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GLEANINGS FROM THE FIELD

THE DEACONS of Sedalia Baptist Church have passed a resolution in appreciation for Dr. D. W. Doran. Before his death Dr. Doran had been chairman of the deacons for many years and was greatly loved and respected by those who lived and worked with him. R. Charles Blair is the Sedalia pastor and T. C. Arnett is the newly elected chairman of deacons.

SOUTHERN BAPTISTS' national Church Development Award went to a struggling, mountain church with four missions. The 61-member First Baptist Church of Cedar City, Utah, nestled at nearly 6,000 feet elevation in the Cedar Mountain Range, took the top honor in the denomination's annual recognition. K. Medford Hutson of Cedar City, mountain missionary and pastor of the church, received the award from the Home Mission Board of the SBC.

ROBERT HASTINGS, pastor of the University Baptist Church, Carbondale, Illinois and former secretary of stewardship and promotion for Kentucky Baptists, has a new book to be released October 1 by Broadman Press. *How to Manage Your Money* concerns family budgeting and the "nine-tenths." He has written the book to help Christian families determine their true values or standards and then to help them program available resources to achieve these values. It will be available in Baptist Book Stores.

TED J. INGRAM has resigned as pastor of the Audubon Baptist Church, Henderson, and has accepted the call to be pastor of the Grandview Baptist Church, Nashville, Tennessee. He has served the Audubon Church for three years and was moderator of the Green Valley Association during this past year. He assumes his duties in Nashville on September 26.

DRY RIDGE BAPTIST Church has scheduled a homecoming service September 12. Pastor John M. Wall invites friends and former members to join in the services and fellowship of the day.

MARVIN AND BONNIE BERRY have completed Spanish language study and are moving to 1015 Seventh Street, Sterling, Illinois. Berry will be pastor of the First Latin American Baptist Church in Sterling, a Spanish speaking congregation.

ANTIOCH BAPTIST CHURCH, La-Center, had the services of Dwight Kern as evangelist for a summer revival. Kern is pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church, Madison, Indiana. Charles Quarles, music leader of the Spring Bayou Baptist Church of Paducah was the song leader. Pastor Walter Hulette reports 22 professions of faith, nine rededications and a genuine spirit of revival in the Antioch Church.

THE TATES CREEK Association of Baptists passed a resolution in their annual session asking that the retired pastors in the association constitute a counseling committee for the active pastors of the association. Concern for such a group has increased since the appearance of an article in *The Baptist Program* in March, 1965.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, Barbourville, plans a revival September 19 and

following with Raymond Lawrence, pastor of the Central Baptist Church, Corbin, as evangelist and George W. Deal as song leader. M. A. Reese is the pastor.

MRS. O. C. MARKHAM of Kentucky was a participant in the church library conference at Glorieta (N. M.) Baptist Assembly. The conference was sponsored by the Sunday School Board.

FIVE SOUTHERN BAPTIST ministers have spent three weeks on a tour which included a visit with Russians. They are W. A. Criswell, pastor of First Baptist Church, Dallas; W. O. Vaught, pastor of Immanuel Baptist Church, Little Rock, Ark; Bob Ramsey, pastor of the First Baptist Church in Brookhaven, Miss.; Kermit Canterbury, pastor of the Griffith Memorial Baptist Church in Jackson, Miss.; and J. B. White, pastor of Trinity Baptist Church in West Monroe, Louisiana. In addition to the Russian visit, the group preached in London, England; Edinburg, Scotland; Oslo, Norway; Stockholm, Sweden and Helsinki, Finland. Criswell went with the hopes of arranging a conference with the top Russian leaders so he could plea for religious liberty for the Baptists of Russia, and tell the Russians the futility of war. The group is scheduled to return this week.

A ONE-CAR ACCIDENT in June that put the newly-elected president of the Southern Baptist Pastors' Conference into traction with a broken vertebrae hasn't slowed down planning for the 1966 nationwide meeting of the Baptist ministers. James E. Coggin, pastor, Travis Avenue Baptist Church, Fort Worth, Texas, and president of the Pastors' Conference, is making plans and enlisting speakers for the 1966 meeting in Detroit, Mich., from his bedside.

T. L. McSWAIN, pastor of the Immanuel Baptist Church, Paducah, was evangelist recently for a revival in the Dehaven Memorial Baptist Church of LaGrange. Assistant Pastor Danny Griffin led the music. Pastor A. L. Meacham reports a good spirit throughout the entire meeting with twenty professions of faith and ten additions by letter.

AFTER CONSIDERATION of change, the Ridgcrest and Glorieta Assemblies will remain on a Thursday through Wednesday schedule.

IN LOS ANGELES:

The Riots: A National Distress Signal

by Jimmy R. Allen
For the Baptist Press

Driving through the riot area of Los Angeles 36 hours after the shooting ceased was a sobering and saddening experience.

Blackened ruins of stores were everywhere. Helicopters criss-crossed overhead. Bulldozers and clean-up crews stopped traffic minutes at a time. Trucks of soldiers rumbled down the streets with automatic rifles ready. The acrid smell of smoke created an air of unreality.

A long line of weary but patient persons stood waiting by the public building a park where a crude sign said, "Emergency Aid."

I looked into the face of poverty. It was not the crowded poverty of the narrow streets and tenements of the cities of the North. It was the poverty of a spacious western city. There were broad streets, single unit homes crowded with several families.

But most of all, there were men . . . men everywhere . . . able bodied men sitting around in the middle of the day with nothing to do. These were men who had traveled to the West with the hope of finding work, only to be trapped in the same poverty from which they were fleeing.

There were startling contradictions. In the midst of this poverty area were streets named "Success Street" and "Grandee Avenue," as if they were mute testimonials of the aspirations and frustrations of the residents.

The park in which the soldiers were quartered, around which armed guards marched in military precision, was named for Will Rogers—the famous comedian noted for saying, "I never met a man I didn't like."

Churches were numerous. Little storefront churches spoke of valiant efforts by poorly equipped persons to lift the name of Christ. Beside a church stood a big sign, "Take Time to Be Holy." Across the street was a burned-out and gutted store.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Jimmy R. Allen, secretary of the Christian Life Commission for the Baptist General Convention of Texas who has done extensive studies on Christianity and race relations spoke at the Zion Hill Baptist Church (Negro) in Los Angeles located in the heart of the riot area the weekend following the August 13 riots. He also spoke three times at the California Southern Baptist Brotherhood Conference, once on the Christian's role in racial crisis. After talking to Negro leaders in Los Angeles, here are his first-hand impressions of the tragedy.

In the aftermath of this tragedy, Americans are seeking to interpret the significance of the days of rioting and looting.

I am keenly aware of the limitations of perspective and judgment which handicap a visitor from outside an area, but I seek to share impressions and results of interviews with the hope that they will contribute to the body of knowledge out of which judgments and interpretations are being made.

The days of rioting and looting in south Los Angeles should not be viewed as an isolated phenomenon in Southern California, but as a distress signal to our nation.

Failure to diagnose this outbreak of violence as symptomatic of deeper maladies and failure to meet these causative factors will simply mean increased agony in the future.

The objects of the wrath of the mobs give some insight into the violence. The burned out and looted stores were primarily (1) grocery stores, (2) appliance stores, (3) clothing stores, (4) pawn shops, and (5) liquor stores.

To the poverty-stricken Negro, these were obvious and immediate symbols of white exploitation.

MANY POOR NEGROES believed that food store chains were selling them stale food from other stores. They struck back at these stores as symbols of oppression against which they have had no voice. Appliance and clothing stores were places in which a few dollars down a week made the purchase. Those who missed a week were often faced with repossession. Pawn shops reportedly took their possessions for a pittance in moments of emergency and sold them if they were a day late paying back the money. Liquor stores furnished the fuel for rioters to keep up their frenzy.

Standing untouched in the middle of two blocks of ruined buildings was a bank building. This kind of financial institution was outside the target area for unreasoning, hating persons striking back at a society in which they were trapped. It was not part of their immediate experience of exploitation.

"Get Whitey" was the battle cry for the rioters. The white man symbolized for the rioter all of the frustrations and exploitations which he and his race had experienced.

In the heat of fury, it made no difference which white man it was or what his attitude and actions toward Negro persons had been. In this tumult white persons experienced the same stereotyping solely by skin color which Ne-

groes have labored under for centuries.

No studied judgment can be made by a visitor from another community on the charges and counter charges of police brutality. A prominent Negro leader told me that in his judgment the problem was not brutality but what he termed "insensitivity" to the problems of the man trapped in a ghetto. He described the difficulty of understanding the mind of the ghetto dweller who is depersonalized, always regarded with suspicion, possessed of vivid memorial of brutal treatment in other sections of the country by law enforcement officials. For such persons even the force necessary to stern discipline can ignite the flames of hatred.

