



## GLEANINGS FROM THE FIELD

**DOYLE L. WETHERINGTON**, has resigned as pastor of Midlane Park Baptist Church in Louisville to assume a pastorate in Venice, Florida.

**TWO PASTORS** will represent Kentucky Baptists at the 50th annual meeting of the Southern Baptist Annuity Board at Dallas, Texas, January 30 and 31. They are Verlin C. Kruschwitz, pastor of Severns Valley Baptist Church, Elizabethtown; and Sidney M. Maddox, pastor of First Baptist Church, Hopkinsville.

**W. J. ISBELL**, former director of the Brotherhood department of the Alabama Baptist Convention, joined the SBC Brotherhood Commission in Memphis, Tennessee, January 3 as a field service consultant. Isbell will specialize in the development of a missions program for senior men, a rapidly expanding group among Southern Baptists.

**THE SIXTEENTH ANNUAL** church music workshop sponsored by Southwestern Seminary at Fort Worth, Texas, has been scheduled for January 29 through February 2 on the seminary campus. A total of 336 persons registered for last year's conference.

**MISS ELEANOR ANNE HARWELL**, associate in the church music department of the Arkansas Baptist Convention, has been called as minister of music and youth by First Baptist Church of Fairhope, Alabama. A graduate of Southern Seminary at Louisville, she has served in the music ministry of Ninth and O and Beechwood Baptist Churches in that city.

**PASTOR MAYNARD HEAD** of Swiss Colony Baptist Church, London, reports that another young man from the congregation has entered the ministry. John Wesley, son of Rex Wesley, is a senior at Hazel Green High School in London and plans to enter Cumberland College at Williamsburg in the fall.

**R. A. SPRINGER**, treasurer of the Baptist General Convention of Texas, has been named interim director of public relations for Texas Baptists. He will serve until a successor has been named to R. T. McCartney, who resigned recently. James M. Dunn has been named interim secretary of the Texas convention's Christian Life Commission, effective January 28, when Jimmy R. Allen, the secretary, leaves to become pastor of the First Baptist Church of San Antonio.

**NEW GIFTS**, trusts and bequests to Hardin-Simmons University, Abilene, Texas, totaling more than \$375,000 have been received since mid-November of 1967, says Elwin L. Skiles, president.

**THE ILLINOIS BAPTIST** State Association, with offices at Carbondale, exceeded its \$1,000,000 goal for the Co-operative Program unified budget during 1967, noting its 60th anniversary as a state convention. Total receipts during the year were \$1,008,057.

**JOHN B. HIPPS**, 83, veteran Southern Baptist missionary to China and retired professor of missions at Southeastern Seminary, Wake Forest, North Carolina, died at Wake Forest Branch Hospital December 30. In 1913 he was appointed a missionary to China, where for 36 years he was connected with the University of Shanghai. He became professor at Southeastern Seminary in 1951, retiring in 1957.



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**KENNETH V. RANDOLPH**, dean of West Virginia University's School of Dentistry, has been named dean of Baylor University College of Dentistry, effective August 1. He will succeed Harry B. McCarthy, who will retire this summer.

**SEVERAL HUNDRED PERSONS** died in floods in the Lisbon area of Portugal in late November. The Portuguese Woman's Missionary Union is collecting food, clothing, and money for relief of flood victims. Apparently, no Baptists or Baptist churches were involved in the flood.

**AFTER SIX YEARS** in rented quarters, the Baptist Publishing House in Bulawayo, Rhodesia, has moved into its new building. Construction funds came from the SBC Foreign Mission Board.

**BURON RICHERSON**, pastor of First Baptist Church, Calvert City, Kentucky, has resigned to accept the pastorate of First Baptist Church, Hazard. He will begin his ministry at Hazard on January 21.

**TWO SIGNIFICANT ARTICLES** related to Baptists and the changes that have been taking place in the last two decades are printed in the January issue of *Baptist History and Heritage*, published by the SBC Historical Commission, Nashville, Tennessee. They are "Baptists and the New South," by Albert McClellan, and "Southern Baptists 1940-1963, as Viewed by a Secular Historian," by Kenneth K. Bailey.

**THE 12TH ANNUAL** income tax guide booklet from the Southern Baptist Annuity Board is available free to any ordained minister desiring information for filing 1967 returns. Entitled "Ministers Guide for 1967 Income Tax," it may be ordered by writing Ministers' Income Tax Guide, Annuity Board SBC, Room 315, 511 North Akard Building, Dallas, Texas 75235.

**HARLEY FITE**, president of Carson-Newman College, Jefferson City, Tennessee, for the past 20 years, has announced plans to retire July 31. In a letter to the board of trustees of the Baptist school, Fite said "the unselfish thing to do is to retire while the school is at its highest, to let the new president come on the scene without handicaps." Fite's recent annual report listed 25 new buildings erected at Carson-Newman during his administration.

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## Which is Better--a "Younger" or an "Older" Pastor?

by THOMAS E. ADAMS, PASTOR  
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There is a trend sweeping our Baptist ranks which I view with some measure of alarm. I refer to the increasing tendency on the part of pastorless churches of all sizes to seek a "young" or "younger" man to lead them.

Since I am still on this side of 40 and deemed "young" by most standards, perhaps I can write about this matter with some degree of objectivity. However, I must confess that I am not completely unbiased. I have seen many of my friends in their middle years stymied by this trend. If I live a few more years, I, too, will be subject to its limitations.

There are some obvious inconsistencies and fallacies in the arguments for a "younger" man.

First, it does not necessarily follow that a "young" man can or will reach and hold the youth.

Youth is not entirely a matter of chronological age. Some men are senile at 30. Others are vigorous, dynamic and youthful at 75!

The pastor who had the most influence on me as a youth reached retirement age while I was an intermediate.

The "young" man fresh from seminary graduate school who succeeded him was brilliant and gifted. Yet, he could have learned much from his white-haired predecessor.

Second, a "young" man is not necessarily more adept at understanding young adults and the complex problems of modern family life.

He can sympathize and even empathize, but he is often so involved in these matters himself that he cannot always give the objective counsel that a man of more mature years who has already passed that way can render.

Third, no amount of ability and preparation can fully compensate for lack of experience.

If I had to undergo major surgery, I believe I would choose a skilled surgeon with 30 years of experience rather than the brightest youth just out of medical school.

If I were in need of a trial lawyer, I am confident I would choose one tried and tested by years of courtroom experience rather than one who had only recently framed his law school diploma.

All other things being equal, a preacher in his middle years is at the peak of his usefulness and efficiency.

How ironic that it is at this juncture he is most likely to be passed by because he is an "older" man.

I do not give expression to these thoughts to be disparaging of "young" men. The Biblical injunction, "Let no man despise thy youth," is plain. Also, through the ages, many "young" men have served with great distinction in varied and exalted parts of the Lord's vineyard. Then, too, I could not speak adversely of "young" men if for no other reason than that of self-preservation.

However, I would appeal to churches not to fall prey to the fallacy that a "younger" man is the panacea to all of a church's problems. Nor is he the magic wand to bring in the Kingdom overnight.

Indeed, a "younger" man may be just the man God wants for a given situation. Yet, no committee or church should risk quenching the Holy Spirit or short-changing themselves by adamantly refusing to even consider an "older" man.

We must not despise youth but we must be equally as careful not to swing the pendulum to the opposite extreme. God can still use a man who is past 45 with some gray in his temples.

## Academic Freedom is a Two-way Street

by BEN C. FISHER

Academic freedom as practiced in accredited American colleges and universities, whether public or private, is held to be the right of the teacher to exercise full freedom in research and publication of the findings, full freedom to discuss his subject in the classroom, and full freedom to speak as a citizen without institutional censorship.

This standard does not mean, however, that the teacher has unlimited freedom, or that he may be irresponsible, or that he may use his guarantee of academic freedom as a sanctuary for incompetency or unethical conduct.

Academic freedom is always a two-way street. Not only does a teacher, as a teacher, have certain inalienable rights, but the college or university, as an educational institution, also has rights and expectations which are incontestable. Foremost among these are the rights of the college or university to determine its purpose or mission. The Southern Association of Colleges and Schools states officially that "the rights of an institution to fulfill the purposes for which it was founded are held to be incontestable."

The teacher is not to use his classroom as a platform for controversial sub-

jects which have no relation to his courses, or for remarks which are contradictory to the spirit and purpose of the institution. In an official statement on academic freedom, the *American Association of University Professors* has declared:

The teacher is entitled to freedom in the classroom in discussing his subject, but he should be careful not to introduce into his teaching controversial matter which has no relation to his subject. Limitations should be clearly stated in writing at the time of the appointment.

