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"THY WORD have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee."
This picture is dedicated to the thousands of boys and girls who attended Vacation Bible School and learned more of God's word. (Home Board Photo)



GLEANINGS FROM THE FIELD

MRS. GARNETTE STEPHENSON, a Sunday School teacher in the Kenton Baptist Church, Kenton, died on June 10. Mrs. Stephenson was described by her fellow church members as a "most devoted and loved member."

LONG RUN MINISTERS' CONFERENCE has passed a resolution commending Victor E. Mantiply, pastor of Southside Baptist Church, Louisville, for his work as pastor and leadership in the ministers' conference. Mantiply served as president of the group and was on many of the committees. He has become the pastor of Moffett Memorial Baptist Church, Danville, Va.

DREWRY MEECE, JR. has resigned as pastor of the Mt. Vernon Baptist Church, Jamestown, Ky., to accept a position on the faculty of Campbellsville College. He was pastor at Mt. Vernon seven years. He recently received his doctorate from the University of Kentucky.

REIDLAND BAPTIST CHURCH, Paducah, approved preliminary plans for a new auditorium which is estimated to cost \$160,000. The proposed unit measures 60 by 140 feet. The auditorium will have a seating capacity of 600 on the main floor with provision for an additional 200 people in a future balcony. Larry Maddox is pastor of the church.

TWELFTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH had "the only choir of its kind in Kentucky" in a Sunday evening worship service in June. The choir was made up of women 58 years of age or older. Don Owen is minister of music at the church and Harold Allen is pastor.

PAUL HATFIELD, pastor of the Warsaw Baptist Church for the past three years, has accepted the call to become pastor of the South Broadway Baptist Church in Lexington, Ky. J. Edward Cunningham has been serving as interim pastor at the South Broadway Church.

GEORGE AND HELEN HAYS, Southern Baptist missionaries to Japan, are returning to the States for furlough. They may be addressed at 1015 E. Co-manche, Tampa, Florida. In late August, they will move to Kansas City, Missouri, where he will be visiting professor of missions at Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. Mrs. Hays is the

former Helen Mathis, daughter of a Baptist minister, who was born in Louisville, Ky.

WOODLAND AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH, Lexington, has completely redecorated their auditorium. First worship services in the redecorated facilities were June 27. Walter K. Price is pastor.

ROBERT G. FULBRIGHT recently became supervisor of the children's field services unit in the Sunday School Board's Sunday school department. A North Carolinian, Fulbright went to the Board from Longview, Texas, where he was minister of education.

F. RUSSELL BENNETT, pastor of the Campbellsburg Baptist Church, has written a pamphlet for the Home Mission Board entitled "The Associational Nomi-

nating Committee." Bennett recently received the doctor of religious education degree from Southern Seminary.

TWO KENTUCKY STUDENTS have been selected to sing in the Select Choir of the staff at Ridgecrest (N. C.) Baptist Assembly. They are Phyllis Long, Corbin, a student at Berea College, and Glen Cummins, Owensboro, a student at Kentucky Wesleyan College.

RUTH DICKERSON, Southern Baptist missionary to Pakistan, is now working with a mobile clinic in the Feni area. She may be addressed at Baptist Mission, Feni, East Pakistan. Born in Harrodsburg, Ky., Dr. Dickerson spent part of her childhood in Brazil, where her parents were missionaries.

VERNON L. STANFIELD, professor at New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, and former professor at Southern Seminary, Louisville, has made arrangements to have his book, *Effective Evangelistic Preaching*, published by a religious publishing firm, Baker Book House, in Grand Rapids, Michigan. The book will be released in September of 1965. Copies will be placed on sale at various state conventions this fall.

AN ADVANCED MISSIONS study program designed to develop the Christian lives of Baptist men will make its appearance October 1, 1965, under the auspices of the Brotherhood Commission and the Southern Baptist Seminary Extension Department. Arrangements for the depth studies with a missions emphasis were worked out by Ralph Herring, director of the Seminary Extension Department, and George W. Schroeder, executive secretary of the Brotherhood Commission.

SPECIAL TAPE RECORDINGS, giving highlights of the 108th Dallas meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention, and of the 11th Baptist World Congress meeting in Miami Beach, Florida, are being offered currently by the Radio and Television Commission in Fort Worth.

JOHN W. MACGORMAN, professor of New Testament, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, will be preacher on "The Baptist Hour" from July 18 through August 22. The "Baptist Hour" is heard each week on 503 stations in 37 states and 19 foreign countries with an estimated audience of 20 million.

Juvenile Delinquency Continues To Increase

by L. William Crews
Juvenile Rehabilitation Director
Home Mission Board

Latest figures on juvenile delinquency and crime from the Children's Bureau of the United States Department of Health, Education, and Welfare for 1963 reveal that 601,000 juvenile delinquency cases (excluding traffic offenses) were handled in juvenile courts. This represents 1.9 per cent of all children ages 10 through 17.

Juvenile delinquency increased 8 per cent while child population (10 through 17) increased 4 per cent over the previous year.

The upward trend which began in 1949, except for 1961, continues.

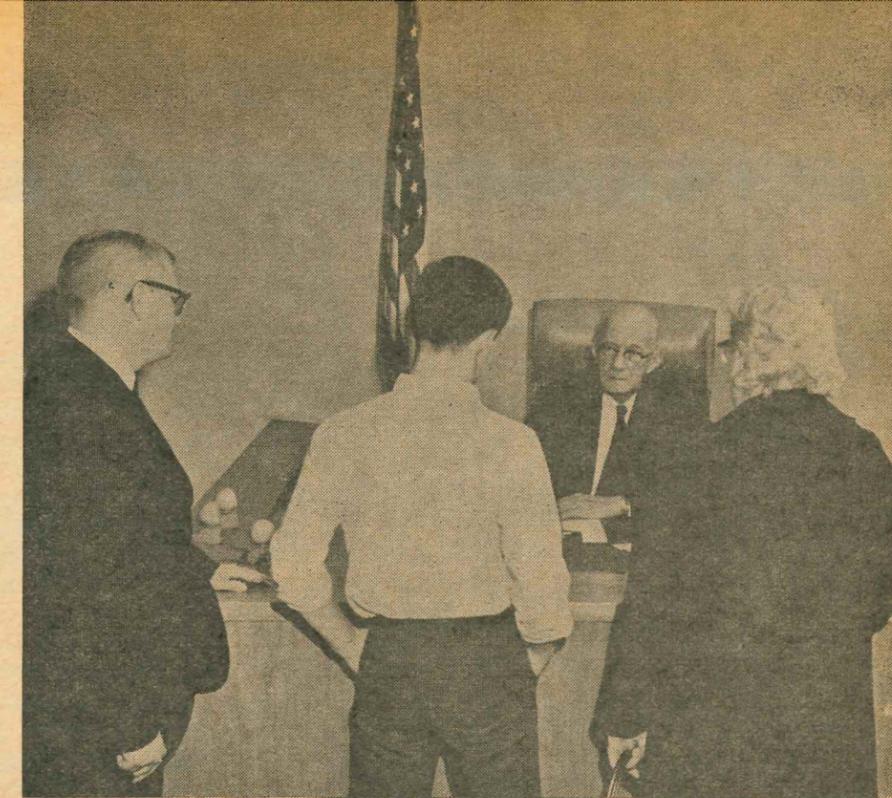
Although the per cent of increase was higher for girls than for boys in 1963, delinquency continues to be a problem for boys who are referred to the court more than four times as often as girls.

