—We spoke to the student body at Campbellsville College that morning and to the Brotherhood at Deer Park Church, Louisville, that night; 23—Brotherhood meeting at Graham, Kentucky; 24-31—We were in a revival with First Baptist Church, Clay, Kentucky, where G. R. Abernathy is the aggressive and progressive pastor.

LAYMEN'S DAY A SUCCESS

Many reports have been received from individual churches indicating that Laymen's Day was a successful event this year. Following are some quotations from these reports—"There were seen on the cheeks of many tears of rejoicing. Praise the Lord;" "Laymen were in charge of morning worship which was a great service;" "This service was good for our church;" "Two young men who preached (in our Laymen's Day services) will be licensed Wednesday night as Ministers;" "We had an all male choir . . . Our President presided and another layman brought a very challenging message;" "It was a wonderful experience for each of us. We intend to make an annual affair of it;" "Our speaker's subject was, "Jesus didn't quit!" Reports are still coming in. Please send us yours if you have not done so already.

Vernon Simpson and Mike Acree in Revival At Rising Sun Church

RISING SUN, Ind., Oct. 12. — We closed a successful revival October 1, with Rev. Vernon Simpson, former pastor of the Dry Run Baptist Church, Georgetown, Ky., and now pastor of the Westwood Baptist Church, Cincinnati, Ohio, as the evangelist, and Brother Mike Acree, of the Calvary Church, of Covington, Ky., as song leader.

It has been years since such an outpouring of the Holy Spirit has been realized in our church. We had 31 additions, 24 by baptism and 7 by letter.

The following Sunday, October 3, we observed our annual Harvest Day, with regular worship services in the morning, followed with the observance of the Lord's Supper. Two persons came forward and accepted Christ as their Saviour. These, with two others, made

a total of 28 baptised Sunday evening, October 10.

Basket dinner was enjoyed at the noon hour on Harvest Day. In the afternoon a program of music was presented by the Price Hill Baptist Church Choir, Cincinnati, and a male quartet of Lockland, Ohio. Pastor Roy Johnson, Florence Baptist Church, Florence, Ky., brought a challenging message.

With Pastor F. B. Taylor has been serving the Rising Sun Baptist Church now for a year and a half, following pastorates at the Macedonia Church, Jonesville, Ky., and several other Kentucky pastorates, coming here from Milton, Ky., in March 1953. We feel we are indeed fortunate to have such a leader. There have been 73 received into the church in the last year and a half. The success of our revival is largely due to his untiring efforts in bringing souls into the Master's kingdom.—Mrs. Earl Driver, Clerk.

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Sunday School Lesson

For November 14, 1954

By H. C. Chiles

A Study in Values

Ability to distinguish values is a mark of wisdom toward which all of us should strive. If we are to acquire this ability, we must study the Bible and learn Christ's standard of values. With many people the only measure of a man is the dollar sign. Too often people put profit above personality. Knowing that life is far more than material things, Christ taught that "A man's life consisteth not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth." Things are made for men, not men for things. Things must be our servants, not our masters. We must possess them. They must not possess us. We would not underestimate the value of things, but we do contend that success is to be measured by the development of Christian character, and not by the accumulation of wealth. In any society where the Lord's will is done, life is recognized as being of far greater value than material possessions.

I. Contrasting Actions. Proverbs 11:27-28; 13:7; 20:11-12.

Good and evil are both present in our world. Each decides for himself what his relationship to both is going to be. The person who is searching for good will find it, and the one who is looking for evil and trouble will not be disappointed. Seeking good and seeking evil are contrasted here in a very impressive manner.

There is no substitute for a relationship to God. Such a relationship affords the proper foundation upon which to build a life of right choices. Earnestly striving to live right and to do good is one way of seeking the favor of both God and men. The favor of God is all-important, but the favor of men is not to be esteemed lightly.

Both the blessings of God and of men fall upon those who are actuated by the spirit of unselfish and Christ-like service. We exemplify the spirit of Christ by seeking to do all the good we can to all the people we can. Those who delight in being a blessing to their fellowmen will be loved and appreciated by them. Those who seek to injure others will do themselves a greater injury. Those who defraud others will in turn be defrauded. If one has it in his heart to do wrong, he will not have to wait very long before he has an opportunity to do so. However, before doing so, he should remember that "whatsoever a man soweth that shall he also reap."

Wealth is not evil, but trust in riches

rather than in God is the very essence of that which is wrong. It is tragic and sad that so many are trusting in their riches, believing and hoping that their money will have some weight with the Great Judge on the day of reckoning. Money cannot open the door to health, to happiness or to heaven. It is the righteous person who is truly wealthy.

