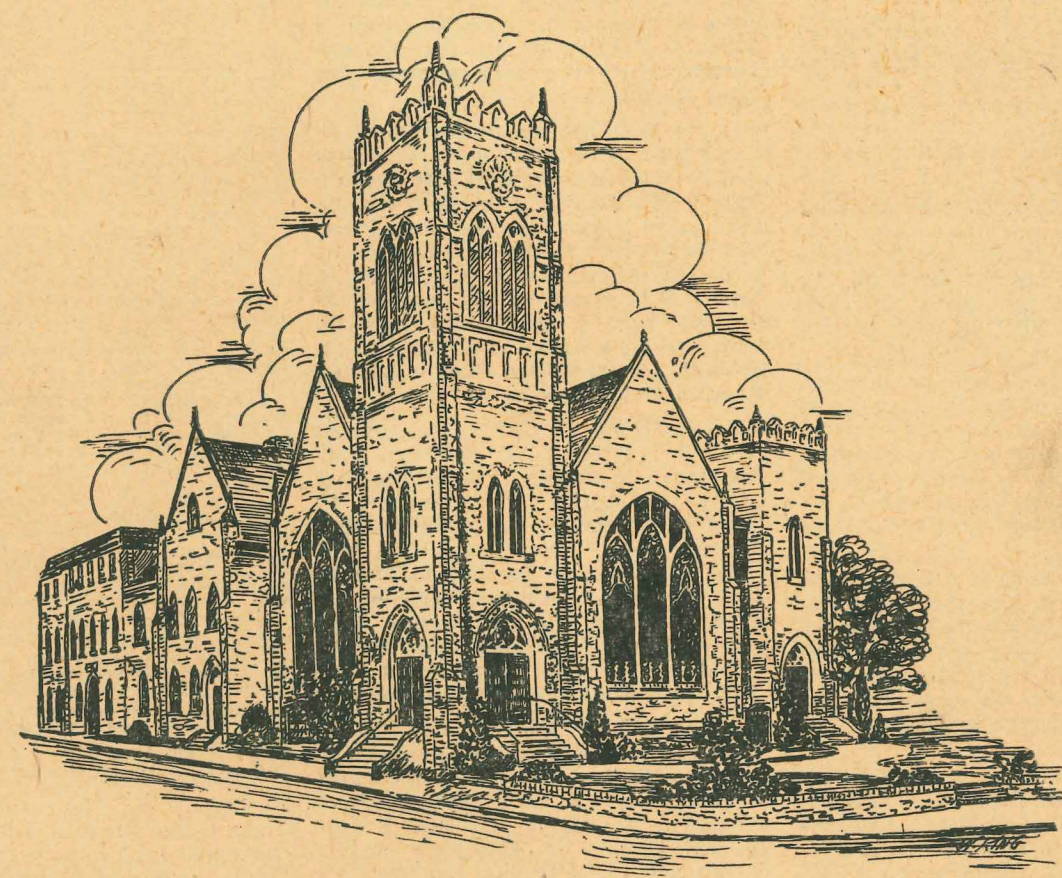


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The Calvary Baptist Church, Lexington, Kentucky, where the sessions of the Kentucky State Training Union Convention will be held May 6-7.

►Mr. and Mrs. Joseph L. Hart, Southern Baptist emeritus missionaries to Chile, have moved from Adairville, Ky., to Fort Myers, Fla., where they may be addressed until May 1 at 1524 McGregor Boulevard. Mrs. Hart is a native of Meade County, Ky.

►Miss Antonina Canzoneri, Southern Baptist missionary to Nigeria who is in the State on furlough, is taking a graduate course in nursing at Western Reserve University and may be addressed c/o the University, Cleveland 6, Ohio. She makes her permanent American home in Lebanon Junction.

►Dr. R. G. Lee left by plane March 28 to address the Korean Baptist Convention at Seoul, following which he planned to make a three-week preaching tour of Korea before going to Honolulu for additional speaking engagements. Word has since come that he became sick while in Korea.

►A report of the simultaneous revival crusade in Mobile, Alabama, gives sixty-two churches participating, 2,912 decisions, 1,362 joining churches, of which 877 were for baptism. C. E. Autrey was the crusade director and H. S. Sauls was general chairman.

►Southern Baptists operate 23 children's homes in seventeen states, plus one being built in California. These homes provide a capacity for 4,943 children. Total expenditures in 1954 amounted to \$5,508,110; total endowment of the homes is \$7,674,194.

►George W. Caldwell, who has been associate secretary of the Training Union Department, Alabama Baptist Convention, has been promoted to secretary, succeeding George E. Bagley, who left the Training Union Department to accept another position in the Alabama Convention.

►William J. Reynolds of Atlantic, Iowa, has joined the staff of the Music Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board. He will serve on a part-time basis in a general editorial capacity on music publications while working toward his Ph.D. degree in Peabody College, Nashville.

►Willard K. Weeks, manager of Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly, predicts registration this year will reach 30,000. Reservations requested to date for all conferences total 24,420, an increase of 6,237 over the same period last year. Glorieta Baptist Assembly Manager E. A. Herron reports that reservations are running ahead of last year.

►President H. D. Bruce, of East Texas Baptist College, Marshall, Texas, did the preaching for the recent revival at the First Baptist Church, Jasper, Texas, where Rev. W. M. White is the pastor. Mr. Charles "Dusty" Rhodes, a graduate of the East Texas Baptist College, directed the singing for the meeting. In

the meeting there were 33 additions to the church, with 29 of them coming as candidates for baptism.

►Pastor and Mrs. Bailey Sadler and Frank Dorris of the Nebo Baptist Church, were with the First Baptist Church of Earlington in a Training Union Enlargement Week, March 27-31. The Earlington revival begins April 18, with Pastor C. W. Lawrence, Walnut Street Baptist Church of Evansville, Ind., as the evangelist, and Wayne Betts, Madisonville, singer, according to the announcement made by Pastor Hughlan P. Richey.

►The Mountain Preachers School at Pineville will begin a summer session on May 4, Dean Martin V. McKinster has announced. The summer session will be for two months, and classes will be held in the mornings only. Students may take two classes, each of which will meet two hours daily. This will make it possible for them to complete 8 hours of work during the summer. Further information can be secured from Dean McKinster.

►Pastor H. O. Niceley, formerly of Kentucky but now in Batesburg, S. C., writes that his work is going well. He recently conducted a revival in his own church, the second personally conducted there, and states: "We greatly miss the fellowship in Kentucky but have gotten into the work here and become adjusted to it. We have a good many brethren here who have served in Kentucky—Dr. John R. Jester, R. Don Gambrell, J. G. Cotran and others."

►Pastor George R. Gaddie, formerly of Kentucky, started a new Southern Baptist church in Toledo, Ohio on the first Sunday in April, and is anxious to know of any unattached Baptists from Kentucky who have moved into that area. Names may be sent to him at 3337 Parkwood Avenue, Toledo 10, Ohio. They are also starting new work in Sandusky and Refiance, Ohio, and he would appreciate getting names of Baptists living in or near these places.

►Pastor E. E. Spickard has resigned his work in the Logan County Baptist Association to become pastor of Mount Pisgah Church, in Muhlenberg Association. The Association has passed resolutions, signed by Moderator Justus Moore and Clerk Brodie Simmons, regarding the wide and useful ministry he had among them, making many friends, and expressing their grief as to his going, and commending him to the Mt. Pisgah and the Muhlenberg brethren. "He is a scholar of the Bible, loves and understands his brethren, is kind and appreciative in spirit, and is a constructive leader," the paper concluded.

►The Training Union of Auburn Baptist Church has just completed a study course week under the direction of

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Shelby Kirby. The enrollment was the highest, the attendance the largest, and the number of awards the greatest the Union has ever had. Forty Adults studied C. E. Matthews' "A Church Revival," under the instruction of Pastor Marion Duncan, Second Church of Russellville. Pastor Thomas Lewis, of Lake Spring, taught the Young People Roland Q. Leavell's "Winning Others to Christ," and his wife taught the Intermediates "A Winning Witness." Pastor William A. Merryman, Auburn, taught the Juniors Hattie Bell Allen's "Jesus Saves." Director Kirby reports that 79 were enrolled with an average attendance of 69.

Birds of a Feather With Southern Baptists

Baptists in the Deeper South

By J. A. CLIFFORD
Auckland, New Zealand



J. A. Clifford

Not long ago the United States welcomed a rare new immigrant. For the first time in history the strange bird that cannot fly took wings. It was borne across seven thousand miles of ocean from its island home in the South Pacific to this continent. A New Zealand kiwi bird had come to the San Diego Zoo.

The kiwi is indeed a strange bird, not only because it lays an egg more than half the size of its own body or because it carries its nostrils in the tip of its queer slender beak, but because, though it has wings of a kind, it cannot fly. Once upon a time its great, great grandparents could no doubt use their wings, but in those lovely islands of New Zealand, twelve hundred miles from the nearest land mass, they grew lazy. No animals or men were there to hunt them. They ceased to fly. And by that grim law of nature, when they ceased to fly, they lost the power to fly.

National Symbol

The kiwi became New Zealand's national symbol. What the eagle is to America, the kiwi is to New Zealand. Wherever her servicemen went in World War II, the nickname "kiwi" pursued them.

In all this there is a parable and a warning. It would be easy for New Zealanders to go the way of the kiwi.

Life in that country can be lived without too much effort. The climate is kind. The soil is rich. Sunshine and fresh air and food abound. Under governments which in some other countries would be thought radical, New Zealand pioneered pensions for the elderly and infirm, led the world in the care of

Rev. J. Ayson Clifford is vice-principal of the Baptist theological seminary in New Zealand, being professor of Old Testament and Church History. His University work was done in science. Following the constraint of the Spirit into the ministry, he graduated from the New Zealand seminary during the principalship of Dr. J. J. North. After some years in pastoral service he returned to his alma mater as a teacher, in which capacity he has served for ten years. He is at present on leave and is devoting a semester to study and observation in the Southern Baptist Seminary. He expects to make other contacts with Baptist life and teaching before leaving the U. S. for the Baptist World Congress in London and further Old Testament study with the American School in Jerusalem. Incidentally, Professor Clifford is available for engagements.

mothers and infants, experimented boldly with a welfare state.

Today with free medical care, free hospitalization, state housing, anti-unemployment measures, forty-hour week, generous pensions, and all the rest, nobody need be hungry or homeless or ignorant, or unemployed or overworked or lacking care in time of illness.

All this is good. But prosperity brings its perils. The inhabitants of paradise can forget the world. Those who are blessed with social security can despise eternal security. The beach can take the place of the church on the Lord's Day. Without the spur of hardship the national character can lag and slacken.

There are signs that this is so. The soaring liquor consumption, the crazy gambling spree, the sinister spread of juvenile delinquency are symptoms. Spiritual leaders have observed that there has never been in the history of our country a great movement of the spirit like the Evangelical Revival in Britain or the Great Awakening in America. That is not to say the country is pagan. In a census nine persons out of ten declare themselves as belonging to some Christian denomination—Anglican, Presbyterian, Roman Catholic, and so on; but quite half of those are nothing more than census Christians, and never cross the doorstep of a church.

Baptists Are There

How do Baptists make out in this situation? In numbers they are small, a minority representing under two per cent of the population. In Baptist history this is not new.

Baptists thrive on unpopularity. What they have lacked in quantity they have tried to make up in quality. Among the 108 New Zealand Baptist churches there is a warm evangelical spirit, and a vigorous Christian life. Preaching standards are high. First-class preachers are not afraid to expand themselves in the service of the smallest churches.

Through the Baptist Union and its departments the churches are bound in strong ties of fellowship and service. Historically, the greatest lack has been in rural work. Baptist churches have sprung up mainly in the cities, very few

in the country. In a land whose backbone is still the farmer, this is a serious loss. But a Home Mission conscience is growing.

New Zealand Baptists are Foreign Mission enthusiasts. A startlingly high proportion of their life and treasure goes into foreign missionary work. Of their 11,000 members, 150 are foreign missionaries. Nineteen of those are working in their own New Zealand Baptist Missionary Society in India and Pakistan. The rest are scattered throughout the wide fields of the world in other societies. The significance of that figure is seen if applied to Kentucky. On the same proportion, the Baptists of this state would be providing an army of 900 foreign missionaries. The whole Southern Convention would be sending forth 120,000!

William Carey Still With Us

William Carey is not yet dead. In fact he is very much alive, for William Carey is the President of the New Zealand Baptist Union and Missionary Society this very year. The great great grandson of the William Carey, he is a consecrated businessman in the Capitol City. As his illustrious ancestor worked at God's business and cobbled shoes to pay expenses, our modern William serves the same Lord and pays expenses by selling clothes. He has long been an advocate of the tithing, but in his presidential address on stewardship he went further to suggest that every Baptist businessman put his whole business earnings in a Christian trust, from which he draws only his needs, devoting all the rest to God's service.

Baptists in the South Pacific, though isolated, have fought the temptation to be isolationist. They have kept themselves informed on world issues. They rejoice in the wider fellowship of the Baptist World Alliance. In fact in partnership with their big-brother Baptists in Australia they have chartered a ship for their delegation to the Alliance Congress in July. If you are fortunate enough to be there yourself, keep your eyes skinned for the "Kiwis." You will find them true birds of a feather with yourself.

►According to the new annual directory of the Catholic Hospital Association, some 30% of all nurses graduated in the United States and its territories during 1954 were training in Roman Catholic schools of nursing and a total of 8,812 graduate nurses were turned out last year by the 334 state-approved Catholic schools of nursing in the United States.

Christian Education Advances

From all over the Southern Baptist Convention territory comes news of advances in Christian Education.

