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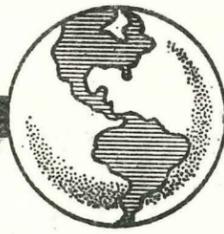
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First Baptist Church, Bowling Green—Place of Meeting for 1966 Kentucky Baptist Convention

BOWLING GREEN'S historic First Baptist Church will be host this year for the 129th annual session of the Kentucky Baptist Convention. The program features addresses by several noted Southern Baptists, including Kenneth Chafin, William Dyal, H. Franklin Paschall, Gregory Walcott and Jesse Fletcher. (See editorial on page 4 and general convention and auxiliary agency programs on pages 8, 9 and 10 for further details.)

CONVENTION PRESIDENT David A. Nelson of Owensboro reminds all messengers that the Wednesday afternoon session will be given almost entirely to the transaction of Convention business. Following the report of the executive board given by executive secretary Harold G. Sanders, messengers will be given an opportunity to discuss any miscellaneous business which should come before the Convention.



IMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH, Paducah, held formal dedication services for its new sanctuary on Sunday, October 30. Among those participating in the dedication were David Nelson, president of the Kentucky Baptist Convention; Ramsey Pollard, pastor of Bellevue Baptist Church, Memphis; Harold G. Sanders, executive secretary of the Kentucky Baptist Convention, and Frank Norfleet, Kansas City, Missouri, former pastor of Immanuel. T. L. McSwain is the current Immanuel pastor.

ORVILLE R. THRELKELD, new pastor of Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church near Frankfort, was recently ordained to the gospel ministry.

REVIVAL SERVICES at Pleasant Valley Baptist Church in Kentucky's Green County Association recently resulted in one profession of faith, two additions by letter and one decision for Christian service. Otis Skaggs of Marion County was the evangelist; J. V. Mullen, Jr., is pastor of the church.

SOUTHERN BAPTISTS IN WEST VIRGINIA, meeting at Huntington for their annual convention, adopted a new constitution and changed the name of the group to The Baptist General Association of West Virginia. The formation of a state convention structure was postponed until the minimum suggested goals of churches could be reached. All the 42 Southern Baptist churches in the state are currently affiliated with the state conventions of either Virginia, Kentucky or Ohio.

FURMAN UNIVERSITY'S new Pyle Hall of Science was dedicated recently on the campus at Greenville, South Carolina.

HUGHLAN P. RICHEY, pastor of the Adairville, Kentucky, Baptist Church, reports helpful revival services during October with William Carter of Oak Hill Baptist Church, Evansville, Indiana, as the evangelist. The music was directed by Louis Foster, minister of music at the Adairville church.

MELVIN RAHMING, a native of Nassau in the Bahamas, is the first Negro to serve as president of the Baptist Student Union at Oklahoma Baptist University, Shawnee. He is believed to be the first Negro BSU president at a Southern Baptist college or university.

BAPTIST CHURCHES IN SCOTLAND are now using literature published by the Sunday School Board of the SBC, under an agreement between the Board and the Baptist Union of that country.

SOUTHERN BAPTIST MISSIONARIES in Jordan and several native Baptists of that country participated in the wedding of a young Baptist couple in the village of Anjara recently. Rev. Samir Swaiss, pastor of the Baptist church there and a graduate of the Arab Baptist Theological Seminary, was married to Miss Nora Haddad.

YOUNG PEOPLE at the English-language University Baptist Church, Beirut, Lebanon, recently planned and conducted a four-day conference which included Bible study and discussion of Christian witnessing, marriage and vocations.

YANDALL C. WOODFIN, III, professor at Southwestern Baptist Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, has been elected professor of systematic theology at the Baptist Theological Seminary in Ruschlikon, Switzerland. His appointment is not effective until next year.

A NEW PASTOR has been named for the Second Baptist Church of Madrid, Spain, which was closed by Spanish authorities from 1954 until 1963. He is Ataulfo Simarro, who formerly served the Second Baptist Church of Barcelona.

THE EARTHQUAKE IN PERU apparently has brought no harm to Southern Baptist missionaries stationed there. The announcement was made in a cable to Frank K. Means, secretary for Latin America of the Foreign Mission Board.

THE BAPTIST SPANISH PUBLISHING HOUSE, El Paso, Texas, recently celebrated its 60th anniversary. Founded in Mexico in 1906, it produces annually about 8,000,000 pieces of literature for Spanish-speaking Baptists and other evangelicals around the world.

LOUISVILLE'S EAST AUDUBON BAPTIST CHURCH completed a fall revival, with Ralph White serving as evangelist. Fourteen persons made professions of faith. Owen S. Risk, Jr., is the East Audubon pastor.

THOMAS J. HOLMES, who was fired as pastor of Tatnall Square Baptist Church in Macon, Georgia, over an integration incident, has been named assistant to the president for public relations at Mercer University (Baptist) in the same city.

THIRTY-SEVEN PERSONS made professions of faith during a recent revival at Mill Creek Baptist Church near Radcliff, Kentucky. William Martin of Cedar Creek church at Fern Creek, Kentucky, was the evangelist. Ferrill Gardner is the Mill Creek pastor.

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Christian Education IS Needed

by O. W. YATES, Lexington, Kentucky

The history of Christian education in America has been a long and many times hazardous story. However, Christian education has undergirded the entire program of our church life in the training of leadership and in formulating policies to carry out the Great Commission. For many years all education had scriptural content, but the time came when individuals and government for economic and political purposes desired an education program without the Christian content.

The time has come now when many people under-rate the Christian element and fear that the government dollar will displace the highly-appreciated Christian element in education and destroy our witness in this field.

Christian Way Never Easy

Christianity has never been promised an easy road nor a cheap way to success. The hazards encountered along the way have varied and have many times looked discouraging, but those who rightly appreciate the Christian element in education have stood together and pooled their money to maintain their schools. Today Southern Baptist educational institutions have a greater investment, a larger student body and more men and women in the leadership of the denomination and country than we have ever had before. We must not lose sight of the fact that our opportunity is to find God's will and do it in His way.

The destructive criticism of some of our leaders and of our institutions will not advance the Lord's work unless we have something better to offer. What is more serious, we elect 36 of our best and most intelligent men and women as trustees of a college, and charge them with the responsibility of the school, and then take it out of their hands to be ruled by those of the State who know but little about the problems and requirements.

Christian Schools Needed

Regardless of the cross-currents in our denomination, there are still many who are the products of our Baptist colleges and many more who see the eternal worth of our schools in training laymen and women for the leadership in our churches, and in training ministers and missionaries to carry the gospel around the world. (Of the recent appointees by the Foreign Mission Board 13 are graduates and former students of Georgetown College.)

What would we do without these important educational centers? We are greatly encouraged that the Baptists of Kentucky are planning to put almost \$1,000,000 this year, beginning September 1, into the operation and capital improvement of the Baptist schools of the State.

Learn of Education Needs

Every Baptist in the State needs to look upward and forward with a new determination to learn of the needs of our young people and of our schools. Those who know, care; those who care, pray; and those who pray for ourselves and our institutions will give for their support. Other colleges, both state and private, will serve their purposes. It is our privilege and very great joy to see to it that our Baptist colleges have high and noble purposes and carry them out under the leadership of the Holy Spirit. This costs money, but Baptists have it.

The discussed question of receiving grants from the government is out. Very few Southern Baptists who have studied this question have spoken out in favor of it since it violates our age-old principle of separation of church and state. On the other hand most of our leaders in all of our states who have studied the question see no violation of any principle by borrowing money from the government. In this way we give approximately three per cent interest, and when we borrow from a loan company we pay six per cent. It is all government money, and we pay an additional three per cent to have the loan company pick it up at the bank when the trustees of any of our colleges will be glad to do so.

