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President Sydnor L. Stealey (left), of Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Wake Forest, N. C., examines the decoration which Queen Elizabeth II, of England, presented to Miss May Perry (right), Southern Baptist missionary to Nigeria, at the British Embassy in Washington, D. C., on her recent visit to the United States (See Page 8).

Correcting An Error

A five-line error was made in some of last week's edition. During the course of running the issue, five lines in the third column were reset and mistakenly dropped into the second column, which was the Brotherhood Department. The last paragraph of the first article should have read: "We regret the lateness of making this report but so many necessary items of promotion demanded this space this fall we could not do it sooner. We reported the election of officers in the other seven regions in earlier issues of the Western Recorder." We think the error may have been made in several thousand copies, which means it may not have occurred in your copy, but it did occur in some.

Beyond Our Borders

►Eldon and Jo Ann Sturgeon are now living in Apartado 4095, San Jose, Costa Rica, studying Spanish in the language school in preparation for their service in Mexico.

►E. Hermond Westmoreland, pastor of the South Main Street Church, Houston, was re-elected president of the Baptist General Convention of Texas. A budget of \$10,500,000 was set up for 1958.

►One of the fastest growing conventions among Southern Baptists is the Southern Baptist General Convention of California. In seventeen years, from 1940 to 1957, the membership has increased from 1,000 to 125,000, and the number of churches from 13 to 630.

►The fiftieth anniversary of the Illinois Baptist State Association was observed at its Pickneyville meeting. The Illinois Baptist Foundation was set up, and a goal of \$575,000 for 1958 was set down for the Cooperative Program. Archie E. Brown, pastor of the First Church, Vandalia, was elected to succeed T. H. King, West Frankfort, as moderator.

►L. O. Griffith has announced a new filmstrip for the children's books in the Home Mission Graded Study Series. "Come and See," a color filmstrip on Negro children, is to be released by the Office of Promotion. It will be available January 1, 1958. Written especially for Beginners and Primaries, it may also be adapted to older children. The filmstrip has 35 frames; and will be available at Baptist Book Stores for \$3.50.

Announcements

►Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Hatfield, Valley Station, have announced the engagement and approaching wedding of their daughter, Miss Betty Sue Hatfield, to

Mr. Norman C. Morris, the latter to take place at Walnut Street Baptist Church, Louisville, December 21, at 7 p.m. Miss Hatfield studied at Western Kentucky State College, Bowling Green. Mr. Morris is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Noble Morris, LaBelle, Mo., and he is a graduate of Baylor University, and is now a student at Southern Seminary.

►Mr. and Mrs. Paul Franklin Wiggins have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Rachel Davis Wiggins, to Mr. Lucious McLendon Polhill, Jr., son of Dr. and Mrs. Lucius M. Polhill, Sr., Richmond, Va., formerly of Louisville, Ky. Miss Wiggins attended Mary Washington College, Fredericksburg, Va., and expects to be graduated this semester from the University of Louisville. Young Mr. Polhill is a graduate of Baylor University. The date of March 1 has been set for the wedding.

Revivals

►Joe Weber, pastor of Zion Church, Henderson, recently assisted Pastor William Carter in a revival at Sorgho Baptist Church, resulting in five additions.

►The Columbia Baptist Church experienced a fall revival when Dr. Roy E. Boatwright, Louisville, was evangelist and Pastor W. R. Bradshaw, Hustonville, was song leader, both assisting Pastor A. H. Phillips, resulting in two by letter and seven by baptism.

►Pastor John D. Redden, Campbellsburg, tells us that David Hoy, a student at Southern Seminary, was the evangelist in a revival at the Campbellsburg Baptist Church, November 20-24. Bill Ramsey, a student at the University of Kentucky, led the singing. There were 23 decisions, with 2 coming by letter, 2 rededicating their lives, 3 surrendering to full-time Christian work, and 16 converted and came into the church by baptism.

Kentucky News

►James Watt has recently accepted the pastorate of Temple Baptist Church, Owensboro.

►There were 467 messengers at the General Association at Harlan, with 799 visitors, making a total of 1,266 in attendance.

►Charles Coomes has accepted the position of minister of music at the Sorgho Baptist Church. He has been assisting the choirs at Hall Street Baptist Church, Owensboro.

►The Fellowship Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky., has called William D. Hundley, pastor of the Gethsemane

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Baptist Church, Louisville, to be its pastor and he has accepted. He is succeeding Brother L. W. Arnold, who has gone into missionary work.

►Earl H. Mann, 1204 Davidson Drive, Middletown, Ky., who hails from Kansas City, Mo., has been called to be pastor of the Elk Creek Baptist Church, Spencer County, in Long Run Association. The Elk Creek Church has just completed five class rooms—the first addition to have been made since the present auditorium was erected in 1876.

TOWARD A THEOLOGICAL BASIS FOR SOCIAL WORK

By HENLEE H. BARNETTE
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"For I was an hungered, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink: I was a stranger, and ye took me in: naked, and ye clothed me: I was sick, and ye visited me: I was in prison, and ye came unto me" (Matthew 25:35).

Protestants in general and Southern Baptists in particular have failed to see the religious quality of social work. We have tended to think of social service as a secular or worldly endeavor. Consequently we have no adequate theological foundation for a social ministry.

Reasons for our religious and social myopia in relation to social work are not difficult to find. For one thing we have held to the notion that Christianity is a purely private love affair between the individual and God. Again, it has been largely assumed that saved individuals will save society. This is only a half truth. It is well-known that there are ethical blind spots among the best of Christians. Sir John Bowring, for example, author of the hymn, "In the Cross of Christ I Glory," as governor of Hong Kong, helped to force opium on China.

Getting people "saved" and into churches does not mean that they will automatically have Christian attitudes toward people of other races or pay their employees an adequate living wage. The Christian churches must work simultaneously to convert the individual and to reconstruct the social order.

Moreover the Bible has no specific program for social utopias. And finally, we have had no serious theology for social concern. As a result social work has tended to become "secular work." The church will have no adequate religious grounds for social work until she sets herself to serious theological work in this area.

I must disclaim, at the outset, any competence as a theologian capable of formulating a theological system for social work. However, I can call attention to those theological presuppositions which have contributed to the ground and sanction of the church's action upon these following theological foundations we shall always be in danger of doing spiritual work in a worldly way.

I. SOCIAL WORK MUST BE ROOTED IN THE CHARACTER AND ACTION OF GOD IN CHRIST

Any Christian social action must be grounded in the Triune God. Every ethical consideration must be "connected with the whole idea of God." God says, "Be ye holy, for I am holy" (Leviticus 11:45). Love because God

loves: practice justice because God is just. Be righteous because God is righteous. Be concerned for widows, orphans, the poor, the unfortunate, the helpless, because God is concerned about these people.

God was so concerned about human need that He gave His only Son to seek and to save the lost. The incarnation of Christ gave Divine significance to the common life. For in the incarnation Christ identified Himself with human need. He came not to be ministered unto but to minister and to give His life a ransom for many.

The social worker must follow in the footsteps of Jesus. For they are extending the ministry of Jesus to meet human need. Therefore, their work is redemptive work. To save a child from a life of delinquency, is redemptive work. To minister to the blind, to save the fallen woman of the street, to deliver the demoniacs of alcoholism, is to walk in the steps of Jesus of Nazareth.

