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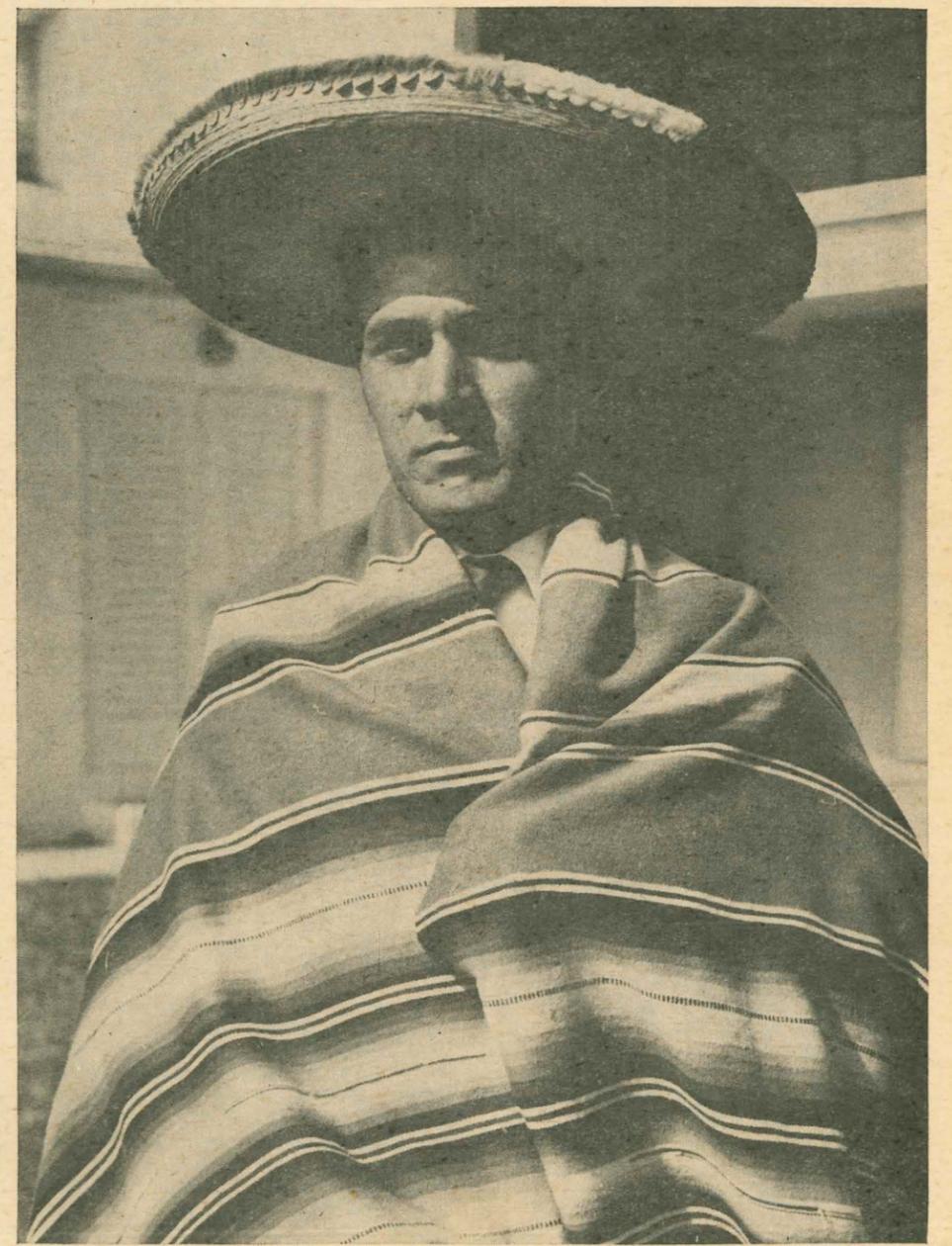
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—Photo, Home Mission Board

Object of the March Week of Prayer and the Annie Armstrong Offering for Home Missions is Southern Baptists' ministry to foreign language-speaking Americans, 95% of whom are unsaved.



## GLEANINGS FROM THE FIELD

### NEW EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

►Edwin H. Tuller, New York City, was elected by American Baptists to succeed Dr. Reuben E. Nelson, 54, who died of a heart attack recently, as general secretary of the American Baptist Convention.

### ON FURLOUGH

►Miss Jean Bach, Southern Baptist missionary to Nigeria, is returning to the States for furlough. A native of Jackson, Ky., Miss Bach may be addressed, Green Acres Farm, Florence, Ky.

### POPULATION INCREASES

►Dr. Roy E. Boatwright, Kentucky's Sunday school secretary, and Mrs. Boatwright are the proud grandparents of their first grandson, Rodney Keith Hill, born January 21, 1960, to their daughter and son-in-law, Pastor and Mrs. Fred Hill. Young Rodney Keith lives with his parents at Fuller Hall, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville.

►Mr. and Mrs. Bob Lee Franklin, Florence, Alabama, are the proud parents of a seven pound one ounce son, Robert Lee Franklin, III, born January 23, 1960. Mrs. Franklin (nee Louise Hunter) is a former Kentuckian and a graduate of Georgetown College. Mr. Franklin is a graduate of Southern Seminary, Class of '58, and now is serving as minister of education at the Highland Baptist Church, Florence, Ala.

### MICROWAVE TV-MAIL

►Remembering V-Mail during World War II, the Post Office is coming up with a new type of special delivery letter, which may be ready for use by 1970. This is to be done by posting a letter in New York for delivery to San Francisco within two hours. The mechanics of the thing call for the use of a television camera transmitting a picture of the letter by wire on microwave relay, being reproduced on sensitive paper at its destination.

### ELECT LADY PASSES

►The funeral of Mrs. Ann Bailey Davis, 75, widow of the late John F. Davis, was conducted at Shannon Funeral Home,

Shelbyville, Monday afternoon, February 8, at 2:00 o'clock. She was a daughter of the late Dr. B. B. Bailey, an evangelist and pastor in other years of the First Baptist Church, Winchester, Ky., and the mother of Pastor Bailey F. Davis, of the First Baptist Church, Amherst, Va., and formerly of Springfield and Franklin, Ky.; and of Bernard Davis, Shelbyville. She had been a teacher in Sunday School at the First Baptist Church, Shelbyville, for 50 years. Besides those already mentioned, she was a sister of Mrs. Mark A. Wakefield, member of Broadway Church, Louisville; Mrs. Raymond I. Norris, Richmond, Ky.; and Bernard Bailey, Lebanon.

### CONFERENCE ON AGING

►A joint conference on the aging will be sponsored by the Carver School of Missions and Social Work and the Christian Life Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention at the former institution, 2801 Lexington Road, Louisville 6, Kentucky, April 11-13. All secretaries of the state Baptist groups affiliated with Southern Baptists are being invited to attend and bring such of their staff who are or hope to be employed in work with the aged.

### ALUMNI GIFTS TO G-TOWN

►The Georgetown College Alumni has contributed \$31,371 to the school during 1959, which brings the total since the annual custom was started in 1957, to \$113,103.03. This amount was given by 750 donors. This is an average gift of \$90 per alumnus, which is one of the best in the nation according to the American Alumni Council. Miss Mary Louise Foust, Shelbyville, and former state auditor for Kentucky, was chairman of the 1959 appeal.

