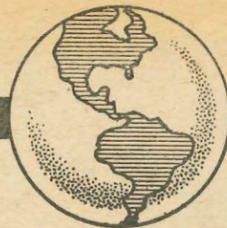


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To Severns Valley

William K. Medlock has resigned as minister of music at the Crestwood Baptist Church to accept a similar position with the Severns Valley Baptist Church in Elizabethtown, Kentucky.



W. K. Medlock

Mrs. Medlock holds the master's degree from Middle Tennessee State College. She has accepted the position of organist. The Medlocks reside at 605 Balmoral in Elizabethtown, Kentucky.

Guthrie in Mississippi

The South Corinth Baptist Church, Corinth, Mississippi, was recently led in a ten day revival by Harry L. Winters, evangelist, Guthrie, Kentucky. There were 11 additions to the church according to Pastor Doyle Petty.

Illinois Pastor in Kentucky

David C. Brown, pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church, Harvey, Illinois, led the Second Baptist Church of Providence in a recent revival meeting. Pastor Don Sisk reports a record Sunday school attendance during the revival and six candidates for baptism and one addition by letter.

Mt. Olivet Revival

John Atkins, pastor of First Church, Raceland, was the evangelist in a revival meeting at Mt. Olivet Baptist Church, October 15-22. The theme for the revival was "The Glories of the Cross." Charles H. Mitchell, pastor of Mt. Olivet, said, "He preached a spirit-filled message each night which had great impact on the church." On October 22 a call of consecration was given at which time several rededicated themselves to the Lord.

New Building Dedicated

The newly erected educational building of the Mt. Olivet Baptist Church was dedicated Sunday afternoon, October 22. C. E. Butler, pastor of Willisburg Baptist Church, Willisburg, Ky., was the principal speaker. A pot-luck dinner was served at noon, after which the dedication took place. Charles H. Mitchell is the pastor at Mt. Olivet.

Taylorsville Revival

There were 11 new members—9 by baptism and 2 by letter—uniting with the First Baptist Church, Taylorsville, in which a former pastor, Dr. Claude T. Ammerman, did the preaching, according to Pastor Paul H. Grossman. Dr. Ammerman is a native Kentuckian who is now serving as field representative of The Annuity Board in Alabama, with headquarters in Montgomery. A record of 325 attended Sunday school on the final Sunday.

Bardowell at Southside

Lloyd Bardowell was the evangelist and Grady Nutt led the music in a week of revival services ending Sunday, October 29, at the Southside Baptist Church, Louisville. There were 35 additions to the church, 25 of whom came by baptism. "The attendance was good and it was the best revival we have had in a long time," Pastor Victor Mantiply reports.

Locust Grove Improves Building

The Locust Grove Baptist Church, Nicholas County, has completely redecorated the inside of the sanctuary. The work was completed prior to the first day meeting of the 1961 Bracken Association which met at Locust Grove. Locust Grove also enjoyed a successful homecoming and revival. Revivalist for the services was Roy M. Gabbert, Kirksville, who used chalk pictures to illustrate his sermons. Then additions resulted from the revival. Locust Grove pastor is Maurice L. Bates, who was elected assistant moderator of Bracken Association.

Mother of President Dies

Mrs. Fannie Boswell, mother of President James M. Boswell, of Cumberland College, Williamsburg, Ky., died at a hospital on Friday night, November 3. She lived at Cynthiana, Kentucky.

Ordained by Riverview

S. E. Hyde was ordained recently to the gospel ministry by the Riverview Baptist Church, Calvin, Kentucky. Hyde, a second year student at Clear Creek Baptist School, has been called as the Riverview pastor. Among those participating in the ordination service were W. B. Bingham, Middlesboro, who preached the sermon; Virgil Casey, Hampton, Virginia, who gave the charge to the church and to the pastor; Charles F. Jones, Pineville, who served as moderator; and David Griffin and N. J. Neely, students at Clear Creek. Mr. and Mrs. Hyde have two daughters, Brenda and Cynthia.

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An Interesting Experiment

By Clifford Ingle

Evening Worship — 5:00 P.M. Training Union — 6:00 P.M. (Out by 7:00 P.M.)

Whoever heard of such an idea? Has it been tried? Does it work? Questions like these, and others, flooded my mind when I saw the above schedule of evening services on a church bulletin recently.

An idea so intriguing certainly warranted making a survey among pastors and churches employing it, to ascertain their opinion of the advantages and disadvantages involved.

Some of the pastors indicated that they continued their regular or usual sequence of evening services, just moving them to five or five-thirty. However, the majority reported that they had the Training Union following the evening worship service. All the pastors emphasized that this change was done by the vote of the church. Some stated that this was no longer an experiment but that they have been doing it for three to five years.

An analysis of the survey reveals:

The Advantages:

1. An increase in attendance at both the Worship Service and the Training Union. The increase varied from ten percent to thirty-five percent.

2. A benefit for elderly people. This was the strongest point suggested by all pastors, as they reported an immediate increase in attendance of those who were elderly. This was so because the elder people could attend both Worship and Training Union and be home at an early hour, even before sunset. Several pastors suggested it brought new life and hope to those of this group.

3. An extra evening at home. Since the evening service would be concluded by seven or seven-fifteen the people could be home at or near seven-thirty. The pastors stated that this actually amounted to an extra evening at home together as a family. This was listed as a pleasant and distinct advantage from the church-goer's viewpoint.

4. An increase in family attendance at the Evening Services. This was mentioned as an immediate result since the parents with little children, especially those of school age, could now get them home and in bed at an early hour. Several pastors stated that it eliminated an excuse heard so often, "I must get my children to bed early as tomorrow is a school day." Some suggested that workers who had an early morning shift could now attend the earlier services.

Dr. Clifford Ingle is acting professor of religious psychology at Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Kansas City, Mo.

5. A better spiritual atmosphere and fellowship. Three pastors made this suggestion with such ideas as: "As pastor it is of great benefit to me to be able to spend time in meditation and study and then go directly to the Worship Service at five o'clock. I am physically and emotionally calm and spiritually refreshed. Then I can attend Training Union relaxed and my mind devoted to it alone." "The early hour of dismissal has greatly aided in the fellowship because it engenders a psychology of ample time." "It has made a new man out of me because I now go directly into the preaching service with that alone on my mind. Then I can attend and boost Training Union in the same frame of mind. My people have sensed this and our fellowship has improved."

6. This arrangement has eliminated an extra evening at the church. The early dismissal hour makes it possible for minor committee meetings following the services and still permit the persons involved to arrive home at an early hour. Several pastors suggested that this alone had been a "boon" in every respect. Some suggested that it actually saved them from one to three evenings at the church in committee meetings. Again, committee absenteeism was greatly reduced when the meetings followed the service and the interest on the part of the committee members was greatly increased. It was also suggested that it was easier to secure people to

serve on committees if they knew the committee was to meet after the Sunday Evening Service instead of taking one of their evenings during the week.

The Disadvantages:

Only three pastors listed any disadvantages and each of them suggested these to be of negligible nature, that the good far outweighed any disadvantage.

1. Inconvenience for those who work on a late Sunday afternoon shift and for those engaged in dairy farming.

2. A teen-age problem. Three pastors stated that because the services were over at seven o'clock it left the teenagers free with an entire evening before them and nothing to do. These same pastors suggested, however, that this was an added incentive for the church to provide after-service youth fellowship and also added that this was not a legitimate disadvantage because usually the teen-agers who wished to go elsewhere after church would do it anyway regardless as to the time of dismissal.