Already Related to Government

In fact, we are definitely related to the government anyway. We own tax-free property; any equipment or material bought by our churches is sales tax-free; we accept city, county and State police patrol protection; likewise local fire protection is extended to us; money invested in the bank up to \$10,000 is insured by the government; and our sons are not subject to be called to the battle fields on the other side of the world. Therefore, there is no objectionable principle violated when we go directly to the government to borrow the money for our schools and colleges and then pay it back with the legal rate of interest.

This is no time for pessimism or apology. Instead, we must see that the gear of our machinery is shifted into high, and with courage and faith ask God to lead while we follow.

Mississippi Layman to Serve In War On Poverty Program

Southern Baptist layman Owen Cooper of Yazoo, City, Mississippi, has been named to head an 18-member bi-racial board of directors which will coordinate and administer the Head Start Program for 1,500 children in 28 counties of Mississippi as part of the War on Poverty.

The appointment of Cooper, who is president of the Mississippi Chemical Corporation, was announced by Sargent Shriver, director of the Office of Economic Opportunity in Washington, D. C.

Also named to the 18-member board, called the Mississippi Action for Progress, Inc., was W. P. Davis of Jackson, secretary of the department of Negro Work for the Mississippi Baptist Convention.

The bi-racial board includes six white and six Negro leaders in Mississippi, plus six additional members to be selected from among the poverty-stricken people with whom the board will work. (BP)

First Church, Lawrenceburg Calls Bob Jones as Pastor

Bob C. Jones, pastor of Northside Baptist Church, Mayfield, Kentucky, for the past four and one-half years, has resigned in order to accept the pastorate of the First Baptist Church of Lawrenceburg.



Jones

A native Kentuckian, Jones is a graduate of Georgetown College and Southern Seminary. He is moderator of Graves County Baptist Association, a member of the board of trustees of Western Baptist Hospital and a member of the Hospital Commission of Kentucky Baptists.

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Lynn Association Baptists Hold Associational Revival

Lynn Baptist Association of Kentucky recently completed a successful associational revival, held at the Hart County Fairgrounds in Munfordville. A total of 45 persons made professions of faith during the series of meetings.

Leading the revival effort were Nobel Cottrell, pastor of the Tompkinsville, Kentucky, Baptist Church, evangelist; Cosby Dobson, pastor of Mt. Tabor church in Lynn Association, music director.

Haskell McCubbins of Munfordville, assistant music director; Mrs. Haskell McCubbins, pianist, and Miss Karen Gibson of Campbellsville, organist.



Bowling Green Is Sacred Baptist Soil

When Kentucky Baptists convene November 16-18 for the 129th annual session of the Kentucky Baptist Convention in the sanctuary of Bowling Green's First Baptist Church, they will be on some of the most sacred and historic Baptist soil in Kentucky. Few, if any, churches in Kentucky have a richer history or have exerted more influence upon Baptist life.

This congregation goes back to 1818 when it began as the United Baptist Church. The first full-time pastor was J. M. Pendleton, who came in 1837 and served 20 years. Pendleton cut a deep and lasting path in Southern Baptist history. It is interesting to note that J. R. Graves led a revival for the church in 1852. The names of Pendleton and Graves along with Boyce Taylor head the list in the Landmark movement, which came to be one of the strongest influences in Baptist life and doctrine.

Like most Baptist churches in the first half of the 19th century, the Bowling Green congregation included Negroes in its membership. The Negro members left in 1870 to form their own church.

The Sunday School was started in 1838 as the result of Mrs. J. M. Pendleton's disappointment in not finding a Sunday School in the church. Herself an ardent Sunday School teacher, Mrs. Pendleton began attending the First Presbyterian school. This was too much for the brethren, who decided she should have a school within her bounds, and it was duly organized. The Woman's Missionary Society dates from 1892 and the Training Union from 1915.

The massive and beautiful church building at Twelfth and Chestnut Streets dates from 1915. The Ionic Romanesque architectural style with an inside skylight makes it one of the most attractive sanctuaries in Kentucky. Dr. E. Y. Mullins preached at the dedication service for the building. In 1950 a four-story educational building was constructed, and the sanctuary was remodeled in 1951. Another educational building is now in the final stages of planning.

The list of pastors of Bowling Green's First Baptist Church sounds like a Baptist Hall of Fame. Finley F. Gibson of Walnut Street fame served in Bowling Green from 1916 to 1918. His successor, C. L. Greaves, had the unique experience of conducting 14 funerals before he ever preached a sermon as pastor. He came during the 1918 flu epidemic when no gatherings were permitted for a period.

Pastors in more recent history include J. O.

Williams, R. T. Skinner, Harold J. Purdy, Franklin Paschall and Joseph R. Estes. J. O. Williams finished his brilliant career at the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board in Nashville. R. T. Skinner moved from Bowling Green to a 10-year editorship of the *Western Recorder*, and Harold Purdy moved from Bowling Green to Belmont Heights in Nashville and back to Kentucky to serve the First Baptist Church in Madisonville.

Franklin Paschall moved from Bowling Green to Nashville's First Baptist Church and was elected this year president of the Southern Baptist Convention. Joe Dick Estes left Bowling Green for the foreign mission field and now holds an important position with the Home Mission Board in Atlanta.

The present pastor is Othar O. Smith, a scholarly, dynamic and energetic leader. He majors on a ministry designed to serve the needs of a contemporary congregation. Among these needs is a ministry to the Baptist students at the rapidly growing Western State University. Many of these students go home every weekend, but those who are in Bowling Green on Sundays have free bus service to the First Church and a variety of programs designed especially for college students. Typical of these is the current series of late Sunday afternoon sermons by Pastor Smith entitled "Plain Talks to Inquiring Young Minds."

Smith has two able associate ministers. Temp Sparkman leads the educational ministry, and Jack Duvall is in charge of the music program. Almost a dozen more people serve in one way or another on the church staff.

For many years the First Baptist Church stood almost alone to serve Bowling Green Baptists. In recent years, however, with the rapid growth of the city, new Baptist congregations have sprung up and have grown with great vigor. Among these are Eastwood, Glendale, Forest Park, Hillview Heights and Calvary.

Southern Kentucky has its own atmosphere and culture distinct from any other section of the state. The hospitality and spirit of this area are more like the deep South, and most who have ever lived there regard it as about the best place in the world. The excellent lodging facilities, the spaciousness and beauty of the meeting place, the rich history of Bowling Green Baptists and warm hospitality of the entire community make for a most ideal setting for Kentucky Baptists to do the Lord's business in 1966.

Think Before Voting

The election date is but a few days away and voters, still undecided, must make up their minds soon about whom to send to represent them in important Congressional deliberations. Kentucky voters will choose all their U. S. representatives and one of their U. S. senators.

Far be it from the editor to suggest to others whom to vote for. With all the dust, mud and confusion that get into campaigns, it's hard enough to decide personally how to vote. On general principle I tend to look with suspicion upon candidates who shout the loudest, criticize the sharpest and promise the most. Extremists in any direction will seldom get my vote, and candidates who find everything wrong must be twisted in their thinking.

Without mentioning names, one Congressional race brought an issue to the surface in recent days that is emotionally laden. This is the issue of Bible reading and prayer in public schools which, as a prescribed activity, has been ruled unconstitutional by the Supreme Court.

