



**WESTERN** RECORDER

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## GLEANINGS FROM THE FIELD

**MR. AND MRS. W. E. FLORER** were honored on their Golden Anniversary with a reception on October 17 at the First Baptist Church of White Center, Seattle, Washington. The reception was given by a son, Robert E. Florer, M.D., and a daughter, Mrs. F. S. (Helen) Halbruge. The Florers were married on October 17, 1915, in the 26th and Market Street Baptist Church (now Baptist Tabernacle) in Louisville. They are both natives of Kentucky and Mr. Florer served churches in Bethel, Logan and Warren Associations. They now live at 4425 52nd, S.W., Seattle, and are both still active in church work.

**THE ROSEMONT BAPTIST CHURCH** Lexington, Dr. O. W. Yates, pastor, was led recently in a revival by Evangelist Lloyd Bardowell. Dr. Yates reports 23 additions along with other blessings from the revival and characterizes Brother Bardowell as a very sincere and scriptural preacher.

**NASHVILLE** will be site of the 18th annual conference on Church and State, sponsored by Protestants and Other Americans United for Separation of Church and State. To be held February 22, 23, the conference will feature such men as E. S. James, Texas editor; Leo Pfeffer of New York, noted constitutional lawyer; Dr. Arthur W. Mielke, pastor of Buffalo (New York) First Presbyterian Church; Jack Pemberton of Washington, general counsel for the American Civil Liberties Union; and C. Stanley Lowell of Washington, editor-in-chief of the monthly POAU publication, *Church and State*.

**JOHN AND FLORENCE GRIGGS**, Southern Baptist missionaries to Southern Rhodesia, announce the safe arrival of Rebecca Florence Griggs on December 2, 12 noon, in Ft. Victor by Caesarian section. The baby girl weighed 4½ pounds and arrived seven weeks ahead of schedule. Both mother and baby are now gaining strength and doing well.

**HANDEL'S "MESSIAH"** will be televised Christmas eve at 11:30 p.m. EST on the American Broadcasting Company. The program is produced in cooperation with the Radio-Television Commission of the SBC and features the sanctuary and chapel choirs of the First Baptist Church, Dallas, Texas. Lee Roy Till, minister of music at First Baptist, Dallas, will conduct the "Messiah."

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**, Ashland, observed Thanksgiving his year with special gratitude in that the church is now debt free. Nothing is owed on the church building, pastorium or property downtown. John M. Sykes will become pastor of the church on December 22. He comes to Ashland from North Carolina.

**REV. BURT DAVIS**, pastor, Irvington Baptist Church, Irvington, Ky., reports 9 professions of faith, three rededications and one transfer of letter in a recent revival meeting with Edward Gibson from Henderson as evangelist and Ray Cosby from Irvington as song leader.

**OKLAHOMA BAPTISTS** have approved plans for new construction projects at the Oklahoma Baptist Children's Home in Oklahoma City and at two

state Baptist encampments. Projects approved include construction of a new \$75,000 cottage at the children's home, a dining hall at Camp Hudgens for Royal Ambassador boys near McAlester, Oklahoma, and a sewer system at Falls Creek Baptist Assembly near Davis.

**JOSEPH C. CLAPP**, vice-president for development at the University of Corpus Christi (Texas), has been promoted to the Baptist school's presidency. Clapp, former director of public relations at William Jewell College in Liberty, Mo., had been vice-president of the Texas Baptist school for the past 18 months.

**TRUSTEES** for Gardner-Webb College in Boiling Springs, N. C., have employed Robert Rucker of Norman, Okla., to draw a master plan for future development of the school. The proposed campus would take care of a possible enrollment of 5,000 students within 20 years.

**RICHARD G. DERNBACK** is now pastor of Beaver Baptist Church near Cynthiana having moved from the Hillsboro Baptist Church in Elkhorn Association. The Beaver congregation has warmly received the new pastor, his wife and two children, Jessica and Michael.

**GEORGE BROOKS** was ordained a deacon at the Harrodsburg Baptist Church and other deacons to serve for the coming year were installed on December 12. Allen W. Graves, dean of the school of religious education at Southern Seminary, was the guest speaker. The pastor at Harrodsburg is Wallace Carrier.

**SIDNEY M. MADDOX**, pastor of First Baptist Church, Hopkinsville, began his ninth year as pastor on December 12. Notable achievements in these years have been the addition of 1,066 people to the membership and the completion of a new sanctuary.

**NOBEL COTTRELL**, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Tompkinsville, was evangelist in a revival at the Rock Bridge Baptist Church in Monroe County. The 11-day meeting resulted in eight professions of faith and two additions by letter. Pastor Clura Reagon reports the church was "greatly revived"

### THE ISSUE BEFORE US:

## Another View of Baptist Schools and Federal Aid

by Glenn Hinson

The question of federal aid to education is unquestionably one of the most vexing issues now before us. The issue has been attacked from so many angles that it is doubtful whether anyone can say something others have not already said better. At the risk of audacity, I should like to breach the subject from the angle of the history of Baptist endeavors in higher education.

After much reflection and study, this appears to me to be the key to the whole problem. For a long time now, we have been debating the issue: Should Baptists accept federal aid? What kind? And how much? The debate has made it clear that Baptists will reach no consensus, unless it is on the point that direct grants from the federal government are out. Various postures are assumed regarding long term federal loans at low interest rates, grants for special projects, grants to faculty members, and tuition grants to needy students.

No matter how much is given to Baptist schools through these means, they will go only a short way in solving the overall problem. In order to keep pace with rising costs and rising educational standards, the colleges must receive large sums, sums which they can hardly obtain from private resources, whether church or other.

Large private grants, comparable to the Rockefeller grants to the University of Chicago, have become and will become increasingly difficult to obtain simply because individual wealth is declining. The vast increase in the role of government in the past century has meant a steep drop in the number of millionaires or multi-millionaires. Individuals may no longer invest their gross income in a free-floating way as they once did. Even the man whose income has risen with a rise in the standard of living cannot be counted on to support charitable and educational enterprises in a worthy way, since a fifth or more of his gross income goes for taxes.

**ALL OF THIS** makes it clear that good private education without vast public aid is a thing of the past. It means, too, that we must ask a different set of questions than we have been asking. Now we must ask, **Do we need church related schools?** If so, why and how many? If not, how do we cut loose from our denomination? Here the history of Baptist higher education may lend valuable insight.

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There arises first the question: Why Baptist schools in the first place? Baptists established their first college, now Brown University, in an era when the colonial governments had not entered into the educational enterprise and when other educational institutions, all denominational, presented a narrowly sectarian viewpoint. Their main concern was the education of young men for the ministry in order to improve the overall Baptist witness to Christ.

**THE ORIGINAL VISION** enlarged somewhat as the early institutions proved successful. Baptists soon realized that sound theological training depended on sound liberal arts training. They found laymen clamoring to receive an education too. Church-related colleges purported to offer something the state colleges did not, namely a sound and well-rounded education from a Christian perspective and in a Christian setting.

The rationale behind this early educational effort was sound. If Baptists maintained a corps of trained, effective leaders, they would have to have institutions of higher learning, not only for ministers but for laymen as well. Through institutions of learning they could exert a healthy religious influence on their youth, thus preparing for the future.

Today, the situation has changed. There is no longer a problem of choice

**THE COVER**

Christmas is not just for children but the carols they sing delight the heart of the adult. Our cover picture is through the courtesy of the Home Mission Board, SBC.

With this Christmas issue of the paper goes our best wishes to the readers for a happy holiday season. We are grateful for the privilege of serving you in 1965.

There will be no December 30 issue in keeping with our policy of omitting two issues each year.

—The Editor

in education. The states have now shouldered the lion's share of the educational burden at the college level, even as they have the elementary and secondary levels. They can be expected to do this more and more, particularly in view of increasing federal subsidy of education. One day in the not too distant future, perhaps within two or three decades, qualified American youth may expect college education for about the same cost now involved in a high school education.

Even now, if Baptists had adequate resources, they could make a case for continuing church-related colleges. The latter could offer something private or state colleges did not, that is, education

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## A Christmas Tradition With Jewish Friends

by Nathan Porter, Associate Secretary, Missionary Personnel

"What do you do at Christmas time with and for your Jewish friends? I posed this question to several friends in a recent quick and unscientific survey. "I have no Jewish friends" was the answer most often given.

"No Jewish friends" is truly an indictment on many of us. We will celebrate Christmas without wrapping the gift of our friendship to those around us.

A Jewish neighbor may be a merchant, grocer, banker, professor, student, salesman, or a family down the street back home.

