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Representing Kentucky among the 21 new missionaries appointed at the July meeting of the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board are (seated, left to right) Rev. and Mrs. J. Robert Gray and Rev. and Mrs. Marion A. Mobley, and (standing) Rev. and Mrs. William C. Warmath and Miss Maxine Lindsay. (See Story Inside).



## GLEANINGS FROM THE FIELD

### WINGATE'S NEW BUILDING

►Construction on a new \$200,000 chapel-auditorium seating 1,000, is soon to begin at Wingate College, a Baptist junior college at Wingate, N. C. The furnishings will bring the cost up to \$225,000.

### R. L. BURNETT TO GRAHAM

►R. L. Burnett has resigned the pastorate of the Richland Baptist Church, Dimple, Ky., in Gasper River Association, and has accepted the East Union Baptist Church, Route 1, Graham, Ky., in Muhlenberg Association, effective August 1.

### BENDERS BACK TO AFRICA

►Rev. and Mrs. William D. Bender, Southern Baptist missionaries to Nigeria who have been in the States on furlough, have sailed for their field of service. Their address is Baptist Boys' High School, Box 32, Abeokuta, Nigeria, West Africa. Mrs. Bender is the former Novella Chism, a native of Bagdad, Ky.

### FRANKFORT LAYMAN DIES

►Charles William Duvall, 62, retired vice president and director of the First Federal Savings & Loan Association and a prominent Baptist layman of the First Baptist Church, Frankfort, Kentucky, died July 18. He had served for three years as Frankfort City marshal and was master commissioner, Franklin Circuit Court.

### HOTELS IN MIAMI BEACH

►Officials of the Southern Baptist Convention have been assured of 5,500 hotel rooms for its messengers at the 1960 Convention in Miami Beach, Florida, which officials believe will be sufficient. Reservations prior to December 1 will not be accepted, and the housing bureau will begin processing the December reservations after January 2. The plan is on foot to publish application blanks in the *Western Recorder* and other state papers this fall. The Miami Beach hotels do not require a room deposit.

### KING'S LEAVE OF ABSENCE

►Central Baptist Church of Lexington observed recently the third anniversary of James King who served as minister of music at Felix Memorial, Lexington, for three years before coming to Central.

King, an assistant professor at the University of Kentucky, will leave Lexington in August for one year of sabbatical leave in the field of music. During the absence of the Kings, the Horace Kelleys will lead the music program of Central Church. Highlight of the occasion was the gift of a silver service to the Kings and a reception held in their honor after an evening service.



Speaking on the topic, "Lord, Teach Us to Pray," a Kentucky boy was proclaimed winner of the Southern Baptist Better Speakers' Tournament at Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly, July 10. Allen F. Harrod, a 19-year-old student at Cumberland College, Williamsburg, Ky., is a member of the First Baptist Church at Williamsburg, and he plans to enter the ministry. In competition with six other participants, Allen was judged the speaker with the best message and the best presentation.—James Cox.

### CALIFORNIAN TO NASHVILLE

►W. Alvis Strickland, of California, has been named superintendent of associational promotion in the Baptist Sunday School Board's Sunday School Department, succeeding E. Stanley Williamson, now secretary of the Board's Audio-Visual Aids Department. Strickland, a Texan, has been director of the Sunday School Department of the Southern Baptist

General Convention of California, Fresno, since May, 1954. Before that he held pastorates in Oklahoma, Texas, and Tennessee. A graduate of Union University, Jackson, Tenn., he attended Vanderbilt School of Divinity in Nashville, and also Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville.

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## Principles for Institutional Growth and Development: Part Two

By CHESTER F. RUSSELL, Minister  
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THE INSTITUTIONS of our denomination demand the lives of many consecrated servants of God and tremendous amounts of money. The demands of our institutions in terms of personnel and money continue to increase. Between 1950 and 1958 total gifts to the churches of the Southern Baptist Convention increased 201 per cent. In the same period, Cooperative Program funds increased 192 per cent. From the Cooperative Program, state conventions increased their allocations to colleges from \$2,716,883 to \$8,807,806, an increase of 324 per cent. Hence allocations to state-owned colleges increased at a rate faster than gifts to churches or to the Cooperative Program.

Allocations to all state-owned institutions increased at a rate faster than Cooperative Program receipts from which the allocations came. This is a trend which needs to be carefully evaluated. Several state conventions already have increased the percentage of Cooperative Program receipts spent within the state and reduced the percentage sent to Southwide needs. Many new institutions are planned. Trustees of existing institutions plan improvements and expansion.

In light of the increased activity in institutional endeavor in our denomination, many questions need answering: What are the factors which determine the success of existing institutions? What service is a "successful" institution to the supporting convention? What are the factors which determine a healthy state convention? Are states establishing institutions and allowing expansion which the state convention will not be able to support? How should percentages to state-owned institutions be determined? Our denomination needs principles for institutional growth and development.

A committee of the Convention should thoroughly study these and related problems. The author suggests the following preliminary principles as a possible starting point.

**I. Needed institutions should be established and operated only in a healthy situation by a healthy state convention.** Expansion and improvement of existing institutions should be undertaken by healthy state conventions in healthy situations. A healthy situation is a situation where the population increases and where Baptist constituency of the area increases at a rate faster than the general populations.

**II. The Sunday School enrolment is the key for determining appropriate institutional development.** Within the territory of the Convention, the Sunday School enrolment affords the key for determining the need and location of new institutions and the continuance and further development of existing institutions. The Sunday School enrolment, if properly related to the rate of growth of the general population, the giving habits, the cost of related services (the cost of education per pupil per year, the cost of hospitalization per bed per year, the cost of care for an aging person per year) will indicate the expenditure which can be made wisely.

A study of Sunday School enrolment will show any existing need of Baptist people.

Suppose, for example, that a college is proposed by the Baptists of a particular area. The cost of administration makes unwise the operation of a college with less than 300 students. One half of the student body of a well located college will be day students who are able to live in the homes of their parents. The commuting distance of these students will reach 30 or 40 miles. The area included within the commuting distance will be the area of "maximum service" by the college. Seventeen per cent of Baptist college students attend Baptist colleges. When the colleges are near, the percentage rises. This percentage is an ascertainable factor. The justification for the college is the need indicated by Baptist Sunday School rolls. Hence the Sunday School enrolment of the churches within the area of maximum service should be large enough to indicate that 300 Baptist students will attend the college.

In similar fashion, the Sunday School enrolment of the churches within the area of maximum service should be large enough to indicate the need of a home for children, hospital, or a home for aging people.

A study of Sunday School enrolment will reveal the wise location of any institution. In the long run, every institution is distinctly local. Every area has a limited amount of money (outside of Cooperative Program receipts) which might be given to benevolent institutions. If institutions are too near each other, the demands for money to benevolent institutions will surpass the supply. This will necessarily mean that the major portion of the financial support of the institutions is placed upon the denomination and Cooperative Program.

A study of Sunday School enrolment will indicate whether additional facilities of the same kind or facilities of a different kind should be undertaken.

In situations where the denomination already has an institution, and further development of the institution or the establishment of another institution is being considered, a study of the Sunday School enrolment will indicate the wisdom of the consideration.

Suppose, for example, a 250 bed hospital exists which requires the interest and support of 30,000 Baptist people. The staff considers the addition of special equipment which will require the support of an additional 15,000 people. Sunday School enrolment indicates that there are 50,000 Baptists in the area of maximum service. If no other burden is placed upon the Baptists of this maximum service area, the addition could be wisely undertaken.

When the institutions are located too closely in an area, as indicated by the Sunday School enrolment, the severe competition will be too great for the unattractive institutions. The denomination will be forced to invest money in a program that brings little return or to discontinue the unattractive institutions.

The development and use of the above principles or better ones will result in wiser use of the money of the convention. It is likely that the use of such principles will regulate the growth of denominational institutions. The principles are not exhaustive. Because of space no reference is made to many factors.

### Africa Said to be Receptive To Graham's Crusade

KANSAS CITY, Mo.—(BP)—Nationalism will not hinder the 1960 Billy Graham Evangelistic Crusade in Africa, predicted V. Lavell Seats, upon returning here from an extensive six-week survey of Africa for the noted American evangelist.

Seats, a missionary to Africa for 16 years, is professor of missions at Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary here.

Reporting to Graham immediately following his trip, Seats stated that African nationals are ready and eager to assume the majority of responsibility in promoting the forthcoming preaching mission.