Many Americans have expressed opposition to the Supreme Court ruling and have tried to make provision for getting Bible reading and prayer back into the classroom. This is unfortunate because it is generally based on a misunderstanding of the court decision and a lack of appreciation for the religious freedom guaranteed by the First Amendment to the United States Constitution.

The most famous recent effort to overturn the

Supreme Court ruling was the Dirksen constitutional amendment proposal. Failing to get his proposal cleared by a Senate committee, Senator Dirksen forced the issue on the Senate floor in the last days of Congress. The proposal lost, though it received a majority, because more than a simple majority is necessary for passage of a constitutional amendment proposal.

Senator Dirksen is a great American and is generally right, but here he was wrong. He was toying with the first amendment, which has been a bulwark for religious freedom throughout American history. To make provision for school authorities to provide voluntary religious exercises would open the door for all kinds of possible troubles. Let's leave well enough alone.

Senator Dirksen will not be soon forgotten by his Senate colleagues whom he forced to take a stand on such an emotional issue just before election time. Thanks be to the senators who dared to risk the misunderstanding of their constituents by opposing Mr. Dirksen's amendment. It requires conviction and courage to take such a stand because it appears to some to be a vote against Bible reading and prayer.

In the Kentucky congressional race referred to above, one candidate said he would have voted for the Dirksen amendment, while the other said he would not. In this issue, at least, the candidate against the Dirksen proposal is right. It is hoped that such insight and courage will not cost this candidate any votes of those truly interested in religious freedom in America in the future.

BAPTIST FORUM



War On Gambling

Dear Editor:

I would like to express my appreciation for your editorial, "Grocery Stores and Gambling" (*Western Recorder*, October 20). It added some much needed "fire-power" to my own guns in the war on gambling.

The time has come and now is when Christians in general and Baptists in particular need to make their voices heard and their power felt in the war against gambling.

The danger of this super market gambling is reinforced by the studies of Gamblers Anonymous, an organization to rehabilitate the compulsive gambler. They have found the compulsive gambler starts by engaging in the type of so-called "innocent" gambling carried on in our grocery stores. It appears that gambling develops like alcoholism; it starts small and soon grows out of control.

May I thank you again for a very

good editorial which showed us that the fight against gambling—like support of charity and missions—must begin at home.

Hopkinsville, Ky. John C. Sanderson

Reginald Peltier: From Bombs to Baptist Preacher

Southern Baptist pastor Reginald A. Peltier of Fraser, Michigan, has more military medals than he has room on his chest to pin them. A former Army demolitions expert, he retired recently after a 23-year military career.

Peltier estimates that he dismantled about 2,500 explosives during his Army career. Now as a Baptist pastor he remarks humorously, "I would rather disarm a 2,000 pound bomb than try to separate two factions in a church."

His expert demolition work brought him 30 medals from various Army



Reginald Peltier

groups. Recently he was awarded the Legion of Merit, the second highest presidential award in peace time.

Peltier worked as pastor and associate in three churches in France, started a church in Illinois and served as co-pastor of Trinity Baptist Church in Saigon during his Army years.

Since retiring from the Army, he has served full-time as pastor of Venetian Village Baptist Church, Fraser, Michigan.

Salem Baptists Vote To Establish Youth Camp

The Salem Association of Baptists took the first step toward establishing a camp and recreation center for their youth during the annual associational meeting at Rock Haven Baptist Church in October.

Twenty-two acres of land for the project has already been donated by Mr. J. D. Tobin. The association formally voted to initiate plans and appointed a planning and development committee to work toward construction of a fellowship and dining hall.

Elected new associational officers were Kenneth Curry of Ekron church, moderator; Kent Boyd of New Highland church, vice-moderator, and Mrs. Richard D. Meuth, clerk.

Select Georgetown Spanish Students to Study in Mexico

Prof. David Davila of Georgetown College will teach Spanish to his students in a Mexican cultural setting next summer, under a special arrangement with the University of Puebla, Mexico.

The college hopes to add programs of a similar nature for students studying German and French.

Caudill's Eyesight Continues to Weaken

Southern Baptist missionary Herbert Caudill, imprisoned in a Cuban jail, has experienced further complications with his eyesight, unconfirmed reports from Cuba reaching the Baptist World Alliance office at London have indicated.

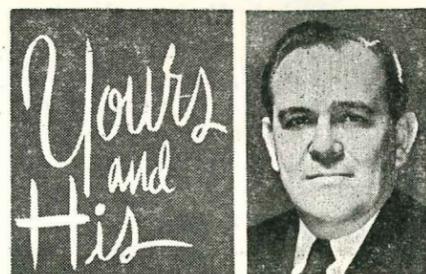


Caudill

Caudill, who was jailed in 1965 along with his missionary son-in-law David Fite and 51 Cuban pastors and laymen, already is blind in one eye due to a detached retina. The same type of complication may be affecting his other eye, reports indicate.

Caudill and Fite have been imprisoned in the La Cabana Fortress across the bay from Havana along with many Cuban pastors and lay leaders.

In August, the Baptist World Alliance office received reports indicating that both Caudill and Fite were in ill health, and that Caudill's eyesight was failing because of cataract growth. (BP)



They're Over!

Yes, the 90-day season for the 83 annual meetings of the "District" Associations (we do not leave the handle on any more) came to a close on October 21 when Long Run Baptist Association met in historic old Walnut Street Church in Louisville, and honored their retiring (at 65, we mean) superintendent of missions and evangelism—Ben F. Mitchell—whose marvelous 13-year ministry in our largest association will end December 31. Think of the contrasts between the size of Long Run and Middle Forks Associations! I visited both—Long Run with 123 churches and 11 missions; Middle Fork with 5 small mountain churches! Yet the fellowship in both was sweet.

The attendance was up in most associations this year—a good sign of growing unity, mutual concern, and cooperative effort. We hope this trend will grow. We need strong associational organizations and annual meetings—with and without missionaries.

We Missed Some Leaders

We missed W. R. Pettigrew, pastor of Walnut Street church, who went to his great reward December 12, 1965, after 19 years as the warm-hearted, sound-minded, mission-mastered minister of our largest church. It was thrilling to note that the Cooperative Program, so dear to his heart, was not neglected by his great church after his passing—they were No. 1 on the list, with more than \$65,000 given this past year—an increase of about \$5,000 over his last year; and it is rumored that the leaders of that "leader church" are planning to increase it strongly this year \$(77,000, some say) to help us reach our increased state budget of \$3.5 million—13% increase!

We missed Lynn Mays, who went to his heavenly reward November 2, 1965, at an early age of 53, having served faithfully at smaller churches with the same fervency for the Cooperative Program and evangelism in the Poplar Grove Church, Lynn Camp Association, Route 1, Corbin. He was Moderator of his association for six years, and, taught school for 26 years. As we met at Robinson Creek church, E. J. Cupp, moderator, and cousin Lynn P. Robbins, missionary, the widow of Lynn Mays, was there, and his name was spoken frequently and with tenderness by many lips.



They're Coming In

Advance orders for tickets for the annual Christian education luncheon are coming in—\$2.00 each. They will be mailed direct to those requesting them in advance of the Convention. (Dr. and Mrs. O. W. Yates were first!)

When? Friday, November 18, during Kentucky Baptist Convention. 11:45 AM—last day of Convention.

Where? Bowling Green, Kentucky—at the Western Hills Motel Restaurant, located outside the city, on US Highway 231-N.