While all judgments concerning this new phenomenon in American life will be tentative, some conclusions are in order.

The riots were symptomatic of a class struggle with racial overtones.

While racists are ready to seize on this tragedy to verify all their prejudices against Negroes, thoughtful Christians should discern the fact that this was not a racial struggle with class overtones. It was a class struggle with racial overtones.

Negro middleclass businessmen and pastors were also threatened. I visited a lovely Negro home, and saw a shotgun in the bedroom. It had never been there before, I was told, but fear of the mob necessitated its availability. One Negro pastor told of having a security guard night and day because of threats he received. Here were "have nots" striking out in frustrated fury against the "haves" rather than simply black against whites.

A criminal element was involved, but the problem runs deeper than lawlessness.

Just as the Black Muslims tried to take advantage of the rioting to spread their gospel of hate, a criminal element moved in to do organized looting and to try to keep the rioting going for their own purposes.

Of the four to five thousand Negro persons involved in all of the rioting, however, the major number were looters rather than rioters. A smaller number did the violence and set the scene of permissiveness in which poor persons were caught up in the atmosphere and took what they could.

They took things they could not dispose of, things they could not use. In unreasoning rebellion against their poverty, they took what they could get their hands on. Similar looting has been experienced in many places where tornado or natural disaster created disorder.

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Encouragement from the Mountains

A trip of nearly seven hundred miles to attend three district associational meetings last week in extreme southeastern Kentucky gave reason for encouragement about the Baptist picture in this area. Meetings were not marked by high attendance nor were the statistical reports the most amazing ever heard. The spirit and atmosphere, however, were good and the quality of the present pastoral and lay leadership is high.

The visit afforded another opportunity to observe the contributions of our two unique Kentucky Baptist schools in this area, Clear Creek Baptist School and Oneida Baptist Institute. Clear Creek trains preachers who have a limited educational background. Many of these ministerial students serve as pastors of churches in this area. Almost without exception the churches served by these young men show decided progress. They make the best use of help offered by the denomination and support of the Southern Baptist world mission effort through the Cooperative Program begins or increases in many instances in these churches.

This is an indication of the quality of teaching at Clear Creek. A good example is Dr. J. W. Lester, who does the best job I know of in the Southern Baptist Convention in teaching young preachers how to use Southern Baptist materials and methods most effectively.

For one night I was the guest of President and Mrs. David Jackson at Oneida Baptist Institute. Arriving in late afternoon, the classes were over, but the campus was a beehive of activity. One physically handicapped boy was picking up bits of paper as if he had no handicaps. Another young man was hauling leaves in a wheelbarrow. Two attractive girls were scrubbing the cold storage room of the school kitchen while a couple more boys were hauling garbage in a truck.

Supper time at Oneida brought a real treat. The pork cutlets, niblet corn, carrots, sliced tomatoes, corn muffins, chocolate cake, chocolate ice cream and milk came mostly from the Oneida farm and was tastily prepared. After supper, Dave took me on a tour of the farm which has a bumper crop this year. We stopped by the farm lake to watch the sun set behind the mountains and to tease the uncooperative bass.

By 9:30 or 10:00 p.m. lights were out and all was quiet on the Oneida hill. A distant thunderstorm echoed over the mountains and far away lightning

illuminated the sky like giant forest fires. The upstairs bedroom curtains rippled with the cool night breezes that put to flight the August day heat.

The get-up siren sounded at 6:00 A.M. the next morning. Breakfast came at 6:30 with the late arrivals finding the dining room door locked. At Oneida everybody works and so after breakfast some boys were off to the farm while others began dressing the campus for the homecoming celebration only a week away. Girls were washing windows, cleaning the stoves and doing a thousand other chores girls need to learn.

A visit to Oneida gives one a feeling of security. Here is found an almost self-sustaining society. The farm produces most of the meat, fruits and vegetables used. Thousands of gallons of vegetables have been processed this summer including over seven hundred gallons of green beans.

One also gets the impression that education of the most wholesome sort is taking place at Oneida. Everybody works, everybody studies and everybody plays. It appears to be a better way to a great society than any give away approach.

Things look good for Baptists in southeast Kentucky and Clear Creek and Oneida are a vital part of this picture.

Sick Friends Are Welcomed Back

Joy abounds among the Baptist Building family these days with the return to work of three staff members for whom there has been much concern. A. W. Walker, G. R. Pendergraph and June Austin have returned to work. They will be on a limited schedule for some time, but all appear to be recovering satisfactorily from illnesses and injuries. Dr. A. W. Walker, Annuity secretary, has spent six weeks in the hospital. His illness has been diagnosed as hypoglycemia, a condition produced by a super sensitive pancreas. The result is a low sugar count which is just the opposite condition produced by sugar diabetes.

Dr. Walker now has to eat small amounts six times a day because larger meals cause the pancreas to produce too much insulin. The low sugar condition affects all parts of the body including the nerves. He will be working only a few hours a day for awhile.

Mrs. June Austin, associate in the Sunday School Department, was critically injured in an automobile accident at Scottsville, Kentucky while returning with her family from the Baptist World Alliance and a vacation. Severe facial lacerations including injury

to one eye have caused the doctors much concern. The ultimate outcome of surgery upon the injured eye is still unknown, but the other eye is fine and even stronger than before the accident. Mrs. Austin is also on a limited schedule for the time being.

G. R. Pendergraph, church development specialist, suffered a serious heart attack on July 6 and spent four weeks in the hospital. His recovery has been steady but slow. He has been in the Baptist Building several times in recent days using the elevator to reach his second floor office. It will be some time before Pendergraph can resume his regular schedule, but he has begun to assist on a limited scale in church surveys.

Reports about these servants and friends of Kentucky Baptists are included here because of the many inquiries and expressions of concern from all over the state. Their experiences prove that God's workers are not pets of providence and thus exempt from the diseases and injuries which are a part of the human experience. Their experiences also prove, according to all of them, that in times of illness in addition to the wonders of medical science and the dedication of doctors, the prayers of fellow Christians are an important part of the healing.

A Promotion for Robert Hastings

Kentucky Baptists said farewell to Robert Hastings and his family the last of August. In his going we lost one of the ablest men who has ever served Kentucky Baptists.

Mr. Hastings came to Kentucky from the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee where his work in stewardship promotion had earned him not only Southern Baptist but world recognition. He continued this stewardship ministry in Kentucky where he went about his work in a quiet, dignified, but very earnest manner. It is significant that Kentucky Baptists have met or exceeded their worthy Cooperative Program goal practically every year since Bob Hastings has been in Kentucky. No doubt he has had a vital part in this record.

Mr. Hastings is returning to the pastorate of

the University Baptist Church, Carbondale, Illinois, where he left the same pastorate to go to Nashville to serve the Southern Baptist Executive Committee. It's rather rare for a man to leave a Southern Baptist denominational post to take a state denominational post and also somewhat unusual for a state denominational leader to take a pastorate. When such happens some surmise that a fellow is having trouble in some manner or is not doing too well in his job. Nothing could be further from the truth when it comes to Bob Hastings. He has been eminently successful in all his endeavors for Southern Baptists and Kentucky Baptists.

He is a man who along with a sense of divine leadership has a clear sense of direction for his life and talents. One of these talents has been highly developed by him.

While still a student he began writing for denominational publications. From this humble beginning he has grown to be one of the very best writers in this Baptist generation. His fifth book is to be released in October of this year. Hundreds of articles in denominational and other publications has enhanced his reputation and sharpened his skill. One of his major considerations in deciding to return to the pastorate is an opportunity for more time to write.

In choosing the pastorate and writing ministry, Mr. Hastings could select no more significant outlets for his talents. In Baptist life the pastorate has always and always will be the most important place of service. It is the nearest place to people and people should always be first. It's the first line of service for those called of God for special service. All denominational work exists for and depends upon the local church and the shepherds of these flocks. To become a pastor is always a promotion.

In his writing ministry, Mr. Hastings will extend his influence a thousand-fold. As pastor his own congregation will benefit mostly from his ministry, but as a writer his contributions will be extended to countless ones in this and succeeding generations.

As much as we might regret his leaving, we will still be enriched by his labors and none could but agree he has chosen the better part.

BAPTIST FORUM



The Christian Solution
Dear Editor:

Often when we watch the TV and read the newspaper it appears that all who are concerned are marching. Churches are often upbraided for not doing more. Personally, as a Baptist minister in California all my adult life, I felt that my denomination, Southern

Baptists, were dragging their feet, and too quiet about race relations.