Each pastor who answered the questionnaire stated that his church was enthusiastic for the arrangement and had no thought of reverting. None reported giving it up. The one thing above all which was of greatest interest to me was the fact that in every instance this was a "pastor-led" experiment. All stated that they were not trying to do something new or novel, but were simply trying to find a better answer for evening services. They believed they have found it.

Would it not also be advisable to change the morning services to begin at 8:30 or 9:00 and dismiss at 10:45 or 11:15?

A Service of Worship

By Harold L. Winking

A serviceable order of service can help the pastor be a trusted guide to the green pastures and still waters where souls may be restored. The order of worship printed below helped reveal deep meaning in the worship experiences of one church. It is offered here in the hope that it may stimulate the worship plans of other shepherds.

Service in Worship

Coming Before the Presence of God

Prelude: (read silently the call to worship) Call to worship Hymn: Holy, Holy, Holy Invocation Prayer

Confession of Sin to God

Hymn: Christ Receiveth Sinful Men Call to Confession: I John 1:9

Prayer of Confession Forgiveness of Sin from God

The Scriptures assure us of forgiveness, Isaiah 34:1-3 Hymn: Rejoice Ye Pure in Heart Thanksgiving Prayer

Hearing the Call of God

Doxology Worship in giving Prayer of Intercession Sermon: The Meaning of Worship Isaiah 6:1-9

Dedication of Life to God

Invitation to dedication Invitation Hymn: Where He Leads Benediction Prayer Postlude

Worship in Service

The plan for this order of worship is based on the worship experience of Isaiah in the Temple (Is. 6:1-9). This plan of worship was introduced in the

(Continued on Page 14)



The Sanders Spirit

If the spirit of the Baptist Building is a true indication, a new day has dawned for Kentucky Baptists. This day is fair and bright with optimism and enthusiasm. The inspiration of the new day is General Secretary Harold G. Sanders who has gotten off to a wonderful beginning.

In two staff meetings with department heads since his arrival, he has injected a new spirit into everyone, a spirit which is refreshing and wholesome. These meetings took the most of two days with each day being broken with noon time fellowship around the table.

In these meetings Baptist Building personnel has found many traits in the new secretary which count for his success in other places. He is quick-witted and sharp. He shows an amazing ability to analyze any situation, and in one month has gained an amazing understanding of the Kentucky Baptist scene.

He has the qualities of dynamic leadership. He has a way of making every man know he is an important member on the team. He encourages every colleague to bare his heart and mind on matters of common interest, and creates a powerful feeling of comradeship. The way he listens clearly indicates he respects every insight from others. He literally exudes confidence and inspires devotion on the part of his associates.

The new secretary is no starry-eyed idealist, but a wholesome optimist. He does not ignore the real facts of any situation, but sets himself and those around him toward the quickest and best solution. He is a positive thinker in the best sense.

Such a spirit as Secretary Sanders has already engendered was never more needed by Kentucky Baptists. If there is such a thing as fate, it has willed that he look bad his first year as Kentucky Baptist leader. By the last of October, the end of our present fiscal year, we were \$200,000 short of our Kentucky Baptist budget. Each of the last few months has shown a decline.

By leaving the books open until about November 10 which has been a practice for several years, our 1961 income will probably come up to that of 1960, but will still be about \$150,000 short of the budget. Added to that is the recommendation to start closing the books on the 25th of each month, beginning in January. This ought to have been done long ago, but will now pose a problem since many of the contributions from the churches are sent in the first few days of the month. In effect, it will mean the loss of almost one month's income so far as next year's budget is concerned. And since we are planning a ten-month

year in order to change our fiscal end for October 31 to August 31, we face the prospect of a ten-month budget on nine months' income.

Churches and especially finance committees and church treasurers should take this into account and send their Cooperative Program gifts before the 25th of each month for that month. A little extra cooperation by the churches was never needed more.

Those who have the impression that only local churches are feeling the pinch these days and that the Baptist Building fares well always are uninformed. Not a salary was raised in the Baptist Building last year and prospects are dim for any substantial increases this year. Budgets are being trimmed to the bone and present programs are in danger of curtailment.

In spite of all this, those who meet and catch the Sanders spirit this week in Danville will not be down-hearted. Indeed, if they feel what the Baptist Building family has felt, it will be a bright day for Kentucky Baptists.

Pastor, Stay Home Sometime

A layman recently rocked his pastor by walking into his study and seriously saying, "Pastor, you must think you're a very important person." Seeking an explanation for the accusation, the pastor was told, "You never miss any meeting of any group in the church even down to the last committee. Don't you think some of us can take care of some matters without your personal direction? Don't you trust us out of your sight? Why don't you stay home sometime with your wife and small children, and leave us on our own?"

Being a teachable man, the pastor reflected upon the layman's words instead of resenting them. Gradually it dawned on him that the friend was right. He had acted as if the world couldn't go on without him. He had never learned to delegate anything and his wife and children were almost strangers to him.

The pastor was converted. He began to leave many things to responsible committees. He actually stayed home sometimes when others were at the church. Of course things went along, and even better.

Now his laymen have a new sense of responsibility and, according to his own testimony, the pastor's whole ministry has been re-vitalized. Needless to say, the pastor is happy and so are his wife and children.

Thank God for a dedicated layman who will speak the truth to his pastor, and blessed is the pastor whose education continues after seminary days, especially this kind of education. No pastor is indispensable, but not all pastors have learned this. Some loving and dedicated layman ought to teach them.

Arms of Love

In some areas of work Kentucky Baptists are way down the list in comparison with other states. In other areas, however, we have much for which to be grateful.

In no area have we more reason to be proud than in the program of child care. Kentucky Baptists have a child care ministry which serves as a model for other states.

It hasn't always been so. Short years ago heads hung low in shame for our unsightly and unbecoming facilities in which children were crowded. They had few of the things needed for a wholesome atmosphere.

Next to the farsighted administration of the Child Care Board and its staff members, the one thing most

responsible for this miraculous transition is the Thanksgiving Offering. Without the thousands of Kentucky Baptists who have given "one day's pay" for several years, we could not be where we are today.

Again next Sunday, or on another day, Kentucky Baptists will be preparing their one day's pay envelopes for the 500 or more children to be cared for in our homes next year. These children literally depend on these gifts.

It could be hoped that some day we can take proper care of our children's homes through the Cooperative Program. This would be ideal, but until that day, we will need to respond annually to this need. In the meantime, the children's homes should work as diligently for the Cooperative Program as they do for the Thanksgiving Offering.

BAPTIST FORUM



Invitation Without Pressure

Editor:

I could be wrong about it, but I have a firm conviction that many of our present day practices of evangelism are not Biblical. I believe there is too much modern psychology put into the simple invitation to accept Christ as Saviour. Therefore, we have a response upon many that is not real, which brings about members into our churches who are owned by the church but not owned by God. Such members as these will react to the responsibilities to God like whipping a dead horse trying to get him to pull his load. It also will cause a cool atmosphere to develop in the church.

We have used gimmicks to win them and we have to use gimmicks to keep them active. Christ said, "If any man thirst, let him come to me and drink," John 7:37. After the message has been delivered, why try to make people drink if they are not thirsty. Also, on the day of Pentecost, after Peter had preached his sermon, the appeal was not made from the preacher at all but on the part of the people, who being under deep conviction cried, "Men and brethren what shall we do?"

