

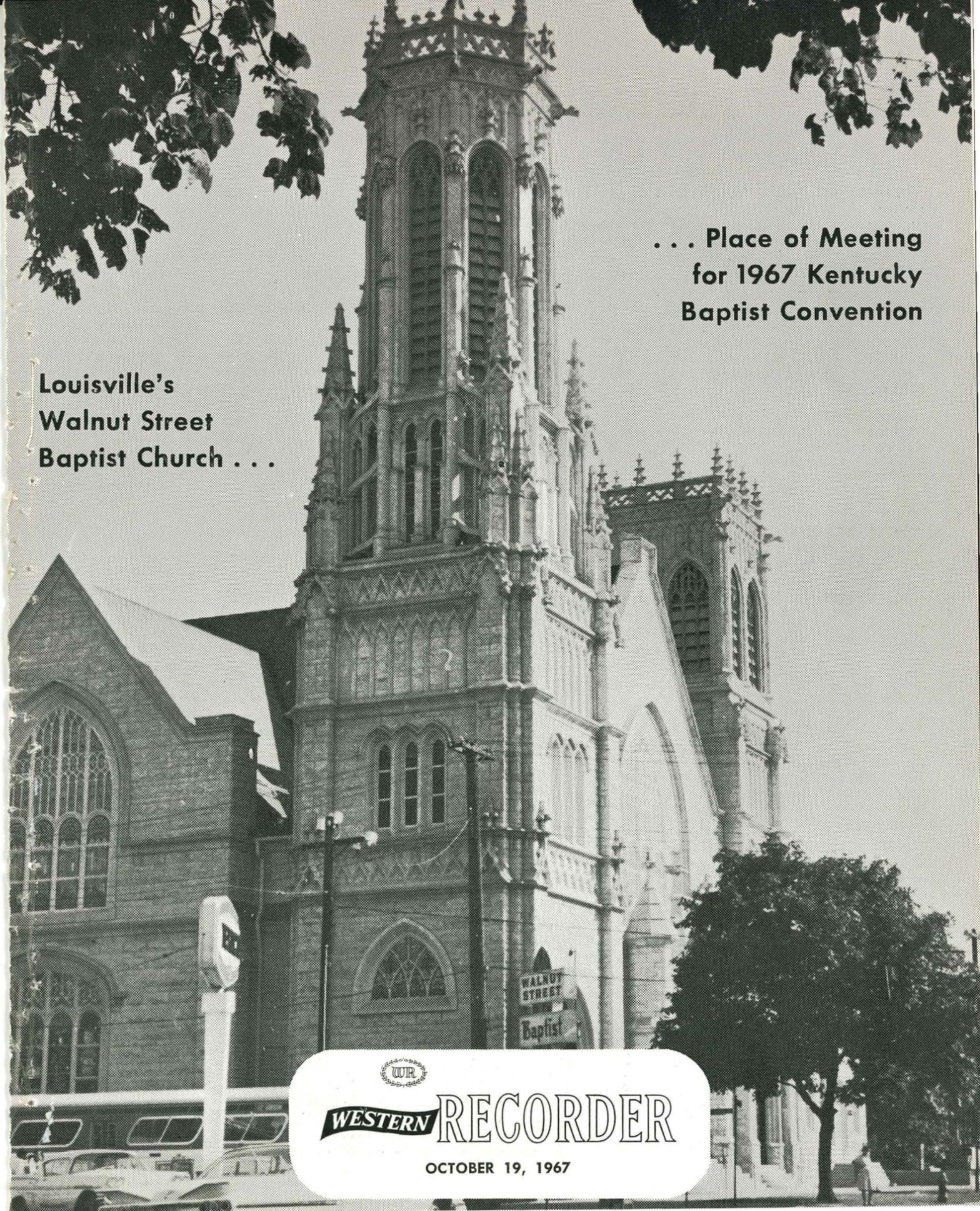
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MRS. JOHN W. DUNN, 95, the oldest member of Midway Baptist Church, Princeton, Kentucky, died during September. She was also a member for many years of Harmony Baptist Church of Caldwell County.

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD of the Louisiana Baptist Convention, Alexandria, voted to recommend adoption of a \$3,500,000 budget for 1968, and sent out an appeal for Louisiana Baptist churches to aid the victims of Hurricane Beulah in Texas.

A BOOK by an administrative official of Southeastern Seminary at Wake Forest, North Carolina—James H. Blackmore—has been chosen as the February selection of the Pulpit Digest's Book Service, Manhasset, New York. The book is entitled *A Preacher's Temptations*.

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD of the Tennessee Baptist Convention voted at Nashville to purchase 6½ acres of land in Brentwood, Tennessee, a suburb of Nashville, on which to build a new office building. It will include offices for the Executive Board staff, the *Baptist and Reflector*, the Tennessee Baptist Foundation and the manager of the convention's four children's homes.

WILLIAM LEWIS NOBLES, dean of the graduate school at the University of Mississippi, has been named president of Mississippi College (Baptist) at Clinton. He has been a member of the Ole Miss faculty since 1952. At Mississippi College he succeeds R. A. Mc-Lemore, who steps down from the college presidency after a decade of service.

THE SEARCH, a 30-minute documentary film on the Holy Land and her people, has placed in the top five films at the 15th annual Columbus Film Festival at Columbus, Ohio. "The Search" was produced by the SBC Radio and Television Commission at Fort Worth, Texas.

TED C. GILBERT, executive director of the Kentucky Council on Public Higher Education, addressed the staff and trustees of Campbellsville College recently on "The Role of Campbellsville College in Higher Education in Kentucky."

EDWARD R. BOLTON has resigned as pastor of Bethlehem Baptist Church in Bremen, Kentucky, to become pastor of the Stanford, Kentucky, Baptist Church.

PASTOR CURTIS ERWIN of First Baptist Church, Greenville, Kentucky, recently presented God and Country Awards to four boy scouts in the First Baptist congregation. They are Jim Gary, Rice Eaves, Lucien Cisney and Tommy Lewis. The award is the highest honor given in scouting.

A LITERACY COURSE taught by women and girls from the First Baptist Church of Guayaquil, Ecuador, has opened doors for Christian witnessing at a girls' reform school. After teaching the teen-agers to read and write, the church members were allowed to present an evangelistic drama and to hold Vacation Bible School at the institution.

EDITOR C. R. DALEY, of the *Western Recorder* recently assisted Oakhill Baptist Church, Evansville, Indiana, in a revival. There were five additions to the church—four by baptism and one by letter. The pastor, William Carter, formerly served as pastor of the Cox's Creek, Kentucky, Baptist Church.

THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION of Red River Association began their observance of the week of prayer for state missions last month with a prayer retreat at the former Magoffin Baptist Institute, located at Mountain Valley, Kentucky. A total of 21 persons attended the retreat. Churches represented were First Church of Jackson, Cane Creek Baptist Church, First Church of Stanton and First Church of Campton.

OCTOBER 15 was a special day in the life of 23rd and Broadway Baptist Church of Louisville. Special services commemorating the 80th anniversary of the congregation were held in the afternoon, and a musical festival, featuring sacred hymns and choral selections, was held that evening. B. Carlisle Driggers is pastor of the church.

MRS. MARVIN L. GARRETT, a native of Bellevue, Kentucky, and Mr. Garrett are returning to Rhodesia, where they are SBC missionaries, following a recent furlough in the United States. They may be addressed at Box 8241, Belmont, Bulawayo, Rhodesia.

LEROY ALBRIGHT, native of Pineville and former pastor of the Petersburg, Kentucky, Baptist Church, is in the United States with Mrs. Albright for furlough. Missionaries to Malawi, they may be addressed c/o Baptist Building, 400 W. Camelback Road, Phoenix, Arizona.

THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY of Bethany Baptist Church, Louisville has formally expressed appreciation for the life and witness of Mrs. Katherine Mittlebeeler, an active member of the church and the W.M.S. who died September 28.

CUMBERLAND COLLEGE at Williamsburg, Kentucky, has announced the appointment of 15 new teachers to the faculty for the current academic year. They are Miss Nancy Susan Karcher, Miss Debbie Shaw and Michael Winters, English; Mrs. Jerry Horning Casey and Jerry Paul Sieg, music; Eric Wake and Chester R. Young, history; Mrs. Judith Marshman and Arthur Edwin Shelton, sociology; Gordon Bocock, assistant director of men's housing; Jerry Collins Davis, biology; Mrs. Henrietta Taylor Elliott, mathematics; Miss Emma Lawson, assistant dean of women; Leon Simpson, director of in-service religious guidance program; and Glen Monroe Leger.

EVANGELIST LLOYD BARDOWELL of Louisville preached during recent revival services at Unity Baptist Church of Ashland, where Ira McMillen, Jr., is pastor. A total of 16 persons made professions of faith in Christ.

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Baptist Schools and Academic Freedom

The unhindered freedom to seek and proclaim the truth is basic to the Christian principle as conceived by Baptists. Academic freedom is necessary because the pursuit of knowledge in public and private higher institutions is a liberating process.

Since the very nature of freedom connotes responsibility, academic freedom is made possible by responsible persons who exercise appropriate restraint. Thus, in a very real sense, responsibility should not connote limitation.

Differing Views

Because there are widely differing views concerning the nature and importance of academic freedom, questions arise and tensions are developed, both on and off the campuses of our Christian institutions. To some the term connotes freedom without regard for any restraints either self-imposed or required by conditions inherent in a particular situation. Unfortunately, the violation of responsible academic freedom by an occasional misinformed or misguided faculty member has aggravated the problem of maintaining wholesome relations. Each such instance is deplored by a vast majority of faculty members.

Although academic freedom is usually thought of only in relation to faculty members, the principle also applies to students who are parties to the educational process and as such, are entitled to seek, to speak, and to hear. Even so, they are bound by the same requirement of responsibility.

Through the centuries the search for truth has been made difficult because of pressures that would limit that search. Established customs and patterns of thought have resisted the introduction of new truths and new ideas. For this reason, statements of policy regarding academic freedom have been formulated from time to time and have been widely promulgated.

The Question of Accreditation

Because academic freedom and tenure are essential to the provision of higher education of acceptable quality, accrediting agencies are unanimous in enunciating and enforcing standards covering the subject. The accrediting agencies, for the regions in which Southern Baptist colleges are located, pattern their statements largely after the widely accepted pronouncement in 1940 by the American Association of University Professors and the Association of American Colleges.

For example, the standard of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools that deals with the faculty (Standard 5) contains the following

statement regarding academic freedom:

The institution should adopt and record a statement of the principles of academic freedom to which it subscribes, and within these principles faculty members should be secure in their freedom of teaching and investigation and in their right to participate as responsible citizens in community activities. Nothing in this statement of principles is intended to protect an incompetent or negligent faculty member or to prevent the institution from making proper efforts to evaluate the work of each instructor. The tone of the institution, however, should be conducive to high faculty morale and a strong sense of faculty freedom and initiative.

Before a faculty member is appointed he should be thoroughly informed as to the purposes of the institution and of its distinctive Christian commitments. He should be made aware of the purposes of the supporting constituency regarding Christian education. It should be fully understood that all activities of the institution are designed to achieve these purposes. Faculty members who find such purposes too restrictive of their academic freedom should decline appointment or, if already a member,

be given the privilege of resigning without prejudice.

Christian education as conceived by Baptists is distinctively different from secular education. The environmental difference is created by faculty and students who are thoroughly committed to the Christian ideal which is characterized by freedom from fear, prejudice, and superstition.

For the Christian, academic freedom is the right and obligation to search for and declare truth wherever it is found and to do so in the faith commitment that all truth has its source and ultimate meaning in God as He has revealed Himself in Jesus Christ. The uniqueness of academic freedom in the Christian college is this commitment, which should be implicit in the total life and work of the Christian academic community, and explicit in it wherever such a witness is appropriate.

Academic freedom and responsibility, therefore, are not, for the Christian, special concessions that are made to the academicians. They are, in fact, only aspects of full Christian freedom as applied to the process of teaching and learning. This concept is in full accord (CONTINUED ON PAGE 15)

No Time to Hedge on Christian Stewardship

by WILLIAM E. HULL

We hear a lot about "backlash" these days, especially in the political sphere. A similar reaction has emerged, however, in the area of church finance.

Weary of worn-out appeals by ecclesiastical hucksters, many a layman has clutched his pocketbook protectively and demanded to be let alone. To be sure, he will make a "respectable" donation, but all of the familiar talk about tithing leaves him increasingly cold.

The pulpit is being told more tartly than ever before that the pew is tired of sermons on money.

There is an element of authenticity in this revolt of the laity. Some sensitive spirits recognize that tithing can become a brittle legalism. Other hard-headed businessmen with access to the corridors of power recognize that the church has not always spent its money wisely. Too often a conclave of preachers vote some "challenging" (but expensive) project and then leave the laymen to pay the bills.

On top of this, many semi-religious charities can compete directly for the Christian dollar by sponsoring worthy projects which the church abandoned or never even accepted.

Granted the measure of truth in these and other protests, how can the pulpit simply blush and fall into unaccustomed

silence? For is not the head-long rush toward materialism a dominant trend in our day? Has there ever been a time when the undergirding of the total Christian mission was more urgent?

With super markets blatantly gambling over groceries and a thousand advertisements subtly suggesting the Big Lie of "something for nothing," is this any time to hedge on the essentials of Christian stewardship?

The only answer is to go beyond the tired cliches that promised a horn of plenty to the man who would "go all the way" and give God 10%. (I suppose that Jesus tithed—and look what it got him!)

The issue is not simply what we can get out of giving, or even how much we will contribute to the church. The question rather is whether we can stand with unwithered values in the blast of a society that has an almost insatiable itch for things.

To celebrate God's creation without turning it into an idol—that is a challenge which commands all of the urgency which the pulpit can muster. No less an issue is at stake in the attitudes which reshape during the current stewardship campaign in your church.

William E. Hull is professor of New Testament interpretation at Southern Seminary, Louisville.



Baptists Search for Directions in Welfare Ministry

Whoever first said there are as many viewpoints on any question as there are Baptists discussing it must have just returned from a religious liberty conference. At least this was the experience of those attending the 11th annual Religious Liberty Conference, which was sponsored in Washington, D. C., by the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs. This conference grappled this year with one of the most controversial questions among Baptists: the matter of Baptist involvement in human welfare programs.

This conference is unique in that it is composed of representatives from at least seven Baptist denominations in the United States. The variety of Baptists within itself, to say nothing of the complex subject for consideration, guaranteed a multiplicity of viewpoints.

Southern Baptists have been known in the past for their reluctance to become very involved in social action projects. Our position has been that the church is to devote its energies to getting individuals redeemed, and to leave the redemption of the social order to these redeemed individuals.

American Baptists, on the other hand, have been much more socially-minded in their approach to ministering in this world. For example, the American Baptist Home Mission Societies is the largest manager of nonprofit, nongovernmental housing units in the United States today. This is a multimillion dollar housing program stretching from the west to the east coast and making use of huge amounts of government money.

As expected, there was little consensus reached by the 200 participants in this conference. The one unanimous consensus was that there was no consensus. There was, however, some generally held conclusions.

One of these was that those redeemed by God must be concerned for all others created in God's image, and this concern must be for the whole man instead of thinking in terms of ministering only to his spiritual side.