The teacher or administrative officer also has a responsibility to the institution even outside the classroom, for there is a sense in which, whether he mentions the institution or not, he is always associated with it. Therefore, at all times, because of his position in a Christian college, he has unusual obligations and responsibilities. According to the *American Association of University Professors*,

As a man of learning and an educational officer, he should remember that the public may judge his utterances. Hence, he should at all times be accurate, should exercise

appropriate restraint, should show respect for the opinions of others, and should make every effort to indicate that he is not an institutional spokesman.

In summary, a teacher has the right within his institution to investigate, publish, and teach, and outside of it to occupy his place as a citizen in the community. The college has a right to expect integrity in research, competence in teaching, and responsibility in speech—in short, that the teacher in all of his conduct will bear in mind the nature of the institution, the purpose for which it was founded, and the service which it seeks to administer in the framework of its constituency.

The responsibility of a trustee is to exercise his judgment and his authority to see that at all times the purposes of the institution for which he is accountable are faithfully, intelligently, and competently carried out.

Ben C. Fisher is executive director of the Council of Christian Higher Education of the North Carolina Baptist Convention. This article is taken from chapter nine of his book, *A Manual for College Trustees*.



Good Ole' Henry Is Leaving

The *Western Recorder* offices and print shop have been like a funeral home since January 2. This was the day when Henry Reed, *Western Recorder* printing superintendent, reported to the editor he had accepted an offer to become a salesman for a large paper company. Thus, after more than twenty years in the *Western Recorder* print shop, Henry is leaving a place where most of his friends assumed he would always stay. He and the *Western Recorder* print shop have somehow been somewhat inseparable.

The first inclination was to try to persuade Henry not to leave. But, upon considering the challenge, the rewards of his new job and the welfare of his growing family, this appeared to be unfair. The new job begins at several thousand dollars a year more than Henry now receives or could hope to receive anytime soon. Furthermore, it stands to offer him more time for home and the family.

The decision was not easy for Henry. Sleepless nights were spent in his struggles to decide to pull up roots from a place which is a large part of his life. He came up in the *Western Recorder* shop and knows all that is to be known about the operations. The mantle of leadership naturally fell upon him when Mr. Taylor retired a dozen or so years ago. He understands and believes in the policy of the *Western Recorder* in producing a quality Baptist paper and in providing a service of quality and economic printing for Baptists.

Supervising the print shop has been more than a mere job for Henry. It has been a ministry in the truest sense. He has disregarded hours and has remained to work nights and returned to work on Saturdays almost as regularly as others have gone home at regular quitting time. And all this at the same pay as if he had quit after eight hours each day.

His matchless desire to be helpful to everyone is his greatest virtue and accounts for his endless hours spent on the job. All customers came to regard him as a friend who was anxious to give them a better quality printing job than they even expected.

No one could ever be more helpful to the editor in getting the *Western Recorder* printed and mailed each week. Henry was always striving to make the *Western Recorder* something to be proud of and never spared time or trouble to make changes or corrections. If no linotype operator was available to make changes

after work hours, Henry, an expert operator himself, would sit down to the machine and do it. If we decided to delay going to press in order to get a late story, it was always all right. To say "no" was almost impossible for Henry. This is why he is affectionately known as "good ole' Henry" and why he will be so sorely missed.

The loss of Henry is severe. Men like him are hard to come by these days. It's a little pathetic to see him these last days walk around the shop as if in some kind of daze. Each piece of printing equipment in the shop has a personality to Henry. He saw each machine come in and has worked with some of them many years. Each person in the shop is first of all a friend, then an employee to Henry. He is as interested in their loved ones as he is in their performance in the shop.

The departure of Henry is the passing of an epoch for the *Western Recorder*. With the exception of several print shop workers, he is the last of those in the group the editor came to work with 10½ years ago. Mr. Taylor, retired but still around when I came, has died. Both Mr. George Raleigh Jewell and Mr. Robert Pogue have retired. So did Mrs. Beulah Polk, the long-time bookkeeper, and Miss Pearl Hedden who died shortly after retirement. Only Henry and I remained, and now he is going.

But so is life and others fill the gaps and the ministry of the *Western Recorder* goes on. Henry's gap will be one of the hardest ever to fill.

Bible Study In January or Anytime

The use of January by Southern Baptist churches for intensive Bible study is widespread but never has come to be regarded as highly as it ought to be. Judging by the benefits of serious Bible study, this should be one of if not the major emphasis in the life of the church each year.

It has come to be just this in some churches in Kentucky. One of these is the First Baptist Church at Walton where Luke won out the first week of 1968, in spite of football bowl games on January 1, sub-zero temperatures and snow-covered roads throughout the week. An average of more than 100 braved the discouraging conditions Monday through Friday for the annual Bible study.

Charles Saylor, the new Walton pastor, has taken up where Joe Tackett left off, and things are really

happening. A new, commodious pastorium has been purchased and the steel work is already up for a lovely new sanctuary. The weather is slowing construction, but Charlie is patient and happy. The congregation has already approved the whole project, the money for the entire building has already been secured and everybody is happy. How sweet it is!

Back to Bible study for Baptists. There is nothing we need quite so much. It is not my purpose to pit one against another, but periods of concentrated Bible study for churches ought to have equal consideration with revivals. Indeed, we might be further along in making and growing disciples for Jesus Christ if we equated quality Bible teaching with evangelistic preaching in Baptist churches. There is little need to win converts if we don't teach them what discipleship really means. Maybe more would stick if they were taught beforehand the cost of true discipleship.

I feel so strongly about this that I have decided to decline invitations for revivals and reserve for Bible conferences whatever time is available beyond editing the *Western Recorder*. This is not to say revivals are

out of place, though the traditional approach in Baptist revivals must come under severe examination. It is to say my revival preaching doesn't appear to be blessed often with expected results while teaching the Bible brings very gratifying response usually. This very practical reason along with a strong conviction about what Baptists need today leads me to believe whatever gifts the Lord has entrusted to me should be used for Bible conferences at least for the time being.

This year's study of Luke has to be one of the best in many years. Dr. Frank Stagg's book used for a study guide is a gem and should be a permanent part of the library of every Baptist family. Dr. Stagg's interpretation of Luke makes it a message especially fitting for our day. The study of Luke promises an interesting and rewarding experience for anyone. It could even be a transforming experience, and that is what many of us need.

Don't miss this opportunity. It's not too late. January Bible study is good any month—even if it is used for a spring revival.

REV. ELIJAH CRAIG: Georgetown College Pioneer

by KENNETH C. FENDLEY  
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GEORGETOWN COLLEGE

One hundred and eighty years ago last month, on December 27, 1787, Elijah Craig, a Baptist minister, announced the opening of a Classical School in Lebanon Town, Virginia, now named Georgetown, Kentucky.

Notice was published in the community that the school would open January 28 near the city's famous Royal Spring, which was the principal source of water for the residents.

Craig announced that a "commodious house, sufficient to contain fifty or sixty scholars, will be prepared. Here they will teach the Latin and Greek languages, together with such branches of the sciences as are usually taught in public seminaries."

The notice by Craig also stated that costs would be 25 shillings a quarter for each student. One half of this amount was to be paid in cash. The other half was to be paid in produce at cash price.

Craig was more than an educational visionary; he was also a good businessman. He expected all student accounts to be paid at the close of each of the school's two terms of vacation. The Classical School operated 10 months each year. There was a month's vacation in the fall and another rest period of the same length in the spring.

A year's room and board, called then "diet, washing and housetom," cost

three pounds in cash or 500 weight of pork on entrance. The scholar was required to settle up at the end of the third quarter with the payment of an additional three pounds.

History does not reveal how successful the Classical School was. It must have been operated with some degree of

Old Giddings Hall at Georgetown College



Reminiscent of the "pioneer" beginnings of Georgetown College is old Giddings Hall, which has weathered the elements and the strains of the educational process since 1840. The building is named for Rockwood Giddings, who left the pastorate of Shelbyville's First Baptist Church in the 1830's to become president of Georgetown.

success, however, because Craig was able to convince his fellow citizens to establish the larger Science Hill Academy in 1798.

The new Academy was located on "Science Hill" in Georgetown where Georgetown College is presently situated. In 1799 Governor James Garrard of Kentucky conveyed to Craig and other citizens a grant of 5900 acres of land in Christian and Cumberland counties. The grant was given as an endowment for the young institution.

The name of the Academy was later changed to Rittenhouse. It was named after William Rittenhouse, America's paper magnate at that time.

Little is known about all the fortunes of the Rittenhouse Academy. B. O. Gaines noted in his *History of Scott County* that the school, when less than 30 years old and shortly after Craig's death in 1816, had fallen into poor repute. The boys attending the Academy renamed the school, "The Old Kitchen."

