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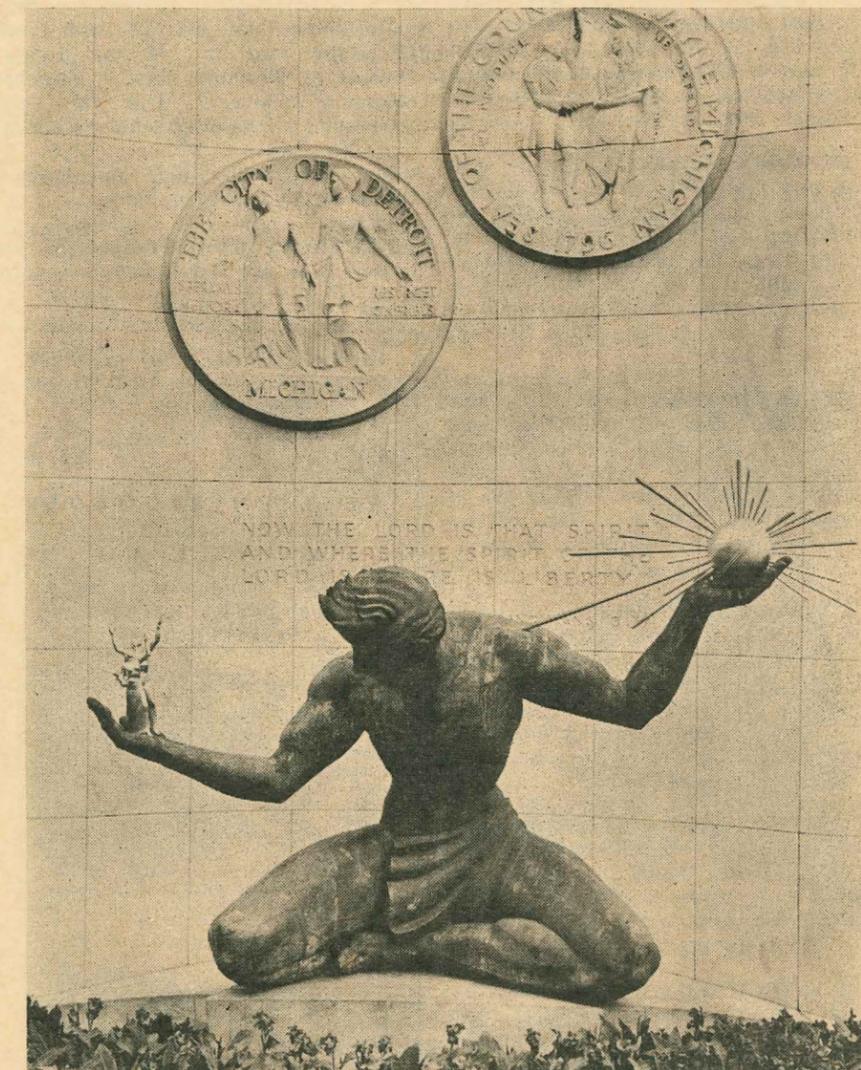
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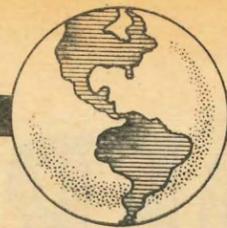
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THE SPIRIT OF DETROIT: On the City-County Building in downtown Detroit stands the great symbol wall and a bronze figure. Engraved in the marble wall is the scripture, II Corinthians 3:17, which expresses the very meaning and spirit of the activities which the building was designed to house, according to city-county officials. The scripture says: "Now the Lord is that Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is Liberty.".. A fitting scripture for the city which hosts the Southern Baptist Convention, which will emphasize the scriptures through its theme "God's Word For a New Age." (BP Photo)



GLEANINGS FROM THE FIELD

THE KENTUCKY SOUTHERN COLLEGE Touring Chorale, directed by Dr. William Ramsey, chairman of the department of music, will conclude its annual spring tour through the Midwest and Canada with a concert of sacred music, Sunday, April 24, 7:30 p.m. at the Crescent Hill Baptist Church, Louisville.

TWENTY-FIVE preachers have launched a two-week simultaneous revival crusade in 33 Alaska Baptist churches. It will close May 1 and among the 25 are two Kentuckians, J. S. Bell, Hindman, and John R. Isaacs.

GREGORY WALCOTT, Baptist layman and past SBC vice president, was recently elected by the Hollywood Christian Group to serve as its president during 1966. The group was organized as a result of a number of conversion experiences among movie personalities during the Los Angeles Billy Graham Crusade in 1949.

JENNY GRAVES, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Allen Graves, Louisville, was elected president of the Baptist Student Union Council for 1966-67 at Blue Mountain College (Miss.) where she is a student. Dr. Graves is dean of the school of religious education at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

EUGENE QUINN, music secretary for Kentucky Baptists, and W. O. Spencer, pastor of the East Paducah Baptist Church, visited New Orleans Baptist Seminary to interview students interested in serving in Kentucky following their graduation. They also delivered lectures while there.

YOUTH NIGHT was held in the Park Avenue Baptist Church, Paducah, for the West Union Baptist Association on March 26. There were 327 present. Jerel Treas, associational youth chairman, led in the program.

J. ALVIN HARDY, pastor of the Hillcrest Baptist Church, Frankfort, has been appointed Protestant Chaplain for the Kentucky State Police.

IMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH, Lexington, has invested \$52,000 for television equipment to televise their Sunday morning services on Channel 18, WLEX-TV, Lexington. This is the first church in the Lexington area to do this.

GRAVES COLLINS, a native of Union County, Kentucky, has become a consultant in the church library department of the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville. Born near Sturgis, Collins is a graduate of Mississippi College, Clinton, Miss., and has studied at New Orleans Baptist Seminary.

FOUR KENTUCKIANS are among the 31 Southern Baptists currently writing materials for the new Life and Work Curriculum for use in the Sunday Schools of Southern Baptist churches beginning October 1. They are Glenn Yarbrough, director of religious education, Georgetown College; Clyde T. Francisco, Joseph Stiles and Badgett Dillard of Southern Seminary.

KENTUCKY BAPTISTS sent \$91,616 to the offices of Porter Routh, executive

secretary-treasurer of the SBC, for the month of March. In March, 1965, Co-operative Program money for the SBC was \$99,480. Designated funds amounted to \$141,679 for March, 1966.

OAKLAND AVE. Baptist Church, Catlettsburg, has voted to put a steeple on their sanctuary. Already nearly \$3,000 has been donated to the cause. Henry Johns is pastor of the church.

E. A. McDOWELL, retired professor of Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Wake Forest, N. C., is going to join the staff of First Baptist Church, Atlanta, Ga. He will have the title of minister of teaching and will pioneer a teaching ministry for laymen. Roy O. McClain is pastor of the church.

MISS JOHNNIE CROSS, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. I. K. Cross, Somerset, and a junior at the University of Kentucky, has been appointed a summer missionary by the B.S.U. of Kentucky. She will serve in Japan under the auspices of the Foreign Mission Board. She is one of seven to serve this summer, whose expenses will be paid by students in the 20 B.S.U. groups in Kentucky.

JIM VAUS, director of Youth Development, Inc., New York, will be the guest speaker at the Pulaski County Baptist Crusade Rally scheduled for April 25 at First Baptist Church, Somerset. Vaus was one of the speakers at the Kentucky Baptist Convention last November.

NEMESIO GARCIA, a former president of the Baptist Convention of Western Cuba and pastor of the McCall Baptist Church in Havana, has been released from prison by the Cuban government. He was one of 53 Baptists arrested on April 8, 1965.

DETROIT weather will be cool to moderately warm during the week of the Southern Baptist Convention. Baptist leaders in the area have advised messengers to leave their "deep South summer clothing" at home. The daily maximum average for May in Detroit is 68.6 degrees and the daily minimum average for May is 49.4. Records show there has been a variation of 60 degrees in temperature.

Peace Termed Key World Issue At Baptist Meeting

by W. C. Fields

NEW YORK (BP)—Speakers at a Southern Baptist-sponsored seminar on Christianity and World Issues repeatedly issued pleas for Baptists and all Christians to become more actively involved in seeking peace in a revolutionary world.

Two of the most well-known speakers, Arthur J. Goldberg and Harold E. Stassen, campaigned hardest for Christian support of peace movements during addresses to the conference, sponsored by the Christian Life Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Goldberg, United States ambassador to the United Nations, said the alternatives facing the world are awesome: "total peace or total destruction."

Stassen, former governor of Minnesota and former president of the American Baptist Convention, said that churches can and must "develop the kind of climate which encourages men to build for peace."

Goldberg and Stassen also touched on the war in Viet Nam during their addresses, both agreeing that war is not the way for nations in the atomic age to settle their differences. The stakes are too high, they said.

"The issue in Viet Nam," said Goldberg, "is not easy to settle, but it is not complicated. It is a conflict to establish the fact that international violence is no longer acceptable."