How to provide these things which make for a full life for everyone was the question for debate. Is our concern for human welfare to be expressed only as individual Christians? What part should the church have? Is there any place for the church and the state to cooperate in providing human welfare services?

Another generally held conclusion was that neither sectarian emphases nor evangelistic activities are proper in any program in which government funds are

used. There was considerable disagreement as to whether or not any welfare activities of a church or denomination should be used for evangelistic purposes.

The matter of churches and welfare services has become a more acute problem for Baptists in recent years because of the wholesale entrance of the government into welfare activities. Billions of dollars are now being used by the government in the relief of poverty, providing health services, housing education, vocational training, etc. Furthermore, the government is searching for organizations through which to channel these funds, and churches and church-related agencies are favorite channels in the eyes of the government.

The government is committed to cooperation with churches in meeting human welfare needs. Roman Catholic churches and probably the majority of non-Roman Catholic churches in the United States are ready to join hands with the government.

As Baptists we have to decide what we will do. Will we go it alone, doing what we can with our own limited resources? Should we withdraw and leave the welfare ministry to others and the government while majoring on "spiritual" ministry? Or will we join hands with others, including the government, in a massive effort to meet human needs on every level of life?

We have advocates of all positions. There are some who can see no lasting good in government-sponsored welfare efforts. They say at best it is a kind of patronizing approach which is inwardly resented by the recipients, and at worst it is an exploitation of humans for selfish political ends. Therefore, for churches or ministers to become involved is to sacrifice their role as agents of God and to become agents of the state.

At the opposite end are those who hold that in modern complex society the church and state must combine resources to meet human needs. They see no compromise involved in church-state cooperation in human welfare programs.

There would hardly be an end to the lists of views expressed in the three days of give-and-take discussion. This means that there is not now, nor is there likely to be anytime soon, agreement on any one way to approach the problems of human welfare. What is encouraging is that more and more Baptists are awaking to the world of need about them and are willing to try to find acceptable ways to meet these needs.

The Inspiration and Challenge of Washington

I shall never forget the first time I saw Washington, D. C. Its impressions upon a college lad put flesh and blood on the bones of history books and civics classes. It stirred depths of patriotism that still make a river of gratitude for merely being an American.

Nor have other visits through the years to the sights and shrines of the nation's capitol failed to stir deep and moving feelings. It was so last week in the trip to attend the sessions of the Baptist Joint Committee and the Religious Liberty Conference.

Coming in from Louisville to the National Airport on a clear October day, the first identifiable sight below is the hallowed slopes of Arlington Cemetery with its hero markers row on row. In clear sight below the Curtis Mansion of Robert E. Lee fame is the grave and memorial of gallant John F. Kennedy and its almost unending line of visitors. The spectacular Pentagon building not far from Arlington Cemetery is a grim reminder that decisions within these walls are made to stand by the blood of brave men buried nearby.

The conference headquarters this year was at the historic Willard Hotel, the hotel of presidents, standing hardly a block from the White House. Outside my window over the roof of the massive Department of Commerce Building the Washington Monument, bathed day and night in light as pure as the life of its inspirer, pointed into the blue. A short distance beyond was the beautifully-domed Jefferson Memorial, and a little further the Potomac across which is Arlington again.

The Baptist Joint Committee is housed in the exceedingly beautiful Veterans of Foreign Wars building on Capitol Hill. The location is exceedingly appropriate in light of the responsibilities of the committee. Nearby is the Supreme Court building, the Senate office buildings and the Capitol.

From the Willard Hotel it is a mile or more walk up Pennsylvania and Constitution Avenues to the Capitol. This is the route of inauguration parades where millions have watched presidents go home from their swearing-in as head of the world's mightiest nation. To climb this hill slowly and pensively with the beautiful Capitol in full view is for a patriotic American what Mecca must be for a Moslem. But not so if, as has been said, a Moslem who sees Mecca is ready to die. An American retracing the steps of the immortals can but find new zest for life and service from a heart that is warmed, a soul inspired and a spine set to tingling. On this trek one foot seemed to say "heritage," and the other responded with "challenge."

Washington is truly a place of inspiration and challenge. Its inspiration floods in with reminders of other days when patriotic and holy men found answers and victories in the never-ending procession of problems and crises. Its challenges are all but overwhelming as the problems of our hour of history press upon us for solutions.

Who could but be mindful of the significance of our times as 200 Baptists sat at a sumptuous dinner and heard an address on poverty in America. This address was delivered by a Baptist layman holding a high government office. He reminded us that some of the 30,000,000 Americans on a poverty level of living were within a mile or two of where we sat.

Will those who visit the hallowed soil of Washington in coming generations be inspired and challenged by what this generation leaves in the way of heritage? Are we equal to the hour? Surely we are! But the necessary resources are not to be found alone in the inspiration of patriotism, but in the compulsion of transforming Christian love. What a day for true Americans and committed Christians!

BAPTIST FORUM



Logan Executive Board Action

Dear Editor:

Whereas, the Kentucky Baptist Convention, in a special called session in June, 1966, at Walnut Street Baptist Church, Louisville, voted that the trustees of our Baptist educational institutions borrow money "from private sources only" for capital improvements and, as a subsequent motion was passed, largely because of this previous action, that an additional \$300,000 be provided annually in the Cooperative Program budget to retire this indebtedness plus interest over a period of 20 years; and

Whereas, the action of the Kentucky Baptist Convention at Bowling Green on November 17, 1966, has been interpreted to permit the trustees of our Baptist institutions to secure federal government loans at a reduced rate of interest, when compared to interest rates on private loans (which to us amounts to government subsidy), and

Whereas, such action compromises and weakens our Biblical and historical stand as Baptists, for the cherished principle of separation of church and state: Be it therefore resolved:

First, that the Executive Board of the Logan Baptist Association hereby go on

record as reaffirming our unqualified belief in the separation of church and state.

Second, that we hereby disassociate ourselves from the action of the Kentucky Baptist Convention in Bowling Green.

Third, that we feel no obligation to support any institution in Kentucky which accepts any form of government aid.

H. Hughes Clardy, Clerk
Logan Baptist Association

Augusta Church Protests Action

Dear Editor:

Whereas, the principle of separation of church and state is a cherished belief of Baptists in general and of the First Baptist Church, Augusta, Kentucky, in particular, and

Whereas, the resolution of the Ken- (FORUM CONTINUED ON PAGE 13)



Finds of the "Dig"

Southeastern Seminary professor B. Elmo Scoggin (standing right) and five of his students display artifacts they discovered in an archaeological expedition at Tel Arad, Israel, this summer. The student are (seated from left) Joel F. Drinkard of Greensboro, North Carolina; Lynn Reddick of Portal, Georgia; Jack B. Lemons of Charleston, West Virginia; and (standing) Bobby Deviney of Lawndale, North Carolina, and William Yates of Alexander City, Alabama.

Major Archaeological Discovery Unearthed by Southeastern Team

A major archeological discovery was unearthed this summer near the Dead Sea in Israel by a professor at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Wake Forest, North Carolina, and five of his students.

To the average layman, the discoveries of four weeks of digging at the site of the Biblical city of Arad might seem very little—only a few pieces of pottery and a part of a casement wall.

But to archaeologists, it means the end of a five-year controversy over whether a temple site at Tel Arad belongs to the time of Solomon.

The discovery of the casement wall by the Southeastern Seminary explorers seems to have removed all doubt but that it was Solomonite.

"We believed all along that the temple dated to Solomon's time; now we seem sure of it," said B. Elmo Scoggin, professor of Old Testament at Southeastern Seminary, who was an area supervisor at the archaeological dig last summer.

The professor and his five students were a part of a larger expedition sponsored by the University of North Carolina and the Department of Antiquities of the Government of Israel.