Craig did succeed in bringing to the pioneer settlement of Georgetown a concern for good education. His vision helped make the town not only an educational center but also a forward-looking and progressive community in central Kentucky.

His pioneering reaped rich dividends in 1828, when the city offered the facilities of the Academy, plus a large stipend of money, for the establishment of Georgetown College.

## Seminary to Sponsor Church And Urban America Conference

More than 500 Southern Baptist Convention leaders from throughout the United States are expected to attend a conference on the Church and Urban America at Southern Seminary, Louisville, January 31 through February 2.

Several scholars and professors and other religious leaders will address the conference on urban needs and the role of the church in meeting these needs.

The speakers include Jerome P. Cavanaugh, mayor of Detroit; William Crook, a former Baptist pastor who now directs the federal government's Volunteers in

Service to America (VISTA) program; Daniel Grant, professor of political science at Vanderbilt University, Nashville; and Kenneth Kindelsperger, dean of the Kent School of Social Work at the University of Louisville.

Discussion leaders for the conference will be drawn from the faculties of Southern Seminary and Simmons University in Louisville and from the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, Atlanta.

Seminary officials believe the conference is the first of its kind sponsored by a seminary.

## 1967 Gifts to SBC Cooperative Program Pass \$45,000,000 Mark

Gifts to world missions through the Southern Baptist Convention exceeded \$45,000,000 during 1967, making 1967 a record of giving in the denomination.

The \$45,000,000 total surpassed last year's record high by more than \$2,000,000, an end-of-the-year financial summary from the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee reported.

Also for the first time, the convention exceeded \$25,000,000 in contributions through the Cooperative Program unified budget plan, which supports almost all SBC causes.

The \$25,169,804 contributed through the Cooperative Program topped the \$24,200,000 budget goal by slightly less than \$1,000,000 and exceeded Cooperative Program gifts of 1966 by \$1,100,000.

Under convention procedure, the \$969,804 amount in excess of the budget was distributed two-thirds to foreign missions, and one-third to home missions.

Baptist leaders in Nashville said they were elated over the record year of giving to missions support.

Porter W. Routh, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Executive Committee which distributes the funds to 21 Southern Baptist agencies, said the \$45,000,000 in total gifts was extremely significant.

Forty years ago, in 1927 when the Cooperative Program budget plan was just getting started, the total gifts distributed to SEC causes was a little more than \$3,300,000, Routh said.

Thus the \$45,000,000 figure is more than 10 times the amount given to world missions 40 years ago, Routh said.

Merrill D. Moore, executive secretary of the SBC Stewardship Commission, said that Baptists ought not to forget that this success would never have been

achieved without the Cooperative Program budget plan. He called the report "very gratifying."

Routh said that Southern Baptist missions support during 1967 represents both a growing concern on the part of Baptist church members for missions, and a continuing concern on the part of state Baptist conventions for a wider missionary outreach.

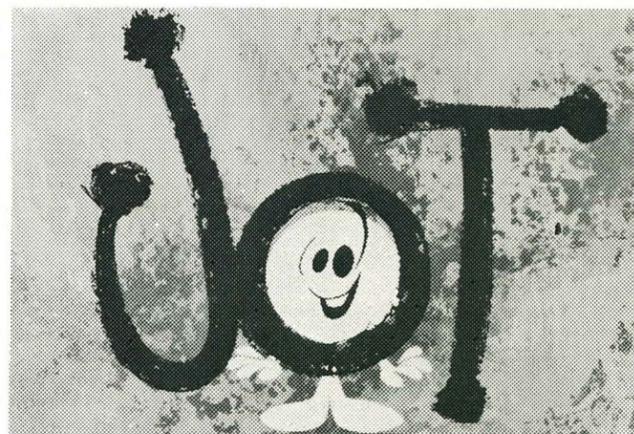
"It is encouraging to note that 23 out of the 29 state conventions reported increases in 1967 over 1966 contributions," Routh said.

## Radio-TV Commission Launches New Animated Cartoon TV Series

The latest venture of the SBC Radio-TV Commission in Texas is a new animated color cartoon television series, released on a limited basis for the first time this month.

Known as JOT, the cartoon series features an animated dot, which teaches a biblical or spiritual truth in a humorous and entertaining approach. It is intended to appeal to children 3 to 10 years of age.

Letter response to the cartoon series is expected to total as much as 3,000 letters weekly as young viewers are invited to write to the Commission for a free "surprise."



## Campbellsville College Gets Second Grant from Texaco

Campbellsville College has been selected again this year as one of the privately-financed colleges in the United States to receive unrestricted grants under the Aid-to-Education Program of Texaco, Inc., it was announced by J. K. Powell, interim president of the Baptist School.

The grant of \$1,500 awarded for the 1967-68 academic year is the second such grant awarded to Campbellsville by Texaco.

## Darrell Alsip Joins Staff Of Bowling Green Church

Hillvue Heights Baptist Church of Bowling Green has called Darrell Alsip of that city as minister of music.



Alsip

Alsip, who has taught music at Bowling Green High School for the past several years, is a former minister of music for First Baptist Church of Russellville, Kentucky.

A native of Corbin, he graduated from Carson-Newman College in Jefferson City, Tennessee. He is married to the former Phoebe Green of Rossville, Georgia; and they are the parents of one daughter, Jana Carol.

C. Wyman Copass is pastor at Hillvue Heights.

## California Emphasized in Home Board's "Project 500"

by ROY JENNINGS  
FOR THE BAPTIST PRESS

Large sections of the United States are mushrooming, completely void of the influence of organized Christianity, and Southern Baptists are trying to do something about it.

One big target is California, where Southern Baptists plan to concentrate a large share of attention in establishing 500 new churches during the next two years.

Through a two-year effort known as "Project 500," the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board hopes to begin new work in the most strategic locations in

states where organized Southern Baptist work is less than 20 years old.

Major emphasis is being put on the "strategic" value of Project 500 locations, since normal Southern Baptist growth probably would add 500 new churches or church-type missions within two years.

This effort, which may cost more than \$25,000,000 eventually, is aimed particularly at underdeveloped areas in capital, port cities, transportation and business hubs, and educational centers—locations from which a Southern Baptist church could have an effect on the largest possible number of people and influence

the beginnings of new work in the broadest possible area.

California is where the population explosion is becoming a reality and the ratio of churchgoers to non-churchgoers ranks among the lowest in the nation. Southern Baptist surveyors contend.

The state is also a key target area because of its growing number of adherents to Oriental religions and the large number of religious sects, said J. N. Evans, secretary of the department of metropolitan missions of the Home Mission Board, who is coordinating plans for the prospective churches.

Just how deprived is California in terms of an organized Christian witness, specifically Southern Baptists?

If the Cordova Meadows community in the suburbs of Sacramento benefits from an organized Christian witness, it will be because Southern Baptists will put a church there, Evans said.

Located near Mather Air Force Base, the community contains 5,000 inhabitants now and will reach 20,000 within the next eight years. No churches of any denomination serve the area.

Evans said he hopes to find Baptist families in the community who will agree to start Christian fellowships in their homes and from this interest to develop churches.

However, Cordova Meadows isn't an isolated case. In the populous Mountain View section of California at the south end of San Francisco Bay 50,000 people live without an organized Baptist witness. They include the families of many of the 6,000 airmen stationed at nearby Moffett Field.

Then there is Fig Garden community in the northwest section of Fresno which is expected to swell from the present 12,000 population to 70,000 in 18 years.

Made up largely of persons of Catholic background, many of Fresno's civic and business leaders as well as the faculty at two colleges have built their homes in this section.

Building sites open at \$20,000 and a building to accommodate 100 worshipers costs a minimum of \$30,000 Evans said.

The Bishop community on the California-Nevada line south of Reno offers Southern Baptists an opportunity in resort missions, Evans said. Here 7,500 Indians and English-speaking persons cater to tourists interested in skiing, hunting, and mountain climbing.

How will Southern Baptists put a Christian witness in these areas?

One major way is through the Annie Armstrong offering for Home Missions in March, Evans said. From the total offering of \$5,500,000 the last \$1,500,000 will be used to get the best-trained missionary pastors on the Project 500 fields, he said. (BP)

## KBC and General Association Sponsor Race Relations Sessions

The Kentucky Baptist Convention and its Negro counterpart, the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky, are jointly sponsoring a series of race relations conferences throughout the state during February 5-11—the period designated as Race Relations Week in the Southern Baptist Convention.

Herman Ihley, secretary of the department of inter-racial cooperation of the Kentucky Baptist Convention, said this was the first time that such conferences had been sponsored by Baptists in Kentucky.