Jesus set the example for those who would engage in a ministry to human need. He never lost His disciples in a cloud of theological dust. Nor did He theorize about meeting human need. In His own life Jesus demonstrated His teaching. He offered Himself as the sufficient illustration of His own doctrine of sacrificial service. He constantly uncovered the spiritual meaning of the common actions of life. To Him the giving of a cup of cold water was a sacrament of humanity.

II. SOCIAL WORK MUST BE PREDICTED UPON THE BIBLICAL VIEW OF MAN

What is man? This is one of the most crucial questions of our time and there are various answers. The naturalistic view of man makes him merely a part of the material world in which he lives. This position animalizes man. The idealistic answer is that man is divine or has some divine spark within him. This view defies man. The Christian view of man is that he is a creature made in the image of God. He is a sinner but has the potential of becoming a saint. This makes him of supreme worth.

Jesus saw the worth of every individual. Indeed Jesus was the first to bring to light the value of every human soul. Jesus saw the worth of a little child (Mark 10:13-16); He was

indignant when the disciples thought children were not of sufficient importance to occupy His attention. We are never in doubt about the supreme worth of a child when it happens to be our own. Jesus healed a repulsive leper and rendered a social service by making it possible for him to return to society. He saved a wasted woman and put her accusers to shame (John 8:7). Jesus went on to point out that man is worth more than a sheep and that it would be a terrible disaster for a man to gain the whole world and lose his own soul.

Social workers must take into consideration the worth of the individual. At the same time they must recognize that man is a sinner. The social problem demands a spiritual answer. The social worker must minister to the whole needs of a person. Jesus recognized the entire man, physical, intellectual, and spiritual. He followed the principle of forgiving sin and then healing the disease. Thus social work is more than putting the salve of charity on the sores of society. It is concerned with reaching the whole man for Christ and His Kingdom.

III. THE CROSS AS A SANCTION FOR SOCIAL WORK

The cross of Christ is a basic assumption of Christian social action. One of the basic laws of the Kingdom of God is that of sacrifice. Jesus came "to give his life a ransom for many." He not only took the cross upon Himself but made cross-carrying a condition of discipleship. "If any man will come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me." Jesus spoke of taking up the cross, not "crosses." By this He meant loyalty to the will of God even to the dying unto self.

Social workers who take their work seriously know that social service is nothing "softhanded and performed." It involves exhausting, baffling, dirty work and takes them among ungodly sights, vile sounds, and bad smells. It loads them up with the troubles of others. They must weep with those who weep and rejoice with those who rejoice. They must bear the burdens of the needy, share their griefs, and carry their sorrows. Social work involves fighting the causes of misery and sin. Conquest of evil always involves conflict and suffering. Without the shedding of blood in some form, socialized evil cannot be effectively destroyed. Socialized, institutionalized, and militant evil will crush those who challenge it.

Biblical writers firmly grounded the Christian life in the death of Christ. They saw His death as the highest demonstration of a permanent law of human life. Peter says, "But if when you do right and suffer for it you take it patiently, you have God's approval.

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Daley Observations



C. R. Daley

Not one in every hundred Baptists in Kentucky knows much if anything about how the state Baptist program is operated. This is due mainly to the fact that a Baptist generally won't stand still long enough to have it explained, if any one is inclined to explain it. At the danger of not being read (not an unusual risk for an editor) I am reporting this week on a meeting where much of Kentucky Baptists' business is transacted.

I've just come from the annual meeting of the Executive Board of Kentucky Baptists. It was my first meeting after 8½ years of being a pastor in Kentucky and 5 years of teaching at Georgetown and I was present only as a visitor. That I had never been a Board member is not unusual in light of the fact that there are only 132 members for 82 associations and 600,000 Kentucky Baptists. The members are nominated by the district associations and elected by the General Association. Most associations have only one member since membership is on the basis of one for every 5,000 members. The association with most Board members is Long Run with fifteen for nearly 80,000 members.

The Executive Board is charged specifically with conducting the work of the General Association during the intervals between its annual sessions including the appointment of officers and agencies required to prosecute the work. What this really means is that apart from the three days of each year when the General Association is in session, this Board is in charge of our whole program. What it amounts to is this—the General Association gives approval to a broad and general program for the coming year, the Executive Board spells out specifically and implements in detail this program.

Let's look, for instance, at only several of many important things done at this Annual Board meeting.

First, the \$2,150,000 budget for next year was considered item by item from Secretary Boone's salary to the postage expenditure of each department. In case you have wondered, as I often have, how much was spent for Sunday School promotion, Training Union work statewide and other phases of our work, here are a few breakdowns:

Sunday School work gets \$38,472.00 next year. This includes the salaries of Secretary Boatwright and his two associates, the salaries of two office secretaries and all the items of operation and promotion such as Vacation Bible School Clinics, Assemblies, Conventions and Field work of various kinds.

The Training Union Department also has a Secretary, Mr. James Whaley, two associate secretaries and two office secretaries and for their salaries and operational expenses, the department is allotted \$34,827.00.

The Student Union Department has Secretary Durham, his assistant, two office secretaries along with nine student directors in Kentucky Colleges and for its work this department gets \$59,887.00.

Brotherhood gets \$30,956.00, the Forward Program of Church Finance, \$14,000, Retirement and Annuity, \$125,000.00 and so on.

Most Kentucky Baptists are unaware of the number of state missionaries serving all areas of our state. This year 93 missionaries will be paid in part or in full from our state mission fund. This item amounts to \$199,319.92 for salaries and home allowances plus \$37,980.00 for travel and other expenses.

I have enumerated these state budget items to help answer those who are always wondering where all the money goes. You know, of course, that we send from Kentucky this year to be used elsewhere in the world \$716,667.00. The Southern Baptist Convention decides on the division of this.

All the Board meeting time was not consumed in money matters. Resignations from Gainer E. Bryan, Jr., Lucien E. Coleman, Sr., and J. C. Ballew were accepted with regrets. Mr. Ballew will leave Kentucky March 1, 1958, to become the first Royal Ambassador secretary of Virginia Baptists. The Board is divided into 9 committees with each reporting back to the Board after separate meetings.

A very significant action of the Board was to increase its number of meetings for 1958 to three. Hitherto the Board has met only once a year except for called special meetings. Acting for the Executive Board the rest of the year has been a 15 man Executive Committee of the Board. A terrific amount of work and responsibility has fallen upon this committee. Dr. Rollin S. Burhans, a member of this committee, made the proposal for additional Board meetings in order to make use of the wisdom and counsel of the entire Board. This is a move in the direction of the cherished Baptist principle of democracy. The decisions of the entire Board will likely be the same that would be made by the 15 man committee but in any Baptist situation, 132 is far better than 15. It's wonderful protection from criticism of the Executive Committee and the Executive Secretary.

All in all, the meeting was one of fine spirit and a spirit of co-operation and progress prevailed. Officers of the Board for the year are E. N. Wilkinson, moderator; Harold D. Tallant, assistant moderator; Harold Wainscott, secretary; and Dan F. Thomas, assistant secretary. Under their leadership this should be one of the best of years for Kentucky Baptists.

