

**WESTERN** RECORDER

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## GLEANINGS FROM THE FIELD

**WILLIAM P. MULLOY**, a deacon at Walnut Street Baptist Church, Louisville, and his family are the latest Kentucky Baptists to visit the Moscow Baptist Church in Russia. It is the only Baptist congregation in the large Russian capitol city. Mulloy described his visit to the church as "the most humbling religious experience I've ever had in my life."

**TOMMIE WRIGHT** has been called as pastor of Thompsonville, Kentucky, Baptist Church in Central Association. He was formerly pastor of Central Grove Baptist Church in Freedom Association.

**IVORY HILL BAPTIST CHURCH**, Boones Creek Association, dedicated its new Sunday School rooms during homecoming day services on October 2. Shelby Naylor is pastor of the congregation.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**, West Liberty, Kentucky, experienced a good revival during September under the ministry of Evangelist Lewis W. Martin of Decatur, Georgia. Seven persons were added to the congregation on professions of faith.

**ED BOTTORFF** has resigned the pastorate of Williams Memorial Baptist Church in Boones Creek Association.

**ROY ALEXANDER**, a native of Somerset, Kentucky, has been called as pastor of Rosedale Baptist Church, Richmond, Kentucky. He is a former pastor of Saloma Baptist Church, Campbellsville, and has served churches in Pulaski and Taylor Counties.

**YOUTH WEEK** was observed recently by Central Baptist Church in Boones Creek Association. It concluded with a youth retreat at the camp owned by Boones Creek Association.

**PASTOR MAYNARD HEAD** of Swiss Colony Baptist Church, London, reports that Earl W. Binder has announced his call to the ministry. Other young men of the church who have made public their call are John R. Jones, who is serving the Baldrock Mission of the Swiss Colony Church, and James R. Vandy, who is a student at Clear Creek Baptist School, Pineville.

**BAUGHMAN, KENTUCKY, NATIVE** Bill Messer, a ministerial student at Cumberland College, has been named the recipient of a \$200 scholarship given by the WMU of West Union Association. A former pastor of the mission of First Baptist Church, Monticello, he served this summer on the mountain youth team, which conducted services at several churches in eastern Kentucky. A total of 24 conversions was reported as a result of the team's ministry.

**JAMES WATT** is the new pastor of Vanceburg, Kentucky, Baptist Church. His previous pastorates include Livermore Baptist Church, McLean County, and Northside Baptist Church, Morganfield.

A **NEW \$900,000** auditorium and fine arts building is planned by Belmont College (Baptist), Nashville, Tennessee. Construction is expected to be completed within a year on the two-level brick building.

**NORTHSIDE BAPTIST MISSION**, Rockcastle Association, has called Jack Moore as pastor. A recent graduate of Clear Creek Baptist School, Pineville, he has served several Baptist churches in eastern Kentucky.

**OUACHITA BAPTIST UNIVERSITY**, Arkadelphia, Arkansas, held dedication services recently for a \$250,000 field house. It is named for Winthrop Rockefeller, Republican candidate for governor of Arkansas, who donated \$50,000 toward the construction of the building.

**THE COMMUNITIES MISSIONARY** in Wolfe County, Kentucky, has resigned. He is Bruce Wilson, who has accepted the pastorate of Trout Dale and Liberty Hill Baptist Church in Grant, Virginia.

**BAPTIST CHURCHES** in Finland have launched an eight-month evangelistic crusade. Pastor Max Soderberg will lead a team which will appear in nearly all of the churches during the campaign. Membership on the team will rotate so that a large number of the preachers of the churches will take part.

**THE 150TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION** of the American Bible Society, New York City, will climax on November 15 with a special presentation of Handel's *Messiah*, featuring the New York Philharmonic Orchestra. The Society has distributed more than 750,000,000 copies of the Scriptures since its founding on May 8, 1816, in New York. Its work is supported today by more than 65 religious denominations representing nearly 100,000,000 Americans.

**TAYLOR'S GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH** in South Concord Association of Kentucky has added new Sunday School rooms.

# Executive Board Recommendations to the Convention

1966 CONVENTION: Bowling Green, November 16-18

Article VIII of the constitution of the Kentucky Baptist Convention states that "thirty days prior to the annual meeting of the Convention, the Executive Board shall publish in the *Western Recorder* its recommendations, except in an emergency that may arise thereafter."

The following recommendations will be presented on Wednesday afternoon, November 16, to the annual Convention. The Administrative Committee has approved two recommendations, subject to the approval of the full Executive Board on November 15 prior to the Convention.

It should also be noted that the usual recommendation of "Proposed Budget and Appropriations" is omitted here, since it was approved by the special convention June 27-28, which was called for consideration of the \$3,500,000 combined loans for our colleges, schools and student centers. This action, however, will be published in the Book of Reports.

### I. GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS FOR 1967-68 BUDGET

1. If the Cooperative Program receipts exceed the total budget goals for operations including Christian Education Loan Reserve Payment, all this excess is to be divided 50-50 for "Schools and Student Centers Loan Reserve" and for "Cedarmore Debt Retirement and/or Expansion." If the Cooperative Program receipts from the churches fall below the goal, the Schools and Student Centers Reserve which was established by the Administrative Committee on April 1, 1966, will be called upon to complete the goal.

2. We heartily recommend that all our churches continue to support the Cooperative Program, and to increase their contributions at least three per cent of the total new budget, four per cent or five per cent more, if possible.

3. That Cooperative Program Day be observed on April 21, 1968, or the nearest convenient Sunday. Churches which seldom give or give below their worthy level are invited to take an offering on this day.

4. We further recommend that the Vacation Bible School offerings be given to world wide missions through the Cooperative Program.

5. That we approve the annual Thanksgiving offering for our children's homes.

6. That we approve the Mother's Day Offering for charity work in our three hospitals.

7. That we give approval to the annual offerings of the W.M.U.—Lottie Moon Offering for Foreign Missions; Annie Armstrong Offering for Home Missions; and the State Missions Offering.

8. That we again ask the Sunday Schools to observe State Missions Day for educational purposes only.

9. That we urge all persons who made pledges to the Christian Education Advance program for capital funds to honor these pledges on schedule through the campaign period; and that others be invited to begin participation in this program. That we approve an offering on Baptist College and Seminary Day.

### The Cover

*THIS SCENE of the famous stone Sphinx of Egypt is from the film "Echo," produced by the SBC Radio and TV Commission, Fort Worth, Texas. The 30-minute color film, which depicts the day-by-day life and ministry of an Egyptian Baptist pastor, recently was voted "best in photography, story value, and technical aspects of production" in the 14th annual Columbus, Ohio, Film Festival.*

10. That the Kentucky Baptist Convention does not recognize or approve any other special offerings aside from those mentioned above, and that we heartily disapprove of any other appeals through our churches, organizations in the churches, or list of members in the churches when such appeals are made by institutions or agencies sharing in the Cooperative Program receipts. We recognize the right of our institutions to approach individuals for gifts, of \$100 or more, but these gifts must be considered an integral part of the Christian Education Advance capital needs program.

11. That we instruct all our institutions and agencies sharing in Cooperative Program receipts to furnish before January 1 of each year, a summary of their receipts and disbursements for the past year for publication in our ANNUAL; and a copy of their latest annual audit, made by a certified public accountant, to the office of our treasurer on or before November 1 of each year. The treasurer is instructed to withhold Cooperative Program appropriations from any institution or agency which does not send in these reports by the dates indicated. Furthermore, in accordance with the CEA ground rules, each participating institution will give a monthly report and remittance of all capital funds to the Convention treasurer. Designated funds will be returned by check to each participant.