Directing the conferences will be several leaders of the two Baptist conventions in the state, including Ihley; Harold G. Sanders, executive secretary of the Kentucky Baptist Convention; and A. R. Lasley of Hopkinsville, moderator of the General Association of Baptists.

The sessions will feature an address on "The Bible and Race" by Garland K. Offutt, pastor of West Chestnut Street Baptist Church, Louisville; a discussion of "Kentucky Baptists and General Association Baptists Ministering Together," led by Harold G. Sanders; and an address on "Our Cooperative Ministry," delivered by W. R. Grigg, associate in the department of work with National Baptists of the Home Mission Board, Atlanta.

Additional features are a discussion on "Ministry in the Inner-city," led by Professor G. Willis Bennett of Southern Seminary; and the showing of a race relations film, "A Time for Burning."

This same program format will be used in four separate, one-day conferences held throughout Kentucky February 5-8. Each session will begin at 9:30 a.m. and end about 2:45 p.m.

The meeting places and dates are Walnut Street Baptist Church, Louisville, February 5; Baptist Center, Owensboro, February 6; Virginia Street

Baptist Church, Hopkinsville, February 7; and Main Street Baptist Church, Lexington, February 8.

Ihley said this week of conferences will be climaxed by Race Relations Sunday on February 11, when churches throughout the Southern Baptist Convention are encouraged to emphasize better relations between the races.

The Kentucky Baptist Convention and the General Association of Baptists are encouraging a pulpit exchange between Negro and white Baptist pastors all over the state on that Sunday, Ihley said.



Bennett



Offutt



Grigg



Lasley



Sanders

## 12 Committees Named to Arrange For 1968 SBC at Houston, Texas

Twelve committees have been named to coordinate local arrangements for the Southern Baptist Convention when it meets at Houston, Texas, June 4-7, 1968.

Heading the 12 committees as general chairman of the steering committee is Lee Porter, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Bellaire, a Houston suburb; and as co-chairman, E. H. Westmoreland, pastor of South Main Baptist Church, Houston.

Serving as assistant chairman are D. E. Sloan, area missionary at Union Baptist Association (Houston) for the Baptist General Convention of Texas; and O. A. Taylor, pastor of First Baptist Church, Spring Branch, another Houston suburb.

The 12 committees will handle such matters as publicity, registration, hous-

ing, hospitality, dinners, nursery, decorations, transportation, ushers, information, first aid, post office, and tours.

In Nashville, Porter W. Routh, executive secretary of the SBC Executive Committee which works on convention arrangements with the local committees, said that some Baptists still have not received the word yet that the convention will meet in Houston in 1968, instead of New Orleans as originally planned. Routh said some hotel reservation requests had been sent to New Orleans instead of Houston.

The meeting place was changed by the SBC Executive Committee in September of 1967 when it became apparent that the Rivergate Convention center would not be completed in time for the June convention in New Orleans.

## Downtown Louisville Church Moves to New Location in East End

West Broadway Baptist Church of Louisville is now worshipping at a school building on Taylorsville Road, during the interim period in its move from downtown Louisville to the outlying suburbs.

The 58-year-old congregation decided to relocate because its membership has been declining steadily for the past ten years. Many of its former members have moved to Louisville's East End.

Pastor Leslie E. Sanders said the church had plans to build a new sanctuary on Spring Lake Farm on Six Mile Lane. Meanwhile, its offices will be located at 10526 Watterson Trail.

Its old building in the West End was sold to the Beech Street Church of Christ, a predominantly-Negro congregation.

## Henry Reed Leaving the Western Recorder January 19

C. Henry Reed has resigned his position as superintendent of printing for the *Western Recorder* to become a salesman for the Louisville branch of *Nationwide Papers*, effective January 19.

"Henry," as he is known to hundreds of Kentucky Baptists, joined the *Western Recorder* printing department almost 21 years ago as a linotype operator. His knowledge of printing, plus his initiative in securing further education, quickly led to his being named as assistant superintendent of printing in 1953.

Four years later he was named superintendent upon the retirement of Herbert L. Taylor. Since 1957 he has been general supervisor of the *Western Recorder* print shop, which produces 50 issues of the Kentucky Baptist newspaper each year, plus bulletins, posters, envelopes and dozens of other items for Kentucky Baptist churches and institutions.

Born in Nicholasville, Reed was first introduced to printing at the Masonic Home in Louisville when he became a resident there at the age of nine. He recalls that he stood on a box as a boy of 12 to operate an old hand-fed job press in the Masonic Home print shop. Later he progressed to the linotype machine and gained proficiency in its operation before he left the Home.

During his years at the *Western Recorder*, Henry has come to know scores of pastors and church staff members throughout the state on a personal basis as he has counseled and advised them about job printing orders.

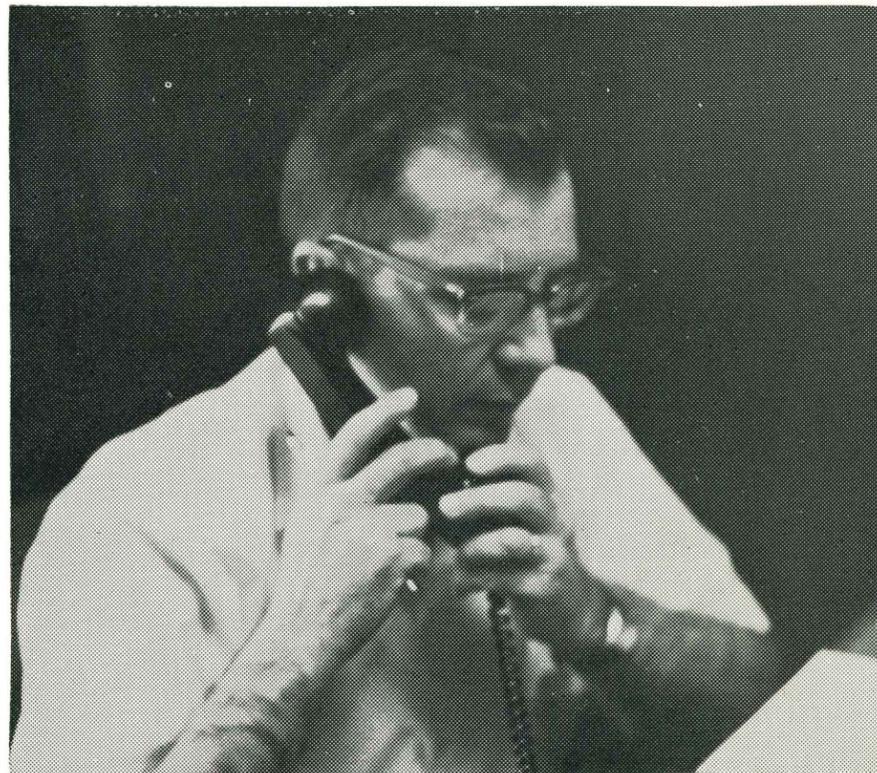
"I deeply appreciate the opportunity to serve Kentucky Baptists through my work with the *Western Recorder*," Reed said. "My decision to leave has not been easy because of fond memories of the

'customers' I have known and the fine spirit of cooperation of every employee of the *Western Recorder*."

The former *Recorder* employee's new work will be centered mainly in Louisville, although he will call occasionally on paper customers as far away as Owensboro and Evansville. He knows most of the people at *Nationwide* al-

ready; this is the company from which the *Western Recorder* has bought a great deal of its paper across the years.

Reed is married to the former Mary Walker of Louisville. Members of Rockford Lane Baptist Church, they live at 4910 Ranchland Drive in Shively with their two daughters, Mary Lynn, 16 and Susan, 11



HENRY REED talks with a customer about a job printing order.

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## Historical Highlights

FEATURING PAST EVENTS FROM THE FILES OF THE WESTERN RECORDER

### 10 YEARS AGO January 16, 1958

The 100th Southern Baptist church in Indiana was organized at Kendallville. It was named Calvary Baptist.

Property for Midwestern Baptist Seminary at Kansas City, Missouri, was purchased. The land was a 100-year old family estate belonging to Mrs. Sheffa V. Foster. This was to be the sixth seminary sponsored by the Southern Baptist Convention.

### 25 YEARS AGO January 21, 1943

The Falmouth, Kentucky, Baptist Church observed the sesquicentennial

(150th) year of its founding during the preceding December. Members of the congregation dressed in costumes reminiscent of 1792—the year when the church was established—to celebrate the event.

### 50 YEARS AGO January 17, 1918

M. P. Hunt of Louisville announced that the board of trustees of the proposed Kentucky Baptist Hospital would give a cash prize of \$20.00 to the person who wrote the best essay on "Why a Kentucky Baptist Hospital?" Hunt was the leading force in the establishment of the hospital, which opened its doors at Louisville during the 1920's.