I sincerely believe that we as Baptists would be more Biblical in promoting the kingdom of God to give a simple invitation to accept Christ as Savior and Lord, than to hold the congregation for nearly half an hour, standing a little while, sitting a little while, with heads bowed a little while, with one appeal after another being made for someone to come. If I am wrong I hope some will

give me some scriptural teachings along this line rather than quote from some book on "How to give the invitation".

I like to see people respond to the invitation but I want it to be real and feel that God has owned them as His own.

Pulaski, Ky.

Burney Manning

Careful With the Rocks

Editor:

I am not trying to pick a fight with other brothers, but I would like to try to aid my former professor, Dr. Dale Moody.

I have just graduated from Southern Seminary (May 1961), and I did have some Bible courses under Dr. Moody. Dr. Moody loves the Lord Jesus and His Word, and he magnifies the Lord Jesus and His Word in his preaching, in his teaching, and in his living. His students and former students will gladly testify to this.

Dr. Moody is a Christian who believes that a man who loves Jesus Christ as his Lord and Saviour is a brother in Christ regardless of the denominational name-tag that man may wear. Shouldn't we all have this same Christian attitude? Dr. Moody is a Christian first and then a Southern Baptist. I believe that this should be the right order and not vice-versa.

I shall remember Dr. Moody as an older brother in Christ who has helped a young minister very much. So, before any more rocks are thrown at him, I ask those who are so critical to meet Dr.

Moody, hear him preach and let him be your professor for a study course or for a seminary course. Get to know him, and maybe you will drop your rocks and say with many of us, "He is my Christian brother—a brother beloved."

Kiddville Baptist Church

Mt. Sterling, Ky.

Jack E. Brown, Jr.,

Pastor

Georgetown College To Receive Bids For Housing Bonds

Sealed bids will be received, opened and considered on November 20 for the \$310,000 Housing and Dining System Bonds of Georgetown College. The announcement has been made by Hubert E. Beck, treasurer of Georgetown College. The executive committee of the board of trustees will consider any bids for the bonds at an executive committee meeting in the Sheraton-Seelbach Hotel in Louisville at 11:00 a.m., E.S.T., on November 20.

These bonds cover the construction costs of dormitories and eating facilities at Georgetown College. The rate of interest cannot exceed an average of 3½ per cent per annum, according to the college announcement.

The United States government will buy the bonds at this rate of interest if there is no other purchaser. The \$310,000 which Georgetown has used for construction purposes has generally been considered a loan from the federal government. College officials explain that they get the money from the government only when other bond buyers do not submit acceptable bids.

Any persons desiring any further information should contact Hubert E. Beck, treasurer, Georgetown College, Georgetown, Kentucky.

Mrs. M. Theron Rankin Dies

RICHMOND, Va. — Mrs. Valleria Greene Rankin, 69, of Richmond, Va., died in a local hospital early Wednesday



Mrs. M. Theron Rankin

morning, September 20, following an illness of several months. She was the widow of Dr. M. Theron Rankin, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board from 1945 until his death in June, 1953.

The funeral service was held at 4:00 p.m. Thursday, September 21, in the chapel at Board headquarters in Richmond. Participating were Dr. Baker J. Cauthen, executive secretary of the Board; Dr. Theodore F. Adams, pastor of Richmond's First Baptist Church, where Mrs. Rankin was a member; Dr. J. B. Weatherspoon, long-time professor at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky., and biographer of Dr. Rankin; and Dr. J. Hundley Wiley, professor of sociology at the University of Richmond and former missionary to China. Dr. Eugene L. Hill, the Board's secretary for missionary education and promotion, shared in the graveside service at Hollywood Cemetery, Richmond.

Mrs. Rankin was born in Canton, China, the daughter of Southern Baptist missionaries. After being educated at Mars Hill (N.C.) College, Meredith College, Raleigh, N.C., and Woman's Missionary Union Training School (now Carver School of Missions and Social Work), Louisville, she was appointed a missionary by the Foreign Mission Board. She returned to Canton in 1920 to teach in a women's training school.

Two years later she married Dr. Rankin, also a missionary, whom she had met in Louisville. They continued to work in Canton (he was a professor and later president of Graves Theological Seminary there) until 1935, when Dr. Rankin became Orient secretary for the Foreign Mission Board. Though Mrs. Rankin resigned from formal mission service at that time, in practice she continued to be a missionary, serving with her husband in Shanghai, China, where he had his headquarters.

The Rankins moved to Richmond after Dr. Rankin was elected executive secretary of the Board. In recent years Mrs. Rankin had worked in the Board's headquarters offices. She also found opportunity in Richmond to continue her witness to Chinese, for a number of years speaking, in the Cantonese she learned as a child, at the monthly worship serv-

Evansville Area Ministers Attend Hospital Seminar

EVANSVILLE, Ind.—A theologian, an internist and a psychiatrist were the principal speakers for the annual Clergy Seminar on Pastoral Counseling held on Monday, October 16, at Welborn Memorial Baptist Hospital here.

Frederick P. Loman, Baptist hospital chaplain, was host to 37 ministers from Evansville and the Tri-State area. The clergymen were guests of the hospital for the day long meeting which included luncheon and a tour of the hospital plant.

Dr. Samuel Southard, associate professor of psychology of religion at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Ky., presented two talks before the group. The topics were "The Psychology of Sin and Guilt" and "Clinical Illustrations of Types of Guilt."

Also added to the program for the ministers were talks by Dr. Robert W. Ewer, internist associated with the Welborn Clinic of Evansville, and Dr. Gordon L. Smith, Evansville psychiatrist. Dr. Ewer spoke on "Organic Illness Masquerading as Depression," and Dr. Smith's topic was "Indications for Psychiatric Treatment."

Home Mission Board Has \$1,800,000 More Available for Loans

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (BP)—The Southern Baptist Home Mission Board was given permission here to borrow \$1,800,000 more for its church extension loan fund.

The action of the Executive Committee of the Convention, required under Convention fiscal policy, was considered an important boost to the Convention's goal of establishing 30,000 new churches or missions.

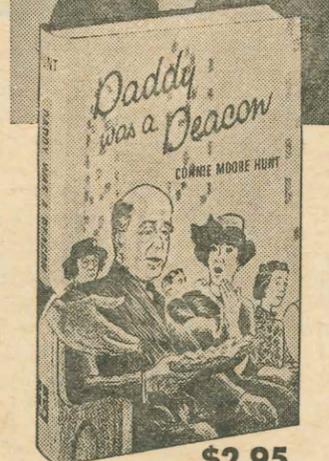
The assistant executive secretary of the Home Mission Board, G. Frank Garrison, of Atlanta, indicated 127 churches have requests in for about \$1,800,000.

The Home Mission Board will re-lend the money to these churches, most of them in pioneer areas of Southern Baptist growth. Most of these churches do not have credit ratings on which they can secure money through normal commercial channels.

ices of the Richmond Chinese Baptist congregation.

Mrs. Rankin is survived by two daughters, Mrs. John J. McMillan, of Richmond, and Mrs. Thomas E. McCullough, of Durham, N.C.; a brother, Felix Greene, of Columbia, S.C.; and three grandchildren.

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Carver School of Missions and Social Work

Carver Enrolment Increased Nearly 80%

LOUISVILLE, Ky.—Carver School of Missions and Social Work has increased 78.7% in the number of students enrolled for 1961-62 over those of last year. To date there are eighty-four students registered in the Southern Baptist Convention's agency for specialized missionary and social service training.