In company with two members of the Billy Graham Association, Seats' survey covered about 20,000 miles and included stops in Liberia, the Gold Coast, Nigeria, the Cameroons, French Equatorial Africa, Belgian Congo, South Africa, Southern Rhodesia, Northern Rhodesia, Nyasaland, Tanganyika, Kenya, Sudan, and Egypt.

"Our reception was quite favorable," he commented. "We were accorded fine treatment from the African press."



Associations, Here We Come

Association time is here. Blackford, Simpson, and Monroe met last week and eight more are scheduled this week. Next week twelve will be called to order.

The *Western Recorder* editor and business manager would like to be present in every association every year but this is impossible when so many meet simultaneously. This year we are asking some of our *Western Recorder* directors and others to help us in places we cannot reach. The moderators and program committees are always considerate and gracious in finding a few minutes for the *Western Recorder* for which we are most grateful.

Great variety prevails in the associational meetings from place to place in Kentucky. Some meetings are preceded by long and careful preparation and move along smoothly while others get along like a slow testimony meeting.

No level of organization beyond the local church is quite so important to effective Kingdom work as the district association. Unwise is the church and shortsighted the pastor which pass up energetic participation in the associational work.

A great need for our associational work is the instituting of efficient and effective methods for accomplishing the eternal task. The principles upon which we base our efforts are eternal and unchanging; the methods we employ are temporary and changeable. It's tragic that we sometimes confuse principles and methods, and sanctify methods long since outmoded.

Baptists who farm with the help of tractors and television weather reports are not challenged by 19th century methods of Baptist associational work.

After making the circuit of associations year before last, I made some suggestions for possible improvements in these meetings. Since then many associations have tried some of the suggestions and they have also received rather wide circulation in other Southern Baptist states. They are repeated here for what help they might be at this late hour this year and for another year.

1. Shorten the sessions. An endurance contest is no way to increase interest. One hour and a half to two hours is long enough if not too long. Some associations have gone to one day meetings with morning, afternoon and night sessions. This will work fine some places, not at others.

2. Abbreviate the reports. Long statistical accounts often read by persons who have never looked at them before the meeting day are about as popular as the Asian flu and just about as enjoyable. Leave out some of them. Who ever said everything that has happened in the association, the state of Kentucky, the Southern Convention and the world had to be covered along with a few hitchhikers like the American Bible Society and the Temperance League?

Be fair, include in next year's program the ones left out this year.

3. Overcome the second day problem of attendance. Many associations now meet in two churches in separate sections of the association, one church serving as host for the first day and the other for the second day. This plan has been generally very successful.

4. Print the reports before the associational meeting and use time generally consumed in their reading for inspirational addresses. Most associations now have a missionary whose wife knows how to use a mimeograph machine. Several of our associations are doing this and it appears to help more than any other change. This book of reports can be distributed to the messengers who can benefit from their study.

5. Plan one session with the young people in mind. It would be better at night with special music and a great inspirational service. Transact enough business to let our youth know what goes on at an associational meeting. In thirty or more associations I have not seen enough young people to make one good Training Union picnic. At the rate we're going who will make the motions, fill the offices, to say nothing of bringing the basket dinners twenty years from now? This is a serious matter.

6. Plan the program! Have a theme! Climax each session with an inspirational address on one of the great themes as World Missions, Evangelism, Stewardship or Christian Education.

7. Provide the moderator with a manual on Parliamentary procedure and impeach him if he doesn't use it.

Thank the Lord for our Associations. We couldn't do without them, but surely we could do with some improvements.

Since You Asked

There's a lot of talk today about pulpit committees and prospective pastors being perfectly frank with one another. Surely in deliberations affecting the life of the church and the preacher, there should be no deliberate misrepresentations, but how much should a church and a pastor-to-be know about each other? Is it possible to be too frank? Granted that both are earnestly seeking the leadership of the Holy Spirit, general information about each other might be better than to go into all the details about each other's peculiar characteristics.

For example, suppose a prospective pastor had written a certain well-known church for a frank and detailed description of the situation as it really was. The following letter might well have been the reply:

Dear prospective pastor:

This is in reply to your most recent communication in our deliberations concerning the possi-

bility of your becoming our pastor. You said there was no need to waste your time nor ours for a visit by us to your church field nor a preliminary visit by you here until we know a little more about each other. At a calculated risk we are trying to be perfectly frank as you suggested.

Your first question had to do with our town and the possibility of growth for our church. We are in one of the important towns of the empire and we should have great opportunity for church growth. It is a rough town, however, and not famous for its culture. Business is booming here but so is the devil. We are afraid it would not be the best place to rear your family since many of the people here are outright pagans.

Since you asked, we must admit our church has factions. They go all the way back to some popular preachers we had here. Each faction still champions one of these preachers though we have been reprimanded about this wrong. Our church did have a good start for one of God's great preachers began the work here and labored with us a year and a half.

Sorry to say we are not without some moral problems in our membership. Some of our members are known to be involved in immorality and we likely have at least one case of incest. Drinking and divorce are also too prevalent among us.

Our members don't always get along too well. In fact, we have some members involved in court scrapes with each other now. We also have some

loud-mouthed women whom we have tried to shut up at least in church.

Our services are not always orderly. Some people don't eat at home before coming to the Lord's Supper and grab everything in sight. We have a good deal of speaking in tongues and sometimes several going at once. These tongue speakers think they are gifted above everyone else but we have others who think they are more important in the church.

All of us are not straight on doctrine. Some of our members have even doubted the resurrection of Christ but we hope all this has been corrected by a helpful letter from our former preacher.

These are some of the little things we thought you would want to know. If you feel led in our direction, we would be happy to answer any of your questions. Let us hear from you soon. Just address us in care of the church. The church secretary likes to keep up with the activity of the pulpit committee.

Frankly yours,  
THE PULPIT COMMITTEE  
First Baptist Church,  
Corinth, Greece

P.S.: One word about salary. Our church is not the most liberal and we do not have the Forward Program. One of our preachers earned quite a bit on the side making tents. If you are not gifted along this line, maybe you could teach school or sell encyclopedias.

BAPTIST FORUM



BAPTIST TEACHERS MEET

Editor:

The Association of Baptist Professors of Religion is an organization composed of the religion faculties of our Southern Baptist Colleges and Academies, and of the faculties of our seminaries and Bible schools.

The purpose of the organization is to promote better teaching and more correlation between the seminary and college curricula in Bible teaching.

►The *Western Recorder* was mistaken in saying that Lucien E. Coleman, Jr., was taking the part of Job, as shown on our cover page several weeks ago, along with Professor Orlin Corey. The truth was, it was his brother, Robert Coleman, who took the part. Lucien Junior is pastor of the First Baptist Church, Tompkinsville, and Robert is a student in Georgetown College. Both young men are sons of Lucien E. Coleman, Sr., promotion secretary with the Brotherhood Commission of Memphis, Tenn., and formerly Brotherhood secretary in Kentucky, and Mrs. Coleman. We regret the error, but either of the Coleman boys should feel complimented when he is mistaken for the other.

The annual meeting of the organization will be held at Ridgecrest Wednesday and Thursday, August 26 and 27.

The program will be presented in a series of three panel discussions. One will deal with the general problems of ministerial education; another will discuss the progress which a committee of college and seminary teachers are making on correlation in Old Testament studies; and the other will discuss the progress being made by a like committee in New Testament studies.

Roy A. Helton

A MODERN PARABLE

Editor:

Hear then the parable of the preacher who wouldn't say "no."

Behold, a certain preacher went forth to labor. It fell his lot to be most eloquent. And wherever he journeyed great multitudes enjoyed his orations. And it came to pass that he was in great demand. And he took his journey into far states to speak at conventions, and serve on panels, and work on committees. And he became a great man in the brotherhood, for it came to be known that indeed here was a man who wouldn't say "no."

And it came to pass that the people of his own congregation began to be in want, for there was a mighty famine in the work of the local church. But none said, "I will arise and go to my preacher, and will say to him, 'Preacher, I need thy help.'" For it was widely known that the preacher was a busy man and should not be bothered with such trifles. Was he not a great preacher?

And his children grew far from him, for their father was always journeying to a far state or preparing an important message. And their mother comforted them, saying, "He maketh a great name for himself." But the children wanted not a great name—they wanted a father.

And it came to pass that the preacher died. And at the judgment, he said, "Lord, Lord, am I not known to you? I am the great man who was never known to say 'no.' Have I not delivered many mighty addresses in Thy name, and in Thy name served on committees, and in Thy name done many well-known things? Have I not used my time well—I who wouldn't say 'No?'"