## J. H. Maddox, Former Hopkinsville Pastor, Dies

J. H. Maddox, retired former pastor of Second Baptist Church, Hopkinsville, died December 29 at his home in that city of an apparent heart attack. He was 68.



Maddox

Often called the "dean of Christian County ministers," Maddox served the Second Baptist Church of Hopkinsville for 19 years before retiring in 1965.

A graduate of the former Bethel College at Russellville, he served several other Baptist congregations in Kentucky, as well as a church in Metropolis, Illinois.

Funeral services were held Sunday, December 31, from Second Baptist Church in Hopkinsville. Burial was in Green Hill Memorial Gardens.

The former Christian County minister is survived by his widow, two sons and three daughters.

## Positive Action in Race Relations Urged by Baptists

by THE BAPTIST PRESS

Baptist leaders in 13 states and two Southern Baptist Convention agencies have simultaneously released statements urging Baptists to take positive actions to improve race relations and help prevent a rash of race riots in 1968.

The two statements urged Baptist churches to open their doors to people of all races, Southern Baptist Convention agencies to consider employment of qualified Negroes at every level, and Baptists to tackle the root causes of racial rioting—injustice, poverty, unemployment, crime and family breakdown.

The statements were timed for release just prior to observance of Race Relations Sunday, February 11, in Southern Baptist churches.

They were issued by the executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Christian Life Commission in Nashville, and by the staff members of departments of work with National (Negro) Baptists in 13 states and at the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board, Atlanta.

An open letter to Southern Baptists from the workers with National Baptists which was published in the January issue of *Home Missions* magazine in Atlanta called on individual persons, all Baptist pastors, all SBC churches, all associations and state conventions, and all SBC agencies to take specific steps toward improved race relations.

On the individual level, the National Baptist workers asked all persons "to open heart and mind, home and church

to all people" regardless of race; and to work in employment, education and housing "for the Negro to provide the same opportunities that you want for yourself and your children."

All Southern Baptist churches were asked "to be open to any person as a means of witnessing to him," and to "close your doors to no man, that your ministry not be a negative one, but . . . a positive one. . . ."

Baptist associations were urged to create joint committees with National Baptists to work together on a community level. It was suggested that speakers from both Southern and Negro Baptist organizations be placed on the programs of the respective associational meetings.

Negro speakers were also suggested

for state-wide Baptist meetings and assemblies. The National Baptist directors further proposed sessions of the Negro and Southern Baptist state conventions, conference sessions for discussion of relevant topics, or joint rallies on missions and evangelism.

On the national level, all educational institutions were urged to open their doors to qualified Negroes for study; and SBC agencies were asked to consider "employment of qualified Negroes at every level where it is feasible."

Both the workers with National Baptists and the executive secretary of the SBC Christian Life Commission urged Baptist churches to observe Race Relations Sunday on February 11 as a step toward improved race relations. (BP)

## Kentucky Southern Names Business Manager

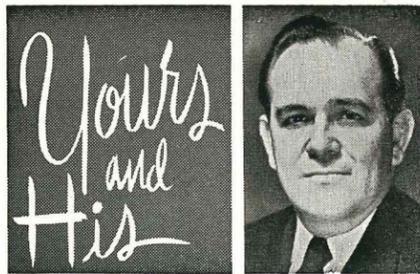
James E. Findlay, vice-president for business affairs at Oglethorpe College, Atlanta, Georgia, has been named director of business and financial affairs at Kentucky Southern College, Louisville.

Kentucky Southern President Rollin S. Burhans said Findlay will be working closely with him and the finance committee of the board of trustees in instituting certain guidelines by which the financial affairs of the college will be managed.

Burhans said these guidelines included the establishment of a schedule for making deferred payments to the cred-

itors; keeping up-to-date with payments on current bills; a monthly review of income and expenditures in an effort to head off any deficit; and regular reports about the financial status of the school to the president, trustees, administration, heads of departments and other interested persons.

Findlay received business degrees from Northern Michigan College of Education and Notre Dame University. He taught five years at the Chicago branch of the University of Illinois and at Notre Dame before assuming his latest position in Atlanta.



## Study Gospel of Luke

Many of our churches will be or have been studying the Gospel of Luke during January. This week of Bible study is becoming one of the most important weeks of the church year. It is much more than the study of a gospel; it is a fresh look at the Word of God, at the life and meaning of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Saviour.

Nothing does a Christian so much good as drinking deeply at the fountain of God's Word, and applying it to his own life and ministry. Because of the weather, and the Evangelistic Conference January 15-17, many churches will be making this study later in January or early February.

It will be my privilege to lead in this study at the Beechland Baptist Church in Louisville with the people and pastor, Jesse Hatfield. It is also a keystone in the preparation year for the Crusade of Americas in Kentucky. Luke majors on the eternal fact that Jesus is the Saviour of all men, and the whole man.

## Get Ready for Christian Education Day

Christian Education Day comes on Sunday, February 18. Every church should re-emphasize the vital importance of our Baptist schools, colleges, and seminaries in the preparation of our young people for places of Christian leadership in the churches, the denomination, and all areas of life and work. Special helps will be provided pastors in planning for this important day.

## Race Relations Conferences

On February 5, 6, 7, 8 there will be four important Race Relations Conferences throughout the state, sponsored by our department of interracial cooperation. Pastors and leaders of both our Convention and the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky will be coming. They are:

## February

- 5—Louisville, Walnut Street Church
- 6—Owensboro, Association Building
- 7—Hopkinsville, Virginia Street Church
- 8—Lexington, Main Street Church

The conferences start at 9:30 and end at 2:45 P.M. Plan your pulpit exchange on Sunday, February 11.

*Harold G. Sanders*

# State YWA Convention Meets Next Month at Elizabethtown

Members of the Young Woman's Auxiliary throughout Kentucky will meet for their annual convention February 16 and 17 at the historic Severns Valley Baptist Church, Elizabethtown.

Miss Sydney Portis, YWA director for the Woman's Missionary Union in Kentucky, said the theme for this year's convention is "Compelled to Care."

Major speakers for the meeting include Joseph Underwood, consultant in evangelism and church development for the Foreign Mission Board; John Wood, pastor of First Baptist Church, Paducah; Fred Linkenhoker, Southern Seminary student who is a former missionary journeyman to Vietnam; and Ralph Tesseneer, dean of the graduate school at the Murray, Kentucky, State University.

Another special feature of the 1968 session will be a panel discussion of mission opportunities for young people. The panel, which will be moderated by YWA Director Betty Bock of WMU headquarters in Birmingham, will consist of a former US-2 missionary, a journeyman, a BSU summer missionary and a Home Mission Board summer missionary.

Miss Bock will also speak at one of the sessions on "Caring through Mission Action."

Miss Portis said Saturday morning would afford the YWA conventioners an opportunity to visit several mission exhibits at the church and to talk with missionaries about their work.

Missionaries from the United States and 11 foreign nations will be present for this emphasis.

## Perry Leaves Bullitsburg For Alexandria Pastorate

Calvin A. Perry, pastor of Bullitsburg Baptist Church at Burlington, Kentucky, for the past seven years, has resigned to accept the pastorate of Main Street Baptist Church in Alexandria, Kentucky.



Perry

While at Bullitsburg, Perry served as moderator of North Bend Association and as a member of the Executive Board of the Kentucky Baptist Convention. He is currently a member of the Christian education committee of the Executive Board.



**BOOKS FOR THE PHILIPPINES**—Mrs. C. D. Creasman of Nashville, Tennessee, recently gave the Philippine Baptist Theological Seminary more than 700 pounds of books from the library of her late husband, a pastor. Receiving them is the seminary president, Southern Baptist Missionary Grover F. Tyner, Jr. With them are H. Franklin Paschall of Nashville, president of the Southern Baptist Convention and W. L. Baker of Doneison, Tennessee, Mrs. Creasman's pastor.

# The McElraths of Kentucky Serving Joyfully In Indonesia

by GAINER E. BRYAN, JR.

The William N. McElraths, Southern Baptist missionaries from Kentucky, North Carolina and Tennessee, are serving joyfully in a foreign land despite adversities.

Revolution, robbery, sickness and some hostility to Christian missions in the predominantly Muslim country of Indonesia have not daunted them.

"Mac," as he likes to be called, is from Murray. Betty calls Winston-Salem, North Carolina, home.

"Mac" served with the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, as editor of junior Sunday School lessons from 1959 to 1964. Betty wrote some for junior Training Union. The McElraths have two boys, Timothy, 5, and Jamie, 3, both born in Nashville.