First, remember your Jewish neighbors by observing with them the festival called Hanukkah. The term means "dedication"; it is a post-Biblical (Old Testament) holiday, and is referred to as the "Feast of Lights" or the "Feast of Dedication." Hanukkah begins on the first day of the month of Kislev and lasts for eight days (December 19-26, 1965). It commemorates the Maccabean victory over the Syrians in 165 B.C. and the rededication of the Temple which

had been defiled by Antiochus, king of Syria.

Hanukkah is very popular with children; they enjoy lighting the candles (one each evening), receiving traditional gifts of money, and playing appropriate games. Send Hanukkah cards, visit in the home of Jewish friends, and give small gifts to each child.

Hanukkah probably records the first struggle for religious freedom in human history, and it is appropriate for all of us to join this festive celebration.

Second, invite Jewish friends to a Christmas dinner in your home. Make this dinner a "Christian tradition" where prayer is said and the Christmas story is read from the Bible.

Third, Jewish friends should be invited to the special Christmas programs at the church. Special significance can be given to the children's program or the choir's music service.

The first Christmas happened to a Jewish family. Let us make it happen again! Reprinted from *Key News*

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### None Greater Than Dr. W. R. Pettigrew

Of those who have served the Lord among Baptists in this generation, none was greater than Dr. W. R. Pettigrew, pastor of Walnut Street Baptist Church in Louisville. His death on December 12 will be felt widely and deeply by his own members, by many Baptists in Kentucky as well as by the worldwide Baptist fellowship.

Any way he was measured, his dimensions were great and magnificent. As a person he had few peers. His favorite Scripture passage was I Corinthians 13 and his life was a personification of this chapter. For Dr. Pettigrew unkindness was unknown and gentleness was a way of life.

As moderator of the General Association of Baptists during two tempestuous years, his fairness, calmness and Christian statesmanship will never be forgotten. As vice-president of the Southern Baptist Convention and a long time member of the Southern Baptist Executive Committee, his influence and insights were recognized and appreciated by fellow leaders of the Convention.

Above all, he was a pastor and a personal evangelist. Only the Lord knows the pastoral load lifted by his strong shoulders and borne by his compassionate heart. How many lost souls found Jesus through his personal witnessing is known only to the Lord for his modesty would never let him parade statistics. The fact that only three Sundays when he was in his pulpit during his nearly twenty years at Walnut Street saw no persons coming for public decisions for Christ speaks volumes about his evangelistic heart. If souls are stars in one's crown, Dr. Pettigrew's will be a bright and heavy crown.

His pastoral ministry was ideal. Since seminary days he has served only three pastorates. To each of these he gave himself completely and his ministry became an epoch in the life of each church. The First Baptist Church, Springfield, Tennessee, the Citadel Square Baptist Church, Charleston, South Carolina, as well as Walnut Street in Louisville will ever have the imprint of this gracious and good man.

What might have happened to Walnut Street with the changing inner city and the flight to suburbia in recent years without the dedication and leadership of Dr. Pettigrew is hard to say. He never appeared to doubt that the Lord wanted Walnut Street to remain on the corner of Third and St. Catherine with a ministry reaching out miles and miles. The continuing strength of Walnut Street testifies to the rightness of his conviction.

An indispensable part of his ministry was his wife. They were inseparable and Mrs. Pettigrew will always be a model for preachers' wives. Her loss will be the greatest of all those close to him but she possesses a treasury of happy memories and the strength that comes from the prayers of thousands.

### Progress at Campbellville College

A significant step in the rapid expansion and development of Campbellville College took place on December 10 with the dedication of the Goldfarb Industrial Center and a new \$240,000 dormitory for 88 girls. Friends and trustees of the college joined the faculty, administration and student body for the happy occasion.

Emphasis on the occasion was upon the present and future potential of the Campbellville Industries. Started in 1955 with \$20,000 for the purpose of helping students work their way through college, the industry is now a \$200,000 enterprise. Over 400 students have worked in the industry since 1955.

A variety of products has been produced since the beginning of the industry but the most successful ones seem to be display racks for the Union Underwear Company, aluminum bodies for trucks, church metal bulletin boards and church steeples.

Until recently the industry was housed in a building on the campus. Now it has been moved to a major industrial development site in another part of Campbellville. The site was purchased through the efforts of the local Chamber of Commerce and given to the college. The most honored man of the day was Mr. Jack A. Goldfarb of New York. A Russian-born Jew, Mr. Goldfarb has become an outstanding industrialist and philanthropist. As chairman of the Board of Directors of the Union Underwear Company which has a major factory in Campbellville, Mr. Goldfarb has shown great interest in the community and the college. His gift of \$10,000 was the major contribution for the new industry building. Other donors included United States Steel and Reynolds Metal Company.

The new dormitory for girls which was also dedicated was constructed with a loan from the C.I.T. (Certified Investment Trust) Corporation. This private lending corporation provides the money at 4½% interest for twelve years for construction according to college specifications. The mortgage payments are made from income from student rentals.

The main speaker for the occasion was Mr. W. H. Neal, vice president of the Western Kentucky Gas Company, another giver to the Campbellville Industries. A Presbyterian layman as well as a company executive, Mr. Neal praised the college and its administration for their part in the industrial development of the community and the training of youth.

The day also offered occasion for the first meeting of Campbellville trustees following the recent increase in the number of trustees from 24 to 36. The increase was approved and the additional trustees elected at the Kentucky Baptist Convention meeting in Lexington in November of this year. The trustees met in the various committees and then held a full trustee meeting late in the afternoon.

Dr. D. L. Druen retired from the board after 30 years of service. This significant record of service is enhanced by the fact that he served as chairman of the trustees for all these thirty years. He is now serving as a vice-president of the college and is in charge of development. Dr. A. H. Phillips of Columbia was chosen as the new Board chairman.

Those attending the dedication exercises could but be impressed by the significant trends apparent in our Baptist colleges today. One of the buildings was a factory and was constructed without any Baptist funds. The chief contributor and the honored man of the day was a Jew. The main speaker for the occasion was a Presbyterian business executive. The other building dedicated was constructed with money from a private lending corporation.

Baptists' contributions to Campbellville are very significant but this occasion plainly points to current directions of our schools for needed finances. As Baptists we can rejoice with Campbellville College for this significant step but we cannot boast of any major contribution to it.

### The Sounds of Christmas

There are many sounds of Christmas. Some are wonderful, some are disturbing and some are unworthy of the season.

There is the heartwarming sound of the "hello" of loved ones and friends reuniting for a happy holiday. There's the merry sound of sleigh bells in the snow and tinkling ornaments hanging from the Christmas tree. There's the incomparable sound of happy and excited children on Christmas morn discovering the faithful generosity of Santa Claus. There's the sweet sound of Christmas carols sung by happy youths standing in the snow outside a shut-in's window.

But this Christmas there is also the far away muffled sound of rifle fire, mortar shells and the putt-putt of helicopter ambulances. The groan of a dying hero and the prayer of a lonely wounded soldier are sad sounds we cannot escape in this sinful world. And almost worst of all is the clanging cash register bells tolling out a crass commercial Christmas that dishonors Christ.

But the sound of sounds for Christmas is the praise of the heavenly hosts splitting the Judaean skies long ago with the declaration, "Glory to God in the highest heaven! Peace upon earth among men of goodwill" (Luke 2:14 Phillips Translation). After 2,000 years this cry of the heavenly hosts is still our greatest hope. It gives meaning to the laughter of children and to the bells of Christmas. It overcomes with inner victory the agony of war and the sorrow of separation. It judges the profiteering upon holy seasons.

Peace in the form of world tranquility remains an unrealized hope and dream of man. True peace, however, has been a reality in the hearts of all who have received the Savior since the heavenly announcement that glorious night long ago. May this peace be our possession this Christmas and forevermore.

## BAPTIST FORUM



### Report from South Dakota

Dear Editor:

I am pastor of the First Baptist Chapel, Webster, South Dakota. It is a small mission of Southside Baptist Church, Aberdeen, South Dakota.

I came to Webster last summer as a student missionary. I had heard that the Baptist work in South Dakota was very small and slow and that ministers and Christian workers were needed for this pioneer field. Upon making an application through the Baptist Student Union at Campbellville College, Campbellville, Kentucky, and being interviewed by Dr. J. Chester Durham, I was accepted as a student pastor of the

chapel for the summer. Three students came to Webster: Sarah Sell, Mississippi College, Clinton, Mississippi, Arlene Clark, also of Campbellville and myself. The work was slow and we began with five or six in church each Sunday.

By the end of the summer, we had grown to 25 in attendance. Even though our membership included only one adult man we still had made a great leap forward.