What? Annual fellowship meeting of friends of all our Baptist colleges and schools, plus our Southern Seminary (although this is not to be confused with the regular seminary luncheons—including Southern—on Thursday noon, same place, same time, similar reason: Ask Grady Nutt).

Who? Friends of our schools—alumni, students, faculty, trustees and friends of CEA and our schools. Two of our finest choirs are scheduled for the dinner and after-dinner music: Campbellsville Chorale with Dee Wayne White, and Kentucky Southern Choir with Farrold Stephens.

Program? Short and sweet—although more than two hours allowed by the Committee on Order of Business to make the luncheons possible and not to infringe on the Convention program. Christian Education Committee Chairman, Harold Wainscott, pastor of Third Baptist Church, Owensboro, will preside. Invocation by Rev. Herman Rowletts, Lebanon pastor, and member of the CE Committee; the two choirs; introduction of Presidents and school groups; inspirational message by Dr. Herbert C. Gabhart, president, Belmont (Baptist) College, Nashville; benediction, Wm. Austin Roberts, Danville pastor. So, come, enjoy it all, and get back for the final afternoon—when Christian Education and BSU reports and messages will be given.

I May Forget

Yes, I may forget to order my luncheon ticket in advance, so what? When you register, Dr. Lewis C. Ray and his assistants will have them on sale; any president may buttonhole you; or the college booths in the exhibit hall may extract your \$2.00. But, deadline is Thursday of Convention. See you?

Walnut Street Leads in Coop Program Giving

Walnut Street Baptist Church, Louisville, led the State in total amount given to the Cooperative Program during the last budget year, according to figures released by the stewardship department of the Kentucky Baptist Convention.

Members of the church contributed \$65,112 to the Cooperative Program from September 1, 1965, through August 31, 1966.

Seven other churches in the State

gave more than \$30,000 to the Cooperative Program during the year. They are Severn's Valley, Elizabethtown; First, Somerset; Crescent Hill, Louisville; First, Madisonville; First, Owensboro; Calvary, Lexington, and First, Bowling Green.

Other churches which ranked among the top 100 in Cooperative Program giving are:

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| 9. Beechwood, Louisville | 40. Second, Hopkinsville | 71. Glendale, Bowling Green |
| 10. Immanuel, Lexington | 41. Lone Oak, Paducah | 72. First, Owenton |
| 11. Third, Owensboro | 42. Eaton Memo., Owensboro | 73. First, Mt. Sterling |
| 12. Harrodsburg Baptist Ch. | 43. Eastern Pkwy., Louisville | 74. Beechland, Louisville |
| 13. First, Shelbyville | 44. Harlan Baptist Church | 75. First, Leitchfield |
| 14. Latonia, Covington | 45. Cynthia Baptist Ch. | 76. Bardston Baptist Ch. |
| 15. First, Frankfort | 46. First, Mt. Washington | 77. First, London |
| 16. First, Hopkinsville | 47. First, Pikeville | 78. First, Paris |
| 17. First, Murray | 48. Erlanger, Covington | 79. S. Jefferson, Louisville |
| 18. Unity (Greenup Assoc.) | 49. First, Greenville | 80. First, Hazard |
| 19. St. Matthews, Louisville | 50. First, Pineville | 81. First, Henderson |
| 20. First, Ashland | 51. Grace, Lexington | 82. Ralph Ave., Louisville |
| 21. Georgetown Baptist Ch. | 52. First, Fulton | 83. First, Greensburg |
| 22. Deer Park, Louisville | 53. First, Princeton | 84. Walnut St., Owensboro |
| 23. Versailles Baptist Ch. | 54. Immanuel, Paducah | 85. First, Middlesboro |
| 24. Victory Memo., Louisville | 55. First, Lebanon | 86. Bethlehem, Louisville |
| 25. First, Franklin | 56. Buechel Park, Louisville | 87. First, Newport |
| 26. Highland, Louisville | 57. Central, Irvine | 88. Bethel, Harrodsburg |
| 27. Beechmont, Louisville | 58. First, Paducah | 89. Berea Baptist Church |
| 28. Campbellsville Bapt. Ch. | 59. Rosemont, Lexington | 90. Lyndon Baptist Church |
| 29. Broadway, Louisville | 60. First, Winchester | 91. Farmdale, Louisville |
| 30. First, Hodgenville | 61. Hall St., Owensboro | 92. Lewis Lane, Owensboro |
| 31. First, Russellville | 62. Lexington Ave., Danville | 93. Green Acres, Louisville |
| 32. Glasgow Baptist Church | 63. Valley Sta., Louisville | 94. First, Corbin |
| 33. First, Mayfield | 64. Thornhill, Frankfort | 95. Pleasant Hill, C'mpls. v. |
| 34. Ninth and O, Louisville | 65. First, Cadiz | 96. Central, Lexington |
| 35. Porter Memo. Lexington | 66. First, Florence | 97. Brinesburg Baptist Ch. |
| 36. Carlisle Ave., Louisville | 67. Dehaven Memo, Bedford | 98. Columbia Baptist Ch. |
| 37. Audubon, Louisville | 68. Shively, Louisville | 99. Southside, Covington |
| 38. First, Central City | 69. East Paducah | 100. First, Morganfield |
| 39. Beaver Dam Baptist Ch. | 70. First, Springfield | |

Bratcher Becomes New Daviess-McLean Moderator

Members of the Daviess-McLean Baptist Association elected Donald P. Bratcher as their new moderator for the coming year during their annual associational meeting at Bethabara and Walnut Street Baptist churches.

H. M. Waters, who has served as associational clerk for the past 20 years, was re-elected to the position.

Other new officers are L. M. Huff, pastor of Walnut Street church, vice-moderator, and Hobart Reynolds, pastor of Wing Avenue church, second vice-moderator.

HERBERT C. CRALLE FUNERAL HOME

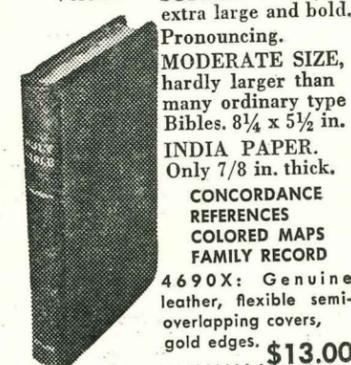
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"That this may be a sign among you, that when your children ask their fathers in time to come saying,

What mean ye by these stones?

Then ye shall answer them, these stones shall be for a memorial unto the children of Israel forever." Joshua 4:6-7.

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Morning Session

SCRIPTURE: John 10:11

- 10:00 Call to Order David A. Nelson, Owensboro
- Organization of Session Lewis C. Ray, Louisville
- 10:05 Hymn
- Scripture and Prayer I. Lee Baughn, Morganfield
- 10:15 Report of Committee
on Order of Business John C. Huffman, Mayfield
- 10:20 Welcome Othar O. Smith, Bowling Green
- 10:25 Fraternal Greetings, General Association
of Baptists in Kentucky J. H. Taylor, Bowling Green
- 10:35 Recognition of new pastors, denomina-
tional workers and wives Harold G. Sanders, Middletown
- 10:50 Solo Grover S. Waller, Owensboro
- 10:55 Presidential Address David A. Nelson, Owensboro
- 11:20 Hymn
- Special Music State Ministers of Music Choir
- 11:30 Annual Sermon: "God's Word for
the Metropolis" Kenneth L. Chafin, Louisville
- 12:00 Adjourn

Afternoon Session

SCRIPTURE: Matthew 24:14

- 2:00 Hymn
- Theme Interpretation—Prayer Wallace Williams, Louisville
- 2:15 Your Baptist Book Store Blanche Mays, Louisville
- 2:20 Report of Committee on Kentucky
Baptist Historical Society Wendell H. Rone, Owensboro
- 2:25 Report of the Executive
Board Harold G. Sanders, Middletown
- 3:15 Solo Bill L. Roper, Lyndon
- 3:20 Miscellaneous Business
- 4:20 Adjourn

Evening Session

SCRIPTURE: Luke 15:4

- 6:45 Organ Inspiration
- 7:00 Hymn
- Theme Interpretation—Prayer Robert Kilgore, Louisville
- 7:15 Report on Cooperative
Program M. A. Reese, Barbourville
- Address: "A Layman's Report
from the Mission Field" John H. Williams, Nashville
- 7:35 Combined Choral
Presentation First Baptist Church, Bowling Green
- 7:50 Address: "The Tie
that Binds" Edwin H. Tuller, Valley Forge, Pa.