He expressed hope that responsible governments of the world would realize as a result of the Viet Nam conflict that war is not the way to settle differences.

Stassen said it would be morally irresponsible for the United States to abandon Southeast Asia to the Communists, but that the war should be "quietened down."

He called upon church leaders to help develop institutions which make war unnecessary. "War makes no rational sense at all as a final arbiter among nations," he said.

In the meeting's keynote address, University of Tennessee Professor George Schweitzer, a Southern Baptist, called for more Baptist involvement, not only with the peace issue, but in every area of life in a revolutionary world.

Christians have a responsibility of startling magnitude, he said, on such world issues as poverty, hunger, economic instability, loss of individualism, urbanization, and racial justice.

Christians must approach such issues with tough, well-informed minds, and tender hearts, and must move on from pronouncements in these areas to practice, Schweitzer declared.

"The world is tired of our blab talk," he stated. "The world is saying 'shut up, or put up.'"



WORLD ISSUES was the topic of discussion by leaders of a conference at the Church Center for the United Nations, New York. Left to right are Orba Lee Malone, attorney, El Paso, Texas; Roger Shinn, professor at Union Theological Seminary, New York; Harold Stassen, attorney, Philadelphia; and Foy Valentine, Nashville, Tenn., executive secretary of the Christian Life Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention, sponsoring body for the conference. (BP Photo)

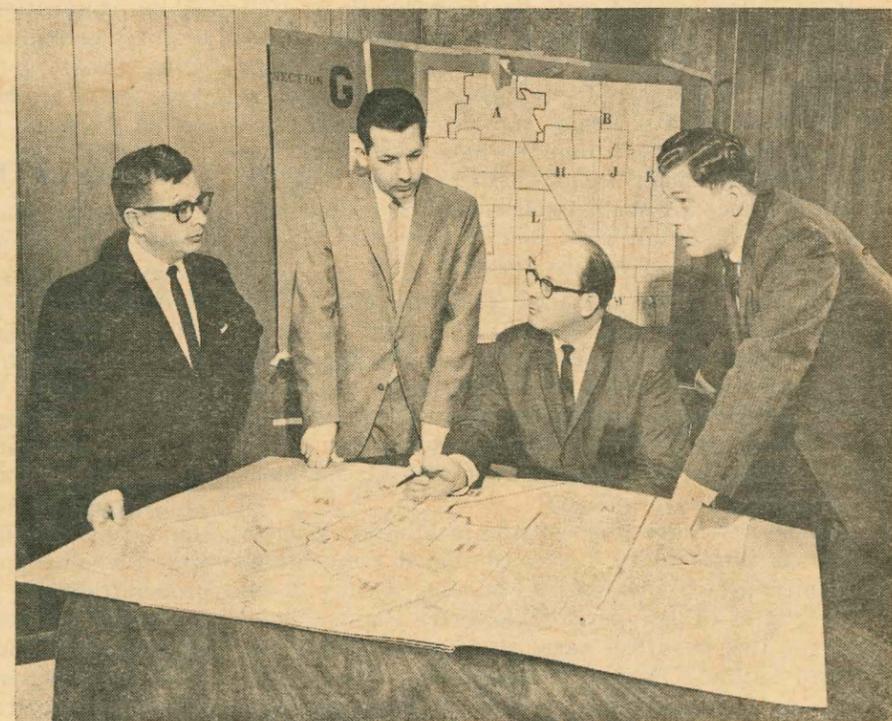
He called upon the 200 Baptist laymen and ministers attending the meeting to "abandon any unconcern, self-preserving, ego-centric spirit of pugnacity" and to put the love of Christ into action.

Meeting at the Church Center for the United Nations here, a Hunter College professor and consultant to the United

Nations, John Stoessinger, said that the honeymoon between the United Nations and the United States may be over.

Stoessinger observed that the growing block of Afro-Asian nations in the U.N. General Assembly, some of which make decisions opposed to the interests of the

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BAPTIST WORK IN DETROIT is discussed by Francis DuBose (seated), Detroit Baptist Association Superintendent of Missions, and members of the Missions Committee. They are, left to right (standing), James Jones, R. J. Sherrill, and Fred Trachsel. The Greater Detroit Baptist Association is affiliated with the Southern Baptist Convention which meets in annual session in Detroit, May 24-27. (BP Photo by SBC Home Mission Board)

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Another Convention Date Needed

Here is an urgent suggestion for an opinion poll among Southern Baptists. The question for consideration is the time for the annual sessions of the Southern Baptist Convention.

The present arrangements put the convention in the last half of the month of May with an occasional date around the first of June. For this year and the next three years the convention will come within the period of May 20-27. In 1970 it will meet June 2-5 in Denver, Colorado.

These dates are most unsatisfactory and their use prevents thousands of Southern Baptists from attending the convention. Most of those wanting to attend the convention have children in school or are otherwise connected with schools so as to make it extremely difficult to be away just at the end of the school year. Consequently, thousands of wives and mothers have to stay home from the convention or pan their children off on relatives or friends.

It is important and will be increasingly so that many Southern Baptists attend the convention. Take the next several years, for example. This year we go to Detroit. This is one of the most strategic years for the Southern Baptist thrust and growth in America and very few Southern Baptists have ever seen first hand the Great Lakes area. Missionary zeal could be greatly enhanced if many thousands of Southern Baptists from older established Southern Baptist regions could visit this vital Baptist mission field.

Next year is New Orleans. The unique Southern Baptist missionary impact in this predominantly Roman Catholic area, the New Orleans Seminary and all the rich history of this city would make it a memorable and valuable experience but, scheduled as it is for May 23-26, this convention will see few others than preachers and a few laymen who attend most conventions.

In 1968 the convention will be in Miami. What a marvelous opportunity for a combined convention-vacation trip but how few can arrange it May 21-24. It's Denver in 1970. Very few Southern Baptists have ever seen this beautiful part of our country and this thrilling Southern Baptist mission field. Many would like to go but June 2-5 will conflict with the commencements and school closings of 90 per cent of public schools.

The convention should be set sometime in the summer months to avoid the school year. Of June, July and August, June appears to be the most desirable.

July and August are exodus months for many families and also vacation time for many pastors. Some would like to combine vacations and the convention, others would not.

The Vacation Bible Schools have been the biggest problem so far as the convention date in the first three weeks of June is concerned. Nothing should detract from this important church activity. What about the last week in June? Choosing the convention site five years ahead as we now do, there should be no problem in fixing a set week for the convention every year.

The only serious conflict in the denominational calendar would be state and conventionwide assemblies. But with all the weeks of the summer, it seems one could be set aside for such an important event as the Southern Baptist Convention. The conventionwide assemblies would obviously overflow the week before and the week following the convention by those going to and returning from the convention.

At least Southern Baptists on the grass roots level should be given an opportunity to express themselves on the convention date. If a more satisfactory time requires changing some agency plans, this should be done. Presently there are too many Southern Baptists deprived of attending the convention which meets the last of May.

Providing Training For Those Called

There has been serious concern for the past several years among Southern Baptists over the decline in the number of ministerial students in colleges and seminaries. No one has come up with an entirely satisfactory explanation though a number of reasons appear to be involved. There is some consolation in that the decline has leveled off more recently.

Another serious concern about which less is said is the proper training of those called to be preachers in order that they might render maximum service. The suggestion of this editorial is that there might be some relationship between the number of Baptist youth who respond to the call and the problem of proper training.

Proper ministerial training today with notable exceptions calls for at least four years in college and three years in seminary. This is a long, arduous and expensive experience. Is it possible some young people who are called of the Lord fail to answer the call because they see no way to finance seven years of training? To be sure there are those who will get their education no matter how difficult it is and they are the better for the struggle. But to consider that

every young person that can be used of God has that much determination and drive is unrealistic.

Ministerial students are among those hardest put for finances. Somehow more young people from poor or materially limited families answer the call to preach. How few Baptist pastors today came from families of financial means!

Humanly speaking the ministerial student does not have the same incentive as a medical or law student or even one planning to be a school teacher. The doctor's income once out of school will let him repay any school debts quickly. The same goes for many other professions. A school teacher now can be trained mostly at government expense. But a Baptist preacher after seven years of training beyond high school is generally expected to start at a salary less than that of his high school mates who never went to college.

A preacher in the ministry for the money surely ought to get out or ought never to have gotten in. At the same time he lives in the same society as everyone else. His children wear clothes and eat food which must be bought at the prevailing prices. He shops at the same stores and pays the same high prices as others. His needs materially are the same and he is human.

Why shouldn't Southern Baptists as a denomination make provisions for the proper training of all young people who answer the Lord's call to the ministry? For those without financial means this would mean underwriting the cost of their college and seminary training. Why not provide a scholarship for every Baptist young person who could give evidence of a genuine response to the call and would meet the proper academic and other qualifications?

This scholarship could be a loan arrangement with the minister repaying according to his salary once out of school. Any student changing his mind about his call to the ministry would be required to repay any loan in full.