And the great Judge of the universe said, "No."

Ward Patterson  
Christian Standard,  
July 18, 1959

►For the first time since its beginning in 1894, the Annie Armstrong Offering for Home Missions has gone over two million dollars. Dr. Courts Redford, executive secretary of the Home Mission Board, made the announcement. Total receipts as of July 21 were \$2,019,948.15.

# SEEKING GOD'S WILL

By MISS PAT BLAIR

[A testimony given in Youth Week services at Third Baptist Church, Owensboro, by Miss Pat Blair who enters the Kentucky Baptist Hospital School of Nursing this fall.]

If a person wants the greatest satisfaction from life he must seek God's will and direction before making decisions as to the investment of his life, the choice of his career, the selection of his life companion and the choice of his friends.

The future of every person is only what he makes it. If he is willing to give God control in every area of life and say, "Not my will, but thine, be done," God is ready to give the direction and supply the strength for him to live a victorious, useful, and fruitful life.

God has created and redeemed each Christian and each belongs to Him. Yet God leaves to each individual the decision as to whether he will follow God's purpose for his life.

When one places his life in God's hands, he finds that God will guide him in discovering where his life can be most useful. God will open the doors he wants his followers to enter if they ask, seek, and knock. God will close the doors one ought not to enter.

There are many times and ways in which one seeks to know God's will. The counsel of friends and advisors, the information that comes from reading the Bible, and the inner leading of the Holy Spirit—all combine to help one find God's will.

Busy activities of the world today leave little time for quiet devotion periods, but one can maintain devotional experiences by deliberate effort. Christians need to set aside a part of every day for a quiet time of Bible study, prayer, and meditation. Christians cannot be adequately equipped to recognize God's will and serve him if they do not stay close to him.

The closer one's fellowship with the Lord the more apt he is to know the divine will concerning any matter. This fellowship will be experienced and deepened in several practical ways:

**Bible reading** acquaints one with God's character, informs one of his demands, illustrates his dealings through the example of others' lives, teaches the principles of Christian living by which all of life's choices must be tested.

**Prayer** creates an attitude of humble dependence on God. It hushes the voice of personal preference and prejudice and enables one to listen to God himself.

**Fellowship with God's people**, exercised through active church membership, exposes one to the helpful influence and advice of mature Christians whose experiences of life and of God can be invaluable in helping one recognize God's will.

There is no circumstance of life in which the Christian cannot be faithful to God. Though some believe God's will is made known through a sudden experience, others have found his will through the quiet inner leading of the Spirit over a period of months, sometimes years.

Discovering one's life work may be a process covering several years. The Christian can know God's plan for his vocation by earnest prayer, and when he seeks the leadership and enlightenment of the Holy Spirit he always finds the help he needs. God indicated His will for one's life by equipping him with the talents necessary for Christian service and by opening doors of opportunity for those who sincerely seek his will. God calls in the way that is most fitting

and he will make the approach that seems wisest to Him. God speaks through ordinary events just as clearly and profoundly as through extra-ordinary events.

Marriage is a part of God's plan. Each person should enter into marriage with a sense of divine direction and should seek to make his home Christian by obedience to God in every family relationship. If a marriage is to be successful one should seek God's guidance in choosing a life companion.

It is important also to know God's will concerning one's relationship to the church. Often by participating in church activities a person may discover that God has given him certain abilities, interests, and skills in order that he might serve God in some definite place in the church. Each Christian should seek God's will in finding his place of service in the church.

Each individual needs to know God's will and seek his guidance in every decision he must make in life. Christians belong to God. A Christian life is measured by the way in which it is used for God. If we seek to do His will in every area of our lives then we will have happy, fruitful, lives, because in God's will there is peace.

## World Missions in World Peace

By ROBERT McCAN

Southern Baptists today have 1,350 missionaries in 39 countries of the world. These are twice as many as we had ten years ago. These men and women are ambassadors for Christ and evangelists of good will among men. This one example can serve to illumine our imaginations and illustrate the positive power for peace of our foreign missionaries.

During 1957 three flags flew over Gaza, the strip of land between Israel and Egypt. The United Nations flag replaced the Israeli Star of David, to be followed a few days later by the Egyptian Stars and Crescent. For months after the fighting people were brought to our Baptist hospital who had become victims of exploding mines left by one army or the other. At the Southern Baptist Convention we heard a young medical missionary tell how he treated the wounded of both sides and tried to express Christian love to all, even while guns fired on all sides.

I think we would agree with a statement made by the American Ambassador to the Philippines when he said: "From my observation I would say that the Christian missionary enterprise is the greatest single force working for world peace."

## BAPTISTS STYMIED IN ITALIAN CITY

By ROY F. STARMER

[EDITORIAL NOTE.—Baptists in the community of Sant'Angelo in Villa, Italy, have for several years been prevented from completing their church building. Each time an Italian court has ruled for the Baptists, municipal officials have evaded or ignored the court's ruling which would have allowed construction. The still only partially-completed building is believed to evidence the bitter opposition of the dominant Roman Catholic Church to Baptist work. A Southern Baptist missionary to Italy describes one of the latest developments.]

The mayor of Sant'Angelo in Villa has tendered his resignation after having ordered the suspension of work and demolition of the Baptist church for the second time. It seems that his resignation was occasioned by the action of his superior, the Prefect of Frosinone, who annulled the most recent demolition order of the mayor. Recent fast-moving events have developed as follows:

"Oftentimes evangelicals win their cases in the higher courts only to find them denied locally." Thus concluded the recent article announcing that the Baptists of Sant'Angelo in Villa had won the right to continue with the construction of their new church. It proved to be an ominous prophecy of the immediate future, for after having resumed construction on April 21, the mayor issued another injunction a week later ordering the work suspended and directed in addition that the Baptists themselves must demolish the building within five days or that it would be done by the municipality at the expense of the Baptist group.

As the end of the 5-day period drew near the mayor appeared on the scene in person with a group of his followers whom it is said were armed with the necessary tools to tear down the building. People milled around the partly-finished structure and the rumor spread among the crowd that others were arriving to assist in the demolition. Minute by minute the situation became more tense as a group of Baptists surrounded the building with every intention of defending it from destruction at all costs.

Just as it seemed that serious trouble might result a squadron of police and "Carabinieri," special security police, arrived and restored order. Baptist leaders then raced to the town of Frosinone to consult with the Prefect of the Province. Consequently the official annulled the mayor's latest demolition order but also directed the Baptists to suspend construction. Following this development the mayor resigned his post.

The mayor's last order was based on a legal technicality. The high court had annulled the previous suspension and demolition order and had ruled that the mayor had exceeded his authority in issuing the injunction. The mayor stopped work, saying that the pastor was not regularly approved by the Ministry of the Interior and that the local group had not obtained authorization to open a place of worship. But the court, in rul-

ing, had not directed the community of Sant'Angelo in Villa to issue a building license. The court had fully vindicated the position of the Baptists but without fully implementing it.

The question of the building permit is complicated by the fact that the village of Sant'Angelo in Villa is located in a zone subject to earthquakes. In this particular locality it is necessary to secure the approval of the building code office of the capital of the Province, which examines the plans to determine if the calculations for construction in steel re-enforced concrete are sufficient to resist eventual earthquakes. This office duly approved the plans for the church which were submitted through the office municipal government of Sant'Angelo in Villa. In fact an employee of the mayor's office delivered the affirmative reply to the pastor.

Ordinarily the local municipality would have issued a building permit in addition but in practice the approval of the civil engineering office of the capital is generally considered sufficient. In fact, as far as can be ascertained no local building permits were issued for any of the existing buildings in Sant'Angelo in Villa. When the document issued by the provincial building code authorities was delivered to the pastor, he was informed by an employee of the mayor's office that the building could be constructed on the basis of that document and that a local building license was not necessary.

Notwithstanding all this, the mayor issued the first suspension and demolition order on the grounds that a local building permit had not been secured. It was only on April 30, 1959, a year after the request for the local permit was filed, that the mayor formally denied the license for technical and esthetic reasons. In an interview the pastor of the church of S. Angelo placed the blame for obstructing the construction squarely upon ecclesiastical authority which he claims worked through the local municipal government.