The report further revealed that dependency and neglected cases increased 3 per cent over 1962 with a total of 146,000 cases. The upward trend which began in 1951 continues with the exception of 1956.

The rising rate of delinquency indicates that we are failing to provide young people with the inner controls of behavior. They are breaking laws, destroying property, stealing cars, committing burglaries, assaults, and even murder. This will continue until every citizen realizes that juvenile delinquency is his business.

Just as there is no single cause of juvenile delinquency, there is no simple cure. However, there are some things that our churches can do in the area of prevention, control, and rehabilitation. In 1952, the Home Mission Board launched a ministry to the juvenile delinquent and broken homes.

Work is being carried on in 60 cities across the nation. In 1964, 11,933 youth and parents were given help; 1,727 youths were related to adult sponsors; 241 were placed in foster homes; 1,215 youth were won to Christ; and 3,217 youth were related to the church. The purpose of the ministry is to provide moral and spiritual guidance to offending youth—helping them to develop self-reliance, independence, appropriate attitudes toward self, society, and God, and leading them to active relationship with Christ and the church. In order to achieve this purpose the following services are provided: adult sponsorship of the delinquent and pre-delinquent youth; religious counseling of youth and families at the courts detention homes, juvenile police bureaus; foster home placement; associational camps; youth employment; and referral services.



CHURCHES CAN DO the following in prevention, control, and rehabilitation:

1. Have a Christian attitude toward offending youth. "If a man (boy/girl) be overtaken in a fault, ye which are spiritual restore such an one in the spirit of meekness (gentleness)." Remember, "there stand I but by the grace of God."
2. Pray for the offending youth and their families. They need understanding and help, not anger and punishment.
3. Join hands with other community agencies in providing the best facilities to help youth. Juvenile delinquency involves the entire community.
4. Use church organizations to help offending youth and families. The Brotherhood and Woman's Missionary Union may provide sponsorship, foster homes, and camps. The Training Union may have alternate programs on family problems, causative factors in delinquency, youth problems, etc. The Sunday school may enlist the delinquents and their families in Sunday school and provide Sunday school in detention homes and institutions.
5. Get involved in helping offending youth in need. One delinquent declared to his pastor, "What we need is not someone to tell us what to do, but someone to show us how to live."
6. Encourage and cooperate with the local Baptist association in projecting a Juvenile Rehabilitation Ministry and providing what services are needed to help offending youth and their families. "In as much as ye have done it unto the least of these, ye have done it unto me."

Religion In Public Schools

by Russell E. Bridges
The Department of Student Work
Virginia Baptist General Board

She stood before the class of impressionable children with the open Bible. A few moments later every head bowed in reverence as the teacher led in the prayer which we too entered into. Throughout the day, there was a serenity that is descriptive of one who has a deep abiding relationship with Jesus Christ. I don't recall the passages of scripture, but the life lived before me in the classroom, I shall never forget.

Reading from God's word, to be followed by a prayer, is a farce unless the teacher stands as an example of what is possible when one commits their life to the great Teacher. What we may have failed to realize (in our conversation regarding reading the Bible and an audible prayer in the public schools) is that the teacher is the key to practical Christianity undergirding all of the classroom work. In answer to the question, can (or should) religion be taught in the schools, the reply is an emphatic yes! The answer does not infer nor suggest a separate course as such; but only that the great underlying principles of the Christian faith be accented and woven into the fabric of the teaching processes.

"Principal L. P. Jacks once described how a distinguished colleague in British education had answered the question, "Where in your timetable do you teach religion?" "We teach it all day long," he said. "We teach it in arithmetic, by

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A Revealing Study

A study of Baptist young people who plan a church-related vocation and who now attend non-Baptist colleges in Kentucky has been recently completed. The study was done by the Kentucky Baptist Student Union Department which has released some very interesting and revealing findings. The study included 394 young people enrolled now in these schools.

The study revealed that two-thirds of these young people are male, eighty-four per cent are still single and sixty-two per cent live on campus, but go home most week-ends.

On the interesting question why they chose the school they attend, fifty-seven per cent said cost per year was the strong influence. No other influence was as strong. Nearness to home was the strong influence given by the next highest number of students—forty-three per cent.

Less than seven per cent gave reputation among Southern Baptists as a strong influence in the choice of a school and only three and one half per cent reported that a current or former pastor was a strong influence in their choice. The president of the college was rated a strong influence by only three per cent.

The largest number, twenty-seven per cent, said the age when their public commitments for church related vocations were made was eighteen years. Over sixteen per cent waited until they were nineteen years old.

Surprising is the revelation that over sixty per cent of these students made their public commitments for religious work after they entered college. The largest number, over thirty-eight per cent, did this when they were sophomores. Here it must be remembered that many young people who made their decision before college age chose Baptist schools.

Also surprising is the revelation of where these decisions for religious work were made. Only fifteen per cent were made in regular worship services. Most of them, thirty-six per cent, were made at a time when the students were alone. The next highest number, thirty-two per cent, said they were made at a B.S.U. meeting, convention or conference. Less than one-third of one per cent said their decisions were made in a church revival service.

A heart searching revelation is that only one per cent of these students said their parents were most influential in their decisions. Their pastor was the most influential person for thirty-five per cent of them.

Before their commitments for church related vocations were made, only sixteen per cent said the Sunday School was the most helpful organization and fourteen per cent gave this credit to the Training Union. After their decisions, these organizations were considered even less helpful. About eight per cent listed the Sunday School as most helpful and seven per cent the Training Union.

When considering some of the above findings, it should be remembered that only students in non-Baptist schools were surveyed. The same questions to volunteers of church related vocations on Baptist college campuses would doubtlessly get different results.

The study, however, makes some things plain we might not like to admit. The greatest number of young people today choose their college on the basis of the cost and the proximity to their home. The influence of a pastor, the reputation of the school among Baptists, and some other factors we have thought were important don't rate so high.

Also of much concern should be the revelation that parents have little influence on their children in the choice of religious work and that our worship services and church educational organizations, like the Sunday School and Training Union, are not rated high in influence.

A real encouragement is the fact that young people can hear and answer the call to church related vocations in non-Baptist schools. We can also be grateful that the Baptist Student Union on these non-Baptist school campuses is also rated high in influence upon these youth. At this point we should remember that Kentucky Baptists have an investment of less than \$5.00 in each of these 394 volunteers for the Lord's work.