When a poor man pretends to be rich and a wealthy person tries to leave the impression that he is poor, both are guilty of hypocrisy. The sin of hypocrisy is always abominable in the sight of God, no matter who commits it or for what reason.

By their actions both adults and children reveal their training. "The hearing ear and the seeing eye" are the gifts of God. Their recipients and possessors are responsible for the use which they make of them, and they must render an account of their stewardship.

II. Contrasting Attitudes. Proverbs 15: 13-17.

Nothing can take the place of an inner peace with God. Cheerfulness is a characteristic of Christianity and is invaluable. God wants His children to have joy in their hearts, regardless of what their circumstances in life may be. It is not His fault if they are unhappy. He wants them to rejoice in Him always; also, to be cheerful in the prospects that await them.

Here we have a contrast between a cheerful countenance and a broken spirit. A merry heart and a cheerful spirit have a wholesome effect on the face. Being a radiant Christian makes anybody more attractive and impressive. A cheerful Christian wields a much greater and more wholesome influence for Christ than does one who is not. Our Lord would have us to be cheerful, understanding, loving, submissive and obedient.

We are admonished to "keep thy heart with all diligence: for out of it are the issues of life." Because the heart is the seat of the affections and the very citadel of our beings, we must not permit wrong desires to find a lodgment therein. Instead, we must set our affections on the things that are good, pure and holy. From a heart that is well guarded will flow those things which will bring numerous blessings to others and great glory to God. Devotion to the Lord will cause one to strive daily to conform to His blessed will.

III. Contrasting Ambitions. Proverbs 22:1-4.

People think highly of wealth. It is right that they should, provided it is to be used for the purpose for which it was intended. Wealth is a great blessing when rightly used. It increases one's power for usefulness. It enables one to relieve poverty, dispel ignorance, ameliorate suffering and advance the interest of man. With it one can build churches, schools and hospitals. However, it is limited in what it can do. It cannot supply wisdom, confer happiness, guarantee the favor of God or procure a home in heaven.

It is far better for parents to leave their children a good name than to bequeath wealth to them. Regardless of the value of wealth, it simply pales into insignificance when compared with a good name. The value of a good name cannot be overestimated. A good name is acquired by upright, unselfish and useful living. It rests on good principles, good character and good deeds. It is better than riches, friends or position. It goes with one to his grave and embalms his memory. In teaching us that a good reputation lives on to bless and inspire many other lives, the Bible says, "The righteous shall be had in everlasting remembrance."

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE, OCTOBER 24, 1954

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Shively (1)	186	836
South Jefferson	140	616
Southside (1)	205	497
Third Avenue	115	616
Twenty-third and Broadway (2)	214	669
Valley View	67	227
Victory Memorial (2)	---	907
Virginia Avenue	295	---
Walnut Street (4)	384	1,733
West Broadway (1)	167	693
West Side	141	411
Ludlow, First	122	409
Madisonville, First	297	1,116
Marion	104	314
Mayfield, First	309	905
Middlesboro, First (5)	102	647
East Cumberland Avenue	---	288
Monticello, First	85	253
Morganfield, First (1)	137	495
Morgantown (1)	203	329
Mt. Washington	117	279
Murray, First	---	850
Newport, First (2)	168	753
Trinity	119	293
Owensboro, Eaton Memorial (1)	265	456
Hall Street (1)	208	488
Seven Hills	128	289
Third	377	1,176
Paducah, East	215	511
First (1)	154	562
Oaklawn (1)	177	331
Trinity	192	370
Twelfth Street (1)	162	422
Paintsville, First (2)	76	260
Paris, First	78	274
Perryville, Beech Grove	---	202
Pikeville, First (1)	89	379
Prestonburg, Irene Cole Memorial (7)	---	443
Princeton, First (1)	156	---
Second (3)	115	310
Providence, First	67	206
Somerset, First	224	709
High Street (1)	122	241
Pleasant Hill No. 2	44	216
Sonora	177	274
Springfield, First	179	458
Sturgis, First	---	289
Versailles	75	347
Walton	116	438
Williamsburg, First (1)	92	402
Main Street	51	217
Willisburg	116	297
Winchester, Central	149	502
First	287	524

North Concord Association Now Has An Active Youth Organization



James Wade
Buchanan

MT. VERNON, Ky. — The Baptist youth of the North Concord Association now have an organization that speaks of the high success that the youth have enjoyed in this endeavor. This youth work is sponsored by the North Concord Association of Baptists. The aim of all effort is first of all to reach the youth with the message of Christ; and secondly, to give the youth an opportunity to exercise any talent they may possess; and thirdly, to encourage and guide the youths in witnessing for Christ. It is a great blessing to see and hear the great group of our young people as they conduct a Christian service in an effort to reach others with the Gospel of Christ.

