

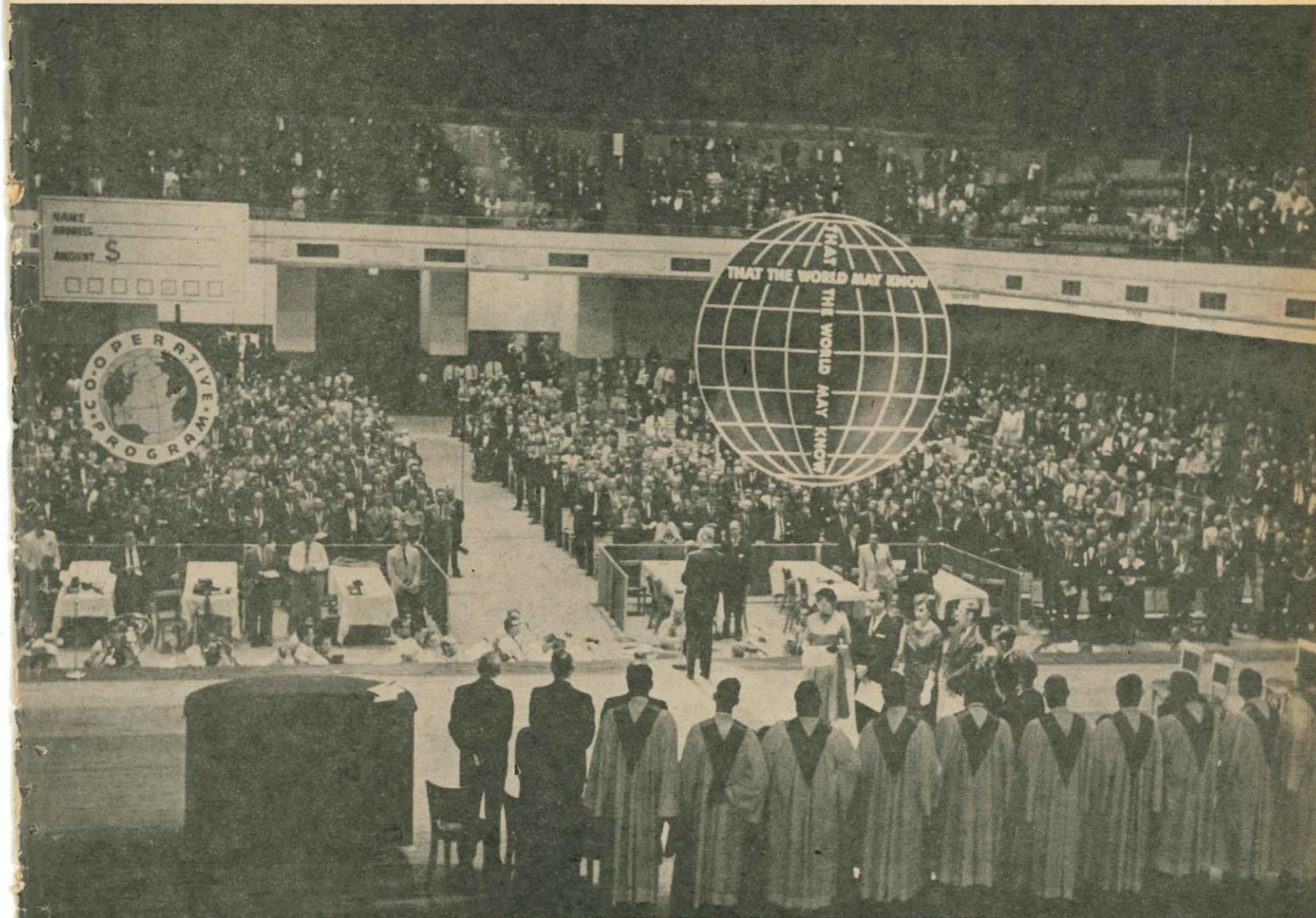


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Second National Conference of Southern Baptist Men held at Memphis, Tennessee, September 13-15, 1961. This particular moment was the commissioning service of some

missionaries by Dr. Baker James Cauthen, executive secretary, and Elmer S. West, Jr., personnel secretary, both of the Foreign Mission Board, at the closing session.



**Going Into Reserves**

Thomas M. Richardson has taken a leave of absence from the pastorate of the Zion Baptist Church, Henderson, Ky., to enter active duty with the 398th Regiment of Owensboro, a part of the 100th Division, U. S. Army Reserves. Originally they were scheduled to go into training at Fort Polk, in Louisiana, but plans were changed to send them to Arkansas. His wife, Mary Jane Heltsley Richardson, and their daughter, Caroline Jane, will go with the group.

**Clear Creek Alumni Meet**

The annual alumni meeting of Clear Creek Baptist School is set for October 20. J. B. Allen, pastor of the Waco Baptist Church, is president of the Alumni Association. Speakers will be Dr. L. T. Hastings, Knoxville, Tenn., former professor of Old Testament; Dr. W. E. Denham, Sr., Miami, Florida, who is visiting professor of Bible this year; and W. Harold Matthews, missionary on furlough from the Philippines who is teaching at Clear Creek the first semester, and several former students now serving in Kentucky and other states.

**Deering Added to Faculty**

Ronald F. Deering has been added as research librarian at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, according to Dr. Duke K. McCall. He has been serving as instructor in New Testament Greek since 1957. He holds a B.A. degree from Georgetown College and a B.D. from Southern Seminary. He was a fellow in the New Testament department from 1955, and prior to that was assistant to the professor of Bible at Georgetown College from 1949 to 1951, and taught Bible there during 1950-51. A native of Ford County, Illinois, he has served churches as pastor in Cincinnati, Ohio, and Salem, Indiana.

**Missionary Injured**

Dr. Robert L. Lindsey, Southern Baptist missionary to Israel, and a boy from the George W. Truett Home, Petah Tiqva, Israel, were injured September 14 when they stepped on a mine in No Man's Land. Dr. Lindsey lost a foot. The news came to the Foreign Mission Board by phone from the American Consulate in Jerusalem. A consular official gave assurance that Dr. Lindsey is being well cared for and that "he will recover." The Arab youth, 15-year-old Salem Zoumout, went to the Jordanian side to visit his father last January during a

religious festival season when border restrictions were released, and he found it impossible to return to Israel. Apparently Dr. Lindsey had crossed over into Jordan in an attempt to return the lad to the Baptist home where he had lived since 1946. Dr. Lindsey, a native of Norman, Okla., has served in Israel since 1944.

**Rooms for the General Association**

If you desire a room in a home for the General Association meeting in the Lexington Avenue Baptist Church of Danville, November 14-16, 1961, please write to Mrs. James A. Johnson, Box 537, Danville, Ky. Tell the date of your arrival and the length of your stay.

The motels in Danville are now filled. The Gilcher Hotel has a few single and double rooms, but no twin bed rooms left.

Rooms may still be secured in Perryville, Harrodsburg, Lancaster and Stanford. These towns are just a ten minute drive from the church. See page 9 of the August 17 issue of the Western Recorder for listing of these motels in these towns.