Not Publicity But Conviction

Three cheers for Malcolm B. Knight, pastor of the Southside Baptist Church, Jacksonville, who called President Lyndon Johnson's hand for serving beer at a recent teen-age party given by Luci, his eighteen year old daughter. That the criticism stung the President is indicated by the reply from a White House staff member defending the use of beer at the party and accusing Pastor Knight of merely being a publicity seeker.

Malcolm Knight is well known among Southern Baptists. He is especially loved by many in Kentucky since he was reared in Harrodsburg where his father was pastor for many years. Publicity is the last thing Malcolm Knight would seek. On the other hand, those

who know him are impressed by his quiet and humble spirit. The White House spokesman simply doesn't know the difference between publicity seeking and conviction with the courage to express it.

If the President is sincere about a great society in America and is as interested in the youth of the land as he professes, he would do well to reconsider his position and practice in relation to strong drink. At this point he should seek counsel from his staff member, Bill Moyers, a Texas Baptist preacher who surely knows what's right in this matter.

President Johnson has been known to express pride in his forebearers, one of whom was a Baptist minister. It behooves him to make his deeds more in line with such ancestry. To think that one whose drink has often been said to be "bourbon and branch water" would not let beer be served at a teen-age party given by his daughter may be too much to expect, but we could hope not.

We are altogether proud of Malcolm B. Knight for his courage and conviction and not too proud of our President in this matter.

Baptist Blessing of Boats

There is a great opportunity for some enterprising Baptist preacher. The idea is suggested by a front page newspaper account of a religious service performed by Roman Catholic priests on a recent Sunday. The service was a blessing of the boats ceremony held on the Ohio River.

It would be a first among Baptists if we got into this business. So far we have thought of everything from picture albums of the whole congregation to rose buds for the babies, but I have not heard of any Baptist preacher going into the boat blessing business. Consider the ease with which this ministry could be taken on. All it takes, apparently, is a little water to sprinkle on each boat and a few unctious words. Baptists have as much water as anybody, though it may

not be too holy, and we Baptist preachers are not known for our scarcity of unctious words.

Consider again the potential among Baptists for customers or communicants needing this service. Baptists have as many boats as the next religious group. On a summer Sunday in some places about as many Baptists or maybe more use a boat than use a Sunday School class room or an offering envelope. If we could gather all the Baptists' boats on a given Sunday in one congregation, it would be a sight to cheer the hearts of those discouraged over the summer slump in Baptist churches.

In keeping with our belief in free will offering, a Baptist preacher could scarcely charge to bless a boat. He could, however, accept a love gift for performing this service like he sometimes receives for weddings and funerals. Even on a free will basis it would be quite lucrative considering how many more Baptist boats than weddings and funerals there are these days.

It really would be better not to have a set fee for blessing Baptist boats because some statistically minded preacher would come up with a discount rate to take business from neighboring pastors. It may be in order to pass a resolution calling upon pastors to bless only the boats of their own congregation, but allowing Baptist editors and other denominational workers to bless the boats state wide.

When we got the boat blessings organized and graded we could move into the field of blessing hounds. Our Episcopal friends have experience in this ministry and their ecumenical spirit would surely lead them to share this knowledge with us.

Between boats and hounds, most Baptists would be reached. Some Baptists are blessed with both boats and dogs in these days of prosperity. Those without boats generally have a dog and though the dog may not be a regularly constituted hound, somewhere back surely there was some hound connection.

The whole idea may be thirty years too soon or may never catch on, but at least it goes to show what a newspaper story and a hot July can do to a Baptist editor.

BAPTIST FORUM



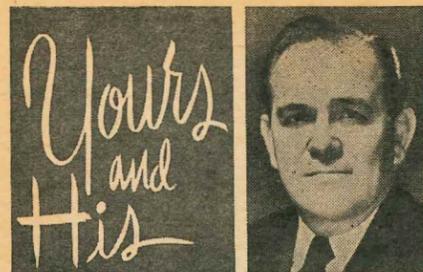
Farewell to Grossmans

Dear Editor:

I thought I would write you and bring you up to date upon our foreign mission procedure. My last day at the First Baptist Church of Taylorsville was June 13, and I served there for four and one half years. During that time there were 130 additions to the church with 69 coming by profession of faith and bap-

tism. The budget was substantially increased and the entire church plant was redecorated completely. The church will complete a new pastorium costing some \$23,000 some time in July. While there, I was active in several community organizations as well as the Long Run Association of Baptists. The church honored us last Sunday with a farewell fellowship and presented us with a parting gift.

We have moved to a furnished apartment here in Owensboro, and are in the process of buying and packing our possessions, as well as speaking in churches where I was formerly pastor. Our permanent U. S. address will be c/o Albert B. Chamberlin, 2519 South Cherokee Drive, Owensboro, Kentucky. We will sail from New York for Liberia on July 29, going both by ship and plane, through England and France. It has been a real joy to serve in Kentucky, and we trust that God will continue to bless Kentucky Baptists. We are eagerly awaiting the opportunity of serving Christ in Liberia, fully conscious that God has called us into foreign mission service. With every good wish, I remain,
Owensboro, Ky. Paul H. Grossman



Annual Associations Coming

July 21-22, the first of 83 Annual Asnual Associational meetings in Kentucky will be held in Russell County Association on successive days at Sano and Russell Springs churches. The last will be Long Run Association, Oct. 21-22, at Ralph Avenue Church. Plan now to attend yours, all sessions — for fellowship in the Gospel — its nature, its work at home and around the globe. What a great fellowship of LABORERS!

I will attend my first one in Simpson Association, July 28, at Whipporwill Church — and will look for you (and on the table, for those demon-possessed eggs!)

Team of Three Offered

The Kentucky Baptist Convention is offering to send a Team of Three of your servant-leaders to speak at each Association. A Middletown Staff member will be captain; others will be our College presidents, Hospital chaplains, Children's Homes Superintendents, and the *Western Recorder* editor — or one of their staff.

Team To Major on Majors

Where invited to speak, these three will speak on three subjects: (1) Church Programing — Plan for Church Advance (State office member); (2) **World Missions — Cooperative Program**; and (3) **Evangelism — Witnessing**. The last two subjects will be handled by all other Team members — school, hospital, Child Care and *Western Recorder* representatives; they will major on the majors — and show how their agency relates to this vital matter of world missions and evangelism. Do not miss one of them!

Book of Reports to Association

Your Executive Board is providing an Associational Book of Reports for each messenger in every association. These are prepared in the context of our world mission, with major emphasis on our Kentucky work, and, each person making the report will also show what part YOUR ASSOCIATION and church is doing to share in our Lord's work. These are mailed to your moderator, and will be given to you at the meeting. Be sure to attend! We'll share it with you.

Yours and His,

Harold G. Sanders

Kentucky Baptists

J. Chester Badgett Elected To FMB Administrative Committee

Dr. J. Chester Badgett, pastor of the Campbellsville Baptist Church and former president of the Kentucky Baptist Convention, has been named to the Administrative Committee of the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. He was elected to a second term on the Board at the Dallas convention.