Developments in the situation now rest at this point. The building still stands but until the legal question is settled the unfinished structure remains starkly outlined against the skies as the days come and go. Pray that justice will soon triumph and that some day the praises of the triumphant King of Kings and Lord of Lords may resound from the walls of the Italian Baptist church of Sant'Angelo in Villa.

## Religious Preference Left Off U. of Ky. Registration Forms

By FRANKLIN OWEN, Pastor  
Calvary Baptist Church  
Lexington, Kentucky

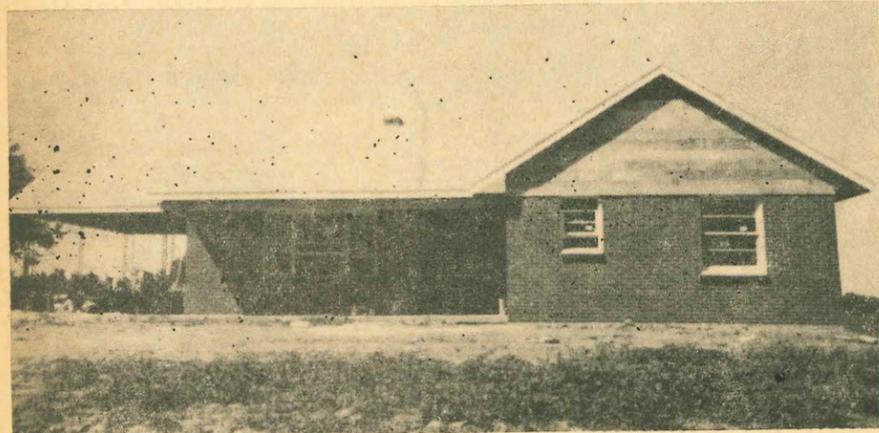
The registrar at the University of Kentucky has ruled that previous inclusion on the student registration card of a blank showing religious preference is a violation of the principle of separation of church and state. Presumably application blanks for the ensuing and subsequent years will not include this bit of information.

In the past, as a result of the above data, the Baptist Student Union has conveyed to the Lexington churches a complete check-list of Baptist students. Lexington churches have written advance letters of invitation to these students and have done considerable visitation upon their arrivals in Lexington. Our Lexington churches will not now be able to seek effectively these students individually. Not even by mail.

We are glad to hear that a voluntary religious preference card will perhaps be made available to the students who wish to indicate a religious preference. We understand that trial of this plan last year was about 50% effective.

The above means several things to prospective Baptist University of Kentucky students and their parents:

1. Students themselves must exercise greater initiative and interest in finding their places in religious circles through college days.
  2. Parents, pastors and Christian friends at home need to give more encouragement to these students as they go away, urging them to affiliate with churches and to keep their religious life and fellowship active while at school.
  3. Churches and pastors may wish to write Baptist Student Secretary Calvin Zongker, 371 South Limestone, Lexington, Ky., their names and Lexington addresses of Baptist students from their churches who expect to attend U. of K. This will help Mr. Zongker to gain a more nearly complete list, which he, in turn, will convey to the churches locally.
  4. Pray for these students. Ask them on week-ends when they are back home whether they are in a church in Lexington, and urge them so to be.
  5. Do everything you can from that end of the line while we do everything possible from this end to see that the four years these young people spend away from home will be good years; religiously profitable to their future Christian lives as well as their academic lives.
- College experience need not prove to be the Babylon of young Christians, but the obstacles to be overcome seem always to increase; our efforts and prayers must increase.



The new Willisburg parsonage, containing three bedrooms and costing \$18,000, will be completed in about thirty days. C. E. Butler, formerly at Halls Gap, has been pastor at Willisburg for fourteen months.

## KENTUCKIANS TO SERVE OVERSEAS

Kentucky was represented by six of the 21 new missionaries commissioned by the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board at its July meeting in Richmond, Va. They are Rev. and Mrs. Marion A. Mobley, of Princeton, and Rev. and Mrs. William C. Warmath, of Louisville, appointed for Japan; Miss Maxine Lindsay, of Worthville, for Gaza; and Mrs. J. Robert Gray, a native of Steubenville, appointed with her husband for Nigeria.

Miss Lindsay, a native of Carrollton, Ky., is a registered nurse. She will serve at the Baptist hospital in the Gaza Strip.

Tracing the steps that have led her to missionary appointment, Miss Lindsay said she was taught the Christian message "from the time I can first remember." While a high school student she began to feel God was leading her toward missionary service.

After graduating from high school she enrolled in Westhampton College of the University of Richmond (Va.), where she received the bachelor of arts degree. During college vacation she worked in Vacation Bible schools in the mountain regions of Kentucky and Virginia.

She worked for a year after graduating from college. "By this time I had come to feel more and more definitely that God would have me serve on the foreign mission field," she said. "I became increasingly convinced that I could best serve as a nurse." She entered nurse's training at Kentucky Baptist Hospital, Louisville, and upon completion of her course there she attended Carver School of Missions and Social Work, also in Louisville.

Miss Lindsay has been campus nurse at Carver School, camp nurse at Camp Garaywa, Clinton, Miss., and staff nurse at Carroll County Memorial Hospital, Carrollton, and North Carolina Baptist Hospital, Winston-Salem.

Mr. Mobley is pastor of Midway Baptist Church, Princeton, where he has served since April, 1956. A native of Thomson, Ga., he received the bachelor of arts degree from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville. He served in the U. S. Air Force for nearly three years, spending much of this time on Guam and in the Philippines.

Mrs. Mobley is the former Carolyn Ham, of Jackson, Ga. Educated at Bessie Tift College (now Tift College), Forsyth, Ga., where she received the bachelor of arts degree, she has been a Vacation Bible school worker for the Georgia Baptist Convention, religious education director at First Baptist Church, Chatsworth, Ga., and promotional secretary at First Baptist Church, Thomson. She and her husband have two sons, Ronald Glenn, two and a half years, and Wendell Scott, two and a half months.

Telling of the experiences that have led them to ask for appointment as mis-

sionaries, both Mr. and Mrs. Mobley spoke of the influence of Christian homes and religious activities.

Mr. Mobley said that when he was a college student, preparing for a career in radio-journalism, he began to feel that God had something else for him to do. Upon completion of his college work he entered Southern Seminary to prepare for the ministry. While a seminary student, he said, he felt called to foreign missions but would not respond. In the spring of 1958, after attending an evangelistic conference at which the need for missionaries was presented, he decided to seek missionary appointment.

Mrs. Mobley said that during her sophomore year in college she went through a period of spiritual struggle of which she was not fully aware at the time and that the selection of her college majors—Christianity and social science—marked a turning point in her life.

In 1958, while attending the evangelistic conference with her husband, she experienced the feeling that she could and should help meet the need for missionaries overseas.

Mr. Warmath is a case worker for the Louisville and Jefferson County Children's Home, a position he has held since November, 1955. He formerly was pastor of several Kentucky churches. He served in the U. S. Army for 17 months, spending much of this time in Japan.

A native of Durant, Miss., he grew up in Graves County, Kentucky. He received the bachelor of arts degree from Union University, Jackson, Tenn., and the bachelor of divinity degree from Southern Seminary and attended Kent School of Social Work of the University of Louisville.

Mrs. Warmath is the former Mary Cox, a native of Omaha, Ark. She is the daughter of a Baptist minister. After receiving the bachelor of arts degree from Union University she taught in the public schools of Louisville, Jefferson County, and New Albany, Ind.

Mr. Warmath said that he first began to have strong feelings about foreign mission work while he was stationed in Japan with the Army. During that same period his wife-to-be attended a conference at Ridgecrest (N. C.) Baptist Assembly, heard of the urgent need for missionaries to Japan, and began to feel that God was calling her to be a missionary. When they married, the Warmaths were aware of the possibility of becoming missionaries to Japan someday. They began to take definite steps toward missionary appointment in 1958.

Mrs. Gray is the former Grace Denney. The daughter of a Baptist minister, she lived in a number of places as a girl and graduated from high school in Science Hill, Ky. She received the bachelor of science degree from Eastern Kentucky State College, Richmond, and

the master of religious education degree from Southern Seminary.

She has taught in the public schools of Pulaski County, Kentucky, Louisville, and Clemmons, N. C., and done summer mission work in Oklahoma for the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board.

Mr. Gray, a native of Langdale, Ala., received the bachelor of arts degree from Howard College, Birmingham, Ala., and the bachelor of divinity and master of theology degrees from Southern Seminary and attended the University of Louisville.