The seminarians found three pieces of inscribed pottery, known as Ostraka, in addition to the casement wall. Only 13 pieces of the pottery were found in the entire excavation this summer.

The five year of digging at Tel Arad ended with this summer's excavations. Scoggin expressed the hope that the temple area will now be opened to the public and that the findings will be put on display.

Although the students were permitted to keep very little of their "finds," this summer, they agreed, was "an experience of a life-time." (BP)

Kentuckian Participating In Crusade in Canada

Earl S. Bell, pastor of First Baptist Church, Harlan, Kentucky, is included among the 19 Southern Baptist ministers from 11 states who will preach in the New Brunswick, Canada, Crusade October 29-November 12.

Sponsored by the SBC Home Mission Board and the Baptist Federation of Canada, the crusade will be directed by Eual Lawson of the board's division of evangelism and T. R. Hunter of Canada.

The participating ministers' travel expenses will be financed by their own churches.

Mussel Shoals Church Celebrates 150th Year

Mussel Shoals Baptist Church in Owen County celebrated its 150th anniversary on October 1 with special afternoon services at the church.

Among those participating on the special program were Orlie Hale, former pastor, who delivered the main address; Roy Minch, former member, who sang a special number; Miss Pluma Cobb of Covington, who reminisced about past events in the church's life; and Mrs. John M. Houchens of Louisville, who read a history of the congregation.

The Mussel Shoals church was constituted October 11, 1817, by Benjamin Lambert, pastor of Mountain Island Baptist Church, with the aid of two other Baptist preachers. Later the congregation of the Mountain Island church was assimilated into Mussel Shoals.

At least eight men have been ordained to the ministry by Mussel Shoals Baptist Church. In recent years the three sons of Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Wainscott were ordained here. They are Harold Wainscott, pastor of Third Baptist Church, Owensboro; Carl J. Wainscott, pastor of Westside Baptist Church, Cincinnati; and Harry L. Wainscott, who serves a church in Lansing, Michigan.

Kirk Gay, a graduate of Georgetown College who is now attending Southern Seminary at Louisville, is the current pastor at Mussel Shoals.

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Church-City Conference Set at Southern Seminary

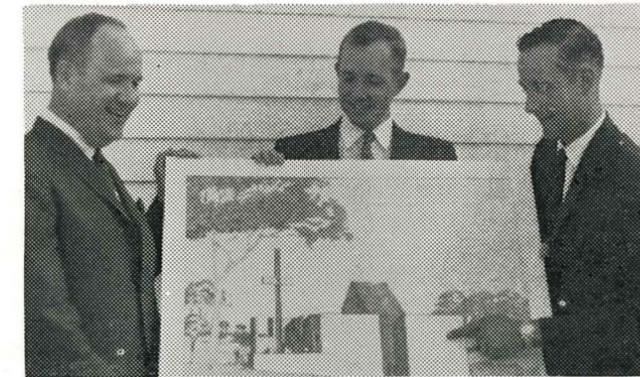
Southern Seminary at Louisville is sponsoring a national Conference on Church and City, January 31-February 2, in conjunction with the annual Associational Missions Workshop.

Purpose of the three-day meeting is to analyze the problems of the city and to determine the role of the church in meeting these needs.

Several prominent government leaders are expected to participate in the meeting. Discussion will center around the process of urbanization which is sweeping the United States, the nature of secular man, mass evangelism and the mass media, social ministries, trans-denominational cooperation and a ministry to the academic community.

New Building for Westport Road

Pastor Glenn A. Igleheart (center) of Westport Road Baptist Church, Louisville, displays an architect's sketch of the first building in that congregation's master building plan. Looking on are (left) John B. Haddock, immediate past chairman of the deacons, and Alan G. Jolly, chairman of the building and planning committee. The congregation held ground-breaking services on Sunday, October 1—its fifth anniversary—to signify the beginning of construction on the \$135,000 structure.



Joint Committee to Study Low-Income Housing Problems

The Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs in semi-annual session at Washington, D. C., instructed its staff to study problems of housing for low income people.

The studies will report on the need for low cost housing, the scope of government programming in this area, church activity, and the church-state problems that may be involved.

The American Baptist Convention delegation to the committee reported that "American Baptists are now the largest managers of non-governmental, non-profit housing in the United States."

An earlier American Baptist news service report stated that "The convention serves approximately 80,000 residents and patients per year in nursing care, active retirement and moderate income housing units."

American Baptists operate 4,453 units in property valued at nearly \$65,000,000 with operating budgets of over \$22,000,000 according to the report.

Southern Baptist Convention agencies and other bodies sponsoring the Baptist Joint Committee have done very little in the area of low income housing.

In another action the Baptist Joint Committee appointed a special committee to study its purpose and programs as they are related to a proposed building for the agency. Suggestions are being made for a composite office building, research center and a continuing education project in Washington.

This special committee is to investigate the response of its sponsoring bodies to this program projection. It is to report its findings and recommendations to the Baptist Joint Committee in March 1968, if possible.

The committee is instructed to confer with the Baptist World Alliance and the District of Columbia Baptist Convention about possible collaboration in the

building project.

The Baptist Joint Committee also reviewed a previously published set of guidelines prepared by the staff on "Religion and Public Education." It decided to continue circulation of these guidelines for six months at the end of which time a report is to be made and a possible revision undertaken.

Frank H. Woyke, executive secretary of the North American Baptist General Conference, was re-elected chairman of the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs.

Other officers are Homer J. Tucker, pastor in Newark, N. J., first vice chairman; Bryan F. Archibald, president of

Northern Baptist Theological Seminary, second vice chairman; and C. R. Daley, editor of the *Western Recorder*, Middletown, Kentucky, recording secretary.

C. Emmanuel Carlson is executive director of the Baptist Joint Committee.

Eight Baptist bodies in North America sponsor this Baptist agency in the nation's capital. They are Southern Baptist Convention, American Baptist Convention, Baptist Federation of Canada, Baptist General Conference, North American General Conference, Seventh Day Baptist General Conference, National Baptist Convention, U.S.A., Inc., and the National Baptist Convention. (BP)

Virginia Names New Executive Secretary

Richard M. Stephenson of Falls Church, Virginia, has been nominated by the executive board of the Baptist General Association of Virginia as its new executive secretary.

The board's unanimous recommendation will be acted on by the state General Association at its annual meeting, November 14-16, in Alexandria.

Stephenson, 45, is a native of Virginia, a graduate of Hampden-Sydney College and Southern Seminary at Louisville.

He has been pastor of the Columbia Baptist Church, Falls Church, for seventeen years.

Lucius M. Polhill retires December 31st as the present executive secretary, having served in the position 13 years.

In other actions, the board reconfirmed for recommendation to the General Association a 1968 budget worked out in June at a special board meeting.

The proposed Cooperative Program (central budget) goal is \$4,650,000, an increase of \$100,000 over the 1967 budget. Officials state that most of the recommended increase is for capital needs of Baptist schools in the state.