Baylor

Baylor University, Texas, is making plans to open an extension division in Dallas September 1 teaching Bible, religious education, and evangelism. Complete plans for the school have already been worked out and a full-time director—C. Brownlow Hastings—named. It is confidently expected that 400 will be enrolled in the extension this fall.

Howard

In Alabama on April 29 the cornerstone for a new Howard College campus will be laid with special ceremonies at Birmingham. Two new buildings have already been erected—administration building and a faculty apartment—and now the foundation for the science building is nearly complete. The next to be constructed will be the library building which will house 500,000 volumes. And so Alabama is moving forward in Christian Education.

Southwestern

Again in Texas ground-breaking ceremonies recently started a \$5,000,000 expansion program for the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary at Fort Worth. The city has handed the seminary a deed for the more than thirty acres of land which the seminary purchased just north of the present campus and on which a 500-unit housing project will be built soon. Ground has already been broken for the expanded Fleming Library and also a new wing for the school of theology. Those two projects alone will cost \$741,000. Plans are underway for at least two other buildings in the expansion program.

We were very much interested in a report made on November 16 at the Georgetown meeting of the General Association. That report stated that across the years Kentucky Baptists have sacrificed to provide for their schools, and that today the Baptists of the state are giving about \$360,000 a year to all their schools and colleges. This amount of money represents an amount equivalent to the income from an endowment of \$12,000,000 at three per cent.

That report asked how the support of Kentucky Baptists for their schools and colleges compares with the support of Baptists for Christian education across the Convention. In answering the question the report stated: "According to statistics just published by the Education Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention, during the year 1953 Kentucky Baptists ranked seventh in the amount they gave in dollars per student enrolled, in comparison with thirteen other Southern states. The percentage average for Kentucky in 1953 was \$196. This was half as much per student as South Carolina gave, the percentage average in the Palmetto State being \$408. It was about 39 per cent less than the average in each of three other states: Louisiana, where the average was \$340; Alabama, \$320; and

Arkansas, \$319. Other states giving more per student than Kentucky were: Tennessee, \$267; and Oklahoma, \$212. Ranking below Kentucky on a per capita basis per student were Georgia, Mississippi, Missouri, Texas, North Carolina, Florida, and Virginia."

The report then asked: "How did Kentucky compare with others of this 14-state group in total amounts given for Baptist schools and colleges in 1953? In this category, Kentucky drops to eighth place, with a total of \$389,000, which, incidentally, was \$28,000 more than the total given in 1954 for Kentucky Baptist schools and colleges. Texas ranked first in over-all amounts, with \$1,490,000; South Carolina was second with \$695,000; North Carolina was third with \$655,000; Alabama was fourth with \$634,000; Tennessee was fifth with \$511,000; Georgia sixth with \$477,000; and Virginia seventh with \$395,000." So it is seen from those figures given last November that in 1953 Kentucky ranked slightly below the average in giving per student, and more than 20 per cent below the average in total amount given.

We are happy that this year the General Association took steps opening the way for larger assistance to our schools and colleges in the basic budget and also in the larger budget which all hope to meet. We should keep our eyes and hearts turned on the special offering to be taken in the churches June 12 in which it is hoped \$200,000 can be raised for the Cooperative Program. For by supporting the Cooperative Program our school and colleges are helped as well as all the other work of the General Association.

Sunday Problems in Washington

Strongest effort is being exerted in Washington, D.C., to bring about the closing of all places of business on Sunday.

The drive is being pushed by the Merchants and Manufacturers Association which asked the Columbia Commissioners to put a stop to Sunday shopping.

It is an effort to make Sunday a day of rest, and most of the business houses, it is stated, have cooperated. However, a minority of stores decided to remain open on Sundays and are making it their biggest day for bargain sales which attract multitudes.

It is indicated that the appeal for Sunday closing will be taken to the United States Congress, since that body is the law-making group for the District of Columbia. One of the Senators, A. S. Monroney of Oklahoma, has already made a speech before the Senate charging that Washington is being turned "into a Bagdad on the Patomac." He states that "blue laws" may be necessary.

So far as we are able to gather, the appeal in Washington for Sunday observance seems to have no real religious significance. It is only that it be made a "day of rest." Apparently nothing is said about its being a day of worship.

There's no question but that all need to rest at

least one day in seven. Christians, however, need to approach Sunday as a day of rest and worship—a day to be used in service to Christ Who arose from the dead on the first day of the week.

If the effort in Washington is to make people rest on the first day of the week, closing their stores and stopping the "bargain day" rushes, then they may succeed. But religion cannot be planted in the individual heart by legal enactments. It must come from within as a voluntary response to God's will.

There needs to be a strengthening of conviction concerning Sunday desecration. There are many who seem not to mind doing anything on Sundays that they do other days. Some of those who enjoy a comfortable and pious seat in the "Amen Corner" find it all too easy to go out and carry on like they would on Tuesday. And some of the women who engage in church activities of various kinds seem to find no difficulty with their conscience in going

East Asia Baptists Hold Two Important Conferences

RICHMOND, Va. — Two East Asia Baptist Conferences—one on seminary work and the other on Christian literature—were held in Hong Kong in early March.

Dr. J. Winston Crawley, secretary for the Orient for the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board, who called the conferences said, "Far-reaching will be the decisions of these days."

Presidents of seven of the eight Baptist seminaries related to Southern Baptist work in the Orient attended the Baptist Seminary Conference. They are John A. Abernathy, Korea; E. Luther Copeland, Japan; C. L. Culpepper, Sr., Formosa; Frank P. Lide, Philippines; G. W. Strother, Malaya; Buford L. Nichols, Indonesia; and James D. Belote, Hong Kong. (J. Glenn Morris, Thailand, was unable to attend.)

The agenda of the seminary conference included discussion of seminary and Bible school curricula, textbooks, faculty qualifications, student entrance requirements, budgets, and various other administrative problems.

This was the second Baptist literature conference. The first, held in 1953, was concerned with literature in the Chinese language and was attended by representatives from Malaya, Thailand, Philippines, Formosa, Hong Kong, and Macao. This year's conference was enlarged to include representatives from Korea, Japan, and Indonesia and was called the East Asia Conference on Baptist Literature and Publication Work.

To the problems of preparation, publication, and distribution of literature in the Chinese language discussed in 1953, this year's program added discussion of problems of literature publication in Korean, Japanese, Indonesian, Thai, and English languages. (Literature

in English is especially needed in the Philippines and Malaya.)

The agenda for the literature conference included consideration of literature needs of Sunday schools, young people's and children's groups, adult groups, and vacation Bible schools.

Representatives from East Asia countries for the literature conference were Grace Wells, Indonesia; Auris Pender and W. Y. Siao, Malaya; Mary Gould, Thailand; Mary Lucile Saunders and Ted O. Badger, Philippines; Martha Franks, Formosa; Shuichi Matsumura and D. Curtis Askew, Japan; and Ruby Wheat, Korea.

Hong Kong representatives were Daniel Chang, H. C. Au Yeung, and Maurice J. Anderson. Mary C. Alexander, general secretary of the Baptist Press in Hong Kong, and her co-workers were host to the group.

The Spring Bible Conference of the Hong Kong Baptist Association was held in Pui Ching Middle School, Kowloon, February 28 to March 4, under the leadership of C. F. Lam, of the Hong Kong Association, Franklin Liu of Pui Ching School, and Daniel Chang, pastor of the Kowloon City Baptist Church. The afternoon and evening speakers were chosen from among the representatives attending the seminary and literature conferences.

Home Mission Construction Is Approved

ATLANTA, Ga. (BN) — The construction of two mission buildings and the purchase of a mission site was authorized by the Home Mission Board Executive Committee here in its April meeting.

A church building will be erected for

home and putting in a big week's washing on Sunday.

It has become too easy to use the expression, "The ox is in the ditch." One person suggested that once in a while the ox might fall in the ditch and need to be taken out on Sunday; but that if he makes a practice of falling into the ditch on Sunday then he should either be killed or the ditch filled. Desecration of the Lord's Day brings an enormous spiritual loss.

Once a year many Christians have a great deal to say and do about "Easter." That is their right. But let it be remembered that every Sunday marks the resurrection of Jesus from the dead. More often than once a year we should bring to mind that we worship and serve a living Christ, and that we also, in Him, must live resurrected lives. Make fifty-two Sundays each year mean something! Go to your place of worship and then out to serve Him.

the Chinese Baptist Church, Los Angeles, California. This church has been meeting in rented buildings. Rev. Thomas Lowe is pastor.

A Gallup, New Mexico, Indian Center will be built with funds furnished by the Annie Armstrong Offering. Rev. and Mrs. Russell Bowren are the missionaries in charge of the Center. Construction of the building is expected to begin soon.

In Philadelphia, Mississippi, land has been purchased by the Home Mission Board preparatory to the construction of an Indian Center. Rev. and Mrs. Horace Fisher are general missionaries to the Indians in this area.

An allocation was set aside in the 1955 Annie Armstrong Offering by the Woman's Missionary Union to build the Mississippi Indian Center.

J. M. Tanner is Ordained To the Gospel Ministry By the Dawson Church

OWENSBORO, Ky. — The Dawson Baptist Church of Philpot, Ky., recently ordained J. M. Tanner to the Gospel ministry. Pastor Peyton Woodruff, of Dawson Church, presided.

The council consisted of 18 pastors and deacons from five churches. Pastor Dorris Fulkerson, of the South Hampton Baptist Church, was elected interrogator. The ordination sermon was preached by Pastor J. D. Herndon, of Buena Vista Baptist Church, Owensboro, Ky. The ordination prayer and laying on of hands was led by Pastor Frank Borich of the Immanuel Church. Presentation of the Bible on behalf of the Dawson Church was made by Pastor Wesley Hanson, of the Yellow Creek Baptist Church.



SOMERSET'S HIGH STREET SUNBEAMS—The Sunbeams of High Street had their Annie Armstrong Party for Home Missions and each individual child had its own bank with name on it. They turned in \$34.00 for Home Missions. They had 70 present. The child who saved the most was Nancy Thompson, the second child from the right on the second row. She had \$4.41, and was presented with a Sunbeam pin by her leader, Mrs. Elwood Hargis, Mrs. Richard Simpson and Mrs. George Powell. Twelve of them saved \$1.00 or more. The High Street youth organizations gave \$103 altogether. Mrs. Jack Early is YP director and Brother R. A. Hill is pastor.

The Place of Doctrine

By M. RAY MCKAY

Christianity is a factual religion. Its source is God. In this it is unique.

The source of animism, for instance, lies in man's fear of the unknown and in his effort to devise sacrifices which will avert the wrath of an angry God.

The source of Buddhism is man's longing for rest and peace. Seeking to fulfill this need, he has made a God before whom he bows. The source of Shintoism is man's desire for security and authority; therefore, he has decreed that the emperor is the highest authority and that all men must bow before him.

Christianity, however, begins with the self disclosure and creative activity of God. On the human side, it is man's response to an originating, adventurous, living, acting, working God who has taken and is still taking the initiative. Man's experience of the Christian religion grows in direct proportion to his loving and obedient response to the self disclosure and creative activity of God in Christ. All this is more clearly stated in the Scripture text: "Behold I stand at the door, and knock: if any man

hear my voice, and will open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me."

The most effective evangelistic preaching then is the proclamation of the facts about God and the meaning of these facts in human life. This is the pattern of the New Testament. The Gospels give us the biography of Christ or the story of the acts of God. The letters of Paul concern themselves with an interpretation of the meaning of the acts of God in the lives of men.

Christology provides the first great doctrinal area for evangelistic preaching. We preach Christ: his nature, his works, and his worth. Included will be the doctrine of the incarnation: "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life;" a doctrine of the atonement: "But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us;" the doctrine of the resurrection: "Up from the grave he arose, with a mighty triumph o'er his foes." Included also in the doc-

trines of the grace of God are forgiveness, reconciliation and sanctification.

The second area of doctrine has to do with man's response. Included here are the doctrines of repentance, faith, and obedience.

It is not our purpose here to present a complete survey of the doctrines but rather to indicate the doctrinal content of evangelistic preaching.

Christ himself declared, "And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto myself."

In this truth the evangelistic preacher may well rest his case. If he will preach Christ and him crucified, he may certainly be assured of the readiness of the people to make response.

The preacher must not leave out the "how." He will proclaim the truth, "Ye must be born again," and then he will make clear man's part in this necessary experience.

It is indeed a sad situation when any minister will depend upon the emotion awakened by the story of a helpless dog floating on the bosom of a swiftly moving river as a substitute for the proclamation of One who loved us and gave Himself for us.

Evangelistic preaching is Bible preaching. In the Scriptures we have presented the factual material and its relevance in human life. Let us "Preach the Word."—*Southeastern Seminary Bulletin.*

WMS's In Georgia Propose Amendment

MACON, Georgia. — (BP) — Nine societies of the Macon Baptist Association are proposing an amendment to the bylaws of Woman's Missionary Union which would limit the terms of office.

The amendment is to be considered at the annual WMU meeting in Miami in May.

The proposed amendment (Article IV, Officers, Section 2) reads:

"The officers shall be elected at the annual session and, with the exception of the presidents and vice-presidents, shall hold office for one year or until their successors are elected. The president shall hold office for four years and cannot be re-elected for more than one term of office. The vice-presidents shall hold office for one year or until their successors are elected, unless in the interim between annual sessions, their respective state elects a new president; the newly elected state president shall fill the unexpired term. The term for officers shall begin at final adjournment."

The amendment will require a two-thirds vote for approval.

Under present bylaws, all officers but vice-presidents are subject to annual election but there is no restriction of the number of terms they may serve.

