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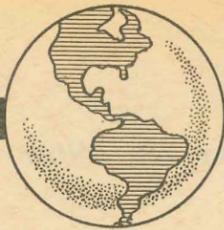
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Newly appointed Southern Baptist missionaries from Kentucky are Mr. and Mrs. Tom W. McMillan (left) and Dr. and Mrs. Willie E. Whelan. (See story on page 6.)



GLEANINGS FROM THE FIELD

CARRYING ON THE WORK

►Heston Hatcher, after an absence of two years while serving as pastor of Pulaski Church in Pulaski County, is returning to Laurel County and the Laurel River Association as pastor of the West London Baptist Church, London, Ky. In other years he was pastor of such Laurel River churches as Laurel Chapel, Laurel River, East Pittsburg and a second pastorate at Laurel River.

►Walter R. Davis, 1952 graduate of Southern Seminary, was honored by the Convention of Baptists in Indiana by being elected to three important offices—vice president of the convention, chairman of its Executive Board; and chairman of the Twenty-five Year Program. He was pastor of Bethany Church, near Sturgis, and the Geneva Church, both in Kentucky, 1950-52. He has been pastor of the Southern Baptist Church of Hammond, Ind., since March 1955. This church has more than 750 resident members and led the state in Cooperative Mission gifts during 1959 with \$12,289.66. Per capita gifts to the Cooperative Program through this church came to \$16.23.

DEATH ANGEL KNOCKS

►From the First Church, Smithland, Ky., comes notices of the deaths of four of their members, i.e., Scarlet Mae Brown, Mrs. G. A. Rudd, Mrs. Mae Dunning, and Mrs. Raymond B. Dycus.

►Charles Francis Brock, 88, native of Madison County, Ky., died in Frankfort, Ind., December 10. Born October 18, 1871, he was a son of Mary Luch Scudder and William S. Brock. First a school teacher, next a merchant, he finally became a merchant before leaving Kentucky in 1932. He was a deacon, Sunday school teacher and organizer of Sunday schools in Madison County. He was married December 24, 1896, to Julia Brookshire Parks, who passed away February 12, 1936. In 1945 he married Amanda Gray, who survives him, as do six daughters, Mrs. C. H. Wallace, Frankfort, Ind.; Mrs. Hallie Engle and Mrs. Lester Eversole, Hazard, Ky.; Mrs. D. E. Waltman, Jackson, Miss.; Mrs. E. B. Smith, Bloomington, Ind.; and Mrs. Stanley York, Fowler, Ind.; three sons, Oliver Brock, Grand Junction, Colo.; Charles Brock, Connersville, Ind.; Russell Brock, Willow, Alaska; a brother Oliver Brock, Holton, Kans.; 19 grandchildren and 16 great grandchildren.



Roger L. Oldham has moved back to his native Kentucky and gone into full-time evangelistic singing, with headquarters at Route 3, Owensboro (MU 3-2140). He is a 1951 graduate of the School of Church Music, Southern Seminary, and has served churches both in revival and minister of music-education in Kentucky, Tennessee, Alabama, Georgia and Oklahoma. For the past eight years he has been in Alabama. As a part of his work, he also holds music schools in local churches, and makes a special effort to work with and train children's choirs. He is the author and composer of many hymns which have been published by the Baptist Sunday School Board and by Zondervan Publishing House. He has two brothers who are pastors—Richard P. Oldham, Glendale Baptist Church, Bowling Green, Ky., and Robert B. Oldham, First Church, Lexington, S. C.

AMIS IS CLEAR CREEK SPEAKER

►Dr. Otis C. Amis, Lexington, was the Missionary Day speaker at Clear Creek Baptist School, Pineville, in December. Native of Knox County, he was graduated from Eastern Kentucky State College, had a M.A. conferred upon him by the U. of K. and a Ph.D. by Cornell University. He spent 23 years in education in Knox County and Harlan County High Schools and as superintendent of schools at Mt. Vernon. He has been professor of education at Western Michigan University, graduate professor at the University of Michigan and professor of education

and head of the Education Department at Union College. Since 1948 he has had the Kentucky agency for Ohio State Life Insurance Company. At Clear Creek he related the experiences of his daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Baugh, Jr., who sailed in August for East Pakistan as Southern Baptist missionaries to that area.

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IN DEFENSE AND PROTEST

By JOHN T. WALLACE, Lexington, Kentucky

A number of my pastor friends have told me that they never use the services of full-time evangelists. Their objections varied from trivial prejudice to seriously valid reasons. Whatever their reasons, they have deprived themselves and their churches of definite blessings which accompany the unique ministry to those gifted of God in evangelism.

Of course, some are "in evangelism" for other causes than being drawn and equipped of God to this needed ministry. There are also doctors in medicine and attorneys in law and pastors in the pulpit for improper motives. Yet, we should not derogate the group because of the faults of some within it. Through experience I believe in the ministry of God-called, Spirit-endowed evangelists as useful aids to the pastor and the church.

In the ten years I have served in my present pastorate we have used seven different full-time evangelists. Three of these men have each preached two different meetings for us. We have also used six different pastors, not including two meetings I have preached within my own church. The experience of these contacts has confirmed for me my belief in the blessings that can come from the special service of the evangelist.

For one thing, the evangelist brings to the church a "change in pace" in the manner and methods used to reach the lost. The pastor who always selects those for his meetings whose personality and temperament and methods are similar to his own, misses one of the essentials for a good revival. The monotony of the routine of pulpit and program needs to be broken to awaken many to action. It is the change in tempo of music that makes it exciting. It is the variety of the scenery that shortens the long journey. This change in pace and pulpit is often needed to arouse a dozing congregation. The pastor will also be delighted by the surprise sometimes realized by this change; his own people who easily take for granted their fine pastor will develop renewed appreciation for him and express it.

The capable evangelist will be a personal blessing to the pastor. Burdened down with the multitude of responsibilities, the pastor will find his own ministry re-evaluated in the light of his greatest task, the winning of the lost. As he listens to and works with a fiery evangelist, the pastor's own zeal will be kindled. Often the evangelist will help the pastor in methods of personal soul-winning. Personal visitation and soul-winning should play a large part in a pastor's life; but often it is crowded out and sometimes never learned. Evangelists have taught me much that I now use in personal soul-winning and in effective techniques of pulpit appeal.

Some special promotional ideas the evangelist brings to the church for a revival can be adopted and used by the church in its regular program or in other revivals. These men specialize in effective methods and, though some may not be acceptable, many prove a blessing long after they are gone. Even the "disappointing" evangelist may leave some blessing and lesson for pastor and people that they can use, if they seek to learn from every opportunity. As one evangelist said in inquiring about our own methods, "I want to learn from everyone I can. If I had to go to Hell, I'd try to learn how to build a better fire!"

In defense, then, of this fine group of the servants of the Lord I commend their service to the prayerful use of pastors and churches.

In protest, however, I would speak a word to the evangelists who serve our churches. These words come from my own experiences and the valid complaints of other pastors. Most of the protests of evangelists may be summed up under three headings: Correspondence, comparisons, and complaints.

The famous English philosopher, Francis Bacon, in one of his essays, said, "Writing maketh the exact man." The value of exact correspondence by the evangelist cannot be exaggerated. Too often after an evangelist engages a meeting date with a church, little more is said until he arrives on the field. Then when arrangements are not as he wishes, misunderstandings arise. The pastor who permits these indefinite arrangements is to be blamed also. The pastor should not become offended by a letter with specific questions regarding his church's size, policy, and plans as to advertisement, traveling expense, hospitality, love offerings and such. These items should be spelled out in clear detail in writing. If adjustments need to be made on the part of either the church or evangelist, it should be done in writing as soon as possible. Then, after the evangelist arrives on the field, he should happily conform to his agreements. Unexpected difficulties at some previous meeting should not be the grounds for his demanding adjustments after coming on stated terms. The Psalmist has something good to say about a man "swearing to his own hurt and changing not."