The Administrative Committee of the FMB is the policy making group and is responsible for the distribution of the \$22 million budget of the Board.

While at the Southern Baptist Convention in Dallas, Badgett was called home because of the accidental death of his brother in Lexington. The brother was killed during construction work.

While in Miami Beach, Florida, for the Baptist World Alliance meeting, Dr. Badgett attended the conference of the Foreign Mission Board on missionary strategy. He presided over three study sessions which later reported to the 300 attending the conference.

Communications Conference Scheduled

Pastors, ministers of education, church secretaries, and other interested persons from Kentucky are invited to share in an area communications conference in August.

The three-day conference, to be held at Cedarmore Baptist Assembly, will deal with public relations, church publicity, radio, television, creative writing, photography, and newspaper reporting.

Faculty members include Theo Sommerkamp of the Baptist Press in Nashville, Tenn.; Floyd North, editor of *The Commission*, in Richmond, Va.; Erwin L. McDonald, editor of the *Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine* in Little Rock; Clarence E. Duncan of the Radio and Television Commission in Ft. Worth; Mrs. Mildred Dunn of the Brotherhood Commission in Memphis, Tenn.; C. R. Daley, editor of the *Western Recorder* in Middletown, Ky.; Edward Boden, Jr., assistant director of public relations for Georgetown College, Georgetown; Claude Fox, director of public relations for Clear Creek School, Pineville; Robert J. Hastings, secretary of stewardship and promotion for the Kentucky Baptist Convention; R. G. Puckett, assistant editor of the *Western Recorder*, Middletown, Ky., and William Freeman, director of public relations for Cumberland College, Williamsburg, Ky.

The August 23-25 conference is open to anyone from Illinois, Kentucky, Ohio, or Indiana. Total cost for the three-day conference, including room and meals in

the new half-million dollar Boone Lodge, is only \$17.00

For further details, write to Robert J. Hastings, Baptist Building, Middletown, Ky. You will receive by return mail a descriptive folder telling how to register.

Homer Felts Moves To Bowling Green

Prof. Homer Felts observed his 95th birthday on May 24, 1965. He and his wife, the former Lula Browning, observed their 65th wedding anniversary last Christmas.

Hoyt C. Parsley has just written a feature story about Professor Felts for the Campbellsville News-Journal, concerning his work in the classroom, in organizing bands and orchestras, as a lawyer and surveyor, and concerning his children and grandchildren. Parsley says that, though he is almost a centenarian, he is healthy and rather active for his age, although he uses a walker to get around. "He still attends Sunday school and church services," etc. Parsley's story has been reproduced in the *News-Democrat* at Russellville.

Mention was made in a recent issue of the *Western Recorder* of retired pastor John W. T. Givens observing his 96th birthday. Both men, nearly the same age, have lived out their lives in parallel fashion. Both went to Bethel College at Russellville, and both graduated there.

Felts became a teacher of commercial subjects at Bethel and Campbellsville Colleges, and Givens was a pastor most of his life, though for a time was professor of evangelism at Bethel.

And now, after all these years, events have so worked themselves out that both men have gone to live in Bowling Green, Givens with his daughter, Mrs. Bruce Hudson, and Prof. and Mrs. Felts at the Colonial Manor Nursing Home.

Greensburg Baptist Church Leader Dies

Phares D. Pierce, 71, long time businessman, educator and Baptist church leader, died in May of a heart condition.

A member of the Greensburg Baptist church, he was the oldest deacon in years of service. He had served as Sunday School superintendent for 15 years and was moderator of Russell Creek Baptist Association for four terms. He served as a trustee of Campbellsville College for about 20 years before retiring about four years ago.

Funeral services were held in the Greensburg Baptist Church. He is survived by his wife, a son and a daughter, one sister, one brother and four grandchildren.

Baptist Member Puts Church in Her Will

Mrs. Mittie G. Cheek died April 27, 1965. She was the widow of J. P. Cheek who preceded her in death in 1962.

Mrs. Cheek left a will which directed that 10% of her estate, before funeral expense, cost of administration of the estate or any other expense, be given to the Zion Baptist Church, Reynolds Station, Kentucky. She stipulated that the church divide the money to the American Bible Society, the SBC Home Mission Board, the SBC Foreign Mission Board and the local church. Each agency or institution was to receive one-fourth.

Mrs. Anna Tom Sanders of the Zion Baptist Church writes, "She's one to be missed, but she remembered to put her Lord's work in her will."

Historical Society To Meet At Glen Dale

The Kentucky Baptist Historical Society will hold its 1965 meeting on Friday, July 23, at Glen Dale Children's Home, located at Glendale, Hardin County, Kentucky, not far from Elizabethtown. The meeting will begin with a supper served by Glen Dale at 6:00 o'clock for all those who write or telephone for reservations.

Things discussed will be *History and Heritage*, new Baptist historical quarterly now in course of being started by the Historical Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention; progress in the study of charts and maps being conducted by Wendell H. Rone; and the Kentucky Baptist Atlas, now off the press and in its second edition.

The fiftieth anniversary of the establishment of the Kentucky Baptist Children's Home, now called Glen Dale, is being observed this year, and the Historical Society wants to have a part in its celebration.

Fifty Years A Teacher At Immanuel, Louisville

The Immanuel Baptist Church, Clay and Oak, Louisville, and its Sunday school and a ladies' class all took special recognition on Sunday, June 27, of the fact that Miss Elsie Louise Seigel has been teaching a Sunday school class for fifty years. To quote and paraphrase Longfellow, "Hardly a charter member is now alive" who was there when Miss Seigel started teaching.

She makes her home with her sister, Miss Lavinia Seigel, and her brother, Arthur Seigel, at 2111 Lake Side Drive, Louisville, Ky. When their brother, Albert, was living, the four of them sang in The Seigel Quartette.

Kentucky Baptists

Franklin Association. For the past six years he has been used as a special worker in the state Sunday School Department working with adults and young people.

Mr. Stricker is 40 years old and married to the former Elva Ruth Smith. The three Stricker children are Beth Lynn, 11; Barry Arthur, 9; and Pamela Ruth, almost 4.

Sanderson In Ashland Crusade

Leonard Sanderson, former secretary of the Division of Evangelism of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board, is the preacher for an area evangelistic crusade in Ashland July 18-August 1. Services will be in Putnam Stadium.

Chairman of the Crusade Committee is Ira McMillen, Jr., pastor of Unity Baptist Church in Ashland. McMillen reports that 32 churches are of Greenup Association and are already committed to work together in this first effort of its kind in the area. Other members of the evangelistic team are singer, Steve Taylor of Greenville, South Carolina, and Frank Catanzaro, organist, from Anderson, South Carolina.

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Liberian Elected President Of BWA

The Baptist World Alliance elected as its president the first Negro and African to hold the position in the 60 years of the Alliance. He is William R. Tolbert, Jr., vice-president of Liberia. He has been serving as one of the vice-presidents of the Alliance.