**Correcting Several Errors**

In the August 17 issue of the Western Recorder several errors occurred in the brief article about the Ellisville Baptist Church. Ellisville Mission was sponsored by Mt. Pisgah Church, and that church also sponsored the Vacation Bible School and revival July 16-30. It was an unusual V.B.S., having so many co-workers. Carlisle Church contributed the use of their bus, and Mt. Pisgah paid for the gas and bus driver. Two trained workers helping were Miss Ann Pollitt, State Board summer worker, and Miss Rebecca Holt, B.S.U. summer worker. W. H. Curl joined them July 20 and helped in the devotional and Intermediate class. Mrs. W. H. Curl went there July 25 and assisted with the Intermediates. Three young ladies from Carlisle Church, Sally Dayton, and Ginger and Wanda Hamm, and eleven workers and four cars from Mt. Pisgah assisted in the transportation. There were 143 in attendance with 137 who attended two

days or more. The average was 90, with 28 conversions in the Bible School and revival. The mission was organized into a church on July 30, with 40 charter members, and it was immediately taken into the Bracken Association. The V.B.S. principal was its mission pastor, J. McKee Welch, who has been with the work since October 16, 1960, and he is to continue as its permanent pastor. He is a son of Pastor and Mrs. H. H. Welch, of the Mt. Pisgah Church, and they were a great help in sponsoring and promoting this entire project. The new church voted to contribute a definite percentage to the Cooperative Program and put the Western Recorder in its budget for the first year. Fairview helped in a picnic for the children.

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# Brotherhood Gives Laymen World View

By Bill Carroll, for Baptist Press



**NATURE'S DISH-DRYER**—Only a few sticks and lashing were needed to fashion a dyer and storage unit for camping utensils at a training session for laymen. The Brotherhood men learned campcraft so they may lead Royal Ambassador boys in their new program. (BP) Photo.

Join the Brotherhood and see the world!

Last year 55 Baptist laymen made a foreign mission tour to Mexico. This trip was the seventh of a series which began in 1954.

In Mexico the men saw the problems facing Baptists who work in that predominantly Roman Catholic country. Too, they got some insight as to how Baptist mission work functions all over the world.

Aim of such tours is to give Baptist laymen a clear view of mission needs. They return to their churches anxious to make their world mission program better.

A comparatively new program, but one with much promise, is the pioneer missions tours jointly sponsored by the Brotherhood Commission and the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

These tours, which were begun in 1958, are work tours. Baptist men go at their own expense to work for one week under the guidance of a regional missionary in a pioneer area.

Here they attempt to help establish new missions and churches and to promote Southern Baptist work in every way possible. This year, more than 500 men will make the tours into such areas as New York, Ohio and Colorado—where Southern Baptist work is young and small.

Next year more than 1,500 Baptist men are expected to ask for similar assignments.

Such programs as these give men a firsthand look at missions. The Brotherhood Commission, in cooperation with state Baptist Brotherhood leaders, has sponsored many tours to other foreign mission fields and pioneer areas of home mission work.

Only a few of the laymen enrolled in church Brotherhoods around the Southern Baptist Convention may make such trips personally. But they "see the world" and its need of Christ in another way.

They see it through the literature published by the Brotherhood Commission from its office in Memphis. They "see it" in the form of reports from laymen who have made the tours.

They see it depicted at such conferences as the Second National Conference for Southern Baptist Men in Memphis September 13-15. They see it as they sponsor Royal Ambassador and other local church mission programs.

The laymen normally meet monthly in their church for a Brotherhood program emphasizing Royal Ambassadors, Christian witnessing, personal stewardship or world missions. At the close, they usually get an opportunity to take part in a community activity related to the program.

Royal Ambassador boys usually meet weekly in chapters to take part in a progressive program of missionary education.

Each year the Brotherhood Commission writes and publishes millions of words to aid men and boys in their missionary education. Besides preparing books, tracts and pamphlets, the Brotherhood Commission also publishes three magazines—Ambassador Life, a monthly publication for Royal Ambassadors; Ambassador Leader, a quarterly publication for Royal Ambassador counselors, and Brotherhood Journal, a quarterly publication for men.

Two years ago the commission began producing an annual, the Brotherhood Handbook, which provides program helps and other aids for Brotherhood officers.

Many training programs and conferences are sponsored by the Brotherhood Commission singly or in cooperation with other agencies. Among these are the Brotherhood training programs at Ridgecrest (N.C.) and Glorieta (N.M.) Baptist Assemblies and the national men's conference.

The Second National Conference of Southern Baptist Men was expected to draw more than 10,000 men. The first

conference was held in 1957 in Oklahoma City, attracting over 6,000 men.

The purpose of these conferences is to acquaint Baptist men with their denominational program and to challenge them to study and speak out on important current issues.

The Royal Ambassador organization is composed of boys 9 through 16. It was once the responsibility of Woman's Missionary Union, Convention auxiliary. The Brotherhood Commission took it over in 1955. The new boys' program also will provide for 17-year-old boys.

Working on the solid foundation of early Brotherhood leaders, Executive Secretary George W. Schroeder has led the commission through its greatest years of growth. Schroeder, a layman and a deacon, has spent over 22 years in Brotherhood work.

Brotherhood work began in 1907 as the Layman's Missionary Movement. In 1926, the program was revised, expanded, and given a new name—the Baptist Brotherhood of the South.

The slogan of the Brotherhood Commission is "A Million Men for Christ." Although there was a time when a million men was only a dream, it approaches reality now. Currently the Brotherhood Commission is preparing programs for almost 700,000 men and boys. And the combined enrollment is increasing each year.

The Brotherhood Commission shares in the Cooperative Program budget of the Southern Baptist Convention. For 1961, it was allocated \$179,500 through the operating funds and \$50,000 for capital needs.

The commission also receives income from the sale of magazines and other published material.

## Baptist Editor Exposes Georgia Gambling Crowd

ATLANTA (BP)—Four pages of the weekly Christian Index were devoted to listing 667 firms and individuals in Georgia that own federal gambling stamps despite state laws which make gambling in any form illegal.

Editor John J. Hurt, Jr., of Atlanta, cited specific Georgia laws dealing with the illegality of gambling and quoted the state revenue commissioner as saying enforcement of the state laws is up to local law enforcement officials in each county.

Veterans' organizations, clubs and "animal-named" groups, such as Elks, Moose, Eagles, etc., dominate the organizations in the 667 names.

Editor Hurt, in an editorial in the next issue, called on citizens in each county to "demand action by the grand juries," claiming that the people and firms earning the federal gambling stamps (evidently) "are not afraid of the local police and sheriffs."



All News Is Not Printed

The great Will Rogers once said, "All I know is what I read in the newspapers," but most of us are glad we know more than what makes the news. Much of the news sounds like the product of a scavenger hunt, while a treasure hunt appears to be the least concern of those who report on the current state of affairs.

Take, for example, one recent week—the first week in September. In this week came Labor Day which has come to be regarded as the opportunity for the last summer fling before school and other activities of busy autumn. And this year the opportunity was fully exploited, at least by the youth, according to newspaper reports.