Every association has at least one member of the Executive Board. Why not see to it that when he comes back from the Board meeting, he be used on a district associational program of some kind and in enough local churches to inform the rank and file of what's going on. If there is one thing more useful to God than a Baptist, it's an informed Baptist.

Daley Rounds

The loss of the intimate pastoral relationship in changing from pastor to editor is compensated for somewhat in that the whole state becomes the editor's parish. Kind invitations for regular and special services come from all sections of the state and serve to keep the editor's ear close to the ground where Baptists live and worship. This is indispensable for an editor's effective ministry.

Last Sunday I had unusual joy in worshipping with the folk of Eastwood Baptist in Bowling Green. Led by Pastor Bill Rogers, this church, only four years' old, shows every sign of rapidly becoming a great church. A spirit of progress, a warm fellowship, a building program characterized by sacrifice and faith, a sound training program and other good characteristics make the future of Eastwood as bright as the promises of God. The enjoyment of the day was greatly enhanced by the gracious hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Wallace and their two sons. Mark is Eastwood Sunday School superintendent and an agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

"M" Night seemed to be a great success all over Kentucky. Some churches had to turn overflow crowds away. I was at Brandenburg with Salem Association where Associational Director W. D. Pritchard is doing a great job. Some 256 people crowded into the Phillips Memorial Church made hospitable by Pastor R. E. Mann and the Brandenburg folk. A 65-member youth choir, directed by Mrs. Herman Odgen, highlighted the program. Whoever selected the congregational hymns had either heard me speak or was enjoying unusual inspiration. The hymn selected to follow my message was, "Must I Go, and Empty-Handed?" The congregation seemed to sing it with unusual understanding.

The Baptist Forum

[This space is dedicated to the Baptist principle of free discussion of current issues and events and all sincere comments and views will be welcome. Its continuation depends upon your response.]

MISSIONARIES GIVE TO LOTTIE MOON

Editor:

The destiny of millions depends upon how Baptists pray and give to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for World Missions. It is true that each family and local church has needs that might absorb its entire income. We on the mission field have felt the pressure of increased cost of living, and of the heartbreaking need on our own field. However, the world is the field, and it is still more blessed to give than to receive.

We believe in storehouse tithing and that each church ought to try to increase its percentage of offering to the Cooperative Program each year. The Lottie Moon Offering is the only time in the year when 100 per cent goes to world missions. Let us do our best! For Christ's sake, for the sake of lost millions and for our own sake, in the joy and blessings that come from unselfish giving, let's make Christmas really count for Christ this year. We challenge Baptists in Christ's name to give one or more month's extra tithes to the Lottie Moon Offering this year. We are dividing up three months' second tithe and sending one dollar to start the Christmas Offering in as many churches as it will reach. Enclosed is one dollar for your church.

Orvil and Alma Reid
Guadalajara, Jal., Mexico

[The enclosed dollar became the first contribution for the Lottie Moon Offering of the Harrodsburg Baptist Church.—Ed.]

NORTH CAROLINA BAPTISTS

Editor:

Here in North Carolina there seems to be more Baptists than anything else.

These Baptists here are like those back in Kentucky, in that they do not always see eye to eye. But there always seems to be a majority for whatever is right. This makes me believe that the voice of the people may be close to the voice of God. These Baptists take their religion seriously and really mean to serve God.

Salisbury, N. C. James W. Jewell

SEEING THE LIGHT

Editor:

I hope that everyone read your column this week and will cease sending money to Boy's town, Nebraska, if they have been doing so. I have already received my Boy's Town stamps for this year but I threw them away. I will admit though that I am guilty of having sometimes sent them money for the stamps they send each year. When I received the stamps this year I made up my mind to stop sending them money and also to not use the stamps.

I hope many will read your column before they make a mistake and send in a contribution this year.

Owensboro, Ky. Jane Loney

MISSION SPEAKERS AVAILABLE

Editor:

The Mission Volunteer Group of Southern Seminary in Louisville is sending deputation teams during the current school year to churches in Kentucky and surrounding states for the purpose of arousing a greater concern for missions. Emphasis is placed on the responsibility of each Christian in the world mission task.

Team members may include mission program—missionaries now on furlough and living on the campus, occasionally the faculty members of the Mission Department, or others who feel strategically involved in the task of world missions. All members of the teams, with the exception of faculty members, are students in the Seminary or Carver School.

Remuneration is asked only to cover the actual expenses involved in getting the team from Louisville to your church and back to Louisville. No personal

gifts are to be received by team members. Any additional remuneration above actual expense is placed in the group's general fund to cover any deputation that can not meet expenses.

Would you like to have such a team in your church? If so, please contact the Deputation Chairman, Box 6, Southern Seminary for additional information leading to the appointment of a team for your church. Arrangements, which are final only upon verification, should be made at least one month in advance.

Louisville, Ky. John D. Atkins

Welcome

The following churches have added the Western Recorder by the Budget or Club Plan during the months of October and November.

Church and Address Pastor

- Jackson Grove, Bowling Green.....W. S. Lyons
- Mt. Olivet, Willisburg, Ky.....J. T. Taylor
- First, Morganfield, Ky.....Earl Hohman
- Pleasant Grove, Anchorage.....Bob Brown
- Elkhorn, Elkhorn, Ky.....Delmar Morris
- Rocky Ford, Hustonville.....J. A. Parker
- Corinth, Corinth, Ky.....Marvin Warner
- Valley Station, Valley Station, Ky.....William Kaufman
- Kirkwood, Bondville, Ky. -- N. E. Langford
- Grace, Owensboro, Ky. Sherman Long
- Garfield Avenue, Louisville, Ky.....Charles Shields
- Glenns Creek, Versailles, Ky.....H. H. Harper, Jr.
- Watts Chapel, Crab Orchard, Ky.....Ray Robinson
- Orville, Orville, Ky. Bob Lauer
- Parkway, New Albany, Ind. -- C. L. Padgett
- Central Grove, Albany, Ky. -- Elmer Hyden
- Foster Avenue, Louisville, Ky. -- L. F. Rose
- Bethel, Hebbardsville, Ky. Charles C. Hobbs
- Sugar Creek, Murray, Ky. Bill Sullivan
- Brownsville, Brownsville, Ky.....Earl A. Northern
- South Elkhorn, Lexington, Ky.....J. Oliver Drew
- Sulphur, Sulphur, Ky. Joseph C. Hall
- Sadieville, Sadieville, Ky. Tabor Best
- Immanuel, Somerset, Ky. -- Sherman Adams
- First, Gilbertsville, Ky. Van M. Sledd

IT COULD HAPPEN

Long, long ago the Board of Aldermen of a town in Mississippi adopted the following three resolutions (1) To build a new jail; (2) to build it out of materials of the old jail; (3) to use the old jail until the new one was finished.

Foreign Mission Board Reports to the People

By MISS IONE GRAY, Press Representative

Communism's Challenge

RICHMOND, Va. — In his report to the Foreign Mission Board at its November meeting, Dr. Baker James Cauthen, executive secretary, pointed out the challenge to Southern Baptists of another meeting being held the same day (November 7) in Russia to commemorate the 40th anniversary of the Communist revolution in that country.