### STUDENT ELECTIONS

►In the annual Superlative Elections held at Georgetown College, eleven students were voted the coveted honors. They were: Eddie Baker, junior, Wheelwright, most popular boy; Dee Dee McMakin, junior, LaGrange, and Barbara Shelton, sophomore, Covington, tied for most popular girl; Carl Wilkey, senior, Philpot, boy most likely to succeed; Lucy Pat Redding, senior, Georgetown, girl most likely to succeed; Warren Hammack, senior, Sturgis, most outstanding girl; Herbie Kays, junior, Shelbyville, best boy

athlete; Denise Mudd, sophomore, West Point, best girl athlete. Also, Phyllis Lair, senior, Lakeland, Fla., was elected queen of the May; and Patsy Cheatham, Cox's Creek, queen's maid of honor.

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# "THE RURAL CONTRIBUTION"

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In the buzz of industrial activity and international tensions the small primary-type community is often forgotten. We need to stop occasionally and ask the question, "What has the small rural community done for American heritage, past, present, future?"

### Personal Values

In talking about the rural community we are thinking of the small town of 2,500 population or less and the open country neighborhoods. These are the type communities where people know each other intimately; where people have largely grown up together. These are the communities where people have repeated face-to-face contacts with the same people. This has been commonly referred to as the primary-type community since the interpersonal relationships are of a primary or face-to-face nature. In this type community most personal contacts are between members of a family or between neighbors. Since these relationships are extremely personal in nature and seldom contractual these small type communities have made a strong contribution to the heritage of America in the direction of personal values. Whenever communities grow so big that the relationships between people become impersonal, automatic, and categorical then the personal values of human life are to some degree lost.

For example, crime rates and divorce rates invariably increase with the size of the community throughout America. This is to say not simply that there is more crime in the large city, but there is more crime per number of people in the cities with less crime and less divorce per number of people in the small community.

Mass society seems to destroy personal integrity. The recent scandals over rigged TV programs could happen only in a mass society. Not simply because TV could happen only in a mass society but the impersonal type relationships which destroy personal integrity can only happen there. In a small community where people have business dealings with persons whom they have known for years and years there is little room for lack of honest dealings. To be sure, honesty and moral integrity should come from strong personal Christian convictions but in the small community social pressures reinforce these moral convictions. On the other hand, mass society with its impersonal relationships offers vast temptations for a let down in personal integrity.

The original area of the Southern Baptist Convention has been so predominantly rural, that is, made up of the

small towns and open community neighborhoods, that they no doubt have made a strong contribution in this area of personal values. It is likewise true that if moral integrity is to be preserved then Southern Baptists, because of this inherent situation have a significant responsibility to try to preserve these values.

### Spiritual Saturation

Often in the small community religion permeates the whole of life. That is to say, because the community is small and the people know one another well, and because of the vitality of Christian faith, Christian standards of conduct become the approved type of action. The principles of Christianity are applied to all activities of life, business, social, and otherwise. Religion is not just confined to a worship service on Sunday morning. Too often in the large urban area, simply because of the vast number of people, churches are pushed off to one side and religion becomes just another special interest group. The church is seldom as influential in shaping community standards in metropolitan areas. The church seldom catches the ear of mass society but the church can permeate the atmosphere of life in the small community. Thorough spiritual saturation of the life of the community helps in turn to strengthen the church and thus enables the church to strengthen the community. This is a significant contribution of the small community to the total life of America.

### Christian Concern

American life grew out of the small democratic Christian community. This is our historical heritage. The emphasis is frequently placed upon the democratic nature of these small communities. Perhaps it is often overlooked but it should be pointed out that those small communities were also described as Christian in character as well as democratic. The Christian tradition and the democratic practice went hand in hand in building American life.

The question now arises, "How can the ethical, social, and political contributions of the small communities of America be maintained in mass society?" These ethical, social, and higher political standards have been developed and matured in the intimate personal interaction of these people in close intimate face-to-face relationships in the small community. This is to project the thesis that the ethical standards of America have been generated in small Christian communities of America. If this is true, how can

they be maintained in mass society? This is the burning question which is often overlooked in present day discussion.

Since Christian churches were so vital in creating the ethical standards of America, it would seem to be just as certain that the churches must be active in preserving these values. The church often becomes a community within a community. This should not be to the isolation of the church from its total community but it must be a Christian community within a larger secular community. The spirit of neighborliness, friendliness, and family life developed and cultured in the church are significant contributions which have been made by the small communities. This can be true of the church in the large community or in the small community. In the small community the church can perhaps more effectively saturate its community with Christian atmosphere and standards. In the large community the church must be satisfied with nothing less, though it may have a more serious task. Still within its own face-to-face personal relationships, it can develop that spirit of integrity and brotherhood which is characteristic of the Christian faith as well as one of the cardinal virtues of American Heritage.

Rural churches have made significant contributions in these directions in the past. It is certainly true that they should continue to make these contributions in the present and project them on into the future.

### —o— Egge to Texas

After a ministry of over twelve years in Kentucky, Elvis H. Egge, pastor of the Baptist Tabernacle, Paducah, returns to his home state of Texas to accept the call of the First Baptist Church, Genoa, a residential area of greater Houston. He had been with the Paducah church almost five years.

Mr. Egge came to Kentucky from a Dallas pastorate in 1947 to serve as professor of Bible and Philosophy in Georgetown College. In 1950 he accepted the pastorate of the Lancaster Baptist Church, serving there about five years. During his period of service in Kentucky he served two full terms as a member of the State Executive Board, once from South District Association and the other from the West Union Association. The General Association met for its annual meeting in the Paducah church in 1955 and elected him as an assistant moderator for the following year. He has also served as a member of the Board of Directors of the Kentucky Temperance League. In 1958 he was president of the Kentucky Alumni Association of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. He begins his pastorate with the Genoa church February 21.



**A Good Example**

One of the finest demonstrations of co-operation and unselfishness in Kentucky Baptist history took place on February 8 when the Long Run Association Executive Board voted to give up a very efficient and profitable plan of associational finance for a more difficult but a more generally acceptable plan.

Six years ago Long Run Baptists departed from the traditional plan of asking individual churches for direct contributions to associational work and voted to instruct the General Association treasurer to refund a percentage of all Cooperative Program gifts from Long Run churches to the local association for its program. The refund was 25% at first and in subsequent years was reduced to 22% and ultimately to 20%.

The plan provided automatic financial support for the Long Run work but did not meet with universal approval in Louisville, and especially met with disapproval in other Kentucky Baptist churches. It was felt that Cooperative Program funds were for state and southwide distribution rather than distribution on the associational level. Another reason churches outside Louisville resented the plan was because Cooperative Program records gave Louisville churches credit for 20% or 25% more contributions than they really made considering the refund for the local association.

Other associations were tempted to use the same plan which would have severely limited the Cooperative Program if it had been universally followed. Some associations did use the same plan, and at least one association used the plan before Long Run Baptists adopted it. There are other associations using the plan now or some modification of the plan.

The Survey Committee of Kentucky Baptists recommended to the 1959 General Association that such plans be discouraged and that all Cooperative Program funds be distributed by the state. The General Association accepted the recommendation and authorized the Executive Board of the General Association to confer with district associations on this matter. It would naturally be expected that conflict would ensue where request was made for an easy plan of income to be given up for a more difficult plan. It is generally agreed that it is more difficult to lead churches to give liberally to an associational program than to the Cooperative Program.

The delightful surprise came when the Long Run group took the initiative and announced to the state committee its intentions to recommend discontinuation of the present plan. Also almost unbelievable was the unanimous vote for the change by the Long Run Executive Board with only favorable discussion.

Long Run Baptists appear to be willing to lean over backward and go the second mile to conform with

the methods of other associations and also to give no grounds for criticism.

Long Run Baptists could be selfish in this matter with some justification. About one out of every seven Baptists in Kentucky is in Long Run Association and almost one out of every four dollars counting the refund that are contributed through the Cooperative Program in Kentucky comes from Long Run Baptists.