William M. Dyal, Jr., director of organization for the Christian Life Commission, Nashville, will address the convention at 10:00 Thursday morning. The title of his address is "Christ Calls: Where the Action Is."

Dyal



"God's Word for the Metropolis" will be the subject of Kenneth L. Chafin's address to the convention during the first session on Wednesday morning. He is Billy Graham professor of evangelism at Southern Seminary.

Chafin

- 8:15 Report on Benevolences Kenneth Cole, Morehead
- Responses:
Board of Child Care C. Ford Deusner, Middletown
- Hospital Commission H. L. Dobbs, Louisville
- 8:30 Address: "Opportunities for Service
in the Prince of Peace Corps
through Medical Missions
on Six Continents" Robert A. Hingson, Cleveland, Ohio
- 9:15 Adjourn

Morning Session

SCRIPTURE: Matthew 6:21

- 9:00 Organ Inspiration
- 9:15 Hymn
- Theme Interpretation—Prayer Randall M. Green, Franklin
- 9:30 Report of Resolutions
Committee Eldred M. Taylor, Somerset
- 9:40 Report of Committee
on Arrangements Othar O. Smith, Bowling Green
- 9:45 Report of Committee
on Credentials Robert E. Humphreys, Owensboro
- 9:50 American Bible Society Ben F. Mitchell, Louisville
- 9:55 Report on Training
Union James H. Whaley, Sr., Middletown
- 10:05 Report on Church Music Eugene F. Quinn, Middletown
- 10:15 Special Music Kentucky Southern Choir
- 10:20 Memorial Service: Committee
on Obituaries George Raleigh Jewell, Louisville
- 10:30 Report on Stewardship H. C. Zachry, Winchester
- Response Michael L. Speer, Middletown
- 10:45 Report on Kentucky
Baptist Foundation O. W. Yates, Lexington
- Response James C. Austin, Middletown
- 11:00 Report of Public
Affairs Committee John R. Claypool, Louisville
- 11:30 Adjourn to Christian Education Luncheon
- 11:45 Christian Education
Luncheon Western Hills Motel
- Address Herbert C. Gabhart, Nashville
- (Music by Campbellsville College Chorale and
Kentucky Southern College Choir)

Afternoon Session

SCRIPTURE: Romans 11:33-36

- 1:30 Organ Inspiration
- 1:40 Hymn
- Theme Interpretation—Prayer Glenn Igleheart, Louisville
- 1:55 Temperance League
of Kentucky Delbert Butts, Louisville
- 2:05 Report of Committee
on Nominations R. Haskell Bolding, Corbin
- 2:15 Report of Committee
on Committees A. H. Phillips, Columbia
- 2:25 Special Music Georgetown College Choir
- 2:30 Report on Brotherhood Forrest R. Sawyer, Middletown
- 2:40 Report on Evangelism Richard Oldham, Bowling Green
- Response Thomas H. Shelton, Middletown
- 2:55 Report on Annuity Plans George M. Trout, Lexington
- Response A. W. Walker, Middletown



Miss Elaine Dickson of the promotion division at WMU headquarters, Birmingham, will speak Thursday morning on "WMU in the New Age." Her address will follow the WMU report by Mrs. George R. Ferguson.

Miss Dickson



SBC president H. Franklin Paschall of Nashville will deliver one of the major messages at annual Youth Night services on Friday night. He is pastor of Nashville's First Baptist Church.

Paschall

- 3:10 Report on Baptist
Student Union J. Chester Durham, Middletown
- Response Franklin Owen, Lexington
- 3:35 Special Music BSU Choir, Bowling Green
- 3:40 Report of Christian Education
Committee Harold Wainscott, Owensboro
- Address: "The Higher
Education Scene" W. Howard Bramlette, Nashville
- 4:15 Adjourn
- (See page 10 for Youth and Auxiliary Programs)

TENTATIVE PROGRAM

129th Annual Session of the
Kentucky Baptist Convention

Meeting at First Baptist Church, Bowling Green, November 16-18, 1966

THEME: "The Word of God for a New Age"

SCRIPTURE: "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God" (John 1:1)

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Thursday, November 17

Morning Session

SCRIPTURE: Romans 1:15, 16

- 9:00 Organ Inspiration
- 9:15 Hymn
- Theme Interpretation—Prayer Earl Hohman, Nicholasville
- 9:30 Your Baptist Book Store Blanche Mays, Louisville
- 9:35 Report on *Western Recorder* C. R. Daley, Middletown
- 9:50 Report on Civic Righteousness
and Public Morals Raymond Ward, Russellville
- 9:55 Address: "Christ Calls, Where
the Action is" William M. Dyal, Jr., Nashville
- 10:25 Hymn
- Solo: "I Sought the Lord" Mrs. Sammy Williams, Henderson
- 10:30 Report on Woman's Missionary
Union Mrs. George R. Ferguson, Middletown
- Address: "WMU in the
New Age" Elaine Dickson, Birmingham, Ala.
- 10:50 Report on Direct Missions L. Edward Dorsey, Cynthia
- Response A. B. Colvin, Middletown
- 11:05 "The Word—and the
Revolution" Charles E. Boddie, Nashville
- 11:35 Adjourn to Seminary Luncheons

Afternoon Session

SCRIPTURE: Luke 24:44-48

- 1:45 Organ Inspiration
- 2:00 Hymn
- Theme Interpretation—Prayer John G. Penick, Leitchfield
- 2:15 Report on Cedarmore David Bratcher, Brandenburg
- Response Marvin Byrdwell, Bagdad
- 2:30 Report on Church
Organizations Robert A. Young, Louisville
- "Church Growth Plan" Roy E. Boatwright, Middletown

- 2:45 Life and Work
Curriculum David K. Alexander, Nashville
- 3:05 Solo: "Overshadowed" Mrs. Charles Goins, Benton
- 3:10 Report on Home
Missions Wesley O. Hanson, Hartford
- Address: "Ministries that
Matter" G. Willis Bennett, Louisville
- 3:40 Election of Officers
- 3:55 Miscellaneous Business
- 4:30 Adjourn

Evening Session

SCRIPTURE: Galatians 3:26-28

- 6:30 Organ Inspiration
- 6:45 Hymn
- Theme Interpretation—Prayer Earl S. Bell, Harlan
- 7:00 Report on Conventionwide
Education David Bratcher, Brandenburg
- Address H. Leo Eddleman, New Orleans
- 7:30 Solo: "Isn't it a Joy
to be a Christian" Tony G. Whitfield, Louisville
- 7:35 Work with National Baptists Victor Glass, Atlanta
- 7:55 Music
- 8:00 Report on Radio
and Television H. Curtis Erwin, Greenville
- 8:05 "Lifeline to the World" Cooperative Program Film
- 8:30 Choral Music Glasgow Baptist Church
- Report on
Foreign Missions W. Austin Roberts, Danville
- Introduction of Furloughed
and Retired Missionaries Jesse C. Fletcher, Richmond, Va.
- Address: "The Anatomy of Advance" Jesse C. Fletcher
- 9:15 Adjourn