The resort of Lake George in New York was turned into a battlefield by 2,500 college students who went on a three-day drinking spree. Another 2,000 disorderly young people went on a rampage at Ocean City, Maryland. Similar incidents occurred all over the nation on Labor Day week-end as beer and sex made savages out of supposedly civilized young people, and produced conduct beneath the level of most jungle primitives.

The same week there was another gathering of college bound youth which made no headlines nor even an inside page filler. This was the Kentucky Baptist Student Union Training Conference where more than a hundred young people from Kentucky colleges, along with a number of Baptist youth from Indiana and Ohio schools, spent five days planning their year's work. Direction for this conference was provided by Kentucky Baptist Student Secretary J. Chester Durham who enlisted help from outstanding workers among Baptist students all over the Southern Baptist Convention.

Anyone witnessing the capability, seriousness and determination with which these young people went about their tasks, could not but gain new hope of today's youth. Their avid hunger for help in finding answers to today's problems, and the nature and depth of their questions were simply amazing.

What was happening in Kentucky among Baptist youth was happening in countless other places as the youth of Baptists and other religious faiths gave attention to their spiritual life in the colleges they attend. In fact, if the whole story were told, probably more American youth were concentrating the first week of September upon morality and serious preparation for life than upon booze and revelry.

No generation of young people ever had more excuse for making a binge out of life. Fear, uncertainty, anxiety, and futility are our gifts to today's generation of young people. "What's the use?" is a fair question

for every young person asked in light of the condition of today's world. It's to the credit that more of our youth don't junk it all and try to squeeze out of life what little appears to be left before the curtain drops.

Nothing is more unfair than the damn-the-youth-in-general attitude of many today. Nor is any attitude more harmful unless it is that of indulgence of those young people who need censure, discipline, and punishment.

Baptists have an unprecedented opportunity with youth on college campuses in Kentucky and elsewhere. The strength and vitality of our Baptist witness tomorrow depend upon our enlisting Baptist college youth today. In the Baptist Student work on our campuses, we are probably getting more for the money spent than in any other area of Baptist ministry. This is one of our efforts which needs stronger support in prayer and other resources.

I'm glad I am among those privileged to see youth at their best, as well as read about them at their worst. I'm glad I know more than what I read in the newspapers.

Whose Glory?

*"Here lies Jane Smith, wife of Thomas Smith, marble cutter. This monument was erected by her husband as a tribute to her memory and a specimen of his work. Monuments of the same style \$350."*

This interesting and revealing inscription from a gravestone was quoted recently by a North Carolina pastor writing in the church bulletin on the importance of promotion.

The inscription was written by the stonecutter upon the death of his wife, Jane, in 1880. There is no doubt about what the true feeling of the stonecutter was. No matter how much he loved Jane, it is obvious he loved himself more and was more interested in future business than memorializing his wife.

The same impression is easily conveyed by some bulletins, brochures, etc., which pass the editor's desk. The Lord is referred to and token credit is given Him, but the real hero is the pastor or the evangelist as the case may be.

Sometimes a pastor is featured in an anniversary brochure in such a way that would do credit to Hollywood public relation techniques. More often such super-promotion and self-exaltation are seen in regular publications and releases of so-called evangelistic associations.

The attractively and expensively done bulletins usually feature on page one some article on evangelism by a well-known and accepted Baptist preacher or denominational official. The other pages, no matter

how many, are devoted almost exclusively to pictures of great services and copies of letters to the evangelist from pastors.

All the letters read about the same. "Nothing like this ever happened to our church or community. Great crowds thronged all the services. A record number of decisions was made. I heartily recommend Brother So-and-So to all pastors who desire a truly Spirit-led evangelistic campaign."

Upon reading the publication one can but gain the impression that the real effort is not so much to glorify God as to canonize man. There is an acceptable kind of promotion in spiritual matters, but not a *la Hollywood* and television soap commercials.

A GUEST EDITORIAL

Where the Program Begins

The Louisville *Courier-Journal* carried a news story on Sunday, September 24, describing \$100,000,000 which the Ford Foundation is setting aside for independent, liberal-arts colleges. None of our Kentucky Baptist schools were included in the first allocation, but it could be hoped that some of them will subsequently qualify.

What are some of the qualifications? There are several. Two significant qualifications are: strong interest and support on the part of alumni, and strong trustee and presidential leadership. Notice that financial need is not one of the requirements. The Ford Foundation is not interested in helping colleges on a charity basis. It is interested in helping private colleges *who are already doing a good job* insofar as their own alumni and trustees are concerned.

When I read this release, my mind went back immediately to what I heard this summer at Syracuse University's fund raising workshop: strong financial support of any school must begin with the board of trustees. Unless the trustees give of their best to the institution they serve, and unless the alumni are loyally behind their school, it is doubtful if many on the outside can be interested in contributing. This does not mean that board members must be wealthy philanthropists. It does mean that they look upon their membership as something more than an honor.

There is strong comparison at this point in the promotion of the Cooperative Program. In the few weeks the Executive Board will meet to finalize a detailed 1962 world missions budget, following approval of the overall goal at the General Association. This 1962

Bethel College Instructor Writes for Home Life Magazine

HOPKINSVILLE, Ky.—What can parents do when their teen-agers have doubts about their Christian faith? This is the question which Logan Wright raises in October *Home Life*.

Wright tells the story of Larry, who wonders if his beliefs are the true way since he did not arrive at them himself but accepted those of his parents. Now a teenager, Larry is sensitive to the imperfections of his parents.

He wants a religion that is his own, not one that is handed down—or crammed down—by his parents.

"Parents need to accept the adolescent and his doubts," says Wright, instructor at Bethel College, Hopkinsville, Ky. "Adolescents adopt the values of those they respect. The teenager's doubts sooner or later diminish if he respects and admires his parents."

*Home Life*, the Christian family magazine of Southern Baptists, published by the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn., has an international monthly circulation of more than 850,000.

budget will be met, by and large, by Cooperative Program gifts from the churches of Kentucky. Now where does Cooperative Program promotion start? It begins with the Executive Board members! Unless the men who sweat out the birth of the budget itself are willing to go back home and rally support in their home churches, we can not expect others to become greatly excited!

Again, this does not mean that members of the Executive Board must come from the largest and most financially able churches. Not at all. But it does mean that each Board member—however large or small his church—will show the same zeal in raising Cooperative Program gifts in his own church as he is in working on and voting for the denominational budget. He will be just as concerned about raising the Cooperative Program percentage in Crossroads Baptist Church as he is in raising the state budget at Middletown.

Too often we look upon denominational positions and memberships as honors. "Kentucky Baptists have honored me by asking me to serve on . . ." etc. "I am honored by the request that has come to me to . . ." etc. Now there is honor in serving Christ in any worthy position. But we are not elected to serve on committees or boards for the honor that will come to us, but for the service we can bring to the denomination. To paraphrase President Kennedy's recent inaugural message, "This is not the time to be asking what our denomination can do for us, but what we can do for our Lord through our denomination."