L. L. Carpenter Discusses Rocky Mount Baptist Church Problem

By L. L. CARPENTER

[To give our readers the views of Dr. L. L. Carpenter, editor, *Biblical Recorder*, N. C., we offer, below, an editorial which appeared in that paper's March 5, 1955, issue. The case attracted nation-wide attention and, though the case has been settled both in and out of court, a good deal of discussion still goes on regarding it, pro and con. Dr. Carpenter heads his editorial with the question, "Should a Man Be Allowed to Steal a Baptist Church?"]

A man can steal a Baptist church. He can steal both the people and the property, but of course he steals the hearts of the people first.

The autonomy and freedom of the local Baptist church make our denomination a happy hunting ground for free-lance, fanatical religious exploiters and schismatics.

We live in a time when a good many preachers are sailing as Baptists under false colors. Usually this type claims to be superorthodox. He has what is called "a messianic complex," which means that he thinks, or at least claims, that he has the only answer for all doctrinal questions and that his ideas and thoughts are orthodox.

Anybody who dares disagree with him on even some minor matter is a heretic. Usually this kind of man is strong on claims and pretensions but weak on moral and spiritual qualities. He seems to have no sense of good ethics or moral responsibility. Such a man will exploit the ideals and principles of local church autonomy to the end of alienating churches from their historical connections.

The well-known Rocky Mount (N. C.) case is an example of this kind of evil exploitation which may arise in our midst. The decision of the Supreme Court states, "The evidence in the record discloses that the Rev. Samuel H. W. Johnston was the person, who inspired and led the movement, which caused the dissension in the North Rocky Mount Missionary Baptist Church. The evidence clearly shows the purpose of this movement."

Johnston was formerly a pastor in Rhode Island and in New York State. He has been in the main affiliated with the General Association of Regular Baptist Churches and apparently has been a trouble-maker elsewhere. And yet when he came as pastor of the North Rocky Mount Church, he assured the church officers that it was not his purpose to have the church withdraw from the Southern Baptist Convention.

He was at Rocky Mount only a few

months, however, before he was seeking to discontinue the use of Southern Baptist Sunday school literature, was denouncing the Cooperative Program and other programs of the Southern Baptist Convention, and said, "The Baptist organization of the South is rotten to the core."

In other words, it seems that Johnston got into the North Rocky Mount Church through false pretensions and he tried to use questionable methods to get control of the people and the church property.

It must be borne in mind that this was not a simple quarrel within the fellowship of the church. It was a division almost forced upon the members by an outsider who came in to do just that thing.

Someone has said that it might have been better to lose a church or two than to resort to civil courts to settle the dispute, but it must be borne in mind that the question at issue was not the spiritual and doctrinal life of the church, but the question as to the control of the property.

The Court's decision was in keeping with civil law in this country. For an outsider to come in and lead some of the people of the church to take away the property which had been given and built up by regular Missionary Baptists, most of whom have passed on, would have been in civil law a serious "breach of trust."

As a general principle, the matter should have been decided by the free and open vote of the people in the church; but this was a particular case which proved to be an exception to the rule. We live in a land of law and order. The civil government is responsible for protecting citizens in possessions of property in a legal way, or else we would have breach of trust and criminality in some cases.

It would even seem that the vote itself in the North Rocky Mount Church was unfair and under coercion.

On the night of the vote a man was

placed at each door of the church to determine who should come in and who should stay out. No visitors were allowed. The majority voted in favor of the pastor's revolt and highhanded methods, but this majority numbered only 241 out of a church membership of 1,300. The atmosphere must have been far from the spirit of love and good fellowship, a spirit which should characterize a Baptist church meeting.

We are not trying to review the North Rocky Mount case—perhaps too much has been said about it already. Also, it is difficult to give all the facts, even if one knew them. We have mentioned this matter with the hope that some points may be cleared up for our readers who may not have had a chance to know the whole story. Two or three points need to be kept clearly in mind.

(1) The question at issue was not that of religious faith and practice but the protection of money and property which had been given in good conscience for sacred purposes. There should be no breach of trust with the living or dead who gave in support of our historic Baptist faith and practices.

(2) The devotion of Baptists to the autonomy of the local church has not been sacrificed or even weakened by this unfortunate episode. Rather the exception should prove the rule. Among the lessons which should be learned is that Baptist churches should be careful in calling pastors who may be strangers and about whom there may be question. Also churches should protect themselves before trouble arises by adopting proper constitutions and by-laws and by forming the firm purpose of keeping together in a wholesome Christian fellowship, "in honor preferring one another."

(3) Let us seek more earnestly the training and enlistment of our members so that they may know better what is the good and right way in a Missionary Baptist Church and so that they will not be swept off their feet when some propagandist, religious exploiter, or schismatic appears on the scene.

(4) We can learn the true and better Christian way in the words of the Supreme Court decision itself: "The heat of conflict is over, and the time has come in the Rocky Mount Missionary Baptist Church for the exercise of the Christian graces of reconciliation, forbearance, brotherly love and unity, according to the admonition given by the Apostle Paul to the Church at Corinth."

And note this clear statement as to the "true congregation:" "The proper conclusion of law in this case is that the true congregation of the North Rocky Mount Baptist Church consists of those members of its congregation who adhere to the characteristic doctrines, usages, customs and practices of that particular church, recognized and accepted by both factions before the dissension between them arose."—*Biblical Recorder.*



LEWIS LANE CHURCH ORGANIZED IN OWENSBORO—Some of the principals taking part in the recent organization of the new Lewis Lane Baptist Church, in southwest Owensboro, were (left to right): Pastor William J. Abbott of the young church; Charles Loyal, moderator of the new church; Cecil C. Laster, superintendent of missions in Daviess-McLean Association; Lucius E. Coleman, Sr., Kentucky secretary of Brotherhood work; and Pastor J. D. Herndon, of the mother church, Buena Vista, of Owensboro.

An Educated Ministry

By D. M. ALDRIDGE, President
Clear Creek Mountain Preachers' Bible School

Southern Baptists have long contended that a call to preach carries with it a call to prepare. We have worked diligently at this training program since the early days of the convention. Our five seminaries are doing excellent jobs of training missionaries, denominational leaders, and pastors for our larger churches.

With the rapid growth of our denomination there come constant calls for more trained leadership. It is doubtless true that we need another seminary to care for the rapidly increasing army of ministerial and missionary volunteers.

However, those of us in vital contact with the smaller churches doubt that little permanent help will be given to the country and village churches by this move. Seminary men seldom enter rural church work except as stepping stones to a larger, or a metropolitan church. The low economic standard prevailing in many rural areas makes it virtually impossible for seminary graduates to enter or remain in that type of work.

A number of state convention schools offer various extension courses in many towns. The extension work offered by the seminaries is also excellent in content and taught by consecrated teachers. In addition, the short term preachers' school and study courses offer some help. However, those aware of the rural needs realize all this is but a stop-gap program.

Dr. Porter Routh says that our Con-

vention now consists of 29,000 churches. Of that number, 14,660 are open country churches. Approximately 29% of the total number of churches are struggling quarter or half-time churches.

These churches need men who are fitted by character, personality, and training to be their leaders. Rural churches have their own distinctive problems for which specialized type of training is

March Cooperative Program Gifts Up

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BP) — Gifts to Baptist causes through the Cooperative Program in March were slightly greater than they were in March, 1954.

The Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention issued a financial statement showing Cooperative Program receipts for March were \$980,334. The statement was released by Porter Routh, executive secretary of the Executive Committee.

The amount received in March, 1954, was \$977,571.

For the three months of 1955, the total Cooperative Program receipts have amounted to \$2,896,847. This is \$140,552 or 5.1 per cent greater than the total receipts for the same months last year.

Designated gifts for March, 1955, were well ahead of those which came in the

necessary, not the least part of which is the encouragement of a willingness to go into the country, serve sacrificially, and meet the needs found there.

It is our conviction that Baptists need to expand the ministry of our seminaries and strengthen the extension program of both colleges and seminaries.

However, the problem of the open country Baptist churches will never be solved until our Convention moves actively into the field of Bible school work. The men from the Bible schools are fitted by character, personality, and training to serve in the rural churches and the larger number of them spend their lives in that phase of Baptist life. Southern Baptists should seriously consider the recognition or establishment of two or more Southern Baptist Bible Schools.

At the Southern Baptist Convention at Miami this spring let us face fairly and frankly the needs of our total Baptist constituency, and in a courageous manner, plan wisely to conserve all our leadership for the future.

15-Year Circulation Rise Noted For Baptist Papers

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — You have to multiply the 1940 circulation figure by six, then add a few more thousand, to reach the present-day circulation total of Southern Baptist state papers.

A report prepared for the forthcoming Southern Baptist Convention session at Miami, Florida, by the Committee on the Circulation Campaign for Baptist State Papers fixes the 1955 circulation total at 1,157,444.

The total circulation for Baptist papers in 1940, the year the committee on circulation was set up, was only 190,000.

previous March. The present year amount was \$847,874 as compared with \$608,618.

On a three-months' comparison, designated gifts are up 10.33 per cent, from \$3,776,585 last year to \$4,166,603. Total gifts, adding Cooperative Program with designated funds, are 8.12 per cent greater.

Kentucky contributed a total of \$68,097, of which \$50,142 was through the Cooperative Program and \$17,955 through designated offerings. This total contribution was tenth among states in the Southern Baptist Convention.

Disbursements for the month just passed were \$980,334 through the Cooperative Program and \$847,874 the same as receipts through designated outlays. The Foreign Mission Board, followed by the Home Mission Board, received the largest amounts.

CHILDREN'S PAGE

The Only Frog in the Pond

By ISOLE BAKER

Ozzie was a merry little tadpole, not much bigger than a bubble. He could dart, skim, and wiggle into the tiniest crevices of the rocks around the edge of the pond.

Ozzie hoped that someday he would grow up. He wanted to become a big green frog like Grandpa Croak. He grew four legs and lost his tail, and before Ozzie knew what was happening to him, he was a little frog.

As he grew Ozzie became a very selfish little frog. He wished for the day when he could leave home and find a pond all to himself. He wanted a place where he could sit on a log in the choice spot of sunshine and not be crowded by other frogs that wanted in the sunshine too. He wanted the biggest lily pad in the pond for his own. He wanted the best hiding place among the cattails if mean boys should come along.

"No frog will ever be happy if he won't associate with other frogs," warned Grandpa Croak. "You must learn to share with others and to be happy with them. Don't try to be the only frog in the pond."

But Ozzie didn't listen to the wise old frog. When he was old enough, he wandered from stream to stream looking for just the right place. Finally he came to an old mill that had been abandoned long ago. At one end of the millpond rushes were growing in the shallow water. Along one side were water lilies with big pads that looked inviting to Ozzie. There was even a log sticking out of the deep water where he could sit in the sun or drive into the deep water. Just the spot Ozzie had been looking for!

"This is where I shall make my home," he said. "I shall always be content here. I will never worry about what happened yesterday. I will never worry about what might happen tomorrow. I'll be happy the rest of my days."

Ozzie enjoyed the old millpond that day. He took no thought of time. He

liesurely swam out to the log for a sun bath, and there practiced his deep tones.

"Croak! Croak! Croak!" he sang. Then he winked and blinked and went to sleep.

After his nap Ozzie practiced diving. The exercise made him hungry, and so he swam to the bank and had a luscious meal of insects. With no other frogs around to catch them it was easy to find plenty of insects.

When night came though, he missed Grandpa Croak's deep bass voice saying, "Kerchunk! Kerchunk! Kerchunk!"

He missed the singing convention that started soon after dusk and lasted most of the night.

Everything was so very quiet at the old millpond that Ozzie couldn't sleep. He tried burying himself in the mud. He tried the biggest lily pad. He tried the old rotten log. He grew more and more restless.

"I'm lonesome," he thought, "but I don't want to go back home. Grandpa Croak warned me that I would never be happy as long as I was selfish."

Finally sunrise came. How happy Ozzie was when the long black quietness was gone. Even the splash that he made when he dived into the pond was a welcome noise to him.

After a swim around the pond, Ozzie started down the mill stream to look for some companions. Along the way he watched dragonflies skimming over the water. He saw turtles floating quietly, and a red-winged blackbird that had his nest in the rushes. He saw a mother deer showing her baby how to drink.

The stream tumbled and splashed as it wound its way among the hills. It jumped over big stones and fell into deep pools.

At the edge of one of these deep pools Ozzie met Bog and Tog, twin frogs, practicing their tones. Tog had a high so-

prano voice. He could make notes go way up here, but Bog had a deep bass voice. His notes went way down here.

Ozzie thought, "What a good time we could have together, practicing our tones every night, and playing leapfrog and follow-the-leader every day. It's no fun to be the only frog in the pond."

So Ozzie told Bog and Tog about the lovely place he had found near the old mill and invited them to share it with him. They decided to go with Ozzie.

The trip upstream was lots of fun. They played leapfrog over the big stones, and had races in the deep pools. They played follow-the-leader through the cattails and around the lily pads.

How happy Ozzie was when they at last came to the old millpond. He was glad to have friends with whom to share it. He was glad he would not have another lonesome night there. He was never again going to try to be the only frog in the pond.

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Learning God's Good Way Which One?

Karen's and Mary's mother was not feeling well. She asked Karen and Mary to wash and dry the breakfast dishes.

When they had finished the dishes, Mary said, "Let's surprise Mother! I will make the beds and you can empty the wastebaskets."

"No!" said Karen. "Mother just asked us to do the breakfast dishes. I am going to play with Helen." And she ran out the door.

Mary put the dishes away. Then she made the beds and emptied the wastebaskets.