### II. FORMULA FOR DISTRIBUTION OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION FUNDS

1. **Operating Allocation** .....\$655,023  
(same formula as used in 1965-66 budget)

- (1) Program of Higher Education .....\$549,523
  - (4 colleges) .....\$549,523
    - a. Basic Allocation 25% .....\$137,356
    - b. Student Allocation 75% 412,067
      - (a) Georgetown ..... 173,056
      - (b) Cumberland ..... 115,681
      - (c) Kentucky Southern ..... 43,548
      - (d) Campbellsville ..... 79,782

(2) Program of Ministerial Training (Clear Creek) ..... 58,800

(3) Program of Baptist Academy (Oneida) ..... 34,800

(4) IBM Operation for Christian Education ..... 12,000  
(CEA promotion from CEA receipts)

TOTAL .....\$655,023

2. **Capital Funds Allocation (new)**.....\$ 28,065  
(Formula in accordance with the operating formula in the 1965-66 budget)

- (1) Georgetown .....\$ 9,052
- (2) Cumberland ..... 6,548
- (3) Campbellsville ..... 4,981
- (4) Kentucky Southern ..... 3,399
- (5) Oneida ..... 1,519
- (6) Clear Creek ..... 2,566

TOTAL .....\$28,065

3. **Loan Repayment Allocation (new)** ..... 300,000  
(Prorated in the same ratio that the loan distribution was recommended and approved by the Christian Education Committee, being the Revised CEA Capital Funds Formula).

- Camps excluded.
- (1) Campbellsville .....\$51,330
- (2) Cumberland ..... 51,330
- (3) Georgetown ..... 77,010
- (4) Kentucky Southern ..... 77,010
- (5) Clear Creek ..... 8,490
- (6) Oneida ..... 11,520
- (7) B.S.U. Centers ..... 23,310

TOTAL .....\$300,000

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### Baptists Need More Like Thomas Holmes

The New Testament plainly warns all who faithfully follow Jesus to be prepared for suffering. James, Stephen and Paul knew the meaning of suffering for the gospel's sake. The world was such in their day that faithfulness to truth and righteousness brought inevitable conflicts with the world and rejection by the majority of their hearers.

Baptist preachers of our generation are with rare exception strangers to suffering for the gospel's sake, though we claim to be faithful to the same truth the New Testament apostles proclaimed and lived. How do we explain it? Is it that the world has become so Christian since New Testament days that it accepts the message of the New Testament? Or is it that we are not really faithful to the New Testament truths? Could it be that most of us stay out of trouble with the world because we are more man-pleasers than God-pleasers in our preaching and our actions?

In the providence of God, testing time comes for His preachers. This is one of those times. The race revolution of the mid-twentieth century will be recorded as a trial by fire for God's churches and his messengers. What will the Southern Baptist record be?

For most of us it will be a sad and dark record. The cries of the oppressed have been met by silence, and the struggle for freedom has brought non-involvement and pious rationalization by most Baptist preachers. While Roman Catholic priests and nuns have braved the wrath of their prejudiced congregations to join Negroes in seeking equal treatment, many Baptist pastors have maintained the approval of their prejudiced congregations by echoing their white supremacy views and criticizing marching reformers.

Occasionally, a Baptist pastor rises to sublime heights by sacrificing self for the gospel's sake. The most recent example is Thomas J. Holmes of Macon, Georgia, who with his two staff members were dismissed by the Tatnall Square Baptist Church in Macon for refusing to agree with the majority in denying Christians of another color the privilege of attendance and worship with the congregation.

Too many will be prone to write Tom Holmes off as an extremist or a provoker of trouble. Nothing could be further from the truth. Tom Holmes has always been a wise, level-headed man of God. He is a most likeable person and easy to get along with. He has no personality conflicts nor has he shown any tendency to be a crusader. He just happened to be in the right place at the right time to be put to the severe test. Thank God he didn't fail.

When Negroes attending the desegregated Baptist school, Mercer University, chose to attend worship services at Tatnall Square, Tom had no choice but to welcome them since they were his brothers in Christ and the church had no policy against their attending worship services. When challenged by fellow members, Tom had no Christian choice but to express approval of an open-door policy to members of all races who came to worship the Lord.

Is Tom Holmes the only Baptist preacher in Georgia who would take such a stand? By no means. Some have already taken such a stand, and many other true prophets of God put to the test would stand true. Maybe more should be put to the test; for without being tested, silence is the order of the day. And silence too long from the spiritual leaders of almost a million Baptists in Georgia must bear its part of the responsibility for the present pathetic picture in Georgia.

Such silence is at least part of the explanation of a church dismissing a pastor because of his stand on basic Christian principles. And the same silence contributes to the shameful development which now sees an axe handle-brandishing segregationist nominated for the highest political office in the state of Georgia.

### Moral Instruction In Public Schools

The Supreme Court decisions of 1962 and 1963 which ruled out prescribed Bible reading and prayers in public schools have led to a tragic loss but not the loss generally claimed by the opponents of the Supreme Court decisions. The great loss has not been the elimination of God and all vestige of religion from the public schools as a result of the court rulings but the vacuum resulting from a do-nothing attitude by too many school officials and community members following the rulings.

Instead of seeking new and effective ways in line with the first amendment to impart moral and ethical teaching to their students, school officials and community members for the most part have "played it safe" and have done absolutely nothing. Consequently, an unconstitutional and ineffective method which involved prescribed Bible reading and prayer is gone, and nothing has been put in its place. This is the real tragedy because something far more valuable than what we lost can be provided. This has been proved in a few places. One of these is Henry County, Kentucky, where the pupils of Henry County High School have for several years had availability to a high quality in moral and ethical teachings.

This course in basic moral concepts was first worked out several years ago by able and outstanding young Baptist pastors, including Russell Bennett of Campbellsburg, Graham Hales of New Castle and Harold Mincey of Eminence. All of these have left Henry County since that time, and now the responsibility for perpetuating this valuable project has fallen upon Pastor David Burhans of New Castle, among others.

Mr. Burhans, in preparation for the resumption of the project this school year, wisely sought the advice of Kentucky Attorney General Robert Matthews concerning its legality in light of the Supreme Court decisions. Mr. Matthews has replied, giving his opinion that with slight changes in certain phraseology in the course outline, the project is not in violation of Supreme Court rulings. The Attorney General further comments that "such a program of instruction is most commendable and undoubtedly will enrich the lives of the young people who avail themselves of the opportunity to participate in it."

As it has been pointed out several times on the pages of this publication, the Supreme Court decisions on public school Bible reading and prayer are not in themselves harmful because of moral and spiritual values in the education of our youth. On the other hand, the elimination of officially sponsored, mostly-meaningless religious exercises in public schools has opened a way for constructive and effective approaches for the moral and ethical instruction of our school youth. It's up to local leadership in every community.

### Kentucky Ham in Framingham

Many of the Southern Baptist churches which are started in the North and Northeast are known as "you-all societies" because they are composed mainly of Southerners transported to these new areas. This is true of several of the seventeen north New England Southern Baptist churches. Many southerners have come to New England because of the large number of military installations in the area and because of the famed New England industries.

The Rice Memorial Baptist Church in Northboro, Massachusetts, is an exception to this rule. There are no military bases nearby, and the small industries of the area attract only local people, for the most part.

The only touch of Dixie in the Northboro congregation I could find upon arrival for a week's revival was the wives in two Rice Memorial families. One of these came originally from South Carolina, and the other was an Augusta, Georgia, lady who met, married and moved to Massachusetts with her Yankee G.I. husband during World War II.

This makes all the more amazing the experience of Kentucky ham in Framingham. This is how it came about. Near Northboro is Framingham, and near Framingham is the little town of Hopkinton. To Hopkinton recently moved the David Jones family from upstate eastern New York near the Massachusetts-New York-Vermont boundary. Eight years ago the Jones came to New York from Campbellsville, Kentucky, where they belonged to the Saloma Baptist Church, a rural congregation outside of Campbellsville.

Mr. Jones' parents still live on a farm in Taylor County and are members of the Friendship Baptist Church outside Campbellsville. On annual visits to Campbellsville and home, the Jones load up with the delicious delicacies of Kentucky to return to the North.