The new budget calls for 66½% of all Cooperative Program (undesignated) receipts to be retained for Virginia causes, an increase of 4½% over 1967. (BP)

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- 10:00 Call to Order John C. Huffman, Mayfield
- Organization of Session Lewis C. Ray, Louisville
- 10:05 Hymns
- Scripture and Prayer James W. Abernathy, Louisville
- 10:15 Report of Credentials
- Committee D. L. Druen, Campbellsville
- 10:20 Report of Committee on Order
- of Business E. Keevil Judy, Henderson
- 10:25 Welcome Wayne Dehoney, Louisville
- 10:30 Fraternal Greetings: General
- Association of Baptists
- in Kentucky A. R. Lasler, Hopkinsville
- 10:40 Recognition of new pastors (and wives),
- staff, denominational workers
- since last year Harold G. Sanders, Middletown
- 10:55 Solo Arnold Epley, Louisville
- 11:00 Presidential Address:
- "Here to Minister" John C. Huffman, Mayfield
- 11:20 Hymn
- Special Music State Ministers of Music Choir
- 11:30 Annual Sermon:
- "The Community of Christ" .. Franklin Owen, Lexington
- 12:00 Adjourn

Afternoon Session

SCRIPTURES: I Cor. 3:9 and Luke 4:18-19

- 1:45 Organ Meditation
- 2:00 Hymns
- Scripture and Prayer Alton McEachern, Louisville
- 2:10 Your Baptist Book Store Blanche Mays, Louisville
- 2:20 Report on Evangelism J. E. Howell, Ludlow
- Introduction of Speaker Thomas H. Shelton, Middletown
- "Kentucky in the Crusade
- of the Americas" Wayne Dehoney, Louisville
- 2:50 Hymn
- 2:55 Report of the
- Executive Board Harold G. Sanders, Middletown
- 3:50 Hymn of Dedication
- 3:55 Miscellaneous Business
- (1) Special committee on Christian Education
- Commission V. C. Kruschwitz, Elizabethtown
- 4:45 Adjourn

Evening Session

SCRIPTURE: Matthew 25:35-36

- 6:45 Organ Meditation
- 7:00 Chancel Choir Walnut Street Church

SBC LEADERS TO ADDRESS KENTUCKY CONVENTION



James L. Sullivan, executive secretary of the SBC Sunday School Board, Nashville, will address the Kentucky Baptist Convention Wednesday evening on "When the Heart Really Cares."

Sullivan



A major convention address by Paul M. Stevens, executive secretary of the SBC Radio-TV Commission, Fort Worth, Texas, will follow the report on radio-television, given by Isaac B. McDonald of Paducah on Thursday afternoon.

Stevens

- 7:15 Hymn
- Scripture and Prayer Paul E. Sullivan, Hopkinsville
- 7:25 Report on Direct Missions Bailey Sadler, Marion
- Response A. B. Colvin, Middletown
- 7:35 Report on Interracial
- Cooperation Herman Ihley, Middletown
- 7:45 Report of special committee to study
- merger of Kentucky Baptist Convention
- and General Association
- of Baptists Allen W. Graves, Louisville

TENTATIVE PROGRAM

130th Annual Session of the
Kentucky Baptist Convention

Meeting at Walnut Street Baptist Church, Louisville—November 8-10, 1967

THEME: "Here . . . To Minister"

SCRIPTURE: "For even the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister and to give his life a ransom for many" (Mark 10:45)

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- 7:50 Report on Home Missions John R. Flynn, Paducah
- Response George W. Cummins, Atlanta, Ga.
- 8:10 High School Chorale Walnut Street Church
- 8:15 Report on Cedarmore David Bratcher, Henderson
- Response Marvin M. Byrdwell, Bagdad
- 8:25 Report on Church Organizations W. O. Spencer, Paducah
- Sunday School Roy E. Boatwright
- Training Union James H. Whaley, Sr.
- Church Music Eugene F. Quinn
- Brotherhood Forrest R. Sawyer
- 8:55 Hymn
- 9:00 Address: "When the Heart
- Really Cares" James L. Sullivan, Nashville, Tenn.
- 9:30 Adjourn

Thursday, November 9

Morning Session

SCRIPTURE: II Cor. 3:5b-6

- 9:00 Organ Meditation
- 9:15 Hymn
- Scripture and Prayer Ray T. Daugherty, Williamstown
- 9:25 Your Baptist Book Store Blanche Mays, Louisville
- 9:30 American Bible Society C. T. Winslow, Jr., Mayfield
- Response J. Edward Cunningham, Lexington
- 9:40 Report on Civic Righteousness
- and Public Morals Harry Hollis, Jr., Finchville
- 9:45 Report of Committee
- on Arrangements Othar O. Smith, Bowling Green
- 9:50 Report on *Western Recorder* J. William Jones, Princeton
- Response C. R. Daley, Middletown
- 10:00 Report of Public Affairs
- Committee John R. Claypool, Louisville
- 10:10 Hymn
- Special Music—
- Male Chorale, Southern Seminary, Louisville
- 10:20 Report on Annuity Plans C. Wells Burr, Louisville
- Response A. W. Walker, Middletown
- Remarks B. F. Fox, Dallas, Texas
- 10:35 Temperance League of
- Kentucky Delbert L. Butts, Louisville

- 10:45 Report on Conventionwide Theological
- Education Cecil Lea, Louisville
- Address Robert E. Naylor, Fort Worth, Tex.
- 11:15 Adjourn
- 11:45 Seminary Luncheons

Afternoon Session

SCRIPTURE: Luke 12:3

- 1:45 Organ Meditation
- 2:00 Hymn
- Scripture and Prayer Carl Fields, Georgetown
- 2:10 Memorial Service C. W. Devine, Campbellsville
- 2:25 Report on Kentucky Baptist
- Foundation I. Houston Lanier, Manchester
- Response C. Wells Burr, Louisville
- 2:40 Report of Committee
- on Nominations John Wood, Paducah
- 2:50 Report of Committee
- on Committees Bruce Hartsell, Shepherdsville
- 3:00 Solo Mrs. George Casey, Corbin
- 3:05 Report on Radio-TV Isaac B. McDonald, Paducah
- Address Paul M. Stevens, Fort Worth, Tex.
- 3:35 Election of Officers
- 3:55 Miscellaneous Business
- (1) Special Committee on
- Youth Night date George S. Munro, Fort Thomas
- 4:45 Adjourn

Evening Session

SCRIPTURE: Romans 10:13-15a

- 6:45 Organ Meditation
- 7:00 Hymns
- Scripture and Prayer Harold Bratcher, Brazil, S.A.
- 7:10 Report on Woman's
- Missionary Union Mrs. George R. Ferguson, Middletown
- Address: "Minister . . . Where
- We Live" Mrs. R. L. Mathis, Birmingham, Ala.
- 7:30 Choir, student nurses, Kentucky Baptist Hospital, Louisville
- 7:40 Report on Stewardship Leslie E. Sanders, Louisville
- 7:50 Report on Cooperative
- Program John M. Sykes, Ashland
- Address Porter W. Routh, Nashville, Tenn.

- 8:20 Hymn
- 8:25 Solo Claude Rhea, Jr., Richmond, Va.
- 8:30 Report on Foreign Missions Wallace Carrier, Harrodsburg
- Address Joseph B. Underwood, Richmond, Va.
- 9:30 Adjourn

Friday, November 10

Morning Session

SCRIPTURE: I Timothy 4:12-13

- 8:45 Organ Meditation
- 9:00 Hymn
- Scripture and Prayer G. Allen West, Louisville
- 9:10 Report on Kentucky Baptist
- Historical Society H. C. Chiles, Murray
- Response: Kentucky Baptist
- Historical Society Leo T. Crismon, Louisville
- Response: Kentucky Baptist
- Historical Commission Wendell H. Rone, Sr., Owensboro
- 9:20 Report of Resolutions
- Committee O. W. Yates, Lexington
- 9:25 Report on Baptist
- Student Work J. Chester Durham, Middletown
- 9:35 Report on Benevolences Thomas Steele, Carrollton
- Board of Child Care C. Ford Deuser, Middletown
- Hospital Commission H. L. Dobbs, Louisville
- 9:50 Hymn
- Special Music Campbellsville College Choir
- 10:00 Report on Christian
- Education Fred T. Moffatt, Jr., Shelbyville
- Response Rabun Brantley, Nashville, Tenn.
- 10:20 Hymn
- Special Music Cumberland College Choir
- 10:30 Address H. Franklin Paschall, Nashville, Tenn.
- 11:00 Adjourn to Christian Education Luncheon
- 11:30 Christian Education Luncheon, Brown Hotel

Afternoon Session

(JOINT MEETING WITH GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF BAPTISTS)

SCRIPTURE: Ephesians 4:4-6

- 1:30 Organ Meditation
- 1:45 Hymn
- Scripture Herman Ihley, Middletown
- Prayer Victor Glass, Atlanta, Ga.
- Introductory Remarks
- 2:00 Special Music Combined Kentucky Baptist Choir
- "The Glory of Our Ministering
- Together" Garland K. Offutt, Louisville
- 2:30 Simultaneous Conferences

SBC LEADERS TO ADDRESS KENTUCKY CONVENTION



The Thursday evening session emphasizing stewardship, Co-operative Program and missions will feature an address by Porter W. Routh, executive secretary of the SBC Executive Committee at Nashville.