He has been pastor of Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Kuttawa, Ky., and Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Camp Hill, Ala.; a high school teacher in Caldwell County, Kentucky; an orderly at Kentucky Baptist Hospital; and an administrative intern at North Carolina Baptist Hospital. He hopes to serve as administrator of one of the six hospitals that Southern Baptists maintain in Nigeria.

"He said that for many years he felt a particular attraction to hospital work and that when the possibility of service in hospital administration was suggested to him by representatives of the Foreign Mission Board he felt 'as if the last piece of a puzzle had been fitted in.'"

Mrs. Gray said she first began thinking about overseas mission service when she was a high school student. Some years later, while attending a Baptist Student Union convention, she dedicated her life to this work.

The July appointments bring the total number of active Southern Baptist foreign missionaries to 1,355.

### Dr. E. J. Keen, Bowling Green, Passes Away

One of the most widely known Baptists in southern Kentucky, Dr. E. J. Keen, physician, member of the First Baptist Church, Bowling Green, passed away recently. He had been a member of the board of deacons of the First Baptist Church, Bowling Green, for many years and had filled many other prominent places in the life of the church and the community.

Fitting resolutions concerning the loss to the church and the community in the death of Dr. Keen have been passed by the board of deacons of the First Church on behalf of the entire church membership. In the resolutions, Dr. Keen is characterized as "a worthy example of a Christian gentleman, highly respected, and devoted to the best interests of church and community." Dr. Keen is further described as a faithful benefactor of the First Baptist Church, a loyal friend to all citizens of the community, a wise counselor and an earnest advocate in the cause of Christian education.

### Princeton Baptists Pay Tribute to Resigning Pastor

Members of the First Baptist Church, Princeton, Kentucky, paid tribute to their pastor, Dr. Roy Lee Honeycutt, in a called business meeting on July 19. Dr. Honeycutt has resigned as pastor of the Princeton church in order to accept a teaching position at the Midwestern Baptist Seminary, Kansas City, Kansas.

The church passed resolutions describing the two year ministry of Dr. Honeycutt in Princeton. Reference was made to his excellent sermons, his splendid teaching, and his prayerful leadership. Note is taken of the increased fellowship and good will of the church members and the progressive program which has resulted from Dr. Honeycutt's leadership.

In expressing the love of the church and community for the pastor and his family the Princeton Baptists also commended the Midwestern Baptist Seminary upon their choice of Dr. Honeycutt as a faculty member.

The First Baptist Church of Princeton has extended a call to Perry Ginn, pastor of the Hodgenville Baptist Church, who has accepted and will begin his new work on August 9.



Miss Ruth Wilson is shown receiving the Y.W.A. Citation from Norris G. Hite, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Scottsville, Kentucky. Miss Wilson is the only known recipient of this honor in the Allen Association.

### Ministers Feel Editors Can Print Controversy

NASHVILLE—(BP)—Southern Baptist ministers believe editors of their denomination's papers should publish controversial news.

Out of 26 responses to a query from a leading Baptist magazine, only one person spoke against the printing of controversial news. Several who favored printing of such articles laid down conditions under which it should be printed.

The statements of the 26 ministers are contained in the "Pastor's Open Meeting" forum page in the July issue of the *Baptist Program*, a magazine sent to pastors, denominational workers, and other Southern Baptist leaders.

Emil Williams of Russellville, Ark., said "it would be difficult indeed to label matters of discussion as 'controversial' and 'non-controversial.' The question more to the point is, 'Does the editor have a right to make editorial comment on any subject?' My answer would be, 'Yes.'"

W. Everett Melton of Jacksonville, Fla., favored such discussion, asking, "Who is to decide what is and is not controversial?"

The ministers felt there were several reasons for discussing controversy.

"Is not the freedom of the press to be included in our Baptist state papers as well as any other paper?" declared Earl M. Thames, Jr., of Warner Robins, Ga.

"To some Baptists everything is controversial," according to Grayson Glass of Freeport, Tex.

"If these papers do not furnish information, the people will get it from other sources, often unreliable," was the attitude of Ollin J. Owens of Greenville, S. C.

Being "up-to-date" on controversial matters, the Baptist editor is "morally obligated to enlighten his readers," Jesse L. Gann of Wilsonville, Ala., commented.

But the lone dissenter, H. W. Connelly of Roanoke, Va., said in rebuttal, "There are better ways to settle Baptist controversies than through the Baptist papers. Sores of long standing have been made by undue publicity . . . It is Christ's cause that suffers when papers fan the smoking embers into flame . . . Editors of Baptist state papers should not discuss controversial questions."

Many agreed there were considerations under which an editor must work in reporting controversy.

"The press must be kept free. Controversial matters should be discussed from time to time . . . with love and malice toward none," affirmed Smoot Baker of Lancaster, S. C.

James T. Shirley of St. Louis, Mo., said controversy should be discussed but "in all fairness both sides of the issue should be presented."

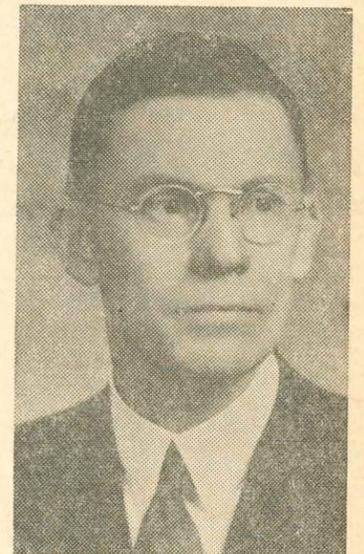
Joe Stevens of Temple, Tex., said the editor must have the "emotional stability to remain objective."

"All discussion must be on the highest level of Christian ethics, in a spirit of love and loyalty for the total welfare of our denomination," was the opinion of Charles H. Rankin, La Junta, Colo.

"When writing editorially the editor should seek to clarify the issue (without taking sides) in order to help his readers . . ." said G. Lee McIntyre of Stoneville, N. C.

H. Wadell Waters of Bluefield, W. Va., summed it up by saying, "If the state Baptist papers of our Convention area are ever relegated to the brainwashing status of a mere denominational publicity sheet their effectiveness will certainly be altered, if not lost."

### Beloved Former Kentucky Pastor Dies



William J. Bolt

William J. Bolt, a well-known former Kentucky Baptist pastor, passed away recently in Greenville, S. C., at the age of 75. Funeral services were conducted by Charles F. Sims, Executive Secretary of South Carolina Baptists, and O. K. Webb, Sr., of Greenville.

Mr. Bolt is remembered by Kentucky Baptists as pastor of the Harlan Baptist Church, Harlan, Kentucky. He was a native of South Carolina, a graduate of Furman University and the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Mr. Bolt is survived by his wife, Mrs. Harriet Borroughs Bolt, Greenville; a son, William B. Bolt, pastor at South Fairforest, S. C.; and a daughter, Mrs. J. M. Alverson, Jr., of Paris, Kentucky.

# KENTUCKY BAPTISTS AT WORK

## CHURCH MUSIC

### August Musicalendar

By EUGENE F. QUINN

#### Music Schools:

##### August

- 10-14—Central City First Baptist Church for Muhlenberg Association.
- 10-14—Bowling Green First Baptist Church for Warren Association.
- 10-14—English Baptist Chapel, English, Indiana.
- 17-21—Cave City Baptist Church, Liberty Association.
- 24-28—Columbus Baptist Church, West Kentucky Association.
- 24-28—Lyndon and Middletown Baptist Church Music Schools, Long Run Association.
- 24-28—Tompkinsville First Baptist Church, Monroe Association.
- 31-Sept. 4—Sugar Grove Baptist Church, Daviess-McLean Association.

#### Music Camps:

- 3-7—Cedarmore Junoir Music Camp, Bagdad, Ky.
- 10-14—Camp Schafer, Daviess-McLean Association.
- 24-28—Camp Joy, Warren Association.

#### Associational Hymn Sings:

- 2—Bowling Green First Baptist Church, Warren Association.
- 8—Millwood Baptist Church, Goshen Association
- 9—English Baptist Church, White's Run Association.
- 9—Earlington Baptist Church, Little Bethel Association.
- 23—Forks Dix River Baptist Church, Lancaster, South District Association.
- 24—Yellow Creek Baptist Church, Daviess-McLean Association.
- 30—Bracken Association.
- 30—Beaver Baptist Church, Cynthiana, Union Association.
- 30—Cadiz Baptist Church, Little River Association.
- 30—Providence Baptist Church, Frankfort, Franklin Association.