Every Baptist in Kentucky should take note of this act of co-operation and unselfishness by Louisville Baptists. In the critical years just ahead when many adjustments might be required by all Kentucky Baptists, this will be a good example to remember.

**Two Windows**

Two windows familiar to me provide some insight into the greatness and strength of Baptists. One is the window of the editor's office in the Kentucky Baptist Building at Middletown and the other is the bedroom window of my home.

It is seldom that an editor finds enough time to turn from the mountain of mail, the volumes of other materials to read, visits, telephone calls, and other duties of the desk to simply look out of the office window in silent meditation. But such moments pay great dividends.

In plain sight out of the editor's office window is a farm house and barn. The romance of the rustic sights of the farm temporarily drown out the sound of the pecking typewriter in the outer office and the press in the nearby print shop.

The farmer moves across the yard with a milk pail and in the lot stands the calves waiting their turn for breakfast. White chickens decorating the yard, a cat headed for the barn on a mousy errand, a dog standing expectantly at the kitchen door, cattle munching on brown grass in a nearby pasture, and a wary crow looking for an easy meal—all these make it hard to believe only a few miles away is a bustling metropolis.

The smoke coming out of the farm house chimney serves to remind an editor how many of the 600,000 Kentucky Baptists awoke this morning on a farm, handled milk pails and coal scuttles before the milk truck and school bus ran and drew up to a fireplace or a heater to thaw out before the next chore. Many of us now far from these rustic pleasures remember them with nostalgia.

Even in this urbanization age the great strength of Baptists is still in the country and on the farms. For example, from 1950 to 1955 Kentucky rural population lost 2.7 per cent but our Baptist rural church membership gained 3.4 percent.

The teachers and leaders of many Baptist Sunday Schools with over 500 or 1,000 today got their first inspiration and training in Sunday Schools in rural

churches with less than 100 in attendance. Baptists had better not forget this. If we should ever overshoot the simple rural folk with our worship services, our literature, and our promotion, we stand to lose many to other churches with informal worship and simple organization.

Outside my bedroom window at home is the backyard of my Baptist neighbors, Howard and Jo Raney. Looking out on this backyard in the gray dawn each morning to see whether frost, snow, rain, or sunshine will greet me, I'm reminded of the quality of Baptist life of these neighbors.

Being without children, they both work. Their dedication to their assignments makes for a sermon everyday on their part. Since their church is across town, more nights than not they seem to go to church straight from work. In fact, their lives completely revolve around their church.

**Survey Committee Plans Assignments**

The Survey Committee of the Executive Board of Kentucky Baptists met on February 2 to give attention to the assignments delegated to the committee by the General Association. The committee under the direction of Carroll Hubbard, chairman, re-elected John W. Kruschwitz as secretary. One new member, Lloyd Stormont, Owensboro, was welcomed to the committee. Stormont was appointed to the committee by General Association Moderator Rollin S. Burhans to replace Joe Weber who has left the state.

The committee divided its work for the year into five assignments. A sub-committee was named for each assignment and each sub-committee meeting separately will prepare a report for the next meeting of the whole committee. The matters for attention by the committees are the constitution for the General Association, the Kentucky Baptist publication, the *Western Recorder*, a business manager for the Executive Board, a program analyst for the Executive Board, and a job analysis for a secretary of evangelism for the General Association. Members of the various committees are: 1. Committee on Constitution, H. C. Chiles, chairman, Harold Wainscott, and Lloyd Stormont. 2. Committee on *Western Recorder*, Trevis Otey, chairman, Dudley Pomeroy, Herbert Zachry, and Marion Duncan. 3. Committee on Business Manager, James B. Lewis, chairman, D. L. Druien, and Gordon Sather. 4. Committee on Program Analyst, Henry Beach, chairman, Sidney M. Maddox, and Isadore Childers. 5. Committee on Job Analysis for Evangelism Secretary, John W. Kruschwitz, chairman, W. L. Crumpler, and C. L. Hardcastle.

This is the third year for the work of the Survey Committee for the affairs of Kentucky Baptists. The original committee grew out of a survey made by professional consultants, Booz, Allen, and

Whenever they have company, which is often, it is church people and sometimes 40 or 50 at the time. They love and respect their pastor, they believe in the local church program and the Baptist world mission efforts. They are far too appreciative to criticize church and denominational leaders. They more than tithe and instead of exchanging Christmas gifts, they give what they would spend for gifts to the Lottie Moon offering. All of this they do without fanfare and without ever a sign of merely submitting to pious duty.

Thank God for the thousands of such loyal, inconspicuous, and devoted Baptists. In these is the hope of our cause from the human standpoint. The cynicism, reluctance, and shoddiness of some of us are thereby put to shame.

Out of an office window and a bedroom window, I see hope. May these windows never be closed!

Hamilton. The report of the original committee presented at Elizabethtown in 1958 was referred to a new survey committee which made its report at Lexington in 1959. Matters left for the present committee are issues that were not considered at Lexington along with one new assignment, the job analysis for the evangelism secretary.

Chairman Carroll Hubbard reported a fine spirit in the first meeting and expressed confidence that each sub-committee would do a thorough job in

investigation before presenting findings to the over-all committee. The next meeting of the survey committee is scheduled for March 14.

►At this writing Billy Graham is at the height of his evangelistic meetings in Africa—probably the first time any such large-scale evangelistic endeavors have been tried in that giant continent. The campaigns are to continue for seven weeks.



W. Harlen McGinnis wears and displays some of the clothing of Ghanans. He will speak in each of the five Royal Ambassador Congresses; at Elizabethtown, February 29; Princeton, March 1; Paintsville, March 3; Cynthiana, March 4; High Street, Somerset, March 5. Each Congress begins at 4:30 p.m. (local time) and closes at 8:30 p.m.

## Medical Missionary Given Supplies By Drug Firm

MEMPHIS, Tenn.—(BP)—A gift certificate for \$5,000 worth of drugs has been given to Dr. Ralph C. Bethea, Southern Baptist missionary appointee to Indonesia.

The 40-year-old Memphis physician received the gift at a meeting of the Brotherhood of First Baptist Church here. The donor was E. R. Squibb & Sons, drug manufacturing firm.

James L. Vance, representative for Squibb, said he had been impressed with Dr. Bethea's response to the need of service in Asia so he wrote to his home office and suggested the firm make the gift.

The authorization came through for a gift of \$5,000 worth of antibiotics, biologicals or any medicines Dr. Bethea may request.

Dr. Bethea gave up a medical practice worth an estimated \$60,000 a year to answer the call to the foreign mission field.

Dr. Bethea, a graduate of Johns Hopkins College of Medicine, will serve in his specialty—obstetrics and gynecology—at the Southern Baptist Hospital in Kediri, Java. He will be the fifth American doctor on the staff.

The Betheas, who have four sons, ages 12, 10, 8 and 2, will leave for Java

as soon as the Republic of Indonesia sends their visas. American passports have already been obtained.

Dr. Bethea said Memphis doctors also have given him gifts toward items of hospital equipment.



**Don Hancock, of Jacksonville, Florida, has been called as associate pastor by the West Broadway Baptist Church of Louisville, Kentucky. He is a graduate of Stetson University, Deland, Florida. He received his Bachelor of Divinity degree in 1959 and his Master's degree in Religious Education in January of 1960.**

Both of these degrees were from the Southern Baptist Seminary. His wife, the former Finetta Graves, of Henry County, is a teacher in the Jefferson County School system. Before coming to West Broadway, Hancock was pastor of the Guston Baptist Church, Guston, Kentucky.

## A Letter of Spiritual Counsel

By WAYNE E. OATES



Wayne E. Oates

**Question:** My parents used to rule us with an iron hand. Nowadays my wife reads the women's magazines and she says we should "understand the children, and try to be patient with their bad behavior." I don't get it. These two things mix me up.