The Jones family, in searching for a church home, had found Rice Memorial in Northboro 13 miles from where they lived. They were attending the revival services and invited the pastor, his family and the evangelist for supper one night.

A cold autumn rain was falling when we arrived at the Jones' home. From the dark, dreary outside we were welcomed into the brightly-lighted warm home. With the opening of the front door an unmistakable aroma started the taste buds jumping and the saliva glands flowing. Sure enough, there it was—large slices of old Kentucky ham fried by an expert and topped off with red-eye gravy, green beans, corn, sliced tomatoes, rolls and all the rest. The next several hours were like being transported on a magic carpet to rural Kentucky at revival time.

And that's how Kentucky ham in Framingham came about. But the best part of the story remains. The Jones have not brought Kentucky table delicacies to their new home, only to leave their church membership and Christian witness back home. They are now working for the Lord as members of the Rice Memorial congregation in Northboro, Massachusetts.

### BAPTIST FORUM



#### What About the Girls?

Dear Editor:

After reading O. W. Yates' article about the loss of our boys in the churches today, I would like to ask equal time to discuss the way we are failing our girls as well.

Just in case the ladies who read

that article are feeling real satisfied with themselves about their work with girls in G.A.'s and Y.W.A.'s, I would like to remind them that I recently sat at an associational meeting and learned that out of 30 churches in this association only 17 have W.M.U. and only seven have G.A.'s.

Yet out of this small number of churches there were 1566 girls in the associational G.A. Coronation held in May. This is less than one-third what we should have had!

Without G.A.'s today there will be few Christian mothers for tomorrow among Baptists.

Do you know a woman who could spare one night a week to meet with a group of girls to teach them about missions and God's will for their lives?

If our youth are not reached before their teen years, chances are they will never be reached.

Winchester, Ky. Mrs. Earl E. Crowe

## Kentucky Baptists

### Central, Lexington, Calls New Minister Of Education

Central Baptist Church, Lexington, has called John W. Tohen to serve as minister of education. For the past six years he has served in a similar capacity at First Baptist Church, White Plains, New York.

Tohen is a graduate of Baylor University, Waco, Texas, and of the school of religious education at Southern Seminary, Louisville. He has served in the educational ministry at Highland Baptist Church, Louisville, and St. John's Baptist Church, Charlotte, North Carolina.

Homer Carter is pastor of Lexington's Central church.

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### Kentuckians to Attend Evangelism Meeting

Three Southern Baptists from Kentucky are included among the more than 1,200 evangelical churchmen from all over the world who will be attending the World Congress on Evangelism in Berlin October 26 through November 4.

They are Hicks Shelton, secretary for evangelism of the Kentucky Baptist Convention; Duke K. McCall, president of Southern Baptist Seminary, Louisville, and Kenneth Chafin, Billy Graham professor of evangelism at the seminary.

Attendance is by invitation only. Evangelist Billy Graham, who will conduct a crusade in Berlin just before the Congress convenes, is serving as honorary chairman of the World Congress.

### Former Air Force Chaplain Called as Shawnee Pastor

A former Air Force chaplain has been called as the new pastor of Shawnee Baptist Church, Louisville.

He is Donald S. Whitehouse, a native of Chaplin, Kentucky, who left the military chaplaincy this summer after serving since 1959, the year he graduated from Southern Baptist Seminary, Louisville.

While in seminary, Whitehouse served part-time as BSU director at Union College, Barbourville, Kentucky. He was ordained to the ministry by First Baptist Church, Barbourville, while serving this church as summer youth director in 1958.

Mrs. Whitehouse is the former Nancy Glenn Steadman of Middletown, Kentucky. They have one child, Nancy Virginia, 2.

### Lexington Plans Community Crusade In May of 1967

Plans are being made now for the Central Kentucky Grady Wilson Crusade to be held May 7-21, 1967, at Memorial Coliseum on the University of Kentucky campus. The meeting will be organized and directed by the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association.

Bob W. Brown, pastor of Trinity Baptist Church, Lexington, has been named crusade chairman. Vice-chairmen are Homer Nutter, former pastor of Lexington's First Baptist Church; and Ted Sanford, Methodist laymen who served for many years as executive secretary of Kentucky High Schools Athletic Association.

Chairman is Carl F. H. Henry, editor of *Christianity Today*, the magazine which is sponsoring the world gathering.

Purpose of the meeting is to emphasize the evangelistic task of the church.

Both McCall and Chafin will serve on panels to discuss various facets of evangelism during the World Congress sessions. Other Southern Baptists listed on the official program in panel discussions are Wayne Dehoney, pastor of First Baptist Church, Jackson, Tennessee; C. E. Autrey, director of the division of evangelism of the Home Mission Board, and Paul Stevens, executive secretary of the SBC Radio and Television Commission.

### Seminary Student Becomes New Waterford Pastor

A third-year student at Southern Baptist Seminary, Louisville, has become pastor of the Waterford, Kentucky, Baptist Church.

He is William M. Key, Jr., a native of Alabama, who is a graduate of Samford University (Baptist), Birmingham. He succeeds A. J. Hensley, who resigned the Waterford pastorate to accept the call of a church at Loyal Kentucky.

Key is married to the former Jean Davidson of Birmingham.

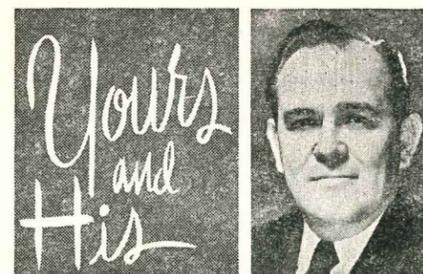
### HAROLD SEEVER DIES IN MOBILE, ALABAMA

Harold W. Seever of Mobile, Alabama, graduate of Georgetown College and Southern Baptist Seminary in Kentucky, died September 27 of an apparent heart attack.

Seever, a former chairman of the SBC executive committee, resigned last year as pastor of Mobile's Dauphin Way Baptist Church because of almost complete blindness. He had suffered almost complete loss of vision in both eyes about a year earlier.

Funeral services were held at Dauphin Way Baptist Church on September 28. Officiating were Jayroy Weber, the church's new pastor, and Porter W. Routh, executive secretary of the SBC executive committee.

Seever was president of the Alabama Baptist Convention during 1956 and 1957 and was vice chairman of the board of trustees for Samford University, Birmingham, at the time of his death. He was awarded an honorary doctor's degree by Georgetown College in 1949.



### Youth Night 1966

Thousands of our high school and older young people—in and out of college—will be coming to the fifth annual Youth Night of the Kentucky Baptist Convention in Bowling Green, Friday, November 18. Have you planned for yours?

More than 2,000 youth are already committed to come as choirs alone, to sing in the great combined youth choir under the direction of W. Hines Sims, secretary, church music department, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville. Many more thousands, along with their youth leaders in Sunday School, Training Union, RA, GA, YWA, together with pastors (many of whom will already be there for the Convention) will be coming for this highlight of the year for Baptist youth!

#### Band, Speech Choir

In addition to all the Baptist college and BSU choirs, the band of Georgetown College and the famous speech choir, "Wordmasters" of Georgetown College under the direction of Edwina Snyder, will be there. The latter group, under tour director student Carolyn Wainscott, daughter of pastor and Mrs. Harold Wainscott of Third Church, Owensboro, will speak the First Epistle of John. These alone will be worth your effort in arranging for your youth to attend.

#### Combined Choir

The big feature of all five Youth Nights is the combined youth choir—composed of scores of youth choirs from little and large churches, from 10 to 75 youth in each, all combining to sing these great songs and hymns:

- "Battle Hymn of the Republic" (arranged by Ringwald)
- "Stand Up for Jesus" (Geibel Tune)
- "Lead On, O King Eternal"
- "How Great Thou Art"
- "Word of God, Across the Ages"
- "Are Ye Able?"
- "Soldiers of Christ, Arise"

Want to get your choir in? Well, the music is easy to get: "Battle Hymn" can be ordered through the Baptist book stores, published by Shawnee Press; "How Great Thou Art"—free when you write Eugene Quinn, Middletown, to register; all other titles in the Baptist Hymnal and many others!