As the summer came to a close, the people began to question whether the chapel would continue, would it fold up, could we get a pastor, and would I stay? Bro. Ross Rarmonson, pastor of

Southside Baptist Church, was important to me in helping with the chapel and as a friend. He asked me to stay as pastor. I was just a sophomore in college at Campbellville College. I would have to have help in finishing my education at Northern State College in Aberdeen, South Dakota if I were to come to South Dakota to be both a pastor and a student. Immediately Brother Harmonson and I began to seek help. We felt this was God's plan and a way would be provided. Walnut Street Baptist Church, Louisville, Ky., who sponsored the three of us this summer, was greatly interested in expanding their mission program to South Dakota. It was my privilege to speak to the mission committee, the deacons and the congregation of Walnut Street. With a prayer on my lips and faith in my heart, I knew they would help us. Walnut Srteet agreed to pay me a salary as pastor of the First Baptist Chapel but they did not provide

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## Foreign Mission Outlook Good, Morale High

In its December meeting the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board appointed 24 career missionaries and employed a couple for a three-year term as missionary associates, bringing its overseas mission staff to 2,072. (The figure includes 103 persons employed for short-term service, such as a group of young missionary journeymen, missionary associates, and six nurses who have gone to serve in mission hospitals for short terms.)

Dr. Baker J. Cauthen, executive secretary of the Board, said the new missionaries bring to 220 the number secured this year. This is the largest number appointed and employed in one year in the 120-year history of the Board.

Dr. Cauthen's report reviewed other accomplishments of 1965. "The launching of the Missionary Journeyman Program (for single college graduates under 27) has been one of the memorable developments of the year," he said. Crusades of evangelism have been held in several countries, notably in Thailand, Malaysia, Mexico, Ecuador, Spain, Nigeria, British Guiana, France, and Brazil.

"The nationwide effort in Brazil, which began at the end of January with 150,444 people gathered for a religious service in the Maracana Stadium in Rio de Janeiro, was especially outstanding," Dr. Cauthen said. "More than 82,000 decisions for Christ have been registered in local churches, and the revival services continue. The formal end of this campaign will come in another mass rally in Sao Paulo in January, 1966.

"Special evangelistic efforts in 1966 are planned for Ghana, Trinidad, Mexico, Chile, British Guiana, Peru, the Bahamas, Venezuela, Costa Rica, Jamaica, Poland, and Japan. Plans are nearing completion for an Asia-wide Sunday School Crusade for 1966. This should be one of the most remarkable steps in church development ever undertaken in the world.

"The burgeoning population increase throughout the world has placed upon us fresh demand for stepping up the impact of every ministry we undertake to project. A missionary consultation held last summer in Miami Beach, Fla., gave impetus to the study of the world's spiritual needs and ways in which Southern Baptists can make greater impact upon those needs."

Dr. Cauthen said the year has brought many evidences of greater involvement on the part of Southern Baptist churches and individuals in the worldwide missionary undertaking. But the major significance, he said, has been the demonstration and witness of dedication and stability by the missionaries across the world, especially in disturbed areas such

as the Dominican Republic, Vietnam, Pakistan, Indonesia, and Rhodesia.

### Expansion Outlook Good

The Foreign Mission Board asked that steps be taken toward the beginning of missionary work in Morocco, Iran, and Turkey "as soon as this proves possible and feasible" and approved the request of the First Baptist Church, Hamilton, Bermuda, for a missionary or missionary associate couple to be sent to serve the church (composed mainly of servicemen and their families) and to minister spiritually to the other people of Bermuda "in such ways as are practicable and feasible."

The decision to expand the Board's work in the Middle East followed reports of Dr. Cauthen and Dr. John D. Hughey, secretary for Europe and the Middle East, who have recently made survey trips to the area. (Dr. Cauthen reported on his trip at the November meeting of the Board.)

"Our previous impression that this is probably the most difficult mission area

in the world was strengthened," Dr. Hughey said. "There came to us also a renewed conviction that we must not write off the people of this area as beyond the reach of Christ or beyond the scope of our missionary outreach. We must strengthen what is already being done and be ready to project work in every country of the Middle East and North Africa where entry can be secured."

In the Foreign Mission Board's evening session it appointed Rev. and Mrs. James F. Leeper, of Dayton, Ky., to work among Baptists from America in Ankara, Turkey—if visas and residence permits can be secured.

In his report, Dr. Frank K. Means, secretary for Latin America, discussed two Board actions which he called "forward thrusts" in Latin America. One was the approval of a missionary couple for Bermuda, and the other the transfer of a missionary nurse, Miss Frances Crawford, of Farmington, Mo., from Nigeria to Honduras, where she will initiate a medical project. The Baptist Mission of Honduras (organization of Southern Baptist missionaries in the country) has requested personnel and financial backing for such a project.

Miss Crawford, a trained midwife, will probably work in a rural or village situation where the local populace has no access to medical help or facilities.

### Morale High in Troubled Spots

Dr. Winston Crawley, secretary for the Orient, has just returned from a trip which took him to all but two of the Orient fields where Southern Baptists have missionaries. In Korea he studied with Dr. Franklin T. Fowler, the Board's medical consultant, plans for the expansion of a Baptist hospital in Pusan.

They also met in Bangalore, India, to discuss with government officials the opening of a hospital in that area and to consider possible sites. "We recommend moving right ahead with plans for a hospital at Bangalore as rapidly as possible," he said.

Dr. Crawley said an outstanding new development in Hong Kong is the Baptist Social Welfare Center being developed by Hong Kong Baptists to meet some of the needs of the multitude of refugees in the colony.

The most timely portions of his trip, he said, were the visits in Indonesia and Pakistan, which have been major crisis areas for the past several months.

Thus far, the missionaries in Indonesia have found it possible to go ahead with mission work on a fairly normal basis and with only temporary relocations within the country, he said. "Furthermore, they have a high level of morale and a feeling of encouragement about their missionary opportunities," he stressed.



**HOSPITAL GETS \$2 MILLION CHECK**—A check for \$2 million, the initial amount in a loan agreement that provides up to \$7.8 million for hospital expansion, is received for Southern Baptist Hospital in New Orleans by T. Sloan Guy (seated left), executive director of the board of Southern Baptist Hospitals. Presenting the check is Edgar Bright, Jr., (seated right), vice-president of a New Orleans mortgage firm. Looking on are M. Thurman Woodward, Jr., legal counsel for Southern Baptist Hospital and Charles E. Blackmon, director of the Bethesda Foundation, a subsidiary of the Southern Baptist Hospital.

(BP Photo)

## Illinois Baptist Board Rejects Student Building

CARBONDALE, Ill. (BP)—The board of directors for the Illinois Baptist State Association rejected by a close vote a proposal to purchase space in a Student Center Building at the Edwardsville (Ill.) campus of Southern Illinois University.

In a debate over the proposal, Bill Fox of East St. Louis said the proposal committed Baptists to participation in "an ecumenical movement."

The proposed student center will be jointly owned and occupied by seven denominational groups composing the Religious Council of the University.

Chairman of the Baptist state association's Education Committee, Keith Stanford, argued that the move was necessary for a Southern Baptist ministry to the students at Edwardsville.

Rejection of the proposal would automatically remove Southern Baptists from participation and direction in establishing a University-approved religious ministry on the campus, Stanford argued.

Following a lengthy debate, the proposal lost in a 32 to 23 secret ballot, but a subsequent motion that Baptists remain members of the school's religious council if possible was approved.

In other action, the 72-member board created a position of area language missionary and employed J. E. Godsoe of Chicago for the post. Godsoe has been a language missionary in Chicago for the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board since July.

The board tabled a motion to create a new department of church bond promotion, but the promotion of bonds will continue as a part of the administration's duties.

## SBC 11 Months' Giving Tops Budget, Overage to Missions

NASHVILLE (BP)—During the first eleven months of the year, the Southern Baptist Convention went over its \$19.8 million budget by \$267,857, sending that amount to support home and foreign missions.

November financial report from the SBC Executive Committee here revealed that the convention appears headed for a record year of giving during 1965, the 40th anniversary of the Cooperative Program plan of world missions support.

During mid-November, the budget was reached and all amounts over the budget went two-thirds to foreign missions and one-third to home missions through the budget's advance section.

A total of \$20,103,457 was given through the Cooperative Program for the first 11 months of the year.

An additional \$16,933,554 was given to

designated missions causes, bringing total (undesignated and designated) contributions to \$37,037,011.

Undesignated gifts for the first 11 months of the year exceed gifts for the same period last year by \$1¼ million; and designated contributions for that period exceed designations during 1964 by \$1.2 million.