## TRAINING UNION

### Training Union Schedule For Cedarmore Assembly

By JAMES H. WHALEY

Training Union Assemblies will begin next week at Cedarmore. Listed below is the daily schedule for Tuesday through

Friday noon. The assembly begins on Monday evening with a program similar to the one as given here under the evening section.

If you cannot come for the entire week, you are welcome to visit at anytime.

#### DAILY SCHEDULE

<b>Morning</b>	
7:00	Reveille
7:30	Morning Watch
7:55	Breakfast
9:00-9:20	Worship
9:20-10:50	Workshop
10:50-11:15	Intermission
11:15-12:10	Personal Interest Groups
12:10-12:55	Assemble in Tabernacle
1:00	Lunch
<b>Afternoon</b>	Rest and Recreation
<b>Evening</b>	
5:45	Supper
6:45	Fun Period
8:00	Worship
9:45	Lakeside
10:30	Bedside Devotionals
10:45	Lights Out

## SUNDAY SCHOOL

### Nelson Associational Sunday School Organization Recognized as Standard

By ROY E. BOATWRIGHT



R. E. Boatwright

We are happy to announce that Nelson Association has reached the standard in Sunday school work under the leadership of Mr. Lee Watkins, Associational Sunday school superintendent, who succeeded the late Wylmer Jones.

The entire organization of the Nelson association works in close co-operation to attain all of the points on the standard. This has been done by this association for many years. We offer our congratulations to the leadership for this excellent achievement.

The following Sunday schools are reported as standard:

- Bardstown Junction—Robert L. Crady, pastor; Lee Watkins, Sunday school superintendent
- Bullitt Lick—Odell Leigh, pastor; Lee E.

- Howlett, Sunday school superintendent
- Cedar Creek—Spurgeon Hendrick, pastor; James Sorrell, Sunday school superintendent
- Lebanon Junction—Wallace C. McGill, pastor; David M. Bishop, Sunday school superintendent
- Mount Washington—L. Alfred Sparkman, pastor; Dean Armstrong, Sunday school superintendent
- New Salem—Glen Stasken, pastor; Charles King, Sunday school superintendent
- River View—Clayton Watkins, pastor; J. H. Breeden, Sunday school superintendent

## BROTHERHOOD

### Proposed By-Laws for Kentucky Baptist Brotherhood Convention

By FORREST R. SAWYER

[Last week we printed in this column the proposed Constitution to be submitted to the men of Kentucky assembled in the Campbellsville Baptist Church, October 1-2, upon the occasion of the Kentucky Baptist Brotherhood Convention.]

#### BY-LAWS

##### Article I—HEADQUARTERS

The headquarters of the Baptist Brotherhood Convention of Kentucky shall be located in the offices of the Brotherhood Department, Kentucky Baptist Building, Middletown, Kentucky, where the minutes of proceedings and records of this Convention shall be kept.

##### Article II—GOVERNING BODY

Section 1. MEMBERS—The governing body of this Convention in interim shall be the Steering Committee set forth in Article V of the Constitution.

Section 2. VACANCY—Should a vacancy occur in the office of president, the vice president shall succeed to the office of the president; other vacancies may be filled by the Steering Committee.

Section 3. MEETINGS—The standing committees shall meet at least once each year in a joint meeting. The Steering Committee shall meet upon the call of the president and State Brotherhood Secretary by ten (10) days' written notice to the members.

Section 4. QUORUM—A quorum for the transaction of business at any meet-

ing of the Steering Committee shall consist of not less than seven (7) members.

## Article III—DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section 1. PRESIDENT—The president shall convene the annual Convention and preside at meetings of the Steering Committee and the Promotion Committee and shall appoint any other committees which may be found necessary by the Steering Committee.

Section 2. VICE PRESIDENT—The vice president shall preside at all meetings in the absence of the president and shall perform all duties imposed upon the president in his absence or disability, and shall also perform such duties as may be assigned to him by the president or Steering Committee.

Section 3. RECORDING SECRETARY—The recording secretary shall keep minutes of the proceedings of all meetings of the Brotherhood Convention and the meetings of the Steering Committee.

Section 4. The four (4) leaders mentioned in Article IV of the Constitution shall serve as Convention officers and, as time and circumstances permit, visit, upon invitation, churches and district associations where they will accentuate their respective area.

## Article IV—COMMITTEES

Section 1. NOMINATING COMMITTEE—A nominating committee, consisting of five members, shall be appointed by the president elect during the annual Convention. This committee shall meet prior to the first session of the next annual Convention and compile the roster of nominations for officers to be elected during the forthcoming Convention.

Section 2. PROGRAM COMMITTEE—The program committee of the Convention and Brotherhood meetings of State-wide import shall consist of the Convention president, the convention vice-president, the state Brotherhood secretary and associate(s), and the General Secretary-Treasurer of the Executive Board.

## Article V—ORDER OF BUSINESS

The order of business of this Convention shall be conducted by Robert's Rules of Order, revised edition.

## Article VI—AMENDMENTS

These By-Laws may be amended in the same manner as the Constitution as set forth in Article VIII of the Constitution.

## WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

### Y.W.A. Summer Conference At Cedarmore Baptist Assembly, August 21-23

By MISS NINA MARTIN

Y.W.A.'s, get ready for THE TIME OF YOUR LIFE! Officers of our Kentucky Y.W.A. Council, along with other

Y.W.A. Leaders, will take part during the week end program for members of Young Woman's Auxiliary at Cedarmore, August 21-23. Miss Ann Warder and Mrs. Hugo Culpepper will represent home and foreign missions as we consider missionary needs in OUR TIMES.



Miss Warder

Since September, 1958, Miss Warder has been a Home Board missionary, serving as assistant director of the Baptist Good Will Center in Louisville, Kentucky. A native of Russellville, Kentucky, she is a graduate of Campbellsville Junior College, California Baptist College, and Carver

School of Missions and Social Work. Miss Warder was employed by the Home Mission Board for one summer in Palo Alto, California, with the Tentmaker's Program; and during another summer, she was a B.S.U. summer missionary to Hawaii.

Mrs. Culpepper is a native of Little Rock, Arkansas, where she attended Little Rock Junior College. She later graduated from Baylor University and the W.M.U. Training School (now Carver School of Missions and Social Work). Appointed to China by the Foreign Mission Board



Mrs. Culpepper

in 1940, Mrs. Culpepper and her husband were interned by the Japanese in 1941 after a short period of language study in China and the Philippines. They were repatriated in 1945; and in 1947 they transferred to Latin America, serving in Chile for several years before going to Argentina in 1951. While in Argentina, Mrs. Culpepper taught in the music department of the International Baptist Theological Seminary in Buenos Aires. Her main activity, however, has been making a home for her husband and their two sons, Richard and Paul. The Culpeppers are now in the States, where Dr. Culpepper has been serving as professor of missions at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary since June, 1959.

Reservations for the weekend may be made NOW by sending \$1.00 with the following information: Each girl's name, age, mailing address, and church. Send this to the W.M.U. office, Kentucky Baptist Building, Middletown, Kentucky.

Conference rate for Y.W.A. week end (to be paid at Cedarmore) is \$7.50. Total rate, including \$1.00 reservation fee (to be sent to W.M.U. office) is \$8.50.

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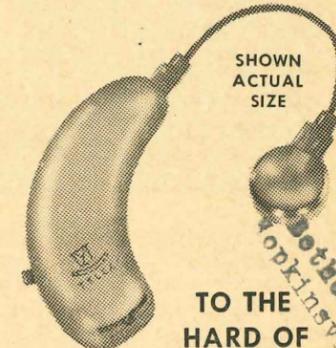
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# Foreign Mission Board Reports to the People

By MISS IONE GRAY, Press Representative  
Richmond, Virginia

## 21 New Missionaries Bring Total to 1,355

Twenty-one missionaries appointed at the July meeting of the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board brought the total number to 1,355. This is the largest group ever to be appointed at a July meeting of the Board.

The new missionaries are R. Paul Bellington and Doris Gibson Bellington, both of Missouri, appointed for Equatorial Brazil; Milton E. DuPriest and Julia McDonald DuPriest, both of Texas, for Japan; J. Robert Gray, Alabama, and Grace Denney Gray, Kentucky, for Nigeria; Frances Greenway, Texas, for Central Africa; Mary Louise Hobart, Missouri, for East Africa; David W. King, Michigan, and Maxine Steele King, Texas, for Lebanon.