"The free world has in recent weeks been awakened sharply by the evidences of remarkable scientific progress within Russia," he said. "The significance of these achievements is being felt profoundly as it is recognized that the future of the countries within the Communist bloc will experience accelerated industrial development . . . We must regard the future as promising a much more intensified appeal by the advocates of Communism for control of the minds of men and their political loyalties.

"It is realistic, therefore, to recognize on this day a fresh summons to a Christian world task. There must come from the area which represent bases for Christian witness a fresh thrust on a world scale. This must involve a vigorous testimony at the home base so as to reinforce all efforts made abroad in the name of Christ.

"One of our grave dangers is that Christian people will go along on the basis of previous efforts being adequate for our present day. The philosophy of expending a highly disproportionate amount of our resources and effort upon our immediate surroundings must be rethought.

"We are called to some serious self-examination by remembering that in 1948, when the Advance Program was launched, Southern Baptists, with total gifts amounting to \$155,000,000, used 19.7 per cent of each dollar outside the local church for mission labor at home and abroad.

"After eight years of strenuous effort toward world mission advance, Southern Baptists in 1956 gave more than \$372,000,000 in the churches, but the percentage used outside the local churches, for mission work at home and abroad, dropped to 17.5.

"The trend indicated by these figures needs to be reversed. We must move toward sharing with the rest of the world a large percentage of that which is given in the churches. We believe Southern Baptists will arise and meet the challenge of a reinvigorated Communist effort on a world scale."

Flood Works Havoc in Spain

In his report, Dr. George W. Sadler, secretary for Africa, Europe, and the

Near East, emphasized the need for a degree-granting college in Nigeria. "A few days ago a missionary to Africa wrote about the dire need for missionary teachers in Nigeria," he said. "If a degree-granting college were now in existence in Nigeria qualified Africans would be available for the secondary schools for which foreigners are being sought.

"But in order to establish a degree-granting college, we must have at least three-fourths of a million dollars. The very fact that both secondary and college education are clamoring for attention is indicative both of the favor of God and the desirability for immediate action."

Moving on to Europe in his report, Dr. Sadler quoted from Missionary Joseph W. Mefford, Jr., concerning the havoc wrought by the recent flood in the city of Valencia, Spain, and its vicinity:

"Valencia is beginning to dig out from under the mud and debris that was left in the wake of its worst flood in recorded history. Houses have collapsed, and are still collapsing; and there are ropes everywhere to keep people out of the way of falling walls—and all this in a knee-deep morass of mud that has filled all the houses and shops of these affected areas.

"We saw men loading bodies on the trucks, bodies that had washed up from the sea. The morgue is so full of unidentified bodies that the radio is announcing such bulletins as this: 'If you have the merest inkling that some relative or friend is lost, please come to the morgue to identify the body. The cadavers are piling up and there is a problem of space.'

"As far as we can tell, none of the Baptist folk lost their lives, but many of them lost all their possessions. We carried a little food and some clothing to as many as we could, and we will be able to do more later when we find out just who needs what."

Dr. Sadler continued with a report from Yugoslavia, where 265 persons have already been baptized this year, bringing the membership of Baptist churches in that country to 3,647. Eighteen young persons are now studying in the Bible school at Novi Sad.

Concerning the Near East, he said: "While we rejoice in the progress that is being made in all phases of the work in the Near East, one of the most inspiring aspects of our mission program is the spirit of the missionaries. They carry on their work from day to day as if Russia were not attempting to make their position, as Americans, untenable. They would be the last so to appraise themselves, but theirs is the spirit of real heroism."

Cornerstone Laid at Institute

Dr. Frank K. Means, secretary for Latin America who is now on an extended visit to that area, sent his report by airmail from Brazil. In it he gave some details of the cornerstone laying on October 20 for the Equatorial Baptist Theological Institute. Dr. Means laid the cornerstone and gave the main address of the occasion.

"The institute is being built on a spacious campus on the outskirts of Belem, the city which lies at the mouth of the Amazon," he wrote. "The foundations have been completed, and the walls of the first unit are beginning to rise. . . .

"The Baptist churches of Belem were well represented. Special busses were chartered to transport the church members to and from the campus.

"The service was interrupted at one point by a sudden, violent downpour of rain. Since there was little or no protection, almost everyone was drenched to the skin. This was of minor consequence, however, because those present sensed that something of immense historical and spiritual significance was happening.

"Brazil has only half enough pastors for her rapidly multiplying Baptist churches. The Equatorial Baptist Theological Institute is expected to help overcome the dearth of pastors by challenging earnest young people to heed God's call and by training them for kingdom service."

Dr. Thomas E. Halsell, Southern Baptist missionary from Arkansas, is director of the institute.

Simmons To Be Editor Of Arizona Newspaper

PHOENIX, Ariz. — (BP) — J. Kelly Simmons is the new editor of the Baptist Beacon, weekly publication of the Baptist General Convention of Arizona, effective January 1.

He will succeed W. Barry Garrett who becomes associate director of the Baptist Joint Committee of Public Affairs, Washington.

Simmons, area missionary for southwestern Arizona, was elected to office by state convention executive board. The newspaper is published in Phoenix, where state Baptist offices are located.

Simmons has been active in journalism and public school education, and as pastor, chaplain, and denominational worker. He was interim editor of the Baptist Beacon during Garrett's leave of absence to study at Southern Baptist Seminary.

A native of Westminster, Texas, Simmons was educated in the public schools of Sherman, Texas, and received his college education at Burleson College, University of Texas and Baylor University where he majored in journalism. He is also graduate of Southwestern Baptist Seminary.

Kentucky Baptist Evangelistic Conference To Meet In Louisville

By ELDRED M. TAYLOR
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Middletown, Kentucky

The eleventh consecutive Kentucky Baptist Evangelistic Conference will be held at the Walnut Street Baptist Church in Louisville, January 13-15, 1958. Hundreds of pastors as well as other church leaders will attend from every area of the state. The first session will begin at 7:00 p.m. on Jan. 13.

This conference has become the most popular gathering in Kentucky Baptist life for the pastor and those interested in evangelism. It provides a time of revival for the preacher and calls us to a re-commitment of ourselves to soul winning. This is the meeting that does much to set the pace in the work of evangelism. Outstanding speakers have been secured and a program geared to our needs has been planned.

The program theme for this year is "Evangelism—Every Christian's Job." Topics for the five sessions are: "The

Bible and Personal Soul Winning," "The Church and Soul Winning," "The Plan for Soul Winning," "The Essentials in Soul Winning," and "Examples in Soul Winning."

Speakers include Roy O. McClain, popular Baptist Hour preacher and pastor of the First Baptist Church, Atlanta; Ralph A. Herring, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Winston-Salem; H. Franklin Paschall, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Nashville; C. Y. Dosssey, Department of Evangelism, Home Mission Board; and Baker James Cauthen, executive secretary of the Foreign Mission Board.

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HARLAN IN RETROSPECT

By CARL SEARS, Pastor,
Falmouth Baptist Church, Falmouth, Kentucky

The deep impressions made on those who attended the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky, meeting at Harlan Baptist Church, November 11-14, makes it impossible to forget the fine spirit with which the town, church and people, welcomed Kentucky Baptists and the commendable spirit with which they entertained them until the last messenger had departed for home.