## New Orleans Hospital Get Big Loan Check

NEW ORLEANS (BP)—A check for \$2 million, the initial portion of a huge loan to finance expanded facilities, has been deposited by Southern Baptist Hospital here.

The financing agreement between the hospital and a life insurance company's mortgage loan correspondent provides that the hospital may borrow up to \$7.8 million on a long-term note.

It is one of the largest such loan agreements ever made by a single institution directly related to the Southern Baptist Convention.

The arrangement has unusual flexibility, providing that less than the full sum may be borrowed, said T. Sloane Guy, executive director of the board of Southern Baptist hospitals. Guy said that the hospital may pre-pay without penalty of any kind.

"Southern Baptist Hospital can realize full benefits from donations, fund raising activities, wills and bequests," said Guy.

## U-2 That Doesn't Fly At Baptist Film Center

NASHVILLE—Customers of the Louisville Baptist Film Center to be located January 3 at 317 Guthrie St. there, will benefit from a U2 "super" machine (not to be confused with the U2 airplane used by the United States armed forces).

The device is a \$4,000 U2a model Harwald film inspection machine with cleaning attachment. According to Odell Crowe of the Baptist Sunday School Board's book store division, the mechanism does a job no human can do in speed and accuracy.

"Possession of this film inspection machine will mean the film centers will turn out films with all defects repaired and films that will be as trouble free as possible," says Crowe.

In the machine the film is run through an automatic film cleaning process. Next an electronic sensing device checks the film for nicks, breaks, and thick splices which could jam a projector. When any damaged spot is found, the machine automatically stops. Damage is then repaired.



**NASHVILLE—How many church study course books in a stack equal a 5-foot-10 author? Dr. James L. Sullivan, executive secretary-treasurer of the Sunday School Board says it's 1.8 books to the inch. He's holding down 129 copies of "John's Witness to Jesus," the book he wrote for adults and young people to use during January Bible Study Week 1966. By the first of December, 405,000 books had been sent to Baptist Book Stores for sale. The printing was 427,000 copies—the largest number of any Convention Press book suggested for January Bible Study Week. Sales of "John's Witness to Jesus" are expected to exceed the record set by the book used in the 1965 emphasis.—Photo by Robert L. Jackson.**

Available in the Louisville film center will be approximately 650 16mm motion picture films produced by Broadman Films, the Southern Baptist Radio and Television Commission and general producers. Rental motion picture projection equipment will also be available in the film centers.

A new film catalog "Filmlog," listing the 16mm motion pictures carried by the film centers will be available January 15. As a special service to customers, all Baptist Book Stores will make available copies of the catalog.

Customers may order motion picture films from their nearest Baptist Film Center. All centers will carry the same film titles. Churches or individuals renting films will be billed from Nashville.

Locations of other Baptist Film Centers where a similar film machine will be placed are: Charlotte, N. C.; Richmond, Atlanta, Birmingham, Kansas City, Mo.; Jackson, Miss.; Dallas, Oklahoma City and Fresno. The BSSB's book store division will direct the work of the film center.

Yours  
and  
His



### A Prince Is Dead

Dr. W. R. Pettigrew, beloved pastor of Walnut Street Baptist Church in Louisville, died Sunday night, December 12, following a heart attack two weeks earlier. He was buried December 14th after an impressive memorial service at the church which he loved and served for nearly 20 years conducted by the associate pastor, Robert Young, and Rollin S. Burhans, president of Kentucky Southern College.

Dr. Pettigrew loved people. He was a pastor. He loved Baptist people. He was "Mr. Baptist" to Kentuckians and others throughout the Baptist fellowship. He stands as the symbol of faithful, true, Baptist principles. He served his Lord well, and through his denomination. He had many offices in the Southern Baptist Convention, and practically every office in the Kentucky Baptist Convention—including the Presidency and the vice-presidency several times. He was a trustee of Kentucky Southern College.

I called Dr. W. W. Boone, former executive secretary in our state and very close friend of Dr. Pettigrew. He expressed deep appreciation for his friendship, integrity and service to Baptists in our state.

### He Loved Missions

If there was one thing which stood out in his heart it was missions. He always promoted the Cooperative Program in his church, state, and Southern Baptist Convention. His church led our state in Cooperative Program gifts again last year (\$63,000-plus) and he told me he hoped he lived to see Walnut Street Church giving above \$100,000 annually to world Baptist missions through the Cooperative Program.

He can say with Paul: "Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness . . . and not for me only, but for all those who love his appearing." If there be such things as "star-studded crowns" in heaven with stars representing souls won, then W. R. Pettigrew will wear a heavy crown—both personally, and through the mission efforts of his people. We bear up on wings of faithful prayer his beloved wife, two daughters, grandchildren—and his people at Walnut Street Baptist Church.

Harold G. Sanders

## Kentucky Baptists

### Gilead Baptist, Glendale Holds Successful Revival

Robert E. Humphreys, Owensboro, was the evangelist in a revival at the Gilead Baptist Church, Glendale. There were 24 professions of faith, five additions by letter and 57 rededications with two volunteers for a Christian vocation.

Larry Putnam, Radcliff, led the music. Pastor George Smith reports a wonderful spirit of cooperation in the church and commends Dr. Humphreys for his splendid messages.

Humphreys has been in revivals at First Baptist Church, Liberty and the Calvary Baptist Church, Bowling Green, recently. He is the former pastor of First Baptist Church, Owensboro, prior to his retirement.

### Central, Lexington, Ordains Deacons, Holds Retreat

Grundy Janes and Johnson Longacre were ordained deacons by the Central Baptist Church, Lexington, December 12. Dr. Fred T. Moffatt, Sr., former pastor of the First Baptist Church, Frankfort, now retired, preached the sermon of ordination.

In November, the deacons and their wives attended a one night retreat at Boone Lodge, Cedarmore Baptist Assembly. Dr. Austin Roberts, pastor of the Lexington Avenue Baptist Church, Danville, led the conference for deacons. Mrs. Roberts led the conference for the wives.

Homer Carter is pastor of Central Baptist in Lexington.

### Kentuckian Ordained In South Dakota

James L. Clark, a native of Marion, Kentucky, was ordained to the ministry November 19 in Webster, South Dakota.



James L. Clark

Clark went to Webster as a summer missionary and became pastor of the First Baptist Chapel there. The mission was sponsored by South Side Baptist Church, Aberdeen, South Dakota and the Walnut Street Baptist Church, Louisville. Walnut Street gave financial support to three summer missionaries in 1965.

At the close of the summer, Clark was invited to stay on as pastor and Walnut Street agreed to pay him a salary of \$250 per month.

A student at Campbellsville College,

Clark has transferred his credits to Northern State College in Aberdeen.

Reports indicate the mission is growing under his leadership. Webster has a population of 2,500 and has never before had a Baptist church of any kind.

### Kentuckian Named Prexy Of North Carolina College

Dr. Fred Blake Bentley, an assistant dean and assistant professor of education at the University of Louisville, has been named president of Mars Hill College in North Carolina. Bentley will begin his work there July 1, 1966.

The 30-year-old native of Roanoke, Virginia, will succeed Dr. Hoyt Blackwell, 75, who will retire after 28 years as head of the 110-year-old Baptist college.

Bentley is a graduate of Baylor University, school of music at Southern Seminary and the University of Indiana. From the Indiana school he received the doctor of education degree in higher education and educational philosophy.

### R. B. Hooks, Sr., Accepts Brownsville Pastorate

The associational missionary in Warren County has resigned to become pastor of the Brownsville Baptist Church. He is R. B. Hooks, Sr., a former employee of the Kentucky Baptist Convention. He was pastor of Bruner's Chapel Baptist Church, Harrodsburg, before going to Warren County.

The association honored the Hooks with a seven-piece silver service and expressions of appreciation on December 6.

The associational moderator, Wallace Morris, pastor of the Forest Park Baptist Church, Bowling Green, commends Hooks for his convictions and his "untiring efforts to promote the work of Kentucky Baptists in Warren County."

### Death Claims Dr. William R. Pettigrew

Pastor of the Walnut Street Baptist Church for more than 19 years, William R. Pettigrew died at the Kentucky Baptist Hospital December 12 at 10:25 p.m. He was 65.

An illness earlier this year had taken him out of his pulpit for six weeks. He had recovered and assumed his work at the church.

Returning from a revival in South Carolina, he preached on Sunday morning, November 28 and indicated then he was not well. He suffered a heart attack later that day and was hospitalized.

Funeral services were held at the Walnut Street Church, Tuesday, December 14 at 2:30 p.m. Dr. Rollin Burhans, president of Kentucky Southern College and Robert Young, associate pastor of Walnut Street Church, officiated.