The most significant increase is in the number of men students. There are 31 men this year as against nine last year. This is an increase of 244%.

There has also been an enlargement of the permanent faculty. Dr. Robert Laessig joined the teaching staff in June. The significance of the new specialty that Dr. Laessig brings to the school in the field of languages and linguistics is reflected by the interest in his courses in Russian, German, Hausa and Kiswahili. These last two languages are African. Kiswahili is spoken in much of the eastern area of Africa while Hausa is the language of northern Nigeria where the mission work of Southern Baptists is under way. Two missionaries on furlough from Nigeria, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Kennedy are studying the Hausa language with Dr. Laessig.

The Hausa people are predominately Mohammedan in religious belief. Dr. Billy Graham, following his African crusade, gave great emphasis to the need of evangelization and Christian witness among these people.

The photograph shows the expansion in physical facilities at Carver School of Missions and Social Work. On the left is Rankin Hall with three classrooms and eight office-seminar rooms. The building was named in honor of Dr. M. Theron Rankin, formerly the Executive

L. H. Tipton Observes 40th Anniversary in Ministry

L. H. Tipton, widely known and greatly beloved Kentucky Baptist minister, observed his 40th anniversary in the ministry on October 29. The observance took place at East Hickman Baptist Church, near Lexington, where Tipton is pastor for the second time in his ministry.

Over 300 were in Sunday school to help observe the anniversary. In the afternoon the Tiptons were honored with a tea given by the East Hickman minister of music, Roy Buchanan and his wife.

Appreciation for the Tiptons was expressed by the East Hickman members, members of former churches, and friends by the presentation of a new automobile.

One daughter and one son were present for the occasion and greetings were sent by the other son and daughter. Mrs. B. E. Canfield, a daughter, was present with her husband, Dr. Cranfield, from Louisville. Also present was Chap-

Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board.

In the summer of 1962 there will be a "Missions Workshop" offering courses for missionaries, both home and overseas. Summer courses will be given in three-week terms for the convenience of those who can be away from their mission field only for a short period of time. Information about the course offerings can be obtained from the Registrar of the school, 2801 Lexington Road, Louisville 6, Kentucky.

lain C. L. Tipton with his wife and son from Fort Knox.

A cablegram was sent by another son, Shirley Thomas Tipton, Southern Baptist missionary in Tanganyika, East Africa. Greetings also came from the daughter, Mrs. R. C. Hobbie.

Tipton was born at Union City, Kentucky. He is a graduate of Georgetown College and Southern Seminary. Some of the Kentucky pastorates he served include Beaver Baptist Church, Harrison County; Sadieville Baptist Church, Scott County; Providence Baptist Church, Franklin County; Unity Baptist Church, Ashland and Second Baptist Church, Ashland.

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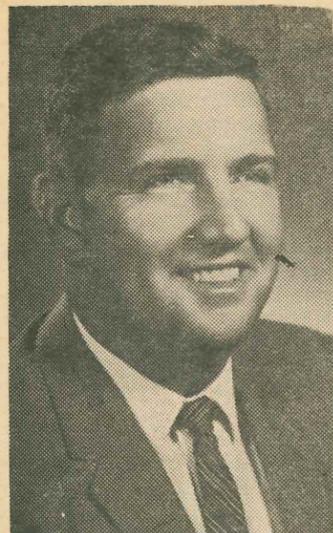
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J. B. Hargrove

Greensburg Ordains One And Licenses Another

The Greensburg Baptist Church ordained J. B. Hargrove to the gospel ministry and licensed Curtis Slinker to preach in a special service on Sunday, October 22.

Hargrove was converted and baptized at the First Baptist Church, Shelbyville, at the age of 11. He announced his call to preach in 1959 following a revival meeting at the Greensburg Baptist Church. The ordaining council to examine the candidate was called together by the Greensburg Church on August 9.

Hargrove has been called as pastor of the Mt. Gilboa Baptist Church in Taylor County. He and Mrs. Hargrove with their three children, Janice, Celia, and Ricky live in Campbellsville where he attends Campbellsville College.

In the same service Curtis Slinker was licensed by the Greensburg Church to preach the gospel. Slinker announced his call to preach during a youth revival at Greensburg this past summer. The new licensed young preacher delivered the evening message at the Greensburg Church on the same day he was licensed.

Elvin L. Clark, Greensburg pastor, reported that the day provided a great spiritual blessing for the entire membership of the Greensburg Church.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE, NOVEMBER 5, 1961

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Louisville, Ninth and O	1245		611
Louisville, Carlisle Avenue	993	4	296
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Hopkinsville, Second	987	4	208
Madisonville, First	962		270
Bowling Green, First	961	7	210
Mission	84		
Louisville, Crescent Hill	922	5	213
Missions (2)	138	1	43

Mayfield, First	919	260	Louisville, Immanuel	367	2	93
Mission	95		Frankfort, Crestwood	364	2	126
Murray, First	903	5	Louisville, Valley View	357	1	107
Mission	50		Louisville, Westside	357	1	148
Owensboro, Third	899	8	Ashland, Pollard	347	1	154
Missions (2)	56	39	Mission	33		
Covington, Calvary	897		Hima, Horse Creek	342		60
Lexington, Calvary	856	1	Williamsburg, First	336		118
Mission	69		Earlington, First	328		50
Elizabethtown, Severns Valley	835	271	Taylorsville, First	325	11	184
Missions (2)	84		Barbourville, First	321	1	184
Louisville, Beechmont	759	195	Missions (3)	225		166
Missions (2)	290	3	Bowling Green, Glendale	314		35
Lexington, Grace	737	2	Mission	40		224
Mission	22		Glendale, Gilead	309		44
Louisville, Beechland	721	2	Falmouth	308		
Mission	316	4	Mission	38		79
Somerset, First	722	6	Louisville, East Audubon	304		137
Mission	103	42	Middletown, First	302		68
Louisville, Buechel Park	709	2	Dawson Springs, First	302		74
Erlanger	708	16	Shepherdsville, Little Flock	295	3	111
Glasgow	696	2	Fern Creek	294	3	102
Mission	15		Frankfort, Memorial	291		98
Newport, First	684	1	Stanford	277		
Louisville, Valley Station	643	3	Mission	17		117
Paducah, Immanuel	624	7	Cold Spring, First	277	2	77
Louisville, Victory Memorial	618		Marion	271		105
Louisville, Bethlehem	605		Owensboro, Seven Hills	269		59
Frankfort, First	603	2	Dayton, First	264	2	57
Mission	82		Carrollton, First	245	2	
Louisville, Green Acres	597	3	Hazel	242		
Louisville, Baptist Tabernacle	584	1	Sonora	240		98
Louisville, Beth Haven	583					
Owensboro, Hall Street	567					
Shelbyville, First	565					
Campbellsville	559					
Missions (2)	95					
Lexington, Trinity	549	3				
London, First	535	1				
Henderson, Immanuel	524					
Missions (2)	186					
Corbin, Central	518					
Mission	84					
Louisville, Hazelwood	516					
Florence	507					
Mission	151					
Louisville, Shively	496	2				
Ashland, First	491	1				
Missions (2)	140					
Jeffersonton, First	483					
Franklin, First	483					
Mission	74					
Louisville, Eighteenth Street	478	1				
Louisville, Bethany	475	2				
Mission	65					
Central City, First	472	1				
Louisville, Southside	470					
Hodgenville, First	466	2				
Louisville, Third Avenue	464					
Louisville, Farmdale	455	3				
Louisville, Beechwood	448	4				
Mt. Washington, First	428					
Mission	58					
Lebanon, First	425					
Nicholasville	440					
Owensboro, Buena Vista	438					
Walton, First	436	1				
Ludlow, First	435					
Middlesboro, First	430					
Greenville, First	421	1				
Corbin, First	416					
Lawrenceburg, First	414					
Mission	75					
Richmond, First	394					
Louisville, Ralph Avenue	392	1				
Frankfort, Thorn Hill	387					
Louisville, Chapel Park	382					
Covington, South Side	382					
Bardstown	377					
LaGrange						
De Haven Memorial	374					107
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Religious News in Review

In Kentucky

Mr. and Mrs. Robert G. Humphreys, Southern Baptist Seminary, have joined the staff of the First Baptist Church, Hodgenville. Humphreys will be working especially with youth, according to H. E. Coker, pastor. Mrs. Humphreys is a daughter of Pastor and Mrs. H. C. Chiles, Murray.