The movement was instituted on the order of the association at its last annual meeting. At that time the moderator of the association appointed a committee to formulate plans and set the organization in motion. This committee consisted of Pastor E. P. Whitt, Grays Church, as chairman; Missionary S. R. Helton of the North Concord Association; and Wilbert Evans.

When the young people were called together, James Wade Buchanan, of Artemus, was elected president. Other officers elected were: John Mills, Flat Lick, vice president; Jessie Lee Angel, Grays, secretary-treasurer; Bob Bruner, song leader; and Mrs. C. K. Williams, Artemus, pianist.

The program committee consists of: Kaye Scent, Barbourville; Jean Bingham, Flat Lick; Patricia Gibson, Artemus; Joyce Davis, Rays; Quentin West, Swan Pond.

Services are being conducted monthly on the fourth Saturday night of each month, in various churches. The programs are planned for the following places: (1) The Youth Team from Cumberland College, Williamsburg at the Barbourville meeting; (2) Pastor Wendell H. Rone, Middlesboro, at the Artemus session; (3) Pastor Raymond Sanderson, Pineville, at Highland Park; (4) Missionary Wendell Belew, Mt. Vernon, at the Swan Pond program; (5) President J. Chester Sparks, Oneida, at Sinking Valley; (6) Pastor E. O. Edwards, Corbin, at Concord; and (7) Pastor J. S. Bell, Hindman, at Grays.

Much of the credit for the fine work which the youth are doing is to be

given to the fine leadership and guidance of Associational Missionary S. R. Helton.—M. Wendell Belew.

Carpenter Returns From Tour

ATLANTA, Ga., (BN) — Dr. Alfred Carpenter, Director, Chaplain's Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention, Atlanta, Georgia, has returned to the States following a tour of various military posts.

In Alaska, Japan, Korea, Okinawa, and islands of the Pacific he conferred with 185 chaplains, of which 72 were Southern Baptists, and visited 106 Army, Navy, and Air Force installations. He contacted many commanding officers and found a sincere concern regarding religion in the Armed Forces and trends in world affairs.

"Our chaplains," said Dr. Carpenter, "are doing an excellent job in spiritual leadership in their first responsibility of ministering to military personnel and their dependents. Their Sunday school program is rapidly expanding and special services for Baptists are on the increase. Their second responsibility is to the civilians and their relationship to our missionary activities. Here the chaplains are indeed functioning as foreign missionaries. In the large centers such as Seoul, Pusan, Tokyo, and Honolulu there are regular gatherings of missionaries, chaplains and their families. You cannot distinguish the missionary from the chaplain. Their interest is one."

Dr. Carpenter continued, "What has taken place during the past 10 years in our mission program didn't just happen. There has been more than the cooperation of our people and the promotion of a worthy program. It has been the work of the Holy Spirit. We had no mission work in the Phillipines in 1945. Now there are 10 churches, a seminary, and publishing house. Our work in Japan has rapidly expanded but the open door is closing. Further expansion of our mission work there must be accomplished within the next five years. However, the door is wide open in Korea."

Concluded Dr. Carpenter, "When you see the work on the mission field you realize the pay-off of the cooperative dollar."

►Dr. Edward A. McDowell, of Southeastern Seminary, remembered in Kentucky where he served long on the Southern Seminary faculty, has been preaching in a revival with Pastor Warner Earle Fusselle at the Rivermont Avenue Baptist Church, Lynchburg, Va. George Watkins, minister of music at the Grove Avenue Baptist Church, Richmond, Va., was in charge of the music.

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Russian Baptists Are Target for Communist Anti-Religious Campaign

LONDON, England (BP) — The latest targets of the anti-religious campaign the Communist radio and press have been waging for weeks are Baptists and Adventists communities in Russia. The campaign has now spread to the satellite countries.

A Rostov radio broadcast beamed at the Kamensk region launched a violent attack on Russia Baptist groups which, it said "have been in the enemy camp from the very first days of the Bolshevik Revolution and today are under the influence of American Imperialists." It also denounced Seventh-day Adventists in the Kamensk region for their "lively activities."

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Dr. Frank K. Means Elected Secretary for Latin America

RICHMOND, Va. — Dr. Frank K. Means, secretary for missionary education and promotion for the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board since July, 1947, was today elected secretary for Latin America, a position left vacant by the death of Dr. Everett Gill, Jr., last April. The Board is now meeting in semiannual full session in Richmond, Va.