Which one—Mary or Karen—showed best her love for her mother?

A Verse For You

And whosoever shall compel thee to go a mile, go with him twain (two).—Matt. 5:41.—(Prepared by Esther F. Thom). Copyrighted material used by permission.

Some Sounds To Guess

By Enola Chamberlin

Whether they're white or brown or black,
Ducks will always say, "....."
Dogs will whine or say "Bow-wow,"
But your kitten greets you "....."
Donkeys bray and mules do too,
But bossy cows say, only, "....."
Horses whinny, songbirds sing,
But boys and girls say any

Answers

Quack, quack; meow; meow; quack, quack.
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GOOD DEED TWINS

Campbellsville College Pushes "Earning and Learning" Project

CAMPBELLSVILLE, March 11. — A new student work program will be inaugurated at Campbellsville College here with the opening of the summer session June 7, according to Dr. John M. Carter, president. Approximately 35 students who are qualified to do college work and who need to earn their expenses will be employed under the new plan from the beginning. Eventually, it is hoped employment can be provided for at least 100 students.

Students entering the work program will work for three days of each week in a new college factory and will attend classes three days. By going to summer school as well as the regular school session they will be able to complete two years of college work in two calendar years.

Alumni and Campbellsville citizens recently gave money for the erection of a student industries building, and work will be started on this right away. A committee is now studying a wide offering of articles proposed to be manufactured and will decide soon what the factory will produce.

The articles manufactured in the college industry program will be marketed and, after expenses, the proceeds will be credited to the students' account. President Carter announces that it is necessary for the college to receive only 72 cents per hour from student labor in order for the student to pay all of his or her expenses. As a guarantee to students entering the program, the college assures them that by entering school this summer and continuing through the next regular session for a total of 42 weeks that the cost of the year's education cannot exceed \$200 per year for room, board, and tuition.

Students working under the program will not work for hourly wages but will join with administration and faculty of the college in a joint enterprise that is being designated "Earning and Learning."

Members of the faculty and staff who work with the students in various phases of the program will share in any profits accruing to the program.

Three full-time supervisors will be employed. Each supervisor will have charge of about 35 students, but only half of this number will be working at any one time.

The equipment necessary for the setting up of the factory will be donated by friends of the school, Dr. Carter has reported. The supervisors' salaries for the first year have already been provided. The success of the program is assured by the fact that only 32 cents per hour will be required from the stu-

dent labor to make it a paying venture. Even if no more than this basic amount were secured, the student would have to raise only \$200 to pay for a year's education. The remainder of the \$625 total would be raised in the following way:

The college will provide \$100 per student as a subsidy through its gifts program; the remaining \$325 will accrue to the student's account through his work.

All returns above the earning of 32 cents per hour will be declared as dividends and divided as follows: 50% to

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the student workers; 15% among the three full-time supervisors; and 35% for maintenance and faculty supervision, Dr. Carter has announced.

If 72 cents per hour can be secured from the student labor, each student would receive \$200 additional, thus paying his total school expenses. The amount accruing to the college and the faculty on this basis would be \$20,000.

Students who desire to remain at the college between the closing of the summer term and the opening of the fall semester can work in the industrial program full time and probably make enough money to provide for books, clothing, and incidental spending money, Dr. Carter reports. He has stated that as many as 50 per cent of the students

working in the program can probably be employed during the vacation period.

Students will be accepted for the work program beginning June 7 on the basis of financial need and academic standing.

Dr. Carter announces that friends of the college can help the new program in three ways: By suggesting articles that might be considered for manufacture; by recommending worthy college students who need financial help; and by subsidizing the program in gifts of \$100 or more.

Those wanting further information should write directly to President Carter.—KENTUCKY BAPTIST SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES NEWS.

Marion Baptist Church Entered New Educational Building March 6

MARION, Ky. — The new Educational Building of the Marion Baptist Church was opened March 6. The new project is a three floor structure, consisting of 50 rooms, 17 halls and storage rooms. Including the original basement, the school can accommodate 655, and after the auditorium is enlarged it will seat 655. All rooms on the main floor are not yet complete. An open house was held on that day, with members and visitors touring the building and more than 350 signing the register.

The original building was completed in 1947 at a cost of \$130,000. This debt was liquidated in May, 1954. The new structure, when completed, is expected to cost \$70,000. The entire property of the Marion Baptist Church is now valued at \$207,000, including the Pastor's home, next door.

Rev. R. C. Hill was pastor when the original building was erected. He served for four years. Rev. Leslie Gilbert was pastor from 1949 to 1951, in which year he died of a heart attack.

Rev. Shelby R. Beaty became pastor in August, 1951. Since then the Sunday school enrolment has grown from 434 to 554, the church roll has been increased by 109 baptisms and by 100 joining by letter. The membership is now 535. A total of \$16,000 has been given to missions, and the total gifts to all purposes have been \$128,000.

►Pastor Thomas Jasper (Jack) Tichenor, of the Seventh Street Baptist Church of Memphis, Tenn., is to preach in evangelistic meetings with Pastor William Parsons at the Knoxville Baptist Church in Crittenden Association, April 24-29. Evangelist Tichenor grew up in Spencer County, Kentucky, was graduated from Georgetown College and the Southern Seminary, was pastor of such churches as Ormsby Avenue of Louisville and the East Church of Paducah before going to Memphis, so he is no stranger in the Corncracker State.



NEW PRESS OFFICERS—Members of the Southern Baptist Press Association elected new officers in their meeting at Birmingham, Ala. B. J. Murrie, standing in center, editor of Illinois Baptist, was elected president to succeed David M. Gardner, Dallas, Texas, former editor of Baptist Standard. Gardner is seated in front of Murrie. Murrie is flanked by other officers, Floyd Looney, right, editor, California Southern Baptist, new vice-president, and W. G. Stracener, left, editor, Florida Baptist Witness, re-elected secretary. Seated with Gardner are E. D. Solomon, left, former editor, Florida Baptist Witness, and L. L. Gwaltney, right former editor, Alabama Baptist—BAPTIST PRESS

"From Rags to Riches" Has Its Counterpart in From Missionaries' Heir to Millionaire

Dear Dr. Skinner: Having noticed your statement with reference to the liquor advertisements, it occurred to me the following statement with reference to the editor of that interesting magazine, LIFE, would be of interest:

Henry R. Luce, Jr., was born in my wife's home in Tengchow, China, about the middle of the year of 1898, two years before my wife and I were married. At the end of June, 1900, when the Boxer Soldiers came into Tengchow, Henry R. Luce, Sr., had a heart attack which disqualified him for attending to any of the usual affairs incident to an occasion like that. A little Chinese Man of War, friendly to us, was anchored in our harbour. In addition to little Henry the beautiful little Mrs. Henry R. Luce, Sr., was then the mother of a very little five weeks' old baby girl, and she—Mrs. Luce—was not very well.

It fell to my lot to take care of Mrs. Luce and the two children. With the

tiny baby wrapped in her blankets, tucked under my right arm, little Henry held with my left hand, and, extending what help I could to Mrs. Luce, I marched them two miles from their home to the sea, through the cursing, threatening mob who threw sticks and stones. But I got them on board the Chinese Man of War safely.

Then I left the women and children, including my wife, to whom I was married twenty-four hours before, and went back on shore where I remained for four days and nights, dismissing the girls' school and getting the written promise of the official to protect our property.

Mr. Henry R. Luce, Jr., was sending TIME to my wife complimentary, but when he refused to leave out the liquor advertisements she had him discontinue the magazine.—J. C. Owen, 106 Ivy Drive, Linkhorn Park, Virginia Beach, Virginia.

COUNSELOR'S CORNER

BY DR. R. LOFTON HUDSON

In Love With A Catholic

Question: I am a Baptist and much in love with a Catholic boy. We were engaged until about six months ago, when we broke our engagement. He



Dr. R. L. Hudson

told me many times that even if it did mean his losing me that he would never leave Catholicism.

I am sure that I love him. Can I ever get over it? Is there more than one true love in life?

Answer: If you still have any hopes to make a go of such a marriage, I suggest that you read James

A. Pike's *If You Marry Outside Your Faith* (Harper and Bros., 1954). It is rare that such a marriage, between a Baptist and a Catholic, is really a happy marriage.

It occurs to me that you are in love with love. This is not a good state of affairs. It probably grows out of your failure to build a good, rich cluster of friends. Girls who do not build many close friends do not make good wives anyway. Their love is clinging, fearful, and dependent.

You can get over this love affair if you will grow up emotionally. What you are doing now is loving a ghost, the image you retain of what the Catholic boy meant to you.

Of course there may be other loves. But that will depend on whether you love people as they are, or love the image of yourself which you see in them.

I would take a problem like this to Christ. It may make a woman out of you. But it will not be easy. God bless you!

(Address all questions to Dr. Hudson, Wornall Road Baptist Church, 400 W. Meyer, Kansas City, Missouri.)

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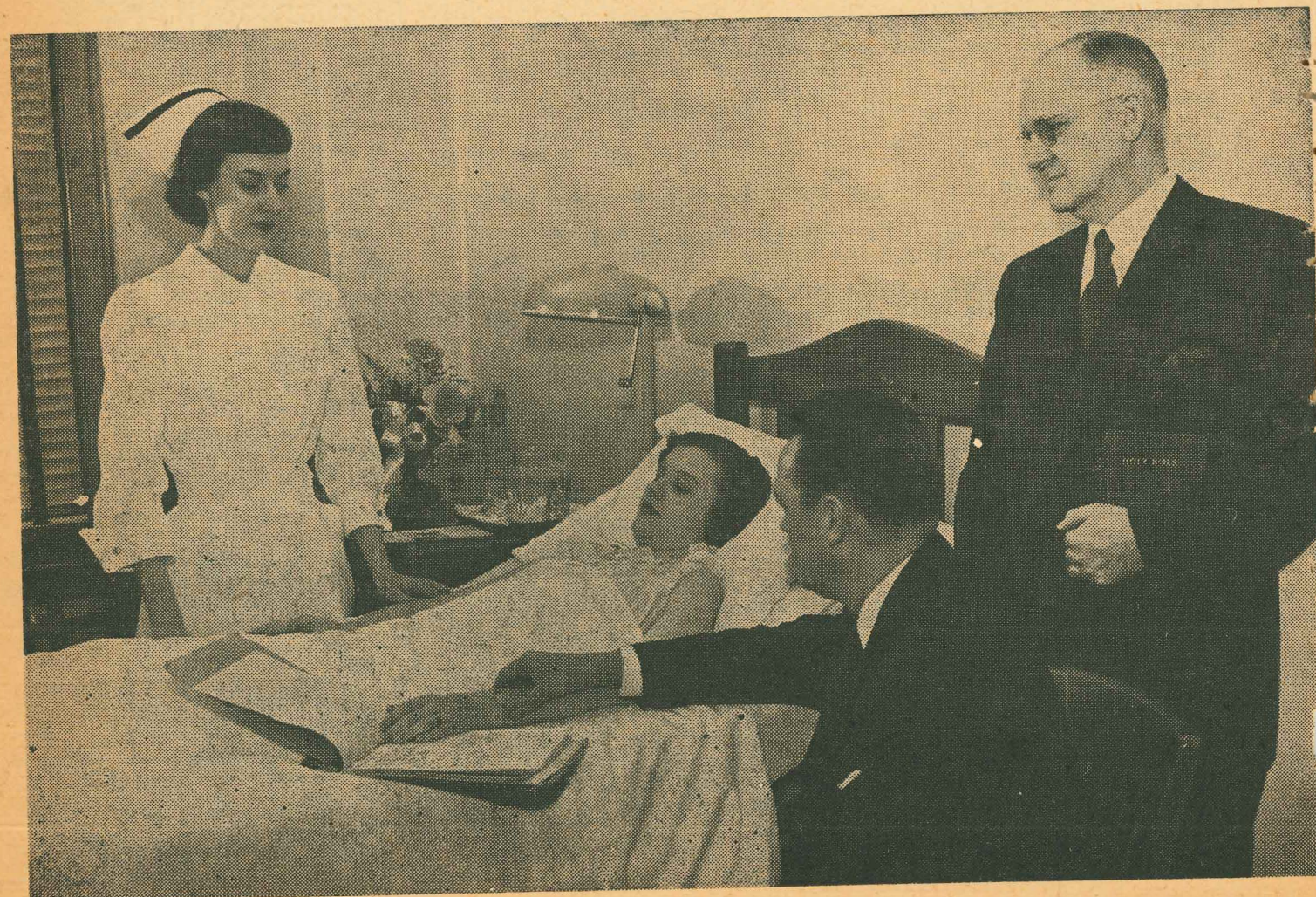
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Our message is in the interest to which Christ gave much of His time, namely, Healing the Sick. Kentucky Baptists have three very fine and well equipped hospitals. We want them to be available to every Baptist. Most of our sick are able to pay for hospital services but many cannot. It is concerning this latter group that we seek your assistance.

With approval of the General Association, we are asking all Sunday Schools of our state to take an offering on Mother's Day to provide hospital care for those who cannot pay. The response in the past has been disappointing. The amount given last year to all three hospitals was \$16,682.08. As a comparison the Baptists of North Carolina gave more than \$175,000 and the Baptists of Georgia gave more than \$111,000. The amount given by almost 600,000 Kentucky Baptists is much too meager to meet our heavy demands. We would like to see every Baptist in the state make a contribution this year for charity patients.

The Sunday School Charity Fund is our only systematic method of providing free care. With our enlarged hospital program in Kentucky, demands on this Fund are growing rapidly. Our obligations are heavy. We cannot support this service from our operating income. We do not believe our paying patients should pay the charity load. We must ask our Baptist people and churches to provide these funds for us. It is the desire of everyone that more free care be given. To do this we must give generously. The offering this year is on Mother's Day, Sunday, May 8. Contributions will be divided between the three hospitals according to bed capacity.