The mother of James and John asked Jesus if her sons could sit on his right and left hand in positions of authority. Jesus replied that those who serve and wait on other people are the greatest. And he might have pointed out that we can't do much serving while sitting down! So Jesus refused to "seat" James and John. But he did "send" them.

So we come back to conclude that we will never build schools—or raise mission budgets—simply by sitting in committees and doing a lot of high-sounding talking. Words must be backed up by deeds. Never must we say, "We have such great needs—won't you help us out?" But rather, "We are doing a great work, and I am trying to do my little part—won't you join me so that together we can do even more?"

This spirit will attract support for our schools from philanthropic sources such as the Ford Foundation. Most of all, it will attract support from all of our churches as they sense that their leaders are not only talking big but acting and giving big.

ROBERT J. HASTINGS

Nigerian Missionary at Carver

Thomas J. Kennedy, missionary to Nigeria for the past six years, is spending part of his furlough at the Carver School of Missions and Social Work in Louisville. Kennedy reports that he is taking only a partial load of school work and has some time for speaking engagements. Kentucky churches desiring the services of a missionary speaker can contact Mr. Kennedy c/o Carver School of Missions, 2801 Lexington Road, Louisville 6, Kentucky, or telephone TW 3-2160.

## First Baptist Church, Effingham, Illinois, Has Its Centennial

EFFINGHAM, Ill.—The First Baptist Church of Effingham, Illinois, celebrated its Centennial with Homecoming Day Services, followed by what many consider the best revival in the Church's one-hundred-year history. Speakers for the Homecoming Day Celebration were Dr. Noel M. Taylor of Carbondale, Illinois, and Dr. W. A. Gray of Springfield, Illinois. Under the preaching of John E. Haggai of Atlanta, Georgia, and the superb music of William Souther, long time minister of music of the First Baptist Church of Dallas, Texas, and presently a faculty member of New Orleans Baptist Seminary, the church rejoiced with capacity crowds each evening.

Great noon day services were held and were well attended. Twenty-three were added to the church by baptism and letter. A great climactic service was held in which nearly 100 youth crowded to the front declaring their full and total commitment of life to the Lord Jesus Christ.

With the spirit of real revival burning in the Effingham Church, the new century is launched with a high sense of mission that will surely encompass the globe until Jesus comes.

John M. Snawder, formerly pastor of the Ralph Avenue Baptist Church, Louisville, Ky., is now pastor of the Effingham Church.

## Kentuckian Addresses European Seminary's 13th Annual Opening

RUSCHLIKON-ZURICH, Switzerland —Thirty-seven students from 13 countries were enrolled in the international Baptist Theological Seminary, Ruschlikon-Zurich, Switzerland, for the opening of its 13th session on September 4. Three additional students, all from a fourteenth country, Poland, were expected within a few days.

Germany, with six, claims the largest group at the seminary. Other countries represented are Canada, Denmark, Finland, France, Holland, Italy, Norway, Portugal, Southern Rhodesia, Sweden, Switzerland, and the United States.

Dr. John D. Hughey, Jr., Southern Baptist missionary, is president. Beginning his first year on the faculty as professor of theology is Dr. Joseph Richard Estes, newly appointed missionary. He addressed the seminary family in the opening service, speaking on "Crisis in Communication and Theological Method."

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## Foreign Mission Board Reports To The People

By Miss Ione Gray, Director of Press Relations, Richmond, Virginia

### FMB Appoints Nine

The Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board appointed nine missionaries in its September meeting, bringing the total appointments so far this year to 83 and the total overseas staff to 1,543.

New missionaries, their native states, and fields of service are Annie Sue Cliff, Tennessee, appointed for Japan; David L. Miller, Pennsylvania, and Glenda McCauley Miller, California, for North Brazil; Wayne A. Pennell, North Carolina, and Elinor Hasty Pennell, Georgia, for Indonesia; Ira S. Perkins and Betteye Williams Perkins, both of Mississippi, for North Brazil; and James L. Reeder and Mary Willis Reeder, both of Alabama, for the Philippines.

After the meeting the new appointees, Executive Secretary Baker J. Cauthen, and Personnel Secretary Elmer S. West, Jr., left for Memphis, Tenn., to take part in a special commissioning service climaxing the Second National Conference of Southern Baptist Men.

### Balance in Finances

With the Foreign Mission Board in the midst of preparing the 1962 budget for presentation at its October meeting, Dr. Cauthen said in his report that advance in mission work requires an annual budget increase of approximately \$1,000,000, chiefly to provide for placing new missionaries under appointment. Foreign mission advance over the past 17 years has been well balanced between the two essential lines of personnel and resources, he said. However, further stimulation in financial resources will be necessary for advance to be maintained.

Among factors making the Board's financial structure strong, he said, are the existence of an emergency reserve fund and the maintaining of a balance between the amount of money required for the support of missionaries, the amount for operating expenses on the fields, and the amount for constructing buildings, with approximately one third of the Board's expenditures being used for each of these categories.

### Goerners Overseas

Following the Board meeting Dr. H. Cornell Goerner, secretary for Africa, Europe, and the Near East, and Mrs. Goerner left for nine months' residence overseas. After several weeks in Liberia and Ghana, they will settle in Nigeria until early January.

Dr. Goerner announced that December 29-January 7 has been set for the first All-Africa Baptist Missions Conference. To be held on the campus of the Nigerian Baptist Theological Seminary in Ogbomosho, it will be attended by approximately 60 representatives from the Southern Baptist mission fields in Africa. "Selected African Baptist leaders from each country will share in

the discussions," Dr. Goerner told the Board, "and it is hoped that a significant growth in international understanding may come to the African continent in the midst of this time of intensified nationalism."

Following the conference Dr. and Mrs. Goerner will divide the rest of their overseas residence between cities central to the other areas of Africa, Europe, and the Near East where Southern Baptist missionaries are located. They will return to the States in early July.

### Pray for Brazil

Dr. Frank K. Means, the Board's secretary for Latin America, said that recent unhappy events in Brazil concern Southern Baptist missionaries at only one point: They are anxious for nothing to impede the work of the gospel in that country. "Please ask the people to pray as they have never prayed before," writes one missionary. "Pray that the opportunity to tell others about the grace of God through Jesus Christ will continue to be ours. Pray that God's will be done in our lives."

Dr. Means said, "The thing which makes the missionary enterprise worthwhile is the redemptive work of God in the hearts of men in saving them and in calling them in order that they can be set down in dark places around the world."

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## Allen W. Graves Writes On Constitution-By-laws For S.B.C. Churches

NASHVILLE — Continued questions concerning the preparation of constitution and by-laws for Southern Baptist churches have led to further emphasis on the subject in *Church Administration* magazine, a publication of the Baptist Sunday School Board.

In November *Church Administration*, Allen W. Graves, dean, School of Religious Education, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, presents an article "First Steps in Writing Your Church Constitution and By-Laws." Help is given concerning the recommendation that a church draw up and adopt a constitution and by-laws, and material is presented on assembling information for these instruments, as well as specific material on preparing the first draft of the constitution and by-laws.