HAROLD G. SANDERS

### Former Ohio Pastor Called By First Church, Fulton

The new pastor of First Baptist Church, Fulton, is James W. Best, who had served the Parma, Ohio, Baptist Church since 1960.

A native of Houston, Texas, he is a graduate of Baylor University, Waco, and Southwestern Baptist Seminary, Fort Worth.

He is married to the former Joan Hall of Houston. They have three children, John Mark, 4, and twin daughters, Mary Beth and Lea Ann, 1.



Best

#### As Missionary Journeyman—

### Former Kentucky Seminary Student Finds Vietnam Challenging Place for Ministry

A young man who interrupted his studies at Southern Baptist Seminary, Louisville, to become a missionary journeyman for the Foreign Mission Board has found a real place of service in the war-torn country of Vietnam.

He is Fred D. Linkenhoker, a native of Roanoke, Virginia, who went to the city of Dalat in South Vietnam to teach English classes for children of Southern Baptist missionaries stationed there.

But he has found other responsibilities in Dalat, too; playing the organ for Vietnamese worship services, teaching English for the Vietnamese-American Association, assisting with student work at the University of Dalat and holding private Bible lessons for young people in his own living quarters.

A special fondness is evident in Fred's voice when he talks of his work with Vietnamese students, but his friendship has brought sad experiences.

He was among Vietnamese student friends last April when an anti-Ameri-

## Kentucky Baptists

### Rountree Becomes Pastor At Glencoe Church

Everett M. Rountree has resigned as pastor of the McKinney, Kentucky, Baptist Church to accept the pastorate of Glencoe Baptist Church.

For seven years he served as pastor of churches in Lincoln County Association. During that time he was associational Sunday school superintendent and chairman of evangelism.

He and Mrs. Rountree are the parents of two daughters, Susette, 15, and Dona, 19, who is a junior at Campbellsville College.

can demonstration started. "It was a strange feeling to see some of my friends leading demonstrations," he said. "They were still my friends, but we could not associate any more during those troublesome days."

Another sobering experience involved Americans. He was in the airport when two of his Army pilot friends brought in dead. "This was the first time I had seen an American who had been killed in the war," he commented.

During the past summer Fred and another journeyman drove themselves hard in the city of Da Nang in a crash program of English teaching, known as "Operation Summertime." He taught a total of six English classes each day. This offered him an excellent chance to share his Christian witness.

At the end of class periods he passed out tracts, Bibles and other Christian reading material to the students, inviting them to return with their questions.

Requests for personal conferences and numerous letters arrived. Each was a picture of a searching Vietnamese soul. They came from servicemen, civilians and students.

When the summer ended, about 25 of his students had professed their faith in Christ and were attending classes for new believers. One convert was a captain in the Vietnamese army.

In addition to watching some adopt a new faith, Fred found the summer a thrill of making new friendships. These were evidenced by invitations to homes and by letters, such as one which said: "I have heard of your religion before, but this is my first opportunity to be in contact with someone who pays attention to our problems in life."

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# Dyal Challenges Social Workers To Launch Creative Programs

NASHVILLE (BP)—Southern Baptist social workers from throughout the nation were urged here to lead the denomination to launch exciting new experimental ministries to the poor, the needy, and the downtrodden.

William M. Dyal, Jr., director of organization for the Southern Baptist Christian Life Commission, outlined an agenda for Southern Baptist social work in the future during the closing address to the Southern Baptist Social Service Association.

## "Pioneering Programs" Demanded

"The agenda for the future demands pioneering experimental and demonstration programs of social work involving the inner-city, juvenile rehabilitation, rehabilitation of the criminal, centers for treatment of alcoholics and narcotics addicts, poverty programs, literacy opportunities, and family ministry, to mention only a few," said Dyal.

He called for "team ministries in decaying or problem-ridden communities involving, for example, a minister, a social worker, a lawyer, a doctor, a nurse, a home economics specialist, teacher-trainers in manual arts and other job potentials."

## Opportunities Limitless

"Let your concerned imagination run wild," Dyal urged about 50 social workers attending the meeting held in conjunction with the annual Southern Baptist Counseling and Guidance Conference here. "The needs and opportunities are limitless."

Reminding them that the Southern Baptist Convention is the largest Protestant body in the nation, Dyal said that Baptists "ought to be the religious pioneers in the field, not the stragglers."

Earlier, Dyal said that "social concern and social welfare raise the hackles of Southern Baptists, still fighting a social gospel long ago dead and buried."

"In theology, frankly we are schizo-

phrenic," Dyal said. "We have divorced theology and ethics. We are dualists, dividing man into body and spirit.

Consequently, evangelism and social action are seen by too many as enemies rather than as partners. It is this basic heresy we practice which must be attacked if Southern Baptists are to come of age and be used in our time by the Lord of history," Dyal said.

"A tragic by-product of all these factors," he added, "is growing loss of many creative young people. 'It will take 25 years for the consequences to be felt, but it shall be felt.'"

## Burks Branch Church Calls Former Tennessee Pastor

Bob W. Wiggins, former pastor of several churches in central Tennessee, has been called as pastor of Burks Branch Baptist Church near Shelbyville, Kentucky.



Wiggins

Wiggins and his family moved to Louisville this summer from Bolivar, Tennessee, where he had served the Walnut Grove Baptist Church. He worked throughout the summer as a printer for the *Western Recorder* at Middletown.

The new Shelbyville pastor attended Union University, Jackson, Tennessee. After settling into his new pastorate he plans to enter Southern Baptist Seminary at Louisville next year.

He is married to the former Betty Louise Thompson of Memphis. They have three children, Cindy, 11, Mike, 10, and Terry Wayne, 5.

## Former Kentucky Pastor Dies In Canton, Georgia

W. H. Moody, former pastor of the First Baptist churches of Bardstown and Columbia, Kentucky, died October 1 in Canton, Georgia. Funeral services were conducted at the First Baptist Church there on October 3.

While a Kentucky pastor, Moody served on the executive board of the Kentucky Baptist Convention. A graduate of Mercer University, Macon, Georgia, he earned the Th.D. degree at Southern Baptist Seminary, Louisville.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Nellie Harp Moody of Jellico, Tennessee.

## Southern Baptists

### FMB Schedules Intensive Orientation For Missionaries

The Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board is deep in preparation for opening its first real missionary "boot camp."

Beginning in September, 1967, all newly-appointed missionaries (and their children) will enter a 16-week period of intensive orientation and specialized training prior to departure for their overseas assignments.

"The new missionaries will learn to make group decisions and live with them in a form of spiritual democracy," says W. David Lockard, director of missionary orientation.

#### Missionary Transition Aided

"In this more thorough orientation program we will be working with able, experienced, and well-qualified people. However, most of them will come with experience limited to an American environment and, to a large degree, an American-shaped ministry. The orientation period will afford the kind of experience which will help them make the vital transition to a new kind of ministry under very different circumstances."

The orientation site will be Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly, in the mountains of North Carolina. The Southern Baptist Sunday School Board is cooperating with the Foreign Mission Board by preparing facilities for year-round use.

In the past, missionary appointees have received only from eight to 10 days of intensive orientation before leaving the States. However, in April the Foreign Mission Board committed itself to the 16-week stateside orientation—on a two-year trial basis.

#### Two Sessions Per Year

Plans call for two sessions each year, beginning in September and in January.

Mr. Lockard announces that the curriculum drawn up so far calls for units on the spiritual needs of a missionary, methods of mission work, communications, world trends and affairs, depth study of individual countries and areas, interpersonal relationships, and the welfare of missionary children.

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## Southern Baptists

### GEORGIA BAPTISTS BUILD NEW STUDENT CENTER

A debt-free \$350,000 Baptist student center was dedicated recently at the University of Georgia, Athens.