I attended August 5-11 conferences of the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention at Glorieta Baptist Assembly. I was delightfully surprised when I saw hundreds of Negroes attending these conferences. We ate together, were accommodated in

same hotels and fellowshiped for our week. The Negro men were preachers, teachers, and Negro leaders.

There will come understanding and solutions to many problems. There will be little notice or publicity, but I was delighted to see that the Southern Baptist Convention is actively participating in a Christian solution to the great human relation problem of our nation. The Baptist World Alliance meeting in Miami, Florida, June 25-30 elected a Negro, William Tolbert from Africa, as president of 25,000,000 people of all nations in the Baptist World Alliance.

Baptists believe in freedom of indi-

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Mission Theology and Strategy Study by Board

GLORIETA, N. M.—Coming to the West for the second time in its 120-year history, the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board met at Glorieta Baptist Assembly, August 18-20. It appointed 19 career missionaries, adding Austria to its overseas mission program in the process; elected Rev. Samuel A. De-Board, former missionary to East Africa, as an associate secretary for missionary personnel; and spent a morning in stimulating discussion of suggestions made in a mission consultation at Miami Beach, Fla., June 30-July 3, and voted to devote the first evening of its full meetings (usually three a year) to further study of the consultation material. Presiding at the Board meeting was Dr. Homer G. Lindsay, of Jacksonville, Fla., president.

The missionary appointment service, held the evening of August 19, opened the annual Foreign Mission Conference at Glorieta. Welcoming the young people and adults who filled the Assembly auditorium, Dr. Baker J. Cauthen, executive secretary, called 1965 the most remarkable year in foreign missions the Southern Baptist Convention has ever known—"whether it be from the standpoint of the appointment of missionaries, the opening of new categories of missionary service, the outreach into new areas and lands of work, the implementing and projecting of the widest efforts in evangelism, the reaching out into the world in ministries of love and mercy, or the flow of giving that comes from you and the 33,000 churches you represent and the 10,000,000 Baptists of which you are a part."

"Unless I am mistaken," Dr. Cauthen continued, "God is marking out in broad dimensions a path for Southern Baptists on a world scale; and what we are to be as a people both at home and around the world will largely be determined in our response to what God is setting before us in this day that we face."

Referring to the missionary candidates waiting to give their testimonies and receive appointment, he said: "What you are about to see tonight is a part of this response; for these who are going to come before you will say, 'What I'm doing now, Lord Jesus, is bringing my

totality, all there is of me, and putting it at your disposal.'"

Dr. Jesse C. Fletcher, secretary for missionary personnel, introduced the candidates as "men and women who have heard God's call to lay aside the comforts of home, the familiar surroundings, all that has come to count as security for them, to go on the strength of a deeper kind of security, the kind that emerges with the call of God."

Austria 60th Country

Among the 19 new missionaries are Rev. and Mrs. William L. Wagner, the first appointed for Austria. With the ultimate aim of strengthening the Austrian Baptist churches and developing new work in untouched areas, they will serve in cooperation with the Baptist Unions of Austria and Germany. Mr. Wagner is a native of New Mexico; Mrs. Wagner is the former Sally Crook, native of Colorado.

Austria is the 60th country to which Southern Baptist missionaries are assigned. The 58th and 59th are Singapore, added when it separated from Malaysia early in August, and Ivory Coast, added recently when a missionary couple, transferred to that country by Board action last year, began formal language study in preparation for taking up residence there.

The withdrawal of Singapore from Malaysia is "an important historical development, with probable significant long-range effects difficult to predict," Dr. Winston Crawley, secretary for the Orient, said in his report to the Board. "This change may well affect the structure and perhaps the progress of our mission work in ways we cannot yet estimate."

Mission Staff Totals 2,048

In addition to the Wagners, the new missionaries are Ruth Austin, native of Texas, appointed for Indonesia; Isam E. (Dick) Ballenger, of Florida, and Katherine Thomason Ballenger, of South Carolina, for Germany; Howard B. (Bud) Bickers, Jr., and Arleen Phillips Bickers, both of Texas, for Malawi, Africa; James W. Buie, of Mississippi, and Christine Griffith Buie, of Alabama, for Spain.

Also, William J. Damon, of Texas, and Roberta McBride Damon, of Oklahoma, for South Brazil; Hawthorne H. Hurst and Ramona Smith Hurst, both of Tennessee, for Nigeria; Charles P. Love, of Kentucky, and Mary Leech Love, of Texas, for British Guiana; Homer Peden, Jr., of Texas, and Jean Kensing Peden, of Oklahoma, for the Philippines; and Ben W. Tomlinson, of Georgia, and Betty Adair Tomlinson, of Texas, for Taiwan (Formosa).

They bring the total overseas staff of Southern Baptists to 2,048 (including 101 in various categories of short-term service). So far this year, the Board has added 181 persons to this staff: 119 career missionaries, 16 missionary associates and special project nurses, and 46 missionary journeymen. This is 72 more than added in the comparable period of 1964. "With the October and December appointment services still to go, the 200 barrier seems sure to be breached," Dr. Fletcher said.

Broadman Supplies Has New Form For Reporting Church Prospects

NASHVILLE—"Church Outreach—Ministry Report" is the title of a new form from Broadman Supplies, which is to be used for reporting prospects in the church's outreach ministry.

It may also be used to report needs of church members and others to whom a church may or should minister.

This wallet-size form, which comes in a pad of 50, may be carried at all times by church members. Front side provides space for personal information about the individual. Back side lists areas of need to be indicated by the person filling out the form.

BP Publishes Text Edition of "New American Standard Bible—New Testament"

NASHVILLE—A text edition of "New American Standard Bible—New Testament" has been published by Broadman Press.

This edition differs from the reference edition, which Broadman published in 1964, in that the size of the book is smaller and marginal notes have been omitted.

A Man Who Looks For Opportunities To Witness

A Personality Profile on the New President of the Baptist World Alliance

by C. E. Bryant

William R. Tolbert, Jr., Vice President of the Republic of Liberia, visited Israel last May, and Israeli Government Officials courteously asked him what they could do to make his visit to their country more interesting.

"I would like to attend a Baptist service while I am here," Dr. Tolbert replied.

Israeli officials contacted a Baptist Missionary who arranged a Special week-day Service to accommodate the distinguished visitor. When he was asked to speak, the Liberian told the small congregation: "I appreciate the opportunity to witness for my Lord in every place I visit," and he addressed them from the passage of Scripture: "Ye shall be witnesses unto me, both in Jerusalem and in all Judea and in Samaria and unto the utmost parts of earth."

This is the man who received the unanimous vote of the Baptist World Alliance.

A Humble Man

Dr. Tolbert certainly did not come to Miami Beach seeking another job. He is Vice President of his Country, he is pastor of two churches, he is president of the convention of Liberian Baptists, and he is the father of eight children.

Members of the Nominating Committee found him reluctant when they approached him about his willingness to accept the Presidency. He told them in effect that not only was he happy in his present opportunities for service but that he did not want his name presented at all if their primary interest in him was the color of his skin.

When on the Congress' fifth day the nominating committee presented his name and Congress delegates elected him by acclamation, Dr. Tolbert remained humble.

"I commit myself as a Servant of God and as an instrument in His hands," he told newsmen at a press conference immediately after the election.

"I feel that I have been summoned by God."

A Call to Relevant Witness

Later that same day, Dr. Tolbert filled a previously made engagement to talk at a meeting of the BWA Commission on evangelism and missions. He told

them that Baptists must provide more resources to develop a brand of missionary work that served both the material and spiritual needs of men.

"Christianity is on trial," he declared. "The church must show it is dynamic in modern life. One way we can do this is to let the light of the gospel shine through the whole life. Too often we have isolated our Christianity into one area of our lives and operated on different principles in the areas of economics, politics, and social life. Christian morality must not remain outside; it must be a part of every area of life."

And on the following day he addressed the Congress. "I recognize my inescapable duty to do all that lies within my power to bring all men unto God through our blessed Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ," he declared. "Our approach to the challenging problems of our day must be made relevant to contemporary conditions. We must adjust our thinking and actions to these times and make them conformable to the noble principles that are products of the Christ-centered life. . . . Let us ever seek to know the truth that we may be made free. This can be achieved only if we continue steadfastly in the word of our Lord."

Accepted Christ as a Youth

Dr. Tolbert was born 52 years ago at Bensonville, Liberia, and he received his education in the public schools. He graduated from Liberia College in 1934, and the same school, now the University of Liberia, later honored him with a doctorate.