Routh



Also speaking at the 130th annual session of the Kentucky Baptist Convention will be SBC president H. Franklin Paschall. His address is scheduled for 10:30 on Friday morning.

Paschall

- 3:30 Reassemble in Auditorium
- Hymn
- Introduction
- Special Music Combined Kentucky Baptist Choir
- "Hitherto . . . Henceforth" E. Keevil Judy, Henderson
- Hymn of Dedication
- Benediction
- 4:15 Adjourn to Youth Night at Freedom Hall
- (SEE FUTURE ISSUES OF THE WESTERN RECORDER FOR
- YOUTH NIGHT AND AUXILIARY MEETINGS)

Baptists of Spain Vote to Ignore Registration Law

The biennial convention of the Spanish Baptist Union has unanimously recommended to its churches and pastors that they abstain, for the present time, from registering with the government under terms of the new religious liberty law promulgated in Spain.

The convention said churches and pastors should refrain from registering

"until such time as satisfactory and legal means are provided in conformity with the nature of (Baptist) churches." The convention, held in Albacete, was attended by nearly 150 delegates and by 50 visitors.

Concerning the law's provision for official registration, Spanish Baptists pointed out that they "considered that

this provision of the law (to register) implies requirements that are incompatible with their doctrinal principles."

The convention arrived at its decision after hearing from a special committee which had made an extended study of the official text of the law. The convention said its decision to urge non-registration is based on Baptist principles of separation of church and state, and on religious liberty without discrimination.

Four grounds were cited by the convention to justify its action:

1. The new law "submits the churches to a judicial structure that is inadequate with regard to aforementioned Baptist principles.

2. "It makes religious liberty depend on administrative practice and discretion of civil authority.

3. "The law in its development does not reflect faithfully Article VI of the 'Fuero de los Espanoles' (Charter of Civil Rights).

4. "The law is not in complete harmony with the declaration of the Ecumenical Council (Vatican II), which declares that the civil authority should not interfere in the life of the churches, whether directing it, correcting it, or controlling it; rather that it must assure complete religious liberty, as long as such liberty does not interfere with requirements of public order."

The Baptist convention's decision to urge non-registration attracted great attention in the Spanish press the following day, with large headlines in many papers. There are 4,790 Baptists in 51 churches in Spain.

Since Baptist polity stresses independence of churches, the convention action is not binding. In fact, a few churches may register, despite the convention's unanimous vote to recommend the opposite.

Although a few may register—the government has given them till the end of the year to do so—the vast majority evidently will not.

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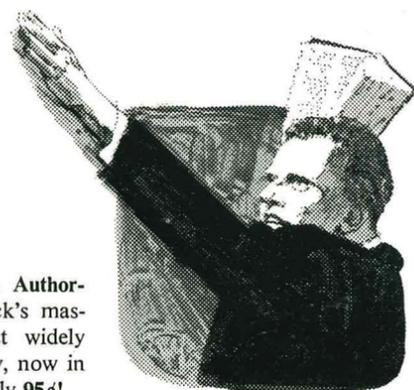


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Kentuckians in Mexico

Guided by missionary William H. Gray (right) of Saltillo, seven Kentucky men took part in an 11-day tour of Baptist mission points in Mexico. They are (front row from left) Byrd R. Ison of Midway, Roy G. Wilson of Campbellsville, and Henry Corum of Manchester; (back row from left) Calvin D. Fields of Middletown, Howard Stamper of Lawrenceburg, Wyatt Shely of Lawrenceburg, and O. Clyde Carroll of Louisville. The SBC Brotherhood Commission at Memphis, Tennessee, sponsored the tour.

Jackson-area Baptists Hold Tent Revival

Twelve persons made professions of faith and numerous rededications were recorded during the recent tent revival sponsored by Baptists of Jackson and Irvine Associations.

Evangelist for the series of meetings was Dennis Rush, pastor of Horse Creek Baptist Church near Manchester.

Also participating in the revival was a 36-voice choir, which was made up of representatives of 15 Baptist churches in Jackson County. It was directed by Clyde Shackelford, pastor of Gray Hawk Baptist Church, with Mrs. Shackelford serving as pianist.



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Radio-TV Agency Produces Program For Fathers-to-be

When the Southern Baptist Radio and Television Commission at Fort Worth, Texas, produced a radio program on Expectant Father's Day (September 17), the commission was deluged with heavy mail response to the broadcast.

The first week after the program was aired during the "MasterControl"* variety program, the commission received more than 1,500 requests for printed copies of portions of the program.

By comparison, the commission received fewer than 300 such requests during the entire month preceding the broadcast.

Featured on the special Expectant Father's Day program was an essay by Jay Gould of WOWO Radio in Fort Wayne, Indiana, expressing his philosophy of raising children. It was followed by an interview with John W. Drakeford, psychology professor at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary and head of its marriage and family counseling center.

The 30-minute variety program also included a repeat of Paul Harvey's observations on "What Are Fathers Made Of?"

The program concluded with an inspirational vignette by Richard Brannon noting the difference between "fathering" and "being father" saying that a real father is "a whole lot like God," and with a prayer of a father for his child by Louis H. Evans.

"MasterControl"* is presented weekly by Southern Baptists with the prayer that listeners will permit their lives to be controlled by the Master, Jesus Christ, according to a Radio-Television Commission official. (BP)

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By H. C. Chiles



(These Lessons for October 29, 1967)

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God's forbearance in dealing with His people was remarkable beyond expression. In spite of all their worldliness, apostasy and idolatry, He still pursued them with His offers of love and mercy. He refused to give them up until He had exhausted every possible means of getting them to turn back to Him.

Amos 5:4-5

God directed His fearless prophet, Amos, to predict the approaching fall of Israel, to exhort the people to see the Lord, and to portray the glory and power of Jehovah as reasons why He should be feared, sought, and obeyed. Longing to bless them, God said, "Seek the Lord, and ye shall live." That was a great appeal and a wonderful offer.

Amos 5:21-24

In the days of Amos there was much outward religion in Israel, but the nation had drifted far away from God. The people observed many religious assemblies and feasts. But underneath all of the outward show, there remained many corrupt practices and terrible sins, such as the oppression of the poor, the extravagant indulgences of the rich, and their hypocritical services of religious worship. With their magnificent religious services they hoped to obtain the favor of God and at the same time to go on in their sins. But all of the pomp and display, which characterized their religious services was an offense to the God of righteousness. God had no pleasure in their religious services because they came from impenitent and insincere hearts and from hands which were soiled by oppression.

God refused to hear their prayers (verse 21). Their worship He declined to accept (verse 22). He closed His ears to their false praise and instrumental music (verse 23). What He longed for was true righteousness (verse 24), and for that He still longs. God refuses to be bribed. He will not accept prayers, church attendance or contributions of money as a substitute for obedience to Him.