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KENTUCKY BAPTIST HOSPITALS

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State Training Union Convention Meets in Lexington Next Week

Mr. Keith Mee, president of the Kentucky Training Union Convention, will preside over its annual meeting to be held this year at Calvary Baptist Church, Lexington, May 6-7.

"Be Strong in the Lord," is the Training Union theme for 1955 and also will serve as the theme of the Convention.

The opening session of the Convention will begin at 6:40 on Friday night, May 6. The last session will be held Saturday afternoon. Free bed and breakfast may be secured by immediately contacting the Homes Committee of Calvary Baptist Church. Tickets for the Saturday Luncheons will be available by contacting Mrs. Henry Shields, 751 Allendale Drive, Lexington, by Monday, May 1.

The detailed program of the Convention including the speakers follows:

FRIDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 6

2:30—Registration and Room Assignments

FRIDAY EVENING, MAY 6

6:40—Prelude
6:50—Congregational Singing Dick Baker, Leading
7:15—"Strong in Faith" Donald F. Ackland
7:35—Welcome Franklin Owen
Earl Goodman

7:40—Announcements
8:00—State Intermediate Sword Drill Versil Crenshaw, Conducting
(Participants: Winners of 1954-55 Regional Drills)
—Offering
—Report of Judges
8:45—Special Music Dick Baker
—Message Kyle M. Yates, Sr.
—Benediction

SATURDAY MORNING, MAY 7

8:30—Prelude
8:45—Congregational Singing Dick Baker
9:00—"Strong in Loyalty" Donald F. Ackland
9:20—Announcements
9:30—Age Group Conferences
Conferences will be held for each age group. Leadership Conferences are also being provided.
11:00—Junior Memory Work Drill Mrs. James Whaley, Conducting
(Participants: Winners of 1954-55 Regional Drills)
—Offering
—Report of Judges
11:45—Life Dedication Service
—Special Music Dick Baker
Message Kyle M. Yates, Sr.

LUNCHEONS, MAY 7

1:00—Adult, Young People, Intermediate, Junior, and Nursery, Beginner, and Primary Luncheons will be held at different churches. Transportation to and from the luncheons will be furnished.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 7

2:30—Prelude
2:45—Congregational Singing Dick Baker, Leading
3:00—"Strong in Purpose" Donald F. Ackland
3:20—Business Session
3:30—Young People's Speakers' Tournament Harold Tallant, Conducting
(Participants: Winners of 1954-55 Regional Drills)
—Offering
—New Officers Recognition J. Chester Badgett
—Report of Judges
—Benediction

1955 CONVENTION ADJOURNED

Intermediates, Do You Like To Write?

One Intermediate from Kentucky is wanted to serve for two years on the Advisory Staff of the Intermediate Union Quarterlies. Here are the requirements. Read them carefully! The Intermediate must be either thirteen or fourteen years old now. He must write a letter to the

editor of the Intermediate Quarterlies, Mrs. J. E. Lambdin, 127 Ninth Avenue, North, Nashville 3, Tennessee. Tell these things about himself: age (give exact date of birth), grade in school, subjects he likes best, hobbies, experience in writing or serving on school paper, a little about his church and union; what ages are included in his union. Add anything of interest about himself such as whether he has attend-

ed Glorieta or Ridgecrest Training Union assemblies. He must include in his letter one idea for improving the quarterly either in appearance or interest or both.

Letters will be judged on the basis of originality, correctness of composition and spelling, and genuine interest. Remember only one Intermediate from Kentucky can be chosen, so do your best!

May 15 will be the deadline for receiving the letters.

If your letter is chosen, you will be notified by mail. Your picture will be run in the *Baptist Intermediate Union Quarterly II*. If your letter is chosen, your duties on the staff will be fun. The editors will want you to help "think up" ideas to make the quarterlies more attractive. You will be asked to answer a quarterly questionnaire telling the editors how the lessons met the needs of your union and making suggestions for improvement.

Don't put it off. Write your letter today!

Report from Associations

Warren Association—Rev. Harold Matthews, the associational director, reports the organization of one new Training Union for last quarter as well as a number of new departments and unions in the association. Eight hundred were present for a combination Baptist Youth Night and Mass Meeting. Certainly the association is to be congratulated on this attendance.

Baptist Association—The Baptist Association held its Mass Meeting this quarter at the Friendship Baptist Church on April 3. The attendance was good with one hundred twenty-nine as the total. The eastern B. S. U. Choir was used in this program. As you can see, the association is making use of the college young people and stressing the importance of Training Union while at college.

We are looking for more reports which will include the assistance of the B. S. U. ers'. To those on the college campus, we say to you, we greatly appreciate your work, and are glad to see the interest of the students in Training Union.

Graves County Association—Monday, April 4, the associational officers of the Graves County Association met with Charles Ham at the Northside Baptist Church of Mayfield for the Associational Manual review.

This was a very successful meeting with a large percentage of the officers present.

Mr. Robert W. Adams is the associational director and is leading in an excellent way. Rev. Orman Stegall is the associational missionary and is lending his support to the Training Union program.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

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

THANK YOU, RETIRING LEADERS!

The 1955 annual session of Kentucky Baptist Woman's Missionary Union brought many changes in our work, including the adoption of new By-laws and a resolution setting in motion the plans for the ultimate transfer of Royal Ambassadors to the Brotherhood.

The term of office of a number of our officers expired with this meeting, and new personnel were elected to succeed them.

Our President

Our sincere thanks go to Mrs. Encil Deen, of Lexington, who has served so faithfully as our president during these past four years. She has given with great liberality of her time and outstanding abilities during these important years and has led us to new heights of achievement. Notably, among her accomplishments we shall long remember is her leadership during the planning for and observance of our fiftieth anniversary. We shall long remember her work with gratitude.

Others Retire from Office

A constant source of gratitude, also, is the consecrated, dependable service of our officers who give so unselfishly of themselves for the advancement of Christ's Kingdom through Kentucky W.M.U. Those who have served during the past four years and who now take up other duties in other places of responsibility have continued to hold high these splendid standards of service and helped make possible the outstanding achievements and growth of these years. We salute with gratitude the following who retire after serving during the past four years: Vice-President, Mrs. A. C. Overall, Lawrenceburg; Recording Secretary, Mrs. W. J. Clark; Assistant Recording Secretary, Mrs. Charles P. Gunther; State Community Missions Chairman, Mrs. George N. Smitl, Georgetown; Resident members of the Executive Committee, Mrs. Thurston Cooke, Mrs. Hugh Peterson, Mrs. Henry Schoo, and Mrs. L. M. Polhill who has moved to another state. (Those whose home is not given live in Louisville.)

We will publish a full report of the State Meeting on this page soon, giving an account of important actions taken, a list of new leadership elected and a picture of our new president, Mrs. H. C. Randall of Columbia. Be watching for this important news.

The 1955 meeting was outstanding in spirit, accomplishments and in attendance and led us to face the future in

the confidence that we shall go on to even greater heights of achievement, keeping in mind the urgency of the hour in which we live to make our theme a living one for today—to truly "Go Quickly and Tell."

Y. W. A. CONFERENCE AT RIDGECREST

"Picture a spot of beauty rare,
Picture the skies so blue and fair,
Paint it with rainbow hues so bright
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Frame it with inspiration true
Then let it fill the heart of you—
A picture of Ridgecrest it will be
A challenge to you and to me."

June 16-22 many young women from all over the entire Southern Baptist Convention will have this picture of Ridgecrest imprinted on their hearts as they attend the Young Woman's Auxiliary Conference at Ridgecrest, North Carolina.

Ridgecrest has become known for its breath-taking beauty, towering mountains, blue skies, soft clouds draping the mountains in early morning, lofty pine trees, invigorating coolness of mountain air. Not only has it become known as a place of beauty but also as a place of spiritual refreshment for over one thousand members of Young Woman's Auxiliaries from over the Southland.

Young women will learn more about home and foreign missions and the Bible as they are taught by missionaries and outstanding denominational leaders. This week will also better prepare them to serve God through Young Woman's Auxiliary. There will be YWA leaders from all over the convention who will exchange ideas and receive many new suggestions on enlistment, programs, socials, and other phases of Young Woman's Auxiliary life.

The fellowship and fun planned for the afternoons is one of the outstanding parts of the week. There will be tours, religious movies, creative crafts, hikes, plays, and outdoor activities.

This well-rounded program makes it a favorite spot for any YWA from high school, college hospital, or the business world, to spend her vacation.

Plans have been made for a delightful trip for the group from Kentucky. The group will leave Louisville at 6:45 p.m. June 15 and arrive at Ridgecrest at 12:05 p.m. June 16. If as many as forty girls attend, they will travel in a special railway coach with reclining chairs. Girls who do not want to come to Louisville may board the train at the follow-

ing places: Cincinnati, Ohio 9:50 p.m.; Lexington, 10:30 p.m.; Danville 11:25 p.m.; Somerset 12:45 a.m. and Stearns 1:57 a.m. The train from Cincinnati will meet the one from Louisville at Danville. The group will be traveling on the Southern Railway System and will return to Louisville by the same system on June 23. The round-trip ticket is only \$24.

Reservations for fifty girls have been made in Pritchell Hall, which is one of the Central Buildings on the Ridgecrest Grounds. It is located near the dining room, auditorium, gift shop and postoffice. The rates will run from \$3.50 (room for five with bath on hall) to \$4.50 (room for five with private bath) per day. This includes your meals and room.

The complete cost of the week will not exceed \$60. Churches and Associations are urged to help some worthy girl to attend this week when she will be led to walk closer with God and with fellow Christians in the midst of God's lovely creations. Reservations should be made by sending a \$2.00 registration fee to Miss Beulah Wingo, 127 E. Broadway, Louisville, Kentucky. Complete information and reservation blanks are being sent to each counselor.

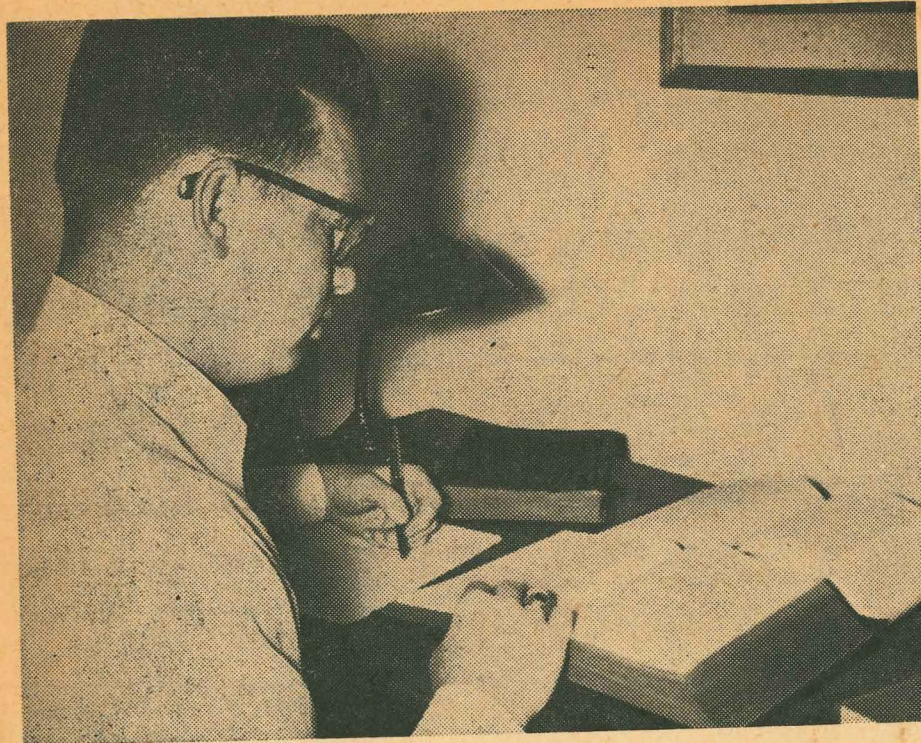
G. A. Focus Week

May 8-14 many churches will be observing G. A. Focus Week. Complete plans for the week are in the April issue of *Tell Magazine*. These plans were written by the Southwide Secretary of Youth, Miss Margaret Bruce, and will serve an excellent guide for your activities during the week. Many requests have come to the State Office for plans for a Mother-daughter Banquet and for a new Coronation Service, we are happy to announce that these two helps are ready and will be sent to counselors upon request.

CHURCH NIGHT OF STEWARDSHIP

Each church where there are WMU Young People's Organizations should observe the Church Night of Stewardship before September 30. Complete plans for this night are in the leaflet "Stewardship Plans for WMU Young People." Young People's Directors are urged to start planning for this program. This leaflet is available from the State WMU Office.

Arrangements for the Golden Jubilee World Baptist Congress, to be held in London, July 16-22, were completed by the planning committee at a meeting in Washington, D. C. last week. Approximately 7,200 from sixty-one countries are expected to attend. Louie D. Newton, Atlanta, will participate in the opening session, during which Lawrence A. North, Wellington, New Zealand, will deliver the keynote address. Billy Graham will close the congress at a mass rally in the 50,000-seat Arsenal Football Stadium.



SEVEN FRAMES in the new slide production, "Doing Good Through the Cooperative Program," including the picture shown here, are devoted to Christian education. This kodachrome slide set was released last week by the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky. Use it to promote the supplemental offering for the Cooperative Program in your church June 12. Order free from Miss Valedia Wolford, 127 East Broadway, Louisville 2, Kentucky.—Photo by Gainer E. Bryan, Jr.