King Charles I listed twelve good rules of life: One was, "Make no comparisons!" One time I made the mistake of letting an evangelist see my files on previous meetings. Throughout the meeting in private and from the pulpit he made comparisons of himself, his ministry, this meeting and those we had held in other days. It is said that on Plato's tombstone there was carved, "Here lies a man too great for envy." Plato may have been so mag-

nanimous that he never envied, but few men are. Envy of another man's success is no aid to the Spirit-filled life. Therefore, as much as possible, I seek to avoid giving occasion for comparisons among evangelists. They should avoid "pumping" the pastor for comparisons.

Of all the comparisons that curse the reputation of an evangelist and kill the enthusiasm of a revival is that of constantly referring to "the great response of my preaching when I held the largest revival in the history of Bigchurch, Texas." Coming upon some men standing in the back hall of our church during a revival meeting I overheard a man say, "Fellows, did you know we are privileged to have the greatest evangelist in the country in our pulpit?" Another man asked, "How do you know?" to which the first replied, "Why we ought to know; he keeps telling us every service." The congregation seated before the preacher silently proclaims, "Sir, we would see Jesus."

A comparison that carries a subtle hint is the casual reference to "the wonderful love offering given to me at the Golden Glitter Baptist Church." Sometimes there is the indirect comparison of "The big offering Evangelist Longenloud received in his meetings."

The final protest is against the immature habit some evangelists have of complaining when the meeting is not going to suit them. Of course, a church is sometimes unprepared for a meeting. Certainly there is sin in some hearts and a lack of interest and the fire has gone out. If it were not in that condition, the pastor would not call in an evangelist. He'd stay in his pulpit and enjoy his own little millennium while it lasted. When a preacher takes offense at a poor response as a personal reflection upon himself, he has lost sight of Whom he should be seeking to present to the people. If he frets more about his "record" than the spiritual needs of the church, he should not be surprised if the power of the Holy Spirit is lacking in the meeting. All the blame cannot always be laid at the feet of a backslidden congregation.

Some complain that "the results" are so poor. Elijah did the same thing when he said no one but he himself was following God. However, Elijah just didn't know how to count. God said, "You missed that by 7,000, Elijah." Results in our own church's meetings have varied from more than 100 additions to the church in a meeting to as few as twelve. However, the meeting with twelve was one of the most spiritually helpful and blessed revivals our congregation had experienced in a long time. Be careful when you complain. God is keeping the books because we are like Elijah—we just don't know how to count.

God has called some to be evangelists. May he continue to call men to this ministry and give them gifts of Grace and good sense to the glory of Jesus Christ through His church.



The Preachers' Revival

The 1960 Kentucky Baptist preachers' revival services are over but whether or not it was a revival can only be determined by the evangelism records of Kentucky churches in the coming months.

A preachers' revival has come to be the most apt name for the annual Evangelistic Conference where the pastors gather to stir up the flame of evangelism in their own hearts in preparation for the same task in each Kentucky Baptist church.

Everybody agreed on one thing. This year's meeting was the best in history so far as the weather was concerned. In past years this meeting has almost always brought an invasion of Antarctica for Louisville, but this year's January summer made the trip to Louisville like a Florida expedition.

The program was loaded as usual. The wide variety of talent and preaching prowess removed any fear of Baptist pulpit conformity. The four headliners this year were Leonard Sanderson, C. E. Autrey, G. Earl Guinn, and W. O. Vaught, Jr. W. R. Pettigrew, host-pastor for the conference, joined the team for one major message and the usual extra features and music of such a meeting were spaced between the addresses.

From Leonard Sanderson and C. E. Autrey, the former Southern Baptist Convention secretary and present secretary of evangelism respectively, came the best that Southern Baptists know in evangelistic methods and means.

Earl Guinn, Louisiana College president, made his first Kentucky Baptist Evangelistic Conference appearance and was adjudged a smashing hit. His piercing, pungent, lucid, pricking, and sometimes caustic observations on the superficiality of our religious practices and the shortcomings of preachers were as stimulating as disturbing. Without an actual altar call he doubtlessly brought most of us to our knees spiritually.

W. O. Vaught, Jr., pastor of Immanuel Baptist Church, Little Rock, Arkansas, seemed to come to Kentucky with the same sense of compulsion that sent Jonah to wicked Ninevah and like the Ninevites, Kentucky Baptist pastors repented in great numbers and committed themselves anew in a climactic service on Tuesday evening. This service will probably be talked about for years to come.

Vaught said he did not come to preach, but most of us who heard him felt if this was not preaching the rest of us had just as well give up now. Two of his own personal experiences in recent days and one from the late Len G. Broughton told by Vaught will be heard from Kentucky Baptist pulpits by thousands in the months to come.

Attendance at the conference this year seemed to be slightly off. Apparently many of the pastors were

busy keeping their own houses in order which serves to remind that programs, Forward and otherwise, leave less and less time for evangelism and evangelistic preparation.

All in all A. B. Colvin, Kentucky Baptist secretary of evangelism and missions, can be justly proud of the results from his long, arduous task of program preparation. No one who attended the meeting with ears to hear and hearts to feel will likely ever be quite the same. This will be good news to church members and to the Lord, we trust.

Louisville's Moral Conscience

The moral conscience of Louisville is not dead. This was demonstrated by the widespread opposition to the suggestion that the City purchase Churchill Downs and use its gambling profits for the University of Louisville.

Mayor Bruce Hoblitzell expresses the belief that the proposal will not be pushed by its backers due to the resolutions of ministerial groups and the expressions of individual citizens. The mayor is to be commended for his considerate reception of citizens and their views on this issue. The newspapers were fair and helpful in presenting the issue to the public.

It is clear that an aroused citizenry is a tremendous force for reform. Why not extend our moral concern to handbook and other gambling, the pinball scourge, liquor traffic, prostitution, etc.? City officials, court officials, and police are more or less powerless without juries that will indict and convict. It is amazing how many evils uncovered in the City of Louisville do not greatly disturb us. We have in Louisville and Kentucky about what we want. If we don't we could have.

The Churchill Downs proposal is a symptom of our current moral sickness. There is hope as long as this kind of thing arouses our conscience. When it doesn't, goodbye decency!

Wanted - One Ordinary Sunday

What's happened to the old-fashioned, ordinary Sunday? Time was when Sunday itself was enough to make for a special day, but now we have made a special day out of almost every Sunday so that a Sunday without some special emphasis is a rare experience.

Some Sundays are made special by denominational emphasis, others have national recognition, and others have other special emphases. All together it is a formidable list.

We begin the year as Baptists with the first Sunday of January as Soul-Winning Commitment Day. Before the year is over we have Sundays set aside for

Woman's Missionary Society focus, Girl's Auxiliary focus, Sunbeam focus, Y.W.A. focus, Baptist World Alliance Sunday, Foreign Mission Sunday, Home Mission Sunday, State Mission Sunday, Christian Education Sunday, Off-to-College Sunday, Student Participation Sunday after Christmas, Christmas Sunday, Easter Sunday, Life Commitment Sunday, Youth Week Sunday, Layman's Sunday, Church Vocation Sunday, Christian Home Sunday, Pledge Sunday, Victory Sunday, Choir Dedication Sunday, Teacher Appreciation Sunday, Pastor Appreciation Sunday, Budget Catch-Up Sunday, Move-Your-Membership Sunday, Thanksgiving One-Day's-Pay Sunday, Charity Hospital Offering Sunday, Baby Hunt Sunday, etc.

Added to these are the old favorites such as Mother's Day, Father's Day, Thanksgiving Sunday, Labor Sunday, and more and more of us are joining others for observing Reformation Sunday, Palm Sunday, Jewish Fellowship Sunday, Race Relation Sunday, Rural Life Sunday, Universal Bible Reading Sunday, etc.