Located in the heart of the large campus, the building contains offices for the minister to the university and staff, a chapel, a conference room, a guest room, an apartment for persons in charge of the building, a kitchen and dining room and recreation facilities.

Special state mission offerings, sponsored by the Georgia Baptist Sunday Schools and Woman's Missionary Union, plus funds from the capital needs section of the state convention budget, financed the building, enabling it to open free of debt.

Dedication ceremonies were led by Aubrey L. Hawkins, Georgia Baptist student secretary, and state executive-secretary Searcy W. Garrison. Also appearing on the program was O. C. Aderhold, president of the University.

## W. H. Curl, 50 Years a Baptist Pastor, Still Busy after "Retirement"

W. H. Curl of Corbin, Kentucky, observed this summer the 50th anniversary of his ordination to the Baptist ministry. He retired in 1960 after laboring almost 45 years among Kentucky Baptists as pastor, associational missionary and state mission board worker.

A graduate of Bethel College and Southern Baptist Seminary in Kentucky, Curl entered the pastorate by serving several churches on a quarter time basis in Logan and Muhlenberg Counties.

From 1935 until his retirement in 1960, he worked with the state mission board of Kentucky Baptists. The jobs which he filled in this capacity included associational missionary for the South District and Big Sandy Valley Associations, director of the mountain

Philosophy Behind "World Awareness Revival"—

## Local Church Vitality Seen as Key To Success in World Mission Task

by George W. Knight  
Assistant Editor

The elements of world awareness, church renewal, deep spiritual commitment and local church evangelism were uniquely combined in a "world awareness" revival which concluded this week at the Fern Creek, Kentucky, Baptist Church.

Departing from the traditional "revival meeting" format, the evangelistic service was held on Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday nights during the first two weeks in October. Preacher for the first week was W. Bryant Hicks, associate professor of missions at Southern Baptist Seminary, Louisville.

He was followed the second week by Lexington, Kentucky, native Robert Denny, who is associate secretary of the Baptist World Alliance, with offices in Washington, D. C.

"The real uniqueness of this revival were not the elements we emphasized," Hicks said, "but the way in which we combined them. Local church evangelism, church renewal, a deep spiritual

life and commitment to the world mission task are all integrally connected.

"The level of the spiritual life in our local churches determines the emphasis we place on our foreign missions program," he continued. "It is absolutely fruitless to talk to a group of people about mission work overseas and then expect God to call and effectively use those who are spiritually weak and lacking in commitment."

Fern Creek pastor William D. Sanders emphasized that the service did place importance upon personal soul-winning. Several persons made professions of faith in Christ and were baptized during the revival.

#### Revivals Limited in Scope

"I realize, however, that we are not going to win the world to Christ by having traditional local church revivals," Sanders stated. "We have attempted in this service to make our people aware of the tremendous spiritual need overseas and to convince them that they need to respond to God's call."

A basic part of the revival's commitment service, said Sanders, was the invitation for persons to respond to God's call for missionary service. By the end of the first week, at least one person had responded openly to this part of the invitation.

The basic plan of the two-week revival was for Hicks to give the theology underlying the connection of deep spirituality and Christian commitment with evangelism and missions. Out of his experience as a Baptist World Alliance worker, Robert Denny presented specific world needs through sermons and slides.

#### Other Similar Services Scheduled

Hicks said the "world awareness" type revival seems to be appealing to a definite need which many pastors are finding in their local congregations. He is scheduled to conduct several similar revivals in churches during the following months.

## T. A. Catron, 101, Dies In Albany, Kentucky

T. A. Catron, long-time Kentucky Baptist pastor in Clinton and Wayne Counties, died in Albany, Kentucky, on October 4. He was 101 years old.

Catron was ordained a Baptist minister in 1921.

Funeral services were held October 6 at Stoney Point Baptist Church near Albany.



W. H. Curl

Curl's son, W. H., Jr., is also a Kentucky Baptist pastor. A graduate of Georgetown College and Southern Seminary, he is currently serving as pastor of First Baptist Church, Mt. Sterling, Kentucky.

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# Executive Board Recommendations to the Convention

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(NOTE: Total in 1966-67 budget is \$983,088—less \$23,310 for BSU Centers, or \$959,778 for colleges and schools. In addition, CEA receipts as given and distributed.)

(This formula was determined by the Christian Education Committee, approved by the Administrative Committee, and is subject to approval of the Executive Board November 15.)

## III. RECOMMENDATION CONCERNING THE KENTUCKY BAPTIST HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Executive Board approved this recommendation from its Program Committee:

### 1. PROGRAM OF WORK

1. The Kentucky Baptist Historical Commission shall be responsible for organizing and increasing the membership, and promoting the interests of the Kentucky Baptist Historical Society whose membership shall be open to all interested individuals.

2. The Commission will be charged with the responsibility of directing a program of work which will include the following:

- (1) The gathering, preserving, and servicing of materials of historical interest to the Kentucky Baptist Convention; and engaging in the dissemination of such historical information as may be deemed wise;
- (2) Giving assistance and encouragement to churches, associations, agencies and institutions of the Convention in gathering, preserving, and using their historical information and records; and sharing copies of such records with the Commission for its archives;
- (3) Cooperating with the Southern Baptist Historical Commission and other Baptist historical groups;
- (4) Reporting to the Convention on a program basis.

### 2. MEMBERSHIP

The membership of the Commission shall be eleven (11) commissioners elected by the Convention: one from each of the eight regions (insofar as possible); one at-large member; and two permanent members—(1) the curator of the collection, and (2) the Kentucky member of the Southern Baptist Historical Commission. The nine (9) members shall be nominated by the Committee on Nominations of the Convention for election to three-year staggered terms, and be rotated in accordance with Article IX of the Constitution. The Commission shall organize itself.

### 3. FINANCES

1. The Commission shall make annual budgetary requests for expenses through regular channels to the Executive Board.

2. The present assets and future income of the Kentucky Baptist Historical Society shall be retained by the treasurer of the Kentucky Baptist Convention on a cumulative basis for use as directed by the Commission.

(NOTE: If approved by the Convention, a budget item of \$500 for the Kentucky Baptist Historical Commission would be placed in the administration budget and this amount subtracted from the contingency item.)

## IV. ANNUITY PROGRAM

(This improved retirement program for pastors and denominational workers has been approved by the Administrative Committee, and is subject to the approval of the Executive Board on November 15. Every state must approve it to make it effective.)

Recognizing that the welfare of our people who serve our Lord in the ministry and other denominational work is a joint responsibility of the church, the state convention and the Southern Baptist Convention; and further recognizing that the continued increase in the cost of living has created a pressing need for broader benefits at retirement, disability, or death, we join with other state conventions and associations in accepting the program suggested by the Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Therefore, upon the recommendation of the Annuity Board, we accept the following recommendations:

1. That all our state plans be merged with like plans of other states and that all plans thusly merged be administered hereafter on a Southern Baptist Convention-wide basis.

2. That the present members of the Southern Baptist Protection Plan be transferred as of July 1, 1967 or January 1, 1968 to the new Southern Baptist Protection Program.

3. That the new Program be promoted through the individual churches urging them to put up 10% of the pastor's salary toward his family protection, it being understood that the convention's pro rata cost will be the same as it is now.

4. That this Convention pledge to actively promote this program and that it will seek to maintain and improve as a minimum its present percentage of participation and its present level of average age (not lower than the Southern Baptist Convention level) and that, in the event it fails to do so, this convention recognize and absorb any actuarial liability caused by such failure to do so. (The convention already has this obligation.)

5. That each church may, at its own election, pay dues on a \$4,000 salary basis even though the pastor's salary is less than \$4,000.