Such a plan makes sense for several reasons. It would encourage and express confidence in the young people in our churches struggling with the call. It would be in the best interest of the denomination and local churches. With the continued geographical spread of Southern Baptists, the increase in the number of churches and with the rise in the educational level of Baptist congregations, an adequate number of trained preachers is a necessity.

Again such a plan could have a number of Baptist young people who are presently lost to Southern Baptist churches. These conscientious but often uninformed young people are being wooed by independent, non-accredited Baptist schools which charge little if any tuition and often guarantee a source of income for living expenses. These schools generally teach one man's personal brand of theology and lead their students to a negative ministry of criticizing Southern Baptists and everyone else except themselves. Most of these young people learn too late that they took the wrong direction.

Surely there are some arguments against such a plan. These will be left to readers who might respond to this proposal.

The growing number of Baptist churches demanding trained leaders, the large number of called young people who come from poor families and the rising cost of ministerial education all seem to point to the need for underwriting the cost of Baptist ministerial training.

BAPTIST FORUM



Recommends College Youth Revival Teams

Dear Editor:

As I write this letter my heart is rejoicing over the goodness and greatness of God to bless our lives and save those that are lost.

We have just closed a week-end youth revival in our church, that has been one of the greatest blessings our church has received in many a day. We had the services of the Campbellsville College B.S.U. team, composed of Kenneth Wiloughby, preacher; Ralston Crowder, song leader; Carolyn Day, pianist; George Patmore, testimony and special music; and Phyllis Hopkins, testimony and special music.

The results of the revival are as follows: 5 professions, 1 by letter, and 17

rededications. We had a record attendance in our Training Union on Sunday night.

If any church wants a real blessing, then I would encourage them to invite a B.S.U. team from one of our colleges. It has been many a year since I have seen a more dedicated group of young people.

Utica, Ky.

Louard C. Gray

Help Needed!

Dear Editor:

Brooks Baptist Church would like to extend a "Macedonian Call" to people in the Louisville area for help with our music ministry. Though we have from seventy to ninety attending church and Sunday School, we have no one trained sufficiently to play the piano or to lead

our choir and song service. This has been a problem for two years!

Our church is located about twelve miles from downtown Louisville, on Highway 1020 South and about a mile inside Bullitt County. It has about eighty-five resident members and belongs to the Long Run Association. Brooks is a rural area soon to become a suburb of Louisville if the city continues to press in our direction. Our church is presently engaged in a building program, the support of which makes it impossible at the present time to secure a paid music minister, but we hope that the new facilities will enable us to grow and to absorb this problem in the near future.

If there are those in this area who have these gifts and a desire to render a real service, they may call 957-3706 after 6:00 p.m. or write Brooks Baptist Church, Star Route Box 196, Brooks, Kentucky 40109. We shall be deeply grateful for any response.

Brooks, Ky. Harry E. Woodall, pastor
Brooks Baptist Church

The 109th Annual Session of The Southern Baptist Convention

May 24 - 27, 1966

Cobo Hall, Detroit, Michigan

THEME: "God's Word For a New Age"

SCRIPTURE: "In the beginning was the Word" (John 1:1)

OFFICERS

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 Eugene Sutherland, music director (minister of music, First Baptist Church, Jackson, Tenn.)
 W. C. Fields, press representative (public relations secretary, SBC Executive Committee, Nashville, Tenn.)
 Morris Wall, chairman, committee on order of business (pastor, First Southern Baptist Church, Yuma, Ariz.)

Proposed Order of Business

Tuesday Night, May 24

6:45 Pre-session Music
 7:00 Song Service
 7:10 Scripture—Bob Longshore, pastor, First Baptist Church, Littlefield, Tex.
 Prayer—George Gaskins, superintendent of city missions, Denver, Colo.
 7:15 Address of Welcome—Fred Hubbs, executive secretary-treasurer, Baptist State Convention of Michigan, Detroit
 7:20 Response—J. Lamar Jackson, pastor, Southside Baptist Church, Birmingham, Ala.
 7:25 Report of Registration—W. Fred Kendall, executive secretary-treasurer, Tennessee Baptist Convention, Nashville
 7:30 Committee on Order of Business—Morris Wall, pastor, First Southern Baptist Church, Yuma, Arizona
 7:35 Announcement of Committee on Committees
 Committee on Resolutions
 Tellers
 7:40 Congregational Music
 7:45 Solo
 7:50 Annual Convention Sermon—Ray E. Roberts, executive secretary, State Convention of Baptists in Ohio, Columbus
 Alternate—E. Warren Rust, pastor, Tower Grove Baptist Church, St. Louis, Mo.
 8:25 Congregational Music
 8:30 Special Music
 8:40 President's Address—Wayne Dehoney, pastor, First Baptist Church, Jackson, Tenn.
 Benediction—Peter McLeod, pastor, First Baptist Church, Fort Oglethorpe, Ga.

Wednesday Morning, May 25

8:45 Pre-session Music
 9:00 Song Service
 9:10 Scripture—Maurice Swinford, pastor, First Baptist Church, Pinckneyville, Ill.
 Prayer—John David Laida, pastor, First Baptist Church, Clarksville, Tenn.
 9:15 Miscellaneous Business
 9:45 Executive Committee Report—Porter W. Routh, executive secretary-treasurer, Nashville, Tenn.
 10:55 Congregational Music
 11:00 Radio and Television Commission—Paul M. Stevens, executive director, Ft. Worth, Tex.
 11:25 Election of Officers
 11:50 Music
 11:55 Message—Warren Hultgren, pastor, First Baptist Church, Tulsa, Okla.
 Benediction—Homer Wickes, pastor, Holladay Baptist Church, Salt Lake City, Utah

Wednesday Afternoon, May 25

1:45 Pre-session Music
 2:00 Song Service
 2:10 Scripture—J. Blake Woolbright, pastor, Bristol-Street Baptist Church, Santa Ana, Calif.
 Prayer—Ivan Christoff, pastor, Parkway Baptist Church, New Albany, Ind.
 2:15 Election of Officers and Miscellaneous Business
 2:45 Sunday School Board—James L. Sullivan, executive secretary, Nashville, Tenn.
 3:10 Brotherhood Commission—George W. Schroeder, executive secretary, Memphis, Tenn.
 3:15 Woman's Missionary Union—Alma Hunt, executive secretary, Birmingham, Ala.
 3:20 Education Commission—Rabun L. Brantley, executive secretary, Nashville, Tenn.
 3:40 Congregational Music
 Solo
 3:50 Message—W. Douglas Hudgins, pastor, First Baptist Church, Jackson, Miss.
 Benediction—Alvin Hopson, pastor, First Baptist Church, Huntsville, Ala.

Wednesday Night, May 25

6:45 Pre-session Music
 7:00 Song Service

7:10 Scripture—David Hall, pastor, North Phoenix Baptist Church, Phoenix, Ariz.
 Prayer—Joe Music, pastor, Trinity Baptist Church, Springfield, Ore.
 7:15 Special Feature (Sunday School, Brotherhood, and WMU)
 8:10 Music
 8:15 Home Mission Board—Arthur B. Rutledge, executive secretary, Atlanta, Ga.
 9:00 Message—Franklin Paschall, First Baptist Church, Nashville, Tenn.
 Benediction—Robert Greer, pastor, First Baptist Church, Eustis, Fla.

Thursday Morning, May 26

8:45 Pre-session Music
 9:00 Song Service
 9:10 Scripture—Forrest Siler, pastor, Immanuel Baptist Church, Wichita, Kan.
 Prayer—Franklin Owen, pastor, Calvary Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky.
 9:15 First Report of Committee on Boards and Miscellaneous Business
 9:45 Election of Officers
 10:00 Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs—C. Emanuel Carlson, executive director, Washington, D. C.
 10:20 Annuity Board—R. Alton Reed, executive secretary, Dallas, Tex.
 10:45 Congregational Music
 10:50 Recognition of Fraternal Messengers
 11:10 Report of Theological Seminaries
 Southern Baptist Theological Seminary—Duke K. McCall, president, Louisville, Ky.
 Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary—Robert E. Naylor, president, Ft. Worth, Tex.
 New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary—H. Leo Eddleman, president, New Orleans, La.
 Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary—Harold K. Graves, president, Mill Valley, Calif.
 Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary—Olin T. Binkley, president, Wake Forest, N. C.
 Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary—Millard J. Berquist, president, Kansas City, Mo.
 Seminary Extension Department—Ralph A. Herring, executive secretary, Nashville, Tenn.
 11:50 Congregational Music
 12:00 Address on Theological Education—Millard J. Berquist, president, Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Kansas City, Mo.
 Benediction—Ray Rust, pastor, First Baptist Church, Bastrop, La.