Also, Maxine Lindsay, Kentucky, for Gaza; Marion A. Mobley and Carolyn Ham Mobley, both of Georgia, for Japan; Irvin L. Northcutt, Alabama, and Mildred Meadows Northcutt, Georgia, for Peru; A. Bruce Oliver and Margaret Stripling Oliver, both of Texas, for Equatorial Brazil; Carroll Wayne Shaw and Jac-

quelyn Hall Shaw, both of Texas, for Central Africa; and William C. Warmath, Mississippi, and Mary Cox Warmath, Arkansas, for Japan.

## Advance Also Requires Money, Says Dr. Cauthen

"We are greatly encouraged that the number of missionaries has now gone beyond 1,350," Dr. Baker J. Cauthen, executive secretary of the Board, said in his report. "Some years ago when the program of advance was undertaken the objectives seemed very far away, but today we see many of them being reached.

"However, it needs to be remembered that every step in missionary advance requires long range financial strengthening. The budget for 1960 will need to be \$1,000,000 larger than the 1959 budget. We are glad that Southern Baptists through increased giving to missions are making possible continued advance.

"Advance could be retarded or brought to a halt either by a lack of volunteers or by inadequate funds to send them. We must keep in our prayers the fact

that missions advance is as dependent upon increased financial reinforcement as upon increased missionary personnel.

"Even with an increase of \$1,000,000 in the budget for 1960, there are many needs which cannot be included."

## Relief Funds Exhausted

With the appropriation of \$1,200 from relief funds for the work of the Baptist World Alliance Relief Committee, the Board completely exhausted all money held for relief. Dr. Cauthen said, "It is earnestly hoped that many Southern Baptists will send funds for relief because this is an important aspect of service to humanity which is made possible by contributions for this particular objective rather than by regular mission funds."

Everett L. Deane, the Board's treasurer, reported that following the urgent appeal for relief money made by the Board at its June meeting a 92-year-old woman came to his office. "She pulled from her worn pocketbook a number of bills which she could no longer hold when there are suffering people in the world," he said.

Churches and individuals should send relief money either through their state convention offices or directly to the Foreign Mission Board. In either case it should be clearly marked for relief.

## Gift for Missions

Present at the July meeting of the Board was an 80-year-old woman who had come to Richmond, Va., from her home near Raleigh, N. C., to present Dr. Cauthen with a check for \$1,000 for foreign missions. Mrs. Ella Upchurch Kelley, a widow since 1918 and mother of five living children, had sold some land to acquire the money. She was presented to the Board by her pastor, Rev. Carl L. Lunsford, of the Mt. Zion Baptist Church, near Raleigh. Mrs. Kelley has been a Baptist almost 70 years.

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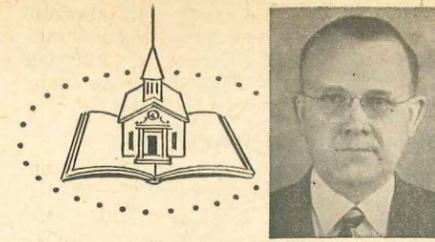
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# SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By H. C. Chiles

## LIFE - VANITY OR VICTORY For August 9, 1959

Ecclesiastes 5:1-12, 18-19

Ecclesiastes is a very singular book. It is what might be called a personal testimony. In it the writer sets forth his numerous attempts to find that which could satisfy his heart and life. As an outgrowth of his personal experiences, observations and reflections, he sought to persuade others to avoid setting their affections on the things of this world by placing them upon the things that are above.

One purpose of the book was to show people that apart from God life is full of weariness and disappointment. While in his natural and unregenerate state, the writer sought satisfaction in wisdom, wealth, position, power, madness and folly, but in his pursuit he found only vexation of spirit, and he eventually arrived at the conclusion that "all is vanity." He discovered that the acquisition of knowledge could not satisfy the mind and heart of man. In fact, there is no real satisfaction for a man whose horizon of life does not go higher than the sun. For one whose life is altogether circumscribed by this world, it is true that "all is vanity," but for one whose hope is in the Lord, Who is above the sun, the statement is far from being true. Life "under the sun," that is, with God left out, does not offer any true satisfaction. Those who leave God out of their lives, and throw all their powers into strenuous endeavors to get the riches and pleasures of this world, and the emoluments of life, will discover that what they obtain is not worthy of their efforts. Observation and experience prove the vanity of living apart from God.

In his search for happiness Solomon tried wisdom, but found it entirely inadequate to satisfy his soul. Then he decided to conduct experiments in the realm of pleasure, hoping therein to find relief for his troubled mind. It did not take him long, however, to discover the inability of pleasure to bring real satisfaction. Even though he had ample means and plenty of leisure in which to plumb the depths of pleasure, his experience was very disappointing. Any body who allows the pleasures of this world to absorb his attention will find that they fail to bring satisfaction.

In chapter five the readers are cautioned against irreverence and insincerity in worship, discouragement because of

political wrongs, and the coveting of riches or the misuse of them.

The writer urges us to walk in the way of reverence and obedience prior to entering the house of God for the purpose of worship. The act of removing the shoes from the feet on entering the temple, which has been a custom in the East from the earliest times to the present, has always been considered an outward symbol of reverential awe. Worship must be with genuine sincerity of heart and not merely without outward symbols. Deliberate thoughtfulness is necessary for acceptable worship. True worshippers are characterized by reverence and submissiveness.

Careless and rash talk is prohibited in all who approach God in heartfelt worship. To use vain repetitions, or to rattle off a formula, however well constructed, without weighing the meaning, cannot be pleasing to God. The Scriptures condemn formal petitions from those who attempt to compensate for the devotion which they lack by the multiplicity of their words. This paragraph reminds us of the words of our Lord in speaking against unnecessary words or the repetition of them in prayer. In Matthew 6:7 He said, "But when ye pray, use not vain repetitions, as the heathen do: for they think that they shall be heard for their much speaking." The place for long prayers is in secret. Brevity is a virtue in public worshipful utterances. Since long devotions are addressed to men instead of God, they are unprofitable. They indicate that one is interested in self rather than the Saviour.

Rash promises and hasty vows are out of place in the lives of God's children. Impetuous pledging is trifling. One is responsible for any vows which he may assume hastily. People who are sick, or who have loved ones who are ill, or who have other troubles, often promise God many things, if He will heal or help them. Soon after all is well with them again, they forget their promises to God. Nevertheless, they will be held accountable for the payment of those vows.

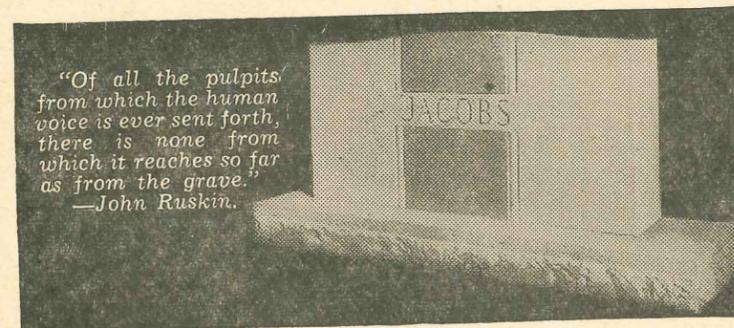
After he had toiled much and long for the accumulation of things, and amassed far more wealth than either of his predecessors, Solomon was still without satisfaction. It finally dawned upon him that he was very foolish to spend his life

in accumulating possessions that others would dissipate soon after he passed from the scene of action. Would that all others might realize this fact also!

It is a very common notion for men to think that greater earthly possessions mean greater happiness. Multiplied thousands have demonstrated that this is not true. Mere accumulation does not produce satisfaction. Regardless of how much one may gain, he will continue to strive for more.

Riches cannot bring real happiness or joy. One reason wealth cannot satisfy is because the more it increases the more the longing for it grows. Not only that, but the greater the wealth the more its burdens increase. Expenses multiply with wealth, so regardless of how much one accumulates he is constantly seeking more. Those who are sacrificing everything worthwhile to make money need to remember that Christ said, "A man's life consisteth not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth." Unless our possessions can be used for the benefit of others and for the glory of God, they become a curse to us. Moreover, wealth often disturbs sleep. On the other hand, many of the poor, who work hard, are able to enjoy sound sleep. Money can never purchase sound slumber.