### REASONS FOR PASSING THESE RECOMMENDATIONS

It is most important that every state convention consider very carefully the recommendations, because the new Southern Baptist Protection Program, with its many added benefits cannot be put into effect without approval from every state convention. If all state conventions approve, then it is hoped the benefits may be put into effect early in 1967. In summary, this new program will:

1. Offer substantial increases in benefits at no change in cost to the state convention.

2. Simplify participation on the part of the individual member, since he will hold one certificate regardless of where he serves in the Southern Baptist Convention.

3. Eliminate all state unfunded liability, affording actuarial soundness for the plan. Previous actuarial studies made by the Annuity Board on your plan have revealed a potential liability, or in some cases, a potential asset. The new program will more equitably spread the cost of the plan among all the states. The younger states showing potential assets in their plan is true only because prior service credits given to the ministers serving in those younger states were charged to the older state conventions where these men served when the plan first went into operation in 1938, 1939 and 1940. All state unfunded liability of the various state conventions will be paid by the Annuity Board from its contingency reserves, when the new program is in effect and has been approved by all the state conventions.

4. This new program will allow complete funding of the benefits of the members at retirement, or disability, or for widow, or for children's benefits. This has never been done before.

5. It will not necessarily increase the cost to the churches, since most of our churches now pay the 10% for member and church.

6. It will afford long range economies of operation of the Annuity Board which will be reflected in future earning credited to the plan.

7. It will bring benefits into harmony with our changing economy.

# 1966 Ridgecrest-Glorieta Registration Tops 60,000

The total registration of 60,847 at Ridgecrest and Glorieta Baptist Assemblies this summer nearly equals the population of Asheville, North Carolina.

E. A. Herron, Glorieta manager, reported that 24,538 persons from 44 states and the District of Columbia registered for all conferences at the New Mexico assembly. Ridgecrest manager Willard K. Weeks indicated that registration for all conferences at the North Carolina assembly totaled 36,309. The largest registration there was during the music leadership conference—3,800. Next were the first Training Union leadership and youth conference week with 3,762, the second Training Union week with 3,669 and the Southern Baptist youth conference with 3,604. During three other weeks registration was over 3,300.

Following is next year's schedule for Ridgecrest and Glorieta:

## 1967 Ridgecrest-Glorieta Schedule

Date	Glorieta	Ridgecrest
June 8-14	T.U. Leadership Conf. T.U. Youth Conf. ages (13-24)	Student Conf. Writer's Conf.
June 15-21	T.U. Leadership Conf. T.U. Youth Conf. (ages 13-24)	Foreign Missions Conf.
June 22-28	S.S. Leadership Conf.	World Missions Conf.
June 29-July 5	S.S. Leadership Conf.	Music Leadership Conf.
July 6-12	S.S. Leadership Conf.	T.U. Leadership Conf. T.U. Youth Conf. (ages 13-24)
July 13-19	Music Leadership Conf.	T.U. Leadership Conf. T.U. Youth Conf. (ages 13-24)
July 20-26	W.M.U. Conf.	T.U. Leadership Conf. T.U. Youth Conf. (ages 13-24)
July 27-Aug. 2	Y.W.A. Conf.	S.S. Leadership Conf.
Aug. 3-9	Home Missions Conf. Writer's Conf.	S.S. Leadership Conf.
Aug. 10-16	Bible Conf. Church Library Conf. Church Recreation Leadership Conf. Church and Denominational Statistics and History Conf. Church Buildings and Architecture Conf. Christian Life Conf.	W.M.U. Conf.
Aug. 17-23	Foreign Missions Conf.	Home Missions Conf.
Aug. 24-30	Student Conf.	Bible Conf. Church Library Conf. Church Recreation Leadership Conf. Church and Denominational Statistics and History Conf.
Sept. 1-4	Single Adult Conf.	Church Buildings and Architecture Conf. Christian Life Conf. Single Adult Conf.



## Christian Education Luncheon Scheduled

The fourth annual Christian education luncheon, sponsored by the Christian Education Committee and the six Baptist colleges and schools at the State Convention, will be held Friday, November 18th, 11:45 a.m., at Western Hills Motel Restaurant, U.S. 231 north-west, Bowling Green, Kentucky.

All friends, alumni, faculty, trustees and students of Georgetown, Cumberland, Campbellsville, Kentucky Southern, Oneida and Clear Creek are invited to attend. Also, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary friends and staff are invited, and always share in this fine fellowship.

### Get Advance Tickets

Advance ticket sales will be sought this year again. Soon all school and college presidents will have tickets for sale; we will write all trustees and the committee, asking them to purchase a ticket for themselves and one another—sell it or give it away to someone coming! Others may write directly to Harold Sanders at the Baptist Building, Middletown, Kentucky, for tickets.

### Program Will be Good

The program will be good—good food in the largest commercial dining room in town (up to 500); good music by our own Baptist college and BSU choirs; one (1) good speaker, Doak S. Campbell, has been invited. He is the coordinator for the National BEST (Baptist Education Study Task) program of Southern Baptists, and the president-emeritus of Florida State University, Tallahassee. He also did the surveys in Kentucky of our colleges, schools and BSU centers for capital needs, upon which our \$9,000,000 CEA Campaign was based.

### Stay for Youth Night

As usual, the Christian education report comes on Friday afternoon, and W. Howard Bramlette, on the staff of the SBC Christian Education Commission, is the speaker following Harold Wainwright's report. That night is Youth Night!

7:30 P.M. (slow time—CST), in the Middle Arena of Western Kentucky University, 13,500 youth (and leaders who won't let them enjoy this alone!) will be coming to the fifth annual Youth Night. Make your reservations to stay over.

## Texas Church Leaves Negro Area

FORT WORTH (BP)—A Southern Baptist church will leave the all-Negro Morningside neighborhood here and merge with another church of the same denomination seven miles away.

Evans Avenue Baptist Church, one of the last all-white congregations in the predominantly Negro area of the city, will merge with the Westcliff Baptist Church, the pastors have announced.

Frank Minton, pastor of the Evans Avenue Church, tagged prejudice as the major contributing factor for the church failing to integrate and minister to the needs of its surrounding area.

"Individually our people will witness in the community but not corporately," he said. "This has created a vacuum of witness and has resulted in our not serving the community and thus not fulfilling our responsibility."

### Impersonal Mission-Mindedness

"Our people can get concerned about Africans but not about the Negroes across the street," Minton said. "We have been missionary minded in an impersonal way for so long that when the mission field moved next door we didn't know what to do."

Minton has often cautioned his people from the pulpit that some of them are "not right" in their attitudes toward the Negro.

"Some think you are superior to the black man, but if you do it is pure racism," he said.

Minton argued that many Christians

in various denominations are trying to buy off their consciences regarding the race issue.

"Our neighbors may be going to hell but we don't want to feel responsible for them," he said. "If we do become responsible then we can no longer be comfortable."

Referring to the church's withdrawal from Morningside, Minton said, "You can grow a vigorous integrated church in an integrated area." But he believes, as do most of his church members, that in a segregated (all Negro) area like Morningside it might be impossible.

### Commuter Members

According to Minton the Evans Avenue members all live in the suburbs and come in on Sunday morning like commuters and do nothing for the community.

He added that there have been excellent relations with the Negroes living adjacent to the church but none of them have shown an interest in joining the all-white church.

"I believe a Negro Baptist church will be able to win these people," Minton stated. "In an area like this an aggressive Negro church will be able to do much more than a white one."

Evans Avenue church is now negotiating the sale of the church plant for an estimated \$600,000, to a Negro Baptist congregation.

## Organization of Convention In Northeast Postponed

TONAWANDA, New York (BP)—Southern Baptists from an eight-state area in the Northeast voted here to drop the target date of January 1, 1968, for organizing a regional Baptist convention.

The decision came during the Northeastern Regional Fellowship meeting at the Amherst Baptist Church in Tonawanda, a suburb of Buffalo.

Basis for the decision was a tally of the present strength of the Southern Baptist churches in the four Baptist associations comprising the Fellowship.

With 49 churches and 42 chapels and total of 8,233 members, the Fellowship recognized the possibility of reaching the needed number of churches by the original 1968 target date, but felt they would fall short in membership.