John C. Huffman, pastor, First Baptist Church, Mayfield, will be the "M" Night speaker for the Miami Baptist Association, Miami, Florida. The announcement was made by J. Ray Dobbins, former Kentucky pastor and now Florida Baptist Superintendent of Missions for the Greater Miami Area.

Bill Givins, recent graduate of Southern Seminary and part-time Western Recorder employee, has accepted the Connesena Church, Middle Cherokee Association, Georgia. Mrs. Givins is the former Ruth Ladd, daughter of Pastor and Mrs. W. B. Ladd, Sinking Fork Church, Christian County, Kentucky.

Professor Eric Rust, Southern Baptist Seminary, was the speaker recently for the Religious Emphasis Week at Murray State College, Murray.

Robert L. Pogue, business manager, Western Recorder, was the "Layman's Day" speaker on October 22 at the Springfield Baptist Church. Pogue delivered a message entitled, "How Baptists Crucify Christ."

Robert Wallace, pastor, Sherwood Baptist Church, Webster Groves, Missouri, was the recent guest evangelist at the First Baptist Church, Providence, Kentucky. Before going to Missouri, Wallace served as pastor of the Indian Creek Baptist Church, Harrison County; Cloverbottom Baptist Church, Woodford County; and Burlington Baptist Church, Burlington.

Among Baptists Elsewhere

Jacob Gartenhaus is celebrating the 40th anniversary of his missionary work among the Jews of this country and in many other parts of the world. Gartenhaus is the founder and president of the International Board of Jewish Missions, Inc., with headquarters in Atlanta.

Birmingham's First Baptist Church has voted to sponsor three missions in California as a result of summer mission work done in California by nine young persons from the church. The new missions are located in Orangevale, Parlier and San Diego. The Birmingham Church will contribute \$3,600 in 1962 to help finance this new work.

Four Baptist schools have recently received about \$200,000 from the estate of the late Miss Jennie Stevens, Canton, Mississippi. Blue Mountain College and Clarke Memorial College, both in Mis-

issippi; New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary and Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, inherited approximately half of the Stevens estate after the payment of inheritance taxes and the cost of administration.

Southern Baptist Theological Seminary has released the October issue of the Review and Expositor, which is a study of Jeremiah. This issue may be ordered from the Seminary by Southern Baptist churches to use in the January, 1962, Bible Study. Eight of the better known Baptist Old Testament scholars have contributed articles to the issue. The issue is to be sold for \$1.25 and a check should accompany the order to Review and Expositor, 2825 Lexington Road, Louisville 6, Kentucky.

Ernest B. Myers of the Baptist General Convention of Arizona will join the Baptist Sunday School Board's Church Architecture Department staff December 1. He will serve as building consultant. Myers was in the pastorate before assuming his present position as Sunday School secretary and state church building consultant with the Arizona Convention.

Lloyd E. Barnes, superintendent of audio-visual aids in the Baptist Sunday School Board's Sunday School Department, has been appointed to a committee of the national Department of Audio-visual Instruction, The National Education Association. Barnes will serve as vice-chairman of the religious group steering committee.

The Agenskalna Baptist Church in Riga, capital city of Latvia, has been taken over and closed by Soviet authorities. Latvia is now incorporated into the USSR. The report of the Soviet action comes through the Baptist World Alliance. The Baptist World Alliance office says there were 11,931 active members of 104 Baptist churches in Latvia at the time of its absorption into the Soviet Union.

President John F. Kennedy has proclaimed Thursday, November 23, as a day of national thanksgiving. The President is asking the head of each family to tell his children the story of the first New England Thanksgiving this year. The President said this would "impress upon future generations the heritage of this nation born in toil, in danger, in purpose, and in the conviction that right and justice and freedom can through man's efforts persevere and come to fruition with the blessing of God."

Ralph A. Phelps, Jr., president of Ouachita Baptist College, Arkadelphia, Arkansas, has reconsidered and now declined the offer to head a new Baptist college in Houston, Texas. Phelps, al-

though he had accepted the Texas invitation, had not left Ouachita.

Illinois Baptist State Association, in 1961 session, elected C. R. Walker, pastor, First Baptist Church, Marion, president. Walker was formerly a Kentucky pastor. The 1962 budget for Illinois Baptists was set at \$738,999 and included, for the first time, the Illinois Baptist Children's Home at Carmi.

Edward Hurt, Jr., director of the Royal Ambassador program for the Southern Baptist Convention Brotherhood Commission, was named chairman of the Missionary Education Council. Hurt was elected in the recent meeting of the organization at Birmingham, Alabama, and succeeds Miss Helen Falls, dean of women and professor at New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary.

Georgia Baptists presented special citations to a retired foreign missionary and a preacher's widow who is the mother of four Baptist preachers. Alonzo Scott Patterson, Norcross, former missionary to Nigeria, was the missionary honored, and Mrs. Sarah Rebecca Burrell, Preston, widow of T. A. Burrell, received the second citation. Mrs. Burrell is the mother of these preachers: A. Judson Burrell, Columbus, Georgia; James T. Burrell, Bainbridge, Georgia; T. C. Burrell, Preston, Georgia; and Asbury Burrell, Birmingham, Alabama.

Jim Vaus, head of Youth Development, Inc., was the speaker recently during Mission Emphasis Week at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. Vaus, an ex-convict who was converted in the early fifties during a Billy Graham evangelistic meeting, now works among the juveniles in "Hellgate Station" area of east Harlem, New York City.

California Baptist College, Riverside, Southern Baptists' only liberal arts college on the West Coast, has achieved accreditation. Western College Association granted academic status following an evaluation by the Association's Commission on Membership and Standards, according to Loyd R. Simmons, California Baptist College president.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK (Survey Bulletin): "There is no indigestion worse than that which comes from having to eat your own words."

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KENTUCKY BAPTISTS AT WORK



Training Union

"M" Night Attendance Expected to Top 28,000

By Stanley Howell

Over 28,000 persons are expected to attend "M" Night meetings in 74 associations in Kentucky this year. The suggested date for "M" Night is December 4. Several associations find it convenient to have "M" Night on another date.

The Green Valley Association held their "M" Night meeting on September 7. Mr. Floyd Gaines, associational director, reported an attendance of 650. A few mountain associations usually plan their meeting before December 4 so they can have it before the winter snows begin.