A native of Harwood, Mo., Dr. Means was educated at Kansas City (Missouri) Junior College, Oklahoma Baptist University, Shawnee, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Tex., from which he received the Th.M. and Th.D. degrees, and Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky., where he did some graduate work.

He became a member of the faculty of Southwestern Seminary in the department of missions in 1939, a position which he held until his resignation in 1947 when he was elected to the staff of the Foreign Mission Board.

As secretary of the Board's department of missionary education and promotion, Dr. Means has directed the task of informing Southern Baptists about the progress and prospects of their mission activities throughout the world. His work has been accomplished through The Commission, a monthly world journal; an annual series of graded mission study books; audio-visual aids, such as films and filmstrips; press representation through the religious and secular; press; promotional literature; a monthly digest of missionary information and facts; and field representation.

In the course of his duties, Dr. Means has visited some 30 countries where Southern Baptist missionaries serve. In his new responsibility he will direct the work of 395 missionaries in 77 stations in 13 Latin American republics and two British colonies where Southern Baptists have work.

Vine Grove Observes Laymen's Day

VINE GROVE, Ky., Oct. 11. — The members of and visitors to the Vine Grove Baptist Church heard Brother Marion Wiseheart deliver a Laymen's Day address in a program which was conducted at the regular morning worship hour today. Twenty-nine men filled the choir loft, and men performed at every task in the service with the exception of organist.

The Vine Grove Brotherhood sponsored the service and Brother Bill Burden, president of the local group, introduced the speaker. Brother Wiseheart, president of the Long Run Associational Brotherhood, spoke with an impressive-

ness stemming from a life of Christian witness.

During the evening service of the same day testimony was given by men of the Vine Grove Church regarding their experience of faith and their Christian witness. The congregation that night was thrilled at the knowledge that men are accepting their responsibility to Christ and are witnessing for Him.

Brother Burden has accepted his place of service with a humility which has been contagious, and there is remarkable evidence of the Spirit's presence in Brotherhood meetings and in the activities of the men of this church.

▶Dr. A. M. Vollmer, secretary of Kentucky Baptist Foundation, was the preacher in a series of revival services, October 3-10 at the Brooksville Baptist Church. Sixteen years ago he preached at this church in a similar series of services. Rev. R. E. McElmurry is the present pastor.

Carroll Hubbard and James Pitts in Revival Meeting at Monticello

MONTICELLO, Ky. — We have just closed a revival in the First Baptist Church at Monticello. Dr. Carroll Hubbard pastor of the St. Matthews Baptist Church, Louisville, was our guest preacher, and Mr. James Pitts, from the Seminary School of Church Music, was the song leader.

Dr. Hubbard is a prince in the pulpit. His earnestness and sincerity are transferred to the congregation in an amazing way. He makes no effort to regiment people into the church, yet we had what is probably the best revival held here in a long time. There were 30 additions.

Mr. Pitts is a splendid soloist and congregational song leader. He added much to the meeting. Especially good was his work with the Junior and Adult choirs.—T. E. Smith, Pastor.

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"How Great the Darkness!"

Our Lord said in his Sermon on the Mount, "If the light that is in thee be darkness, how great is that darkness" (Matt. 6:23)! He is speaking of the eye as the organ of sight, and his point is that if the organ of sight becomes darkness, how great is that darkness! Earlier in the same discourse (Matt. 5: 14) he had said to his followers, "Ye are the light of the world." If his followers become darkness, who or what shall be the world's guide?

When the North Carolina law makers legalized gambling in certain parts of our State, I threw up my hands in hor-

ror and said in my soul and in the Open Forum as well, "What have we come to, that our law makers are legalizing wrong?" In New York City recently a policeman was demoted for arresting and bringing into court church people who were making money for their treasury through gambling at bingo. The following sentence is taken from the current issue of one of the strongest and most reputable papers in America: "Both Republicans and Democrats will have planks in their platforms favoring legalized bingo for church and charitable causes."

Shades of the regions of darkness! Whither are we drifting? When the

politicians started it, I thought it was bad enough. *What shall we say* when churches begin to provide for their expenses and other financial affairs by gambling devices? Surely, we need an Elijah and a John the Baptist combined into one to cry aloud!—W. R. Cullom, Wake Forest, N.C.

►The First Baptist Church of Jacksonville, Fla., has voted to send Dr. and Mrs. Homer G. Lindsay, their pastor and his wife, to the Baptist World Alliance next summer, and also on an extended tour of Europe and the Holy Land.

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