Ralph Benningfield is Ordained At Mt. Gilboa

CAMPBELLSVILLE, Ky., April 11.—A council met at the Good Hope Baptist Church yesterday afternoon and ordained Ralph Benningfield to the work of the full Gospel ministry.

The council was composed of the following: Pastor Earl T. Wright and the deacons of the Mount Gilboa Church; Deacon Miller of Mt. Washington Church; Pastor Carl Loy and the deacons of Good Hope Church, all of the East Lynn Association; Pastor Henry Parrott of Fairview and Poplar Grove Churches of Russell County Association; Pastor Paul Payne of Robinson Creek Church in Russell Creek Association; and Brother Abraham Berry, dis-

trict missionary of East Lynn and Russell Creek Associations.

Brother Berry led the opening prayer. Pastor Loy served as moderator and led the interrogation and Pastor Parrott (a brother-in-law of the candidate) presented the Bible. The prayer was led by Brother Earl T. Wright, after which followed the laying on of hands and the benediction by Brother Benningfield.

The newly ordained young man has been called to be pastor of the Lone Valley Church in Russell Creek Association. He is a student in the Southern Seminary.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE, APRIL 17, 1955

The Western Recorder will hereafter put in Sunday School Attendance Reports down to as low as 100.

Numeral after church indicates number of missions.

Church	T.U.	S.S.
Anchorage, Pleasant Grove	135	287
Arlington, First	84	247
Ashland, Unity	97	496
Bardstown	555	496
Beaver Dam (1)	196	655
Bellevue	98	494
Benton, Briensburg	110	250
Blackford	125	256
Blackford	70	201
Bowling Green, Eastwood	96	237
First (2)	292	1,188

Burlington	74	263
Cadiz	85	389
Campbellsville (3)	696	265
Palestine	169	302
Pleasant Hill	88	279
South Campbellsville	121	295
Carlisle (1)	280	280
Carrollton, First	256	571
Central City, First	282	282
Clay, First	219	388
Cloverport	90	737
Corbin, First	153	786
Central (1)	786	560
Covington, Calvary	227	1,246
First (1)	265	548
Latonia (2)	112	233
South Side	112	314
Cox's Creek, New Salem	64	502
Crestwood	64	502
Cynthiana (2)	135	671
Danville, First (2)	135	671

Lexington Avenue (1)	554
Dayton, First	305
Dawson Springs	462
Elizabethtown, Severns Valley (3)	1,073
Erlanger	85
Evansville, Ind., Calvary	140
Grace	294
Keck Avenue	96
Walnut Street (2)	322
Falmouth	243
Ferguson (1)	87
Fort Thomas, First	84
Frankfort, First (1)	175
Crestwood	92
Thorn Hill	136
Franklin, First	439
Fulton, First	128
Glasgow (1)	130
Grant's Lick	111
Greensburg	88
Greenville, First	153
Harlan	136
Harrodsburg (2)	255
Shawnee Run	235
Hartford	102
Hawesville	71
Hazard (2)	82
Hazard	84
Henderson, First (1)	172
Highspint (1)	66
Hima, Horse Creek	228
Hodgenville, First	131
Hopkinsville, First (1)	187
Second	207
Horse Cave	227
Hudgins, Aetna Grove	212
Jellico, Tenn., Crouches Creek	52
Junction City	106
LaGrange, DeHaven Memorial	14
Lawrenceburg, First	93
Lebanon, First (1)	140
Leitchfield	89
Lexington, Calvary (1)	195
Grace (2)	225
Immanuel	268
Porter Memorial	178
Rosemont	81
London, First (1)	183
Liberty	69
Livia, Mt. Carmel	102
Louisville, Audubon	77
Baptist Tabernacle	196
Baptist Temple	371
Beechland	128
Beechwood	59
Beechmont (2)	209
Bethlehem	139
Bethany	54
Broadway	71
Buechel Park	83
Carlisle Avenue (2)	346
Clifton (1)	122
Clifton	83
Eastern Parkway	125
Eighteenth Street	141
Fairdale (2)	507
Farmdale	404
Gethsemane	103
Harmony	110
Hazelwood	54
Highland (1)	170
Immanuel	108
Kenwood	49
Ninth and O (10)	1,180
Parkland (1)	334
Portland Ave.	44
St. Matthews	170
Shawnee	415
Shively (2)	207
Southside (1)	136
Third Avenue	143
Twenty-third and Broadway (2)	238
Valley View	147
Victory Memorial (2)	164
Virginia Avenue	259
Walnut Street (4)	153
West Side	274
Ludlow, First	95
Lyndon	216
Madisonville, First	161
Marion	290
Mayfield, First	762
Middlesboro, First (5)	351
East Cumberland Avenue	48
Monticello, First	170
Morgantown (1)	230
Mt. Sterling	117
Mt. Washington	216
Muldraugh	862
Murray, First	710
Newport, First (2)	112
Trinity	93
Owensboro, Buena Vista	208
Eaton Memorial (1)	187
First (1)	543
Hall Street (1)	127
Macedonia	117
Seven Hills	640
Third (1)	218
Paducah, East	206
First (1)	657

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Mackay Refutes Nixon on World Roll

WASHINGTON, D. C. — A paean of praise to the supposedly powerful "anti-Communism" of the Roman Catholic Church was sung by United States Vice-President Richard M. Nixon as he conferred on February 13 with a Guatemalan archbishop during a "good will" tour—but his words brought sharp rejoinder two days later from the Rev. Dr. John A. Mackay, president of the World Presbyterian Alliance and also of Princeton Theological Seminary, and a POAU vice-president, as he addressed North American delegates at the Alliance at a meeting in Ottawa, Canada.

Nixon had told Msgr. Mariano Rosselly Arellano, archbishop of Guatemala: "You were an inspiration to all people during the dark days of Communist domination here . . . Leaders of the [Roman Catholic] church by their courage, their sacrifices and their martyrdom have inspired people and have earned the gratitude of people all over the world" for their efforts in successfully providing "one of the major bulwarks against Communism and totalitarian ideas."

Mackay commented on February 15: "In charity, but with candor and at the risk of being termed a bigot, I am compelled sorrowfully to say that the exact opposite is true . . ."

"Two decades ago the Roman Catholic Church made concordats with the totalitarian rulers of Italy and Germany, Benito Mussolini and Adolf Hitler. Today the Roman Catholic Church has a concordat with, and is the chief supporter of Francisco Franco, the totalitarian ruler of Spain and the most hated man in Spanish history.

"It is also a painful fact that those

Latin countries where the Roman Catholic Church has been the predominant religious influence have been breeding grounds for Communism. This is true of Italy; it is particularly true of lands in Latin America."

The Presbyterian leader saw two "sinister effects" flowing from what he called "the antipathy which the Roman hierarchy in Latin America has shown toward democratic ideas and land reform measures in such countries, for example, as Guatemala and Colombia." These "effects," he said, were the growth of Communism at the same time that promoters of freedom and justice were being falsely labelled "Communists." Dr. Mackay is familiar with both the language and the cultures of Latin America, having taught at the University of Lima, Peru, for many years and spent considerable time in other Latin nations.

Vice-President Nixon's address to the Guatemalan Archbishop had been appropriately received by the latter, who said in reply that his church's anti-Communist "strength" is one "which can be considered completely disinterested. It is an obligation to sacrifice oneself, to combat all that is evil in the world, and personal interests should not enter. There is no particular merit in that, it is a duty." On the question of popular feeling and regard to the Communist-oriented regime of former President Paco Arbenz Guzman, he observed that the people had accepted that regime with "good faith but they inadvertently furthered the cause of Communism" and that "once the movement against Communism came these people deserted the Communists."

Asia's Crisis is Mission Opportunity, Says Crawley

RICHMOND, Va. — "The crisis in Asia is the opportunity for Christian missions," says Dr. Winston Crawley, the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board's secretary for the Orient, who arrived in the States last week for a two months' stay.

"Asia is in the middle of a revolution—a revolution that includes every area of human life," he continued. "And this revolution is not going to stop within our lifetime. That means that there will be continued turmoil, continued crisis, continued problems and chaos for as long as we live. We can expect it.

"The revolution is not just Communist agitation; it is people who want a good life and are determined to have it. Above all, they want the other people of the world to be concerned for them as people who want a good life and are determined to have it. Above all, they want the other people of the world to be con-

cerned for them as people and not just as possible allies against an enemy. Most Asians feel that America is concerned with the Communist angle and is not really concerned with helping the people of Asia to have a better life."

What is happening in Asia is basically what happened in the United States during the American Revolution, Dr. Crawley continued. "Our sympathy must be and should be with these people in their desires."

In many areas, he said, Asians are getting more of what they want. Burma, India, Ceylon, Pakistan, Indonesia, the Philippines, and South Korea have gained their independence in the past 10 years. These countries have well over 500,000,000 people.

Dr. Crawley said the revolution in Asia has two vital meanings for mission work there. First, it means that mission work is done in the midst of difficulty.

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And, second, the very uncertainty and chaos and crisis offer opportunity. To say to Christian missions, "Do not go into Asia until the crisis is over," is to say to the doctor, "Do not go into that city until the danger of the epidemic is over," he explained.

"The purpose of mission work is to meet the needs and the opportunities of the people. The crisis in Asia has shaken the old patterns and the people are ready for the gospel. Asia is plowed ground.

"My main concern is that the people of Asia have the moral and spiritual maturity and the integrity required by their new freedoms. Our missionaries in the Orient are trying to help them have the spiritual resources to meet the demands of the day."

Dr. Crawley will be in Richmond for the April and May meetings of the Foreign Mission Board and will attend the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention in Miami before returning to his headquarters in Singapore.

► F. Raymond Richardson, 26, missionary to South Brazil, died recently following an operation. He and Mrs. Richardson were appointed for foreign mission service in April, 1953.

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Russell Creek Association Holds Enlargement

In preparation for the special spring revival effort, twelve churches held Simultaneous Enlargement Campaigns. A census was taken or brought up to date, a training course was taught on Sunday school administration, the census was tabulated, and recommendations made for enlarging the Sunday school organization. Other plans were made regarding space, visitation, records, etc., to better prepare the church for reaching and winning the many prospects that were found.

The churches had a combined resident church membership of 2,998 with 3,070 enrolled in Sunday school. The prospects found totaled 2,861, of which 1,353 were lost (nine years of age and above). This furnished a wealth of material for use during the revival.

The participating churches were: Beech Grove, Brush Creek, Campbellsville, Columbia, Elkhorn, Friendship, Greensburg, Lone Valley, Mt. Roberts, Summerville, Walnut Hill, and Robinson Creek.

The directors that served during the week were Lyndon Collings, W. G. Potts, Chester A. Igleheart, C. P. Hargis, Marshall Fletcher, Aubrey Eckenroth, A. B. Colvin, Hobart E. Beck, W. C. Younce, H. D. Standifer, William Rogers, and Doyle Denny.

E. Lee Edwards, Associational Sunday School Superintendent, Abraham Berry, Associational Missionary, and Chester A. Igleheart, State Sunday School Department, worked together in promoting this enlargement effort.

Features for Key Leaders

By Charles L. McKay

It is hard to think that the Southside Sunday School Conferences at Ridgecrest and Glorieta could be better than in previous years. However, they will be better for pastors, directors of religious education, and Sunday school superintendents. Special conferences, both morning and night, for each of these key leaders have been planned. Some of the most successful leaders of the denomination have been enlisted to direct these special conferences.

Ridgecrest, An Experience With God

Dr. J. C. Murphy, pastor of Temple Church, Ruston, Louisiana, came away

from Ridgecrest last summer saying, "Ridgecrest is truly an experience with God. It was my first but not my last trip there." Let Dr. Murphy express his own feeling about the matter after his first trip to Ridgecrest:

"I had been too busy to go to Ridgecrest. To tell you the truth, the fact that a pastor needed to go had never really got hold of me. The superintendent of our Sunday school, Mr. W. R. Pearce, along with several others had gone from our church. They had tried to get me to go, but all my spare time was taken up in revivals. This past year four of us went to the first Sunday School Week.

"It was my first trip there, but it shall not be my last. Let me share with you one of the many reasons on the basis of which my decision to return to Ridgecrest has been made.

"In the plans for reaching people as worked out and suggested by our Sunday School Board, Southern Baptists have the Great Commission in operation. At Ridgecrest they send us back to do a better job of it.

"But someone says, 'I don't have to go to Ridgecrest to know that.' Obviously that is true, but 'up there' something extra is available. Regardless of prior training and experience, one will return to his assignment with enlarged vision, with deepened conviction and with more complete dedication to the work of the Master.

"In these servants of the people in our Sunday School Board God has given us people with far-sighted vision, with wise leadership, and with humble spirit. To them I'm grateful for the experience of Ridgecrest because it is more than a geographical location; it is an experience with God."

"We Got the Pattern at Glorieta"

Henry Talbott, educational director of Temple Baptist Church, Arlington, Texas, says, "I know you will be happy to hear the results of what has happened in the enlargement and enlistment of our church in two month's time after our trip to Glorieta to the first Sunday School Week this year. We have organized new departments and new classes and have almost tripled the number of workers in our Sunday school.

"We had seven departments; we now have fourteen. We had twenty-one classes; we now have forty-seven. We had thirty-five workers; we now have ninety-eight. Our weekly average attendance was 211, and for the month of August, which was our hottest month this year, we had an average of 314 a Sunday. Truly, enlargement and enlistment and the pattern of organization has been the key to our growth.

"Our people have seen the need for other workers going to Glorieta by my trip there. They have set aside in our new budget for five of our departmental workers to attend next year."