Last year 74 associations held "M" Night and reported an attendance of 26,822. The largest "M" Night meeting last year was in Long Run Association with 3,920 attending. The Long Run "M" Night was the second largest in the Southern Baptist Convention. Their attendance goal this year is 5,000.

Last year 52.9% of Kentucky's churches participated at "M" Night. This was a healthy increase over the previous year. It is hoped that at least 60% of the churches will participate this year.

The purpose of Training Union "M" Night is to provide information and inspiration. The program will be designed to spark enthusiasm and rededication of spiritual Christian forces throughout the state. "M" Night is sponsored by the associational Training Union. The program content is being directed to Training Union leaders and members whose responsibility it will be to direct the Baptist Training Union activities for the coming year.

The theme for "M" Night this year is "Lengthen and Strengthen." Church leaders will be challenged to take definite steps to strengthen the work in the churches. Associational and church leaders will be called upon to face the challenge of organizing Training Unions in the approximately 900 Baptist churches that do not have the organization. Church leadership will also be challenged to study the present Training Union organization and see where it will be possible to organize new unions and departments.

Church Music

Associational Choir Featured at Graves Co. Annual Meeting

By Eugene F. Quinn

The annual meeting of Graves County Baptist Association had a special spiritual blessing which was presented by an Associational Choir on October 19th at 7 o'clock p.m. Associational Music Director John Dickinson organized the choir to present the program of gospel hymns for the Annual Meeting of the Association. Mr. Doyle Eddings, of Mayfield, directed the choir and Miss Judy Hill accompanied at the piano.

An Associational Men's Quartet sang two gospel hymns on the half-hour program. Thirty-six singers participated in the choir, representing eight churches, and a congregation of over two hundred heard the program.

Brotherhood

Morganfield Brotherhood Activities Going On

By Forrest R. Sawyer

The Northside Baptist Church Brotherhood, Morganfield, James Watt, pastor and Maurice Mills, president, has done an outstanding work this past year. A report of their efforts to promote the work of their church and their efforts enabling their church to "go another mile" for her men is actually tremendous.

Pastor Watt and his men are a "team" that resulted in 51 baptisms this past associational year. Here are their activities:

ACTIVITIES OF NORTHSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH BROTHERHOOD

1. Organization

Our organization is church elected.

Names and addresses of officers and dates of meetings have been reported to Associational President and State Office.

Financing of Brotherhood is in the church budget.

2. Using the Brotherhood Tools.

We had a pastor-taught and led Brotherhood leadership training course,

using the Brotherhood Guidebook and Handbook. (More than 7½ hours.)

All officers have the Handbook.

All members receive the Brotherhood Journal.

Three Ambassador Life's for each Chapter.

R.A. Counselors receive Ambassador Leader.

3. Meetings

We have monthly meetings.

We have monthly planning meetings.

Our members attended quarterly Associational meetings. (We were represented at all of these.)

R.A. attended all Associational R.A. Meetings.

We were represented at the state meeting, plan on attending the state meeting at Henderson, have three reservations for Memphis meeting.

4. Work

We had R.A. Focus Week.

Our R.A.'s presented two programs to the local Brotherhood. 1. Boys gave a testimony of "What R.A. means to me." 2. Presented initiation service. Presented one initiation service to an Associational Brotherhood meeting.

We helped finance eight boys to R.A. Camp at Schaffer Camp.

The Christian Witness leader put all men to work in Spring Revival. Two weeks meeting—53 additions (10 men).

We have no professional men.

More than 75% of our men carry marked New Testaments.

The division of Cooperative Program dollar was explained.

The Church Budget was presented and explained to the Brotherhood.

The Brotherhood took the budgets into each home and explained it.

The president and pastor have planned together a quarterly visitation program of the Brotherhood. The Pastor suggested to the President that the Brotherhood adopt the project of remodeling the old Sanctuary into educational facilities. This was adopted and we are going to have a beautiful building.

Our Brotherhood conducts a monthly jail service in the county jail.

Our R.A.'s earned money and purchased a hearing aid for a new convert (71 years of age) that he might hear the gospel.

Our Brotherhood observed Layman's Day with three men on the program. There were three additions that day.

As a result of Brotherhood study and

survey, we have 1/3 more men taking positions of leadership in the church.

We have written to two churches (going through the Pastor) in our Association who do not have Brotherhoods, suggesting that we would like to show them the advantages of a Brotherhood, and offering to help them organize.

Student Union

State B.S.U. Convention This Week at Bowling Green

By J. Chester Durham

The Baptist Student Convention, November 17-19, promises to be one of the finest in recent years. The theme, "A Living Church in a Revolutionary World" is timely.

During the Saturday morning session Rev. Othar O. Smith, pastor, First Baptist Church of Bowling Green, will speak on the subject "On-Campus Evangelism: Motive and Method."

Conferences are to be conducted on the following subjects: *Can American Students Also Be Revolutionary?*, by Dr. Carl Fields; *The Church on the Corner*, by Dr. William Hall Preston; *The Church: Creator or Creature of Culture?*, Dr. Penrose St. Amant; *Church and State*, Dr. Raymond Cravens; *The Unique Demands of Today's Mission*, Charles Martin; *What Are the Basic Elements of Christianity?*, Stanley Howell; *The Bible: What It Is and What It Is Not?*, Dr. Glenn Yarbrough; *The Personal Touch on Campus Impact*, Calvin Zongker; and *What Do You Mean—Spiritual Growth?*, H. Rhea Gray.

One of the highlights of the Convention will be the music. A seventy voice choir made up of students from eighteen different campuses will sing at each session. Mr. James R. Jones, minister of music at the First Baptist Church in Bowling Green, is in charge of the music for the Convention.

Woman's Missionary Union

Special Offerings

By Miss Alma Hunt, Exec. Secy.

Woman's Missionary Union
Birmingham, Alabama

(Continued from Last Week)

The special offerings give those who desire to contribute more than this to home and foreign missions, channels through which they can contribute to these causes. Thus money which might otherwise be siphoned off in contributions to mission work outside the denomination is channeled through the Convention and almost doubles the resources of the two boards.

Those who advocate combining the

two offerings into one are overlooking the fact that these offerings are the result of prayer and education. Such combination would reduce to a fraction the prayer undergirding of foreign missions and home missions, and the educational value inherent in the Weeks of Prayer.

Those who have thought the special offerings detrimental to the Cooperative Program should look at the figures.

In 1960 the total gifts of Southern Baptists amounted to \$480,608,972, an increase of \$27,270,252 over 1959. Of this increase less than a million was in the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering and Annie Armstrong Offering (\$845,397).

Those who say the offerings are the reason for slow increase in Cooperative Program receipts should explain the \$26,424,855 increase in total gifts apart from the special offerings. Only \$378,213 of this supported Southern Baptist causes in the Cooperative Program. The remaining \$26,046,642 was used elsewhere. The total increase in the two offerings was only 3.2 per cent of that amount—"only a drop in the bucket" to the increased amount used in the churches and in the states.

Though the per capita gifts from the churches to the Cooperative Program increased from \$4.95 in 1959 to \$5.03 in 1960, the per capita gifts from the states to the Southern Baptist Convention did not increase. It remained at \$1.80.

These figures are used not as criticism of the churches or the state conventions but for two positive reasons. They are presented first to point out the fallacy of the statement that the offerings are resulting in less money being given through the Cooperative Program for the support of foreign missions, home missions and other causes included in the S.B.C. Cooperative Program. These figures are used also to point out that Southern Baptists need a strengthened educational approach to the Cooperative Program to result in a lift in per capita gifts.