He accepted Christ as his personal Saviour in his youth—his conversion coming out of his training in the home of devout Christian parents; his father was chairman of the deacon board of the church of which he is now pastor. He entered public life in 1936, at the age of 23, as disbursing officer in the Treasury Department of the Liberian Government, and he later served eight years as a member of the Liberian House of Representatives. He was elected vice president of Liberia and president of the Senate in 1951, and was re-elected in 1955, 1959, and 1963. As the second highest official of his government, he has traveled to most of the world capitals.

It was in 1952, the same year he became vice president of Liberia, that he was ordained elder of the Baptist church and the following year accepted the pastorate of the Zion Praise Baptist Church in Bensonville, his home town. Three years later he founded the Mount Sinai Baptist Church in the Todee District of



The Charles Loves

Kentuckian Appointed For British Guiana

GLORIETA, N. M.—Rev. Charles P. Love, native of Salem, Ky., and his wife were appointed missionaries to British Guiana August 19 by the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board.

Mr. Love, who grew up in Colorado, is now pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, Beatrice, Neb. He went to Nebraska in 1962 to do pioneer mission work. "My wife and I would stay in Beatrice all our lives if that were God's will," he told the Foreign Mission Board. "But we cannot get away from a former decision concerning foreign missions."

Mrs. Love, the former Mary Leech, of Texas, is the daughter of a Baptist pastor and home missionary.

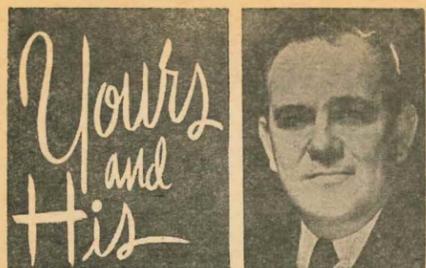
Mr. and Mrs. Love have five children. Debra, ten, Kathy, eight; David, six; Kenneth, four, and Donna, nearly two.

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Liberia, and he has served both churches continuously since that time—alternating preaching engagements at each congregation with an assistant pastor.

Dr. Tolbert's religious witness, as well as his role in the home, has been aided immeasurably by his gracious wife, the former Victoria A. David, daughter of a distinguished Liberian jurist. She now serves as president of the Baptist Women's work in Liberia, and she was a speaker on the program of the Baptist World Youth Conference at Beirut in 1963. She will be accompanying him on many of his travels as Alliance president.

EVERY BAPTIST LEADER A
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Your Gifts and His Glory

"We have gone over the operating goal of \$3,000,000 for the Cooperative Program", said G. B. Morton, business manager, in a phone call to me in Washington, D. C., on the afternoon of August 31st, closing day of the Convention's budget year. My heart rejoiced in your faithfulness and I gave glory to Him who "loved the church and gave Himself for it."

If I were with you, I'd suggest we sing:

*"To God be the glory,
Great things He hath done: . . ."*

then, bow our heads and thank Him for his blessing of abundance, of uniting our Baptist fellowship in the most important work of the world—"sharing Christ with the whole world." That is what our Cooperative Program is for: to pool our prayers, money, and human resources to make Christ known at home and around the earth.

Passed \$3 Million Mark

For the first time, Kentucky Baptists gave more than \$3,000,000 to total Baptist missions through the Cooperative Program. This is a new high record. More than \$1 million went to the Southern Baptist Convention for Foreign Missions (52%), Home Missions (about 19%), Seminaries (about 20%) and Hospitals and Commissions.

When Mr. Morton phoned, the total received was about \$3,030,000 and they were still counting—Pastor Jown W. Kruschwitz drove from Versailles to bring the church's August mission gifts! He is typical of the interest and enthusiasm of countless pastors and treasurers and others who wanted to complete commitments. As this goes to press, the total received is \$3,111,000.

Overage for Assembly

By agreement in the budget, all gifts above the \$3-million operating missions goal up to \$100,000 will be allocated to our state Assembly at Cedarmore for expansion and/or debt retirement on Boone Lodge. How greatly begun is our Assembly program there, and this overage will enable us to move onward. It is the ONLY method we have for CAPITAL FUNDS to develop the Assembly (not Camps). The past summer we completed a new bath house at the Assembly. The Cedarmore Committee is studying long-range plans for our work there.

Kentucky Baptists

New Budget Is \$3,150,000-Plus

We are now in our new year, and the state budget has been set at \$3.15 million for Cooperative Program Operating, with \$100,000 again set as the goal for Capital Funds after the budget is reached. Plan for your church to increase its budget to more than reach the goal again.

State Missions Prayer

The Week of Prayer and Offering for State Missions is almost here. The W.M.U. leads in this church task, and pastors and Brotherhood and RA's join heartily in telling the story and praying for our work in Kentucky.

The goal is \$105,800 for more than 20 phases of vital mission work. AND, all gifts ABOVE THE GOAL will be allocated by the WMU to our BOYS AND GIRLS CAMPS at Cedarmore. We made a fine beginning this year, but the need is so great. If you gave last year—DOUBLE IT. If you didn't last year, make a worthy offering through your church.

Again, I am gratefully Yours and His,

Harold G. Sanders

Calvary Baptist, Lexington Calls Minister of Education

William K. Simmons, a native of Atlanta, Georgia, has accepted the call of the Calvary Baptist Church, Lexington, to be minister of education. He began his work there the first of September.



W. K. Simmons

Simmons held a similar position with the First Baptist Church, St. Petersburg, Florida and the First Baptist Church, Birmingham, Alabama. While in Florida, Simmons was elected first vice-president of the Florida Baptist Convention, the first minister of education in the state to hold such an office.

He is a graduate of Emory University, Atlanta with a degree in business administration. He earned a master of religious education degree from Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas.

Mrs. Simmons, the former Barbara Anne Landrum, is a native of Tennessee, but grew up in Middletown, Kentucky, and Miami, Florida. She attended Stetson University in Deland, Florida, and graduated from the Georgia Baptist School of Nursing in Atlanta.

Bill and Barbara have four children: Anne, 14; Debra, 10; Bob, 9; and Kyle, 1.

Ninth and O Church Embarks on New Project

A new program of helping train English pastors has been started by the Ninth and O Baptist Church, Louisville.



David Beer

Pastor Lewis A. Drummond explains that a young ministerial student will be brought from England each year and spend twelve months as associate pastor at Ninth and O.

The first of these is David Beer, a recent graduate of Spurgeon's College in London, England. Born and reared in Worthing, a small city on the English Channel, Beer will be attending Southern Seminary as a special student.

Central Baptist, Winchester Calls Associate Pastor

Albert Griffin has accepted the call to become associate pastor of the Central Baptist Church, Winchester, Ky. He will begin his ministry there September 15.

Griffin is a native of Mt. Vernon. He graduated from Georgetown College in 1955 and has completed two years of Seminary work toward his BD degree.

While a student, he served as pastor of the Shiloh Baptist Church, Corinth and the Point Pleasant Baptist Church, Waynesburg. He also taught music in the Mt. Vernon school system and the Lincoln County school system.

Since January of 1963 he has been associate pastor of the Central Baptist Church, Corbin, Ky.

Griffin is married to the former Eva Ann Machal of Mt. Vernon and they have two daughters, Debra and Denise.

H. C. Zachry is pastor at the Winchester church.

Charles (Chip) Miller Joins YFC, Birmingham

The new executive director of Youth For Christ in Greater Birmingham, Alabama is Charles (Chip) Miller, a native of Kentucky and a graduate of Georgetown College.

The former high school and college tennis ace was on the staff of YFC in Louisville for five years. He and his wife, Nancy, have three children.

"Approximately three-fourths of the teen-age population do not go to church. We're trying to supplement the church program by going where the teen-agers are on the campus and banding together the Christian teen-agers as they might

be an influence to those not in church," Miller said.

Chip is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Miller, members of the Eastwood Baptist Church, Long Run Association. Henry Miller is a linotype operator for the *Western Recorder*.

Paducah Pastor to Preach In New Zealand Crusade

John A. Wood, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Paducah, has been invited by the Home Mission Board's Division of Evangelism to participate in a nation-wide evangelistic campaign in New Zealand, September 12-26. He will be one of approximately 100 Baptist evangelists and pastors from the United States to preach in the Trans-Pacific Crusade.

There are 1.5 million people in the two islands of New Zealand and more than 16,000 Baptists. No Southern Baptist missionaries serve in the area where British Baptist first began missionary work in 1851. The Baptist Union of New Zealand was formed in 1882 and is now self-supporting. Wood will preach in Tauranga, New Zealand which has a population of 20,000. The church there has a resident membership of 200 and Eric Sherburd is pastor.