Revolution was the first hazard through which this young family passed after arriving in Indonesia, the world's fifth largest nation, in March, 1965. Indonesia is on the equator, north and west of Australia. At that time it had the world's largest communist party outside of Russia and China. The communists, with the apparent blessing of President Sukarno, were looked upon as "agrarian reformers."

The night of September 30, 1965, they made a savage grab for power, seizing five top Army generals, torturing, mutilating and killing them and stuffing their bodies down a well. Two top generals miraculously escaped, General Suharto and General Nasution. Within 24 hours the Army was back in charge of the country.

## Green Becomes Pastor In Decatur, Georgia

Randall Green of Franklin, Kentucky, a native Kentuckian who has served as pastor of several Kentucky Baptist churches, has been called as pastor of Woodlawn Baptist Church, Decatur, Georgia, effective January 21.



Green

The pastor of First Baptist Church, Franklin, has served Baptist churches at Sacramento, Spottsville, Greenville, Louisville and Fordsville, Kentucky. He was ordained at Station Baptist Church near Sacramento, his first pastorate.

A native of Fort Knox, Green attended Southwest Baptist College and graduated from Kentucky Wesleyan College and Southern Seminary in Kentucky. In Michigan he served in pioneer work for two years and did graduate work at Michigan State University.

The press made maximum use of pictures of the bodies of the generals, and there followed one of the bloodiest retaliations in history. Muslims and Nationalists killed communists or suspected communists. At least 400,000 were massacred, and estimates run as high as 800,000.

Bandung had been a strong commu-



**McELRATHS IN INDONESIA**—Timothy and Jamie McElrath climb a tree in front of their home in Bandung, Indonesia, while Betty and "Mac" McElrath look on.

nist center. Foreign missionaries had been discredited as "imperialists." All religious leaders, including missionaries, had been marked for extermination by the communists. Yet not one killing of communists by Christians was reported.

In the spring of 1966, General Sukarno was deposed and General Suharto became acting president. A measure of stability was restored.

Not long after the revolution, two men in uniform appeared at the door of the cottage where the McElraths live in suburban Bandung. Posing as government officers, they got inside and robbed the missionaries of Betty's wedding rings, some crystal, clothes and a little money, but they did no physical harm.

Sickness is always a peril for persons from the United States in this tropic country. "Mac" has been suffering from a staph infection that resists treatment,

even by the "wonder" drugs. It is mainly an irritant but sometimes can be painful.

With the communist threat from one direction and Muslim terrorism from another, many Indonesians decided "Christ is the answer" and turned to Christianity. This led to a Muslim backlash. The McElraths told of a Baptist revival held in a theater in a town near Bandung. Muslim extremists set up an office across the street. They passed out literature opposing Christianity and had young hoodlums attend the meetings and heckle, even during prayer.

The McElraths rejoice in the progress of the Gospel in Indonesia, despite troubles which are the inevitable lot of missionaries. "At least the Gospel gets a hearing in this 90% Muslim country," he said. This was one factor in his feeling called to Indonesia in the first place.

Furthermore, the government is on the side of belief in God and freedom of religion in Indonesia. Minority groups are protected from interference, even by Muslims.

"Mac" has a sideline of music. He recently gave two lecture recitals on American folk music, illustrating with the auto harp. He presented four groups of folk songs: (1) Appalachian ballads, (2) Western Kentucky folk songs from his background, (3) Negro spirituals and (4) white spirituals.

The McElraths refreshed two weary travellers, the writer and Evangelist John Edmund Haggai of Atlanta, formerly of Louisville and Owensboro. They served a fried chicken and vegetable dinner, complete with iced tea, a true delicacy in a tropic country where purity of water and ice are not always certain.

(Mr. Bryan, free-lance writer, was in Indonesia on a fact-finding mission with Evangelist John Edmund Haggai of Atlanta, formerly of Kentucky. Mr. Bryan was formerly editor of THE MARYLAND BAPTIST and director of public relations for the Kentucky Baptist Convention.)

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# SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By H. C. Chiles



(These Lessons for January 28, 1968)

INTERNATIONAL SERIES

## THE SAVIOUR AND THE LOST

John 4:7-14, 31-35

On His journey through Samaria Christ came to Jacob's well, which was about a ten minute's walk from ancient Sychar, now the town of Nablus. It was about noon when He and His disciples arrived there. They were hot, tired, hungry and thirsty. Weary from the journey, the Master sat down on the parapet of the well, while His disciples went into the village to buy food.

Ere long the reveries of the Saviour were disturbed by the coming of a Samaritan woman to the well for the purpose of drawing water for her household needs. Weary and depressed, this sinful woman advanced with a look of disillusionment and sadness on her face. Embarrassed and disgusted that Christ was sitting there, with a bold and unsympathetic gaze she stared at Him.

In spite of her dense ignorance, racial prejudice, and terrible wickedness, Christ was exceedingly anxious to save this woman. With remarkable wisdom and unusual tact, He asked her to help Him by giving Him a drink, which request awakened her surprise, broke down her prejudice, and appealed to her sympathy. It is noteworthy that Christ did not wait for her to speak to Him, but, ignoring the barriers of race and custom, He began the conversation. When He condescended to ask her for a favor, and that in a most tactful fashion, He placed himself under an obligation.

In the course of the conversation which ensued, Christ told the woman that those who drank water from Jacob's well would thirst again, which fact she had learned already by experience, but that there was something far better than the water from the well beside which He sat. He told her that the water which He gave possessed the quality of satisfying completely all who drank it. His free offer revealed the possibility of her need being met. In fact, Christ never holds out before anyone the prospect of any good without the possibility of its realization. By suggesting that the thirst of her soul might be satisfied, Christ aroused her desire for the living water about which He spoke.

Probing into her sinful life, our Lord

taught this Samaritan woman the necessity of repentance. When she tried to change the subject, He refused to be side-tracked. Christ had come into the world to save sinners, and here was one such person who might not have another opportunity to be saved. Upon her acceptance of Christ as her Saviour, He saved her soul and transformed her life. With the longing of her heart satisfied completely, this grateful and happy woman hastened back to Sychar to tell her friends what Christ had done for her. She wanted them to have the same kind of joy that she possessed.

When the disciples returned with food, they asked Christ to eat, but He declined to do so. His satisfaction in winning this woman to a saving faith in Him had refreshed Him. Christ informed His disciples that He had food about which they knew nothing. When they wondered if someone had brought food for Him to eat, He told them: "My meat is to do the will of him that sent me, and to finish His work." By this

He meant doing the will and work of God. The outstanding characteristic of Christ's life was His perfect obedience to the will of God. Obedience to the Father was the very essence and moving power of His life. It is His desire that all Christians shall be obedient also. Real peace, joy, satisfaction, usefulness and power come into the lives of those who do what God wants them to do.

Christ admonished His disciples to look on the fields which were ready for harvest. Spreading before their vision the work which they were expected to do, He wanted them to look through His eyes, thereby observing the pre-eminence of the spiritual over the physical needs of the people. He knew that, if they would busy themselves with reaping the harvest, they would receive appropriate compensation for their labors. There was no need for them to wait four months for the harvest of souls. Neither is there any need for our waiting to introduce people to Christ. They need the Saviour. He is willing and ready to save them. Let us be faithful in telling the unsaved about our Saviour!

LIFE AND WORK SERIES

## THE PERIL OF UNBELIEF

Hebrews 4:1-11

Having mentioned, in the preceding chapter, the punishment which was inflicted on the unbelieving Hebrews, who died in the wilderness prior to entering the land of rest, the writer here admonishes the Hebrew Christians to

whom he was writing to be cautious, circumspect and watchful lest they should fail to enter into His rest.

In seeking to interpret the meaning of the "rest" of God, it is well for us to recognize the fact that the term is used in three ways in the Epistle to the Hebrews. It is used in reference to that peace which is received from God when one believes on Christ as his personal Saviour. This peace or "rest," which is provided and bestowed by God, becomes the possession of the believer when he exercises saving faith in Christ, and it will be enjoyed thoroughly by him both on earth and in heaven. It is only through the acceptance of God's Word and the exercise of faith in His Son that the "rest" of God can be received and enjoyed.

This expression is also used in connection with The Promised Land into which the surviving Israelites were led eventually. Because they did not exercise sufficient faith in God for Him to bring them through the difficulties

which they encountered, many of the Israelites never entered into the "rest" of God, and consequently they deprived themselves of the great joy and blessings which God wanted them to have. Canaan, or The Promised Land, was indeed a place of rest for the Israelites. Due to their unbelief and disobedience, they had to turn back from the border of Canaan and do without the peace and privileges which were offered to them, and which would have been theirs had they entered The Promised Land. The writer sought to restrain his readers from following their example of unbelief.