Annual YOUTH NIGHT Services

Friday Night, November 18,
7:30 P.M. (CST)

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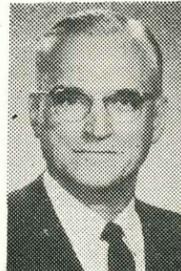
THEME: "The Enabling Word—and a Conquering Faith"

SCRIPTURE: Epistle of First John

(Narrated by The Wordmasters of Georgetown College)
Eugene F. Quinn, Middletown, Music Coordinator

- 7:00 Prelude Loren Tice, Organist
Mrs. Paul Manning, Pianist
- 7:15 Warren Association
Youth Band George Miller, Jr., Director
- 7:30 2,500-Voice Combined Youth
Choirs W. Hines Sims, Director
"Battle Hymn of the Republic" Arr. by Ringwald
Reading of the
Word The Wordmasters, Georgetown College,
Mrs. Robert Snyder, Director
- "Word of God, Across the Ages" Youth Choirs
- 7:45 "The Youth Revolution—
How to Face It" Gregory Walcott, Hollywood, Calif.
- 8:10 Introductions, Announcements,
Prayer for Offering
Offertory: "Soldiers of Christ, Arise" Youth Choirs
"SPOTLIGHT ON YOUTH" Drama on Juveniles
Recognition of Outstanding
Youth of Kentucky Baptists

- Story Sarah Walton Miller
Recognitions David A. Nelson, Owensboro
Prayer Harold G. Sanders, Middletown
"Stand Up, Stand Up
for Jesus" Congregation and Youth Choirs
- 8:25 "How Great Thou Art"
"Are Ye Able?" Said the Master" Choirs
W. Hines Sims, Director



Sims

Directing the 2500-voice combined youth choirs in several musical presentations at the annual Youth Night will be W. Hines Sims, secretary of the church music department at the Sunday School Board.



Walcott

TV and movie personality Gregory Walcott, a former vice-president of the Southern Baptist Convention, will speak on "The Youth Revolution and How to Face It" at 8:30 during Youth Night at Diddle Arena.

- 8:30 Address H. Franklin Paschall, Nashville
Invitation Hymn: "Lead On, O King Eternal"
Benediction: New president of the Convention

Meetings of Auxiliary Organizations

KENTUCKY BAPTIST RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ASSOCIATION

November 15, 1966

President Howard Cook, Louisville
Vice-President Paul Robinson, Lexington
Secretary Miss Patsy Moore, Flatwoods

Afternoon Session: First Baptist Church

- 1:00 Registration—Room 201
- 2:00 Worship Robert E. Kersey, Hopkinsville
- 2:10 Welcome G. Temp Sparkman, Bowling Green
- 2:15 Miscellaneous Business
Minutes, Treasurer's Report Patsy Moore, Flatwoods
Executive Committee Recommendations
Appointment of Committees
- 2:30 "Using Sunday Night as a Major
Training Thrust" James A. Frost, Nashville
- 3:10 "Talk-back" Period Bill Simmons, Lexington
- 3:45 "It Works For Me" Bill Ray, Somerset
- 4:30 Adjourn

Evening Session: Western Hills Restaurant

- 6:30 Invocation Paul Robinson, Master of Ceremonies
Bob Crutcher, Elizabethtown
- Dinner
- 7:30 Business Session
Report of Committees
Election of Officers
Presentation of Plans for Spring
Conference Howard Cook, Louisville
- 8:00 Address James A. Frost
Presentation of 1966-67 Officers
Benediction Chester A. Igleheart, Louisville
Adjourn

KENTUCKY BAPTIST MINISTERS' CONFERENCE

Tuesday, November 15

First Baptist Church

President Eldred M. Taylor, Somerset
Vice-President Bob Jones, Mayfield
Secretary Wm. Austin Roberts, Danville
Program Committee—

George M. Trout, Lexington
Charles E. Jones, Pineville

- 2:30 Song Service Bill Ray, Somerset

- 2:40 Scripture and Prayer Paul Lawson, Stanford
- 2:45 Special Music Bill Ray
- 2:50 "The Imperative to Preach" Wayne Ward, Louisville
- 3:30 Song Jack Duvall, Bowling Green
- 3:35 Special Music Ladies Ensemble, Bowling Green
- 3:45 "The Relevancy of Preaching" Jack Sanford, Florence
- 4:30 Benediction Charles Hal Shipley, Sacramento
- 7:30 Song Service Darrell Alsip, Bowling Green
- 7:40 Scripture and Prayer Glenn Igleheart, Lyndon
- 7:45 Business Session
Report of Special Committee
Election of Officers
- 8:00 Special Music Darrell Alsip
- 8:10 "The Joys of Preaching" Robert E. Humphreys, Owensboro
Benediction Neal Bowman, Lawrenceburg

KENTUCKY BAPTIST MUSIC ASSOCIATION

November 15-16, 1966

Eastwood Baptist Church

President Glenn O'Bryan, Somerset
Secretary Mrs. James V. Dorsett, Paducah
Pastor-Advisor Homer D. Carter, Lexington

Tuesday Afternoon, November 15

- 2:00 Call to Order
- 2:05 Welcome Charles Flener, Bowling Green
- 2:10 Devotional Homer D. Carter, Lexington
- 2:20 Brass Ensemble Carson-Newman College
Wesley McCoy, Director
- 3:15 Coke Break
- 3:30 Sharing Session of Choral
Materials Eugene F. Quinn, Middletown
- 4:45 Fellowship Hour
- 5:15 Fellowship Dinner Eastwood Baptist Church
- 6:00 After-Dinner Feature:
"Music in Recreation" Bob Oldenburg, Nashville

Tuesday Evening, November 15

- 7:30 Musical Devotion Bill L. Roper, Lyndon
- 7:40 Church Music Trends Eugene F. Quinn
- 8:00 Choral Concert Cumberland College Choir
David Clayton, Director
- 9:00 Business Session
- 9:20 Ministers of Music Sing Eugene F. Quinn, Director

Wednesday Morning, November 16

- 7:30 Breakfast Eastwood Baptist Church
- 8:00 Music Devotion Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Bickers, Madisonville
- 8:10 Address Homer D. Carter
- 8:40 Ministers of Music Sing
- 9:30 Adjourn to Kentucky Baptist Convention

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Student Convention Faces Live Issues Important to Kentucky Youth

by George W. Knight
Assistant Editor

Three major areas of concern for Baptist students in Kentucky must be missions, the deepening of the spiritual life, and situation ethics or the "new morality." At least, these were three live issues discussed by students at the 39th annual Kentucky Baptist Student Convention on October 21, 22 and 23.

More than 1,000 college and university students attended the annual meeting, which convened in the beautiful building of Hopkinsville's First Baptist Church

Record Missions Program

The Convention approved on Saturday afternoon a record summer missions program which would send 16 Kentucky Baptist students to Alaska, Israel and the eastern Kentucky mountains as missionaries next summer. Funds for the project will be raised during this academic year by BSU groups throughout the State.

Several students came forward during the Sunday morning service to register their decisions for missionary service following an address by Jesse C. Fletcher, personnel secretary for the Foreign

Mission Board, Richmond, Virginia.