Wood is using a portion of his vacation for the campaign and paying his own expenses in the crusade.

O. C. Amis Moves To Campbellsville College

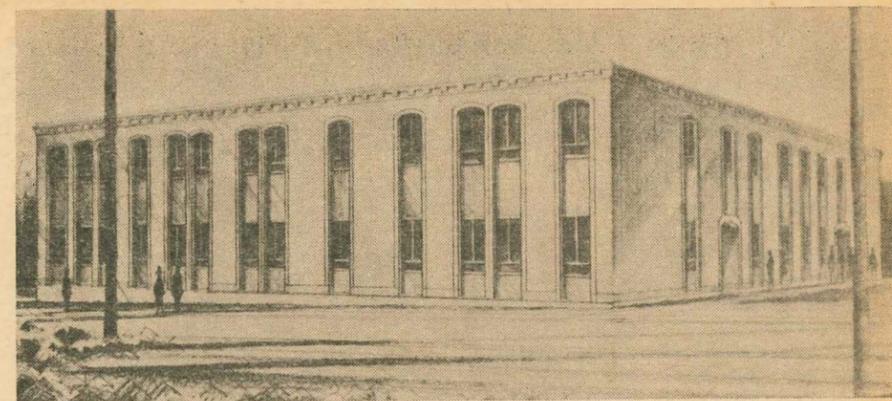
Dr. Otis Cecil Amis of Lexington, has accepted the position of vice-president in charge of institutional development and fund raising for Campbellsville College. He has already assumed this position, leaving a post with the Ohio State Life Insurance Co.



O. C. Amis

Amis was born and reared in Knox County, Kentucky. He holds a B.A. degree from Eastern State College, a M.A. degree from the University of Kentucky and the Ph.D. degree from Cornell University.

Dr. Amis has been active in the affairs of his church and denomination. He served as a trustee of Clear Creek Baptist School for 13 years. This past year he has been serving as chairman of deacons, Sunday School teacher and chairman of the finance committee at the Woodland Avenue Baptist Church of Lexington. In 1961 he served as chairman of the Governor's Commission for the study of Public Higher Education.



THE NEW EDUCATIONAL BUILDING at First Baptist Church, Barbourville, will have space for 515 people when completed. It is to cost approximately \$319,000

Barbourville First Baptist Awards Contract

The First Baptist Church, Barbourville, Kentucky, has awarded a \$319,085.00 contract to Boggs Construction Company, Barbourville, for the construction of a new educational building. This is the first phase of a master plan which will provide the congregation with entirely new facilities.

The new two-story educational building of contemporary design will be constructed of concrete block, brick and aluminum. Fire-resistant materials will be used throughout the interior. When completed the building will have educational space to accommodate 515 people. It will also contain the church offices, library, and kitchen. Space has also been provided for a temporary sanctuary with 325 seating capacity. Also included is an open-air inner court area, with controlled entrances, located approximately in the center of the building. This area can be used for receptions, parties, and other types of meetings.

W. Glenn Bullock and Associates, Knoxville, Tennessee, are the architects and engineers for the project. M. A. Reese is the pastor and George W. Deal is the minister of music and education.

Cooperative Gifts Pass Goal

The 1964-65 Cooperative Program goal of \$3,000,000 was surpassed with the help of a surge of gifts in August. The total amount for the year is \$311,000, according to Business Manager Garnett Morton.

The Baptist Building Business Office was busy day and night tabulating the gifts which arrived the last two days of August. In some instances gifts were brought in by pastors and other carriers in order to make the deadline.

The Kentucky Baptist Convention

fiscal year ended August 31. At the beginning of August the Cooperative Program gifts were \$20,000 short of the eleven month goal. This means the August gifts total \$381,000 making up the deficit and exceeding the total goal by \$111,000.

The \$3 million will be divided between Kentucky and worldwide causes according to an approved formula. The extra amount will go into capital funds for further development at Cedarmore Baptist Assembly.

Dr. Harold Sanders, executive-secretary of the Kentucky Baptist Convention Executive Board, was elated with the report and hastened to express appreciation for all the churches who responded.

The 1965-66 Cooperative Program goal is \$3,150,000 with another \$100,000 added for capital funds.

Paul Day Accepts Call Of Baptist Temple, Louisville

A native of Florida and a graduate of Mercer University in Georgia has become the pastor of the Baptist Temple Church, Louisville.



Paul Day

He is Paul Day who succeeds Jerry Hayner who has joined the staff of Cumberland College, Williamsburg. Day was pastor of the Southside Baptist Church, Lake City, Florida, where he served four years. He is married to the former Carolyn Lucille Pharis of Cairo, Georgia. They have two children, Carolyn and Paul, Jr.

The new pastor will attend Southern Seminary this fall and will make his home at 1927 Youngland Avenue, Louisville, Ky.

After Summer Missions Students Back in School

ATLANTA (BP)—Six hundred and thirty Southern Baptist students are busy making the adjustment from mission fields to campus life.

Each has just completed ten weeks of mission service under the student summer missions ministry of the Home Mission Board of the SBC.

The transition to books and lectures from Bible schools, surveys, preaching, and building (both actual structures and lives) now takes place on 200 campuses.

Accomplishments of the summer loom large both on the fields where they served and within their lives.

One student said, "I was reared in New Mexico, but I grew up this summer in Florida working with a Negro mission center."

A student sent to work with the Polish-speaking Baptist Church of New York City was told she would have five to ten pupils for the Vacation Bible School.

But when she finished jumping rope, talking, and playing with the scores of kids hanging in the doorways and on the street of the neighborhood she had more than 50, and the church was sending out an SOS for help.

In Ohio, when prank-playing boys cut the guidelines to a tent housing 100 children in Bible school, the young missionaries stretched out the tent and averaged 133 pupils a day—not under the tent but on top.

One student sent to a remote, banana-growing section of Panama, preached his first sermon the day he arrived at mission church. However, instead of the evangelistic message he had planned—it was a funeral service.

"We went to the graveside and covered the grave ourselves," he wrote. "I knew this was going to be a strange, yet interesting summer."

While 200 campuses were represented in the group of 630 missionaries, five states provided almost 50 per cent of the corps.

Tennessee sent 68 from 14 campuses; Georgia, 65 from 17 campuses; Texas, 64 from 24 campuses; Louisiana, 54 from nine campuses; and Mississippi, 51 from 13 campuses.

Carson-Newman College (Baptist) in Jefferson City, Tenn., sent more volunteers than any other school. In fact, the 24 from Carson-Newman was almost twice that of the second school, Louisiana Polytechnic Institute, Ruston, La., which sent 14.

Eight of the top 13 schools were state schools. The schools and the number of student summer missionaries are:

Louisiana Polytechnic Institute, Ruston, La., 14; Central Missouri State Col-

lege, Warrensburg, Mo., 11; Southeastern Louisiana State College, Hammond, La., 11; Georgia Southern College, Statesboro, Ga., 10; Auburn University, Auburn, Ala., 10; Texas Technological College, Lubbock Tex., 10; Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Ga., 9; Western Kentucky State College, Bowling Green, Ky., 9.

Five of the top schools were Baptist. Other than Carson-Newman, they are:

Mississippi College, Clinton, Miss., 12; Union University, Jackson, Tenn., 12; Howard College, Birmingham, Ala., 10; Hardin-Simmons University, Abilene, Tex., 9.

There were 44 Baptist Schools, including five of the six Baptist seminaries, which sent 38 per cent of the students. Fifteen nursing students came from four Baptist hospitals.

There were 24 married couples and 136 single men in this year's corps. Also, 35 Negro students served.

Hartsells Honored For Twenty Years

Pastor and Mrs. Bruce Hartsell of the Shepherdsville First Baptist Church were honored on August 15 for their twenty years of service to the congregation and community. Approximately two hundred friends from Shepherdsville and the surrounding communities of Mount Washington, Lebanon Junction, Louisville, Bardstown, Campbellsville and Elizabethtown attended the reception.

The Hartsells were presented a silver tray with appropriate engravings and a love offering from members of the church. They also received certificates of appreciation from the city of Shepherdsville, the Bullitt County Chamber of Commerce and the American Red Cross.

In addition to his services for the local congregation, Mr. Hartsell has been moderator of the Nelson Baptist Association, is presently a trustee of Camp-

bellsville Baptist College and chairman of the Nominating Committee of the Kentucky Baptist Convention Executive Board.