Also, the "rest" of God has refer-

ence to His cessation of His creative activities on the seventh day. The fact that God rested on the initial seventh day indicated His satisfaction with what He had made and had done. The Bible says: "And God saw every thing that He had made, and, behold, it was very good" (Genesis 1:31). Highly pleased with what He had made, God "rested" on the seventh day from all His work" and in doing so provided a splendid example for all of His creatures to follow.

The writer was vitally concerned that the Hebrew Christians, whose circumstances were very difficult and whose temptations were unique, not abandon

their faith in Christ, cease to have fellowship with Him, and revert to Judaism. He refused to believe that many of his readers would desert Christ. He exhorted Christians to persevere in the faith until they entered upon the blessedness which would be theirs in glory with Christ.

We are responsible to God to whom we shall give an account for our thoughts, motives, desires, words and deeds. A more complete entrance into rest, peace and joy in Christ will be possible through prayer, hearing and heeding God's Word, and living in intimate fellowship with Him.

## Student Religious Groups Can Use State School Facilities

A Baptist leader told over 200 college faculty members at Urbana, Illinois, that separation of church and state should not prohibit the use of state university and college facilities by student religious groups.

Walfred H. Peterson, director of research services for the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs, Washington, D. C., spoke to a faculty luncheon during the eighth Inter-Varsity Missionary Convention on the campus of the University of Illinois.

The question addressed by Peterson was: "On the basis of the law of church-state relations, are there grounds for prohibiting or limiting the use of campus facilities by student religious groups?"

After reviewing a number of Supreme Court cases on the relation of religion to education, Peterson concluded that these cases should not be interpreted in such a way as to prohibit student religious activity on state college and university campuses.

"Church-state separation is not a doctrine that should be taken in a rigidly literal or absolute sense," he declared. "Church-state separation must finally be a matter of pragmatic judgment related to and subordinate to the high goal of the free exercise of religion," he continued.

While religious activity on state cam-

pus is permissible under separation of church and state, Peterson said, this does not mean that student groups have "a right" to use such facilities. Such activities come under the category of "privileges," he pointed out, and thus religious activities on the campus "are a matter of free grace of the college."

Practices and policies are not uniform in the various states, Peterson reported. He earlier wrote to 25 selected attorney generals and at least one university in each of these states. Eighteen attorney generals and 14 universities responded.

Of the states that answered his questionnaire, four restrict school facilities from religious use either by administrative, legal or constitutional provisions.

California's rule is that "university facilities shall not be used for the purpose of religious worship, exercise or conversion."

Both the University of Utah and the University of Washington are restricted by the state constitutions. These say that "no public money or property shall be appropriated for or applied to any religious worship, exercise or instruction."

However, both schools reported that for other purposes the use of facilities by religious groups is acceptable, Peterson said.

Virginia is the lone exception in the East and South. The state restricts group religious activities on its college campuses under a policy originally defined by Thomas Jefferson.

Many other universities "apparently give student religious groups the same opportunity to use campus facilities as is given to other registered student groups," he discovered.

The University of Massachusetts, he reported, recognizes student religious groups, provides some with office space, and employs chaplains for the "three major faiths."

The University of Illinois recognizes student organizations and cooperates

with student religious foundations adjacent to the campus.

Peterson advised the faculty student leaders to develop their own church-state policy. He cautioned that "this policy should be informed by balanced interpretations of relevant federal and state law and by the peculiar circumstances of each campus."

"Ideally, at the heart of this policy should be devotion to religious liberty—first for the person, then for the group," he said. "Liberty to hear, to respond, to join, to assemble, to support, to organize, to teach, to witness, to print, to contact, etc.," were included in his list of freedoms for which student groups should work. (BP)

## Kentucky Southern Sets "Campus Day" Activities

Kentucky Southern College of Louisville is sponsoring a "campus day" for high school seniors on January 20, just before the beginning of the next trimester at the former Baptist school.

Ronald Troop, admissions counselor at the school, said the program for the special day would include a competitive examination for scholarship aid, a student panel discussion about campus activities, a discussion on admissions and financial aid, a free luncheon, entertainment and tours of the campus.

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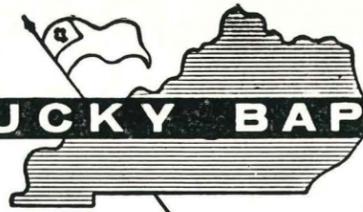
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# KENTUCKY BAPTISTS AT WORK



## Church Administration

### Visual Aids for Teaching and Learning

by G. R. Pendergraph

It has long been determined that 95% of what we learn comes through the eye. This means that visuals—things that we can see—are very vital to our learning experience. Engineers in the field of communication have been aware of this for some time and have given us TV—and to make viewing more attractive, they are producing these pictures in color.

The business world recognizes the benefit of visuals to increase their sales and millions are spent on TV films, catalogues, models, "mock ups" and samples.

Our Lord used visual aids in His messages to teach His Disciples and others. He said, "Behold the Vine," "Behold the fig tree." He took a little child and placed him in the midst of His disciples and then went on to teach them a lesson. His object lessons were unlimited.

How about your teaching? Do you use any visual aids? These can be most helpful in any class. Do you have maps for your class-room? A blackboard can be a very good teaching aid. The main points of the lesson can be emphasized if they are written down when discussed.

This can be helpful for both teacher and class members. Posters, pictures, filmstrips or any objects that can be used in teaching the eternal truths of God should be employed in order to get His message to a people today who get most of what they learn through sight.

## Annuity

### More Questions About the Protection Program

by A. W. Walker

**When should a minister join the Program?**

As soon as possible after he begins his ministry. The sooner contributions are made, the greater his protection will be.

**Can a minister who serves on a part-time basis participate?**

Yes. Any minister may join, regardless of the amount of salary the church pays him. The church may pay 10% dues for him on a salary of \$4,000 a year, even though he makes less than that amount, or the church may pay 10% dues on less than \$4,000. However, the longer he is in and the more dues that are paid, the greater his benefits will be.



Walker

**Can a minister join without his church?**

No. This program requires the participation of the church and the state convention.

**Does a minister have to take a physical examination to join?**

No physical exam is required.

**When may benefits begin?**

Immediately after the initial year provided dues are paid continuously.

**What other protection is available?**

In addition to the Protection Program, the Annuity Board offers a term insurance called the **Life Benefit Plan**; a hospital-surgical-major medical plan called the **Health Benefit Plan**; **Savings Plan**; and gift benefit plans.

Contact our office for further information on any of these plans.

## Sunday School

### Outstanding Opportunity For Adult Workers

by Roy E. Boatwright

Probably the most important conference which will be held during this year for adult Sunday School workers is scheduled for February 15-16 with Calvary Baptist Church of Lexington.



Sizemore

John T. Sizemore, adult field unit of the Sunday School Board will head the list of faculty personnel. Other faculty members are: Ferris Jordan and Miss Hazel Rodgers of the Sunday School Board; Mrs. Roland Hudlow; Lucien Coleman of Southern Seminary; Al Parks, minister of education, First Baptist Church, Montgomery, Alabama; Louie Wilkinson, First Baptist Church, Longview, Texas; Mrs. W. H. Patterson, Immanuel Baptist Church, Little Rock, Arkansas; William Simmons, Calvary Church, Lexington; Grady Randolph, superintendent of missions, Elkhorn Association; and Roy Boatwright, state Sunday School secretary, Kentucky Baptist Convention.

We urge churches to take advantage of this wonderful opportunity. Carloads of adult workers could commute from surrounding areas, even as far as Louisville and Covington.

For additional information write Bill Simmons, Calvary Baptist Church, Lexington, or your Sunday School department.

## Brotherhood

### Men and Boys Earn Study Course Awards

by Forrest Sawyer

Missionary education topics for men and boys have yielded 455 awards for persons in the Church Study Course in October and November throughout the Southern Baptist Convention. Men's and boys' missionary education makes up category 21 of the study course.

More than half of the awards, 231, were made to Oklahomans. Southern Baptists in Georgia and Florida won 74 and 27 awards, respectively. Other leading states and awards won include South Carolina, 18; Virginia, 17; Michigan, 16; and California, 13.

More than 71,000 awards were made throughout the convention for all categories of study during the two months. Persons getting awards represented almost 4,000 churches in the period.

## W.M.U.

### Compelled to Care

by Sydney Portis

"Compelled to Care, is the theme for the 1968 YWA Convention to be held February 16-17 at Severns Valley Baptist Church, Elizabethtown.

The Convention is for young women 16-24 who have an interest in missions.

Speakers for the Convention will include Miss Betty Bock, convention-wide YWA director from Birmingham who will lead a conference for adult YWA leadership and who will speak to the Convention Saturday afternoon on "Caring in Action."