**Answer:** You are not alone. Many people are "mixed up" at this point. Patterns of child rearing have changed along with many other things. Husbands are busy earning a living and don't have time to read the same things their wives read. Their wives are often too dependent on what they read to the extent they don't develop well-thought-out judgments of their own.

Somewhere between the two extremes you describe is the truth. The child needs a firm and dependable, a kind and just authority in his parents. The parent needs to know what is right and to expect it of the child. However, he needs to take enough time to find out what is wrong with his child. And not expect his word to be law before he has found out what the grievance really is. No good judge would do that. This is what the Scripture suggests to me when it says: "And ye fathers, provoke not your children unto wrath, but bring them up

in the nurture and admonition of the Lord." Even though we are our children's parents, we are not infallible and cannot take God's place in their lives.

The main problem of the present day parent is indecision and hesitancy in dealing with his child. He and his wife's disagreement is more important than that either be right. Let me suggest that you and your wife read a good book together, such as Dorothy Baruch's *New Ways in Discipline*, and spend some time each week talking it over. Come to an agreement and stay with it.

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## Seminary Professor to Lead Holy Lands Tour

Dr. J. Leo Green, professor of Old Testament Interpretation at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Wake Forest, North Carolina, will conduct a tour of Bible Lands next summer.

The tour group, leaving New York on June 13th and returning July 16th, will be limited in number and will be made up of congenial Christian people. In the party will be both men and women, ministers and laymen. They will visit many interesting places in England, France, Switzerland, Italy, Greece, Turkey, Lebanon, Syria, Israel, Jordan, and Egypt. The major emphasis will be on the Lands of the Bible. There will be opportunities to visit Baptist Mission work in those places where Baptists have work. The group will stay in first-class hotels and have the service of the best professional English-speaking guides.

One special feature of this tour is that the tour proper will end in Zurich, Switzerland. This has been arranged intentionally so that those who wish to do so may drop off in the center of Europe to go to the Passion Play and/or to travel more extensively on the Continent. Arrangements for extensions and a later return can be made quite easily through Wide World Travel Service. Those not desiring to stay over will go directly from Zurich to New York.

The tour has been carefully planned, and the price is reasonable. If you are interested in taking this trip of a lifetime, you may direct your inquiries to Dr. J. Leo Green, Box 297, Wake Forest, North Carolina.

## Agitation Continues For Ambassador To Vatican

WASHINGTON — (BP) — Continued agitation in the 86th Congress for formal diplomatic relations with the Vatican is seen in a memorial from the Rhode Island legislature.

The memorial, referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs, called attention to the meeting of President Eisenhower with Pope John XXIII at the Vatican on December 6, 1959, pointed out that the U.S.A. has 39 million Catholics, and asserted that the Vatican is "the central information agency of the world."

The Rhode Island legislature said that "the United States and the Vatican are undisputed leaders in a joint effort to attain world peace and to liberate the legions of oppressed people in the world," and that "the mutual objectives of both powers toward the preservation of the free world would be better attained" by permanent diplomatic relations between the two powers.

Last year Rep. Victor L. Anfuso (D., N.Y.) introduced a resolution in the

House calling for an ambassador to the Vatican. Later in the year the same proposal was made by a retired foreign service officer in a report to the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

Unless there is an upsurge of public opinion calling for approval of such representation at the Vatican, there is little to indicate that the matter is being considered seriously either by the Congress or by the State Department.

## A Pitfall of the Graded Adult Sunday School

By HELEN HORTON HEAVRIN

Louisville, Kentucky

It is wonderful to grow "in wisdom, and in stature, and in favor with God and man." That is the reason I think it is good to have graded classes in the Adult Department of the Sunday school. It makes for better understanding and a broadening of the horizon of Christian co-ordination and fellowship. And, as we were told when I taught in the Junior Department, a change of teachers and rooms is wise and should keep classes from becoming closed corporations who are satisfied with themselves and each other to the extent of not wanting to grow.

However, churches should take every precaution to see that Promotion Day does not become Kick-Out Day for sickly or backsliding members.

In those churches where educational directors can be afforded, he or she should encourage Sunday school superintendents to send letters of notification to such members. If the promotion is to another department, superintendents should send notes welcoming the members into the new department. And the new class should get in touch with the new prospects either by letter or, preferably, personal calls, if they are really welcome in the new class. Then, too, classes dropping the members and the departments losing the members should be encouraged to write notes of regret at losing the members and encourage them to accept a broader challenge of service in the new class.

If the Sunday school has not become a selfish entity, all of these things could be done truthfully and sincerely and from hearts overflowing with love and genuine fellowship with God and man.

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## J. B. Daley Accepts Mississippi Pastorate

J. B. Daley, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Mt. Sterling, for the past three years, has resigned in order to accept the pastorate of the First Baptist Church, Marks, Mississippi.

Daley is a native Kentuckian and a University of Kentucky graduate in civil engineering. His theological training was received at Southern Baptist Seminary where he earned his B.D. degree in 1954.

He has held student pastorates in Kentucky and Ohio and also served for three years as pastor of the Sidon Baptist Church, Sidon, Mississippi.

Daley has been cited for his outstanding work at Mt. Sterling. For several years his Sunday morning messages were broadcast over a local radio station and he has served as pastor, teacher, and counselor to many young people of the Mt. Sterling community as well as the church.

Mrs. Daley is the former Shirley Walker. The two Daley children are Karen and Johnny.

## Record 1959 Baptisms Reported By Churches

NASHVILLE—BP)—A record number of converts was baptized by Southern Baptist churches during 1959, according to statistics for the year released here by the department of research and statistics, Baptist Sunday School Board.

Secretary J. P. Edmunds said that 429,063 baptisms were reported by the churches.

During the year, Southern Baptists also became the leader among denominations in Sunday school enrolment with a total of 7,276,502.

The value of property of Southern Baptist churches passed the two billion mark for the first time, reaching \$2,009,254,164.

The previous high in baptisms was in 1955 with over 416,000.

In total church membership, the Southern Baptist Convention in 1959 continued to rank second only to The Methodist Church among non-Roman Catholic bodies. The year's total was 9,485,276, a gain of 278,518.

The Methodist Church has reported membership of its churches of 9,815,459. Previously, Methodists were high in church school (Sunday school) enrolment but the 180,327 gain among Southern Baptists last year put the S.B.C. ahead of Methodists' 7,154,254 enrolled.

The number of churches co-operating with the Southern Baptist Convention gained from 31,498 to 31,906—1.3 per cent. Choir enrolment jumped 9.6 per cent to 682,477.

There are organized state Baptist conventions or associations in 28 of the 50 states co-operating with the Southern

Convention, Edmunds reported. Southern Baptists have missions or churches in all states and the District of Columbia.

Brotherhood enrolment, including men and boys, increased 6.0 per cent, and reached a total of 617,263. Woman's Missionary Union advanced 4.3 per cent to an enrolment of 1,456,192.

The 31,906 churches are classified as follows: open country, 15,502; village, 4,447; town, 3,777; and city, 8,180. City churches reported the largest gain, with an increase of 432 churches. Village

churches lost 99, due largely to a re-classification of location.

Total gifts reached an all-time high of \$453,338,720, a gain of almost \$34,000,000, or 8.0 per cent. Mission gifts increased 4.0 per cent to a new high of \$77,753,190. During the year nearly \$184,000,000 was added to the value of church property, bringing church property value to over \$2,000,000.

During the past decade, 1950-1959, Southern Baptist church membership increased 2,405,387, or 34 per cent.