Mrs. Hartsell is the associational director of Music and has been on the teaching staff at Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly and the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary School of Church Music. The Hartsells have also been very active in the civic life of the Shepherdsville community.

The Los Angeles Riots

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Violence must be condemned, but this incident should not discredit the non-violent efforts of Negro Christians to secure justice and opportunity in our society.

There is no excuse for violence. It must be condemned whether it occurs among whites in our Southland or among Negroes in the West.

These rioters were not non-violent. They were unviolent persons, capable of being sparked into violence. White Christians need to understand the valiant efforts of Negro Christians to stem the tide of violence and to meet the distressing situation with positive rather than negative answers.

The fact that similar blood baths have not already been experienced in the South is largely caused by the respect accorded to the churchmen who have pled for non-violence. The more secularized North and West may not have some of the resources for meeting this problem which are still present in the so-called Bible Belt.

There is a Christian responsibility to be concerned with meeting the basic needs laid bare by this rioting.

Christians cannot afford to assume that we can remain insulated from the raw needs of humanity. The spiritual vacuum in which men can be stirred to such hatred needs to be filled with the experience of dedication to the Christ who loves and lifts.

The cycle of poverty in which untrained and ill equipped men walk on a treadmill of want must be broken. This is not simply a physical or political need. It is a compelling spiritual responsibility for us to act to help men help themselves. Poverty stricken people in the ghettos of America constitute one of the greatest challenges to Christian concern on the contemporary scene.

While this experience is frightening, it is not hopeless. Time is of essence. We must move to meet the complex problems of man in the spirit of Christian love.

Before the clock ticks away our hours of grace, we must be at the task of working together for justice with peace in our democratic society.

Missions: Why and How? Reviewed by FMB

GLORIETA, N. M.—The Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board, meeting at Glorieta Baptist Assembly, August 18-20, gave a half-day to discussion of some of the 83 suggestions which came out of a mission consultation in Miami Beach, Fla., earlier this summer. Then it voted in business session to devote the first evening of its full meetings (usually three a year) to further study of this material.

Dr. Homer G. Lindsay, president, presided as members of the Board's administrative staff presented aspects of their philosophy of missions so as to lay a foundation for consideration of the suggestions.

Dr. Baker J. Cauthen, executive secretary, called a philosophy of missions a multifaceted matter which one develops from a study of the Bible, the study of Christian history, the study of theology, one's entire Christian experience, one's concept concerning the adequacy and inadequacy of the world's religions, one's knowledge of missionary experience (what he learned from Carey and Judson and the man who went out last month), and other factors of knowledge and experience.

"The Foreign Mission Board has projected work since 1845 along certain undergirding principles," Dr. Cauthen affirmed.

RAISING SEVERAL questions as to whether one should speak of a philosophy of missions or the theology of missions, Dr. H. Cornell Goerner, secretary for Africa, presented an outline of what he termed two aspects of a philosophy of missions: (1) the rationale of Christian missions and (2) the strategy of Christian missions.

"When you understand what the Bible is and see the unifying theme that runs throughout the Bible from first to last, you understand that anyone who knows the Bible and accepts the Bible and seeks to follow the teachings of the Bible must be inescapably missionary," he declared.

Dr. Winston Crawley, secretary for the Orient, said in introducing the objectives and purposes of Southern Baptist foreign missions:

"The fundamental strategy that gives focus to our efforts reflects two convictions. One is that the church is the divinely appointed basic unit of gospel extension. The other is that in practical reality the greatest effectiveness of missions does not rest mainly in the moving of resources from our own churches out to other lands, but rather in the developing of local Christian forces in those. Therefore, the central mission

objective in each land is the planting, multiplying, and strengthening of churches."

The missionary enterprises reaches out to people who need Christ all over the world, regardless of their religion or their state of culture, said Dr. John D. Hughey, secretary for Europe and the Middle East, as he outlined the scope of the missionary enterprise.

THE FIELD includes America, of course," he said. "But it also includes Africa, with millions of people moving rapidly from animistic religions to Christianity, Islam, or irreligion; the Orient, with its ancient cultures and religions and its great throngs of people; Latin America, with its thin coating of Roman Catholicism; Europe, with its Christian heritage and its present alarming secularism in both East and West; and the Middle East, with its monotheistic religions of Judaism and Islam so resistant to Christian influence.

"Christ has given us a commission to go into all the world. This includes the easy and the difficult, the responsive and the unresponsive, the safe and the dangerous."

Dr. Frank K. Means, secretary for Latin America, listed the Board's present programs of work: evangelism and church development, schools and student work, publication work, and medical work and other benevolent ministries.

Dr. Jesse C. Fletcher, secretary for missionary personnel, said that in "one sense missions is ultimately people in the hands of the Spirit of God." He listed three factors which give direction to the Board's personnel policies: (1) the concept of a call, (2) the concept of qualifications or requirements for appointment, and (3) the concept of long-range service, especially that of career appointment. (He said: "You could go all the way back to Gideon to find a personnel department. He had a rather unique procedure for selecting people. We've refined it, but we haven't improved on it a lot.")

IN A DISCUSSION of the use of financial resources, Dr. Crawley said priority is given to the sending and supporting of missionaries. "In the support of missionaries, we cannot aim at compensation for what they are and what they do, but rather at provision for basic needs and protection against emergencies, so as to relieve our missionaries of any necessity for financial anxieties," he explained. "Including fringe benefits, the level of support may be roughly that of an average seminary graduate in a Southern Baptist pastorate.

"After provision for the sending and support of missionaries, other foreign mission funds are used as far as they will go in the projection of mission work on the fields. . . . Many desired advances in new methods and special projects have been delayed by no lack of vision on the part of our missionaries, but are awaiting a deeper world stewardship in our churches and conventions."

Following the discussion of finances, Dr. C. Wade Freeman, Board member from Texas, expressed hope that the Board would find ways "to tap the untapped resources of prayer in our denomination." He said, "I find my heart more concerned—or at least as much concerned—about the possibility of prayer support by our 10,000,000 church members, as about financial support."

Then for the remainder of the time allowed, Board members and staff tackled some of the ideas which were presented at Miami Beach. Rev. Meredith K. Roberson, first vice-president of the Board, finally got in a few words as time ran out. His conclusion was a good conclusion for the enthusiastic session: "We have been saying all morning, 'What are we going to do?' We are not really going to come to grips with our real opportunity until we start asking, 'What is God going to do through us?'"

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Child Care Rallies Scheduled

In promotion of the 1965 Thanksgiving Offering, the Kentucky Baptist Board of Child Care announces three rallies to be held on Sept. 13, Sept. 20, and Sept. 27, at Glen Dale, Spring Meadows, and Pine Crest, in that order. Each meeting will open at 10:30 A.M. (EST) and be over at noon, at which hour all present are invited to be luncheon guests of the Home.

Members of the Board and of the administrative staff of the Homes will constitute the program personnel.

These meetings are especially for pastors, associational missionaries, Sunday school workers, and child care chairmen, although any Baptist church member is welcome to attend.

Last year's Thanksgiving Offering was \$254,153.17, which is approximately 40% of the amount needed to operate the Homes annually under the present budget.

Park Ave. Baptist, Paducah Calls Harrodsburg Pastor

Harl Ray Lewis, pastor of the Fellowship Baptist Church, Harrodsburg, has begun his work as pastor of the Park Avenue Baptist Church, Paducah.

He and Mrs. Lewis have three children, Timothy Dean, Denise Kay and Lawrence Thomas. The church in Paducah had a reception for the family August 29.

Alaska Told Youth Work Unchallenging

COLLEGE, Alaska (BP)—Meeting at the University of Alaska campus here, messengers to the Alaska Baptist Convention (Southern Baptist) were told they have been "failing to challenge young people and . . . compete for their time and energy."

The reminder was from their outgoing president, a layman, James Whisenhunt of College, a public school athletic coach.

Whisenhunt, the first layman president of the state Baptist group, added the convention—"the largest Protestant denomination in the state"—has "done pretty well at reaching Primaries and Adults" while failing to get through to young people.

He criticized the negative approach in young people's work, giving them a list of "don't do" rather than offering them "positive understanding."

In a partial response to his message, the convention voted to seek ways to secure a full-time minister to serve the University of Alaska campus.

Other action of the Alaska Baptist Convention included the adoption of a 1966 Cooperative Program budget of

\$67,348. Twenty-eight per cent of it goes to national and world missions through the Southern Baptist Convention.

The total budget for the coming year is \$176,863, counting supplements from two SBC agencies for jointly promoted church educational and state mission work.

The convention also opposed any more liberal view of gambling and liquor traffic by state lawmakers and enforcement officers. It urged expanded literacy missions.