Any man should be grateful for the God-given opportunity of gainful employment which permits him to earn a livelihood for himself and his dependents. Not only does he have the satisfaction of being able to do so through the exercise of his mental faculties and the labor of his hands, but he can also rejoice in the glorious privilege of using his possessions in the service of God and for the blessing of others. Let us recognize all of our possessions as gifts from God and use them for His glory.



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## New Liberty Deacon Dies

C. K. Kemper, Sr., New Liberty, Kentucky, died on June 24 at the age of 70. Mr. Kemper was a deacon for 28 years in the New Liberty Baptist Church and also served as assistant treasurer for the church.

The resolutions committee of the New Liberty Baptist Church has expressed appreciation for the faithful service of Brother Kemper. In the resolutions he was characterized as a faithful member of the church who attended all services except when hindered by illness and as a citizen of integrity and honesty.

## 81-Year-Old Highland Baptist Passes Away

Mr. John T. Reid, a member of long standing in the Highland Baptist Church, Louisville, passed away on April 23 of this year at the age of 81. Mr. Reid was a native of Normandy, Kentucky, and came to the Highland church from the Baptist church of Danville, Kentucky, in 1917.

During his long years of membership in the Highland Church Mr. Reid served as a deacon and was very active in the Men's Bible Class where he held several offices, including that of song leader. The committee on resolutions of the Highland Baptist Church expressed appreciation for Mr. Reid's life on behalf of the Highland Baptist members and extended sympathy to survivors of Mr. Reid including his wife; one daughter, Mrs. John H. Drake; and one son, Carroll M. Reid.

The new president of the Baptist chair of Bible at the University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana, Ill., is Gilbert Waud, Peoria, Illinois. He has been pastor of the Dayton Avenue Baptist Church, Peoria. Born in Illinois, he went to Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, Ill., Union University, Jackson, Tenn., and Southern Seminary, Louisville, Ky., and Southwestern Baptist Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, receiving the Th.D. degree from the last named institution.

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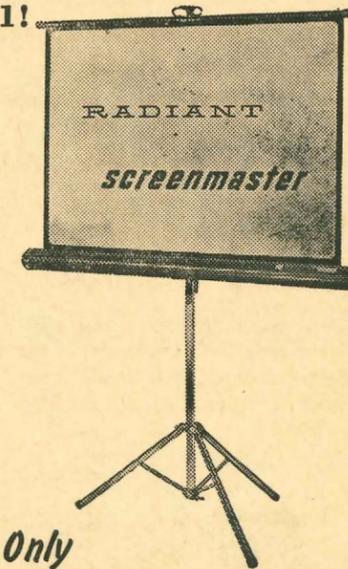
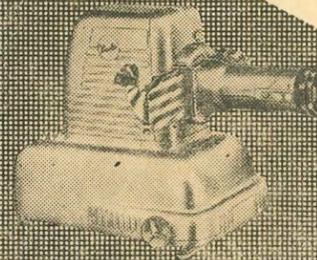
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Lou., Walnut St.	1281	2	258
Missions (4)	363		118
Madisonville, First	1063	2	239
Lou., Carlisle Ave.	1012	1	219
Palmyra Chapel	41		16
Corydon Chapel	50	1	46
Hopkinsville, Second	960		233
Owensboro, Third	941		237
Mayfield, First	871		194
Mission	82		
Murray, First	839	3	106
Mission	22		
Lexington, Immanuel	809	8	242
Todd's Road	10		
Lexington, Calvary	794	5	145
Mission	33		
Owensboro, First	791	4	143
Lou., Crescent Hill	789	3	198
Missions (2)	119		
Lou., Parkland	771	2	196
Somerset, First	764		272
Mission	48		
Lou., St. Matthews	760	6	201
Elizabethtown, Severns Valley	759		158
Covington, Calvary	753		
Harrodsburg	721		156
Missions (2)	47	2	45
Newport, First	689		155
Mission	37		15
Lexington, Grace	680	2	143
Mission	14		
Frankfort, First	660		137
Mission (1)	62		26
Covington, Latonia	653		180
Lou., Beechland	651	1	143
Mission (1)	148	2	48
Glasgow	650	5	140
Missions (2)	195		
Campbellsville	608		161
Missions (4)	132		32
Paducah, Immanuel	574		142
Corbin, Central	563		113
Mission	82		32
Lou., Hazelwood	507	2	136
Owensboro, Hall Street	506		160
Lou., Buechel Park	489	7	135
Central City, First	483		232
Danville, First	483	5	121
Missions (2)	119		36
Lou., Shively	483		131
Mission (1)	240		80
Florence	472		66
Lexington, Porter Memorial	468		93
Erlanger	467	1	79
Paducah, First	459	1	178
Covington, South Side	454		72
Lou., Highland	449	2	132
Lou., Beth Haven	445		164
Russellville, First	443		115
Mission	40		
Ashland, Unity	443	2	78
Bellevue	440		85
Danville, Lexington Ave.	434		65
Mission (1)	60		71
Nicholasville	434	8	91
Owensboro, Eaton Memorial	430		189
Ludlow, First	426		86
Middlesboro, First	426		94
Lexington, Rosemont	424	5	94
Winchester, Central	423		135
Lou., Bethlehem	421		121
Lou., Bethany	419	5	70
Lou., Southside	418	1	56
Hodgenville, First	418		107
London, First	414		90
Hima, Horse Creek	409		79
Lou., Valley Station	406		100
Mt. Washington	405		157
Lou., Rockford Lane	395	2	100
Corbin, First	388	2	149
Lou., Green Acres	386		196
Danville, Gethsemane	379	2	115
Owensboro, Buena Vista	376		89
Hazard, First	375		93
Lou., Eighteenth St.	375	5	58
Mission (1)	71		127
Paducah, East	375		87
Morganfield, First	371		156
Greenfield, First	369		124
Frankfort, Crestwood	365		105
Lou., Valley View	364		51
Jeffersontown, First	361	1	66
Ft. Thomas, First	357		93
Mission	93		113
Frankfort, Thorn Hill	349		110
Springfield, First	341		79
Lou., Immanuel	340	1	97
Lou., Shawnee	339		65
Lawrenceburg, First	337		125
Tyrone Mission	76		183
Paducah, Twelfth St.	335		242
Barbourville, First	335	3	139
Missions (3)	242		42
Walton, First	335	2	28
Lou., Deer Park	323	2	42
Mission (1)	94	3	28

Fern Creek, Cedar Creek	315		94
Benton, First	313	3	102
Hawesville	303		101
Ashland, Pollard	298	2	112
Mission (2)	68		
Falmouth	282	1	48
Mission	30		
Dawson Springs	281		56
Lou., Audubon	279		46
Marion	279		79
Shepherdsville, First	277		
Mission (1)	7		
Lebanon Junction, First	270		78
Sonora	269		101
Middlesboro, E. Cumberland Ave.	263		74
Lou., La Salle Ave.	261	1	91
Cold Spring, First	257		95
Covington, First	241	4	133
Mission (1)	34		
Shepherdsville, Little Flock	233	4	48
Owensboro, Wing Ave.	223		63
Carrollton, First	222		61
Fairfield, Little Union	218	15	28
Williamson, East Williamson	214		40
Mission (1)	66		55
Owensboro, Seven Hills	207		

## Beloved Trenton Baptist Succumbs

Mrs. Mary Payne Dickinson Pennington, 63, a native, and life resident of Trenton, Todd County, in Bethel Association, died unexpectedly July 4, 1959, from burns received July 3, when gas used in cleaning during remodeling at her home was thought to have caused an explosion in which she suffered burns.

"Miss Mary", as she was affectionately known by her friends, was a Christian, who lived day by day her religious beliefs, with service to others. Through the years during illness, need of others, and sorrow in the community, she was always present to render Christian service to those in need. She was an active member of the Trenton Baptist Church, the Kathleen Payne Sunday School Class, and the Woman's Missionary Society of her church. Her unselfish, Christian service to others will not soon be forgotten by those who knew her. Memorial services were held at the graveside in beautiful Edgewood Cemetery, Trenton, July 6, conducted by her pastor, Earl Northern, assisted by her husband's pastor, Lamar Mattingly of the Trenton Methodist Church.

Her husband, Todd M. Pennington; a sister, Mrs. Frank W. Waller, Trenton; and five children: Mrs. Harry C. Johnson, Trenton; Clyde W. Dickinson, Lee Roy Dickinson, Louisville; Lewis P. Dickinson, Trenton; and Sgt. Keith W. Dickinson, Washington, D. C.; and seven grandchildren survive. Truly to have known this Christian Lady was to have seen God's work on earth through man.

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