## Summary of 1959 Statistics, Southern Baptist Convention

	1959	1958	Increase	Per cent Increase
Churches .....	31,906	31,498	408	1.3
Baptisms .....	429,063	407,892	21,171	5.2
Membership .....	9,485,276	9,206,758	278,518	3.0
Sunday school enrolment .....	7,276,502	7,096,175	180,327	2.5
Vacation Bible school enrolment .....	2,910,258	2,908,157	2,101	.1
Training Union enrolment .....	2,608,110	2,503,920	104,190	4.2
Choir enrolment .....	682,477	622,694	59,783	9.6
W.M.U. enrolment .....	1,456,192	1,395,974	60,218	4.3
Total Brotherhood enrolment .....	617,263	582,497	34,766	6.0
Total gifts .....	\$ 453,338,720	\$ 419,619,438	\$ 33,719,282	8.0
Missions and benevolences .....	\$ 77,753,190	\$ 74,750,699	\$ 3,002,491	4.0
Total value of church property.....	\$2,009,254,164	\$1,825,474,318	\$183,779,846	10.1



As an expression of the love and appreciation of the Campbellsville Baptist Church for their pastor, Dr. J. Chester Badgett, and his family, a new automobile was presented to them for their tenth Christmas with the Church. Due to the delay in getting the car at the desired date a small replica was presented in the Sunday morning service just before Christmas. Then the motor came in the last week in January. Shown in the picture making the presentation are Mr. Irvin Ratcliffe, handing the keys to the pastor, and Mr. John A. McCubbin, two laymen of the Church. On the pastor's fifth anniversary the church made it possible for him to visit the Holy Land, tour Europe and attend the Baptist World Alliance in London, England.

# INVITATION TO SHARE

## An Open Letter:

The mail boxes of America are filled with requests for gifts for every cause or program one could imagine. Wouldn't it be a marvelous thing if in the mail boxes of every Southern Baptist there could go a personal letter of invitation from Woman's Missionary Union asking for help in the coming Week of Prayer for Home Missions and the Annie Armstrong offering? Obviously this cannot be done and so this "open letter" in your state paper comes from the President of Woman's Missionary Union.

The Week of Prayer is just ahead, March 7-11. In the churches of our Convention, the members of W.M.U. will be meeting daily to study, pray and give for our ever-enlarging Home Missions program. Pastors and other lay members will be encouraging and assisting in this time of prayer and giving so that we may give the gospel to lost people in our own land.

For many years, Woman's Missionary Union bore the major part of this prayer effort. We have given the offering with little assistance, but this picture has changed as all Southern Baptists have become more and more warm-hearted in mission interest. There has, also, come a compelling urge to add to the regular Co-operative Program gifts through the two mission offerings promoted by Woman's Missionary Union as approved by the Southern Baptist Convention.

It was never intended that these extra mission offerings would be given only by the members of W.M.U. but it has taken these years of teaching and training to encourage other church members to give at Christmas time for the Lottie Moon offering for foreign missions and in March for the Annie Armstrong offering for home missions. But God has led and blessed us in it! It has truly become a living testimony that the churches that pour out these extra gifts for missions, increase their giving to the Co-operative Program and realize great Spiritual growth in every way. Some day He will lead someone to write the testimonies of these churches and Southern Baptists will read and take another step forward in spreading the gospel the world around beginning "at home."

Let us take a brief look at the heart of home missions. The men and women who are the heart-beat of home missions labor in difficult places. They toil in congested, decaying sections of the city. They work in mushrooming new housing developments, building churches from scratch. They labor among new Americans, teaching them the better way to understand their new homes, guiding them into a fuller grasp of Christian faith. They serve in isolated rural areas and in Indian reservations; they witness in migrant camps and trailer houses. They

work among language groups in every state; they seek to represent us in town and in country. They represent us well. Do we do our share to keep them from becoming overwhelmed with a big task, almost insurmountable in many cases?

In this swift changing land of ours, people are in need—the kinds of need our home missionaries can often meet. In the year ahead we must somehow find ways to minister more effectively to the people who are soul-weary in the cities; we must find ways to teach and help neglected youth; we must find ways to set church spires in mushrooming suburbs; we must do more to fulfill our mission under God, here in America.

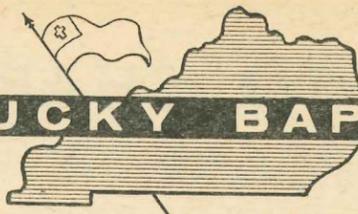
We have never given what we should to this offering for home missions. Have you ever tried to visualize how much an extra dollar, or even an extra few cents, added to what each of us gave last year would accomplish in taking the gospel into every spot of our America? Have you ever thought of what it would mean to enlist others who have never given to this offering to bring an offering, their first? Could we try at this beginning year of a new era? Could we let 1960 be the year we greatly increase our effort to attain the high goals of our Jubilee Advance Program? An upsurge in the amount of the 1960 Annie Armstrong offering would place us on the road to achieving the tremendous idea of adding 30,000 churches and missions by 1964. We have set ourselves to an imperative reality. We must help the members of our churches to be vividly aware of all that is involved now. This praying, studying, giving effort will help us all.

Why not try it in your church a few days hence? Why not encourage your pastor to preach on home missions? He will want to do it! Why not urge the W.M.U. members to attend this Week of Prayer every day? They should do this! Why not ask every boy and girl, man and woman to give a love offering and help the many who need to know this love of our blessed Lord and Saviour? It will bless each one who does it! Why not try to make this a time of prayer, real prayer for our beloved country? It will re-make the spirit of your church! Why not make it worthy; worthy of all the blessings that God has given to us! Well, why not? Let us do it! The Lord will surely bless us in it, and through it, beginning in our own homes, churches and communities. Then on the foundation stones of a new Christian way of life here He will make it possible for us to have an even greater witness to the ends of the earth.

March 7-11, 1960, may well be a new beginning for us in home missions as we accept the challenge of our opportunity.

Mrs. R. L. MATHIS, *President*

Woman's Missionary Union, S.B.C.



# KENTUCKY BAPTISTS AT WORK

## SUNDAY SCHOOL

### What to Do in March

By ROY E. BOATWRIGHT

Attend the Nation-wide Southern Baptist Sunday School Convention, Fort Worth, Texas, March 29-31. (Churches are urged to pay the expenses of their pastor, Sunday school superintendent, minister of education, and other leaders. This promises to be one of the great meetings of the year. A large number of Kentuckians plan to attend. Are you, your pastor, and others of your church counted in that number?)

All Sunday school workers should co-operate in the spring revival (if your church plans a revival in March). Every officer and teacher should take part in pre-revival visitation, prayer meetings, and seek to increase the Sunday school enrolment before the meeting. High attendance should be promoted by the Sunday school workers. All Sunday school members who are not Christian should be won to Christ. Pray and work to that end.

Co-operate with your church mission program; discover and make available workers for the mission Sunday school.

Conduct study of Vacation Bible School textbooks by departments. March is the time to make adequate plans for Vacation Bible School. Adopt the standard of excellence and make plans to reach the standard in Vacation Bible School work this year.

Emphasize the weekly visitation program.

Encourage all Vacation Bible School faculty members to attend the associational Vacation Bible School Clinic.

Participate in Membership Training Week, March 21-25.

Provide additional space in order to enlarge the Sunday school organization.

All Sunday school members should participate in W.M.U. Week of Prayer for Home Missions and the Annie Armstrong Offering, March 7-11.

Check each unit by the appropriate Standard of Excellence. Apply for recognition when each point on the standard has been attained.

## TRAINING UNION

### Young People's Emphasis

By JAMES H. WHALEY, SR.



James Whaley

Growth through expression is the underlying basis for the Kentucky Speakers' Tournament. This event is now being promoted in churches and associations throughout the state. The tournaments in these areas are preparation for the tournament that will be held at the eighth Regional Rallies

March 14-18.