Typical of this spirit and hospitality was the home in which I was privileged to be. Our entertainment was provided by Mr. and Mrs. Joe Beasley. This is a fine family of five—father and mother, together with three lovely daughters, Margaret 15, Elizabeth 9, and Virginia 7.

In addition to this nice family, the home was open to four preacher messengers to the General Association. The genuine sincerity of every member of

this family made us so welcome that the first meeting in their home made us as relaxed as we would have been in our own home.

No service was left unrendered which could have possibly added to our comfort and pleasure while we were there. Through their sacrifice and tireless efforts to minister to our every need, the meetings of the General Association became more meaningful to us, since no one could come from such a Christian atmosphere as prevails in that home, and not enjoy every service in the church.

What this fine family did for its guests during that week was typical of the other families in the city. Many non-Baptist homes rendered the same service to a great number of Kentucky Baptists that week. The Harlan Baptist Church, under the inspiration and

North Carolina Disapproves Associate Membership

RALEIGH, N. C. — (BP) — The Baptist State Convention here expressed disagreement with Baptist churches which accept associate members but recognized the authority of churches to act independently.

The Baptist State Convention is made up of messengers from churches over North Carolina. These co-operating churches have total memberships of about 830,000.

The convention frowned on the practice of associate membership but added it did so "without any desire to exercise any authority over this matter . . ."

The question of associate members came to the fore because Pilot Mountain Baptist Association had refused Wake Forest Baptist Church's effort to affiliate with the association. Wake Forest Church, whose members are mostly students and faculty of Wake Forest College, has associate members.

The church moved to Winston-Salem with the college a year ago. Both were formerly located in the community of Wake Forest.

Wake Forest Pastor Glenn Blackburn told the convention that associate members "can not vote, can not hold office" and declared that "we have not violated our Baptist doctrine of baptism by immersion."

He added that some associate members are in the church only temporarily while others become associate members "to study the Baptist denomination before they are immersed."

There was opposition to the convention's action, taken at its annual session. A convention committee had recommended no action on the question of associate members, but an amendment to the committee's report was made from the floor.

W. H. Williams, pastor, Pritchard Memorial Baptist Church, Charlotte, said in opposition that "Whenever Baptists go into creed-making, we cease to be Baptists. . . . I'm not willing to say to another church what it's going to do."

J. T. Edwards had made his report as superintendent of the Virginia Baptist Home for the Aged at the morning session of the Virginia Baptist General Association. At that time he announced his intended retirement January 1. But later on the same day—November 13, he died at Roanoke. He had been head of the institution since 1946.

leadership of Dr. E. Keevil Judy, did itself proud in entertaining the General Association. Harlan has moved closer into the heart of Kentucky Baptists through this unusual expression of hospitality and service.

Virginia Baptists Plan Office Building and Expanded Assembly Grounds

The General Association of Virginia Baptists meeting in annual session at Roanoke voted to erect an office building in Richmond and to expand summer assembly facilities at Eagle Eyrie. Other state meetings of Southern Baptists gave attention to a variety of matters. Arizona warmly commended the Social Service Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention, an agency not commended everywhere due to its statements on the race issue. South Carolina considered but rejected a motion critical of the Southern Convention. The motion asked the Convention for "understanding and help rather than pronouncements and criticisms" and appeared to be aimed at statements by the Convention and its agencies on segregation. Florida Baptists moved toward establishment of a home for the aged. An account of the principal actions of these conventions as reported by the Baptist Press follows:

VIRGINIA

The Baptist General Association of Virginia in session here voted plans for an office building in Richmond and for expansion of its summer assembly at Eagle Eyrie.

The association appropriated \$270,000 as an initial sum for the office building and \$1,000,000 for the assembly.

It voted a 1958 budget of \$2,411,337 of which \$830,112 will be forwarded to missionary, educational, and benevolent work of the whole Southern Baptist Convention.

M. Jackson White, pastor, First Baptist Church, Clarendon, was elected president succeeding W. Curtis English, Altavista layman. The association voted to hold its 1958 session in Virginia Beach November 11-13.

ARIZONA

The Baptist General Convention of Arizona has gone on record commending the Southern Baptist and state Christian Life Commissions.

The commissions are commended for their "daring courage and uncompromising presentation of the facts."

Arizona Baptists declared in the resolution that "immorality has invaded our nation in the form of un-Christian race relations, the sale and use of alcoholic beverages, pornographic and obscene literature, gambling, and vice. . ."

The resolution stated that the Christian Life Commission "has become an unpopular but fearless weapon against these evils."

The convention adopted a budget for 1958 of \$281,505. The state Baptist executive board was to decide December 3 how the money will be divided to support state convention and Southern Baptist Convention work.

James R. Staples, pastor, North Phoenix Baptist Church, Phoenix, was elected president of the convention succeeding Paul W. Davis of Chandler. The 1958 session of the convention will meet November 12-14 with First Southern Baptist Church, Tucson.

The convention reported 33,015 members of 165 affiliated churches. Total gifts during the past year to affiliated churches for all activities—local, state, and worldwide—were \$1,986,931.

SOUTH CAROLINA

South Carolina Baptists, turning down a motion critical of the Southern Baptist Convention, have reaffirmed their belief that each Baptist church, association, and convention is autonomous.

The State Convention of the Baptist Denomination, meeting here, was offered a motion to ask the Southern Baptist Convention for "understanding and help rather than pronouncements and criticisms."

The motion was believed to be directed at the Convention and its agencies which have discussed the question of segregation.

The South Carolina convention instead adopted a substitute motion recognizing the "historical position that all Baptist bodies, Southern, state, associational, or church, are independent and autonomous." It also said that Baptists believe in the "right of Christians to disagree in brotherly love."

The convention continued its committee to study future capital needs of the convention and to weigh the matter of a proposed Baptist college in the Charleston area.

The convention adopted a 1958 budget goal of \$3,150,000. It elected Sam. M. Smith, superintendent of the state Baptist children's home at Greenwood, president. He succeeds E. F. Haight, formerly of Anderson but now living in Louisiana.

The 1958 convention will meet Nov. 11-13 in Greenville.

FLORIDA

The first of two favorable votes required to authorize a home for the aged was passed during the annual session of the Florida Baptist State Convention at Pensacola.

The vote authorized a committee to continue plans looking toward founding one or more Baptist homes for the aged. The 1958 convention is expected to give the second, and final, favorable vote.

Florida Baptists elected Julius H. Avery, pastor, First Baptist Church, Panama City, president succeeding J. Earl Stallings of Ocala. It adopted a 1958 total Cooperative Program budget

of \$1,800,000 to be divided evenly with the Southern Baptist Convention.

All receipts above \$1,800,000 will be capital funds, with three-fourths remaining for state Baptist projects and one-fourth going to activities of the Southern Baptist Convention at large.

The next meeting of the convention will be in Miami November 11-13, 1958.

Miss Perry Decorated By Queen Elizabeth

Miss May Perry, Southern Baptist missionary to Nigeria, was one of 27 American citizens and British subjects decorated by Queen Elizabeth II on her visit to the United States in the first investiture ever held by a British sovereign on American soil. The brief but colorful ceremony was held at the British Embassy in Washington, D. C., on the morning of October 19.