Amos 8:4-7

Gods prophet turned the fire of righteous indignation against those outwardly

respectable and professedly religious, but selfish and greedy profiteers, and the self-indulgent and dishonest schemers and hypocrites, and denounced them because of their injustice and wrong treatment of others. He emphasized the fact that outwardly perfunctory religion is not sufficient. Any pretense of religion which is accomplished by unkind, unfair and dishonest dealings with others makes a complete mockery of one's faith. In their desire for greater

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GOD'S WORSHIPER MUST BE JUST

This lesson stresses the fact that a true worshiper of God must be right in his relationship to his fellowmen.

Deuteronomy 16:18-20

God is impartial in the administration of justice. He wants those who are elected to civil offices to be fair, impartial and just in the administration of affairs whether they are on the municipal, county, state or national level. All governmental officials should have such high and firm principles as to cause them to refrain from injustice, partiality, corruption, and bribery. One fundamental principle in good government is the equality of all citizens before the law. There is a dire need of more and better teaching in our homes, churches and schools on the importance of God's law of equality.

Deuteronomy 17:8-11

When judges in the lower courts were perplexed as to what was the right decisions for them to render in certain cases, they were instructed to refer them to the superior court in Jerusalem, which was composed of priests and a highly qualified lay judge. The decision of this higher court was not subject to appeal, but was final.

Matthew 5:23-24

An unforgiving spirit makes true worship of God an impossibility. When one is right in his relationship to God, he does not have wrong attitudes and actions toward his fellowmen. Broken human relationships must be restored be-

riches, many of the rich in Israel actually and indignantly begrudged the new moon and the sabbath, because it was necessary to suspend business transactions on those days, thus depriving them of the privilege of exploiting, oppressing and robbing others.

Amos assured the people that God would not ignore the evil works of the impenitent. He warned them that a day of judgment was awaiting all those who deceived the people for their own personal gain. God wants people to love Him supremely and to love others dearly. Both individuals and nations will receive their just deserts from God.

fore one's worship is acceptable to God. Unless one's life is clean and his heart freely forgives all others, he cannot truly worship God.

Micah 6:6-8

Realizing that they had sinned against God, the people were desirous of learning how they could atone for their evil ways. In a string of abominably sarcastic questions they asked what God was expecting of them. Petulantly the people inquired, "Just what does God want; what will it take to please Him?" Their ignorance of what would please Him revealed their true condition. The question, "Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression?" was a clear indication of the depths of degradation to which the people had sunk, for it refers to the abominable custom which prevailed among the heathen of offering their own children in sacrifice.

Without any hesitation God told them what He was requiring of them. Pleasing God was not a matter of outward observances, but rather of the heart which expresses itself in godly living. God emphasized that He would never be pleased with the outward forms of worship when the eternal principles of right and wrong are totally disregarded.

"What doth the Lord require of thee?" The answer is "to do," "to love," and "to walk." This includes our works, our worship and our walk. Doing justly, loving mercy, and walking humbly with God are His reasonable requirements.

BAPTIST FORUM



(CONTINUED FROM PAGE 5)

tucky Baptist Convention of 1966 giving the trustees of Kentucky Baptist institutions the authority to borrow federally-subsidized loans is, in the opinion of the church, a violation of that sacred principle,

Be it resolved that the congregation of First Baptist Church, Augusta, Kentucky, Bracken Association, a duly constituted Southern Baptist Church, wishes to publicly oppose the above action taken by the Kentucky Baptist Convention;

"And be it further resolved that unless the Kentucky Baptist Convention reverses its stand on said issue this November, Augusta Baptist Church intends to designate her Cooperative Program money so as to benefit only those schools who do not accept federally-subsidized loans, grants, etc.

James T. McRoberts, Pastor
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Milton May Assumes Pastorate of Locust Grove

Milton D. May is the new pastor of Locust Grove Baptist Church near Murray, Kentucky.

From 1961 until 1966 May was pastor of First Baptist Church, Arlington, Kentucky. While at Arlington he served in several capacities in the West Kentucky Association and was assistant moderator and program chairman during the last year there. He served on the Executive Board of the Kentucky Baptist Convention for four years.

A native of Arkansas, the new Locust Grove pastor is a graduate of the University of Arkansas and New Orleans Seminary.

Billy Graham Film Scheduled at Florence

Evangelist Billy Graham's feature-length film, "Shadow of the Boomerang," will have its showing in the Florence, Kentucky, area at 7:00 p.m., October 22 at the Florence Baptist Church.

Pastor Jack Sanford said all interested persons of the Florence area are invited to attend this special showing of the film.

Evangelism and the Twentieth Century

Dear Editor:

"You Southern Baptists are at least 50 years behind the times. Don't you know we have to face the great social issues of our times? Evangelism belongs to a period in the past." These words from a young minister pretty well summarized the feelings of many today.

W. E. Sangster summarized the feelings of these people by saying they think "an aspirin as a cure for cancer would be less ridiculous than evangelism as the answer to the world's present ills. The human situation is so urgent. Talk of 'world revolution by individual conversion' is like talking about a long endowment policy to a man sitting on a time bomb."

There is no doubt we need to come to grips with the social issues of the day. But this does not make evangelism irrelevant. The commission of Christ has not changed. Man's condition without Christ is the same. The Gospel remains unaltered, despite human efforts to tamper with it. Man's inability to save himself has never been more evident.

Evangelism is still vitally necessary for our day. It is true that we must learn to present the Gospel effectively to the modern mind. We will have to learn to use new methods to reach this new age for Christ. Still, the most urgent need of our day is to introduce people to Christ and then develop them into strong Christians.

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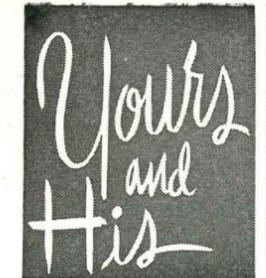
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Our messengers making reports have a meaningful message for you. Our choirs and musicians will sing "the sweet story of Christ and His love." We expect you! Come one, come all. And, if you want to come for the ministers conference, the religious education and the music conferences, come a day early—Tuesday, November 7.

Send Your Youth!

For the sixth year, our youth night will climax the 130th annual session on Friday night, November 10, with a giant rally in Freedom Hall at the Fairgrounds in Louisville. 25,000 seats. Free parking. 6,000 young people will sing—combining more than 150 choirs from our churches and schools into one great choir to sing "How Great Thou Art," "Arise, O Youth of God" and four others. (If you have a choir, write or phone Eugene F. Quinn, Baptist Building, Middletown—502-245-4101), who will send you some music, and all details. Choirs practice at home, then at 6:00 P.M. with Genter Stephens in Freedom Hall just prior to the Rally. Doors open to public at 6:45. Come with them. Get that bus ready now. Be good to your youth!

Joint Session With Negro Churches

The Friday afternoon session, November 10, 1:30 P.M., will be an historic joint session with the leaders of the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky at Walnut Street Church. If you miss all the rest, come to this.

KENTUCKY BAPTISTS AT WORK



Sunday School

Your Church Needs A Sunday School Training Plan

by Clarence Penn

Your church is indeed fortunate when you have a Sunday School training plan that has the interest and loyalty of your people. Felt needs are being met by a church with this type of training program, and the church leadership is to be commended for having the insight and dedication to seek the leadership of the Holy Spirit, who largely determines the success of your efforts.

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2. Elect a Sunday School superintendent of training.
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7. Add improvements to your program in the light of your experience.
8. Conduct another year of training for your workers.
9. Evaluate, add improvements, train, grow!

Should your Sunday School be a

semi-department Sunday School (we no longer have strictly class Sunday Schools) it may be that your Sunday School superintendent will have to be responsible for the training program. But it will be better if your church will elect a superintendent of training to direct the specialized training of your workers. Jesus gave a remarkable amount of His time to training His workers. We should do the same! Write us for the free pamphlet, *A Sunday School Training Plan* by Chester Vaughn, Sunday School Board, Nashville.