A good bet to make the permanent list before long is Grandfather's Sunday, Grandmother's Sunday, Safe-Flying Sunday, and Stay-At-Home Sunday.

Can anybody find an unattached Sunday—just one plain, ordinary Sunday? If so, let us know. We're looking for one to make a *Western Recorder* Sunday. Whoa! That's the way we got this way.

BAPTIST FORUM



CONCERN OVER A.A.T.S.

Editor:

The recent report of A.A.T.S. concerning Southern Baptist Seminary included some dictatorial demands with open threat of "either you obey or—" I recall that such an ultimatum on the part of the 13 professors led to the A.A.T.S. investigation. The first letter from these professors demanded that Duke McCall be fired or they would quit.

Let us take a closer look at one of the A.A.T.S. demands. This one, if obeyed, will provide a means of insidious infiltration of teachings foreign to historic Baptist belief. I refer to that section which demands adding to the faculty professors from schools other than Baptist. Certainly not the least of dangers inherent to such practice is the very strong probability that future students would be required to complete a course, or courses under a professor, or professors, who advocate Ecumenism.

In deciding whether to accept A.A.T.S. demands these considerations should be basic: Who owns Southern Baptist Seminary and why does it exist? Do not the owners have a voice in determining what is taught in their schools? Should not a Baptist school of theology train students to be Baptist theologians? Should Southern Baptist Seminary train men in other denominational beliefs and send them out to fill pulpits in Baptist churches?

Several of my Baptist laymen friends across the state of Kentucky have voiced serious concern as to how they might help preserve Southern Baptist Seminary as a Baptist school. Since most of them read *Western Recorder* I am writing this not only to express my own concern but with the hope that they might be inspired to supplement their Christian concern with Christian action.

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ANSWER:

I share your concern for our great seminary and its preservation for training Baptist leadership. I do not agree with all of your observations, however.

I do not regard the A.A.T.S. report as a dictatorial demand that "either you obey or—" I regard these as suggestions for what the A.A.T.S. considers would be a better school. We might not all agree with the A.A.T.S. estimate of a good seminary.

The A.A.T.S. does not question Baptist ownership of the Southern Baptist Seminary nor the right of Baptists in determining what is taught in the seminary. The organization does insist on certain standards for membership in the body. If we don't want to meet these standards, we ought to get out.

You are also a little wrong, I believe, in your interpretation of the recommendation concerning adding faculty members from other schools. The reference here is to persons trained in divinity schools of universities as differentiated from theological seminaries as such. Most of the teachers at Southern through the years have been products of the Southern Seminary. Many Baptists as well as the A.A.T.S. feel that this is a kind of inbreeding which has not been entirely good.

Don't worry about faculty members being added at Southern who are not Baptists. The abstract of principles which each professor must sign will prevent this or make a liar out of the teacher. I don't believe the trustees would ever allow this, nor that the A.A.T.S. is demanding this.

Finally I believe you are also in error saying that the dismissed professors demanded that President McCall be fired or they would quit. They said they could not continue teaching under existing conditions and appealed to the trustees

for relief. The seriousness of their charges, admittedly, could lead to the conclusion that removal of the president would have resulted if their charges had been upheld by the trustees.

Editor

Dr. Davis C. Hill Becomes Financial Analyst

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—(BSSB)—Davis C. Hill, manager of the Louisville, Ky., Baptist Book Store since 1955, has been named financial analyst in the Merchandise and Sales Division office of the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville. Dr. Hill will assume his new position February 16.

A native Texan, he holds the Bachelor of Business Administration degree from the University of Texas, Austin, where he has done graduate work. He also holds the B.D. and Th.D. degrees from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville.

Dr. Hill was minister of education at Broadway Baptist Church, Louisville, from 1948-49. He was a teaching fellow in ethics and sociology at Southern Seminary from 1950-52.

His experience with the Baptist Book Store began by working at the seminary store in Louisville from 1949-52. In 1953 he became assistant to the manager of the downtown store at 317-21 Guthrie St. He was named manager of the store January 1, 1955, in which position he has served since.

The store was remodeled in the latter part of 1958. Located in the Speed Building, the store now occupies space on three levels—4,000-square feet on the basement and first floors, and 3,500-square feet on the second floor.

Dr. Hill said that the expansion of the store by its remodeled quarters has meant wider and better service for Kentucky Baptists.

The Louisville store employs 31 people, and is one of two stores operated by the Sunday School Board in Kentucky. Mrs. Martha Miner is manager of the Owensboro store.

Foreign Mission Board Appoints Kentuckians

Dr. and Mrs. Willie E. Whelan, of Valley Station, Ky., and Rev. and Mrs. Tom W. McMillan, of Jeffersontown, were among the 25 new missionaries commissioned by the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board at its December meeting in Richmond, Va.

Mr. McMillan is pastor of Hopewell Baptist Church, Jeffersontown, where he has served since June, 1957. Mrs. McMillan is the former Marilyn Jones, native of Jeffersontown. They were appointed for East Africa.

The Whelans will go to Korea, where Dr. Whelan, a dentist, will be associated with the Baptist hospital in Pusan. Although Southern Baptists have several missionary dentists, he will be the first to serve in Korea.

The Whelans began considering foreign mission service after attending the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention in Louisville last May. During the foreign missions program a dentist who was a missionary appointee for Indonesia was introduced, and the Whelans realized for the first time that the Foreign Mission Board appointed dentists. After the service they talked with a representative of the Board's personnel department.

"For the past few years we have experienced a growing desire to serve God more completely," Dr. Whelan explained. "I contemplated entering the ministry, but being persuaded that God had directed my life into dentistry, I thought it wrong to discard my training for such a needed profession.

"Since our first contact with the personnel department my wife and I have experienced a growing consciousness of God's call to foreign missions. We are dedicating our lives to this service."

Dr. Whelan has practiced dentistry in Valley Station since 1952. He is a deacon at Valley Station Baptist Church.

A native Kentuckian, he was born in Meade County and grew up in West Point. He attended Georgetown College and the University of Virginia, Charlottesville, and received the doctor of medical dentistry degree from the University of Louisville Dental School. He is now a student at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville.

He served in the U. S. Army Air Forces for three years during and immediately following World War II; and, after completing his dental training, he was a dental officer in the U. S. Air Force for two years, spending much of this time in Frankfurt, Germany.

Mrs. Whelan, the former Elaine Power, was born in Yonkers, N.Y., and lived in Cleveland, Ohio, and Ypsilanti, Mich., as a girl. She attended Michigan State Normal College (now Eastern Michigan University), Ypsilanti, and the University of Louisville, and is now a student at Carver School of Missions and Social Work, Louisville.

The Whelans have four children: David Lee, 11; Dianne Elaine, seven; Janet Sue, six; and Joan Marie, nearly three.

Mr. McMillan was born in Hermleigh, Tex., and grew up in Sweetwater, Tex. He attended Rice Institute, Houston, Tex., and received the bachelor of arts degree from Baylor University, Waco, Tex., and the bachelor of divinity degree from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Tex. Before coming to the Jeffersontown church he was coach and program director at Fort Worth Boys' Club.

Recounting the experiences that led him to ask for missionary appointment, Mr. McMillan said that during his last year in high school "the realization came that God had a plan for my life, a plan that was radically different from plans previously made," and that when he was a college student "this radical plan was given preference, and I surrendered my life for fulltime Christian service." The influence of the Baptist Student Union was an important factor in this decision, he said.

He began to consider seriously foreign mission service while a college senior. "My first year at Southwestern Seminary accentuated the need of lost people around the world," he continued. "Particularly compelling was the ratio of preachers at home to the number ministering on foreign fields. One year later I responded to God's leadership to invest my life overseas."