Miss Perry was made an Officer of the Order of the British Empire last June, an honor given to persons who have served with distinction in the British Empire. Miss Perry was recognized for educational services in Nigeria.

Since she arrived in Nigeria in 1921, Miss Perry has spent much of her time serving through Idi-Aba, the Baptist girls' school in Abeokuta. She was principal of the school from 1928 until 1952, when she requested that another missionary assume that position. She has continued to teach at the school and to be principal of the secondary division.

Idi-Aba specializes in the training of elementary teachers and maintains its own elementary school for practice purposes. It has done much to change the nature of womanhood in the area around Abeokuta and its influence has been felt throughout Nigeria.

Miss Perry, a native of Tate, Ga., grew up in Talking Rock, Ga. She graduated from Georgia State College for Women, Milledgeville, and taught in public schools in Georgia for six years before entering Woman's Missionary Union Training School (now Carver School of Missions and Social Work), Louisville, Ky.

Upon her graduation from the Training School in 1920, she was appointed by the Foreign Mission Board for service in Nigeria.

Now on furlough, in the States, Miss Perry is doing graduate study at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Wake Forest, North Carolina. Miss Perry will go back to Nigeria in February for another three years of service. This will be her last tour of duty and after retirement she plans to make her home in Canton, Georgia.

Bell, Torch Symbols For Jubilee Advance

Symbols of a bell and a torch with the words "For Liberty and Light" will be used on posters advertising the forthcoming five-year Baptist Jubilee Advance.

Symbols and poster design were approved here at a joint meeting of the publicity and evangelism committees representing the major Baptist bodies in the United States and Canada which are taking part in the Jubilee.

The Jubilee, climaxing in 1964 with a planned rally in Atlantic City, N. J., commemorates 150 years of organized Baptist work on a national scale in North America.

Posters will be displayed in 1958 at conferences, assemblies, conventions, and other meetings of the participating Baptist groups, which represent about 18,000,000 Baptists.

Specific evangelism and publicity

plans for the year 1959—the opening year of the Jubilee Advance period—also were adopted by the committees. Nineteen Fifty Nine has already been designated as a year of evangelism.

Plans include a series of special prayer meetings for success of the Jubilee Advance; missions to Baptist professors and students on college campuses; setting of evangelistic goals by participating groups; and a series of 13 half-hour television programs during 1959.

Leaders of the participating Baptist groups will gather at Louisville June 18-20, 1958, to pray for the Baptist Jubilee Advance. Duke K. McCall, president of Southern Baptist Seminary, said the seminary will be host to the 150 denominational leaders expected.

"Missions to academic communities" will be held in the fall of 1959 but a pilot program will be held as early as the fall of 1958. Objects of these missions is to reach both faculty and students of colleges.

Professors who are Baptists, teach-

ing at either denominational or secular colleges, will be urged to take part in week-end retreats for fellowship.

Local and state student organizations will promote a student evangelistic emphasis in the fall of 1959 on the campuses.

The first of 13 half-hour television programs will be telecast on the first Sunday of January, 1959, and the remainder on successive Sundays.

The Southern Baptist Radio and Television Commission, with counsel from a special advisory committee, will prepare the films, secure broadcast times from TV stations, etc. A television agency in St. Louis will be employed to advise in selection of stations for the telecast.

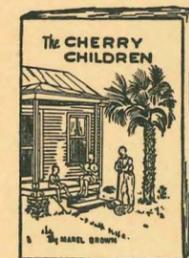
The films will be dramatic, evangelism-centered presentations. The project will be called "tele-vangelism."

The full Joint Committee on the Baptist Jubilee Advance will have a meeting January 27, 1958, in Chicago to make further plans.

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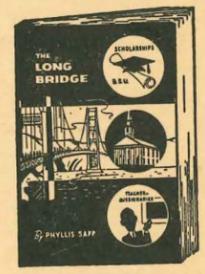
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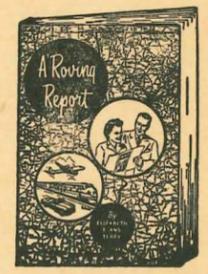
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ROY A. BOATWRIGHT, Secretary

NEW ASSOCIATION PROMOTES A CENTRAL TRAINING SCHOOL

The Taylor County Association just completed a Central Training School in which twelve churches participated. Two churches in Russell Creek Association were also represented.

The school was held with the Campbellsville Baptist Church under the direction of Dr. W. B. Atkinson, Associational Superintendent of Training. The good attendance each night indicated deep interest and enthusiasm. There were 126 awards issued.

The Taylor County Association was organized a few months ago. This was the first associational wide effort in training conducted in this newly organized association.

The following people served on the faculty:

- Cradle Roll Mrs. R. B. White
- Nursery Mrs. Charles Ham
- Beginner Mrs. Lyman Austin
- Primary Mrs. Chester Badgett
- Junior Mrs. Roy Boatwright
- Intermediate Rev. J. V. Case
- Young People Rev. Marshall Black
- Adults Dr. Chester Badgett

The following churches participated in the school:

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| Church | Pastor |
| Campbellsville | Dr. Chester Badgett |
| Elkhorn | Rev. D. G. Morris |
| Friendship | Rev. Herbert Keeton |
| Good Hope | Rev. William Miller |
| Liberty | Rev. Gilbert Sapp |
| Lone Valley | None |
| Mt. Gilboa | Rev. Pryor |
| Palestine | Rev. Marshall Black |
| Pleasant Hill | Dr. D. L. Druen |
| Salem | Rev. Ray Woods |
| Saloma | Rev. Samuel McNeil |
| Walnut Hill | None |
- The two churches in Russell Creek

►Dr. Davis C. Hill, manager of the Baptist Book Store, Louisville, informs us that at Harlan, following the address delivered by Wendell H. Rone on the Southern Baptist Encyclopaedia, several groups went to the Book Store and placed their orders for that forthcoming two-volume set. Among them,

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We commend the leaders of Taylor County Association for the good work accomplished.

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When requesting diplomas and seals, send the Certificates of Award required for that particular diploma or seal to the Sunday School Department, Baptist Sunday School Board, 127 Ninth Avenue, North, Nashville 3, Tennessee, requesting the appropriate diploma or seal. Be sure to indicate for each worker the name, address, church, and association. It is not necessary for these requests to come through the State Secretary's office.

All requests for Certificates of Award for training courses are to be mailed to Roy E. Boatwright, Kentucky Baptist Building, Middletown, Kentucky in duplicate on report blanks provided for this purpose. Individual work is also to be mailed to this office. When the Certificates of Award for these training course books are received, be sure to retain them, as it is required that they be sent to the Sunday School Board before diplomas and seals are granted.

NEW LEAFLET

Coming off the press soon will be the new leaflet "Teaching Intermediates the Bible." This replaces the leaflet "Living and Learning with Intermediates." This will be available from the Sunday School Board and from your state Sunday school secretary's office within a month.

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F. Townley Lord Will Join Furman's Staff

GREENVILLE, S. C. — (BP) — Fred Townley Lord, pastor of Bloomsbury Central Baptist Church, London, England, and former president of the Baptist World Alliance, will join the Furman University staff for the first semester of 1958-59 session as visiting professor of religion.