Church Development

Faulkner to Speak In Administration Meets

by G. R. Pendergraph

Brooks Faulkner, consultant, church administration department, Sunday School Board, Nashville, will be one of the conference leaders for the meetings to be held at the Immanuel Church, Elizabethtown, October 23; Central Baptist Church, Lexington, October 24; First Baptist Church, Henderson, October 26; and Eddyville Baptist Church, October 27.



Faulkner

The afternoon session will begin at 1:15 and adjourn at 5:30. The evening session will begin at 7:15 and adjourn at 9:15.

Pastors, Sunday School superintendents, Training Union directors, W.M.U. presidents, ministers of music and members of church staffs are urged to attend. Others will be welcome.

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Kentucky Baptist Music Calendar for 1968

by Eugene F. Quinn

Regional Music Festivals

February 23—Adult-Youth Music Festival, First Baptist Church, Bowling Green.

February 24—Children's Music Festival, First Baptist Church, Bowling Green.

March 22—Adult Music Festival, First Baptist Church, Shepherdsville.

March 29—Adult-Youth Music Festival, First Baptist Church, Henderson.

March 29—Youth Music Festival, Broadway Baptist Church, Louisville.

April 5—Adult-Youth Music Festival, Georgetown College, Georgetown.

April 6—Children's Music Festival, Georgetown College, Georgetown.

April 27—Children's Music Festival, First Baptist Church, Paducah and Campbellsville Baptist Church, Campbellsville.

April 28—Adult-Youth Music Festival, First Baptist Church, Paducah and Campbellsville Baptist Church, Campbellsville.

May 3—Adult-Youth Music Festival, First Baptist Church, Pineville.

May 4—Children's Music Festival, First Baptist Church, Pineville.

OTHER IMPORTANT DATES

April 18-19—Kentucky Baptist Youth Night Choirs in Eastern and Western Kentucky Youth Nights.

June 3-4—Southern Baptist Church Music Conference, Houston, Texas.

June 17-21—Cedarmore Junior Music Camp.

June 27-July 3—Ridgecrest Music Conference.

July 11-17—Glorieta Music Conference.

July 29-August 2—Cedarmore Music Assembly.

August 2—Kentucky Baptist Music Association Dinner, Cedarmore.

August 5-9—Cedarmore Junior Music Camp.

August 18-25—Music Expansion Week in each church.

September 8—"A Day of Singing and Praise" in each church.

November 12-13—Kentucky Baptist Music Association, Covington.

December 18—A Carol Sing in Every church.

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Noffsinger



Thomas

Baptist Student Union

Student Convention Set For October 27-29

by J. Chester Durham

The state Student Convention is scheduled for October 27-29. This convention will be held in the Hiram Brock Auditorium of Eastern Kentucky University at Richmond.

Among those featured on the convention program will be Jack Noffsinger and Dr. and Mrs. Bill Clark Thomas.

Noffsinger is pastor of the Knollwood Baptist Church of Winston-Salem, North Carolina. As a Navy chaplain, he participated in the Iwo Jima campaign and was awarded a citation for meritorious service. At the age of 29 he was called to the Tabernacle Baptist Church of Richmond, Virginia, one of the largest churches in that state. In 1951 he was called to serve as pastor of the First Baptist Church of Gainesville, Florida, home of the University of Florida.

Dr. and Mrs. Bill Clark Thomas are missionaries to Singapore. Both are graduates of Murray State University. Thomas has a doctor of theology degree from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

His responsibilities in Singapore included serving as pastor of two churches and honorary (advisory) pastor of a third and teaching seminary extension courses for Baptist lay leaders.

Annuity

Set Aside at Least 10% Of Employees' Salaries For Retirement Program

by A. W. Walker

"All of our state conventions voted last year to urge all the churches to upgrade the retirement program in churches by putting up 10% of the total salary of the pastors and other employees for their retirement. This should be done in all our churches as rapidly as possible.

"Unless the churches upgrade their retirement program, their people will come to retirement with insufficient in-

come. An article recently in the *Dallas News* describing a study that had been made by two professors from Columbia University drew these conclusions:

'1. The standard of living among persons 65 and over is declining as rapidly as their life expectancy is increasing.

'2. Those planning to retire can expect 'to go broke.'

'3. Despite the proliferation of public and private pension plans in recent years, high cost and the rate of inflation make many programs automatically unsound.'

"The import of the study presented before Congress recently, is simply: 'Don't retire if you can help it.' Though we do not agree with all that was said in the article by the professors, we do know that unless preparation is made far in advance to meet the current and continuing trend of inflation, the income from annuities and pensions will not be sufficient for our people. Our whole new program is based on meeting the needs as spelled out in this article. The longer churches wait to reserve 10% of salaries for retirement, the more difficult it will be for both the churches and the employees later." (The above was taken from the *Second Quarterly Report* of Dr. R. Alton Reed, Executive Secretary of the Annuity Board. SBC.)

Even small churches need to begin paying retirement plan dues for their pastors on a minimum of 10% of the \$4,000 annual salary as covered in the BASIC Southern Baptist Protection Plan. Churches can pay on this amount even though the salary is much less than \$4,000. The Kentucky Baptist Convention will pay 5% dues on the same salary basis used by the church in this plan. Contact our office for further information.

Academic Freedom

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with the concept by Baptists concerning the necessary freedom to seek and proclaim all truth.

It was strongly recommended by participants in BEST that open communication and cooperation should exist between the churches and the colleges to establish mutual understanding and additional support. Frequent conferences should be developed at the grass roots level on the dual responsibility of college and constituency, because neither academic freedom nor money alone can assure a distinctive quality education.

When problems involving the exercise of academic freedom arise they should not be tried on the floor of state conventions or in their executive boards. Churches and conventions should have full confidence in their boards of trustees to handle such problems.

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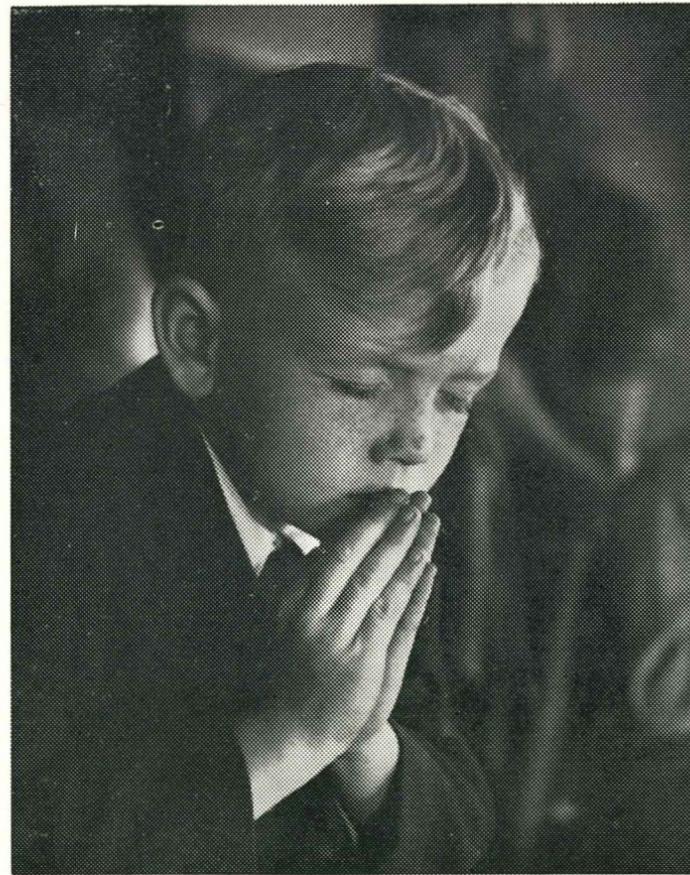
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