Mrs. McMillan received the bachelor of arts degree from Wayland Baptist College, Plainview, Tex., and the master of religious education degree from Southwestern Seminary. She taught piano in Columbia, S. C., Plainview, Fort Worth, and Jeffersontown. In 1954 the Baptist

►W. Milton Lowery left East Baptist Church, Louisville, to go to the pastorate of Bethany Baptist Church, Lansing, Mich., a Southern Baptist Church, on January 1. He has been at the Louisville church for four and a half years. Before coming to Louisville he had been pastor of Crooked Creek Church, and Crittenden Church, both in Crittenden Association, during 1949-1955. He is a graduate of Georgetown College and Southern Seminary. He, his wife and two daughters, will reside at 2205 Harding Avenue, Lansing, Mich.

►Some weeks ago mention was made that J. Marse Grant, editor of *Charity & Children*, Thomasville, N. C., had been elected editor of *The Biblical Recorder*, Raleigh, N. C. Now comes word that the trustees of the Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville have elected Mrs. J. Marse Grant to edit their periodical, thus succeeding her husband—at least on a temporary basis.

Student Union of Texas sent her to Hawaii as a summer missionary.

She said that as a teen-ager she used to wonder if she would be willing to spend her life as a foreign missionary and that she was happy when she could answer in the affirmative. "The peace and joy that came from knowing my all was God's actually brought new life to me," she said. "Never since have I wished to recall my decision; time and circumstances have only made my calling to foreign missions more sure."

The McMillans have two children, Tom Weaver, Jr., nearly two and a half years old, and Melodie Jan, nearly six months.

Children of Ohio County Accident Victim Move to Glen Dale

The issue of the *Western Recorder* for December 17, 1959, carried the story of the tragic automobile accident in Ohio County which resulted in the death of Mrs. Ada Marcum and her infant son. The article stated that Mrs. Marcum was survived by seven small children as well as her husband.

Word reaches the *Western Recorder* from C. Ford Deusner, superintendent of the Glen Dale children's home, that the seven Marcum children have come to live at Glen Dale. Mr. Deusner characterized the little children as "bright, attractive youngsters, ranging in age from 2 to 11 years. There are five boys and two girls."

Mr. Deusner states that it is a joyous privilege, as well as a sacred obligation, to assume the care of these children. This is another demonstration of the wonderful ministry of Kentucky Baptists in the field of child care.

Invitations For 1965 Convention Now Open

NASHVILLE—(BP)—For most people, 1965 is a long way off, but Southern Baptist Convention Leaders are already considering possible sites for their annual Convention session in that year.

According to John H. Williams of Nashville, in charge of Convention arrangements for the Southern Baptist Executive Committee, cities and Baptist groups interested in extending an invitation for 1965 should do so right away.

The 1960 session of the Convention, meeting in May at Miami Beach, Fla., will choose the 1965 site. However, invitations must be considered well ahead to be sure cities are eligible from the standpoint of auditorium size, hotel space, and nearness of hotels and auditorium.

Sites for 1961, 1962, 1963 and 1964 are already designated by Convention action—St. Louis, San Francisco, Kansas City, and Atlantic City, N. J., in that order.

Educator's Widow Dies In Fort Worth at 87

FORT WORTH, Tex.—(BP)—Mrs. L. R. Scarborough, 87, widow of the former president of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, from 1914 to 1942, died in Fort Worth December 27.

She was a native of El Paso, Ark., but had lived in Fort Worth 50 years. A graduate of Ouachita Baptist College, Arkadelphia, Ark., she was a former teacher at Simmons College, Boston, Mass.

In 1900 she married Lee R. Scarborough. In addition to his work with Southwestern Seminary, he also served as president of the Baptist General Convention of Texas and of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Mrs. Scarborough is survived by three sons, Warren and Byron of Fort Worth and Lawrence of Edinburg and three daughters, Mrs. A. D. Foreman, Jr., of Memphis, Tenn.; Mrs. G. A. Johnson of Houston and Miss Neppie Scarborough of Fort Worth.

Warsaw Church Windows, Walls and Plastering Damaged by Explosion

Kentucky and the Ohio Valley territory peoples were all excited several weeks ago by the explosion of a beer distributing company at Warsaw, Kentucky, about thirty miles southwest of Cincinnati and about eighty miles northeast of Louisville. Damage great and small was done to practically every building in town.

Baptists were interested because we

have some fine Baptist people there and a fine Baptist church, the Warsaw Baptist Church, organized in 1840.

Pastor James L. Heizer says that the windows in their auditorium were damaged. They were colored glass, and are irreplaceable. The top six panes of each window were imported Belgian and French "flash" glass. The lower nine panes of each of the seven windows were of etched glass.

Because some of the sashes were weakened and the impossibility of matching up the remaining unbroken glass, made about three quarters of a century ago with glass made today, it will probably be necessary to install completely new windows. The shattered windows had both an historic and a sentimental value to the church.

Pastor Heizer says the insurance adjusters have engaged a structural engineer to determine the extent of damage to the foundation and walls. "Damage to plaster in all parts of the building was extensive," he says, "and it may be some time before we shall know the full extent of the damage. The church had \$70,000 of insurance, which included extended coverage, and which should make repairs possible in the near future."

►Henry Davidson, formerly of Laura, Ohio, has been called as pastor of East Bernstadt Church, near London, Ky. He was formerly for seven years pastor at First Church, Cumberland Gap, Tenn. While there he was clerk of the association and chairman of evangelism. He was graduated from Clear Creek Baptist School, Pineville, and attended Georgetown College. Mrs. Davidson, the former Betty Jo Collins of Cumberland Gap, graduated from Carson-Newman College.

Cooperative Program Hits Record in 1959

NASHVILLE—(BP)—Cooperative Program receipts to support work of the Southern Baptist Convention reached a record \$17,101,216 during 1959, Convention Treasurer Porter Routh announced here.

The previous high was the 1958 total of \$15,598,909.

The Cooperative Program is used to support the Convention's foreign and home mission program, its seminaries and hospitals, and its various other agencies.

The figure, however, does not represent total contributions to the 31,500 Southern Baptist churches. Funds used by local churches and by state Baptist conventions are not a part of the \$17,000,000.

Total gifts to all Southern Baptist Convention agencies, including the non-designated Cooperative Program gifts and the gifts for which donors spell out the exact way it shall be spent, amounted to \$27,475,124 during 1959. This also is a record amount, according to Routh.

The Convention's Cooperative Program budget for 1959 was \$15,000,000. After this amount was reached in November, all funds above it were divided only between home and foreign missions. They shared \$2,101,216, of which foreign missions got three-fourths and home missions one-fourth.

Here's a breakdown showing several of the agencies and the amount they received during 1959:

Agency	Cooperative Program	Total (incl. Designations)
Foreign Mission Board	\$7,465,912.51	\$15,464,441.44
Home Mission Board	2,655,304.15	4,974,325.62
Six seminaries (total)	5,330,000.00	5,354,872.67

Bill Reid Called By Hazard Baptists



Bill Reid

Bill Reid, pastor of the Parkland Baptist Chapel, Louisville, has been extended a call by the First Baptist Church, Hazard, Kentucky. Mr. Reid accepted the call and will assume duties at Hazard on January 24.

Mr. Reid is a native of Memphis, Tennessee, but moved to Richmond, Kentucky, at an early age. He is a graduate of Georgetown College and currently is completing his work at the Southern Baptist Seminary.

Mrs. Reid is the former Bobbie Patrick, Williamsburg, Kentucky. They have two children: Thomas Patrick, age 8, and Kevin Ian, age 2.

The Hazard Church has been without a pastor for several months following the move of Winn T. Barr to the First Baptist Church, London, Kentucky. During the interim the church has enjoyed the ministry of D. M. Aldridge, president of the Clear Creek Baptist School, Pineville, Kentucky.

The Hazard Church recently dedicated a new sanctuary.

►W. Hines Sims, music secretary at the Sunday School Board, has announced that his department is sponsoring a six months' hymn writing competition. The competition is designed to encourage and stimulate the practice of creative hymn writing among Southern Baptists. Open to all members of the denomination, manuscripts will be accepted during April 1-September 30, 1960. Information about the competition will be obtained by writing Hymn Writing Competition, 127 Ninth Avenue, North, Nashville 3, Tenn.