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# Baptist Beliefs -- Jesus Christ

By Herschel H. Hobbs

Jesus Christ is the key to our knowledge of God and of history. "Jesus" is the Greek equivalent of the Hebrew word "Joshua" or "Yeshua," meaning Jehovah is salvation. It is our Lord's human and personal name, signifying that in Him Jehovah reveals Himself in salvation (cf. Acts 4:12). "Christ" is our Lord's official title. It is the Greek synonym for the Hebrew "Messiah," meaning the Anointed One. When "Lord" is used relating to Jesus Christ it is the equivalent of "Jehovah." The term "Son of God" is used repeatedly in the New Testament with reference to Jesus. Under oath Jesus testified that He is the Son of God (Matt. 26:63-64). Thomas called Him God (John 20:28), with no protest from Jesus. His favorite title for Himself is "Son of man," suggesting His identity with man.

Jesus is the incarnation (in flesh) of God in Christ, the second Person of the Trinity (John 1:1-14). As such He is Co-existent, Co-equal, and Co-eternal with or as God (1:1-2). He is the Cre-

ator of the universe and the Source of life (1:3-4). He is the "image [exact manifestation] of the invisible God (Col. 1:15). He is the Source, immediate Agent, and Goal of the universe, both material and spiritual (Col. 1:16). He is the Head of the church, and the Reconciler of man with God (Col. 1:18-22). He is God become flesh (John 1:14). He is the God-man. This involves His virgin birth (Matt. 1:22-23), sinless life (Heb. 4:15), vicarious death (John 10:17; 11:50), bodily resurrection (Rom. 1:4; I Cor. 15:3-5), ascension (Acts 1:9), continuing intercession (Heb. 7:25), and second coming (I Thess. 4:16). He is now reigning in His mediatorial kingdom (I Cor. 15:25). Ultimately He shall be "KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS" (Rev. 19:16).

Probably the greatest single verse declaring the deity of Jesus Christ is Colossians 2:9. Literally it reads "For in him is continuously and permanently at home all the full essence of divine powers and attributes, the state of being God, in bodily form."

## Mrs. Margaret Frost Roden Dies in Kentucky

The funeral of Mrs. George Everard (Margaret Ann Frost) Roden, 82, was held at the Lee E. Cralle Funeral Home, 1330 South Third Street, Louisville, on Tuesday afternoon, September 19, at 2:00 o'clock. The service was conducted by Dr. J. Herbert Gilmore, Jr., professor of Applied Christianity in the Carver School of Missions and Social Work. Burial was in Cave Hill Cemetery. She had been ill for six weeks. Death came while she was at the Pewee Valley Sanatorium, near Louisville.

Mrs. Roden, more familiarly known to her friends as Margaret Frost, was a daughter of the late Nannie Riley and James Marion Frost, Jr. She was born in Lexington, Ky. At the time of her birth her father was pastor of the Upper Street (now Calvary) Baptist Church, Lexington. Her father later became pastor in Staunton, Va., Selma, Ala., Leigh Street in Richmond, Va., and the First Baptist Church, Nashville, Tenn., but he is best remembered for his being the first corresponding (now executive) secretary of the Baptist Sunday School Board in Nashville.

She was during her lifetime at least the fourth generation of Baptist Frosts, all of whom had their beginnings in Kentucky. Her grandfather, James Madison Frost, Sr., was born of Baptist parents in Jessamine County in 1813, and he became a Baptist preacher. Some of his

Virginia and Columbia University. In her early years she was a teacher of English. She wrote and edited short stories for Sunday school periodicals, and also wrote books. She was associated with the Sunday School Board as a pioneer in the field of Junior work, taught classes in teacher training courses. She was a contemporary with her illustrious father, and with such other pioneers in the field of pedagogy as T. P. Bell, I. J. Van Ness, P. E. Burroughs, Landrum P. Leavell, E. E. Lee, B. W. Spilman, Miss Annie L. Williams—just to name a few of the old-timers who come to mind. All of these have passed on except E. E. Lee, long of Texas but now in Alabama.

She resided in Louisville for many years, where she was a member of Fourth Avenue Baptist Church.

She married George Everard Roden, a retired Canadian, on November 19, 1941, and they thereafter resided at Hollywood, Fla. He died a few years ago.

She has served on the Board of Trustees of the W.M.U. Training School (now Carver School of Missions and Social Work). She leaves two brothers Howard Ezra Frost and Marcellus Bradley Frost, both of Nashville.

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Mrs. Roden was a graduate of Ward-Belmont College in Nashville, where she was living at that time of her life, and later took courses in the University of

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# Baptist Men Challenged at Memphis

Baptist laymen gathered from all parts of the Southern Baptist Convention were strongly challenged by speakers at the Second National Conference of Southern Baptist Men held at Memphis September 13-15. The affair attracted more than 4,000 Southern Baptist laymen.

Among the speakers were Roy O. McClain, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Atlanta, Georgia; Charles Malik, professor at American University, Washington, and former United Nations delegate from Lebanon; Lewis H. Evans of Los Angeles, minister at large for the United Presbyterian Church; and Brooks Hays, assistant secretary of state and former Congressman from Arkansas and president of the Southern Baptist Convention.

The keynoter for the conference was McClain. McClain told the men that America is hiding its winning weapon. He charged that while Khrushchev prods Soviet scientists into producing a 100-megaton bomb, America continues to conceal the one secret weapon that can win the current ideological war. The secret weapon, according to McClain, is "the redeeming love of Christ, which has never failed in any wholehearted launching."

McClain said a warped sense of values is a major factor in America's poor international relations. "We spend more money for toys than textbooks, more for chewing gum than educational scholarships. We spend more for greeting cards than all medical research for the sick



Charles Malik



Lucian E. Coleman welcomes William Wengenstein to Memphis.

people to whom we send the cards," he said. McClain said that going to church no more makes one a Christian than going to a bank makes one rich. He ridiculed Christianity's meager missionary efforts, saying that it is shameful for a Peace Corps to have to be formed to do the task long dabbled at by various denominations.

Malik addressed the conference on the second day of its meeting. Most of Malik's remarks constituted a stern warning for Americans to become aware of "the full magnitude of the Communist challenge." The former United Nations delegate from Lebanon pleaded for an aggressive attack against the Communist conspiracy.

In an interview before a battery of newsmen just prior to delivering his address, Malik touched on such subjects as the Peace Corps, non-aligned nations and nuclear disarmament. He criticized the conference for not devoting more time to what he termed the world's most critical problem.

"I had hoped at this conference that you men would spend at least five hours in a concentrated effort to find a solution to the dilemma we are in," he said.

About the Peace Corps, Malik said: "It's a response of a great country with a guilty conscience. But it cannot do the job. I pray for them but what's a handful of youngsters compared to 40,000,000 dedicated Communists."

When asked what role should the church play in combatting Communism, Malik said, "Churches are not organized to combat Communism. At one time Christianity projected a program of the world for Christ in one generation. That sounds vibrant, like 'the world for Marx.' But no one is talking in these terms today for the church."