John Canning, pastor, Calvary Baptist Church, Anchorage, was elected president for the coming year. Leo Josey, pastor, Greater Friendship Baptist Church, Anchorage, was chosen second vice-president.

Josey, though not the first Negro elected to a state convention office, is the first Negro pastor in the SBC whose church has received pastoral aid from the denomination's Home Mission Board.

A special convention committee will spend the coming year studying Baptist work in social welfare. The action superseded a move to make improvements to the convention-operated children's home. It meant there is a possibility child care work will be altered in scope.

Baptist Forum

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vidual priesthood of believers and I have full confidence that they will be in a place of leadership when a solution for full citizenship to all people is complete. Fresno, California John S. Ashcraft

Another Opinion About Oxford, Ohio

Dear Editor: By chance I read the article "The Cry of a Dying Church" by L. Paul Prather in your paper dated August 5, 1965.

My whole being cannot rest without voicing my shock and concern over his statements. I would not want the readers of our *Word and Way* to be misinformed as he has misinformed yours. I need not go into truths about Baptist witness in Oxford, Ohio, because you can so easily find out the truth if you care to. But knowing the small group of God's people that constitute the First Baptist Church of Oxford and the sacrifices they have made in the past ten years to overcome countless obstacles (The "dying" church being the chief

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it surely does break hearts to read comments such as his. Dexter, Missouri Mrs. A. C. Cato

Woman Meets Object Of 30-Year Prayers

As a young man, Jose Tavaréz, now in his 60's, left the priesthood in Brazil. He was fleeing his home community when he encountered Southern Baptist Missionary Yeslie L. Johnson (now retired), who won him to the evangelical faith and baptized him. For 28 years now, he has been pastor of First Baptist Church, Maceio, Alagoas, Brazil.

This year the church decided to honor Pastor Tavaréz by sending him to the Baptist World Congress in Miami Beach, Fla., all expenses paid. His first Sunday in Miami, while visiting in a local church, he was invited into a home—as were many visitors from abroad.

Following the mid-day meal, as family and other guests gathered, the hostess asked Pastor Tavaréz to relate the story of his conversion and call to the ministry. He did so, through an interpreter. But halfway through he noticed that all the members of the family were crying. His only thought, he said later, was, My, these Americans are such emotional people.

When he finished, the hostess crossed the room and kissed him on the forehead. Then she told her story:

"Thirty years ago," she said, "L. L. Johnson visited our church while on furlough and told the story of the young priest recently baptized and the difficulties he faced as a new Christian and especially as one who had left the priesthood. Since that day, not a day has passed that I have not prayed for you, Pastor Tavaréz, though I never heard another word of your whereabouts nor dared hope to meet you face to face."

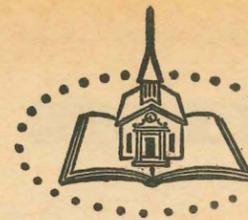
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SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By H. C. Chiles



GROWING IN UNDERSTANDING AND PATIENCE

(This Lesson for Sunday, September 19, 1965)

Understanding and patience characterized our Lord and should be exemplified in the life of each of His followers. Each of them should strive to grow in these basic graces. Proper growth in this realm will enable Christians to live harmoniously with one another, thereby bringing glory to the Lord and wielding a wholesome influence over their fellowmen.

Philippians 4:1-7.

Addressing the Christians at Philippi in terms of endearment, Paul declared that they were in his heart and mind, and that his separation from them caused him pain. Referring to them as his "joy and crown," Paul exhorted them to steadfastness "in the Lord." This exhortation to "stand fast in the Lord" is just as timely for us as it was for the Philippians.

At the time of Paul's writing an incipient dissension was brewing in the church at Philippi. A disagreement had arisen between two prominent women in the church. The exact cause of their differences and quarrel is not known; it was too small to mention. Paul besought them to "be of the same mind in the Lord." He asked an unnamed friend and true yokefellow who was a man of rare discernment, and unquestioned understanding and patience, to serve as an arbiter and help these women to settle their differences. He also requested Clement to assist in this ministry of reconciliation, lest these women impair their usefulness and greatly hinder the progress of the work of Christ. Jealous and contentious individuals frequently do irreparable injury to the Christian fellowship and the Lord's work in many churches today.

Having experienced joy in Christ, Paul longed for the Philippians to have this great joy to the fullest extent possible, so he repeated the injunction, "Rejoice in the Lord always." Christians cannot always rejoice in themselves, in their circumstances, or in other people, but they can live close to and rejoice in the Lord Who never changes. They can rejoice in the Lord under all circumstances, regardless of the trials they have to bear, the losses they have to sustain, or the sacrifices they are called upon to make. By doing so they will please and honor Him. However, abiding joy is possible only to those who

are in right relationship to Christ. To "rejoice in the Lord always" is both the privilege and the duty of every Christian. We should do so for our sakes, for the sake of others, and for the sake of Christ.

Verses six and seven recognize the tendency of people to worry. This disquieting solicitude about the temporal and material things of life is a prevalent and pernicious sin, which is definitely and divinely forbidden. As to the character of worry, it is enfeebling, useless, and sinful. It divides our attention, subtracts from our strength, adds to our burdens, and multiplies our difficulties. It never dries a tear, nor lifts a burden, nor solves a single problem. It displays a lack of faith in God. To keep on worrying indicates that one has distrusted God, ignored His love and forgotten His power. Worry is a sin against the worrier, against others, and against God. Worry prevents multitudes from living happily and victoriously. It is utterly senseless to worry, either about the things we can help or about those we cannot help.

Worry is most frequently caused by a natural tendency, a morbid imagination, a cultivated habit, the cares of life, or a lack of faith in God. It isn't Christlike to worry. Worry is evidence that one doubts God's love, wisdom, and power. By worrying one says that God does not love, that He does not know what is best for me, and that He does not have the power to help me.

If you want to overcome the sinful habit of worrying, concentrate on the present, have faith in God, talk to Him about everything, and commit the future to Him. Why worry when you can pray and trust? It has been suggested that the method by which Christians obtain this ceaseless joy is: "Carefulness for nothing, prayerfulness in everything, and thankfulness for anything." The peace of God is the portion of the Christian who has faith in God, concentrates on the present, talks to God about everything, and leaves the future entirely to Him.

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Colossians 3:12-15.

After exhorting the Colossian Christians to "put off" various vices, Paul urged them to "put on" numerous virtues exemplified and taught by Christ, which should also characterize all believers: compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, long-suffering, forbearance and forgiveness. Like a new garment which replaces an old one, the virtues of the Christian life are to replace the vices of the unregenerate life. But, ever remember that it is God's grace which enables a Christian to forbear with those who disagree with him and to forgive those who have done him injury. The outer garment, which is to cover all of these beautiful virtues and hold them together, is love, "the bond of perfectness." Love binds all of these other excellencies together.

These virtues, which Paul enumerated here, are to be displayed as one displays the garments which he wears. The believer in Christ is to be clothed with them, not only in private but also when he is seen mingling with others. The Christlike way of living should always appear in those who are hid with Him in God. Instead of permitting their old master, Satan, to dominate them, as formerly, Christians should let Christ control their lives. The enthronement of Christ in His rightful place, as the Lord of the life, will enable a Christian to perform his duties acceptably and effectively.

Christ's legacy of peace is the most precious of gifts, an inheritance which the world can neither give nor take away. It is independent of outward circumstances. Spiritual peace is based on a conscious fellowship with God, and it results in an absolute trust in Him that whatever life may bring it is for the best interests of those who trust in the Lord. The peace of God, which is made available to His children without their having to ask or to beg for it, should be received into our hearts and granted full sway over our lives. Peace must be allowed to act as an umpire or to arbitrate in all spheres of the life of a Christian. What a blessing that peace prevails among those who are at peace with God!

Paul also admonished the readers of the Epistle to the Corinthians to cultivate a thankful spirit. Such a spirit pleases the Lord, enriches the lives of those who observe the expression of it, and greatly benefits those who possess it.

KENTUCKY BAPTISTS AT WORK

Baptist Student Union

New Associate In State Department Of Student Work

by J. Chester Durham

On September 1, 1965, Mr. Daniel John Yeary became the new associate in the State Department of Student



Daniel Yeary

Work. Mr. Yeary came to this position from the Sagamore Hill Baptist Church, Fort Worth, Texas, where he served as Minister of Youth Education and assistant pastor. Mr. Yeary is a graduate of Hardin-Simmons University and Southwestern Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas. At Hardin-Simmons University, Mr. Yeary served as Baptist Student Union President and Student Government President. As a student he served as a Summer Missionary to Hawaii and was a member of the State Executive BSU Committee.