To those who desire to transfer the "personality" of the special offerings we would say this can no more be done than personality can be transferred from one member of a family to another. Personality is developed through a long growth process. Attention should be given to developing the Cooperative Program personality; to giving emphasis to the fact that the Cooperative Program is preaching, teaching and healing, that it is educational institutions at home and abroad, that it is evangelism in forty-six foreign countries and in the homeland, that it is Christian education which touches the lives of tens of thousands of students preparing themselves for life, and thousands with their hearts dedicated to the ministry or to missions or to some other vocation of God's calling.

Yes, the Cooperative Program should be clothed with more vitality. This can

be done and should be done without tearing down that which has been built up in the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering and the Annie Armstrong Offering. It can be done by positive means, by the application of the principles used in promotion of the two Convention-wide special offerings.

In the January meeting of the W.M.U. Executive Board we presented the informal proposal of the state secretaries that W.M.U. consider promoting a Week of Prayer for the Cooperative Program. It threw the board into two sessions of serious discussion and earnest prayer. Out of these sessions the members rose to a spiritual height seldom experienced in a board meeting as they pledged themselves to accept this responsibility, should it be the desire of this Convention.

If the Convention feels that a week of educational emphases and prayer for the Cooperative Program will give greater strength to the Cooperative Program, Woman's Missionary Union will accept its part along with the Sunday school, Training Union and Brotherhood. We stand ready to promote a Week of Prayer for the Cooperative Program if that is the desire of the Convention. In doing this W.M.U. would feel it is seizing another opportunity of fulfilling its purpose of aiding the Convention in its missionary work—The Baptist Program, November.

Stewardship

No Pledge? Why?

By Thomas B. Chaney

Christian Stewardship is an individual matter. Every person has the right to decide how much (or how little) he will give through his church. Each one is free to make a covenant with God in the matter of how much he gives. That covenant decision may be registered in the form of a pledge, if the individual so desires.

A church has the responsibility to teach stewardship and give opportunity for each person to express himself. But it is up to the individual to make the decision.

Most people are willing to sign a pledge when given the opportunity. Others do not want to pledge.

Cecil Ray of Texas writes:

Most persons who are reluctant to sign a pledge card generally hold their views because of one of the following reasons:

- ★ Unwillingness to give the Lord's work an upper place in life.
- ★ Some unpleasant earlier pledge card experience.
- ★ Misunderstanding of the meaning of the pledge.
- ★ Misinterpretation of Scripture.

Occasionally a conscientious tither is

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unwilling to sign a pledge card. But this is rare.

What does pledging accomplish? Here's what happened in the First Church of one small town.

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Sunday School

Sunday School Training Award Recognition

By Roy E. Boatwright

Again this year the Sunday School Board and state Sunday School Departments will be recognizing the top twenty-five churches in each state for awards earned in category 17, Church Study Course. Each association with 100 percent of the churches earning awards in category 17, will be recognized and an award granted from the State Sunday School Department.

From Nashville will be sent the Outstanding Achievement Award to the top twenty-five churches and the top twenty-five associations in the Southern Baptist Convention for earning awards in category 17.

The awards will be based upon the number of study course awards actually processed in the Nashville office, September 26, 1960 - September 25, 1961. Watch for these awards soon.

CHURCH STUDY COURSE INFORMATION

Bible Survey Plan

Two changes have been made in Bible Survey Plan. They are:

1. The book, "Our Bible," by J. McKeen Adams, will be recognized as an alter-

nate to *The Book of Books*. Credit for either book will meet requirements in the plan.

2. The Bible Survey Plan Special Recognition Certificate will be granted to individuals who earn, and request awards for, the six study course books, either by home study or class study, read the entire Bible, and complete "Supplementary Study Helps." Notice that home study credit is now recognized as meeting the requirements for the Special Recognition Certificate.

"Bible Survey Plan" leaflet is now being revised, but it will not be available until late fall. Continue to use your present stock of this leaflet.

Catalog

Contrary to former information, the catalog *Church Study Course* is being revised and will be released again, perhaps in December, 1961.

Primary Resource Packet

Credit is being granted on *Resource Packet, Sunday School Work with Primaries*. The code number is 1744. This material will remain in print as a permanent item, even after the new Primary books are released. This unit was omitted from the latest printing of "Trained Workmen" by mistake.

Preparation Week, 1962

Last week the Church Study Course Committee approved the following books for study by workers in the churches during Preparation Week, 1962. They are: *Outreach for the Unreached*, by A. V. Washburn, and *The True Functions of the Sunday School*, by Arthur Flake.

The book by Dr. Washburn was used in Preparation Week, 1960. However, it has been estimated that more than 25,000 churches have not provided for the study of this book.

Operation Home Study

The book *Formative Factors in Christian Character*, by J. M. Price, will be recommended as the category 17 book for Operation Home Study, 1962, replacing *The True Functions of the Sunday School*. The other books recommended for Operation Home Study will be listed later.

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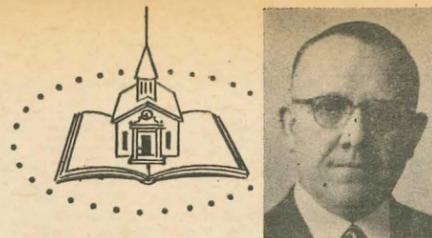
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SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By H. C. Chiles

GROWTH THROUGH SELF-DISCIPLINE November 19

II Peter 1:2-11

Because of His boundless love and marvelous grace, our blessed Lord wants all Christians to enjoy a healthy spiritual growth. Inasmuch as it takes a daily life of self-discipline to become spiritually mature, Christ is pleased and honored when His followers bring the powers of their minds, hearts and wills into subjection to His ways and purposes. It is indeed pitiable when one fails to develop physically, but it is even more distressing when a believer does not grow spiritually.

After humbly identifying himself by name in the salutation of this letter, Peter proceeded to speak of himself as a bondsman and an apostle of Jesus Christ. Having learned to keep under control the baser desires of his own nature, Peter challenged other Christians to continue their growth in Christlike-ness and fruitfulness in service. Concerning their spiritual growth Peter set forth three things in this lesson:

I. God's Provision For It. II Peter 1:2-4.

Until there is a genuine personal faith in Christ the Christian life is an utter impossibility. Any attempt to live a Christian life without a personal faith in Christ is merely a pretense and a positive evidence of hypocrisy.

In these verses Peter did not record any instruction as to how to obtain faith in Christ. Writing to those who had already obtained a like precious faith in Christ, Peter informed his readers that Christ's power had given unto them all things that pertain to life and godliness, and that through the great, precious, numerous, life-giving and liberating promises of God they had come into the possession of the divine nature and of freedom from corruption of the world.

Only the saved can truly appreciate the grace and peace of God. Through repentance and faith salvation comes to us from the Lord. This faith is not a product of human nature, but is a gift from God. This faith is brought into operation by the power of God upon the willingness of a soul to believe. In referring to this faith Peter used a striking and favorite word—"precious." This very word implies that it is of great value. According to its usage here, it means a worth on which no price can be placed, something which lies above

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and beyond the measureable sphere of a price list. Through this precious faith the children of God also lay hold of the great and precious promises of God, which are the abundant portion of the believer.