Dr. Pettigrew was survived by his wife, his mother, and two daughters.

### Williamsburg Professor Elected To Teacher Council

E. C. Masden, academic dean of Cumberland College, Williamsburg, was elected a director of the Southern Council on Teacher Education at its annual meeting in Richmond, Va., in December.

This organization is affiliated with the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.

Lyman Ginger, dean of the college of education, University of Kentucky, Lexington, and John Dotson, director of graduate studies, Union College, Barbourville, are the other directors representing Kentucky.

### Mrs. Roy Boatwright Suffers Severe Heart Attack

Mrs. Roy Boatwright, wife of the Sunday School secretary for Kentucky Baptists, suffered a severe heart attack on December 15. She is now in Kentucky Baptist Hospital, Louisville. She is not permitted visitors.

Mrs. Boatwright became ill while in Nashville with her husband for winter conferences at the Sunday School Board. She was brought to Louisville that evening.

The Boatwright's daughter, Mrs. Fred Hill of Columbus, Ohio, arrived in Louisville December 16.

### Salt River Baptist, Danville, Holds Revival

Salt River Baptist Church, near Danville, held a week-end revival November 19-21.

A team of three students from Georgetown College led in the services. Bob Strong, Louisville, was the evangelist; Tom Chapman, Huntington, W. Va., was song leader and Diane Liggett, Indianapolis, was pianist and recreation leader.

Pastor Ralston Spencer reports a wonderful spirit of revival with several decisions made during and just after the meeting.

During the revival there were three professions of faith and five rededications. The following Sunday, four young people came on profession of faith and one came for rededication.

Spencer is a senior at Georgetown College. The Salt River Baptist Church is in South District Association.



DR. WILLIAM R. PETTIGREW stands on a tract purchased for use as a parking lot by his church, Walnut Street Baptist, pictured in the background. This photo was made last month as the church marked the 150th anniversary of the congregation that was organized as First Baptist Church and later merged with Second Baptist to become the Walnut St. Baptist Church. (Photo courtesy Courier-Journal)

### An Open Letter To The Baptists In Kentucky

Your President, Dr. Nelson, and the Christian Education Committee have asked me to serve as chairman for this year. I have not sought this position. No man in his right mind would; in fact, I would rather not serve. But someone must, and now that it has been thrust upon me, I request your prayers for wisdom and the leadership of the Holy Spirit.

The Committee has specifically been charged by the convention to explore the feasibility of a loan, bond issue, or other means of support for our schools and B.S.U. centers. The Committee met December 2, elected officers, and appointed subcommittees for special work.

At this point it would be presumptuous and premature for me to predict what our findings, report, or recommendation may be. However, we are committed to the following principles:

- ▶ To do the best job we can in the amount of time we have.
- ▶ Secure information on sources of support for our schools and B.S.U. centers.
- ▶ Frame the best report and recommendation we can for the Executive Board.
- ▶ Keep Kentucky Baptists informed of our work and findings.
- ▶ Hope that when the time arrives for Kentucky Baptists to make a decision that they will have adequate information.
- ▶ Accept the fact that the final decision will be made by Kentucky Baptists. The decision is too big to be made by the Christian Education Committee alone. We must all share in this decision.

The crisis of Christian Education is such that the Southern Baptist Convention is in the midst of a two-year study of Southern Baptist Christian Education. Realizing that it is a major matter for Kentucky Baptists, we give ourselves to this almost insurmountable problem with the hope that our Baptist brethren will pray for us, and share with us any worthy suggestions they may have. We will be grateful for any help which may be given. We cannot promise you that all letters will be personally answered or will be published in the *Western Recorder*, but we will appreciate any light which any may be able to give. My address is 527 Allen Street, Owensboro, Kentucky.

Dr. Harold Purdy, Chairman of the Subcommittee on Capital Improvements, scheduled a meeting of his committee for December 16 in order to assign responsibilities, secure information, and make plans for a full report to the committee.

Brethren, pray for us.

Sincerely,  
HAROLD WAINSCOTT

**Seminary Foundation Sets \$5,000,000 Endowment Goal**

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (BP)—A program to secure \$5 million in endowment funds for Southern Baptist Theological Seminary was announced by the directors of the seminary's foundation at their annual meeting here.

Projects to be underwritten by the fund include the Billy Graham Chair of Evangelism, other chairs of instruction, scholarships and student aid.

"The plan of approach in securing this endowment fund," said the Foundation's Executive Director, Paul G. Kirkland, "will be personal contact with key individuals throughout the nation who are concerned about theological education and have the means to underwrite its future."

Starting point in the long-range program will be the \$500,000 endowment campaign for the Billy Graham Chair.

Funds in the total endowment program will provide the future income necessary for continuing excellence in theological education.

Gordon Ford, senior partner in the Louisville accounting firm of Yeager, Ford and Warren, was elected chairman of the foundation's board for the coming year. He succeeds Clarence Manning of Richmond, Va., who is chairman of Reynolds Metals Company.

**Carlisle Avenue Calls Minister of Music**

Pastor James Abernathy has announced the coming of his former associate at Calvary Baptist Church, Evansville, Ind., to be minister of music



Tony Whitfield

at the Carlisle Avenue Baptist Church, Louisville.

He is A. G. "Tony" Whitfield, a native of Madisonville, Ky., and a graduate of Georgetown College.

Prior to his Evansville ministry, he served the Thornhill Baptist Church, Frankfort, and the First Baptist Church, Paris.

He is married to the former Georgann Hamrick. They have two children, Alice and Tony, Jr.



CHRISTIAN LIFE COMMISSION, SBC

The Civil Aeronautics Board recently reported that drinking by pilots accounted at least in part for four light-plane accidents early this year in which eleven persons were killed.

According to the October 1965 issue of *Population Bulletin*, by the year 2000 the earth will be inhabited by 7.4 billion people, if present trends continue. Average human density per square mile will rise from 63 to 142. Population experts predict that unless this trend is altered by famine, nuclear war, or some "miraculous" form of fertility control, the outcome will be disastrous for the human race.

The Health Insurance Institute reports that over 53.1 million persons were injured in the US in 1964, a gain of 1.3 million over the previous years, making 1964 the worst accident year in history. Some alcohol experts estimate that about 55% of serious and fatal accidents, including those in the home and in automobiles, are caused in whole or in part by misuse of alcohol.

The United States Department of Labor reports that violations of the Fair Labor Standards and Public Contract Acts have increased every year for the past ten years. In 1965 the amount of wages illegally withheld was 23% higher than in the previous year. More than 400,000 American workers were underpaid nearly \$75 million in minimum wage and overtime earnings last year.

"Of all the ugly forms of discrimination, none is as destructive to a man's life as prejudice that prevents him from getting a job and making a living . . . all of the high goals of our civil rights laws will fail if we do not overcome discrimination that makes a family man a defeated pauper and an embittered creature of public charity." —Franklin D. Roosevelt, Jr., Chairman, US Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

**SBC President "Installs" Former SBC President**

LOS ANGELES (BP)—The President of the Southern Baptist Convention, Wayne Dehoney of Jackson, Tenn., spoke at formal installation services here for the immediate past president of the SBC—K. Owen White.

White was inaugurated as missions coordinator for Baptist work in the metropolitan Los Angeles area, a post he assumed July 1.

He was president of the Southern Baptist Convention from 1963-64 while serving as pastor of the First Baptist Church of Houston.

Now White is coordinating missions activity for a metropolitan area where the urban and suburban population is greater than the population of the entire state of Texas.

More than 2,000 Baptists attended the mass rally held in conjunction with White's installation.

Dehoney, in the major message, said that the crowd present that night "could so transform Los Angeles that one year from tonight you would scarcely recognize it."

Dehoney challenged the crowd to claim the power of the Holy Spirit "which can capture even a sophisticated, scientific, cultured society in Los Angeles."

White, whose ministry began nearly 40 years ago in Los Angeles, told a luncheon gathering of 148 key civic, business and religious leaders that the metropolitan area desperately needs a spiritual awakening.

**California Baptist College Board Rejects Federal Aid**

RIVERSIDE, Calif. (BP)—The board of trustees of California Baptist College here adopted a statement rejecting federal aid and stating agreement with the Southern Baptist General Convention of California which earlier had passed a similar resolution.

Trustees of the Baptist school stated: "We pledge our support of the principle of separation of church and state by declaring again our opposition to our use of such funds."

The trustees also expressed "appreciation of, and wholehearted agreement with, the convention action concerning the rejection of federal funds for aid to education."