Lord's resignation as pastor of Bloomsbury Church will be effective at the end of July, 1958, and will conclude a pastorate of nearly 29 years. He was also editor of the Baptist Times in London from 1951 to 1956.

"As a distinguished scholar, author, and minister, Dr. Lord has provided inspiring leadership in world-wide Baptist activities," University President John L. Plyler said. "Furman will be fortunate indeed to have him as a member of its faculty."

Lord was commencement speaker at Furman last June.

Maryland Will Keep Its Present Name

BALTIMORE — (BP) — The Maryland Baptist Union Association decided at its annual meeting here to retain its present name. There had been discussion about changing the word "association" to "convention."

The association elected a layman, Elmer F. Ruark, of Salisbury, as moderator succeeding Cline L. Vice, Glen Burnie pastor. It selected Hagerstown for its 1958 session, with the dates November 10-12.

Maryland Baptists approved a \$400,000 budget for 1958 of which \$166,000 will be used to support worldwide objectives of the Southern Baptist Convention.

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For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should follow in his steps." (I Peter 2:20-21) But many who are loud in their insistence on the cross as the only means of salvation have apparently never had any experience of the pain of the cross. They do not bear in their body the marks of the Lord Jesus Christ. They never antagonized profitable sin and therefore never got hurt.

IV. SOCIAL WORK AND THE SANCTION OF ESCHATOLOGY

At the climax of history, the last Judgment, we see the inner significance of our own actions and relations to other people in need. In Matthew 25:31-46, we have a picture of all nations gathered before God and His judgment is passed on every man. Here men stand approved or condemned by what they have done in terms of ministering to human need. At first this may appear to be salvation by works but a closer look indicates that judgment is accorded in terms of acts which are simply the natural outcome of character. They had done the thing natural to them without hope of reward or fear of punishment and their acts had value, not in themselves, but because they were illustrations of character.

Here we see that the law by which we shall all be judged is not by the creed of the church, but by human relations; not by social status, but by unconscious service to neighbor; not by intentional good works, but by spontaneous response to meeting the needs of the hungry, the naked, the sick, the prisoner. The true social worker must see his own work from this perspective of the Judgment.

CONCLUSION

In the above statement I have tried to bring the theological dimension into social work. Other theological sanctions should be developed, but time and space do not permit. Suffice it to say that Carver School of Missions and Social Work in moving in this direction. This school is attempting to develop a genuine synthesis of theological and social approaches to the social problem. Without the theological dimension social work dwindles down to professionalism reft of a deep fellow-feeling for suffering and handicapped people.

I once heard that Margaret Slattery, social scientist and social worker, was about to speak before a large audience in the Midwest. She had tears in her eyes. Before she spoke she told the story of when she was in New York City she saw a boy sitting in a chair watching other kids play ball. He imitated the batters and runners. His legs were paralyzed because of an accident, but he tried to go through all the motions of the player. Miss Slattery went

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Churches requesting 100 or more Training Union Awards October 1, 1956—September 30, 1957.	Severns Valley, Elizabethtown 130
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Second, Hopkinsville 240	Campbellsville 128
Beech Grove, Perryville 232	LaCenter 119
Gilead, Glendale 222	Northside, Mayfield 116
First, Henderson 192	First, Frankfort 114
First, Mayfield 186	Parkland, Louisville 110
Victory Memorial, Louisville 181	First, Bowling Green 109
Calvary, Evansville, Ind. 176	Pollard, Ashland 109
Eastwood, Bowling Green 175	Decoursey 108
First, Paducah 168	Carlisle Ave., Louisville 107
First, Hopkinsville 167	Walnut Street, Evansville, Ind. 106
Eighteenth St., Louisville 166	New Haven, Evansville, Ind. 106
Latonia, Covington 163	Central, Corbin 105
Mt. Pleasant, Lewisburg 155	Sonora 104
Harlan 148	Green Acres, Louisville 103
First, Madisonville 148	Walnut Grove, Bethel Assoc. 102
Immanuel, Lexington 147	Perryville 101
Third, Owensboro 147	Lebanon 100
Beaver Dam 139	Oaklawn, Paducah 100
London 136	Associations Requesting 1,000 or more Training Union Awards October 1, 1956—September 30, 1957.
Barbourville 135	Long Run 4,157
Beechmont, Louisville 135	West Kentuckiana 2,000
Gethsemane 135	West Union 1,684
23rd and Broadway, Louisville 135	Elkhorn 1,339
First, Shelbyville 135	Christian County 1,314
Hall Street, Owensboro 131	Daviness-McLean 1,148

to the lad and knelt down and asked if he would like to have an operation and to get well. Whereupon he replied that he would but it would cost a thousand dollars. She got ten men in New York City to give a hundred dollars each. A few days after the operation the boy walked out of the hospital. "I wish I could tell you that tonight that boy is a preacher, a doctor, or a lawyer," said Miss Slattery. "But he is on Death Row now at Sing Sing

and will be electrocuted in the morning at six o'clock," she went on. She concluded by saying, "Ten men can help a boy to walk again, but only God can show him where to walk."

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One-half of the entire membership of Southern Baptist churches will be asked to sign soul winning commitment cards in their churches Sunday, January 5.

Secretaries of evangelism for Southern Baptist state conventions made the preliminary plans for the one day of commitment and have distributed literature to pastors explaining the program.

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Philippians 2:1-11



H. C. Chiles

In the genuine friendship of the Philippians Paul felt a keen delight. He was lighted especially in finding a group of church members whose lives were patterned after the will of God. However, in view of the fact that they were surrounded by pagan influences, Paul was deeply concerned that they maintain the proper manner of life because it would have a direct bearing upon the progress and success of the gospel of Christ in their midst and beyond. Although they could not add anything to the glory of God's grace, they could give His gospel an appropriate setting for the manifestation of its glory. The great Apostle was touched by the report which had been brought to him of the existence of a slight discord within the membership of the church at Philippi. He was grieved at the very thought of a possible division within their ranks.

I. The Exhortation. Philippians 2:1-4.

Because the Philippian Christians were so near and dear to the heart of the Apostle Paul, he made a powerful plea to them for mutual love and fellowship. He was exceedingly anxious for all of them to be filled with love for one another. He, therefore, urged unity in the expression of the Christian life.

Each of the grounds on which Paul's exhortation to unity is based is in the form of a conditional clause, which assumes that the condition is true. Right relationship to Christ stimulates the soul to the noblest efforts in Christian service. Moreover, the love of Christ flowing into the heart of a believer is a wonderful incentive to live for Him. Furthermore, when Christians are controlled and led by the Holy Spirit, they are free from all bickering and strife, and their hearts are filled with compassion and pity. In his appeal for unity of thought, affection and feeling, Paul informed the Philippians that their favorable response to his fourfold appeal would be a source of great joy to his own heart.

Knowing full well that a partisan spirit which engenders strife will distress any church and greatly handicap its work, Paul expressed the hope that

it might never invade the church at Philippi. He was anxious to keep ambition and vanity from destroying the harmony of this splendid church. He stressed the importance and tremendous worth of humility and unselfishness. He urged them to lose themselves in the service of others. Nobody is ever justified in living for his own interests to the exclusion of those of others.