In 1963, Mr. Yeary spent two months in Japan with the New Life Movement. Mr. Yeary is a dynamic youth leader and an excellent preacher. His wife, Melinda, and son, John Weston (10 months) will join him in this ministry.

Woman's Missionary Union

Helps For YWA Leadership

by Sydney Portis

New materials and helps for the new year for YWA Leadership are now available. A list of these new materials is included in the 1965-66 WMU Yearbook, available from the Baptist Book Store for \$25. The YWA section of the Yearbook gives a list of the 1965-66 program areas, an itemized list of new materials, and other important information for YWA leaders. New priced materials include five community mission pamphlets, a community mission playlet, prayer retreat pamphlet, YWA Windy Doll Pattern, and a new film-strip, "Environment for Missions".

New free material, available upon request from the state WMU Office, includes the following: "Programs for a New YWA", "Simplified Organizational Plan for YWA", and "YWA Adult Lead-

ership". For a detailed description of Yearbook. (Samples of the free material will be included in the annual package sent to WMU presidents in September.)

Be sure to secure your copy of Kentucky Notes each quarter from your WMU president. Included in this quarterly bulletin from the state WMU Office is a section for leadership of each WMU organization. The YWA section includes leadership helps, Kentucky and southwide YWA Dates and Kentucky YWA news and promotion of Kentucky YWA activities, etc.

Using the current Yearbook, YWA Manual, Kentucky Notes, the "Kentucky at Work" Section of the Western Recorder, and the YWA Window plan for the 1965-66 YWA year. Include in your overall plans for the year a methods study (at the first of the new year), good programs, attendance at associational, state, and southwide YWA and WMU activities, focus week activities, community missions activities, fostering of sunbeams, reaching recognition on Aims. Specific and detailed planning should be done each quarter at the executive meetings.

Plan now to take the YWA leadership course either by individual or class study (see Yearbook, pp. 63-65).

"FAIL TO PLAN AND YOU PLAN TO FAIL"

Brotherhood

State Brotherhood Convention—Carlisle Ave. Baptist Church, Louisville

OCTOBER 7-8

by Forrest Sawyer

As a background for the columns that will follow this one in the series of Brotherhood articles that will continue through the October 14 issue of the Western Recorder, I would like to share with the readers of this column some of

Our Sympathy

Kentucky WMU extends sincere sympathy to Mrs. W. H. Jaegle in the recent death of her husband. Mrs. Jaegle is well-known by members of Kentucky WMU, having served as state treasurer and chairman of the finance committee of our Executive Board for many years.

the things that were surfaced back the first of the year when the Associate Brotherhood Secretary, Mr. Dyer Edwards, conversed with 45 associational Brotherhood presidents and they shared with him the work that they were endeavoring to do in carrying out Brotherhood work in their Association.

These items included . . . 1) Laymen-sponsored Revivals, 2) Mission field Surveys, 3) Graded Mission Studies, 4) Promotion of Royal Ambassador Week, 5) The conducting of Manpower Surveys, 6) The observance of Baptist Men's Day, 7) Royal Ambassador Recreational Activities, 8) The use of Hand-marked New Testaments in Personal Evangelism efforts, 9) In the areas of Stewardship Promotion, three things were specific: a) Family Life, b) Cooperative Program, c) Church Finances, 10) Promotion of Home Missions, 11) Promotion of Foreign Missions, 12) Conducting of Brotherhood Officers' Workshops, 13) The Conducting of Men's Retreats, 14) Seminars, 15) Men Boy Campouts, 16) Campercraft Clinics, 17) Associational Track Meets, 18) Leadership Training other than the Workshop as such, 19) Promotion of State Brotherhood Convention attendance, 20) Promotion of the area Crusader Pioneer Royal Ambassador Congresses, 21) Promotion of the State Track Meet, 22) The Promotion of Attendance at State Royal Ambassador Camps, 23) a Regional Fellowship Meeting, 24) Cooperation of Associational-wide Revival promotion, 25) Mission tours of the State, 26) Services in County Homes, 27) Safety Program advertising, 28) Establishment of Associational Camp, 29) The promotion of local Mission points, 30) Associational Laymen's Crusade, 31) Maintaining regular jail services, 32) Campaign against salacious literature, 33) Halting of issuance of local beer license, 34) Promotion of Christian Education Advance Program, 35) The matter of In-service type training for boys in their Royal Ambassador Program.

It is quite obvious as one considers the mission activities that are threaded through this list of projects as conducted by local, associational, and state Brotherhood leadership that there was real wisdom in the SBC approving the program of Brotherhood as conceived and formulated across its some 50 years of existence as it assigned to the Brotherhood Commission the program of *Mission Education and Missions Promotion*.

This concept has resulted in the following definition of an organized Baptist Brotherhood in that it is . . . A fellowship of Baptist men, members of the church, organized to advance the cause of Christ through a program of Missionary Education and Missions Promotion designed to inform, motivate, and enlist men in the mission task of their church.

In all of this there is one distinct consideration that needs to be prevalent in every consideration of the work of a New Testament Church and that is . . . the uniqueness of the involvement of "men" in the mission task of their church.

Hurt To Florida, More Panama Changes Made

ATLANTA (BP)—The Southern Baptist Home Mission Board here asked the dean of its Theological Institute in Panama to become its first general missionary to language groups in Florida.

Hubert O. Hurt, a native of Louisville, Miss., and a former missionary to Cuba, was to take the position effective September 1, leaving the Panama work at Arraijan where he has been since 1961.

At the same time, the mission agency announced other changes of personnel for the Republic of Panama. Wendell Parker of Santa Clara, an area missionary and encampment director, moved to the Panama City area. The Parkers and their daughter will live in the Canal Zone.

The Parkers, who have been in Panama since 1957, will continue to work with the Spanish-speaking people of the Republic in an evangelistic ministry.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Treadwell, missionaries at the Friendship Center of Albuquerque, N. M., moved to the Canal Zone, where he will be pastor of the Cocoli Baptist Church. The Treadwells have four children.

The Cocoli Church serves military and other Canal Zone personnel from the United States, but the church sponsors a number of missions among the Spanish-speaking within the Republic.

The Treadwells, both natives of Texas, served as missionaries to Brazil for eight years. He was an associational missionary in New Mexico.

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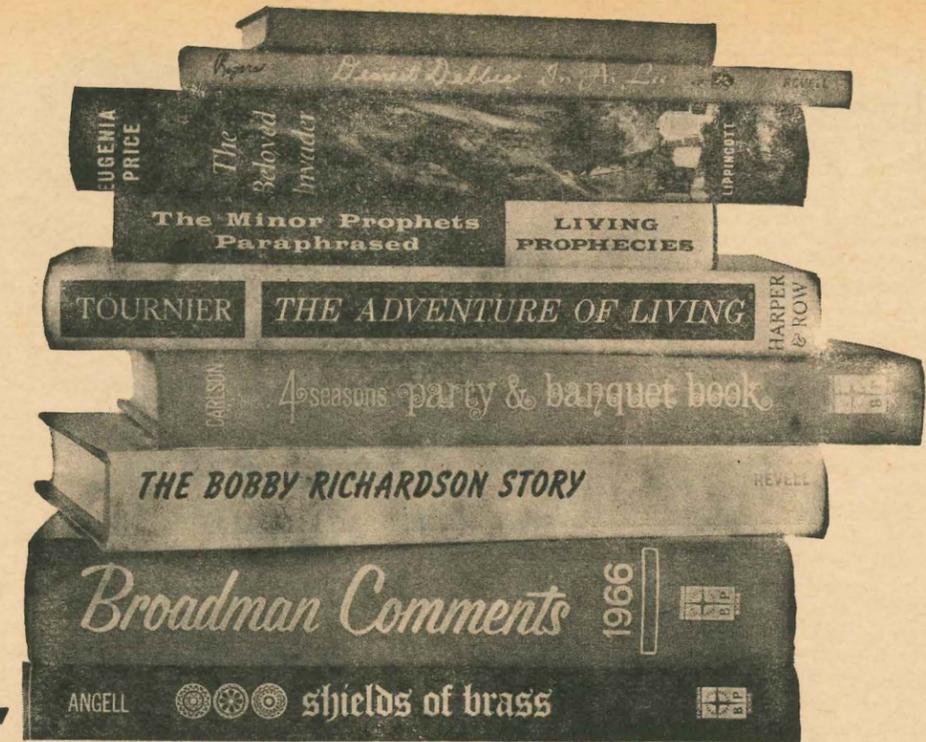
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