During the annual Baptist state convention in San Jose just a few weeks earlier, California Baptists had adopted a strongly-worded resolution condemning the use of government funds for church-related institutions and programs.

The convention also ignored a motion

which would have authorized the college trustees to accept federal aid in whatever form they could get it. The motion died for lack of a second.

During the college board meeting here, there was no discussion or debate on the statement. It was adopted unanimously.

Three laymen were elected as new officers of the Board. New president is Elmer Austin, Alhambra, Calif., who previously was vice-president of the board. New vice-president is Walter Carney of Claremont, Calif., and new secretary is Glen Young, a layman from San Bernadino, Calif.

**Baptist Schools**

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from the Christian perspective. Given the fact that we do not have adequate resources, however, we must ask frankly whether our limited supply could not be used so as to achieve the basic purposes of Baptist higher education more readily.

Our purposes, we must remind ourselves, are to help our youth obtain a Christian perspective and to create a reservoir of well-educated Christian leaders. In order to accomplish these ends, we have been carrying a double load. We have sought at the college level to provide all education in order to provide religious education. This seems to me to be analogous to the story of the man who bought a burro to carry his pack, but, when the burro proved too weak, he carried both the burro and the pack!

Would it not be wiser to let the burro walk by himself and carry only the pack? Baptists have done this with reference to elementary and secondary education. They have been professedly strong supporters of public education. Even at the college level, they have willingly cut loose their schools when circumstances dictated. The earliest Baptist colleges, for example, Rhode Island College (now Brown University) and Columbian College (now George Washington University), were released in this way. Temple University has had an unusual history in that it was formed by Baptists, released to become private, and now (in 1965) has become public, adopted by the state of Pennsylvania.

The loosing of educational institutions is not easy, of course. We are bound to them and they are bound to us by strong ties. But just as fathers and mothers must allow their young to go it on their own when they reach the age of maturity, so also must Baptists act toward their schools. Some of our colleges now have the maturity to "leave home." They would gain greatly from such a move, for as private schools they could take federal subsidies. Some of them could become public institutions.

Other colleges, younger and less stable, may need to stay in the nest longer. However, it is imperative that some plan be mapped out for their eventual release. It will not become easier, but harder, for the church-related school to operate, as the various governments—federal, state, and local—assume more and more of the educational task. The Education Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention ought to make the mapping task one of its central concerns in its present study of Southern Baptist education.

But, someone will surely ask, what will take the place of our colleges in the achievement of our goals? Two things. (1) We must endow chairs of religion or Bible on state and private campuses, as we have done only in a few instances. Many state and private colleges now welcome such efforts. (2) We must create a campus ministry to college youth which will help them to integrate their academic training with their Christian faith.

The present B.S.U. program will not do the job. Southern Baptists need to

invest far more money and personnel in the campus ministry than they do now. With resources gained from the loosing of colleges and universities, they could upgrade steeply the present effort and reach far more college youth than they are doing now. After all, there are far more Baptist youth in non-Baptist than in Baptist schools! Because of rising tuition costs, this trend will continue.

There ought to be at least one competent, well-trained "minister" for every two or three hundred students. These campus ministers should receive the best theological training Southern Baptists can offer, having Th.D.s and Ph.D.s or the equivalent. They could render many ministries—offering assistance to the student in his intellectual, religious, and personal life. Properly skilled, they could touch the right chords to bring harmony and integration of the discipline.

The changes that have occurred in the past several decades require radical rethinking of many things. Our effort in higher education is one of them. As Christians, we have to be prepared for change in this as in many other enterprises. In this case, the reward for change will be a far broader and deeper impact on the youth of this generation and on the leadership of the next.

**"The Lean Years"**

by Virginia Wingo Missionary to Italy

Here is a small, shining experience of an early autumn day.

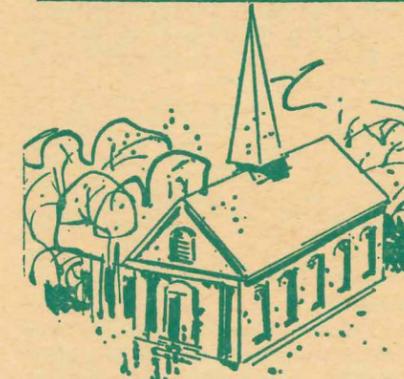
For a long time, several of us had earnestly sought a clearer understanding of the Lord's purpose in our work of training Italian Baptist young people.

That morning there came to mind, insistently, statistics long known by heart: the number of students who had graduated each year since 1953, when the first diplomas were awarded by Armstrong Memorial Training School (Baptist school for women), in Rome. These statistics are quite easy to remember, for usually there are just two or three or four graduates a year.

The "lean years"—1954, 1960, and 1964, years when only one young woman had graduated—especially came to mind. Of these years, we had often thought, "Only one?" But now there was a different thought, "Where are these three graduates at this moment?" And suddenly, as if the simple fact had not been comprehended before, came the realization, "Each is serving Christ on a different continent!"

These three left Italy within a month of each other. The one graduate of 1954, Maria Garbato, is in Cameroun. She and her husband, Angelo Chiarelli (a

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## The Lean Years

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graduate of the Italian Baptist theological seminary, Rivoli, are the first Italians to serve under the European Baptist Foreign Missionary Society, a cooperative agency established by various national Baptist groups. (Because Southern Baptists fostered Baptist work in Italy, they can consider this work in Cameroun as being, in a sense, their own.)

The 1960 graduate, Vera Marbiale, and her husband, Claudio Iafrate (also a graduate of the Rivoli seminary), are in Frankfurt, Germany, serving among Italians who work in that area.

And Paola Coacci, 1964's only graduate, is in Canada, studying in McMaster University, Hamilton, Ontario, with plans to do mission work among Italian-speaking people in Canada.

Thoughts go beyond these three to other graduates:

Paola Coacci's sister Mirella, a 1959 graduate, has already begun working for Canadian Baptists as a missionary to Italians and people of other nationalities.

On the southwestern tip of the Arabian Peninsula there is a 1956 graduate, Maria Luisa Hidalgo. After waiting more than 12 years for the answer to her prayer to become a missionary nurse, in 1964 this young Spanish woman became the first nurse at the first Christian clinic in Yemen, where she works with Southern Baptist missionaries.

## Baptist Forum

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complete financial support for the mission. We still need help in our mission. My plea and challenge is for you to save your S&H Green Stamps and send them to us. We need a piano and possibly an organ in the future. We haven't the proper pulpit or pews and our hymnals are very limited. If enough people would take this as a Christmas pledge to help our chapel, it would make us ever so grateful.

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First Baptist Chapel Jim L. Clark  
Box 63  
Webster, South Dakota

## Questions Federal Aid

Dear Editor:

After having read many of the articles in the *Western Recorder*, somehow I want to express myself. I do not claim to be smart, but I do have a passion for what is right as to the teachings of the Bible.

In the December 9 edition of the *Western Recorder*, the president of Ouachita Baptist University, Arkadelphia, Arkansas, Ralph A. Phelps, Jr., called for a reexamination of the implications of the traditional Baptist standing on separation of church and state. He said a college today cannot exist without taking federal money. This may be true. On the other hand it cannot exist as a Baptist college if it takes federal money.

I believe the tradition on which we have stood down through the years is Biblical. If we depart from that we certainly would be in for a struggle whether our church would dictate to the government or another would.

I think we need to examine the tradition which has made us what we are. If we have been wrong all these years, we have nothing to lose.

Jesus said: "Render unto Caesar the things which be Caesars, and unto God the things which be God's. Luke 20:25.

Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me in tithes and offerings.  
Central City, Ky. Irlan Snyder

## One Talent Not Enough

Dear Editor:

The recent article entitled "Five Talent Demands from One Talent Men" was very though provoking. Since mine is the view from the pew, the thoughts I express will be from a different direction.

So much has been said and written regarding difficulties between the pastor and the church that at times we begin to wonder if we are working together or are we just opposing forces.

In this cut throat, rat race, status quo generation is it any wonder that some of the dust falls off on pastor and people? We find preachers critical of preachers, people critical of their pastor and pastor critical of his church. Truly it is a vicious cycle. I agree with Mr. Gullidge we need to build a bridge

and quickly. Since most of the grunting and groaning is coming from behind the pulpit—let's begin there.

It seems that a lot of difficulty could be cleared up if each man who stands behind the sacred desk was positive that he is God's prophet to his people. Then his message like that of Jeremiah would be a fire in his bones and he would like to proclaim God's truth no matter what the cost. Next, we, as a church, need to accept our pastor as the Lord's prophet to our particular fellowship and pray that he will accept us as his flock.