The address of one of the top Presbyterian ministers in the United States, Lewis H. Evans of Los Angeles, sharply criticized laymen for devoting only their spare time to religion. He accused American laymen of being too busy burning incense to the goddess "production."

Professional religionists alone can never establish the Kingdom of God, said Evans, "It must also come from the spontaneous witness of the layman."

An outstanding feature of the conference was the 15 daily seminars which

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# KENTUCKY BAPTISTS AT WORK

## Woman's Missionary Union

### Kentucky Y.W.A. Council

By Miss Nina Martin

The Young Woman's Auxiliary summer conference at Cedarmore marked an end to the term of office for three Kentucky Y.W.A. Council officers. Pat Gaines, of Milton, has completed her two-year term as vice-president. Anita Wilson, of Louisville, and Judith Wilson, of Mayfield, have completed their two-year terms as recreation leader and chorister respectively. Our appreciation is extended to these three, along with the other officers who have served faithfully on the State Y.W.A. Council during this past year.

Continuing in their offices, after one year of service, are Wanda Tackett, of Walton, as president; Juanita Reed, of Central City, as secretary-treasurer; and Susan Smith, of Benton, as pianist.

Mary Jo Taylor is the newly elected vice-president of the Kentucky Y.W.A. Council. Mary Jo's home is in LaGrange, and she is a freshman at Georgetown College this year. Betty Ann Luscher has been elected WINDOW and conference representative. She is from Frankfort and is a junior at the University of Kentucky. Music director for the coming two years is Clara Jane Castle, who is a high school student in Ashland.

We look forward to the leadership of these young women at the State Y.W.A. Convention, October 13-14, First Baptist Church, Somerset.

For reservations for Y.W.A. Convention, send: \$1.00 registration fee with your name, address, and church, to the W.M.U. Office, Kentucky Baptist Building, Middletown, Kentucky.

## Training Union

### "Operation I.C.M."

By James H. Whaley, Sr.

The Juniors at Henderson First Baptist Church recently observed "Operation I.C.M." (Interest Center Month). On the last Sunday of June a "Get-Up-and-Go Clinic" was held to prepare for the "Operation." Leaders and sponsors dressed and acted as doctors and nurses, diagnosing and giving pills for summer slump ailments. The pastor, minister of education and Training Union director attended this clinic as patients.

Juniors from each of the four unions

prepared interest centers related to the lesson for each Sunday night. Judges from the Adult unions were used and pictures were made of the winning interest centers each Sunday and placed on display to add to the interest of the "Operation."

Mrs. Stanley McCormick is the department director. This department is a standard one with the 9 and 12-year unions also being standard.

## Church Music

### Kentuckians Earn More Than 3,000 Awards In Eleven Months

By Eugene F. Quinn

From October through August, Kentucky Baptists earned 3,105 music awards. Of our 83 associations, 63 reported at least one award. The following associations earned at least 61 awards in 1961, or since October 1, 1960:

Bethel	66
Caldwell	62
Christian County	78
Daviess-McLean	85
Elkhorn	196
Graves County	66
Greenup	72
Little Bethel	82
Long Run	696
Mercer	110
North Bend	67
Ohio Valley	65
Pulaski County	72
Severns Valley	85
South District	76
Tates Creek	65
Upper Cumberland	98
West Union	118

Only seven other states exceed Kentucky in the number of awards earned this year. Our young music ministry is growing up!

## Brotherhood

### Southern Convention Secretaries to Address Brotherhood Convention

By Forrest R. Sawyer

Dr. Jim Storer, native Kansan, reared in Washington and Oregon, educated in Missouri and Oklahoma, world traveler, great pastor, and former Southern Bap-

tist Convention president, and now executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Foundation, is coming to Kentucky



Dr. J. W. Storer

for the Kentucky State Brotherhood Convention, to be held at Henderson, October 5-6. While Dr. Storer was pastor of the First Baptist Church of Tulsa, Oklahoma, during 1931-1956, that membership rose from 2,000 to 6,000.



Miss Alma Hunt

Miss Alma Hunt, executive secretary of Woman's Missionary Union, Auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention,

since 1948, a world traveler with a compassionate heart, will share the leanings of that heart with the men attending the Brotherhood Convention at that same State Brotherhood Convention at Henderson.

## Sunday School

### Sunday School Officers And Teachers' Clinic

By Roy E. Boatwright

October and November are good months to conduct officers and teachers clinics for your Sunday school workers.

Here are some suggestions the Sunday school leader may wish to follow:

1. Set date and hour.

2. Decide on the extent of clinic needed, i.e., grouping of officers and teachers, for example (department superintendents in one group, secretaries in another and teachers in still another, etc.).

3. Secure needed free literature from the Sunday School Department, Middletown. An order sheet listing all available literature will be sent to you upon request.

4. Secure people to be in charge of each group. Plan a meeting with these leaders prior to the clinic and give instruction and decide on goal to suggest.

5. Make the program about two hours in length with one hour and thirty to forty-five minutes in conferences and the remainder of time used by the pastor in a message to challenge all Sunday school workers.

## Student Union

### Why Join The Church at College?

By J. Chester Durham

One of the constant emphases in the Baptist Student Union program is to magnify the local church. We believe that students should join a church in the college center. Listed here are a few of the reasons why a student should "join the church at college."

BECAUSE I cannot attend my home church and I can attend the one at college.

BECAUSE I am to live in this community nine months out of twelve, thirty-six months out of forty-eight.

BECAUSE I live in the college center long enough to join the other organizations—clubs, social units, fraternities, and literary societies.

BECAUSE I greatly need the fellowship of Christian people while in college.

BECAUSE I shall always feel like a visitor, if not a stranger, unless I join the local church.

BECAUSE I shall never seriously assume the obligations nor rightly enjoy the privileges of church membership while in college unless I join the local church.

BECAUSE I can more regularly and easily make my contribution through the college church.

BECAUSE I in my church covenant I agreed that I would join the church in any new center to which I moved. This agreement now applies.

BECAUSE I believe it is the teaching of the Scriptures that I should join the church where I go to live. I find but one kind of church relationship mentioned in the Scriptures, i.e. . . . outright active church membership.

BECAUSE I do not care to become a "church tramp" or a "spiritual derelict" while in college. I can help avoid this by joining the church.

BECAUSE I desire now to form the life-habit, once for all, of loyalty through close contact with my church.

BECAUSE students who have practiced it advise it.

BECAUSE experienced pastors of churches in college centers heartily recommend it.

BECAUSE it stimulates my own spiritual growth and development.

BECAUSE it is logical, practical, and necessary to full Christian discipleship.

## Stewardship

### Time to be Thinking About Stewardship

By Thomas B. Chaney

"The growth of the individual in the practice of Christian stewardship is of such importance to the cause of Christ that a church is surely OBLIGATED to do all that is necessary for the enlistment and training of every individual."

At this time of the year, churches give more thought to stewardship than at any other time. Church leaders seek the most effective means of enlisting and training the last individual.

Here are six proven means of teaching stewardship. Each one will be discussed more in detail in succeeding issues.

1. Provide offering envelopes. Each person should be given a box of 52 envelopes on which the name of the church and exact date is imprinted.