—Photo by Herb Parker, Owensboro Messenger

Two sportsmanship awards were conferred upon two young men from the First Baptist Church, Owensboro, recently, as shown in the picture above. The First Church made a special banquet out of the occasion. The second from the left is Ed Hidenrite, and the second from the right is David Mitchell, both of whom were winners in the annual First Baptist Church Football Sportsmanship Awards. Shown are, left to right, George Claiborne, football coach for Daviess County; Ed Hidenrite; Sam Gash, of the staff at First Church; C. R. Daley, editor of the Western Recorder, banquet speaker; David Mitchell; and Ralph Genito, football coach for Owensboro.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION
ATTENDANCE FOR JANUARY 10, 1960**

	S.S.	Add.	T.U.			
Louisville, Walnut Street	1559	11	397			
Missions (4)	426	1	251			
Louisville, Ninth and O	1345		520			
Madisonville, First	1081		250			
Hopkinsville, Second	990	1	241			
Bowling Green, First	966		235			
Mission	181					
Elizabethtown, Severns Valley	967		244			
Missions (2)	94					
Owensboro, Third	973	1	290			
Mayfield, First	933		247			
Mission	8					
Lexington, Calvary	897	1	252			
Mission	39					
Louisville, Parkland	870		211			
Louisville, St. Matthews	825	14	263			
Covington, Calvary	813					
Louisville, Beechland	802		162			
Mission	227		65			
Somerset, First	791		295			
Mission	103		47			
Harrodsburg	783		184			
Missions (2)	67		53			
Hopkinsville, First	750		197			
Mission	137		70			
Covington, Latonia	748		206			
Paducah, Immanuel	727		210			
Lexington, Grace	725		204			
Mission	15					
Newport, First	719	5	207			
Missions (2)	58		15			
Glasgow	715		149			
Missions (2)	162	4				
Campbellsville	691		221			
Missions (3)	117		75			
Louisville, Beuchel Park	672	4	159			
Shelbyville, First	668	3	102			
Georgetown	660		220			
Lexington, Rosemont	605	5	168			
Louisville, Hazelwood	589	5	126			
Owensboro, Hall Street	574		209			
Paducah, First	573		255			
Henderson, Immanuel	560	4	193			
Corbin, Central	548		179			
Mission	58		23			
Louisville, Highland	541	3	205			
Florence	541	1	100			
Ashland, First	540		121			
Missions (2)	150					
Louisville, Rockford Lane	536		176			
Louisville, Eastern Parkway	532	2	97			
Erlanger	530	3	115			
Louisville, Bethlehem	530	1	190			
Danville, First	529	3	145			
Mission	54					
Louisville, Southside	527		113			
Louisville, Beth Haven	525	3	209			
Louisville, Valley Station	511	5	113			
Winchester, Central	502		132			
Central City, First	501	2	217			
Louisville, Farmdale	500	1	139			
Mission	125		55			
London, First	496		133			
Covington, South Side	494	1	91			
Louisville, Shively	480		149			
Louisville, Green Acres	476	3	164			
Louisville, Bethany	474	3	115			
Louisville, Eighteenth Street	472	2	101			
Mission	78	3	69			
Bellevue	465		112			
Jeffersonton, First	448		112			
Hodgenville, First	447		132			
Bardtown	447	2	64			
Ludlow, First	445	1	115			
Hazard, First	439		97			
Mt. Washington, First	438		125			
Mission	24					
Nicholasville	434		99			
Franklin, First	432		120			
Mission	55		25			
Louisville, Shawnee	431	2	116			
Louisville, Valley View	425		127			
Louisville, Immanuel	419	1	108			
Morganfield, First	418		99			
Corbin, First	414	1	120			
Walton, First	411	2	199			
Middlesboro, First	410	4	137			
Paducah, East	401	1	161			
Russellville, First	399		111			
Mission	53					
Danville, Gethsemane	396		204			
Lebanon, First	394	5	109			
Greenville, First	394		138			
Springfield	390		122			
Lawrenceburg, First	389		84			
Mission	53					
Louisville, Beechwood	387	2	155			
Hima, Horse Creek	385					
Frankfort, Thorn Hill	384		140			
Frankfort, Crestwood	379	1	115			
Ft. Thomas, First	358		97			
Mission	106					
Owensboro, Lewis Lane	357		154			
Lexington, Central	352	2	107			
LaGrange						
DeHaven Memorial	344		100			
Barbourville, First	343		181			
Missions (3)	209					
Covington, First	326		173			
Mission	67					
Shepherdsville, First	325		74			
Mission	8					
Ashland, Pollard	322	1	122			
Mission (2)	100					
Dawson Springs, First	320		78			
Falmouth	318	1	43			
Mission	29					
Owensboro, Crabtree Avenue	315	3	110			
Earlington, First	313	3	116			
Louisville, LaSalle Avenue	309	4	102			
Louisville, Gethsemane	306		130			
Mission	18					
Louisville, Melbourne Heights	300	1	85			
Benton, First	300		117			

**Cooperative Program
Receipts Gain**

By W. C. BOONE, Treasurer

Undesignated receipts through the Co-operative Program for November 1959 were \$184,280.90 and for December \$215,158.96, or a total for the two months of \$399,439.86. This was a gain over the same two months last year of \$36,648.73.

The amount for December was the largest we have ever had in any one month for the Cooperative Program.

Our goal for the Cooperative Program for this year is \$2,400,000, or \$200,000 per month.

In view of the very popular special offerings in November for our Children's Homes and the Lottie Moon Christmas for Foreign Missions in December, these were two fine months for the Cooperative Program with only about \$560.00 short of our goal.

Kentucky Baptists are entering on a great year, and have made a fine start. Let us pray and work and give together for the glory of Christ's cause.

►A story on Southern Baptists is being prepared for presentation in a March issue of Life Magazine. Information is needed on (1) first worship services of new missions, (2) the formal constituting of churches, and (3) dedication services of churches moving into their first buildings—which occur during the period, January 24 through 31, 1960. All churches or missions having such events during the stated period are asked to notify (as to what, where, who and when) Dr. W. C. Fields, public relations secretary, Executive Committee, SBC, 127 Ninth Avenue North, Nashville 3, Tenn.

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**Binns Substitutes as
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By WALTER POPE BINNS, President
William Jewell College

LIBERTY, Mo.—In November I visited the United Nations, substituting for Brooks Hays, the observer appointed by the Christian Life Commission to represent the Southern Baptist Convention. Of course, the position of "observer" does not imply any official relationship. The United Nations recognizes "Non-Government Organizations" comprising large groups of citizens and provides access to information that will be of interest to their members.

Mr. Hays and I had visited the United Nations early in 1959 when the Peace Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention was preparing its report. Because of Mr. Hays' personal acquaintance as a former delegate to the United Nations, we had interesting conferences with Dag Hammarskjold, Henry Cabot Lodge, Ralph Bunche and other officials who extended every courtesy and gave us useful information.

On this second visit, I witnessed two debates which illustrate the serious world problems that confront the United Nations. One was the debate between Mr. Lodge, United States delegate, and Mr. Kuznetsov, delegate of the Soviet Union, as to whether the agenda of the next meeting of the General Assembly should include a discussion of the recent revolution in Hungary. The other was an equally bitter debate between Musa Naser, Foreign Minister of Jordan, and Michael Comay, delegate from Israeli, over the issues between the Jews and Arabs.

These are but two of the many political problems that threaten the peace of the world. There are equally serious economic, racial, and educational problems. The United Nations endeavors to deal with them by providing a forum for international discussion which expresses the moral judgment of the nations on political issues and also by providing practical aid in the needy places of the world through its Food and Agricultural Organization, World Health Organization, Children Emergency Fund, Educational Scientific Cultural Organization and other agencies.