Kentuckians were honored with the election of Robert Mills, president of Georgetown College as chairman of the Men's Department. Mills succeeds John A. Dawson of Chicago, Illinois, in this post.

Meeting in Miami Beach, Florida, the 17,000 delegates represented approximately 26 million Baptists in 121 countries of the world. The meeting, known as a Congress, meets every five years and about every 15 years in North America. The group voted to go to the Orient in 1970. The meeting place will be Hong Kong if facilities will permit. If not, then Tokyo will be the site.

Sessions were held in the auditorium at Miami Beach and the Orange Bowl. Billy Graham, internationally known evangelist who is a Southern Baptist by church membership, addressed the group in the Orange Bowl Saturday night and Sunday night. Attendance in these sessions was approximately 45,000.

Graham, in one of his messages, lashed out against the forces of a new morality which he characterized as neo-orthodoxy, neo-liberalism and neo-evangelism.

He called on fellow Baptists to meet these forces head-on by a ringing affirmation of their faith in Biblical truths.

On the opening day of the Congress, President Joao F. Soren of Rio de Ja-

neiro, Brazil, told 30,000 Bpatists and their friends in the Orange Bowl that the human race is desperately in need of new moral strength "which only the power of God can instill."

A slap at the ecumenical movement was given by the General Secretary of the Baptist World Alliance, Josef Nordenhaug of Washington, D.C. Nordenhaug, a Norwegian, acknowledged the need for Christian unity in an age when the church is getting its knocks in a tough world, but he expressed his dislike for the path the ecumenical movement has taken. He took the view that the movement has headed toward organic union, "a unified ecclesiastical structure." He expressed disappointment that the Roman Catholic overtures for unity are based on the old Roman Catholic doctrine that it is the only true church, and that others should return to it to achieve unity.

MORE STORIES AND PICTURES IN NEXT ISSUE.

The Lyman Austins Injured In Automobile Accident

Lyman and June Austin, their son, Mark, and two grandchildren were injured in an automobile accident July 2 at Scottsville, Kentucky. They were returning from Florida where the Austins had attended the Baptist World Congress and visited their daughter's family in Tallahassee.

The Austin car skidded on wet pavement into the path of an oncoming car driven by Luther Tinsley of Scottsville. Tinsley suffered a dislocated kneecap and Mrs. Tinsley has a broken jawbone and facial cuts.

Lyman Austin was hospitalized for bruises, shock and some minor cuts. Mark has a broken nose. One of the grand-daughters has a black-eye and lost a tooth.

Injured most was Mrs. Austin. June was hospitalized at Scottsville and later transferred to Methodist Hospital in Louisville. She has deep facial lacerations. July 5 she underwent surgery on her left eye. There is some question as to whether the sight can be saved. Doctors were encouraged that damage was not as severe as they had earlier thought but the outcome is not certain.

Robert Hastings Moves to Illinois

Robert J. Hastings, secretary of stewardship and promotion for the Kentucky Baptist Convention, will end 10 years of denominational work on September 1 when he returns to his native state, Illinois, to pastor the University Baptist Church in Carbondale. This will be his second time to serve this same church, having pastored there previously from 1950-55.

His 10 years of denominational work include five years in stewardship promotion with the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee in Nashville and five years with Kentucky Baptists. He has played a key role in two programs now in wide use among Southern Baptists, the Forward Program of



Robert Hastings

Christian Stewardship for churches, and the Stewardship Development Program for Associations. He has authored four books, two of which are stewardship titles, *My Money and God*, and *The Christian Man's World*. A third stewardship book dealing with family money management and titled *How to Manage Your Money*, will be published October 1. He is the author of over 500 magazine articles and features. A resource paper written for the 1965 Tithing Now emphasis has been reprinted by the National Council of Churches in *Stewardship Facts*, which goes to all denominations.

In addition to stewardship promotion in Kentucky, he has also served as public relations and publicity director for the Convention, being responsible for news releases, Youth Night and state convention publicity, and promotional materials for Cedarmore Assembly, etc. *Perspective*, a weekly devotional column, has been furnished all Kentucky newspapers.

In his new field of service, Dr. Hastings expects to enlarge his writing ministry and to broaden it to include other areas as well as stewardship.

Evangelism Post Goes To Hicks Shelton

The newly created Department of Evangelism of the Kentucky Baptist Executive Board will have as its first secretary, Thomas Hicks Shelton. Shelton has been pastor of Latonia Baptist Church in Covington since 1950. He was recommended to the Executive Board by



THOMAS HICKS SHELTON

Executive Secretary Harold Sanders, and a committee entrusted with the responsibility of recommending an evangelism secretary. The Department of Evangelism up to now had been connected with the Department of Missions. A. B. Colvin, who served both departments, will remain the Secretary of Missions.

Shelton was born in Murray, Kentucky in 1911. He is a graduate of Campbellsville College and Georgetown College. He entered the army chaplaincy after two years at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. Most of his three years in the chaplaincy were spent in the South Pacific area.

In 1946, Shelton became pastor of the Ludlow Baptist Church. From Ludlow he went to Latonia in Covington in 1950.

Mrs. Shelton is the former Reba Hubbard, sister of Dr. Carroll Hubbard, St. Matthews Baptist pastor. The four daughters of the Sheltons are Patricia, wife of Dr. Jerry Hoppman, teacher at San Diego State College, San Diego, California; Barbara, wife of David Gardner, pastor of West Point Baptist Church, West Point, Kentucky; Nancy, wife of James Jennings, a chemical engineer of Buchannon, West Virginia; and Susan, eight years old.

Shelton is from a family of preachers. His father is T. G. Shelton, Murray, now retired but widely known as a preacher in Western Kentucky. A brother, R. G., is the pastor of Eddyville Baptist Church, Eddyville, Kentucky.

Glen Dale Celebrates Fiftieth Anniversary

The fiftieth anniversary of the Glen Dale Children's Home was celebrated on Sunday, June 27. The celebration began with morning worship services at the Gilead Baptist Church, near the home. An overflow congregation including many alumni of Glen Dale attended the Gilead services led by Glen Dale Superintendent, Ralph McConnell. Preacher for this service was *Western Recorder* editor C. R. Daley.

The famous old Kentucky ham dinner on the grounds was served at noon under the beautiful shade trees of the Glen Dale campus. Long lines passed by picnic tables laden with food. Impromptu reunions took place all over the campus during meal time.

The alumni meeting was held at 2:30 p.m. on the front campus. Child Care Board Superintendent, Ford Deuser, and the Board Chairman, Mr. Tom Barbee of Louisville, were speakers for this occasion. The anniversary celebration served as the annual homecoming for the home and the largest crowd in many years was on hand.

Mountain Mission Conference Scheduled

The 17th annual Mountain Missions Conference will be held July 19-23 on the campus of the Oneida Baptist Institute, Oneida, Kentucky. This conference is sponsored by the Home and the State Mission Boards and is open to all Baptist pastors, missionaries, and their families who work in the mountains of eastern Kentucky.