Thursday Afternoon, May 26

(No Convention Sessions)

Thursday Night, May 26

6:45 Pre-session Music
 7:00 Song Service
 7:10 Scripture—James Langley, pastor, Pennsylvania Avenue Baptist Church, Washington, D. C.
 Prayer—Robert Hughes, superintendent of missions, Montgomery Baptist Association, Kensington, Md.
 7:15 American Bible Society—W. C. Fields, public relations secretary, SBC Executive Committee, Nashville, Tenn., Chairman of American Bible Society Committee
 7:40 Congregational Music
 7:45 Solo
 7:50 Foreign Mission Board—Baker James Cauthen, executive secretary, Richmond, Va.
 Benediction—James Baldwin, pastor, First Baptist Church, Bartlesville, Okla.

Friday Morning, May 27

8:45 Pre-session Music
 9:00 Song Service
 9:10 Scripture—Joe Cothen, pastor, Alta Woods Baptist Church, Jackson, Miss.
 Prayer—C. L. Lang, pastor, Hanley Road Baptist Church, St. Louis, Mo.
 9:15 Miscellaneous Business

9:45 Final Report of Committee on Boards
 9:50 Committee on Resolutions
 10:05 Congregational Song
 10:10 Stewardship Commission—Merrill D. Moore, executive director, Nashville, Tenn.
 10:25 Committee on Baptist State Papers
 10:35 Southern Baptist Foundation—J. W. Storer, executive secretary, Nashville, Tenn.
 10:55 Congregational Music
 11:00 Special Music
 11:05 Message—Monroe Swilley, pastor, Second Ponce de Leon Baptist Church, Atlanta, Ga.
 Benediction

Friday Afternoon, May 27

1:45 Pre-session Music
 2:00 Scripture
 Prayer
 2:15 Miscellaneous Business
 2:30 Chaplain's Commission—George W. Cummins, director, Atlanta, Ga.
 2:40 Southern Baptist Hospitals—T. Sloane Guy, Jr., executive secretary, New Orleans, La.
 2:50 Historical Commission—Davis C. Woolley, executive secretary, Nashville, Tenn.
 3:00 Committee on Denominational Calendar—John W. Salzman, pastor, Hillcrest Baptist Church, Dallas, Tex.
 3:05 American Baptist Theological Seminary—Rabun L. Brantley, executive secretary, Education Commission, Nashville, Tenn.
 3:15 Congregational Music
 3:20 Committee on Canadian Baptist Cooperation—Arthur B. Rutledge, executive secretary, SBC Home Mission Board, Atlanta, Ga.
 3:25 What's Your Question—Porter W. Routh, Moderator, executive secretary-treasurer, SBC Executive Committee, Nashville, Tenn.

NOTE: This period is set aside for dialogue between the messengers and the various executive heads of the Convention's institutions, agencies, boards, commissions, and associated organizations. These persons will serve as a panel and are requested to be on the platform at this time.

PROCEDURE: Questions will be received from the messengers until Friday noon. Question boxes will be provided in the lobby of the Convention Hall for messengers to deposit their questions, or they may be handed to an usher who will deliver them to the Committee on Order of Business desk. This committee will select the items to be discussed, but it will be understood that panel members will not have any prior knowledge of questions to be asked. Messengers may sign (giving name and state) or not sign their questions, as they desire.

4:00 Christian Life Commission Report—Foy Valentine, executive secretary-treasurer, Nashville, Tenn.
 Address—Carl E. Sanders, governor of Georgia, Atlanta
 Benediction

Friday Night, May 27

6:45 Pre-session Music
 7:00 Song Service
 7:10 Scripture—Raymond Babb, pastor, Merriman Road Baptist Church, Garden City, Mich.
 Prayer—J. H. Cates, pastor, Fredericksburg Baptist Church, Fredericksburg, Va.
 7:15 Crusade of the Americas
 H. H. Hobbs, pastor, First Baptist Church, Oklahoma City, Okla.
 Roberto Porras Maynes, executive secretary, National Baptist Convention of Mexico, Mexico City, Mexico
 Benediction—Hugo Lindquist, pastor, Bethel Baptist Church, Oklahoma City, Okla.

Program Recommended By

COMMITTEE ON ORDER OF BUSINESS

Howard H. Aultman, pastor, First Baptist Church, Columbia, Miss.
 Archie E. Brown, pastor, First Baptist Church, Vandalia, Ill.
 Wayne Dehoney (ex-officio), SBC president, pastor, First Baptist Church, Jackson, Tenn.
 H. Cowen Ellis, pastor, First Baptist Church, Charlottesville, Va.
 Leon Kilbreth, minister of education, Beth Haven Baptist Church, Pleasure Ridge Park, Ky.
 Anson Justice, pastor, Crestwood Baptist Church, Oklahoma City, Okla.
 Morris Wall (chairman), pastor, First Southern Baptist Church, Yuma, Ariz.

Proposed Program

Southern Baptist Church Music Conference

MAY 23-24, DETROIT, MICHIGAN

Monday Afternoon, May 23

Joint Session with Southern Baptist Religious Education Association
 Room 3037, Cobo Hall
 2:00 Worship through singing—William J. Reynolds, director of editorial services, church music department, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.
 Welcome, introductions, outline of program
 2:30 Address: "How to be a More Creative Person"—E. Paul Torrance, department of educational psychology, University of Minnesota
 3:05 Questions and discussion
 3:15 Concert: The Singing Churchmen of Oklahoma—directed by James D. Woodward, Tulsa, Okla.

3:45 Address: "The Multiple Ministry in the Modern Church"—Warren C. Hultgren, pastor, First Baptist Church, Tulsa, Okla.

4:15 Ministers singing

Monday Evening, May 23

First Presbyterian Church, 2930 Woodward Ave., Detroit
 7:00 Concert: First Presbyterian Church Choir, Detroit—directed by Gordon Young

Tuesday Morning, May 24

Woodward Avenue Baptist Church, 2480 Woodward Avenue, Detroit
 9:00 Organ Prelude
 9:05 Worship through singing—W. J. Reynolds, Nashville, Tenn.
 9:15 Concert: David M. Ford, bass, Waco, Tex.
 9:45 Reports
 10:00 Worship through singing—W. J. Reynolds, Nashville, Tenn.
 10:15 President's Address: "The Frustrated (Church) Musician"—James D. Woodward, president, Southern Baptist Church Music Conference, and minister of music, First Baptist Church, Tulsa, Okla.
 10:45 Worship through singing—W. J. Reynolds, Nashville, Tenn.
 11:00 Concert: Samford University choir, Birmingham, Ala., directed by George Koski
 11:30 Questions and answers

Tuesday Afternoon, May 24

Woodward Avenue Baptist Church, 2480 Woodward Avenue, Detroit
 1:30 Organ Prelude
 1:40 Worship through singing—W. J. Reynolds, Nashville, Tenn.
 2:00 Address: "Training Church Musicians in the Secular Institute"—James B. Wallace, dean of music school, University of Michigan
 2:30 Concert: Madrigaleans of New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary
 3:00 Election of officers and departmental conferences
 3:30 Concert: Ouachita Baptist University choir, Arkadelphia, Ark., directed by Charles Wright
 4:00 Questions and answers
 4:15 Ministers of music singing

1966 ANNUAL MEETING

Woman's Missionary Union, SBC

Cobo Hall, Detroit, Michigan

MAY 23 - 24, 1966

THEME: "To Every Nation and Tongue and People—NOW"

President Mrs. Robert Fling, Cleburne, Tex.
 Music Director—Claude H. Rhea, Jr., Houston, Tex.
 Organist Mrs. Cecil Roper, Fort Worth, Tex.
 Pianist Mrs. David Ford, Waco, Tex.
 Soloist David Ford, Waco, Tex.

Monday Morning, May 23

Organ Prelude
 9:30 O'clock
 9:30 "Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life"—Claude H. Rhea, Houston, Tex.
 Witnessing in Song
 Experience in Prayer—Vesta and Arthur Rutledge, Atlanta, Ga.
 Organization
 Tribute to Mrs. W. J. Cox—Mrs. R. L. Mathis
 World Crises
 "The Hour of Opportunity in America"—William H. Dyal, Nashville, Tenn.

Hymn
 Prayer—Mrs. Mary Ross, Detroit, Mich.
 Solo—"The Consecration Hymn"—David Ford, Waco, Tex.
 "To Every Nation—NOW"—Mrs. Edgar Bates, Toronto, Ontario, Canada
 Meditation—"Shepherd to the City"—Francis Dubose, Detroit, Mich.
 Adjournment

Monday Afternoon, May 23

Piano Prelude
 1:30 O'clock
 1:30 "Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life"—Claude H. Rhea, Jr., Houston, Tex.
 Witnessing in Song
 Experience in Prayer—Lorraine and George Schroeder, Memphis, Tenn.
 World Crises
 "The Hour of Opportunity in Rhodesia"—Mary Brooner, Gatooma, Rhodesia

Hymn
 Solo—"I Love to Tell the Story"—David Ford, Waco, Tex.
 Proclaiming to Every Nation and Tongue and People—NOW
 In the Cities—U.S.A. Jim Goodsoe, Chicago, Ill.
 In Jerusalem, Jordan W. O. Hern, Raleigh, N. C.
 In Lima, Peru Mrs. David Stull, Lexington, Ky.
 In Paris, France Jack Hancox, Columbia, Tenn.
 Meditation—"Shepherd to the City"—Francis Dubose, Detroit, Mich.
 Adjournment

Monday Evening, May 23

Organ Prelude
 7:15 O'clock
 7:15 "Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life"—Claude H. Rhea, Jr., Houston, Tex.
 Witnessing in Song
 Experience in Prayer—Eloise and Baker James Cauthen, Richmond, Va.
 "To Every . . . Tongue and People—HERE"
 To International Students Eva Marie Kinnard, Berkeley, Calif.
 To The Deaf Mrs. Eugene Bragg, Livonia, Mich.
 To The Spanish Beatriz and Francisco Lemus, Garden City, Mich.