On Friday evening John Wood, pastor of First Baptist Church, Paducah, will bring the opening message challenging YWA's to "Dare to Care." Saturday morning Joseph Underwood, consultant in evangelism and church development for the Foreign Mission Board, SBC, will speak on the motivation of missions, "Because Christ Cares."

Saturday afternoon Fred Linkenhoker will tell of his work as a journeyman in Vietnam these past two years as he talks about "Venture in Encounter."

Ralph Tesseneer, Murray University, will speak each session on "Identifying

## Two Baptist Programs Slated On New ABC Radio Networks

The Southern Baptist Radio and Television Commission at Fort Worth, Texas, has begun production of two new radio programs for use on two of the new American Broadcasting Co. (ABC) radio networks.

The two new programs are called "Pendulum," which is a religious variety program, and "MasterPeace," a program of classical and semi-classical music masterpieces.

Both were premiered on the new ABC radio networks on January 7, 1968. Beginning with the new year, ABC radio formed four separate radio networks, each tailored for a specific type of listening audience.

The four new ABC radio networks are called the American Contemporary Radio Network, the American FM Radio Network, the American Entertainment Radio Network, and the American Information Radio Network.

MasterPeace, the new Baptist music program, will be heard on the ABC Entertainment Network, boasting 150 stations. Pendulum, the variety program, will be heard on the Contemporary Network with 100 stations.

Paul M. Stevens, executive director of the SBC Radio-TV Commission, said that it was significant that ABC radio executives had extended an invitation

Self"; "Identifying Self With Christ"; "Identifying Self with Others."

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to the commission to develop two new programs for the new networks, for it indicates the confidence of the industry in the quality of Baptist religious programming.

"The commission is delighted to be a part of the \$3,000,000 expansion plan by ABC radio," said Stevens. The establishment of the four new networks has been described by one industry magazine as the most revolutionary development in the radio industry in about 20 years.

Stevens said that "Pendulum" will feature interviews with interesting people in show business, in politics and in religion. Music on the program will be semi-classical, popular, and religious. The show will contain a brief inspirational vignette by J. P. Allen, pastor of Boardway Baptist Church in Fort Worth.

"MasterPeace" will be a program of the world's great music—with interesting commentary and interviews, Stevens said. It will be produced by Jo Ann Shelton, director of program music for the commission. (BP)



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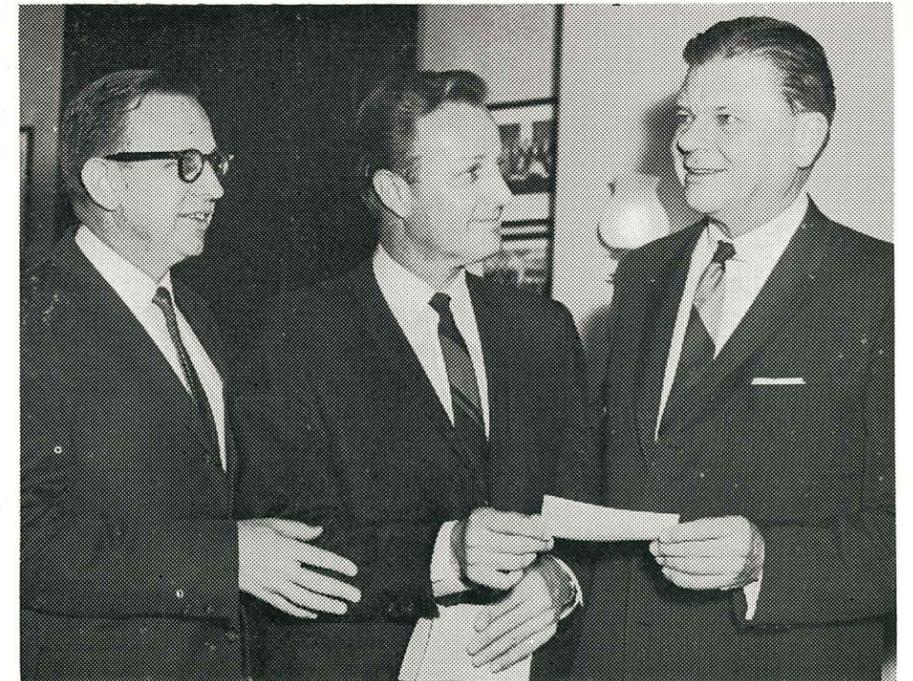
## Long Run Pastors Schedule Retreat At Cedarmore

Baptist pastors of the Louisville-area Long Run Association will meet at Cedarmore Assembly near Bagdad, Kentucky, February 12 and 13 for two days of retreat and personal spiritual renewal.

Evangelist Lloyd Bardowell of Anchorage, Kentucky, who served as chairman of a committee which planned the retreat, said the program would be largely unstructured. The purpose of the meeting, he said, is to give opportunity for private meditation and prayer and informal discussion of the theme, "To Know Him and Make Him Known."

The Long Run group is inviting other pastors throughout Kentucky to join them in the retreat. All interested persons should send their reservations immediately to Cedarmore, along with a \$1.00 registration fee, Bardowell said.

Other committee members who helped plan the retreat are Lewis Drummond, pastor of Ninth and O Baptist Church; Bob Agee, Shively Heights; Tommy Pearce, Ridgewood; Don Randolph, Green Acres; James Jones, Valley View; and Troy Morrison, pastor of Farmdale Baptist Church in Louisville.



**HELP FROM KENTUCKY SENATOR**—Efforts to endow the Billy Graham Chair of Evangelism at Southern Seminary in Louisville recently received the support of Republican Senator Thruston B. Morton (right) of Kentucky. Here Senator Morton presents his personal donation to James C. Austin, former executive secretary of the Kentucky Baptist Foundation who now serves as assistant director of the \$500,000 endowment campaign. James O. Duncan, editor of the CAPITAL BAPTIST of Washington, D. C., is shown at left.

## Education Problems Voted Top Baptist Story of 1967

by THE BAPTIST PRESS

Problems relating to Baptist higher education and attempts to grapple with this issue was voted the top Southern Baptist story of 1967 by editors of 29 Baptist state papers.

At the top of the list in Baptist efforts to deal with the problems of education in 1967 was the conclusion of the Baptist Education Study Task (BEST), a two-year nationwide depth study of the issues and problems affecting Baptist higher education.

The BEST study offered no final solution on the problem of federal aid to Baptist schools, but emphasized the freedom of the trustees of each institution to make this decision; and em-

### The Cover

**READY FOR BAPTIST MEN'S DAY**—A supply of hand-marked New Testaments for a witnessing program is just one of many items men will use in observing Baptist Men's Day throughout the Southern Baptist Convention on January 28. Many churches use this day to recognize their men and to involve them in active ministries.

phasized establishing stated purposes of Christian higher education programs.

Nine of the 29 editors picked education problems and BEST as the number one Baptist story of the year. Another story regarding Baptist higher education was ranked the third most significant by the Baptist editors.

The top ten Southern Baptist stories of the year, as picked by the Baptist editors and listed on the ballot of the poll conducted by Baptist Press, news service of the SBC, were as follows:

1. Education problems, and the Baptist Education Study Task (182 points).

2. Baptists in Fairbanks, Alaska, suffer from flood; more than 100 Baptist laymen rally to aid in the cleanup and reconstruction job (135 points).

3. Baptists in two states reconsider school ties: Maryland Baptist College may be dissolved; Kentucky Southern ties dissolved, and merger with University of Louisville called off. New Baptist school in West Palm Beach, Florida, delayed until Billy Graham decides whether to build school on that site (122 points).

4. Speeches at Southern Baptist Convention and related meetings in Miami Beach emphasize shift towards social

action, ministry to human needs (117 points).

5. Vietnam war issue concerns Baptists. Resolutions at SBC, many state conventions urge "just and honorable peace" in Vietnam. Two editors urge Congress to settle issue, or pull out troops (106 points).

6. Southern Baptists make progress in race relations; first Negro foreign missionary appointed; Kentucky convention urges dual alignment with Negro Convention.

7. Baptist Participation urged in ecumenical evangelism; Dialogue Cape Kennedy, Key Bridge meetings involve Baptists (72 points).

8. SEC Home Mission Board changes plans to lead evangelistic crusade in South Africa over race restrictions; individual pastors, evangelists carry out crusade anyway (65 points).

9. SBC in Miami rejects "reapportionment" proposal to limit representation of small state conventions on SBC boards (64 points).

10. Baptists express concern in War on Poverty; Billy Graham says he has been converted on poverty war; Hubert Humphrey urges Baptists meeting in Washington to support poverty effort.