Program leaders from out of the state include Dr. Wallace Denton, Department of Child Development and Family Life, Purdue University; Theo Sommerkamp, Baptist Press, Nashville, Tennessee; Willis Brown from the Home Mission Board, and Thomas Ellington from North Carolina.

Those from Kentucky will include Dr. Willis Bennett, associate professor of Christian Ethics at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary; Charlie Dixon, Extension Specialist in Rural Areas De-



Dr. Denton

velopment at the University of Kentucky; and G. R. Pendergraph, Baptist Building, Middletown.

Also in attendance will be Dr. Lewis W. Martin from the Home Mission Board; A. B. Colvin, superintendent of missions; Dr. Harold Sanders, executive secretary-treasurer from Baptist Building, Middletown.

J. Edward Cunningham of Lexington, director of mountain missions for the Kentucky Convention, is in charge of the program.

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KENTUCKY BAPTISTS AT WORK

Sunday School

Ridgecrest Sunday School Weeks, 1965

by Roy Boatwright

Many Kentucky Baptists will make their way to Ridgecrest, North Carolina, for Sunday School Weeks, July 22-28 and August 5-11.

Those who will have the privilege of attending this year will find a number of unique features, all of them designed for the purpose of encouraging better Sunday school work and providing information for Sunday school teachers and officers which will enable more efficient work in the churches.

Much will be said about the second year of Adult Thrust.

Churches have given a great deal of time and attention to reaching Adults through 1964-65 and will continue to do so through 1965-66.

During the year the significance of adults should be kept before every church. The continued emphasis will be as follows:

- (1) Unserved Adults, October-November-December, 1965
 - (2) Adult Prospects whose children are enrolled in Sunday school, January-February-March, 1966
 - (3) Adult Church members not enrolled in Sunday school and unaffiliated Baptists, April-May-June, 1966
 - (4) Adult prospects whose children were enrolled in Vacation Bible School, July-August-September, 1966
- In addition to emphasis on Adults every age-group will be emphasized in a special way this year. We urge every Sunday school worker to plan to attend either Ridgecrest Sunday School Conference or Cedarmore Sunday School Conference, August 16-20.

Woman's Missionary Union

W.M.U. Conferences

Cedarmore—Aug. 30-Sept. 6

by Mrs. George R. Ferguson

Dr. Wayne Ward, professor of theology at Southern Baptist Seminary, Louisville; a well-known, dynamic and popular speaker throughout Southern Baptist Convention territory, will bring the Bible Hour messages at Cedarmore during WMU Week and Week-end Conferences. He has chosen the theme, "Bible Doctrines" for his messages each day. He is eminently qualified by heart and mind to lead in the study of great Bible

doctrines by studying passages on basic Baptist doctrines.

Dr. Ward has been on the faculty of Southern Seminary since 1951 and has had wide experience in the fields of law, education and the pastorate prior to that time. He has also studied, traveled and taught in many areas of the world and brings much outstanding experience to the background for his messages.



Dr. Ward



Mrs. Franks

Mrs. J. D. Franks, missionary-teacher of Ruschlikon/Zurich, Switzerland, will be the missionary speaker for both conferences. Following a teaching career prior to her marriage, Dr. and Mrs. Franks served for 25 years at the First Baptist Church, Columbus, Mississippi, where he was pastor. Then followed eight years as missionaries in Europe under the Foreign Mission Board, SBC, six of these years at the International Seminary at Ruschlikon. They returned to this country in 1954 and taught at Bethel College, Hopkinsville. After her husband's death, Mrs. Franks returned to Switzerland last year and taught English to theological students at the Seminary. She had eight different nationalities in her class. Mrs. Franks says, "I hope I can dramatize our work in Europe in such a way as to magnify our blessed Lord and inspire our women to a better knowledge of this great worldwide project. She will also tell of work on other mission fields in Europe.

Annuity Board

Hospitalization Costs Rise

by A. W. Walker

According to a recent story in the daily press, the cost of hospitalization has increased \$9.43 per day or 38.9% since 1957. The average cost of hospital care in Kentucky last year per day was \$33.68.

The Annuity Board in designing its new medical insurance program has sought to narrow the gap in what the

average hospitalization program pays and the actual cost of staying in a hospital.

In order to make this plan operative, 5,000 applicants are necessary by September 1. In order to insure the success of this program it is important that we get our applications in soon.

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Missions

Conference For Pastors and Laymen

by G. R. Pendergraph

Rev. Norman Ellis, pastor of the Cadiz Baptist Church, Cadiz, will be speaking at the Pastor's and Laymen's Conferences to be held at Jonathan Creek Assembly, July 12-14, and Campbellsville College, July 15 and 16. His general theme will be "Worship." Ellis is an able and dedicated pastor who understands something of the problems faced by pastors and their churches in our age. In addition to Bro. Ellis, Dr. Harold G. Sanders will be conducting the Bible



Norman Ellis

study period, and Dr. Carl A. Clark, Southwestern Baptist Seminary, Fort

Worth, Texas, will be speaking on a number of church-related subjects. There will be other program personalities making their contribution to the conferences. If you have not made your reservation to attend the conference at Jonathan Creek or at Campbellsville, please do so as soon as possible.

Church Music

Cedarmore Music Assembly, July 26-30 Features New Faculty Members

by Eugene F. Quinn

Faculty members who have not previously served in the state music week, meeting this year at Cedarmore on July 26-30, include a B.S.U. director, a state approved music worker, and a college professor.



David Clayton

Eleanor Gathings is the Kentucky approved music worker in instrumental activities. She will teach the piano class during the assembly. Miss Gathings is also organist of Parkland Baptist Church in Louisville.

The college professor is David Clayton of Cumberland College. He is choral director and teaches music classes in the college, as well as serving as part-time minister of music of the First Baptist Church of Williamsburg. Mr. Clayton will teach directing music, which is one of the many classes offered at the assembly.



Eleanor Gathings



Joseph M. Smith

ASSOCIATIONAL MUSIC PLANS FOR 1965-66

THEME: "PROCLAIM AND WITNESS THROUGH MUSIC"

1. Enlist churches to observe "A Day of Singing and Praise" on September 12, or on some Sunday in August or September.
2. Help two or more churches to combine their choirs to present the new cantata: *Proclaim the Word* by T. W. Dean, in the early fall, at an associational gathering such as a hymn sing.

This cantata is written especially to launch the S.B.C. Year of Proclamation and Witness.

3. Arrange for the cantata or a gospel music service to be presented to a home for aged, children's home, penal institution, mental hospital, civic event or meeting, or radio television station.
4. Have an associational Carol Sing that stresses the Gospel and every Christian's witness.
5. Plan a "Proclaim through Music" School. Offer one or more classes for the entire family of each church.