Spanish Choir
To The Polish (Prayer)—John Pancewicz, Detroit, Mich.
Duet, "We are Ambassadors for Christ,"—David Ford, Waco, Tex., and Claude H. Rhea, Jr., Houston, Tex.
World Crises
"The Hour of Opportunity in Viet Nam"—Robert C. Davis, Athens, Tex.
Meditation, "Shepherd to the City"—Francis Dubose, Detroit, Mich.
Adjournment

Tuesday Morning, May 24

Piano Prelude
Worship Service 9:00 O'clock
"Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life"—Claude H. Rhea, Jr., Houston, Tex.
Witnessing in Song
Experience in Prayer—Velma and James L. Sullivan, Nashville, Tenn.
Business
Woman's Missionary Union—NOW—Alma Hunt, Birmingham, Ala.
Hymn, "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"
World Crises
"The Hour of Opportunity, Cuba and Panama"—Mrs. Douglas Pringle, Santa Clara, Panama
Hymn
Solo—"In Loving Kindness Jesus Came,"—David Ford, Waco, Tex.
Proclaiming Christ in India—NOW—Dorothy and Jasper McPhail, Vellore, South India
Meditation—"Shepherd to the City"—Francis Dubose, Detroit, Mich.
Adjournment

Tuesday Afternoon, May 24

Organ Prelude
Worship Service 1:30 O'clock
"Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life"—Claude H. Rhea, Jr., Houston, Tex.
Witnessing in Song
Experience in Prayer—Lealice and Wayne Dehoney, Jackson, Tenn.
Business
Election of Officers
World Crises
"The Hour of Opportunity in Indonesia"—Catherine Walker, Bradenton, Fla.
Hymn
Solo—"Eternal Life"—Olive Dungan—David Ford, Waco, Tex.
"Who Is My Neighbor?"—Kenneth Chafin, Louisville, Ky.
Meditation—"Shepherd to the City"—Francis Dubose, Detroit, Mich.
Adjournment

Proposed Program

Southern Baptist Religious Education Association

ELEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION, MAY 23-24, 1966

Room 3037, Cobo Hall, Detroit, Mich.

THEME: "A Church Fulfilling Its Mission Through Education"
PRESIDENT: Henry Love, minister of education, First Baptist Church, Shreveport, La.

Monday Afternoon, May 23

Joint Session with Southern Baptist Church Music Conference
1:00 Registration
2:00 Music, scripture, prayer—William J. Reynolds, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville
Welcome, introductions, program outline
2:30 Address: "How to be a More Creative Person"—E. Paul Torrance, department of educational psychology, University of Minnesota
3:05 Questions and discussion
3:15 Concert: Singing Churchmen of Oklahoma
3:45 Address: "The Multiple Ministry in the Modern Church"—Warren C. Hultgren, pastor, First Baptist Church, Tulsa, Okla.
4:15 Congregational music

Monday Evening, May 23

7:00 Music, scripture, prayer
7:10 Address: "Improving Personal Skills"—E. Paul Torrance, University of Michigan
7:45 Questions and discussion
8:00 Address: "Research Now in Progress in the Southern Baptist Convention"—W. L. Howse, director, education division, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville
8:30 Questions and discussion (study and research and program design team from Baptist Sunday School Board will be panelists)
9:00 Adjourn

Tuesday Morning, May 24

9:00 Music, scripture, prayer
9:10 Let's Find Some Answers:
"Where Are We Missing the Mark with Young Adults?"—John Sisemore, Nashville, Tenn.
"Are Today's Enlistment Methods Relevant?"—
"What Are Some Techniques for Communicating Through Direct Mail?"—
"How Can We Enlist More Young People in Church-Related Vocations?"—
"How Does Religious Education Relate to Church Administration?"—Cliff Elkins, Houston

"How Can Religious Education Workers 'Keep Up'?"—Al Parks, Montgomery, Ala.
Fellowship Break
10:30 Let's Find Some More Answers:
"What Can We Do to Reverse the Trend in Baptisms?"—Kermit Whitaker, Dallas, Tex.
11:15 "Do the Principles of Growth Still Work in Sunday School?"—E. W. Westmoreland, church building consultant, Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma
11:45 Report: "Churches Can Grow"—Report from the churches, directed by Dan McLendon, Corpus Christi, Tex.

Tuesday Afternoon, May 24

2:00 Music, scripture, prayer
2:10 Address: "The Challenge of the Big City"—
2:30 Election of officers and miscellaneous business
2:45 Special music
2:50 Address: "The Future of Religious Education in Foreign Missions: An Overview"—Baker James Cauthen, executive secretary, Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board
3:20 Address: "Where Are Religious Education Workers Needed?"—Jesse C. Fletcher, personnel secretary, Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Va.
3:40 Questions and discussions
4:00 Adjourn

Proposed Program

Southern Baptist Pastors' Conference

MAY 23 - 24, 1966

Exhibit Hall "C"—Cobo Hall
Detroit, Michigan

OFFICERS

President: James E. Coggin, pastor, Travis Avenue Baptist Church, Fort Worth, Tex.
Vice-President: Vander Warner, pastor, Grove Avenue Baptist Church, Richmond, Va.
Secretary: Milton DuPriest, pastor, Beach Street Baptist Church, Texarkana, Ark.

MUSICIANS

Music Director: Bill J. Pearson, minister of music, Travis Avenue Baptist Church, Fort Worth
Organist: Miss Loeen Bushman, organist, Travis Avenue Baptist Church, Fort Worth, Tex.

Monday Morning, May 23

9:15 Song Service
9:25 Scripture & Invocation—Frank D. Minton, pastor, Evans Baptist Church, Fort Worth
9:30 Welcome—Raymond E. Bagg, pastor, Merriman Road Baptist Church, Garden City, Mich.
9:35 Response—D. C. Applegate, pastor, First Baptist Church, Starkville, Miss.
9:40 Forecast of Program Events—James E. Coggin, president
9:45 "Compelled to Preach the New Birth"—C. A. Roberts, pastor, First Baptist Church, Tallahassee, Fla.
10:15 "The Recovery of Self-Discipline"—Jimmy R. Allen, secretary, Christian Life Commission, Baptist General Convention of Texas, Dallas
10:45 Offering—Special Music
10:55 "A Saving Faith is a Persevering Faith"—Fred Swank, pastor, Sagamore Hill Baptist Church, Fort Worth, Tex.
11:25 Special Music—Bette Stalnecker, Ripley, Tenn.
11:30 "Divinely Disturbed"—C. Wade Freeman, director, evangelism division, Baptist General Convention of Texas, Dallas
12:00 Benediction—M. E. Cadenhead, pastor, Bethel Baptist Church, Roseville, Mich.

Monday Afternoon, May 23

1:30 Song Service
1:40 Scripture and Prayer—Gerald C. Coggin, Jr., II Tim. 3:10-17, student, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, New Orleans, La.
1:45 "Where is Elijah's God?"—Ramsey Pollard, pastor, Bellevue Baptist Church, Memphis, Tenn.
2:15 Special Music—David Ford, Waco, Tex.
2:20 "Shouts in the Night"—Porter Barrington, evangelist, Hollywood, Calif.
2:50 Offering—Special Music
3:00 "Our Source of Authority: The Bible"—Clark Pinnock, professor, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, New Orleans, La.
3:30 Special Music—Beverly Terrell, Dallas, Texas
3:45 "Worthy of Our Vocation"—H. H. Hobbs, pastor, First Baptist Church, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
4:15 Benediction—C. A. Noe, pastor, Reading Avenue Baptist Church, Texarkana, Tex.

Monday Evening, May 23

7:15 Song Service
7:25 Scripture and Prayer—Hiram L. Harrison, assistant pastor, Travis Avenue Baptist Church, Fort Worth, Tex.
7:30 "The Mop, the Broom and the Hoe"—Paul Harvey, news commentator, American Broadcasting Company, Chicago, Ill.
8:00 Offering—Special Music
8:10 "Conformity or Commitment?"—Roy O. McClain, pastor, First Baptist Church, Atlanta, Ga.
8:40 Special Music—Sue Blocker, Fort Worth, Tex.
8:50 "Is There Any Word From the Lord?"—Carl Bates, pastor, First Baptist Church, Charlotte, N. C.
9:30 Benediction—Jerry L. Glisson, pastor, Leawood Baptist Church, Memphis, Tenn.