2. Count offering with care. Envelopes should be opened by Tellers Committee only. Envelopes and money should be handled in the presence of two or more members of the Committee.

3. Keep record of what members give. Churches have the responsibility of tak-

ing proper care of the money that is given. A careful record of each member's gifts should be kept and a report made to the individual at the end of the quarter.

4. Publish monthly treasurer's report. Full reports inspire confidence.

5. Make wide use of educational materials. A large assortment of tracts, available at the Baptist Building, may be used in bulletins, racks and correspondence. Filmstrips and films on missions and stewardship are excellent teaching tools. Teach study courses and circulate stewardship books in library.

6. Promote an annual budget campaign. Adopt a worthy budget and conduct an extensive effort to subscribe it. Use Forward Program methods and materials for your campaign.

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## A CALL TO PRAYER

Mindful of the unprecedented plight of our frightened, confused world, the President and the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention, in session in Nashville, Tennessee, September 20, 1961, issue a call to every pastor and every member of every church in the Convention to unite in prayer on October 8, 1961, and thereafter to continue in unceasing prayer to God that, in humility, repentance and obedience, we may claim His pardon, His healing, and His deliverance; and, that we unite in prayer for the president of the United States and all leaders in local, state and national responsibility, and all members of the armed services; that we pray for our fellow believers and friends in every nation; and, further, that we unite in prayer for our avowed enemies that, through Divine intervention, they may turn unto God, through Jesus Christ our Saviour, and join with His trusting children throughout all the earth in the prayer: "Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done."

Herschel H. Hobbs, President  
Southern Baptist Convention  
John H. Haldeman, Chairman  
Executive Committee

## BAPTIST MEN CHALLENGED

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grappled with such subjects as "The Layman As Theologian," "Separation of Church and State," and "The Church and the Aging."

Tennessee Governor Buford Ellington joined Memphis Mayor Henry Loeb in welcoming the Baptists to the meeting. Also participating in the opening ceremonies was the famed 40-man Hardin-Simmons University Cowboy Band from Abilene, Texas. A drama of Southern Baptist denominational life preceded the keynote address.

Among those attending the conference was a 61-year-old layman who took a week to make the 500-mile trip from Morristown, Tennessee, to Memphis. William Wangenstein, a retired architect, came by bicycle. Wangenstein required five days because he visited Baptist churches in several cities on the way to Memphis, and didn't ride any on Sunday.

He spent one night in the dormitory at Belmont College in Nashville. Arriving in Camden, Tennessee, on Saturday at noon, he stayed till Monday morning with Barney Anderson, state Brotherhood president for Tennessee.

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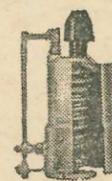
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## Chaplaincy Staffer Dead From Leukemia

ATLANTA (BP)—Death claimed the second staff member of the chaplaincy division of the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention in less than six weeks when E. L. Ackiss of Atlanta succumbed suddenly to leukemia.

Ackiss died September 17, the day after his 74th birthday. He had entered the hospital only 10 days before for a check-up. The Friday before his birthday, Ackiss had sent candy and cookies to the staff of the Home Mission Board as his gift to them.

James C. Peck, a co-worker of Ackiss', was killed in an automobile accident August 12. The former director of the division, Alfred Carpenter, Atlanta, has been seriously ill following a gall bladder operation and heart complications.



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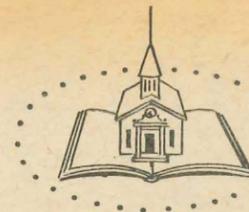
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By H. C. Chiles

## HOW CHRISTIANS GROW

Philippians 3:8-17

Paul was a prisoner in Rome when he wrote the Epistle to the Philippians. He never ceased to be grateful to the Philippians, who had never faltered in their love for him or in their support of him. In his letter to the church which had given him so much joy, Paul went deeply into his own experience.

If anybody ever had any ground for "confidence in the flesh," Paul did. He formerly trusted in his Jewish descent, legal observances, social standing and moral attainments.

None of the Judaizers could match Paul in legalistic righteousness. His ancestry could be traced back to Jacob. He belonged to the tribe of Benjamin. He was a Hebrew of the Hebrews, adhering strictly to the traditions of his nation. He was a Pharisee and, as such, yielded full loyalty to the law. He was an unexcelled example of Pharisaism. He was sincere and conscientious, earnestly striving to do what he thought was right. He was zealous, moral and blameless before the law. He was the chief of religionists, with none higher than he on the hill of human "goodness," but he was also the chief of sinners, with none lower than he in the pit of ruin. External religion had its most complete embodiment in him, but Paul did not have the joy of salvation.

Instead of accepting the testimony of the Scriptures with reference to Christ, Paul clung to the traditions of the fathers and resisted the pleading of the Holy Spirit as He witnessed to the claims of Christ. Paul spent much time and energy in fighting against God, persecuting the saints and murdering Christians.

In spite of all his advantages—his superior lineage, his standing in Jewry, and his strength of character—he needed to be born again. He had come to realize that he was still without peace. His heart was dissatisfied, his spirit was restless, and his soul was in darkness until by grace through faith in Christ he was born again.

One day, while Paul was on his way to Damascus, in the midst of his career of persecution, he met Christ and received Him into his heart and life. Thereafter, he had an entirely new standard of values. To him, Christ was superior to anything that could be gained by natural birth or human efforts.

## For October 8, 1961

In today's lesson Paul, the most remarkable Christian of the centuries, tells us the secret of his marvelous life, informs us that he had learned from experience that Christ is the only source of acceptable righteousness. He had discovered that all his own righteousness could never settle his account with God, because self-righteousness is not currency in heaven. He had given up everything in which he had trusted in order to have Christ. After he had come to know the Saviour, everything else lost its importance. According to these verses, the secret of Paul's great life was fourfold:

### I. He Was Dissatisfied With His Attainments.

In the midst of Paul's career of persecution the loving grasp of Christ had laid hold on him to save his soul and to divert his great ability into the right channels and to make a great missionary out of him. Paul yielded to that grasp, gave himself voluntarily and wholeheartedly to service for Christ, and did many wonderful things for his Lord. When the end of his career was approaching, and he was thinking over what he had done, Paul stated frankly that he was dissatisfied with his attainments for his Lord Who had done so much for him. He had an eager longing to do far more for Christ.

### II. He Was Desirous of Spiritual Achievement.

Although Paul had not attained perfection, he was still striving to achieve it. His ruling passion was to get nearer to Christ, to grow in His grace and knowledge, to be more like Him, and to do more and better work for Him. His achievements did not encourage self-satisfaction, but rather they served as a stimulus to greater endeavors for Christ.

Unless we can forget the things which are behind, we will never make a very long or successful journey in the Christian life. Some people are primarily interested in conversing about the past. They usually talk a lot about their forefathers, and in doing so they advertise the fact that their family is like a potato plant, in that the only part of it that is worth anything is underground. In our desire for greater spiritual achievements, we, like Paul, should cultivate a wise forgetfulness of everything that tends to limit the audacity of our hopes and the energy of our efforts.