New Gray Baptist Church is Dedicated In All-Day Ceremonies

GRAY, Ky., March 24. — The Gray Baptist Church dedicated its finished auditorium, Sunday, March 20, with all-day services. This building replaces the one burned in 1951 after having been finished only one week. The dedication services stated with the Sunday school and morning worship, Brother S. R. Helton, missionary for the North Concord and Lynn Camp Associations, bringing the message. Dinner was served in the basement of the church 12:30-1:30 by the ladies.

Dr. Ralph Voris, a former pastor and now pastor of the Riverside Baptist Church of Four Mile, preached the dedication sermon at the afternoon service and a history of the church, written by R. I. Gray, was read by C. B. Donaldson. The prayer of dedication was offered by Rev. C. R. Brock, another former pastor. Rev. Jack Lowndess, also a former pastor and now pastor of the Erlanger Baptist Church, was the speaker at the evening service.

The Cumberland Baptist College Choir, directed by Mr. Cleeson was with us and their fine numbers were much appreciated. Miss Lois Sasser, music and voice teacher sang at the evening service, singing "God Bless This House."

The present pastor, E. P. Whitt, has led this church for the past two years and God has richly blessed the work. The auditorium is finished in white oak.

Oklahoma Baptists Distributed \$2,728,764 During 1954

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla. — Okla. — (BP) — The Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma distributed \$2,728,764 to various denominational causes in 1954, T. B. Lackey, convention executive secretary-treasurer, has reported.

Of that amount, \$1,634,096 was disbursed through the Cooperative Program; \$619,028 through designated offerings, and \$475,639 through other channels, not counted as gifts.

During the year, the convention received \$2,717,541 including \$1,622,279 through the Cooperative Program and \$619,622 in designated gifts.

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We leave next Tuesday, May 3, on the Baptist Men's Tour which will take us on a visit to all institutions owned and operated by the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky.

Over night stops will be: May 3—Georgetown, Georgetown College; May 4—Williamsburg, Cumberland College; May 5—Hopkinsville, Bethel College. Baptist men of our state are urged to attend the rally to be held at each of these colleges which is nearest to them. A good program is planned at each place and will be a blessing to all who can attend.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

June 24—Annual Men's Rally and Barbecue Cedarmore, Bagdad, Ky.
June 30-July 6—Brotherhood Conference Ridgecrest, North Carolina
July 28-Aug. 3—Brotherhood Conference Glorieta, New Mexico
October 9—Layman's Day Everywhere

Baptist Film Committee Asks For Time Extension

(By the Baptist Press)

The Baptist Film Committee will ask the Southern Baptist Convention, which appointed it, for a year's continuation so that it can confer with other Baptist groups at the Baptist World Congress in London, England, in July.

The committee, over which Louie D. Newton, pastor, Druid Hills Baptist Church, Atlanta, Ga., is chairman, was appointed last year to consider production of films on outstanding Baptist personalities.

In asking for extended life, the committee will tell the Convention, in annual session in Miami, Fla., in May, that it has found "definite interest" in the project from other Baptist groups in the United States and Canada.

The results of conferences with other world Baptist organizations in London would be reported to the Southern Baptist Convention in its 1956 session at Kansas City, Mo. Conferences would consider the production of some major Baptist motion picture.

The committee also will say that it "has learned with much satisfaction of plans now under way . . . to produce historical films that will emphasize our distinctive Baptist beliefs and witness." The films to which the committee is referring are being planned by the Southern Baptist Sunday School and Foreign Mission Boards.

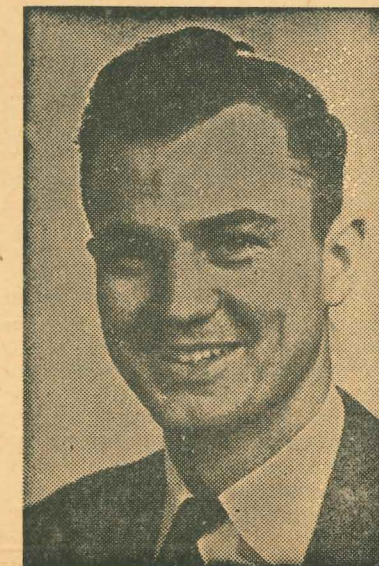
The committee report will say that other Southern Baptist agencies also may consider producing similar films, and that it wants to co-operate in producing the historical films.

"We are happy to report that our

agencies have indicated their full purpose to coordinate their productions and thus avoid any possible overlapping or duplication," the report will state.

Third Avenue, Louisville, Opens New Missions at Nearby Town of Fern Creek

Rev. Harold Sangster, second-year student at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, has been called as pastor of the new Mission which was started by the Third Avenue Baptist



Harold L. Sangster

Church of Louisville last October 24. He is leading in a progressive program which has meant much to the success of the mission.

The Auditorium of the Elementary School was rented for \$30 per Sunday. At this writing three and a third acres of ground have been purchased in Fern Creek for future building. Plans are now almost completed to have the services for the present in the Community Center instead of the School Auditorium, until a new building can be erected.

The Sunday school is averaging 55 to 60, and the worship service about 70 to 75. There are 42 members at the Mission, and they are looking forward toward a rapid growth this summer.

The mission gives 20% of its undesignated gifts to the Cooperative Program and their weekly offerings are averaging \$150. Brother Henry Beach is pastor of the Third Avenue Church.

Former Pastor L. C. Kelly Writes About His Former Pineville Treasurer

By L. C. KELLY, Campbellsville, Ky.

CAMPBELLSVILLE, Ky. — The mention of the resignation of Max Cox as treasurer of the First Baptist Church of Pineville, Ky., in a recent issue of the *Western Recorder* induces me to say a word about him as a deacon, church treasurer, teacher in the Sunday school class, leader of Boy Scouts, and an all-round faithful church member.

I was his pastor for twenty-three years. As a deacon he was always on the side of truth and right. No one would ever have to guess where Max stood. As a citizen he was of the best type. As a church member, he was always loyal to his pastor and to the church. He kept the books for 37 years, with never a complaint, and his books were always correct and up-to-date.

Max is a very modest, unassuming, unselfish servant. As pastor of several churches during my life, one of the happiest memories I have is the fine fellowship and backing and unselfish service of the deacons in all of the churches. No more unselfish group among us than the deacons who give of their time, their money and their prayers to the Lord's work. Of this group, Max Cox stands out. This is a small tribute to him from one who knows his worth from experience.

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By H. C. Chiles

Joash Repairs the Temple

From the very day of the accession of Jehoram, the wicked son of the worthy Jehoshaphat, there was a gradual decline toward idolatry. Influenced by his wife, Athaliah, who was the daughter of wicked Jezebel, Jehoram permitted the building of "high places" to the heathen deities. After a reign of approximately ten years, Jehoram died of a horrible internal disease. Then, the crown descended to his one surviving son, Ahaziah. Throughout his brief reign of approximately a year he was under the domination of his mother. Then, while on a trip to Israel, Ahaziah was slain by Jehu and was buried in Jerusalem.

Upon the assassination of the king, Athaliah usurped the throne. She immediately sought to slay every possible aspirant for the crown. In this satanic attempt she was thwarted by Jehoshabeath, sister of the slain king, who managed to kidnap Joash, one of the sons of the king. Through the ingenuity and courage of this woman and her husband, Jehoida the priest, the boy was hidden away in the house of God for six years.

In the seventh year of the reign of Athaliah, Joash came to the throne under extremely interesting circumstances. Jehoida determined that Joash would occupy the throne. To this end he gathered captains of the army, priests, Levites and the chief of the fathers of Israel in the courts of the house of God. Into their presence he brought the boy, Joash, and they proclaimed him as their king. When Athaliah protested with the charge of treason, they removed her from the house of the Lord and slew her. Of course, this early promotion of the boy would have been tragic for Joash and very unfortunate for the kingdom had it not been for the fact that Jehoida was the virtual ruler. However, it is to the credit and honor of the king and the priest that as long as Jehoida lived Joash did that which was right in the sight of God.

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II Chronicles 24:4

It is noteworthy that Jehoida carefully instructed Joash in the religion of Jehovah in the hope that when he came to maturity and to his rightful place of authority and influence that he would zealously follow the true faith.

During the interval that Joash was hidden in the very expensive and once exceedingly beautiful temple to protect him from being slain, he had been impressed with its poor state of repair. Its dilapidated condition indicated that

it had been subjected to deliberate profanation and spoliation. It was a source of genuine regret to Joash that, in spite of all the good things which Jehoida had done, he had permitted the temple to remain in a decaying condition. Although he had done his best to restore the worship of Jehovah, Jehoida had been very careless about repairing the place for such worship. The fact that Joash had been concealed there for six years was abundant proof that the place was woefully neglected. Now that he was in authority, Joash made up his mind that the temple was going to be repaired as soon as possible. It was a matter of such tremendous importance that he would not permit any further delay. God's children are never justified in neglecting His house. It is both a sin and a shame for God's people to permit His house to get in an unattractive and dilapidated condition. It is a reflection on church members if and when they are careless about the condition of their house of worship.

II. RAISING THE MONEY.

II Chronicles 24:8-11.

Firmly believing that the restoration of the Lord's house was the road to religious revival and reformation, Joash sought to raise the necessary funds by commanding the priests to perform their legitimate duties—"go out into the cities of Judah, and gather of all Israel money to repair the house of your God from year to year, and see that ye hasten the matter." Due to widespread dissatisfaction with the course pursued by the priests, this plan was not successful.

Believing that God's people should restore His temple, Joash advanced the unique idea of providing a chest for the purpose of receiving their voluntary gifts to pay for the necessary repairs. At the direction of the king, "Jehoida the priest took a chest, and bored a hole in the lid of it, and set it beside the altar, on the right side as one cometh into the house of the Lord: and the priests that kept the door put therein all the money that was brought into the house of the Lord." II Kings 12:9. A proclamation was made to the effect that the people were to be told about the need and invited to bring in the temple rates prescribed in the Law and the free-will offerings to which they were impelled by their own hearts, and to deposit same in the chest prepared for this purpose. All were expected to respond according to their financial ability.

Without being begged, and apart from any semblance of coercion, the people responded cheerfully and liberally. Co-

operation, enthusiasm, cheerfulness and sufficiency were the result, thus proving that the plan was judicious and successful. In order to retain the confidence of the contributors, unusual precaution and special care were exercised in the handling of and accounting for all funds received.

God's work should be supported and carried on today by the tithes and offerings of His children. They do not have to conduct sales, bazaars, entertainments, raffles, etc., in order to raise money for His work. Obtaining funds through these and kindred ways means to do so without the blessing of the Lord. It is His will that we shall raise sufficient funds by trusting Him and telling the people about the needs, asking them to give as He prospers.

III. REPAIRING THE TEMPLE.

II Chronicles 24:12-14

Overseers were appointed to have general charge of repairing the temple. They were given authority to employ the numerous and various artisans to do the work; also, to purchase the materials needed on the job. From the money which had been collected the cost of the materials was defrayed, the wages of the many workmen were paid and the necessary vessels were obtained. The workmen, who had been employed, continued patiently until all of the necessary repairs had been made. When the temple again became a clean and beautiful place of worship, all considered it a remarkable achievement, and rightly so. The king and the people rejoiced greatly when the temple was ready again to be used for the purpose for which it was originally erected.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE, APRIL 17, 1955 (Continued from page 16)

Oaklawn	202	406
Trinity	219	450
Twelfth Street (1)	153	423
Paintsville, First (2)	57	270
Paris, Central	123	345
First	65	342
Pikeville, First	51	414
Prestonburg, Irene Cole Memorial (9)		697
Princeton, First (1)	141	616
Second (1)	180	412
Providence		260
Richmond, First	110	433
Russellville, First (1)	92	412
Post Oak	139	202
Shelbyville		610
Shepherdsville		283
Somerset, First	305	738
Pleasant Hill No. 2	56	276
Calvary	150	236
Sonora	93	261
Springfield, First	139	480
Sturgis, First	78	482
Versailles	108	382
Walton	53	461
Williamsburg, First (1)	112	480
Winchester, Central	145	479
First		

►Miss Flora Dodson, Southern Baptist missionary to Hong Kong who has been in the States on sick leave, will soon sail for her field of service and may be addressed at 169 Boundary Street, Kowloon, Hong Kong. She is a native of Monticello and makes her permanent American home in Somerset.

Relief and Annuity Board Offers New Plan

DALLAS, Tex. — Southern Baptist Protection Plan is the new retirement program offered by the Relief and Annuity Board. The Protection Plan replaces the Ministers Retirement Plan, which was closed to new members July 1, 1954.

The Protection Plan offers five major benefits: Normal age retirement annuity at 65; disability annuity; widow's annuity, whether member's death occurs before or after retirement; commuted annuity at age 60; and lump sum death benefit.

All benefits have been enlarged. Age retirement annuity will no longer have a ceiling, but will be based on the number of years the member participates. A credit of 1½% is given for each year of service while in the Plan. Maximum salary on which the member may pay dues remains \$4,000 per year.

Widow's annuity will be based on the member's normal retirement annuity; it may run as high as 40% of his annuity. Disability annuity has a maximum of \$900. Lump sum death benefit is twice the annual annuity if member leaves no wife.

A new point in the Plan is the allowance for paying on a reduced salary basis. That is, if the member earns, say, \$300 per month, he may pay on a smaller salary, say \$150 per month, and retain his protection on that basis.

There will be no delinquent dues at the end of the year, but the salary credited to the member for that year will be based on the amount of dues he has paid. Cost of the new plan is 5% for the member—5% for the church—5% for the state convention.