Tuesday Morning, May 24

9:00 Song Service
9:10 Scripture and Prayer—David R. Grant, pastor, Broadmoor Baptist Church, Jackson, Miss.
9:15 "Preach the Preaching That I Bid Thee"—J. D. Grey, pastor, First Baptist Church, New Orleans, La.
9:45 Special Music—Jack Buice, Tucker, Ga.
9:50 "The New Testament Teaching Concerning Speaking in Tongues"—Charles Trentham, pastor, First Baptist Church, Knoxville, Tenn.
10:20 Offering—Special Music—Sue Blocker, Fort Worth, Tex.
10:30 "I Beheld Satan Fall"—Gerald Martin, pastor, Poplar Avenue Baptist Church, Memphis, Tenn.
11:00 Special Music—JoAnn Shelton, Fort Worth, Tex.
11:15 "Preaching the Gospel Behind the Iron Curtain"—W. A. Criswell, pastor First Baptist Church, Dallas, Tex.

12:00 Benediction—Lewis Marler, pastor, Ridgecrest Baptist Church, Montgomery, Ala.

Tuesday Afternoon, May 24

1:30 Song Service
1:40 Scripture & Prayer—Robert Wooddy, pastor, Polytechnic Baptist Church, Fort Worth, Tex.
1:45 "Riding the Pulpit"—Jess Moody, pastor, First Baptist Church, West Palm Beach, Fla.
2:15 Offering—Special Music—Claude Rhea, Houston, Tex.
2:25 Election of Officers and Presentation of Past Presidents
2:45 "Blood on Our Hands"—Roy Fish, professor, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Tex.
3:15 Special Music—Russell Newport, Springfield, Mo.
3:25 "By Love Compelled"—R. G. Lee, pastor emeritus, Bellevue Baptist Church, Memphis, Tenn.
4:15 Benediction—James E. Coggin, president

Presbyterians Name Baptist Professor Research Director

LOUISVILLE, KY. (BP) — Samuel Southard, professor of psychology of religion at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary here since 1957, has been named director of research for the Board of Church Extension of the Presbyterian Church, U.S.

Southard will examine all areas of Presbyterian life and develop new programs to meet such challenges as juvenile delinquency, the inner city, institutional chaplaincy, suburban living, and renewal in the church. Special emphasis will be on evangelism.

For the past two years, Southard has been working with the Presbyterian board as a consultant in evangelism. Out of their meetings, the position of research director was proposed, and Southard was chosen to fill it.

"The nature of the modern church's problems are the same regardless of denomination," Southard said, "and I am certain that the research we will be doing can also be of help to Southern Baptists."

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The author of four major books, Southard will continue to pursue his interest in writing. His latest book, a study of Southern religion, will be published later this year. He recently has been named general editor of a new series of textbooks on Pastoral Theology and Psychology of Religion.

Get Acquainted Day At Campbellsville College

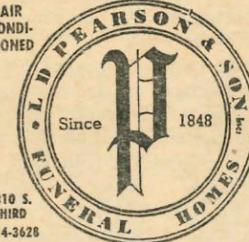
Campbellsville College will hold its second Get Acquainted Day of the year Saturday, April 23 beginning at 9:00 a.m. EST. The visiting day is designed for three types of people: entering freshmen who have already enrolled in the college, high school seniors who are considering the college, and all pastors, friends and alumni who would like to get better acquainted with the college's advancement.

Student committees are busy at work in preparation for the program and entertainment of the visitors. New students and sponsors will be given opportunities to confer with faculty members

concerning curriculum, scholarships, workshops, financial aids and athletic grants.

Visitors coming from longer distances are invited to arrive on the campus Friday and will be guests of the college overnight. Reservations should be received at the college office no later than 3:00 p.m., April 22.

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Six Baptist Groups Join North American Fellowship

WASHINGTON (BP)—The North American (Baptist) Fellowship, a committee of the Baptist World Alliance, officially came into being here with six Baptist bodies in the United States, Canada, and Mexico establishing the organization.

The fellowship group includes Baptist organizations with a total of 12,835,000 members and others are expected to join.

In its initial meeting, the fellowship committee voted to encourage all Baptists in North America to participate in a "Crusade of the Americas" proposed for 1969.

The committee also adopted a resolution encouraging "pulpit exchanges, rallies, or mass meetings" in promotion of the Baptist World Alliance Sunday observance slated the first Sunday in February each year.

The action came following discussion by the committee of its possible roles in promoting the work of the Baptist World Alliance among the churches and conventions represented in the fellowship committee.

Baptist bodies participating in the fellowship are the American Baptist Convention, the Southern Baptist Convention, the Progressive National Baptist Convention, the Seventh Day Baptist General Conference, the Baptist Federation of Canada, and the National Baptist Convention of Mexico.

Elected chairman of the fellowship was V. Carney Hargroves, pastor of Second Baptist Church of Germantown, Philadelphia, and former president of the American Baptist Convention.

Named vice chairman was Sen. Jennings Randolph of Clarksburn, W. Va.,

a U. S. Senator from West Virginia and representative of the Seventh Day Baptist General Conference.

The general secretary of the Baptist World Alliance, Josef Nordenhaug, and the Alliance treasurer, Carl Tiller, both of Washington, are automatically named by the by-laws as secretary and treasurer.

Baptist Group Affirms First Amendment Stand

WASHINGTON (BP)—A national Baptist body here reaffirmed belief that the first amendment of the United States Constitution is adequate for the protection of the "free exercise of religion" for the people, including pupils in public schools.

The action was in response to a proposed "Prayer Amendment" to the Constitution introduced in the United States Senate by Sen. Everett McKinley Dirksen (R., Ill.).

The Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs, in semi-annual session based its position on resolutions of its sponsoring conventions.

The Southern Baptist Convention, American Baptist Convention and the North American Baptist General Conference in 1964 passed strong resolutions affirming that the language of the first amendment does not need to be changed.

The Baptist Joint Committee also instructed its staff to engage in studies and to distribute information on the decisions of the Supreme Court affecting prayer and Bible reading in public schools.

The staff was instructed to lead out in developing ways religion can be presented on a sound educational basis in the public schools.

In 1964 a movement developed in Congress to approve a "Prayer Amendment" to the Constitution. Chief advocate for the amendment was Rep. Frank J. Becker (R., N.Y.). The movement died in the House of Representatives after seven weeks of hearings and after major religious bodies in the nation rose in defense of the adequacy of the first amendment.

Sen. Dirksen is now attempting to force the issue again. His amendment would authorize public schools to "provide for and permit the voluntary participation by students or others in prayer."

In a special report to the Baptist Joint Committee on the new Dirksen proposal, W. Barry Garrett, director of the committee's information services, said that the new movement is essentially the same as the Becker proposal.

Until the Dirksen proposal, the "Prayer Amendment" was a dead issue in the current 89th Congress. In the 88th Congress, 115 Congressmen introduced 152 resolutions on the subject. They were joined by 20 Senators.

Gainer Bryan, Maryland Baptist Editor, Resigns

LUTHERVILLE, Md. (BP)—Gainer E. Bryan, Jr., editor of the Maryland Baptist for more than eight years, has resigned to become editor and publisher of a weekly newspaper in his native state of Georgia.

Bryan announced here that he had accepted the position as editor and publisher of the Union-Recorder in Milledgeville, Ga., serving Baldwin County, Ga.

His resignation as editor of the 17,000-circulation publication of the Baptist Convention of Maryland is effective April 30.

The weekly newspaper in Milledge-

ville, Ga., a community of 11,000 located in a county of 29,000 has a staff of 17 employees and includes operation of an offset printing business.

Bryan said that the new position "provides me with an opportunity to go into general newspaper work at the administrative level, and to learn all phases of newspaper publishing, including advertising, circulation, and personnel; and to assume community leadership.

"My calling to serve God as a Christian journalist and layman transcends any particular category of service, such

as church-related or secular," he said. "I will bring to community journalism the same sense of divine calling and the same dedication to the will of God that I have felt as the editor of the state Baptist paper.

"My years in Maryland have been years of struggle and growth," he said. "Both have been rewarding. They now provide the sure foundation on which I move toward the challenge of the future."

Entering Baptist denominational work in 1950, Bryan became superintendent

of young people's work for the Sunday School department of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board. He also served as promotional writer and as associate editor of the Sunday School Builder.

In 1955 he entered Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky., and served as public relations director for the Kentucky Baptist Convention there while earning the bachelor of divinity degree.

Bryan in 1957 became the first full-time editor of the Maryland Baptist, then a monthly publication.