Brotherhood

Missionary Education Program In The Making

by Forrest Sawyer

Recognizing the need for a positive program of missionary education for men in the 33,388 churches, messengers to the Southern Baptist Convention meeting in Dallas asked the Brotherhood Commission to begin meeting this need. Here is one of the ways George Euting program development director of the Brotherhood Commission, interprets this assignment:

"When the historians record Southern Baptist history at the end of this century, they will likely identify the Sixties as the years of the Laymen's Reformation.

"The last four years reflect a growing interest in the Southern Baptist Convention to utilize Baptist men.

"The new program of advance suggested by the Foreign Mission Board calls for laymen in special crusades, mass communications, building construction, publication of Christian literature, medical witnessing, and agricultural missions.

"A new category of foreign mission service permits the appointment of laymen as missionary associates.

"The Home Mission Board is making a similar approach with an emphasis on "The Christian Service Corps."

"Human needs that must be met by God-led people are strongly influencing Baptist mission work. It is more and more apparent that Southern Baptists are thinking in terms of every Baptist a missionary."

"Fortunately, this renewed concern by Baptist men is not pitting laymen against pastors but represents a re-emphasis of the church as the body of Christ.

"This description of the church as the body of Christ (Romans 12:6; I Corinthians 12; Ephesians 4:11) makes plain that the church is an organism. As a member of the body of Christ each man has gifts and responsibilities.

"It is the understanding and use of these gifts with the desire to witness that gives the new thrust to Baptist men.

"Men are not saying, "What Can I do?" They have come to understand that their questioning must be deeper than this. The inquiry is "What does God want me to do?"

"Dr. James Rayhorn of Richmond, Va., a dentist, asked this question of the Foreign Mission Board and the answer took him to Africa on a short term assignment where he provided dental care.

"Dr. John Bryan of Bluefield, W. Va., a physician, asked the question and found the answer in Bluefield Sanitarium, his own hospital. He learned his hospital laboratory can provide services for maintaining the health of Baptist missionaries.

"What is now the unusual is becoming an accepted challenge to all Baptist men. But the years ahead are filled with overwhelming needs.

"World population will be a primary problem. The number of conversions must accelerate to meet the increase in population growth.

"At the time of Christ, the world population was estimated at 250 million, hardly 50 million above the population of the United States now.

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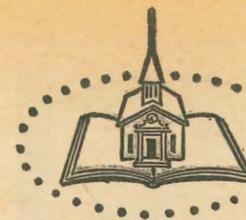
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SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By H. C. Chiles



CHRISTIANS GROW THROUGH STUDY

Sunday School Lesson for July 25, 1965

All whom the Holy Spirit has introduced into the sphere of grace should keep on growing therein. It is just as much a tragedy if the children of God do not grow spiritually as it is for infants not to grow physically. Since spiritual growth is a matter of the will and the affections, we can either hinder or assist its progress.

God wants His children to be getting a broader grasp and a firmer grip on the truth. Our spiritual and intellectual growth should be progressive and continuous. Day by day we should take more of His grace into our hearts, more of His truth into our minds, and more of His beauty into our characters. Such an advancement in likeness to Christ will greatly increase our joy, enlarge our usefulness, and honor our Lord.

Reading the truths of God's Word, meditating on and studying them constitute a prerequisite to spiritual growth. For one to neglect the study of the Bible means that he will have a starved spirit, a dwarfed soul, and a barren life. The Scriptures are as necessary to the health and development of the soul as food is to the welfare of the body. If Christians are to grow spiritually, and become useful servants of Christ, they must study God's Word.

Acts 17:10-12

After Paul and Silas had been subjected to cruel treatment at Philippi, they journeyed to Thessalonica, the metropolis of Macedonia, and there they attended the services at the synagogue. When Paul was invited to speak, he declared that the Christ Whom he preached was the Messiah Whom the Jews had been expecting. He tried to prove that Jesus of Nazareth had fulfilled the prophetic scriptures and deserved to be worshipped as the long-expected Messiah and the Saviour of men. Many of his listeners were convinced and believed on Christ, but the majority rejected his preaching. Ere long they gathered a mob of the vilest elements of the citizenry and created an uproar in the city.

Because of the fierce opposition and violent persecution to which they were subjected on account of their preaching, the brethren sent Paul and Silas away. After departing at night, because of the imminent danger, they fled to Berea, city of many natural advantages some

fifty miles to the southwest. There they found that the Jews were numerous enough to have a synagogue. As was their custom, they went immediately to the synagogue and there began their work. There they encountered Jews who were so unprejudiced that they were willing to listen with eager and open minds to the message of Christ's ambassadors. After they had listened attentively, these Jews carefully searched the Scriptures to see if what the missionaries had said was true. The Bible reading of the Bereans was not spasmodic, as is the case with so many today, but it was a daily habit with them. Their example in this regard deserves the emulation of every Christian who hears the Word of God preached or taught. Christian growth requires the personal study of the Scriptures with regularity. When the Bereans discovered that the preaching to which they had listened was in conformity with the Scriptures, many of them believed on Christ and were saved.

II Timothy 3:10-17

While in prison and waiting to be executed, Paul wrote a second letter to Timothy in which he sought to strengthen the faith of this young man whom he had loved as if he were his own son. Having been a faithful student of the Scriptures himself, and having received such numerous and great blessings therefrom, Paul urged Timothy to continue daily his study of the Scriptures, and to obey their teachings, assuring him that thereby he would become a stronger and more useful servant of Christ.

Paul reminded his younger friend of the doctrine he had taught, the manner in which he had lived, and the characteristics of the service which he had rendered lovingly for Christ. In his doctrinal teaching he had been true to the Word, in his manner of life he had been devoted to Christ, in his purpose he had been unswerving, and in his devotion to the faith he had been true.

In this chapter Paul described the perilous and grievous times of moral decadence in the lives of professing

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Christians during the latter days. He indicated that their opinions will be wrong. As lovers of themselves, brazen braggarts will attempt to force their way into places of prominence and power. Inflated with self-importance and arrogance, these proud individuals will pose as being far superior to all others and as having no need of the wisdom and power of God. Paul also stated that their affections will be wrong, because they will be in love with themselves, money, and pleasure. Nobody should be a self-lover, a money-lover, or a pleasure-lover, but all should love God supremely. With their opinions and affections being wrong, it is inevitable that their conduct will be wrong. Multitudes will display a disgraceful disobedience to parents and that always in rebellion against the laws of the land and the authority of God. Among their outstanding characteristics will be ingratitude, impurity, cruelty, treachery, and a determination to have their own way regardless of the consequences.

In contrast with this unworthy manner of life, Paul unhesitatingly set forth the kind of behavior that is right. The pattern which he mentioned in our lesson involves consistency in living, continuance in laboring, and constancy in loving. Paul reminded Timothy of the hardships, sufferings and sacrifices which he had endured for his wonderful Lord. A Christian should not expect immunity from suffering, for he will certainly be subjected to many unpleasant and painful experiences if he follows Christ. Paul was thoroughly convinced that any man who truly followed Christ would be called upon to face and endure persecution. If we are not suffering because of our allegiance and devotion to Christ, we should examine ourselves and see if we are truly following Him.