In each rally two tournaments will be conducted. Each afternoon at 5:15 a Speakers' Tournament will be held for all Young People 19 and above. Each evening at 8:30 a Speakers' Tournament for those 17 and 18 years of age will be conducted (college 17-18 years will take part in the afternoon event). Each participant will select one of twenty suggested topics and prepare for his own testimony on this subject.

The tournament for the 17 and 18 year olds will be the closing event of the Regional Rallies. It is felt that the testimonies of the Young People will be a fitting climax to the day's activity of fellowship, the Junior Memory Work and Bible Drill, Intermediate Sword Drill, and the conference periods.

Each evening at 7:15 conferences on Training Union Methods will be conducted for each age group. The Young People's Conference will center on the theme—Better Programming. Below is the date, meeting place, and conference leader for each rally.

#### Eastern Section—

March 14—North Central Region, Georgetown Baptist Church, Joe Tackett

March 15—Northeastern Region, Irene Cole Memorial Baptist Church, Prestonsburg, Bruce Hulette

March 17—Northwestern Region, First Baptist Church, Pineville, Mary Lois Stiles

March 18—South Central Region, Pleasant Hill Baptist Church, Campbellsville, Calvin Fields

#### Western Section—

March 14—Central Region, Shepherdsville Church, Mrs. Eugene F. Quim

March 15—Southern Region, Glasgow Baptist Church, Mrs. Trevis Otey

March 17—Southwestern Region, First Baptist Church, Benton, Kenneth Dean

March 18—Western Region, First Baptist Church, Providence, Wilbur Webb

## CHURCH MUSIC

### Dr. Maurice Hinson To Visit Ashland's First Festival

By EUGENE F. QUINN

Dr. Maurice Hinson, of Southern Seminary's music faculty, will serve as the guest director and adjudicator at the first music festival to be held for Northeastern Region, with the First Church of Ashland as the host, according to Regional Music Director Jimmy Driver, who is minister of music at the host church.



Maurice Hinson



Jimmy Driver

Dr. Hinson's special training and experience as a talented and dedicated church musician is happily anticipated by Mr. Driver and the churches in Northeastern Region. Churches in five associations, namely, Enterprise, Greenville, Greenup, Pike and Red River, are urged to send representatives either as choirs or ensembles or individual participants in the song leading and hymn playing events of the festival.

### GRADED CHOIR WORK IS FEATURED AT COVINGTON CONFERENCE

North Bend Baptist Association served as host to the workers with graded choirs in the surrounding area on Saturday night, January 23, at Latonia Baptist

Church in Covington. Thirty-three workers from seven churches in North Bend and Campbell County associations were present.

After a fellowship supper together, at which time workers got acquainted with each other, Miss Mabel Warkentin of Southern Seminary music faculty conducted a demonstration Primary Choir rehearsal with the Latonia Primary Choir. A discussion period followed, in which questions were asked by the workers and discussed by Miss Warkentin and the group.

This graded choir workshop was co-sponsored by Associational Music Director Derryl Homberg of Erlanger and Regional Music Director Eugene Spencer of Latonia church.

## GEORGETOWN COLLEGE HAS MUSIC WORKSHOP

The Music Department of Georgetown College is sponsoring a Church Music Workshop for its students in co-operation with the Kentucky Baptist Music Department. The five sessions of the workshop are meeting on five succeeding Monday nights beginning on February 22 and ending on March 21.

The purpose of the workshop is to familiarize the student body with the content of the Baptist church music ministry.

The first and last sessions will be led by State Music Secretary E. F. Quinn. The intervening three sessions will be led by members of the Georgetown College Music Department faculty.

Interested music leaders from surrounding churches are welcomed to the workshop also. Starting time is 7:00 p.m.

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## WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

### Recognized Young Woman's Auxiliaries, 1958-59

By MISS NINA MARTIN

The following Y.W.A.'s have been recognized as Honor Auxiliaries during the year 1958-59:

High School Y.W.A.'s:	Baptist Church Association
Bethel	Guthrie
Bracken	Central, Maysville
Crittenden	Dryridge
Liberty	Horse Cave
Lincoln County	Stanford
Little Bethel	Pleasant Grove, Madisonville
Long Run	Highland Pk., First, Louisville
Muhlenberg	Lee's Lane, Louisville
Muhlenberg	First, Central City
Muhlenberg	Second, Greenville
Ohio County	Deaneville
Owen County	Zion
Pike	Mt. Pleasant
Pulaski County	Elkhorn City
Pulaski County	First, Somerset
Pulaski County	High Street, Somerset
Pulaski County	Pleasant Hill No. 2, Somerset
Severn's Valley	Buffalo
Shelby County	Mt. Pleasant, Shelbyville
Simpson	First, Franklin
South District	First, Danville
West Union	First, Kevil

Business Y.W.A.'s:  
Elkhorn—Immanuel, Lexington  
Muhlenbrg—First, Central City  
Ungraded Y.W.A.'s (both high school and business):  
Greenup—Belmont, Ashland  
Little Bethel—Charleston, Dawson Springs  
Little Bethel—Second, Madisonville  
Little River—Cadiz  
Monroe—Temple Hill, Glasgow  
Muhlenberg—Mt. Pisgah, Bremen  
North Bend—First, Walton  
Sulphur Fork—DeHaven Memorial, LaGrange

The following Y.W.A.'s have been recognized as Advanced Auxiliaries during the year 1958-59:

High School Y.W.A.'s:
Caldwell
Christian County
Daviess-McLean
Freedom
Long Run
Long Run
Lynn
Russell County
Shelby County
Shelby County
Union

Ungraded Y.W.A.'s (Both High School and Business):  
Long Run—Jeffersontown  
Long Run—Valley Station  
Russell County—First, Russell Springs  
South District—Perryville

The following Y.W.A.'s have been recognized as Approved Auxiliaries during the year 1958-59:

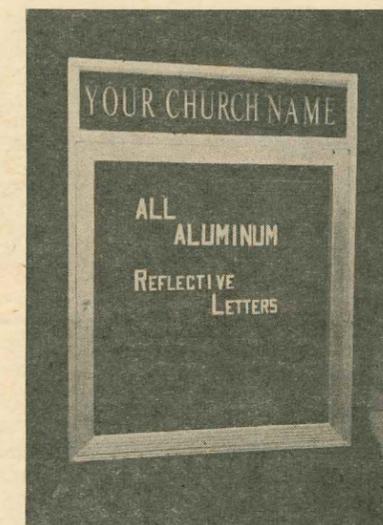
Business Y.W.A.:
Little Bethel
Ungraded Y.W.A.:
Christian County

Mrs. W. D. (Ethel Kinslow) Hinton, oldest woman member of Friendship Church, near Oakland, Ky., died recently. Mrs. M. Ruth Bratton, Smith's Grove 3, Ky., says, "When she was physically able her presence could always be depended upon. She was a cheerful giver. . . . While no one witnessed her going, we have the assurance she was not alone, but standing on the promise that Jesus would be with her all the way."

## Sunday Closing Week Set For Feb. 28-Mar. 6

The launching of the Sunday Closing movement in the Kentuckiana Area is set for Sunday, February 28 in churches of Louisville. The newly-formed CITIZENS FOR SUNDAY CLOSING are asking that all the denominations set aside February 28 for special emphasis in the morning service through sermon, special announcements and distribution of attractive material which will be supplied in quantity to all the churches.