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APRIL 24, 1966

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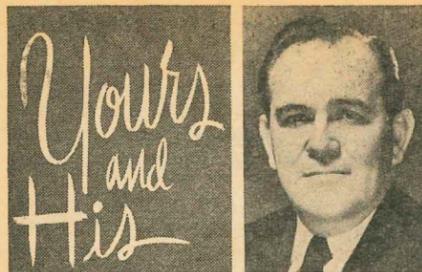
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One Blessed Morning

*Very early in the morning,
On the first day of the week.
Came the women to the garden,
There their blessed Lord to seek.
Then the angel said unto them,
"Why seek Him among the dead?
He is not here He is risen".
Were the words the angel said.
Joseph's tomb, it could not keep Him
The angel rolled the stone away.
Oh it was a blessed morning,
When our Lord arose that day.
He appeared first unto Mary,
Unto Mary Magdalene,
It was she that He had pardoned;
He had cleansed her from all sin.
He was seen with the disciples,
As they sat at meat that day,
And He walked and talked with others,
As they journeyed on their way.
He told them to love each other,
And to go and preach the word.
That the message of salvation,
To all nations might be heard.
Then He prayed for His disciples
And ascended up on high,
He is now with God the Father,
And He's coming by and by.*

This beautiful Easter poem has been written and set to music by Mrs. Almeda J. Damron, 1120 Highland Ave., Ashland, Ky., and sheet music (50c) and 45 RPM record (\$1) can be secured from her. She is a member of Pollard Baptist Church, Frank Rhodus, pastor.

Cooperative Program Sunday

Sunday, April 17, was the new date for the annual observance of Cooperative Program in the churches.

Each pastor was encouraged to preach on Baptist world missions, and to relate the Cooperative Program as our "Response to the Great Commission."

The Stewardship Promotion Department mailed helps to pastors for church leaders, too. Assembly programs, circle meetings, Training Unions, Brotherhood meetings—"Trust the Lord and Tell the People."

If your church does not have the Cooperative Program in your budget, this day is a wonderful time to take a special offering for world missions, designate it for "Cooperative Program" and mail to my office in Middletown.

"Lift up you eyes and look upon the fields"—and how you may harvest souls!

HAROLD G. SANDERS

Kentucky Baptists

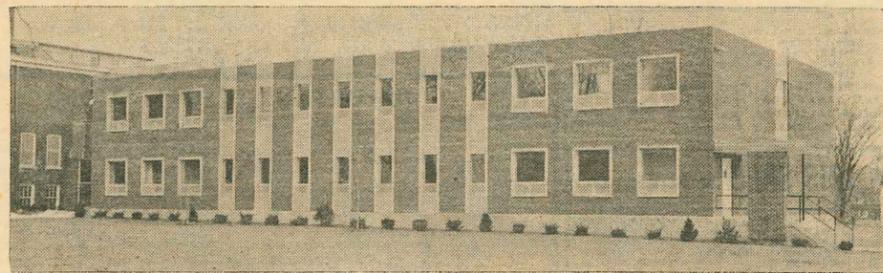
A Progress Report Of The Christian Education Committee

The Christian Education Committee, as a committee of the Executive Board, was charged by 1965 Convention action to, "make a study of the feasibility of a long-term loan or bond issue to meet the capital needs of our schools and BSU Centers". A Sub-Committee of the Christian Education Committee, since December, 1965, has held several meetings in an effort to bring the best possible recommendation to the full Committee.

At a meeting of the full Committee on March 21, the Sub-Committee presented its report and recommendation which was unanimously adopted and reaffirmed again with only slight corrections on March 31. Because the recommendation concerns budgeting "support for our schools and BSU Centers", it was referred to the Administrative Committee for budgeting purposes. It was left in the hands of this Committee on April 1.

Since the Administrative Committee is the Budget Committee of the Executive Board, we understand that the Christian Education Committee's report, along with the Budget Report of the Administrative Committee will be presented to the full Executive Board on May 2, at its semi-annual meeting at Cedarmore. The decision and recommendation of the Executive Board concerning this report will be made to the special session of the Kentucky Baptist Convention called for the latter part of June.

It is our understanding that the report of the Executive Board will be made known to the Baptists of Kentucky so that they will be able to come to the Convention informed in advance. Our Committee certainly considers it proper for the Baptists in Kentucky to continue in prayer for the leadership of God's Spirit in determining the course of action to be taken at the Executive



LEBANON FIRST BAPTIST will dedicate this new educational building April 24 at 3:00 p.m. with M. Dan Stone, pastor of First Baptist Church, Paris, as speaker. The building cost \$165,000, contains approximately 10,000 square feet and is completely air-conditioned. The church also air-conditioned the sanctuary at the same time. Herman Rowlett has been pastor in Lebanon seven years.

Board Meeting in May and the special called Convention in June.

Harold Wainscott, Chairman
Christian Education Committee

A Child Walks Again

by Harley Dixon, Chaplain
Western Baptist Hospital

Last year, a three-year-old child was brought to Western Baptist Hospital in Paducah as a Sunday School Charity patient. Upon examination and questioning, it was found that the child had fallen from the back of a pickup truck, the rear wheel had passed over his leg, and gangrene had set in.

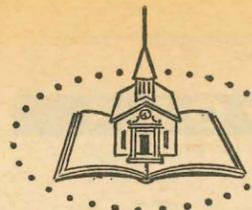
Immediately the doctors' skill and the hospital facilities were set in motion with two objectives: first, to save the child's life, second, to save the child's leg. The first objective was achieved. The boy is alive and healthy, but his leg had to be amputated.

The pastor of one of the local churches and several of the laymen took a personal interest in helping the young child. Women from the church stayed with the lad so the mother could return home to care for her five other children and her convalescing husband.

Before the child was dismissed from the hospital arrangements were made for the fitting of an artificial leg. He now has his leg and is walking again. A total bill of \$1,774.40 was marked "Paid by the Baptist Sunday Schools of Kentucky."

The orthopedic surgeon and other doctors gave their services without charge as part of their cooperation with the spending of charity fund dollars. The total bill for this one case would have been in excess of \$5,000 to cover hospitalization, medication, doctors, artificial leg, and physical therapy. You see, the charity dollar never stands alone. It is always matched by other services at a ratio of more than two to one.

We at Western Baptist Hospital are happy to report that this child walks today because you gave.



SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By H. C. Chiles

ELIJAH CONFRONTS AHAB

(This Lesson for May 1, 1966)

I Kings 21:1-7, 17-20, 27

Ahab, the son of Omri, about whom we study today, was the seventh king of Israel. He married Jezebel, the wicked daughter of the king of Sidon, who hated everything connected with the worship of Jehovah. This unscrupulous, despicable, and notorious woman did not hesitate to do anything to accomplish her nefarious purposes. Ahab was such a weakling that he was as putty in the hands of this notoriously wicked woman.

I. The Covetousness. I Kings 21:1-4.

Ahab had a luxurious summer palace and pleasure resort at Jezreel, which was approximately twenty miles from Samaria. It was noted for its pools of sparkling water, beautiful flower gardens, and scenic parks.

After his signal victory over the Syrians and the extension of his kingdom, Ahab returned to this summer home. Adjacent thereto was a vineyard which belonged to Naboth. Ahab wanted this splendid vineyard for his own use. Even though he had extensive holdings in real estate, he considered his property incomplete until he obtained this rich vineyard from his neighbor. Ahab decided that he would interview Naboth concerning the procurement of his vineyard. With a smile upon his face, and with words as smooth as butter, Ahab made an interesting proposal to Naboth. He offered him another and better vineyard for it. He also offered to pay him a high cash price for it. He made every reasonable and legitimate effort to obtain it, thinking it would round out his property. Ahab did not make any attempt to confiscate the vineyard, but he did offer Naboth an ample equivalent, either a better one, or sufficient money with which to purchase another vineyard of equal value. He assured his neighbor that it would be to his personal advantage to trade with him. Thus far, it appears that there were not any flaws in Ahab's desire or proposal.

With the strong possibility of being remembered very favorably by the king in various ways which would have been to his temporal advantage, there was a real temptation for Naboth to grant the request of Ahab. However, two things

stood in his way of obliging the king. The first of these was his duty to God. The tenure for which the Israelites held the land was fixed by God's law, "The land shall not be sold for ever: for the land is mine" (Leviticus 25:23). So, Naboth refused to yield to the temptation to violate an expressed command of God. The second obstacle in his way was his duty to his forefathers and his posterity. "So shall not the inheritance of the children of Israel remove from tribe to tribe: for every one of the children of Israel shall keep himself to the inheritance of the tribe of his fathers" (Numbers 36:7). To Naboth, obedience to God and right conduct toward others were vastly more important than pleasing the king or making money. Would that all today might realize that it is always better to obey God than it is to comply with the wishes of men!

Naboth would not sacrifice right to the pleasure of the king, and with manly independence told him so. Regretful that his king would seek his vineyard, sown with the rich seed of history, planted with touching associations, and endeared with so many precious memories, Naboth said, "The Lord forbid it me, that I should give the inheritance of my fathers unto thee."

When Naboth declined the offer Ahab was sorely displeased. He had such an insatiable and covetous desire that he could not stand to have his purpose thwarted. Like a spoiled boy, Ahab went home, threw himself on the bed, pouted, turned his face to the wall, and refused to eat or to see his friends. He sulked simply because he did not get his way. How do you act when you cannot have your way?