The longer I live the more I am convinced that all people respond to love. No matter how piercing the message from God's Word may be to our back-slidden hearts, if the pastor truly loves his people and is able to assure his congregation of that love, they will respond. In like manner no matter how critical the people can be at times, if the pastor is sure that he has the love of the church, then he will work his heart out for them.

Personally I'm satisfied with a one-talent man in the pulpit if that one talent is "love."  
Covington, Ky. Betty Collins

## First Baptist, Jenkins, Holds Successful Revival

Guy M. Deane, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Jenkins, reports a November revival with James Pinkley, associational missionary in Bell County, as evangelist.

Garland R. Wilkerson, associational missionary in Enterprise Association, directed the music.

Reports indicate that many members felt it was the best revival in many years.

Among the visible results were a sixteen-year-old boy and his father and another man for whom the church had prayed for many years, all of whom came on profession of faith.

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# SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By H. C. Chiles

## THE NATURE OF BELIEF

(This Lesson for Sunday, January 2, 1965)

(This is the first in a series of fifteen lessons on "What Christians Believe.")

### Matthew 8:5-13.

#### 1. The Soldier.

After concluding the Sermon on the Mount Christ went to Capernaum, the place of His abode after His rejection at Nazareth, and the headquarters of His ministry in Galilee. There a centurion approached him in behalf of his afflicted servant. This resourceful Roman military officer was in charge of one hundred soldiers, and his position corresponded somewhat to the rank of a captain in a modern army. It is very significant that nothing but good is told us of any of the centurions mentioned in the New Testament.

Although he was Gentile, this patriotic centurion had seen the vanity of heathenism. He also had observed how much good the religion of the Jews was doing. He had come to have a very favorable attitude toward the Jews and their religion. He showed his love for them and his reverence for their God by building, at his own expense, a synagogue for them. Evidently he was wealthy or he could not have done this.

That this centurion was a man of unusual sweetness of character is evident from his interest in, concern for, and treatment of his servant. In those days slaves were not given much attention so far as their personal needs were concerned.

#### 2. The Servant.

This particular servant was faithful and obedient to his master. Due to his ready obedience, he had endeared himself to his master. He enjoyed his respect and was honored by him. How delightful the relationship of master and servant, or employer and employee, can be when both are motivated by the right spirit!

The servant was afflicted with palsy. Sometimes palsy, or motor paralysis, was accompanied by violent pains. Such seems to have been the case with this servant for we are told that he was "grievously tormented." He was truly in a pitiable condition. His master was exceedingly anxious for him to regain his health. However, neither medical skill nor his sympathy could assuage the dreadful sufferings or give any

strength to the palsied limbs of this faithful servant.

### Hebrews 11:1-6.

#### 1. Explanation of Faith. 1-3.

Here we have a classic description of faith and an explanation of what it does. From this, perhaps the finest description of faith in human language, we learn that the value of our faith depends upon the trustworthiness of the One in Whom our faith is anchored. The writer tells us that faith is a firm persuasion and expectation that God will fulfill to us the promises He has made, and this conviction is so strong that it gives to the souls of those who exercise it a sense of possession as though they already and really have what has been promised. Faith makes us certain of realities that we have not seen. "Things not seen" can refer to both the past and the future. We did not see Christ making atonement for our sins, but we believe that He did it. God's Word tells us what Christ did on the cross and why He did it, and we accept His declaration as a matter of fact. The very fact that we exercise faith in God and commit ourselves to Him, and that we have faith in the things that are unseen, gives us the assurance that these things will be ours in due time. Faith also makes real to us some things which we shall have in the future, such as a resurrection from the grave, a perfect likeness to Christ Whom we shall see face to face, and the enjoyment of the glorious reunion of the saved in heaven. "Faith is the tile-deed of things hoped for." It is the guarantee of possession.

Exercising faith in the Lord, which is the highest act of man in response to the divine energy, is well pleasing to God. Without faith one cannot please God.

Those believers, who lived in the early days of history, exercised a living faith in God and it enabled them to live so as to obtain a good report. Through faith also we perceive that God fashioned this universe which is teeming with the evidences of His handiwork.

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Faith leads us to understand that God was before, is in, and has power over this world.

#### 2. Examples of Faith. 4-6.

##### (1) Abel. 1:4.

How was the faith of Abel manifested? He brought unto God a sacrifice of atonement of the firstlings of his flock, acknowledging himself to be a sinner who reserved to die but was trusting in the mercy and forgiving love of God. His sin-offering of blood and life was a confession of sin and of his faith in the interposition of substitute and of a plea for forgiveness. Depending on God's grace and acting upon faith, Abel approached God in the divinely appointed way. His offering was accepted on account of his faith, rather than because of any merit of his own.

##### (2) Enoch. 1:5-6.

Enoch towered above the men of his generation and impressed the imagination of people of all the succeeding generations. All that we know about him is that "Enoch walked with God," which is the highest praise that can be bestowed on any man. Walking with God presupposes faith in Him. His faith produced friendship, congeniality, fellowship, harmony, companionship, and unity of thought, affection, will and energy. Enoch found it quite profitable to walk with God. The longer he walked with Him the more he grew in likeness to Him. What a satisfaction and joy Enoch had in walking with God! After Enoch walked with faith with Him on earth, God translated him so that he did not have to experience death. He was one of the two men who enjoyed the distinction of leaving this earth without experiencing death. God simply took him to live with Him in heaven.

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## Sunday School

### Sunday School Department Welcomes New Associate

by Roy Boatwright

The Sunday School Department is happy to announce that Rev. Clarence Penn, Jr., will assume duties as associate secretary in the Sunday School Department, January 1.



Penn

At present he is minister of education of the Immanuel Baptist Temple, Henderson, Kentucky. Previous to his service with this good church, he was minister of education of the Eudora Baptist Church, Memphis, Tennessee.

He comes to us well qualified, with a rich background of experience and education, to serve in this most important position. He is a graduate of Baylor University with a BA degree and Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, BD and MRE degrees.

Mr. Penn is married to the former Barbara Ann Sanders of Louisville. She holds a BS degree from Western State College and has had teaching experience. The Penns are parents of three children, two boys and a girl.

We wish to commend to Kentucky, Clarence Penn, as he serves in the Sunday School Department.

## Stewardship

### Christ Requires Total Stewardship

by Michael Speer

The task of the Secretary of Stewardship Promotion is a tremendous one. Dr. Robert Hastings has done a marvelous job of serving Kentucky Baptists in this capacity for the past five years. I cannot try to "take his place" as many will suggest, rather I hope to find my own place of service.

In his book *The Christian Man's World*, Dr. Hastings says "Stewardship has been defined in many ways, more often than not related to giving money. But stewardship is far more than money. Stated simply, Christian stewardship is the maximum use of one's life for the glory of God and the good of mankind. Christ requires of us total stewardship.

If one is a faithful steward of his time, talents, personality and influence, he will be faithful in the stewardship of his possessions also. "Moreover it is required of stewards that a man be found faithful" (1 Corinthians 4:2).

As I begin this new work I ask for your cooperation and support, but most of all, for your prayers. May each of us pledge total stewardship of our lives for the glory of God and the good of mankind throughout the world.

## Brotherhood

### Important Day For Brotherhood

by Forrest Sawyer

An estimated 30,000 laymen will proclaim the gospel from church pulpits Sunday, January 23, in more than 15,000 churches throughout the Southern Baptist Convention.

The occasion is Baptist Men's Day when men are honored for Christian service and challenged to make a greater contribution in the future.

The Brotherhood Commission of the SBC and the state Brotherhood departments promote and sponsor the event.

A tabulation of last year's activities gives evidence of the interest in Baptist Men's Day. A total of 198,407 men actively engaged in services during the day, many singing in choirs and men's choruses.

The day opened with 161,139 men attending a breakfast or some type of fellowship in 7,061 churches.

Personal testimonies were given by 39,116 men. Another 29,436 delivered messages at one of the worship services.

The evangelistic results, according to George W. Schroeder, executive secretary of the Brotherhood Commission, revealed 4,719 joined a Baptist church on Baptist Men's Day and 2,101 made professions of faith. There were 34,221 dedications. Some 33,803 men in 5,159 churches visited the unsaved.

Popular subjects for speakers this year include "Witnessing on My Job," "My Family in Mission Action," and "Every Christian a Witness—Now."

The Brotherhood Department sent every Pastor and each Brotherhood President on record a Baptist Men's Day packet which contains helps for conducting the occasion. Any church failing to receive one may request one by calling or writing the Brotherhood Department in Middletown.