A challenge for students to deepen their spiritual life through prayer was delivered at each session by Dr. E. F. Hallock, pastor of First Baptist Church, Norman, Oklahoma.

Pray About "Little Things"

Hallock urged students to read the Bible consistently and constantly as part of their prayer life and to pray about the "little things" of life.

"If you don't pray about little things, you're not going to have much prayer life," he stated. "Our life is made up not of a little bundle of big things but of a big bundle of little things."

The climax of Saturday night's service was an address by Jim Vaus, former wiretapper for the underworld who became a Christian during Billy Graham's famous Los Angeles Crusade of 1949. Vaus is now director of Youth Development, Inc., an organization which works with teen-age gangs in a crime-infested area of New York City. Several students made decisions for Christ following his moving testimony.

Situation ethics or the "new morality" was perceptively analyzed, appraised and criticized by Dr. Culbert Rutenber,



SUMMER MISSIONS DISCUSSION—State student secretary J. Chester Durham and Larry Bowman, BSU president at Berea College, talk with Miss Kitty Ray (left) of Murray State University and Miss Wanda Carpenter of Western Kentucky University about the girls' work as BSU summer missionaries to Jamaica this summer. The Convention program featured interviews with seven Kentucky students who served in the missions program this year.

professor of philosophy of religion at Andover Newton Theological School, Newton Centre, Massachusetts, during several sessions of the Convention.

Rutenber charged that the new morality was "based upon the erroneous premise that sinful man knows what love demands."

"The replacement of all rules and guidelines with the primacy of love in given situations would be great for a group of angels," he continued. "But it is a lot more questionable for a group of sinners. Sinful men cannot understand what love demands."

Rutenber pointed out that the constructive contributions of the new morality was that it underscores the primacy and finality of love and wipes out legalism as the basis of morality.

Love Expressed Through Principles

"But the conclusion that all we need to apply is love in any situation is wrong," he continued. "Love does have some laws and regulations through which it expresses itself. We always move from love to rules or principles in particular situations."

One high moment of the Convention was the standing ovation given state student secretary J. Chester Durham, when he received an unexpected honor during the Saturday evening session. The presidents of BSU groups on 24 campuses in the State presented him a plaque inscribed with an expression of appreciation for his 25 years of work with Baptist students in Kentucky.

Host pastor for the Convention was Sidney Maddox, who spoke on Saturday morning. Jim Jones of Atlanta, Georgia, served as music director.



WELCOME TO KENTUCKY—Dr. E. F. Hallock (second from left), for 43 years pastor of First Baptist Church, Norman, Oklahoma, is welcomed to Kentucky on Friday night, preceding his first of several discussions on prayer during the Convention. Greeting Dr. Hallock is George Crossland, University of Louisville; Miss Joyce Watkins, Louisville, soloist for the Convention, and state BSU president Donald Mantooth of Cumberland College, who presided at sessions of the annual meeting. Mantooth served this year as a BSU summer missionary to Israel.



SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By H. C. Chiles



GOD'S TRUTH CANNOT BE DESTROYED

(This Lesson for November 13, 1966)

Jeremiah 36:20-28, 32

In the fourth year of Jehoiakim's reign as king of Judah, which was about 605 B.C., God instructed Jeremiah to record his prophecies concerning the impending divine judgment upon his people.

I. The Recording of God's Truths

In obedience to the command of God, Jeremiah called Baruch, the scribe, and dictated to him the Word of God as he had received it, and had him to write on a scroll the divine judgments which would come upon Judah unless her king and her people repented of their sins. God's purpose in the writings of Jeremiah was that they might be read to the people of Judah, so that, having learned about the doom predicted for the city of Jerusalem, they might be influenced to repent of their sins, turn from their wicked ways, and receive forgiveness.

II. The Reading of God's Truths

For some unrevealed reason, Jeremiah was not permitted to enter the house of the Lord, so he commanded Baruch to take the words which he had written at his dictation and to read them to the people assembled at the temple on a day of fasting, in the hope that they might repent of their sins and avert the divine wrath which was impending. For the most part, the people did not give much heed to the Word of God. However, Michaiah, the grandson of Shaphan the scribe, was so impressed by what Baruch read that he rushed into the assembly of the princes and excitedly told them about what he had heard. These princes dispatched one of their number to have Baruch bring the scroll and read it to them, which he did promptly. They decided that it must be read to the king also. Jehudi was sent to get the scroll, and he was ordered to read it to the king in the presence and hearing of his counselors and advisers.

III. The Response to God's Truths

While many of the people were affected very little by hearing the Word of God, the reading of the predicted judgments of God caused consternation on the part of some. After the report was carried to the princes and they, too, had

heard the reading of Jeremiah's prophecies, they readily admonished Baruch and Jeremiah to hide themselves and to remain in hiding until they returned after telling the king what they had heard, because, knowing him as they did, they feared that he might attempt to kill them.

Quite fearful of an approaching and merited manifestation of the wrath of God, the princes went forth to report to their king. They were convinced that this was indeed the Word of God, and also that the king should be alerted to the grave danger which confronted and threatened his kingdom, unless some great changes took place immediately. Apparently, they were of the opinion that they should not take the roll of Jeremiah's prophecies with them when they called upon their king, so they laid it up in the chamber of Elishama the scribe. They then gave the king an oral report and the gist of the message of Jeremiah. Jehoiakim became furious after hearing the report of the princes and commanded a court attaché who was his personal scribe or secretary to bring the scroll and to read to him and his court what was written thereon.

As Jehudi read God's Word in the presence of the king and his courtiers, the true spiritual condition of these men became apparent. Not much of it had been read when the angry king descended from the exalted position where he sat, snatched the scroll out of the hands of Jehudi, disdainfully and contemptuously cut it into pieces with a penknife, and threw the pieces into the fire until the entire roll was consumed. Various kings of Judah and Israel had frequently demonstrated their violent antagonism to the expressed will of God. They had revealed their stubborn determination to disobey God's commandments, but this was the first time when a king had deliberately sought to destroy His written Word by burning it.

When any man refuses to read or to hear others read the Word of God because it condemns his manner of life, that is an indictment of the man and not of the Word. Whereas Jehoiakim sought to destroy the Word of God in the flames because of its condemnation of his way of life many today avoid its

reprimanding and chastening influence by refusing to read it thoughtfully and prayerfully. Only wilful hardness of heart could have given the king the audacity to attempt such a blasphemous act as the burning of the Word of God. How foolish to think that he could get rid of it in this way!

IV. The Rewriting of God's Truths

Jehoiakim's attempt to destroy God's truths which Jeremiah had recorded was not successful. God had a message to be delivered to the people by Jeremiah, and the fact that the king had burned the scroll on which it was recorded was not going to prevent its delivery. God commanded His prophet to rewrite the messages which had been recorded on the original scroll and which the king had burned. God fully intended to preserve His written Word in spite of all the attempts of wicked men to destroy it. God enabled Jeremiah to reproduce all of His prophecies which had been burned and to inscribe many additional prophecies, including the pronouncement of a threefold judgment upon the arrogant and wicked king.

God's Word is indestructible. Men sometimes think they have destroyed it, but time always reveals that it is imperishable. Isaiah 40:8 says "The grass withereth, the flower fadeth: but the word of our God shall stand for ever."