The United Nations is the best instrument of international understanding and reconciliation now available. Its success is partly dependent upon the support of patriotic and Christian groups who study its work and interpret it to the public. Southern Baptists can make an important contribution in this field. They are fortunate to have in Mr. Brooks Hays an experienced and highly intelligent observer and interpreter.



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KENTUCKY BAPTISTS AT WORK

CHURCH MUSIC

Music Expansion Week— A 1960 Special

By EUGENE F. QUINN



E. F. Quinn

A special week entitled Music Expansion Week has been scheduled for August 21-26 in 1960 as a week of special preparation by every church in the Southern Baptist Convention for the mobilization of its music ministry for the year of 1960-61.

Some of the purposes of this are: (1)

To examine the present status of the churches' music ministry. (2) To chart a course of action. (3) To enlist necessary leaders for the expanded program. (4) To inform and train the leaders. (5) To provide literature supplies and equipment for the enlarged music ministry and (6) to launch the expanded music ministry.

There will be a special pamphlet entitled "Music Expansion Week, 1960" which will have many suggestions to offer for making the most of this Music Expansion Week in your church. There will also be a poster to publicize this event. These two pieces of literature will be available in the state music department office very soon upon request by any church.

Articles will also appear in *The Church Musician* magazine, the *Associational Church Music Bulletin*, and our own state paper.

This will precede and prepare for September—Church Music Month for 1960.

We hope that by this means we shall have a more thorough planning and preparation for the new year.

MUSICAL CHECK LIST FOR JANUARY, 1960

1. Expand the enrolments of the music groups.
2. Make detailed plans for activities through May or June.
3. Make reservations for Ridgecrest or Glorieta Music Conferences. Ridgecrest is June 30-July 6 and Glorieta is July 21-27.
4. Discuss with music council the meeting of the Standard of Excellence for the coming quarter.

5. Plan a music study course and set dates through church council.
6. Use "Brethren, We Have Met to Worship" as the feature hymn of the month in departments and worship services throughout January.
7. Encourage your church to participate in the associational activity during the quarter.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

State V.B.S. Clinic

By ROY E. BOATWRIGHT



R. E. Boatwright

The State Vacation Bible School Clinic will be held with the First Baptist Church of Shelbyville, February 25-26. The program will start at 9:00 a.m. on February 25 and will be concluded at 4:00 p.m. on February 26. An outstanding faculty has been selected. Some of the people who will serve

on the program are as follows: Mr. Sibley C. Burnette, superintendent of Vacation Bible School Promotion, Nashville; Rev. Harry L. Garrett, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Ferguson; Mr. Eugene F. Quinn, secretary of the Music Department for Kentucky; Mrs. Charles Chatham, Shelbyville. Conference leaders: Nursery—Miss Emma Noland, Nashville; Beginners—Mrs. Mildred Oaks, Sunday School Department of Tennessee; Primaries—Mrs. James Coates, Middlesboro, Ky.; Juniors—Mrs. George Fletcher, Sunday School Department, Ohio; Intermediates—Miss Maurine Elder, Sunday School Department of Tennessee.

In addition to these listed above, all of the Sunday School Department personnel of Kentucky will serve on the program and a number of pastors and associational missionaries.

The purpose of the meeting primarily is to train conference leaders for associational Vacation Bible School Clinics, however, many attend from local churches to receive information and inspiration in conducting their own schools.

Many churches should be represented by Vacation Bible School workers in the vicinity of Shelbyville and surrounding associations.

Make plans now to attend the State V.B.S. Clinic.

TRAINING HIGHLIGHTS IN KENTUCKY FOR OCTOBER 1, 1958, TO SEPTEMBER 30, 1959

High Ten Churches in Kentucky for Sunday School Training Awards:

Ninth & O—Long Run	2980
Walnut Street—Long Run	1009
Grace—Elkhorn	798
Carlisle Ave.—Long Run	793
Beechmont—Long Run	649
Lebanon Junction—Nelson	603
Gethsemane—So. District	533
Eastern Parkway—Long Run	507
Perryville—So. District	506
Severn's Valley—Sev. Valley	489

High Ten Associations in Kentucky for Sunday School Awards:

Long Run	13,624
Elkhorn	3,239
South District	2,475
North Bend	1,474
West Union	1,420
Nelson	1,344
Severn's Valley	1,194
Daviess-McLean	1,127
Greenup	1,048
Pulaski County	914

Two Kentucky churches listed among the High Twenty-Five in the Southern Baptist Convention: Ninth and O Baptist Church in Louisville, was second and Walnut Street Baptist Church, Louisville, was twentieth in the Southern Baptist Convention in Sunday School Training for 1958-59.

The Leadership of two new Kentucky associations receive Meritorious Service Awards: The associational leaders of Pike and Taylor Associations received the Meritorious Service Awards for leading every church in the respective associations to have at least one Study Course during the year, 1958-59.

KENTUCKY BAPTIST FOUNDATION

R. H. Gary Makes Gift of Land to the Kentucky Foundation

By A. M. VOLLMER



A. M. Vollmer

Mr. R. H. Gary, of Elkton, Kentucky, on November 10 deeded to the Kentucky Baptist Foundation a plot of land in Todd County, with the understanding that the Foundation would be privileged to sell it to a then prospective buyer. On December 10 the land was sold for \$6,000 and, at Mr. Gary's request, the proceeds from the sale was placed in the

Church Building Loan Account, to be used to aid needy churches in building programs.

This was indeed a worthy gift and will bear witness of this good layman's interest in the extension of Christ's Kingdom until He comes again.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Approved and Advanced Rating for 1959

By MRS. HUGO CULPEPPER

The following Junior G.A.'s have earned the APPROVED RATING for 1959:

Association	Baptist Church
Bethel	Adairville
Breckenridge	Corinth, McQuady
Graves County	Northside, Mayfield
Graves County	Melber
Little Bethel	First, Earlington
Long Run	Walnut Street, Louisville
Mercer	Salvisa
North Bend	Erlanger

These Junior G.A.'s have earned the ADVANCED RATING for 1959:

Association	Baptist Church
Bell County	Riverside, Four Mile
Bethel	New Hope, Adairville
Bethel	Dripping Springs, Olmstead
Bethel	First, Russellville
Bethel	Post Oak, Russellville
Boone's Creek	First, Irvine
Can. Bell County	Ft. Thomas
Christian County	New Palestine, Crofton
Daviess-McLean	Island
Daviess-McLean	First, Owensboro
Daviess-McLean	Parrish Ave., Owensboro
Elkhorn	Gardenside, Lexington
9 and 10 year old girls	
Elkhorn	Immanuel, Lexington
Cornelia Brower G.A.	
Enterprise	First, Bridgeport Mission, Paintsville
Franklin County	First, Frankfort
Graves County	First, Mayfield
Greenup	Pollard, Ashland
Greenup	Unity, Ashland
Greenup	First, Flatwoods
Irene Dalby G.A.	
Betty Hanna G.A.	
Greenup	First, Olive Hill
Henry County	Smithfield
Liberty	Salem, Cave City
Liberty	Glasgow
Lincoln County	Pleasant Valley, Horse Cave
Lincoln County	Hustonville
Lincoln County	Parlor Grove, Waynesburg
Little Bethel	Liberty, Madisonville
Little River	Hurricane, Cadiz
Long Run	Beechwood
Long Run	Bethany, Louisville
Long Run	Buechel Park, Louisville
9 year old G.A.	
10 year old G.A.	
11 year old G.A.	
Susan Oliver G.A.	
Long Run	Carlisle Avenue, Louisville
10 year old G.A.	
Long Run	Eastern Parkway, Louisville
Long Run	Hazelwood, Louisville
Long Run	Jeffersontown
Long Run	Lyndon
9 year old G.A.	
11 year old G.A.	
Long Run	South Side, Louisville
10-11 year old G.A.	
Mary Sampson G.A.	
Long Run	Valley Station
Long Run	Valley View
Long Run	Walnut Street, Louisville
Daisy Jesler G.A.	
11-12 year old G.A.	
Long Run	23rd and Broadway, Louisville
McCreary County	First, Whitley City
Mercer	Harrodsburg
9 year old G.A.	
10 year old G.A.	
11 year old G.A.	
Muhlenberg	First, Greenville
Nelson	First, Mt. Washington