## Annuity Department

### Christmas Greetings

by A. W. Walker

As annuity secretary I would like to take this means of expressing our very best wishes to you for a glorious Christmas season.

While we commemorate the birth of our Savior, God's greatest gift to us, we quite naturally want to express our love to others in the form of gifts to them.

**Church Members**, would you like to provide a monthly gift to your pastor which will come to him when he retires from the active pastorate? Would you like a gift coming to him regularly if he should become disabled? Would you like a monthly gift coming to his widow in event of his death?

You can provide all of these by placing your pastor in our Southern Baptist Protection Plan. This is the pension plan of our denomination wherein churches pay dues during the active ministry of a pastor, and from which benefits come in the above situations.

**Budget Committees:** If you are not currently paying retirement plan dues for your pastor, please contact our office for full information. If you are paying only one-half the cost, or 5% of salary up to the maximum \$4,000 annually, we would like to suggest that you consider assuming both the member and church dues by paying 10% of the salary basis and providing the plan without cost to the pastor. This can be done as a portion of any increase in salary you may plan to give him. If the church pays the total cost, the pastor has a tax savings.

## Church Music

### African Mission Tour Enrolment

by Eugene Quinn

Eugene E. Coates: Sponsor, Nicholasville Baptist Church

Jack M. Jones: Sponsor, First Baptist Church, Frankfort

Larry Putman: Sponsor, Stithton Baptist Church, Radcliff

Eugene F. Quinn: Sponsor, Kentucky Baptist Convention

### Financial Arrangements

A deposit of \$100.00 for each participant must be in the Church Music Department office at Kentucky Baptist Building, Middletown on or before March 1, 1966. Some sponsors may wish

to make out checks for any amount of the cost from the 1965 budget, before December 31. Such checks should be made out to Church Music Department, Kentucky Baptist Building, Middletown, and may be mailed to the department at anytime from now until March 1.

The balance of the \$1,000.00 per person must be in the Church Music Department office by April 1.

## Background of the Tour

Plans for such a tour began with a conversation between Dr. Ross Coggins, former missionary to Indonesia, and William B. Williams, then president of the Kentucky Baptist Music Association, in early 1964. Dr. Coggins inspired the idea by describing the tremendous value which accrued from a college choir tour in Indonesia. He indicated that the choir had opened many doors for relationships for the missionaries which they had been unable to have before.

Later in 1964, Mr. Williams presented the idea to the Kentucky Baptist Music Association in their meeting in November. The Association voted to sponsor the idea of the tour. Subsequent communication with the Foreign Mission Board led to the enthusiasm of the missionaries in Ghana, Liberia, and Nigeria for having such a group to tour their mission field.

Success of the tour depends upon (1) a minimum of 16 music ministers enrolling for the tour, (2) completion of the agenda on the three mission fields, and (3) the support of Kentucky Baptists in prayer for the greatest contribution to be made by this group.

## Foundation

### Higher Rates Offered On Gift Annuities

by James C. Austin

The Foundation Directors have authorized the Kentucky Baptist Foundation to pay higher returns on Gift Annuities. The new rates were first recommended by the Committee on Gift Annuities, a national committee comprised of representatives from all major religious faiths and charitable institutions.

We believe these new rates will make deferred giving through Annuities more attractive to prospective donors.

An annuity is an agreement between you and the Kentucky Baptist Foundation whereby you receive a guaranteed annual income as long as you live. You agree to give a specific amount of cash, securities, or other property to the Foundation. In return the Foundation agrees to pay you a fixed annual income for the rest of your life. Upon your death (or the death of the survivor if this is a two-life annuity), your gift is used in the service of Christ to benefit the Baptist Cause you designate.

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savings or dividends from securities. During the year in which you purchase the Annuity, a considerable portion of the principal amount is considered a gift and is deductible from your Federal Income Tax returns. Depending on your age, from 60% to 80% of your annual income from the Annuity is tax-free. You may also experience a considerable savings on other taxes—capital gains taxes, gift taxes, estate taxes, etc.

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## Assignment of the Century: "World Cooperation"

by William M. Dyal, Jr.,  
SBC Christian Life Commission

Surrounded by talent, overwhelmed by the issues! Such was our reaction Nov. 28-Dec. 1 while attending the White House Conference on International Cooperation.

A University professor remarked to us: "You Southern Baptists are so large now, you ought to have considerable influence in world affairs."

Pondering his words came the alarming realization that among a total of 2,000 persons participating in this highly significant conference, only two Southern Baptists were present.

Because of the Christian Life Commission's role in emphasizing citizenship, Foy Valentine, the director, and I attended. We both agreed that an even wider representation by Southern Baptists could have enriched the conference as well as helped to bring our denomination to a larger responsibility on the international scene.

Against the backdrop of war in Vietnam, a fragile truce between India and Pakistan, and mounting tension in Rhodesia, conference participants from some 500 United States organizations discussed subjects ranging from the earth to the moon.

Thirty working committees had spent a year in compiling reports and forming panels to treat such diverse issues as the population explosion, social welfare, urban development, arms control and disarmament, cultural and intellectual exchange, peacekeeping operations, labor, business, industry and trade, space and human rights.

President Johnson referred to the conference's task as "the assignment of the century." He urged the participants to provide a mine of ideas seeking worldwide peace, justice and human fulfillment.

Running through vigorous floor discussion was the theme of the unity of humanity. "Nothing common to humanity is alien to us," Vice President Humphrey said.

Squalor, hunger, illiteracy, and political tyranny were signalled as awesome threats to peace. The gap between have and have-nots was seen to be widening. Vast scientific and economic change as seen in the United States were judged largely irrelevant to most of the world. We conferees felt that space should be explored, but not at the expense of the neglect of human misery and injustice.

Hundreds of recommendations poured from the committees and the open discussions. Some were abstract. Others were specific in calling for action both by government and by the private sector of America.

Concern over Vietnam made the conference even more urgent. Citizen participants were free to address frank questions on war and peace to Secretary of the State Dean Rusk, Presidential Assistant McGeorge Bundy, and United Nations Ambassador Arthur Goldberg.

Said Rusk: "Day by day, bit by bit, and brick by brick must emerge a stable structure of world cooperation at every level of life."

Said Goldberg: "Neither superglobalism nor internationalism is an answer, but there are no islands and no uncrossable oceans between nations. Isolation is impossible."

The complexity of international issues faced by the conference was matched only by the diversity of the participants. From virtually every state in the Union came representatives of public education and the universities, labor, business, myriad international organizations, voluntary groups, the press, and religious bodies and institutions. Their talent and experience was awesome.

Southern Baptists too have remarkable talent and experience. Names and faces of our laymen and ministers crowded my mind with what we have to say and to give to a world in conflict.

The imperatives for Southern Baptists are responsibility and involvement. The task may indeed be the "assignment of the century."

## The Home: An Ally In The Christian Mission

by Joe W. Burton

The family is the primary group setting for effective learning. Here in the interacting dynamics of the family the learner in his immaturity humbly seeks wisdom and guidance from another's maturity. The deeply important things of life—the loves, the hates, the fears, the ambitions, the anxieties—are formed and affected by the family. The home continues to be the chief factor in the making for life.

The scene of learning-teaching is illustrated most aptly in the child-parent relationship in the home. The child is always asking and the parent just as incessantly is answering. The child is eager to know, to understand, to develop, and the parent is teaching. He is the first and the most effective teacher of the child. It is not enough to say that parents are the first, or the last, or the most effective teachers of children; literally, they are the teachers of children.

Although the home was designed by God for spiritual nurture and even though its intimate relationships offer

the greatest potential for the religious training of children (and of adults, including parents), the family has been virtually neglected as a potential asset in Christian education. This neglect persists even though parents, by every consideration, continue to be the most effective teachers of children.

It is also paradoxical to note that this influence of parents prevails in the face of rather general feeling on the part of parents of their own inadequacy, a feeling often encouraged by the criticism of "experts" as they freely express themselves through popular media on the shortcomings of parents.

The paradoxical element becomes even more inimical when we consider the neglect of family life education in the program of Christian education as promoted in the churches.

For many years now our commitment in Christian teaching and training has been on the assumption that Christian nurture is almost exclusively the function of the church. Programs of action have been projected on that assumption. This commitment has been so subtle that there has been little recognition of the parallel neglect of the earlier and much more potential agency, the home.

Family ministry, as proposed and emerging, frankly calls for a shift in focus, for a change in commitment. It does not minimize the place of the church, but rather it calls upon church leadership to exercise a bold strategy based sincerely upon the proposition that the home is indeed the primary teacher of religion. Thus educational leadership is challenged to make the church and the home allies in Christian training.