II. The Conspiracy. I Kings 21:5-7.

Knowing well Ahab's disposition, Jezebel immediately sensed that something was wrong, so she inquired as to what it was. When her pouting husband related his troubles to her, scornful Jezebel promised him that she would give Naboth's vineyard to him. Alas, some people are very generous with the property of others! After chiding Ahab for his weakness, ruthless Jezebel assumed unwarranted authority, wrote letters, sealed them with the royal seal,

and sent them to certain wicked men, instructing them as to how she wanted Naboth removed from the scene. She also bribed unscrupulous men to bear false testimony against Naboth to the effect that he was guilty of blasphemy, having spoken evil of both God and Ahab, whereupon he was stoned to death. Thus Ahab was the inciter and Jezebel was the schemer and executioner of this diabolical plot. Oh, the lengths to which wicked people will go to accomplish their nefarious purposes!

III. The Consequences.

I Kings 21:17-20, 27.

As soon as he was informed of the death of Naboth, Ahab went down and took possession of his estate, and seemingly without any compunction of conscience whatever. However, it must be remembered that, even though God sometimes permits wicked people to carry out their evil desires and purposes, He does not ignore their sins or fail to see that punishment follows in due time. Disregard for God's law will ultimately bring judgment and retribution.

God sent His prophet Elijah to tell Ahab about his terrible guilt and to announce to him its inevitable punishment. In obedience to the command of God, Elijah again confronted Ahab and courageously said, "Thus saith the Lord. In the place where the dogs licked the blood of Naboth shall dogs lick thy blood, even thine." Obviously there wasn't any joy in the heart of Ahab as he stood there in his newly acquired vineyard. He remarked to Elijah, "Hast thou found me, O mine enemy?" It had not occurred to Ahab that he was his own worst enemy. Then, Elijah, who was not his enemy, but in reality Ahab's best friend, let him know that his sin was not being overlooked. In fact, nobody can sin with impunity and get by with it.

Apparently Ahab was moved deeply by the words of Elijah. He did a number of things which were customary for those to do in those days who were truly penitent, such as tearing his clothing to indicate his grief, wearing sackcloth as an evidence of willingness to suffer for his sins, and showing a dejected attitude. As to the genuineness of his repentance one wonders, but it delayed the infliction of punishment.



KENTUCKY BAPTISTS AT WORK

Annuity Department

Beyond Fourscore Years And Still Happily Serving

by A. W. Walker

Brother A. O. Allison, Ashland, Kentucky, retired from the pastorate in October 1953; but one could never say he retired from serving our Lord. He wrote to us in a letter under the date of February 4, 1966, saying, "... I think every Baptist minister should enter the retirement plan at the earliest possible day. It makes possible one of the most blessed ministries of my life.



Allison

"I am sure the Lord, by His gracious providence, led me into the retirement plan. The beauty of it is I am past eighty and the end is not in sight." Pastors, Is The Retirement Plan Too Expensive?

After receiving the recent communication from Brother Allison, we glanced back through our files and found another letter he had written December 31, 1959, in which he said, "I wish every worker who possibly can, especially the preachers, would hasten into the retirement plan.

"The Old Annuity Fund was hard to pay at times. I argued with myself that I could not take on the Ministers Retirement Plan when it came along as I already had the Old Annuity.

How glad I am that I lost that argument!

"Now things are in fine shape. Drawing from the Old Annuity Fund, the Ministers Retirement Plan and Social Security I have no financial worries and can give myself wholly to ministering to which God has called me."

Brother Allison has been led of the Lord to witness for Him to prisoners in jails in and about Ashland. Through his witness, many have been won to a saving knowledge of our Lord. How wonderful it is that he can serve in this field without financial worry because he took advantage of the plans offered by the Southern Baptist Convention.

We believe Psalms 71:18, sums up the living prayer of Brother Allison: "Now also when I am old and greyheaded, O God, forsake me not; until I have shewed thy strength to this generation,

and thy power to every one that is to come." We know that in Brother Allison's witness, the strength of the Lord is being shown to this generation, and we rejoice in this knowledge.

Church Music

Jardine Announces South Central Regional Festival Judges

by Eugene Quinn

Regional Director J. P. Jardine of Campbellsville has announced the names of the adjudicators for the festivals for South Central Region meeting April 29-30 at Lexington Avenue Baptist Church in Danville.

Donald Bearfield, minister of music of Severns Valley Baptist Church in Elizabethtown, and Regional Director for a neighboring region, will serve as one adjudicator.

The other adjudicators, coming from Louisville, are Mrs. Willis H. Tassie, Miss Eleanor Gathings, and John P. Johnson. All of these judges have excellent training and experience as well as Christian dedication for rendering a service to the choirs and others who will receive the suggestions which they will give to advance their musical and spiritual development.

New Life and Work Curriculum Interpretation for Associational Music Directors

All Associational Music Directors are invited to attend an interpretation meeting at Cedarmore on April 28, morning and afternoon, to get acquainted with the new Life and Work Curriculum for our churches prepared by the Baptist Sunday School Board. This curriculum involves the published materials of all of our departments. The directors will work out the transportation expense with their associational missionary and other associational organizational leaders.

Sunday School

Cedarmore Sunday School Week

August 15-19, 1966

by Roy E. Boatwright

A great week of Sunday school inspiration, information and recreation is in store for those who plan to attend Cedarmore Sunday School Week, August 15-19.

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—Jesus quoting Isaiah (Luke 4:18-19)



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Why not make a Christmas gift in advance?

Peace Key Issue

(Continued from Page 3)

United States, is causing an end to the 20-year voting trends which paralleled U.S. interests. For this reason both the United States and the Soviet Union are turning more major U.N. matters over to the U.N. Security Council where they each have vetoes.

A Negro professor at Drew University, George D. Kelsey, charged that "racism is a faith, a system of idolatry at home inside the churches."

The conference closed with addresses by Baker James Cauthen, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Va.; and by Eugene Nida, translations secretary for the American Bible Society.

Cauthen said that Southern Baptists' missionary personnel overseas have three objectives: bearing witness to the transforming power in Jesus Christ, ministering to human need, and participating in the worthy work of achieving brotherhood among men.

Nida warned that Christian involvement in the current affairs of men requires skillful communication with a wide diversity of groups.

More than 200 Baptist ministers, denominational leaders, and laymen attended the invitational meeting sponsored by the Christian Life Commission.

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the rocks of geology, we learn not the testimony of his incomprehensible agelessness? If, in amassing knowledge, we miss the spiritual meaning of a college education and have no enriching experience of Jesus?"

HAROLD WAINSCOTT

Harold Wainscott, chairman of the Christian Education Committee of the Executive Board, and pastor of the Third Baptist Church, Owensboro, will bring the Committee recommendation to the Executive Board meeting May 2-3 at Cedarmore Baptist Assembly.

This report will be their best judgment on the proposed loan for our Baptist Schools and Student Centers, following the Convention directive in Lexington last November.

The Administrative Committee, on request of the Christian Education Committee, will show the Executive Board what the loan repayment would mean in the new budget. The Executive Board will consider their proposals May 2nd, and share their findings with the Baptists of Kentucky through the *Western Recorder* and other means. Harold Purdy, pastor of First Baptist Church, Madisonville, was chairman of the Christian Education sub-committee which made an exhaustive study about a major loan.

DAVID A. NELSON

Convention President David A. Nelson has tentatively set Monday, June 27th, for a Special Session of the Kentucky Baptist Convention to deal with the proposed Loan for Colleges, Schools and Student Centers, subject to Executive Board approval on May 2nd, 3rd.

—Harold G. Sanders

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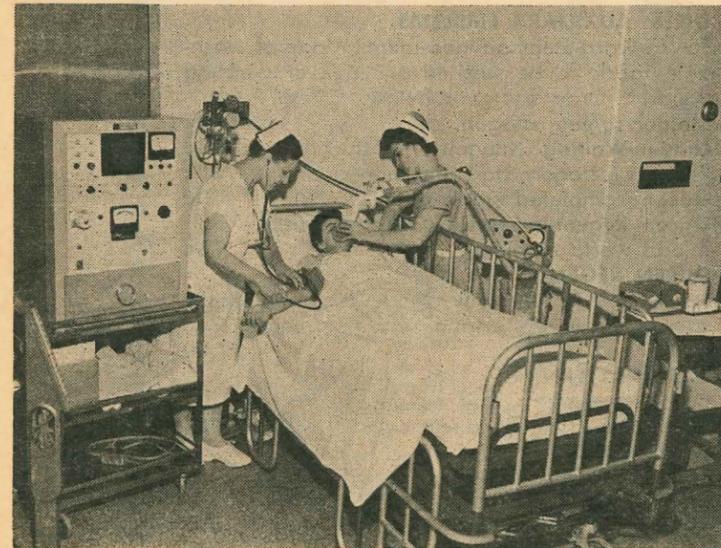
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