If Christian growth is to be continuous, there must be an abiding conviction that all the scriptures are God-breathed and inerrant, that they are profitable for teaching and learning, for revealing errors, for correction and for instruction in righteousness, so that the life and work of the Christian will comply with the will of God. All these ministries of the Word of God are to the end that the Christian may be thoroughly equipped for a life of service to God. The Bible tells us what God requires and how we can do what he wants done.

Ages of Two Converts Differ By 103 Years

With more than a century's difference in their ages, two Christians were baptized June 13 at Calvary Baptist Church, Guayaquil, Ecuador.

One is Grandmother Victoria, who is 115 years old, says Southern Baptist Missionary William R. Hintze. Despite difficulty in walking and seeing, she has attended church faithfully since she made a profession of faith during a revival last August.

The other is 12-year-old Teresa Po-veeda, who acknowledged Christ five years ago. She recently completed doctrinal classes.

Baptist Hospital Plans \$1.5 Million Expansion

A seven-story building devoted to extensive medical-surgical patient care will be built on the site now occupied by the

old nursing school of the Kentucky Baptist Hospital, Louisville.

Although specific designs for the \$1.5 million addition have not been completed, razing of the nursing school is slated to begin in August.

Tentative plans call for emergency room facilities that will triple the present space. The first to sixth floors will include private and semi-private rooms, raising the total number of Kentucky Baptists' oldest hospital beds to 420, an increase of 100 beds.

The top floor of the new building will take care of deep therapy X-ray and cobalt therapy. There will also be facilities for neurosurgical diagnosis.

These proposed additions are the second phase of a long-range plan to increase the size of the hospital. The first phase, started nearly a year ago, is nearly complete. It includes a one-story addition to the hospital's front, a twin-automatic elevator shaft, and remodeling of interior office space on the first floor.

Olive Hill Baptist Calls Jesse Hilton

Jesse Hilton is the new pastor of the Olive Hill Baptist Church. He comes from the pastorate of the Corinth Baptist Church, Corinth, Kentucky.

Mr. Hilton was born in Georgia and is a graduate of Shorter College in Rome, Georgia, and of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. While in the seminary, he served as pastor of the Round Top Baptist Church near Elizabethtown before moving to the Corinth pastorate.



NASHVILLE — PROGRAM PERSONALITIES for Bible conferences at Glorieta (N. M.) Baptist Assembly Aug. 12-18 and at Ridgecrest (N. C.) Baptist Assembly Aug. 26-Sept. 1 will include: (row 1) conference preachers — **Dr. J. P. Allen, pastor, Broadway Baptist Church, Fort Worth, at Glorieta; Dr. Luther Joe Thompson, pastor, First Baptist Church, Chattanooga, Tenn., at Ridgecrest.** (Row 2) doctrinal speakers — **Dr. C. Penrose St. Amant, dean, School of Theology, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary Louisville, at Glorieta; Dr. Josef Nordenhaug, general secretary, Baptist World Alliance, Washington, D. C. (Row 3) Bible exposition speakers — Dr. Ray Robbins, professor of New Testament, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, at Glorieta; Dr. William E. Hull, associate professor of New Testament interpretation, Southern Seminary, at Ridgecrest. Bible conferences are under the direction of Dr. Clifton J. Allen, editorial secretary, Sunday School Board. — BSSB Photo**

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Baptist Higher Education Under Study

NASHVILLE (BP) — In 1966 and 1967, the denomination will appraise the future role of Southern Baptist in Christian higher education, it was reported here to Baptist educators.

Albert McClellan, Nashville, program planning secretary for the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee, said the purpose of the two-year study is "to bring about a new understanding in our Southern Baptist people of the academic role of Southern Baptist Colleges."

The two-year effort will be known as BEST — Baptist Education Study Task.

McClellan, chairman of the steering committee for the study, told Baptist educators in their annual session here the study will include 24 regional seminars and a national study conference each of the two years. He predicted the cost of the study at \$200,000.

Among the problems facing Baptist colleges, according to McClellan, are competition from the growing number of public junior colleges, insufficient funds to support the denominational colleges, and difficulty of church-related colleges to meet high standards for accreditation.

The Baptist Education Study Task will cover nine basic study areas, said McClellan. They are the Biblical basis for Christian higher education, its history, the philosophy of Christian higher education, religious scope, academic scope, the Christian college teacher, financing Christian higher education, academic freedom, and relationships between the colleges and the denomination.

Study papers will be written on these nine areas, he said. One basic area also will be assigned for study at each of the 24 regional seminars. The progress report was made to the Southern Association of Baptist Colleges and Schools.

Religion in Schools

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accuracy. We teach it in language, by learning to say, what we mean 'yea, yea and nay, nay.' We teach it in history, by humanity. We teach it in geography, by breadth of mind. We teach it in handicraft, by thoroughness. We teach it in astronomy, by reverence. We teach it in the playground, by fair play. We teach it by kindness to animals, by courtesy to servants, by good manners to one another, and by truthfulness in all things. We teach it by showing the children that we, their elders, are friends and not their enemies." But his questioner pursued the matter further: "Do you talk much to them about religion?" and the headmaster answered, "Not much. Just enough to bring the whole thing to a point now and then."*

The answer to the present dilemma, at least in part, lies not so much in the courts of the land, but in the Christian personality — more specifically, the teacher, as he is an instrument in the development of character and integrity. As a Christian educator lives a purposeful life, he may answer the inevitable question, "Do you talk much to them about religion?" "Not much. Just enough to bring the whole thing to a point now and then."

**Witness to the Campus*, Edited by Roger Ortmyer, Board of Education of the Methodist Church, National Methodist Student Movement, Nashville, Tennessee, 1956, p. 113.

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hard to find green grass between Baltimore and Boston. Even now there is a demand for Christians to reach the 50 to 60 million people in the northeast part of this country.

"The witnessing of Baptist men can help provide the answer. But men must be prepared to accept new methods and use them.

"Men also must be prepared to deal with obstacles such as rapid social change, language barriers, and increased church budgets. New patterns of church life must form.

"The time of viewing the local church as merely the place to come and to receive the message of Christ is past. The local church must be seen as a place from which Christians go to carry the message of Christ in the world. A church is gathered to be scattered.

"The demand for well-trained church members in a myriad of specialization becomes imperative.

"Skills in ministering to people of special needs such as the illiterate, handicapped, imprisoned, language and cul-

tural minorities, and the underprivileged are but a few.

"But basically, laymen must be devoted students of the Bible with an eagerness to give an account of the faith within them.

"In other words, the local church must become an outpost for reaching others, not an institution for self preservation.

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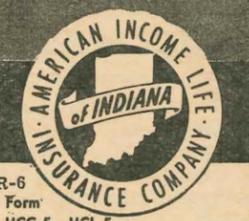
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