For recognition as a state Baptist convention qualifying for assistance from Southern Baptist Convention agencies, Baptist groups need either 50 churches with 12,500 members, or 70 churches with 10,000 members.

One of the four Baptist area superintendents of missions within the Fellowship, Charles Magruder of Tonawanda, said he did not feel there was deep disappointment among Baptists in the area over the decision to drop the target date, but said that there seemed to be more concern over starting churches than starting a new convention.



## SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By H. C. Chiles

### GOD, OUR SECURITY

(This Lesson for October 23, 1966)

Isaiah 37:14-21, 33-35

One of the first things Hezekiah did after he ascended the throne of Judah was to cleanse and repair the temple, which had been sadly neglected. As a man of prayer, Hezekiah sought diligently to serve God acceptably and, at the same time, to lead his people to reform in their manner of living. As is often the case, one is made to wonder why God sometimes lets a person or a people meet with difficulty, danger and distress at a time when there seems to be a real effort on the part of the individual or group involved to walk in the pathway of duty. Observation, experience, reflection, and meditation frequently bring us to the realization that God's permission of these trying situations is a means by which He brings a person or a people into a closer walk with Him. In the case of Hezekiah, it is entirely possible, and even probable, that his good fortune had contributed something toward his dependence upon his own resources.

Hezekiah considered himself as being on good terms with Sennacherib, the king of Assyria, for it had not been long since he had made peace with him. Nevertheless, Sennacherib suddenly and unexpectedly launched an attack against Judah, poured an army into the country, laid waste various cities and then besieged Jerusalem. Outside the walls of the city, Rabshakeh, an officer of the Assyrian king, taunted and scared Hezekiah's men, blasphemed God, and boasted of what his forces would do shortly to the forces of Hezekiah unless their surrender was immediate. When he had uttered his threat, he further sought to frighten and intimidate them by

shouting from the wall, "Let not Hezekiah deceive you: for he shall not be able to deliver you. Neither let Hezekiah make you trust in the Lord" (Isaiah 36:14-15).

In view of the tremendous strength of the Assyrians, as exercised in their conquest of others, from a human standpoint the prospects of Jerusalem escaping a like fate were very slim. Despite the dismal prospects, the people were not alarmed unduly at Rabshakeh's blatant challenge. "They held their peace, and answered him not a word" (Isaiah 36:21). Instead of turning from God, the men who reported to Hezekiah rent their garments in holy indignation at the contempt in which Rabshakeh and Sennacherib held God, and also in their own holy zeal for His glory.

Upon receiving the report, Hezekiah in deep humility and genuine penitence "went into the house of the Lord" for the purpose of laying the matter before Him. He also dispatched a delegation of his servants to Isaiah to request him to intercede in behalf of the remnant. How fortunate that the king was a man of prayer and a friend of God's prophet!

Hezekiah displayed real wisdom in going directly to God in the hour of his great distress, when he received the threatening letter with the ultimatum that he surrender forthwith. His spreading the letter before the Lord was a symbolic act, indicating that he was leaving the matter entirely with Him. He was certainly wise in thereby acknowledging his need of divine help. Wisdom ever dictates that in times of difficulty and distress the entire situation should be submitted to God. Access to the throne of grace is the invaluable privilege of every child of God in each generation.

If any Christian ever has the misfortune to receive a threatening or insulting letter, the best thing he can possibly do with it is merely to "spread it before the Lord," let it speak for itself to God, and then let God speak for the one who has been abused. Just present the matter to God and let him answer it with his own action.

Verse 16 gives us a keen insight into Hezekiah's conception of God. As he poured out his heart to God in that memorable prayer, he revealed that,

when a person truly believes that there is not any power that can stand in competition with God, he will come into possession of the blessed assurance that God will dispose of the forces of evil in a manner that will bring the greatest glory to Himself and teach His children the important lessons which they sorely need to learn.

When the motive behind the prayer of a Christian is the glory of God and the advancement of His cause, God will grant that which is requested and use the one who is praying thus as an instrument in the accomplishment of His noble purpose. Hezekiah did right in asking God to deliver him and his people from their powerful enemies in order "that all the kingdoms of the earth may know that thou art the Lord, even thou only." God is the strong and mighty one, who gives his children the strength which they need to do his will. Those who do his will can rightfully expect to enjoy God's favor.

As a result of his earnest praying to God and reliance upon him for security, Hezekiah received the full assurance that God would not fail him and his people. Through Isaiah he received the promise of God that the Assyrian king and his forces would not capture Jerusalem. Even though the Assyrians were superior in numbers and strength to the forces of Hezekiah, the all-powerful God would take care of His people. He is the only real security in time of trouble and need. An angel of the Lord smote 185,000 Assyrians, and those who survived fled as quickly as possible.

Time and again this great and ever-present God has proved Himself to be sufficient for the needs of His people. God asserted that He would save the city of Jerusalem for two reasons—"for mine own sake, and for my servant David's sake." Reliance upon God through earnest prayer will bring to us the divine strength which we shall need for right living.

### Counseling Group Names Randolph

Grady Randolph, of Lexington, Kentucky, superintendent of missions for the Elkhorn Baptist Association, was re-elected chairman of the church and family group of the Southern Baptist Counseling and Guidance Conference.

Randolph's election occurred at a recent meeting of the group in Nashville.



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## Dyal's Book Manuscript Wins Award

NEW YORK (BP)—William M. Dyal, Jr., of Nashville, Tennessee, director of organization for the Christian Life Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention, has won a \$2,000 award for the best book on youth and Christianity in Competition sponsored by Association Press.

Dyal's manuscript, entitled "It's Worth Your Life: A Christian Challenge to Youth Today," was judged the best of the 100 manuscripts entered in the nation-wide contest.

Announcement of the award was made here by Stanley I. Stuber, director of Association Press, the publishing agency affiliated with the Young Men's Christian Association (Y.M.C.A.) of America.

Dyal's book will be published by Association Press for release in May of 1967. The \$2,000 award includes a \$1,000 advance on anticipated royalties from the book sale.

For the past three years, Dyal has served on the staff of the Southern Baptist Christian Life Commission. Before joining the Christian Life Commis-

sion staff, Dyal was associate secretary for missionary personnel of the SBC Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Virginia. From 1960 to 1962 he was field representative for the Board in Southern South America, with responsibility for Argentina, Chile, Paraguay and Uruguay.

Dyal and his wife, the former Edith Colvin of El Dorado, Arkansas, served as missionaries to Costa Rica and Guatemala for six years. He was president of the Guatemalan Baptist Theological Institute, serving in Guatemala for three years.

A graduate of Baylor University (Baptist), Waco, Texas, and Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Dyal was born in Austin, Texas, in 1928, and was reared in Houston.

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# KENTUCKY BAPTISTS AT WORK

## Church Music

### W. Hines Sims to Direct Youth Night Choir

by Eugene F. Quinn

W. Hines Sims, executive-secretary of the church music department of the Baptist Sunday School Board, will direct the Youth Night Choir at Bowling Green on November 18. Among his duties, Dr. Sims directs Ridgecrest and Glorieta Music Conferences each year, supervises all music publications of the Sunday School Board, and directs the field work of the department throughout the Southern Baptist Convention.



Sims

Dr. Sims will conduct the rehearsal of the Youth Night Choir at 6:00 p.m. CST in Diddle Arena in Bowling Green. Following the rehearsal, he will direct the congregational singing in his inimitable and capable way as well as the choral messages of the youth choir for Youth Night.

Kentucky Baptists welcome this friend of our Southern Baptist youth to lead in this inspirational service.

Youth choirs are urged to register immediately for Youth Night with E. F. Quinn, Kentucky Baptist Building, Middletown, Kentucky.