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ATTENDANCE, FEBRUARY 7, 1960**

	S.S.	Add.	T.U.
Louisville, Walnut Street	1386	5	266
Missions (3)	311	2	193
Louisville, Ninth and O	1200	1	500
Louisville, Carlisle Avenue	1049	--	211
Madisonville, First	965	18	371
Hopkinsville, Second	888	1	211
Bowling Green, First	841	4	211
Mission	189	--	--
Hopkinsville, First	835	--	214
Mission	137	--	52
Louisville, Crescent Hill	815	4	294
Missions (2)	137	--	53
Owensboro, Third	800	--	274
Covington, Calvary	803	--	--
Lexington, Calvary	787	7	237
Mission	39	--	--
Elizabethtown, Severns Valley	782	--	203
Missions (2)	93	--	--
Murray, First	775	1	140
Mission	43	--	--
Louisville, Parkland	765	--	170
Somerset, First	717	--	279
Mission	111	--	50
Paducah, Immanuel	710	--	177
Newport, First	687	2	189
Missions (2)	53	--	21
Louisville, Beechland	682	4	152
Mission	195	1	55
Louisville, Beechmont	681	2	193
Missions (2)	315	--	130
Frankfort, First	675	5	79
Harrodsburg	665	--	142
Missions (2)	42	--	25
Glasgow	656	4	156
Missions (2)	141	2	--
Covington, Latonia	640	--	181
Lexington, Grace	622	2	181
Mission	27	--	--
Louisville, Victory Memorial	614	1	214
Missions (2)	230	1	91
Shelbyville, First	595	4	106
Louisville, Buechel Park	591	2	163
Campbellsville	583	--	222
Missions (4)	135	--	51

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**Leland H. Waters, Executive Ass't  
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Lexington, Rosemont	554	2	155
Ashland, First	553	1	131
Missions (2)	157	--	--
Louisville, Hazelwood	549	2	126
Georgetown	545	2	236
Louisville, Eastern Parkway	530	2	131
Louisville, Bethlehem	511	--	160
Owensboro, Buena Vista	480	5	157
Erlanger	478	2	116
Henderson, Immanuel	474	--	--
Missions (2)	146	--	--
Louisville, Southside	471	--	106
Florence	460	--	116
Louisville, Valley Station	460	2	110
Louisville, Beth Haven	449	1	151
Danville, First	444	--	127
Mission	27	--	--
Covington, South Side	442	1	92
Louisville, Bethany	441	1	125
Lexington, Porter Memorial	437	--	118
Owensboro, Hall Street	437	--	190
Centra Clity, First	431	--	170
Winchester, Central	430	3	109
Mt. Washington, First	430	--	118
Mission	27	--	--
Ashland, Unity	426	2	109
Louisville, Farmdale	421	2	148
Mission	113	1	61
Louisville, Green Acres	419	--	150
Corbin, Central	417	--	125
Mission	57	--	33
Louisville, Eighteenth St.	416	3	109
Mission	79	--	80
Hodgenville, First	409	1	144
Middlesboro, First	402	--	148
Ludlow, First	400	1	84
Franklin, First	399	--	128
Mission	45	--	23
Bellevue	395	--	98
Louisville, Shawnee	394	2	102
Danville, Gethsemane	390	3	193
Frankfort, Crestwood	386	--	142
Paducah, East	383	--	169
Russellville, First	382	--	124
Mission	57	--	--
Hazard, First	379	8	99
Bardstown	376	--	61
Louisville, Immanuel	368	--	82
Jeffersonton, First	367	--	79
Ft. Thomas, First	366	4	83
Mission	102	--	--
Nicholasville	358	3	97
Louisville, High View	357	--	130
Springfield	356	--	98
Frankfort, Thorn Hill	343	--	123
Owensboro, Eaton Memorial	342	--	146
Lawrenceburg, First	340	--	63
Mission	47	--	--
Walton, First	335	3	166
Corbin, First	331	--	109
Louisville, LaSalle Avenue	331	--	108
Fern Creek, Cedar Creek	324	--	106
Greenville, First	323	--	131
Ashland, Pollard	321	--	110
Missions (2)	93	--	--
Versailles	320	--	104
Hima, Horse Creek	320	--	--
Owensboro, Lewis Lane	312	--	132
Campbellsville, South Campbellsville	311	5	147
Dawson Springs, First	311	--	57
Barbourville, First	309	--	219
Missions (3)	229	--	--
LaGrange, DeHaven Memorial	307	--	73
Paris, Central	290	--	99
Middletown, First	284	5	107
Owensboro, Crabtree Avenue	270	7	79
Leitchfield, First	268	3	110
Louisville, Gethsemane	268	--	120
Bowling Green, Glendale	257	2	106
Lebanon Junction, First	257	2	113
Williamson, East Williamson	256	2	72
Marion	256	--	71
Falmouth	252	--	64
Mission	21	--	--
Cold Spring, First	251	--	110
Middlesboro, E. Cumberland Avenue	244	--	--
Carrollton, First	226	2	66
Owensboro, Seven Hills	225	--	70
Hazel	223	--	--
Shepherdsville, Little Flock	223	--	48
London, Swiss Colony	210	--	94
Mission	47	--	--
Louisa, First	203	--	--
Ashland, Fairview	201	--	83
Mission	52	--	--
Valley Station, Kosmosdale	197	--	35
Owensboro, Temple	189	--	85
Mt. Vernon, First	183	--	59
Mission	74	--	--
McQuady, Corinth	86	--	66

►Statistics show that the churches of the leading Protestant denominations in New York City are decreasing in numbers, and the smaller denominations in the same area are on the increase.

►There were 7,000 persons registered in the 3-day nation-wide Baptist Training Union Convention in Atlanta, Ga., recently. Highlight of the occasion was the honoring of J. E. Lambdin, retiring secretary, at which time he was presented with a love offering. Little did the attendants realize that his untimely death would follow so shortly thereafter.

►Foster E. Howard has resigned his 2½-year pastorate of Newton Creek Church, Kevil, Kentucky, in West Union Association, in order to accept the call of the First Baptist Church, Bardwell, Ky. He assumed his new duties December 1. There have been 85 additions at Newton Creek, and new church seats are being purchased. Mr. Howard has served as vice president of the West Union Association Pastors' Conference and on various committees. Mrs. Howard has served for two years as G.A. Director of West Union Association, and last year was elected director of instrumental music of the association.

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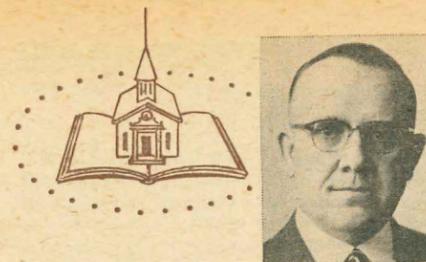
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**SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON**

By H. C. Chiles

**A PROGRAM OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE February 21**

Being in a hurry to arrive in Jerusalem by the day of Pentecost, Paul wisely passed by the Ephesian docks, knowing full well that the resultant hospitality would consume too much time. Unable to leave without some word with the Ephesian Christians, Paul sent for the beloved leaders of the church at Ephesus and asked them to come to Miletus, a distance of approximately thirty miles, and meet him, which they did.

**I. Paul's Example In Christian Service. Acts 20:18b-21.**

When they arrived, Paul added force to his farewell admonitions by reminding them of the spirit and character of his ministry in their church. Paul's conduct had been exemplary and above reproach. As a true and faithful pastor, he pointed to his own walk and work among them and challenged them to point out one thing in his record that was subject to suspicion, doing so in all humility. A clean record gives a person a wonderful sense of satisfaction and security.

Paul's manner was depicted in verse nineteen. He served the Lord with all humility. There was no arrogance or self assertiveness in Paul. Instead of being self-seeking, he was anxious to render the humblest service possible for his fellowmen in the name of the Lord because he knew that God always appreciates genuine humility and detests arrogance. Serving the Lord is a work that must be done by living people, under His view, according to His will and for His glory. Paul's humble service was rendered in the midst of trials and persecutions from the Jews, but this verse expresses the intensity of his sympathy for them and his longing for their welfare.