The numerous promises of the Bible are declarations which God has made of His intention to bestow certain blessings upon His obedient children. These exceeding great and precious promises are given to us. We do not merit them. We cannot buy them. We cannot earn them. God's promises are exceedingly great. The scope of His promises is as wide as the needs of men. They cover every need of the body, the mind and the spirit, and they stretch through time and eternity. Nobody has ever exhausted God's promises, and never will.

II. God's Prescription For it.

II Peter 1:5-7.

Recognizing and acknowledging that their faith in Christ had caused them to be admitted to the family of God, Peter was anxious for them to engage with earnestness in the high pursuit of self-discipline and Christian growth. He taught clearly that spiritual growth is of supreme importance in the lives of all Christians. Such growth is made possible by a life and power within, though not native, but implanted by the operation of the grace of God.

In these verses Peter exhorts the children of God, as they dig into His Word for the strong meat that will build healthy spiritual lives, to add to their firmly established foundation of personal faith in Christ a superstructure of seven marvelous graces.

Virtue involves the moral excellence, noble character, manly courage and strong determination which are required in the living out of the truth which has been received. Knowledge is that intelligent understanding and discernment which enable one to distinguish the things that differ, and to discover the mind and the will of God. Such knowledge is gained through a prayerful and diligent study of the Word of God. Self-control (sometimes referred to as temperance) includes the proper mastery of one's desires, impulses and ambitions, and this is possible through the power of the indwelling Holy Spirit. Surely this quality is needed in the lives of Christians in these days when the attitude of the masses seems to be,

"I want what I want when I want it, and I intend to get it if at all possible." Next is patience, which means that steadfast and persevering endurance of disappointment, trial, hardship and suffering. Godliness is simply God-likeness. This noble quality is the result of communion with and devotion to God. Brotherly kindness is the manifestation of love to the brethren in spite of what they are and sometimes do. Charity includes love for and to all men.

III. God's Purpose In It.

II Peter 1:8-11.

If these marvelous virtues or graces are added to and abound in the life of any Christian, his life will show it. He will be engaged in doing the Lord's work. His life will be exceedingly fruitful. Godliness of life always leads to fruitfulness in His service. These graces or qualities constitute good evidence that their possessor has eternal life. The blessed assurance of salvation is of inestimable benefit to any Christian. So long as these noble qualities abound in us, we shall neither be idle nor unfruitful in the work of our Lord.

Christian, keep on growing in the grace and knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ as long as you live. Day after day take more of His grace into your heart, more of His truth into your mind, and more of His beauty into your character. Such an advancement in likeness to Christ will greatly honor the Lord, deepen your peace, strengthen your faith, increase your love, multiply your joy, intensify your hope and enlarge your usefulness. In due time you will be rewarded for all of the good works which you do for your Lord from the day of your salvation by Christ until the end of your sojourn on earth.

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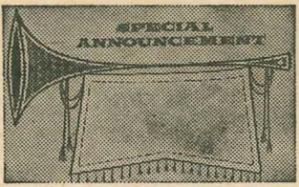
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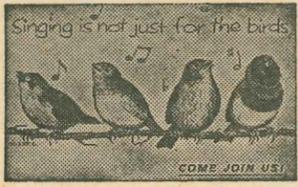
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The order of worship begins with the title, "Service in Worship," indicating that what follows is to be in the service of God through the direct expression of praise. The plan concludes with "Worship in Service," indicating that what is to follow—daily living—is also the worship of God.

The call to worship is to be read silently while the prelude music is played. The pastor then reads aloud the call to worship.

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By Sam Ed Bradley

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The entire Child Care Program of Kentucky Baptists is simply "Arms of Love" extended to more than 600 homeless and dependent children. It is love in action, meeting the total needs of the children Glen Dale, Spring Meadows and Pine Crest accept for care. It is sheltering the cold child . . . it is feeding the hungry child . . . it is clothing the naked child . . . it is tenderly caring for the sick child . . . it is comforting the heart-broken child . . . it is training the parentless child . . . it is loving the unwanted, rejected child . . . and, most important of all, it is winning to Christ the lost child!

That, simply stated, is our Kentucky Baptist Program of Child Care. And why do Kentucky Baptists do all these things for more than 600 children each year? The answer is simple—because Christ first loved us!

Arms of Love in sheltering. When winter comes, with its cutting winds, killing frosts, and driving rain, and the nights are dark and long and lonely, doesn't it warm your heart to know that, at Glen Dale, Spring Meadows, and Pine Crest, several hundred homeless children are sheltered and protected in stoutly constructed brick cottages which are warmly heated and cheerfully lighted? And it's good to know that each child will be comfortably "tucked in" his own bed to sleep serenely secure in the love of Christ and the "Arms of Love" of Kentucky Baptists.

Arms of Love in Feeding. Every parent loves to watch a hungry child eat . . . it is basic in our care of the young. We wish every Kentucky Baptist could watch the children in our Homes at mealtime. Just think of feeding all the children at Glen Dale, and at Spring Meadows, and at Pine Crest, not for just one meal, but three meals a day for an entire year . . . some 600,000 meals! What a mountain of food this requires! And how much of this food will your Thanksgiving Offering purchase? A bottle of milk and a half a loaf of bread? More? Much more?

Sam Ed Bradley is general superintendent of the Board of Child Care which operates Glen Dale, Spring Meadows and Pine Crest.

Arms of Love in Healing. Illnesses, some minor, some serious, and injuries, seem to be a normal part of childhood and "growing up". Thus, the ministry of healing is an important part of our Kentucky Baptist Child Care Program. Each of our three great Homes for children has an infirmary with a nurse in charge. A homeless child, sick or hurt, misses his own family more than at any other time. "Arms of Love" helps to dispel the lonely, forsaken feeling, and skilled hands of nurse and doctor speeds full recovery.

Arms of Love in Teaching and Training. The teaching and training program in our Kentucky Baptist Child Care ministry is a broad, well-rounded one. Many phases of teaching and training in the Home, in church and at school make up this never-ending process. Training to be courteous, self-reliant and confident . . . teaching to prepare for a successful, happy adult life . . . sending our children, in the American tradition, to public school . . . training in Christian living . . . developing a spirit of worship in family devotions . . . training in appreciation and understanding of the Word of God.

Arms of Love in Soul Winning. Tender and unforgettable is the scene of a child accepting Christ as his personal Saviour, and following Him in baptism and church membership. Homeless, lonely, fearful of a cruel and frightening world, a new child on the campus of Glen Dale, Spring Meadows or Pine Crest, soon feels the warmth of the love of those who seek to serve Christ. A skilled and dedicated staff stands

ready always to point out the way of salvation—the way of repentance and faith, which always brings Divine forgiveness and complete salvation, along with a deep sense of personal love of God.

Last year, more than fifty children cared for in our Homes accepted Christ as their Saviour and were baptized into the fellowship of one of the Baptist churches serving our Homes. Not often does a boy or girl come to our Homes already a Christian. We rejoice, as do you, that almost never does one leave the Home without becoming a Christian and a Baptist.

As you prepare to make your Thanksgiving Offering, may we remind you that more than half the operating expenses of Glen Dale, Spring Meadows and Pine Crest must come from the Thanksgiving Offering. Give generously—you'll always be glad you did!

On September 1 our three great Homes had under care 502 children. For the year ending October 31 we had cared for a grand total of 631 homeless children. Both of these figures represent an all-time high.

We are deeply grateful to Kentucky Baptists' faithful and loyal support of our Homes. We strive always to merit your support by keeping ever before us our goal of "better care for more children."

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