### III. He Was Devoted to a Single Aim.

Paul declared God's purpose in calling him and Christ's purpose in redeeming him as his aim in life. For him, the "one thing" worthwhile was to win the ideal set up for him by Christ. With words and by actions he urged all to have a definite and high aim and then concentrate all of life's energies on reaching it. From Paul we learn that no life can be very happy, great or useful without a single aim and a strong devotion to it.

### IV. He Was Diligent In Strenuous Activity.

When Paul wrote these verses he had the picture of a race in his mind. He knew that distractions were fatal in a race. As he was running the race of life, he did not have any time or inclination to look back. Neither did he turn aside to look at anything. He stretched toward the object which he was so eager to reach. He strained every muscle to reach the goal and to win the prize. He persisted with strenuous and unceasing activity in bearing down upon the goal.

For each Christian the important thing is to please the Lord. Major Whittle and P. P. Bliss, while engaged in evangelistic work, started for a new field of labor on a very cold night. As they passed from the station toward the train, they reached the gate before which a man stood and said to the hurrying passengers, "Show your tickets." His demand was annoying to many, who loudly expressed their discontent.

When Whittle and Bliss approached, the Major remarked pleasantly to the gateman, "You are not a very popular man with this crowd tonight." "I don't care a cent for this crowd," was the surly reply. "I just want to be popular with one man," referring to his superior.

"Ah, my brother," said Bliss, on entering the train, "that is a lesson for you and me. If we can please God, it doesn't matter much whether we are popular with men or not."

Knowing the instinctive desire of many to pattern their lives after a human model, after revealing the secret of his Christian growth, Paul was daring enough to invite the Christians at Philippi to follow his example or to be imitator of him. He knew that if they would imitate him, they would not misrepresent Christ to others. It is wonderful when a Christian lives in such a manner that he is able to invite others to follow his example and in so doing to show forth the grace and virtues of Christ.



Kit C. Yeaste is the new Bardstown Baptist pastor. Yeaste moved to Bardstown from the pastorate at Sanford. He is a native of Mercer County, a graduate of Campbellsville College, Georgetown College, and Southern Seminary. With his wife, Sara, and two daughters, he moved to Bardstown in August.

### Chaplains Needed in Army

WASHINGTON, D.C., Aug. 31—Additional chaplains are needed immediately to provide religious services in the Army, according to Chaplain (Major General) Frank A. Tobey, chief of Army chaplains.

"With the current build-up in the strength of the Army and the subsequent call of thousands of men to active duty," said Chaplain Tobey, "a proportionate number of Chaplains is required. Chaplains are volunteers. This has always been a major element in the esprit of the chaplaincy. We must keep it that way. Our first effort to meet this emergency is therefore to issue this call for volunteers. The clergy of the nation have always responded in the hour of need, and we feel confident they will again do so."

Chaplain Tobey went on to point out that the need varies with the denomination. For example, the Southern Baptists have kept their quota filled, and thus there is only a limited requirement for additional ministers of that group. On the other hand, an acute shortage of Roman Catholic chaplains existed even before the expansion. There was also a shortage of Jewish and Episcopalian chaplains. The urgency for additional chaplains now extends to many denominations.

The immediate need is primarily for men under 33 years of age. Initial inquiries should be addressed to Office Chief of Chaplains, Department of the Army, Washington 25, D.C., or to the nearest Army Corps Headquarters.

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Pictured are a part of the congregation and the leadership of the Rockcastle Baptist Associational Evangelistic Campaign conducted recently. Evangelist for the meeting was W. K. Wood, Ashland, and W. R. Bradshaw, Hustonville, served as song leader. Twenty-three Rockcastle Association churches participated in the campaign which had an average attendance of 450 nightly, and resulted in more than 40 baptisms and a host of other decisions. Raymond Abbott is the Rockcastle Associational missionary.

### Baptists Rally to Aid Of Carla Reconstruction

By the Baptist Press

Hurricane Carla, one of the most vicious blows ever to strike the Texas and Louisiana Gulf Coasts, took its greedy toll in life and property.

Twenty-four persons were killed. Thousands were left homeless and jobless. Property damage was estimated in the hundreds of millions of dollars.

Baptist associational missionaries in the areas hardest hit estimated that damage to Baptist churches and institutions alone would run into the \$300,000 to \$500,000 bracket.

The Texas Baptist executive board, meeting in Dallas the day after Carla lashed its most destructive winds and waters against the mainland, set up a \$25,000 emergency "Hurricane Carla Relief" fund to help relieve human suffering in the wake of the destruction.

The 192-member board urged Baptist churches throughout the state not hit by the hurricane to take up special "Hurricane Carla Relief Offerings" following the devastating blow.

Churches throughout the state were gathering cash, food, clothing, and medical supplies to send to the needy in the storm-stricken areas.

At press time, the entire extent of damage to Baptist churches and institutions had not been pinpointed, but early reports showed extensive damage.

#### Palacios-By-the-Sea

Palacios Baptist Encampment, located on Matagorda Bay where the hurricane

hit hardest, was almost completely destroyed.

Rayford B. Harris, pastor of First Baptist Church in Palacios, said that the encampment's cafeteria had disappeared, and that most of the old buildings at the encampment were destroyed. The tabernacle was spared, however, he said.

Trinity Baptist Church in Palacios was in a shambles, the walls torn down. A tidal wave gutted the inside, flooding the church with mud, silt and sea water. First Baptist, Palacios, suffered an estimated \$5,000 loss in water damage.

Hurricane Carla's eye swept directly over the little town of Port O'Conner, and the Associated Press reported that only the First Baptist Church there was left virtually intact. All other buildings were obliterated. About four feet of water stood in the church itself.

#### Baptist Churches Refugee Centers

Baptist churches played a big role in providing refugee centers for an estimated 500,000 persons who fled from their homes as Carla approached, said O. D. Martin, district missions secretary for the Gulf-Coast district.

In Edna, Tex., about 17 miles inland from the point where Carla struck the mainland, the First Baptist Church cared for hundreds of refugees while the hurricane passed overhead.

As the winds whistled outside, the Negro cook at the church played the piano and sang for the refugees huddled inside.

#### Second Church of Houston Loses New Roof

Most of Houston was largely spared by Carla, but Second Baptist Church lost

three-fourths of the roof on a brand-new educational building. Damage was estimated at \$25,000. The church was to begin using the new building the Sunday following the hurricane.

#### Galveston Damage

In Galveston, Tex., the picture was not so good. A tornado spawned by vengeful Carla skirted the First Baptist Church of Galveston, ripping off some of the roofing. Flood waters filled the basement of the First Church's recreation and educational building with more than four feet of water.

Across town in the Broadway Baptist Church and 67th Street Baptist Church, more than 600 refugees huddled seeking shelter from the howling winds and rushing flood waters.

When the blow was over, the people returned to their homes. Some found nothing except shattered ruins.

"But the people are thankful that damages and losses were confined to property and that they are still alive," said S. Denton Bassett, pastor of the Broadway Church.

The Sunday following the hurricane, Broadway Baptist Church held Thanksgiving services—two months early.



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