Paul's manner was characterized by sincerity. Paul had an insatiable desire to see people saved. That was the one thing for which he lived and wrought. In his work among the Ephesians, Paul kept everything secondary to his great task of making the gospel of Christ known to them. He declared unto them all that God had revealed to him about salvation, regardless of what their response to his message might be. Like Christ, he spoke to the crowds, and to individuals as he went from house to house.

As to his message, Paul proclaimed unto them the necessity of repentance

toward God and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. In Him was their only hope of salvation. Day and night he prayed, preached, pleaded and persuaded to the very best of his ability. He declared unto them the counsel of God with the earnest prayer that they might believe on Christ and be saved. In view of his faithfulness in this regard, it was strictly their own fault if they rejected Christ and missed heaven.

Paul's ministry among them had been characterized by exemplary conduct, humility, earnestness, patience, boldness, zeal and faithfulness. On account of his Christ-like actions, his kind words and his love for their souls, Paul was very dear to them. Reminding them that quite likely they would never see him again on earth, Paul challenged them to be faithful to Christ, to be zealous in their work, to guard the church from evil, and to build it upon the Word of God and by the power of God. With him the only thing of real importance was the will of God in any and all matters.

**II. Paul's Exhortation to Christian Service. Acts 20:28-35.**

Immediately after receiving Christ as his Saviour Paul said, "Lord, what wilt thou have me to do?" With him the greatest thing in life was the discovery and the doing of the will of the Lord. That was his definite purpose throughout his ministry, during which he encountered so many obstacles, adversaries, dangers and hardships.

Paul's mission was to feed the flock of God. Having a pastor's heart, Paul also charged and challenged the elders of the church at Ephesus with the grave responsibility of being faithful undershepherds over the Lord's people. He was anxious for them to be faithful and effective in the work of feeding, protecting and leading them.

Paul warned his listeners that after his departure grievous wolves would enter their ranks at Ephesus and propagate false doctrines in order to lead some of the Christians astray. He emphasized the fact that for three years he had been tireless in his efforts to fortify them against such errors, and that now they should be faithful in sounding the trumpet of warning at the approach of the adversary. Paul commended them to God and His grace.

To avoid all appearances of a mercenary or covetous spirit, Paul labored

with his own hands to earn the money with which to provide the very necessities of life. Out of that experience he learned the glorious truth in Christ's statement, "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

Our Lord frequently separated people into two groups, and here He divided them into givers and getters. Christ taught that a much higher place is to be accorded the blessedness of giving than that which goes with getting. Do you believe what He taught? If so, you should put your faith into action. By your giving you can prove that you believe what Christ said. There are inescapable obligations resting upon every Christian to be a contributor instead of a sponger. Experience the blessedness of giving and thereby escape the curse of withholding.

►The funeral of Andrew Q. Allen, state Sunday school secretary for Texas for eleven years, was conducted at the Gaston Avenue Church, Dallas, January 16. He died at Baylor Hospital, Dallas, following an extended illness, on January 14.

►Through the generosity of William Fleming, \$1,000 a month is being contributed toward the salary and expenses of an area missionary for Canada's Pacific Coast. Also the Baptist Convention of Oregon-Washington is contributing \$500 a month. The services of Austin Hunt have been obtained for this labor.

►Dr. Allen W. Graves, dean of The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, has been named a member of a special committee to recommend standards for doctoral work in schools of religious education. The committee was named at the biennial meeting of the American Association of Schools of Religious Education.

►The 1960 mid-year graduating class of 69 students purchased a standard typewriter for student use to be placed in one of the typing rooms of the new James P. Boyce Centennial Library. In announcing the gift the class president, Robert Cantwell, of Maryville, Tennessee, told Seminary President Duke K. McCall "We anticipate this will be a means of encouraging other students to do even better and more attractive term papers." Term papers consume a major part of a seminary student's library time.

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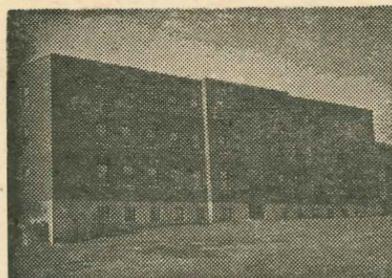
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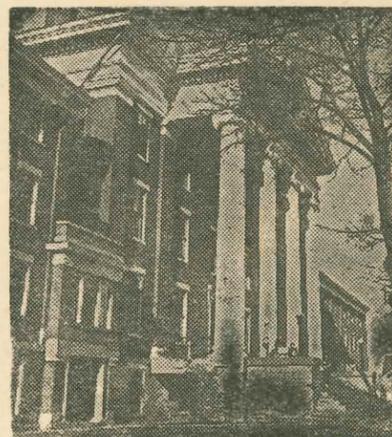
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At Locust Grove Baptist Church, Lincoln County, 17 ordained men met to examine one young man, J. C. Sowers, with a view to his ordination to the ministry, and two young men, John Peek and Dory Leach, to the diaconate. Sowers is presently pastor of Gilbert's Creek Church. The council elected Fred Hill, pastor of Locust Grove, moderator;

David Perkins, associational missionary in Lincoln County, clerk; and W. R. Bradshaw, pastor at Hustonville, interrogator. The council recommended their ordination, following which Raymond Smith, pastor of Double Springs, gave the charge to the men, and Kit Yeaste, pastor at Stanford, gave the charge to the church. After laying on of the hands, Elmore Ray, pastor Fairview, led in the prayer of ordination.

►The Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary, Mill Valley, Calif., has changed the name of its periodical, "Golden Gate," to "The Span."

►R. O. Cawker died in a hospital at Temple, Texas, where he had gone for surgery, on January 31. He was secretary of evangelism for the Louisiana Baptist Convention, Alexandria, La.

## Information Sources

# FOR CHURCH WORKERS

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## Louisville Baptists Change Plan of Finance

An unique plan of financing local associational work was abandoned by the Long Run Baptist Association through a vote of its Executive Board on February 8. Long Run Association is composed of more than 80,000 Baptists and over 100 churches and missions in the Louisville area.

Six years ago the association adopted a co-operative plan of missions whereby 25% of all Cooperative Program funds sent by Long Run churches to the treasurer of the General Association of Ken-

tucky Baptists was refunded to the Long Run Association for its program of work. Later the refund percentage was reduced to 22% and still later to its present 20%.

By unanimous vote the Board accepted a recommendation from its Executive Committee to give up the present plan by January 1, 1961, and revert to the plan of depending upon direct contributions from individual churches to the associational program. The direct contribution plan conforms with the methods used by most of the other district associations of Kentucky and the Southern Baptist Convention.

A special committee was appointed by Long Run Executive Board Chairman, Eugene Enlow, to work with churches in the transition to the new plan. Present plans call for requesting the individual churches to designate for associational missions an amount equal to the contribution of the church under the present plan.

The action also included a request for the Executive Board of Kentucky Baptists to assume financial obligation for Fellowship Center, a Long Run Associational project once operated by the General Association and for as much financial help as possible from the State group to the University of Louisville Baptist

Student Union. It is estimated that \$12,000 to \$15,000 will be required for these two projects.

The Long Run action grew out of the acceptance by the 1959 General Association of Kentucky Baptists of a report of its Survey Committee calling on local associations to find ways to finance their programs, leaving all Cooperative Program gifts for distribution by the General Association. The committee of the Executive Board of the General Association met with the Executive Committee of Long Run Association to discuss the matter. The proposals adopted originated with the Long Run group and met hearty approval by the General Association committee.

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