Nelson	Bullitt Lick, Shepherdsville
North Bend	First, Covington
North Bend	Rosedale, Covington
Pike	East Williamson, Williamson, W. Va.
Russell County	First, Russell Springs
Severns Valley	Severns Valley, Elizabethtown
Rose Marlowe G.A.	
Severns Valley	Stethon, Radcliff
Severns Valley	Vine Grove
Shelby County	Bagdad
Simpson	First, Franklin
Mary Sampson G.A.	
Tell Circle G.A.	
South District	Lancaster
South District	Perryville
Three Forks	First, Hazard
Union	Berlin
Union	Brooksville
Union	Falmouth
Group No. 2 G.A.	
Upper Cumberland	Pansy, Gulston
Upper Cumberland	Lenarue
Warren	First, Bowling Green
Mary Nell Lyne G.A.	
Lillian Williams G.A.	
Warren	Forest Park, Bowling Green
Warren	Glendale, Bowling Green
Cora N. Hardy G.A.	
11-12 year old G.A.	
West Union	Olivet, Paducah
West Union	West End, Paducah

The total figures for Junior G.A.'s attaining recognition are:

Approved	8
Advanced	81
Total	90

ANOTHER QUEEN WITH SCEPTER

Another Queen with Scepter who failed to receive the recognition due her is Miss Linda Heath, of Elizabethtown. Congratulations!

TRAINING UNION

W. C. Dudley Resigns to Take Training Union and Music Position in Ohio

By JAMES H. WHALEY, SR.



W. C. Dudley

W. C. Dudley has recently resigned as associate in the Training Union Department of Kentucky to become Training

Union and Music Secretary for the State of Ohio. His resignation will be effective February 15.

Since September, 1954, Mr. Dudley has worked primarily with the associational program in the eastern half of Kentucky. During this period he has made many friends and has done much to help Training Union work.

Those who have been associated with Mr. Dudley are going to miss working with him, but are very happy for his opportunity of additional service.

BROTHERHOOD

Sam Ferrell, Jr., Is Christian Witnessing Leader in Kentucky

By FORREST R. SAWYER



Sam Ferrell, Jr.

Sam Ferrell, Jr., is another one of the splendid corps of State Brotherhood officers. He was elected Christian witnessing leader by the Kentucky Brotherhood Convention held at Campbellsville October 1-2.

Mr. Ferrell was born in Somerset, moved to Danville at the age of nine, and received his education there and at Eastern State Teachers' College, Richmond.

He received a medical discharge in 1944 from the service, after having been wounded on Bougainville.

Sam was converted in December of 1954, under the ministry of Pastor Homer D. Carter. He is now a member of the Lexington Avenue Baptist Church in Danville, working in Calvary Baptist Chapel, a mission of the Lexington Avenue Baptist Church.

Sam and Marie have two children, Larry Joe, age 9, and Ann, age 16.

STUDENT UNION

Important Statistical Information

By J. CHESTER DURHAM

Statistical information compiled by the Student Department of the Sunday School Board reveals some significant information.

The eight states with the most Baptist students enrolled in colleges are as follows:

1. Texas	41,994
2. North Carolina	25,858
3. Georgia	16,460
4. Alabama	15,228
5. Tennessee	14,227
6. Oklahoma	12,956
7. Mississippi	11,957
8. Kentucky	11,401

The only significant thing about this is that Kentucky ranks eighth in the Convention in the total number of Baptist and Baptist-preference students seeking an education beyond the high school level. Additional information on these eight states is more revealing. How do they rank in percentage of students enlisted, number of student conversions, number of full-time B.S.U. Directors? Here are the facts:

Percentage of Students Enlisted in Some Phase of B.S.U. Program

1. Texas	43.0%
2. Kentucky	41.8%
3. Mississippi	41.6%
4. Tennessee	33.0%
5. Georgia	30.0%
6. Oklahoma	23.7%
7. Alabama	21.2%
8. North Carolina	17.2%

Students Converted During Past Year

1. Texas	312
2. Oklahoma	248
3. Kentucky	236
4. Georgia	110
5. Mississippi	82
6. Tennessee	79
7. North Carolina	60
8. Alabama	9

Number of Full Time Local Directors

1. Texas	29
2. Mississippi	18
3. Tennessee	13
4. Alabama	12
5. North Carolina	10
6. Georgia	8
7. Kentucky	*8
8. Oklahoma	6

*Director at Kentucky Baptist Hospital employed by Hospital. Seven are employed by Executive Board and salary paid from state mission funds.

Other states with a number of B.S.U. Directors include Virginia 15, Missouri 14, Louisiana 11, and Arkansas 9.

The report as a whole indicates the following investments in Baptist Student Centers:

Baptist Student Centers

1. Texas	\$1,543,226
2. Louisiana	866,732
3. Missouri	630,224
4. Oklahoma	568,533
5. Florida	498,855
6. Alabama	425,600
7. New Mexico	305,166
8. Kentucky	250,000
9. Tennessee	235,000
10. Illinois	188,000
11. Arkansas	177,300
12. Virginia	173,000

Annual Appropriations For Baptist Student Centers

1. Texas	\$75,000
2. Illinois	58,000
3. Alabama	50,000
4. Louisiana	35,000
5. Tennessee	29,191
6. North Carolina	24,000
7. Arkansas	20,000
8. Oklahoma	15,000
9. Kentucky	*10,000

*This is not for additional construction but to apply on the present Student Center loan.

W. H. Curl Writes To His Friends

W. H. Curl, long a worker with the State Board of Missions, and in recent years the secretary, or the director of missionary training and stewardship revivals, has written a letter which he has passed on to the *Western Recorder* addressed to "My Friends throughout the State of Kentucky." His letter follows:

"Dear Friends: I am taking this opportunity of expressing to you my sincere thanks for your prayers during my illness and operation and for the many cards and other expressions of your love. I also want to thank many of you for sending me Christmas Greetings because it would be impossible for me to answer all of them personally.

"Through the years past I have greatly enjoyed working over the state of Kentucky with our pastors and missionaries and our Baptist people, and now that I am retiring, please do not think that I am altogether on the shelf, for this is not true. Beginning in the spring of this year, I hope to hold revival meetings, work in schools of missions throughout the Southern Baptist Convention, do some camp work this summer, and in many other ways work for the welfare of Kentucky Baptists and for my Lord.

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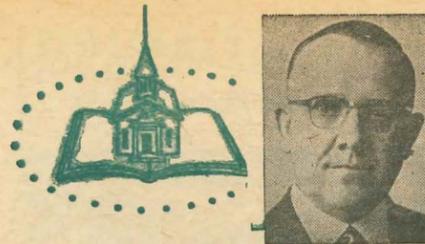
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SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By H. C. Chiles

THE CONVERTING POWER OF THE GOSPEL For January 24, 1960

This lesson, which is taken from Paul's second missionary journey, gives us the first scriptural account of the entrance of the gospel of Christ into Europe. It contains an interesting account of the power of Christ's gospel in the conversion and transformation of two people.

I. The Conversion of Lydia. Acts 16:13-15.

It is interesting to observe the conduct of these missionaries, Paul and Silas, after their arrival in the noted city of Philippi. They hunted the prayer-meeting group. What crowd do you seek when you are in a strange city? The answer to that question will reveal your true character.