If you think it is easy to grow a church of one mind and one spirit, striving together for the hope and the faith of the gospel, try to do so, and you will soon discover how Satan will oppose you and interfere with your efforts.

II. The Example. Philippians 2:5-11.

Paul challenged the Philippians to imitate Christ in their way of thinking. He said, "Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus." "Mind" here has in it the idea of disposition. Christians should be disposed to think, to speak and to act as Christ did, since they are His followers. It is our privilege and duty to do so. When allowed to hold sway, the mind of Christ will produce a Christlike life. It is this kind of living which is pleasing unto God. It pleases Him because it is characterized by eminent humility, sublime benevolence and supreme devotion.

In His preexistent state Christ was "in the form of God." His self-abnegation was seen when He "emptied Himself," and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross. But, let us ever remember that all of this condescension and humiliation were entirely voluntary on His part.

Certainly Paul could not have used a better and stronger argument for following Christ than the example of the Saviour, Who humbled Himself, made Himself of no reputation, took upon Himself the form of a servant, and died on the cross for the benefit of all those who would believe on Him. If we have His mind, we will not seek our own wills, but His; we will not strive for our own advancement, but for His glory. In every respect Christ has given us a perfect example.

After Christ voluntarily emptied Himself and accomplished the work which He came to do, God saw to it that He was exalted. Not only did He raise Him from the dead, but He exalted Him to the highest place, welcomed Him to the glory which He had shared with Him before the world was,

and gave Him a name which is above every name. Blessed be that name! It denotes all that He is now known to be. He stands alone, unique and supreme.

Concerning Christ's future exaltation Paul said, "That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father." What a glorious triumph awaits Him when every tongue shall confess that He is more than man, that He is truly Christ and Lord!

Paul Berry Watlington, Sr., retired Southern Baptist pastor and for 23 years a member of the SBC Sunday School Board from Maryland, died in his home state recently.

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J. C. Ballew

J. C. Ballew, who has served Kentucky Baptists for the past seven years as state Royal Ambassador Secretary, has resigned his post to accept similar work in Virginia, effective Mar. 1, 1958.

Mr. Ballew served as Royal Ambassador Secretary for five years through our state Woman's Missionary Union and came to the Brotherhood Department December 1, 1955, as associate secretary of the department with his signature title being that of state Royal Ambassador Secretary.

Much progress has been made in the promotion of Royal Ambassadors in our state under the direction of Mr. Ballew. There are at present 944 chapters in the state with an enrolment of approximately 10,000 boys. Seventy-six of the eighty-one associations in the state have active Royal Ambassador chapters with duly elected Associational leaders in forty associations.

Mr. Ballew is married and has one child. He and his family will reside in Richmond, Virginia where he will work with and through the Brotherhood Department of the Executive Board of the

Baptist General Association of Virginia. Virginia's gain will be Kentucky's loss in the going of this fine, energetic and faithful servant.

DON'T FORGET!

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►Calvary Baptist Church, Central City, organized in November, 1950, observed its seventh birthday November 17, 1957, by breaking all former records at every service on that day, having 264 in Sunday school and 246 in morning worship. The day also closed a week of evangelistic services. Orville Hickey, who went to Calvary as pastor the last Sunday in September, was the evangelist, and M. V. Foster led the singing. The largest attendance persisted throughout the week, and 11 came for baptism, 6 by letter and 1 by statement and 1 by rededication.

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Miss Kent

Miss Kent came to us October 1, 1955. Under her leadership our youth work has made remarkable growth and steady progress. Her vivacious personality and consecrated spirit have endeared her to a great host of friends throughout our state, among leaders in all phases of our work, and especially among women and youth.

She will be married to Mr. J. Brandon Price, of Paducah, in the Walnut Street Baptist Church Chapel, Louisville, on Friday, December 27, at 3:30 p.m. They will make their home in Paducah.

Miss Nabors

Miss Nabors came to us June 15, 1956 and has served with outstanding ability and dedication. Her gracious, friendly spirit has radiated to all who have come in contact with her as she has served so faithfully "behind the scenes" in all the work of Woman's Missionary Union.

She will be married to Mr. E. Donald Crapps, February 7, in the First Baptist Church of Birmingham, Alabama. They will make their home in Troy, Alabama, where Mr. Crapps is BSU Director at Troy State College.

REPORT FROM TORONTO

It was a great blessing to your State President and your Executive Secretary to attend the second continental congress of the North American Baptist Women's Union held in Toronto, November 4-7. It thrilled us to see the remarkable growth in attendance and missionary spirit in the past four years of the existence of this organization. The first meeting was held in Columbus, Ohio in 1953.

Representatives were present from all of the ten participating conventions on the North American continent and from all of the five continental Women's Unions of the world.

Presidents of the continental Unions and others of their officers participated on the program. The President of the Baptist World Alliance, the Youth Secretary of the Alliance, the President of the Women's Department of the Alliance, spoke, along with Mrs. Edgar Bates, who is one of the vice-presidents of the Alliance, and others from continental unions.

It was really a Baptist World Alliance meeting in miniature and a strong foreign missions spirit prevailed. The next meeting is to be held in 1962 and probably in St. Louis.

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Alvin Shackelford, recent graduate of Southwestern Baptist Seminary, has been named editor of The Beam, monthly publication of the Southern Baptist Radio and Television Commission. Shackelford operated the Commission's offset printing equipment from September, 1955, until his graduation from the seminary with a B. D. degree in July. He also holds a journalism degree from the University of Georgia and an A. B. degree from Mercer University.

Son of Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Shackelford of Carrollton, Ga., he served as pastor of the Glenloch Baptist Church during his college days. Before coming to the Commission, he was a sports writer for the Fort Worth Star-Telegram. The Beam is currently a 32-page, two-color magazine with a circulation of 20,000.

Southern Baptist Gets New Chaplain's Post

WASHINGTON — (BP) — A Southern Baptist chaplain is the new chief of personnel division, office of Air Force chaplains, here.

He is Chaplain (Col.) Robert P. Taylor, former staff chaplain for Air University headquarters at Maxwell Field Air Force Base near Montgomery, Ala.

Chaplain Taylor served at Maxwell Field since June, 1953. He was succeeded at Maxwell Field by Chaplain (Col.) James F. Patterson who formerly held the personnel office in Washington.

Chaplain Taylor survived 42 months in Japanese prison campus during World War II. Before entering the chaplaincy in 1940, Taylor was pastor of South Fort Worth (Texas) Baptist Church.

He was with United States forces in the Philippines when captured by the Japanese. After capture, Taylor served as chaplain in the prison camp hospital, ministering to more than 10,000 patients.

He is a graduate of Baylor University and Southwestern Baptist Seminary.

San Antonio Plans For Junior College

SAN ANTONIO, Tex. — (BP) — Baptists in San Antonio hope to establish a junior college here that will open

to students in 1963 and be a branch of Mary Hardin-Baylor College at Belton, Texas.

While Mary Hardin-Baylor College is a senior college for women, the San Antonio branch would probably be co-educational.

The name for the proposed new college would be Bexar Baptist College.

College planners report it will have a physical plant worth \$1,500,000.

San Antonio Baptists are planning a fund-raising campaign starting in 1960.

The state Christian education commission and executive board will consider further plans for the college at their December meetings.

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