## Church Music Institute

The eminent church musician, Thor Johnson, of Interlochen, will lead conferences at the Church Music Institute at Southern Baptist Seminary on Octo-

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## Student Work

### Large Attendance Expected At Student Convention

by J. Chester Durham

An overflow crowd is anticipated for the 1966 State Student Convention which will meet at the First Baptist Church in Hopkinsville, October 21-23. Focusing upon the theme, *Learn of Me*, the Convention program will feature the following widely known persons: E. F. Hallock, pastor, Norman, Oklahoma; Culbert Rutenber, professor of philosophy, Andover-Newton Theological Seminary; Jim Vaus, executive director, Youth Development Incorporated, New York; Jesse Fletcher, Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Virginia; Sidney Maddox, pastor, Hopkinsville; and Jim Jones, musician, Atlanta, Georgia.

Six Baptist Student Union choirs and a state BSU choir will perform at each session.

The Convention program will be composed of worship addresses, reaction panels, conferences, and fellowship features.

A thorough examination is to be made of the "New Morality" movement and of the "God Is Dead" theology.

In addition to the visiting program personnel, there will be scores of students and university ministers assuming Convention roles—both on-platform and behind the scenes.

Early reports from some of the campuses indicate the probability of a record attendance.

The public is invited to all sessions.

ber 25-27. His conference area is "Performance, Practices, and Interpretation."

Other very prominent church musicians who will be on the program include Walter Buszin of Concordia Theological Seminary in St. Louis and Lloyd Pfautsch, dean of music at Southern Methodist University in Dallas, Texas. Buszin will discuss hymnody and worship. The area of Pfautsch's discussions will be anthem material and arranging.

Reservations for the Institute should be directed to the music office: Miss Bea Wright, secretary, School of Church Music, 2825 Lexington Road, Louisville, Kentucky 40206.

## Annuity Department

### Where to Live When You Retire

by A. W. Walker

This question must be faced sooner or later, and the sooner you start planning the better satisfied you will likely be. No one else can give you the answer, but we can suggest some ideas that may be helpful to you.



Walker

**Will you want to live in a home, an apartment, a hotel, a retirement home, or a combination of these?** The section of the country in which you retire is of utmost importance to your health, your happiness and even your pocket-book. Should you stay in your present general vicinity or move to new surroundings? The lure of strange places may have a strong appeal to some. Beware of the desire to experiment without all of the facts. You may regret your decision the rest of your life, and it may be too costly to correct the mistake.

**Do you want to move away from your family and friends?** Do your children and grandchildren live within one general area? If so, think long before you move away. Consider also your friends of long standing, your church, your clubs and your other activities.

**Do older people do best when they live among other older people,** or when they mix, mingle and live among younger people? Many older people find it hard to keep pace with the younger people. Others fear they may become senile if they do not associate with young people. The best solution seems to be when older people can have contact with younger groups when they wish.

**Some people plan their retirement in two stages.** During the early retirement years the responsibilities for keeping a house and yard may be wholesome activities. As time goes on, and they become unequal to this responsibility, they may want to move into an apartment.

(Ideas for these suggestions came in part from the book, *Successful Retirement—Plan It Now*, by Clarence Wright.)

## Sunday School

### Another Great Opportunity For Sunday School Workers

by Roy E. Boatwright

Another great opportunity has been scheduled for pastors, ministers of education and Sunday school superintendents in the form of a Workshop at Cedarmore, November 4-5, 1966.



Boatwright

This meeting will be the same type as the one held September 23-24. The main difference in the program will be the program personnel.

Sunday school leaders are aware of the need for inspiration and information. The workshop is designed with Sunday school leadership in mind.

An outstanding faculty has been secured, including John Durst, state Sunday School secretary of South Carolina; Bill Ray, minister of education, First Baptist Church, Somerset; other out-of-state speakers; and the personnel of the Sunday School department.

The meeting will start Friday night with supper and conclude Saturday afternoon at 2:30.

A number of pastors, ministers of education and Sunday school superintendents who desired to attend the first meeting, September 23-24, but could not because of calendar conflicts, may find this the convenient time.

## PROGRAM:

### Friday Night

- 7:00 Special Music
- 7:20 Message .....Arthur Hicks
- 7:50 Overview of the church growth plan—  
Boatwright, Penn, Stricker
- 8:50 Message .....John Durst
- 9:30 Refreshments, fellowship

### Saturday Morning

- 7:00 Breakfast
- 8:15 Preparation Week and the follow-through .....Bill Ray
- 9:00 Message .....Arthur Hicks
- 9:45 Recess
- 10:15 Conferences:  
Pastors, ministers of education .....John Durst  
Sunday School superintendents (two years of service and under)—  
Bill Simmons, Arthur Hicks  
Sunday School superintendents (over two years of service)—  
Bill Ray
- 11:30 Preview of Sunday School program for 1966-67—  
Roy Boatwright

## Foundation

### They Sleep More Peacefully Now

by James C. Austin

The following article recently appeared in the Missouri State paper, *The Word and Way*. It was written by my good friend Thomas W. Nelson, executive secretary, Missouri Baptist Foundation.

"The house was white in rolling fields of green. Black angus cattle grazed on the hill not far away. It was a neat, comfortable and peaceful home.



Austin

"He took care of the farm. She worked as a nurse in a nearby hospital. Together they participated in activities of the little church nearby. There were no children.

"As the years passed they realized that their plans must include disposition of their property after both of them were gone. They worried a great deal about this.

"One Sunday they noticed an insert in their church bulletin calling attention to the services offered by the Missouri Baptist Foundation. Following correspondence with the executive secretary of the foundation a personal conference was arranged.

"Soon after this their wills were drawn up by an attorney. The wills provided that when one of them died everything would be left to the other. They further provided that, upon the death of the survivor, after all debts and funeral expenses had been paid, the residue of the estate would go to the Missouri Baptist Foundation as trustee.

"By the terms of the will the Foundation is directed to hold these funds in permanent trust and to keep them invested, with the earnings to be paid each year for specified mission causes.

"When their wills were properly signed and witnessed this husband and wife were relieved that at last they had completed these important plans. They now sleep a little more peacefully at night. Their affairs are in order."

Stewardship also includes disposition of accumulated possessions. The Kentucky Baptist Foundation can help in your plans to serve the Lord for generations to come.

- 11:45 What's Your Question?
- 12:30 LUNCH
- 1:30 Conference continued
- 2:30 Adjourn

## Mississippi Committee Favors Federal Loans

JACKSON, Mississippi (BP)—The Mississippi Baptist Convention, in its meeting to be held here November 15-17, will consider a recommendation that favors allowing the convention's institutions to accept federal loans, but opposes federal grants.

The recommendation will come from the convention's special church-state study committee, which asks that Mississippi Baptist institutions not accept federal grants for construction of buildings or acquisition of property.

The report does, however, recommend that federal loans for the construction of facilities shall not be considered violative of the principle of separation of church and state, provided in the judgment of the trustees of the institution that the conditions imposed by the state do not violate the principle, are not detrimental to the institution, or provided that no undue governmental control is a pre-requisite.

This special committee of 24, appointed by the convention at its meeting last November to study the current church-state issue and report its findings prior to this year's convention, has released its report to the churches for study.

The action by the convention last year also carried with it the suggestion that the agencies and institutions of the convention "refrain from taking any action in contract for federal funds until the study is completed and received by the convention."

According to the constitution of the convention, the control of the institutions is vested entirely in the trustees, but the convention took the unusual action in this case of giving an "expression of policy" to the trustees.

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## "Let's Look At The Facts"

In 1964, Kentucky Baptists gave \$254,000 as their Thanksgiving Offering. In 1965, Kentucky Baptists gave \$262,111 as their Thanksgiving Offering. This is an increase of 3 per cent. But, in this period the cost of groceries, clothing and education have also increased.

How can YOU as Kentucky Baptists provide care for the additional children who come to YOUR Baptist children's homes -- Glen Dale, Spring Meadows and Pine Crest? Will it become necessary to turn away those who need YOUR help?

**Remember, "YOUR Help Is Their Hope"**