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Alabama Pastor Expresses Appreciation Of Dr. W. R. Pettigrew

From Dr. Garnett E. Puckett, pastor, Clayton Street Baptist Church, Montgomery, Alabama, comes the following letter to the editor:

"Dear Dr. Skinner:

"I would like to report to our friends in Kentucky on the gracious revival we have had in our church.

"Dr. W. R. Pettigrew, Walnut Street Baptist Church, Louisville, was our evangelist. Mr. Luther Carter, St. Petersburg, Florida, was our singer.

"Our church was greatly revived and

there were 42 additions with all but 13 coming for baptism.

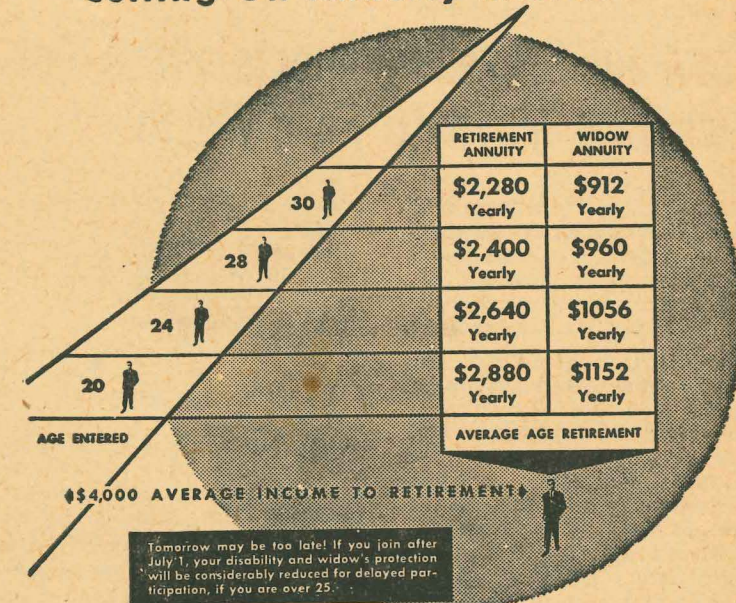
"We have had many fine preachers and singers but we have never had a more acceptable team than these two men of God. I do not have to commend Dr. Pettigrew, for the people know him; but I would like to commend heartily Mr. Carter as a gospel singer. He will bless the life of any church. Because of his extensive traveling he retains a post office number at Hiram, Georgia.

"We always enjoy the Western Recorder and thank God for the work you are doing as editor. May God continue to bless and use you for His glory.

"Most cordially yours,
"Garnett E. Puckett"

►Messengers and visitors to the Southern Baptist Convention sessions in Miami can meet foreign missionaries home on furlough and new Foreign Mission appointees at an informal reception given by the Board in Flagler Room, McAllister Hotel, May 19, 3-5 p.m.

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For a pamphlet on the Protection Plan and application blanks, write to the Relief and Annuity Board





SPEAKERS, LEADERS—Speakers and leaders on the program of the annual session of the Southern Baptist Convention at Miami, Fla., in May include, top row, left to right, R. G. Lee, speaker, Pastors' Conference; Monroe F. Swilley, Jr., convention sermon; U. S. Sen. Robert S. Kerr, convention speaker; C. E. Matthews, Pastors' Conference speaker; second row, left to right, Perry F. Webb, Sr., convention speaker; Wallace Bassett, Pastors' Conference speaker; Howard E. Butt, Jr., youth rally speaker, and Mrs. George Martin, president, W.M.U.—BAPTIST PRESS.

Director Paul Stevens Reports Plans For Commission's Move to Fort Worth

ATLANTA, Ga. — Headquarters of the Radio and Television Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention will be located at 6248 Camp Bowie Blvd., Fort Worth, Texas, it was announced today by Paul M. Stevens, director.

Owned by the A. C. Luther Realty Co., the building now under construction is expected to be ready for occupancy in about 60 days. The Commission will be moved from Atlanta, Ga., early in May into these temporary quarters while negotiations continue in the search for a permanent site in Fort Worth for the new \$200,000 Southern Baptist Communications Center.

The Commission's headquarters in Atlanta has been sold to Jackson Hill Baptist Church. The present structure is expected to be used as an educational building for the church which is to be constructed shortly. The Rev. Paul Cranford is pastor.

A number of the present employees of the Radio and Television Commission will move to Fort Worth to continue their jobs, but most of the staff will be employed in Fort Worth. The current operation calls for between 20 and 25 employees.

Annual mailing of the Commission is well over a million pieces, which includes about 100,000 months magazines and about 100,000 first class letters, and

upwards of 800,000 third class direct mail appeals.

One of 19 Southern Baptist Convention agencies, the Commission has as its task the production of religious radio and television programs for nationwide consumption.

The Baptist Hour, old and respected radio program of Southern Baptists, is now carried by 380 radio stations from coast to coast and half way around the world. With millions of listeners each week, this program contributes much to the religious life of America.

Second in a series of 30-minute television films based on biblical parables is now in production in Hollywood. Plans are to complete 26 films for network use before launching the denomination's television program.

Three Men Leave Pastorates In Union Association

FALMOUTH, Ky. — The executive Board of the Union Association, meeting at Falmouth, Ky., expressed appreciation for the work done by three pastors who were resigning.

The board expressed regret that Pastor F. T. Whistler is leaving the pastorate of the Butler Church. He had been living on the field and interrupted his education to lead this church into greater

service. During his two years there the Sunday school enrollment almost doubled and the gifts for missions increased. Last year there were 26 baptisms and 48 additions by letter.

Brother Don Bayes resigned the Beaver Church after one year of service. He lived on the field and was active in the training aspect of the church's work. During the past year the Sunday school held the standard rating. He served the association as director of training this year.

Brother William Smith, a Georgetown College student, has resigned the pastorate of the Richland Church. During his pastorate the church did some remodeling and had an operating budget of \$5,200, of which \$1,089.33 was given to missions.

We wish to commend these men to the groups they shall work in the future. The Union Association has suffered a distinct loss in their going, but we are confident God's leadership was calling them to other places of service.—James E. Boswell, Moderator.

New \$75,000 Educational Building Dedicated at Lancaster

LANCASTER, Ky., Feb. 27. — The Lancaster Baptist Church dedicated its new educational building this afternoon, with Dr. H. Leo Eddleman, president of Georgetown College, preaching the dedication sermon.

The building, completed in September, 1953, at an actual cost of a little more than \$60,000, is valued at \$75,000. Having retired the remaining indebtedness, the date for the dedication exercises was originally planned for the third Sunday in March, but since Pastor Elvis H. Egge had resigned to go to a pastorate in Paducah, the date was moved up to the last Sunday of his pastorate in Lancaster.

Appearing on the program with Dr. Eddleman were Rev. J. L. Robinson, a former pastor, and Missionary C. R. Hill of South District Association. An offering was also taken to launch a building fund for a new auditorium to be erected in the near future at an estimated cost of \$100,000.

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Archbishop Wm. Laud Leads Fight Against Protestants

(17th Century Baptist Press)

LONDON, August, 1633 — (BP) — A new and powerful threat to Protestantism and freedom of worship in England reached full flower today with the appointment of William Laud as Archbishop of Canterbury, the ranking position of the state church.

In his steady rise to power—with the ready assistance of His Majesty King Charles I—the archbishop has been a relentless foe of the Puritans and other dissenters. Even within the state church Laud is feared for his unwavering insistence upon conformity.

Because of his authority and high standing with the crown, the new archbishop has seldom bothered himself with attempting to win by persuasion those who opposed him or differed with his views. He has built for himself an unenviable reputation of demanding conformity to the letter of the church law, with no patience for conscientious objections.

Ritual and ceremonial worship have always taken precedence with Laud over spiritual worship. In the church courts of high commission he has been a severe judge, especially when the charge was violation of laws governing personal conduct. He has been a self-appointed avenger to make sure that no transgressor of the laws of the state church went unpunished because of wealth or position.

Early in his career Laud ingratiated himself with royalty. He served the late King James I in many ways and impressed King Charles almost from the time he ascended the throne. His Majesty doubtless did not overlook in Laud's authoritarian ideas for the church a close affinity to his own aspirations for an autocracy.

While the king promoted Laud's absolute control of the church, the archbishop returned his favors. Preaching before the first and second Parliaments under Charles' reign, Laud magnified the authority of the king in church as well as state affairs.

The House of Commons soon recognized in Laud a threat to civil liberty and religious truth. But the churchman continued to support the king in all controversies with Parliament and prepared some of the speeches of King Charles to the assembly.

Laud's appointment to the archbishopric was expected. Upon hearing of the death of the late Archbishop Abbot earlier this month, the king is reported to have said to Laud at their next meeting, "My Lord's Grace of Canterbury, you are very welcome."

Sources close to the archbishop have

indicated that Laud had been promised the high position a number of years before the death of Abbot. There is evidence that on September 30, 1626, Laud received a message from King Charles in which the former was reassured of decisions which had been made "in case the Archbishop of Canterbury should die."

Laud is a man of rare ability. The son of a merchant, he received his doctor's degree from Oxford and later became head of the university. He was appointed bishop of London in 1628.

As a champion of constituted authority, the archbishop is expected to give no quarter to the exponents of freedom of worship and individual liberties. And with the king at his side, Laud makes a formidable opponent.

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Loren Williams Becomes Editor Music Publications



Dr. Loren R. Williams

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BSSB) — Dr. Loren R. Williams, on April 1, was promoted to the position of editor of church music materials in the Church Music Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board.

Williams will serve as editor of *The Church Musician*, music curriculum materials, study course books and pamphlets, and supervise work on all music publications in the enlarged church music publishing program of the department. Dr. Williams came to the Board in 1952 from the First Baptist Church, Tulsa, Okla., where he was minister of music. [Prior to that he was minister of music for the First Baptist Church of Owensboro, Kentucky.]

Dr. B. B. Hilbun Elected President of Southern Hospital Chaplains

Dr. B. B. Hilbun, hospital minister of the Kentucky Baptist Hospital, Louisville, Ky., was elected president of the Southern Baptist Association of Hospital Chaplains, which convened in its annual session in Chicago. Chaplain Harold L. Hawkins, of the Baptist Hospital, Alexandria, La., was elected vice president; and Chaplain J. F. Queen of the Arkansas Baptist Hospital, Little Rock, secretary. These officers will serve during 1955 to February 1956, when the Association will hold its next meeting in St. Louis.

There are 34 Baptist hospitals in the Southern Baptist Convention and almost every one has a full-time chaplain.

The Association holds a work shop for hospital ministers and interested ministers, either annually or bi-annually, as the group desires.

Seminary Students Available For Summer Work

Religious Education students of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary will be available for summer work in churches or in missionary service following commencement, May 26.

These students will be planning to return to the Seminary for the next session in September. They could serve effectively as summer workers in directing Vacation Bible school, maintaining the educational program at high level during the summer months, assisting in the vacation absences of pastor and educational director, and otherwise making themselves useful and profitable.

A note addressed to Dean G. S. Dobbins, 2825 Lexington Road, Louisville, Kentucky, will bring desired information.

►The First Church, Lebanon Junction, Ky., has let out a contract for a two-story Educational Building which will house the Nursery, Beginners, Primary, Junior, Intermediate and Young People's Departments. Construction will begin soon.

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Pastor Bert C. Caldwell Completes First Year At Wheelwright

WHEELWRIGHT, Ky. — March 31 marked the completion of our first year's work as pastor of the First Baptist Church of Wheelwright. We came on this field the first Sunday in April, 1954, with 14 members and the Sunday school on that date was 55. This church was organized February 7 with 14 members in the Wheelwright Graded School Building. With the help from the State Board and the friends of the people here and about Wheelwright, this people was able to erect a church building which is one of the best of its kind in eastern Kentucky. It is modern in every respect and will seat, crowded, 300 people.

Since the first Sunday in April of 1954, there have been 102 additions, 86 of these have been by baptisms and and there are some four or five waiting baptism now. Others are deeply concerned and we believe that this year will even go beyond our first year as pastor of this church.

Our Sunday school has now reached an enrolment of 203, with an average of 135 in attendance. We are hoping to go

over the 200 mark in attendance this spring.

We have one mission point and hope to have two others within the next month.

The Woman's Missionary Union of Kentucky, made it possible for us to have our new pews and pulpit furniture, and they are as nice as any church could have, for which we are grateful to them and to the Lord.

We have a radio program each Sunday morning over W.L.S.I. Pikeville, which is just now beginning to reach the people in our section with the Truth of the Gospel. This has been made possible by various friends supplying the needed money to carry it on from Sunday to Sunday.

Another thing that makes us happy is that with our membership of 116, we have been having around 90 in attendance for our mid-week prayer services. That is something to thank the Lord for and that one doesn't see every where even in many larger churches.

Now, all of these additions have come from our regular services. We have not

had any special revival services, we just have one continual revival from Sunday to Sunday. We are having the largest crowds for our Sunday night services that any church has ever had here in Wheelwright.

Wheelwright has a population of 2,500 people and within 6 to 8 miles around Wheelwright there are, counting this people at Wheelwright, something like 5,000 to 6,000 people. This is the only Missionary Baptist Church within 23 miles.

Please pray much with us and for us that the Lord will continue to bless and use us and this people to win this section of Floyd County to Christ. We need your prayers more than ever.

This work is one of our State Board projects.—Bert C. Caldwell, Pastor.

Miriam Robinson New North Carolina Secretary

RALEIGH, N. C. — (BP) — The state Woman's Missionary Union executive committee here has selected Miss Miriam Robinson as its executive secretary. She will take office June 20.

Miss Robinson, a native of Marion, North Carolina, succeeds Miss Ruth Provence, who moved to South Carolina in December as WMU executive secretary in that state.