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Miss Joy Hall, c/o Mrs. Elbert Hall, Rt. 1, Box 295, Elizabethtown (Nigeria); Miss Cora Ney Hardy, 1702 Gardiner Lane, Louisville; 40205 (Nigeria); Mr. and Mrs. Reiji Hoshizaki, WMU Missionary Apt., 2825 Lexington Road, Louisville, 40206 (Japan); Dr. and Mrs. William L. Jester, 129 Judson Hall, Godfrey Avenue, Louisville, 40206 (Nigeria); Mr. and Mrs. W. Harold Matthews, R. 2 Falls of Rough, (Philippines).

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Since our list of **Margaret Fund students** was published we have received word in our office that Miss Gita Richardson, daughter of missionaries to Nigeria, is in Louisville at Southern Seminary and living at 3352 Mullins Hall, 2825 Lexington Road, Louisville 40206.

Retired Missionaries: Miss Minnie Berry, (Home Missions) Franklin; Mrs. J. D. Franks (Europe) Hopkinsville; Mrs. R. A. Jacob (China) Franklin; Miss Rose Marlowe (Japan) 125 S. Bayly, Louisville 40206; Dr. and Mrs. W. C. Taylor, (Brazil) Berkeley Hotel, 664 S. Fourth St., Louisville; Mr. R. L. Bausum (Taiwan) Box 163, Mt. Vernon.

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Tommy Caldwell
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Tommy Caldwell Awarded Service-Aide Certificate

by Forrest R. Sawyer

The latest request for the Service-Aide Certificate comes from the Crittenden Baptist Church, where H. Mark Holladay is pastor.

Tommy Caldwell (pictured above) was certified by Norman D. Doans, his counselor and supervisor to the Royal Ambassador leader, Marion J. J. Belew, who, in turn, requested the Certificate from the state brotherhood department.

Mr. Caldwell earned his award as a program-aide and the required 150 hours were worked, primarily, in his associational camp (Bethel) and at Camp Rabro, Cedarmore. Additional work was compiled in Congress activities.

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Church Development

Surprise! Surprise! Surprise!

by G. R. Pendergraph

These are the exclamations heard most frequently on the Gomer Pyle TV program. Such, however, could be a real life experience for one who had visited the Fairland Baptist Church in Freedom Association twelve months ago and were to make a return visit now.

About two years ago, the Fairland Baptist Church was without a pastor, attendance was very very low, and the building in which they had been meeting was in a deplorable condition. The interested members were encouraged to make a survey of their field to discover their possibilities and to determine what would be feasible for them to do. The initial effort was a most discouraging one—two adults and about five teenagers came for instruction as to how they might go about making the survey. This meeting was followed by the usual percentage of "drop outs," but the faithful who were left went on to get the job done.

Encouraged by the number of prospects, the church called Tommy Taylor, then just out of high school, to be their pastor. In his brief pastorate with Fairland Baptist Church he has led them to reach many of the prospects and to re-enlist many of those who were already members. They have moved to a newly renovated school building, furnished it with new furniture, and have increased the Sunday School attendance to an average of 45.

Recently the 125th annual session of the Freedom Association was held for the first time with the Fairland Baptist Church. It was a thrilling experience to witness the change that had transpired in the months following the church survey. There was new interest, new enthusiasm, and a very fine spirit. It was enough to prompt one to exclaim, Surprise, Surprise! Surprise!

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by A. W. Walker

(See "Executive Board Recommendations to the Convention," *Western Recorder*, October 13, page 10.)

There are many added benefits to the newly-proposed program, but only the salient features are given here.

1. **Disability:** The disability benefit shall equal the potential normal retirement income benefit. You will recall that the present disability is for a maximum of \$900 per year.

2. **Children's Benefit:** 15% of the potential normal retirement income benefit shall be payable to each dependent child; the total benefit payable to the children of a member shall not exceed 60% of the potential normal retirement income benefit, if there is a widow or dependent parent benefit payable, and 100% if a benefit is payable only to a member's children under age 18.

This means that if a member retires at 65 and has an age annuity of \$2,000, or should that member become disabled at, say, 30 or 35, his disability annuity would be the same as his age annuity, \$2,000. Each child would get 15% of that \$2,000 or \$300 per year up to a maximum of four children; thus, if the man had four children under 18, there would be this added amount of \$1,200 plus his disability annuity. This would also be true if a man died and left a widow. The children's benefit would be payable to the widow.

3. **Educational Benefit:** There shall be paid to an educational institution providing a member's child with a full time course of study beyond secondary school \$600 for each of the first four years of such study. This benefit shall be payable under the same condition as children's benefit, except that the child need not be under age 18, and it would be in addition to and not part of the children's benefit. (This will assure a member if he becomes disabled or retires or dies that his children will receive a college education.)

(More of the added benefits later)

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EVANGELISM

Thomas H. Shelton

The first speaker for the 1967 Evangelistic Conference will be Jack Stanton. Stanton has been in the field of evangelism for 15 years



Stanton

and has been associate director of the division of evangelism of the Home Mission Board since 1960. He knows the program of evangelism. He has written much on the subject, but perhaps Jack is at his best when he stands to preach the Word of God. He did just this at the Pulaski County Crusade this past summer.

Stanton will speak Monday afternoon on the "Word of God" and Tuesday morning on "The New Testament Witness."

He also will lead two conferences.

The first session will begin at 2:15 pm, Monday, January 9, at Calvary Baptist Church, Lexington, Kentucky.

Please join me in praying daily for a spiritual revival in Kentucky.

Sunday School

Another Great Opportunity

by Roy E. Boatwright

We are delighted to announce another great Bible study opportunity for pastors. This is the third year we have provided a preview study of the January Bible study text at Cedarmore. The date is November 28-30, 1966, Monday evening through Wednesday noon.

The suggested Bible study book this year is *Studies In Amos*, Howard P.

Colson, director, editorial services section, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, will direct us in our studies. There will be seven one-hour sessions on the book of Amos.

In addition to the Bible Study there will be worship and preaching.

We have secured outstanding pastors in Kentucky to assist us on the program. Also, Kenneth Chafin, Billy Graham associate professor of evangelism, Southern Seminary, Louisville, will deliver two messages pertaining to the January Bible study.

We urge those who plan to attend to write Marvin Byrdwell for reservations, immediately. Please send \$1.00 for reservations fee.

Harold Tribble to Retire As Wake Forest President

Saying he was "tired, very tired," Harold W. Tribble has asked that he be allowed to retire as president of Wake Forest College, Winston-Salem, North Carolina, in June of 1967.

Coupled with announcement of his plans to retire, Tribble made two suggestions concerning the college's future (1) that the relationship between the college and the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina be liberalized, and (2) that the college advance to university rank in name.

Trustees of the school accepted "with genuine regret" his request to retire. The president of the trustees was expected to appoint a committee to select a successor within a few days.

Former Southern Seminary Professor

From 1925 to 1947, Tribble taught theology at Southern Baptist Seminary in Louisville, from which he received Th.M. and Th.D. degrees. Before going to Wake Forest, in 1950, he served as president of Andover Newton Theological School in Newton Centre, Massachusetts.

In his statement to the trustees, Tribble described his years as president as "exacting but exhilarating, controversial yet constructive." During his 16 years as president, Wake Forest has been involved in numerous controversies with the state convention which owns it, and in 1964 the convention defeated by an overwhelming vote an attempt to fire Tribble as president.

Figures released by the college showed that during Tribble's administration, total assets of the college increased nine-fold, and the budget increased from about \$1,500,000 to the current \$13,500,000. Student enrollment in 1950 was 1,750 compared to the 3,000 enrolled now. The college has also tightened admission standards, admitted its first Negroes, and resumed a graduate program. (BP)

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