Having discovered that the city did not have a synagogue, on account of an insufficient number of Jews, they also learned that there was a place of prayer by the river side, just outside of the city, where a few devout persons were in the habit of meeting on the Sabbath day. Thither the missionaries went, and there they found some God-fearing women gathered for prayer. These women did not know the true and living God in the pardon of their sins, but He knew all about their dissatisfaction with their religion.

Among these women was Lydia, a successful business woman, a seller of purple. Quite likely she was honest and moral, but, no matter how good she was, like all others, she was a sinner and needed salvation through Christ. Even though she was a proselyte to the Jewish faith and carried her religion along with her business while far away from home, she needed the Saviour.

To Lydia and the other women Paul addressed himself, declaring the great truths of the gospel, respecting the salvation of sinners by Jesus Christ. It is necessary for people to hear the gospel if they are to be saved. "How shall they believe in Him of Whom they have not heard?" As Paul preached the gospel the Lord opened Lydia's heart. The natural heart must be opened by an outside influence. Only God has the power to open the hearts of unbelievers and He alone is able to deliver from the bondage of Satan. Happy is the Christian worker who has learned to yield himself to God as a channel through which He can work. The Lord enabled Lydia to understand

the message of Paul and to yield her will to the will of the Lord. It was a supernatural work, as the work of salvation always is. Lydia was gloriously saved when she attended to what Paul preached and accepted the Christ Whom he presented. Lydia was the first person in Europe to become a Christian.

When Lydia was saved, she immediately followed her Saviour in baptism. Her life was transformed and she became a faithful witness for Christ. As a result of her Christian influence the members of her family and household were saved. She also graciously extended cordial hospitality to the missionaries, and they rejoiced to abide in her house.

II. The Conversion of the Jailer. Acts 16:25-34.

In Philippi Paul and Silas encountered a slave girl who possessed an evil spirit by which she charmed and astounded people. She was owned by a syndicate who derived large gain from her soothsaying. Repeatedly, this poor fortune-teller followed the missionaries on their way to the place of prayer, crying, "These men are the servants of the most high God, which show unto us the way of salvation." Her utterances became a great annoyance to them. Grieved at commendation from such a source, Paul turned and said to the evil spirit in her, "I command thee in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." After the evil spirit left her, she was not of any further use to the vicious men who had been exploiting her.

This loss of revenue so exasperated her owners that they stirred the rulers to action, and Paul and Silas were dragged before the magistrates. There they were falsely accused of teaching unlawful customs, causing disturbances and sowing discord. In the unfair trial the accused were not permitted to speak for themselves. They were severely beaten with many stripes. With their backs raw and bleeding from the merciless beating which they had received, they were placed in the custody of the jailer for safekeeping. Entirely lacking in sympathy and kindness, the jailer thrust the men of God into the foul and loathsome inner dungeon, fastened their feet in the stocks, and, without any thought of their suf-

fering, went to sleep. Such conduct clearly revealed the natural enmity of the human heart toward God.

Instead of spending those hours of physical torture in bitter imprecations on their enemies, Paul and Silas prayed and sang hymns of praise unto God. Instead of bemoaning their lot, they remembered God and lifted their voices in thanksgiving, prayer and song to Him. Their singing awakened the other prisoners who listened to them with wonder and amazement. Not only did the prisoners hear, but God heard and He answered. Suddenly God's power came down and an earthquake, of such severity that even the foundations of the jail were shaken, startled all who were in the prison. The doors of the cells flew open and the chains on the prisoners were loosed.

When the jailer dashed out and saw the prison doors wide open, he at once concluded that all his prisoners had escaped. Terror and despair gripped him. Thinking that only a disgraceful death awaited him, he decided to commit suicide. When he seized his sword for the purpose of thrusting it into his vitals, Paul cried, "Do thyself no harm: for we are all here." The tenderness and love of that cry touched him deeply, causing him to cast himself at the feet of those itinerant preachers and ask, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?"

His earnest inquiry was not left unanswered. He was told just what to do, nothing more nor less. Nothing could be plainer than the answer he received. "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved." The only way to be saved is to trust Christ fully and depend upon Him solely. In Him alone lies the only hope of salvation. Trust yourself to Him and He will save you.

When the Philippian jailer trusted Christ, He saved him, and gave him a blessed assurance. As an evidence of the change which had been wrought within him by the Saviour, he followed Christ in beautiful baptism. The other members of his household accepted Christ as their Saviour too.

►Mrs. John M. Carter, wife of the president of Campbellsville College, is attending a family worship writers' conference in Nashville, January 21. The meeting is under the direction of Donald W. Minton, editor of Family Life Curriculum in the Board's Home Education Department. The conference will outline curriculum materials for *Home Life*.

W. T. Dunaway Retires

W. T. Dunaway, pastor of the Northside Baptist Church, Winchester, Kentucky, has retired from the active pastorate after serving many years as pastor of churches in the Boone's Creek Baptist Association. Under the leadership of Pastor Dunaway, the Northside Baptist Church has erected a beautiful sanctuary and has otherwise shown remarkable growth.

The Boone's Creek Baptist Executive Board has passed fitting resolutions relative to the retirement of Brother Dunaway. The resolutions characterize him as "tireless and efficient in service, true to the doctrine of our faith, keeping the standard high in moral living, and giving full co-operation in our Association and Denomination."

Mrs. Dunaway was also praised as a co-worker with her husband.

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Lenoxburg Baptists Honor Pastor Barnard

The Lenoxburg Baptist Church, Falmouth, Kentucky, honored Pastor Bill Barnard and his family recently on the occasion of the eighth anniversary of the pastor. The pastor was surprised with a basket dinner served in the basement of the church.

Barnard became pastor of the Lenox-

burg Baptist Church in 1951 while still a student at Georgetown College. Later he graduated from Georgetown and Southern Seminary. He married the former Miss Lola Mae Staggs of Lenoxburg.

The church on the eighth anniversary of Pastor Barnard took note of the substantial progress made by the church under his ministry. Typical of the advance of the church is the recently dedicated seven-room parsonage.

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►Dr. L. L. Carpenter, who retired recently as editor of The Biblical Recorder, will continue to reside in Raleigh, N. C., and may be addressed at 3202 Ruffin Street.

►Reuben E. Nelson, retired general secretary of the American Baptist Convention, died at the Italian Hospital, New York, January 7. He was 54 years of age. Native of Minnesota, he attended Des Moines University and Bethel Theological

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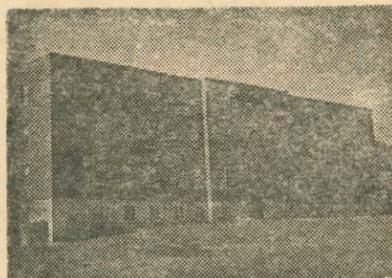
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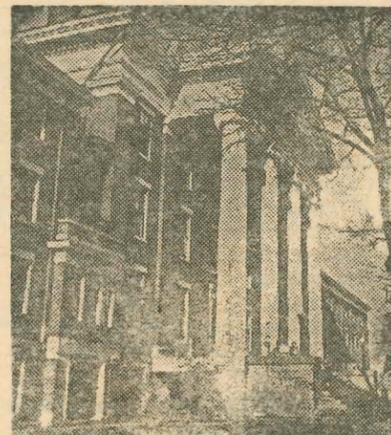
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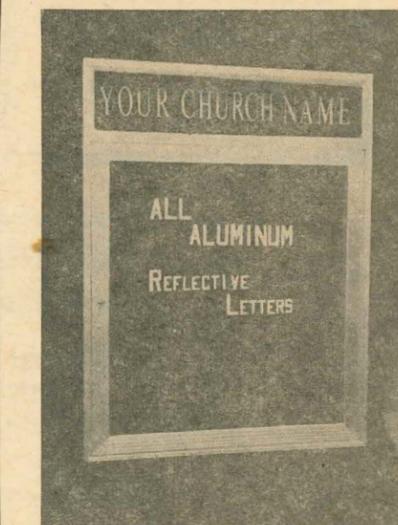
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