

## ... Sam Houston Coliseum



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SAM HOUSTON MEMORIAL COLISEUM in Houston will be the gathering place for thousands of Southern Baptists June 4-7 during sessions of the 1968 Southern Baptist Convention. The convention begins on Tuesday evening with the first major address—the convention sermon—being delivered by W. Douglas Hudgins, pastor of First Baptist Church, Jackson, Mississippi. It will end on Friday night with a major address by Evangelist Billy Graham.

Other major speakers are H. Franklin Paschall, president of the SBC and pastor of First Baptist Church, Nashville, who will deliver the annual president's address on Wednesday morning; and Joel Murphy, pastor of Citadel Square Baptist Church, Charleston, South Carolina, who is scheduled to bring a major address on Friday morning. Theme for the four-day convention is "Good News For Today's World," with sub-themes for each session carrying out the "Good News" theme.

## SBC Sites for 1968 Convention at Houston...

THE ASTRODOME of Houston, the world's only air-conditioned, enclosed stadium, has proclaimed June 8—the Saturday after the close of the Southern Baptist Convention—as "Southern Baptist Day." A special salute will be given to all SBC conventioners attending that day when the Houston Astros meet the Pittsburgh Pirates. Persons who arranged the special event are (left to right) Don Berry, local chairman of the SBC Pastors' Conference and hospitality chairman; Grady Hatton, manager of the Houston Astros; Fred Hofheinz, first vice president of the Houston Sports Association; and Gerald Martin of Memphis, Tennessee, president of the SBC Pastors' Conference. (See news story inside for further details about Astrodome schedule and for information about ordering tickets.)

### HOUSTON SBC NEWS

In addition to this cover page, five inside pages of the WESTERN RECORDER this week (pages 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11) are devoted to the programs of the Southern Baptist Convention and the auxiliary organizations, scheduled to meet June 4-7. Also included are news stories related to the Houston convention. You may wish to file this copy of the RECORDER as a source of information on the 1968 meeting of Southern Baptists.



... The Astrodome



## GLEANINGS FROM THE FIELD

**JOHN L. GALLOWAY, 91**, emeritus Southern Baptist missionary, died during April in Macao, where he had labored since he became a missionary 60 years ago. Macao is an island Portuguese colony near Hong Kong.

**BELMONT COLLEGE**, a Baptist school in Nashville, Tennessee, has been offered a gift of \$1,200,000 to build and staff "a business school of national reputation" by the chairman of the Kentucky Fried Chicken Corporation, Jack C. Massey of Nashville. The gift would include \$500,000 toward construction and equipping of the new school, \$50,000 a year for 10 years to supplement faculty salaries, and a site for the school valued at \$200,000.

**THE FIRST WAVE** of about 1,200 Royal Ambassadors and their counselors from Southern Baptist churches have already registered for the fourth National Royal Ambassador Congress in Oklahoma City, August 13-15. About 10,000 boys from all over the United States are expected for the national event.

**A NATIONAL CONFERENCE** on world missions for students and young adults called "Mission 70" will be held in Atlanta December 28-31, 1969. The sessions will seek to confront college students, seminary students and young adults with the world mission task and career opportunities in church vocations.

**RESULTS OF A SURVEY** conducted among local and state directors of Baptist student work show gains in numbers of students, Baptist student unions and Baptist student centers. Baptist students enrolled in Baptist schools numbered 41,291 in 1966-67, an increase of 641 over the previous year's enrolment. An increase of 26,984 students was shown in non-Baptist schools, for a total of 321,197.

**HOLLIS SUMMERS**, a 1937 graduate of Georgetown College and a former instructor at that Baptist School, has written a novel that centers around life in the Bluegrass area of Lexington. Entitled *The Day After Sunday*, it will be published May 8 by Harper and Row. A native of Eminence, Summers graduated from Georgetown and taught in Covington and the University of Kentucky before joining the faculty of Ohio University in 1959. Georgetown awarded him an honorary doctorate in 1965.

**MR. AND MRS. BOBBY COMPTON**, SBC missionaries to Colombia, are the parents of a new son, John Charles, born April 8. At the time of their missionary appointment in 1966, he was pastor of First Cedar Creek Baptist Church near Bardstown.



**EUGENE WRIGHT**, former minister of education at Rosen Heights Baptist Church in Fort Worth, Texas, has been named adult consultant in the Training Union department of the Baptist Sunday School Board at Nashville. A native of Oklahoma City, he is a graduate of Oklahoma Baptist University and Southwestern Seminary.

**MISS JO ANN SHELTON**, director of program music for the SBC Radio-TV Commission, recently received an "outstanding service award" from Oklahoma Baptist University at Shawnee. She is a graduate of that school.

**HAZEL M. MORRIS**, formerly of Gray Hawk, Kentucky, will receive the master of religious education degree from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, during the annual spring commencement exercises May 10. She is one of 187 students from all over the United States scheduled to receive degrees at that graduation session.



Miss Morris

**SAMUEL S. HILL, JR.**, chairman of the department of religion at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, lectured on "Religion and the Solid South" at the University of Kentucky April 29. His lecture was sponsored by the Baptist Student Union at the University. Hill is a graduate of Georgetown College, where his father, the late Sam S. Hill, Sr., was president.

**FOR THE FIRST TIME** in the state of Pernambuco, Brazil, and possibly in all Brazil, the Lord's Supper was televised from a Baptist church during April. Cordeiro Baptist Church, second largest Baptist church in Recife, was granted 50 minutes by a local station for a telecast of its annual Good Friday services.

**SINKING CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH** in the Laurel River Association had a week of spiritual revival recently with Howard Partin as evangelist. Nine persons made confessions of faith. The pastor at Sinking Creek is Taylor Hampton.

**FOUR BAPTIST MINISTERS** were named by Gov. Lester Maddox of Georgia to serve on a 20-member commission to probe the prison system in Georgia. The Baptists are James P. Wesberry, pastor, Morningside church, Atlanta; William Holmes Borders, Wheat Street church, Atlanta; T. Edward Carter, director of institutional chaplaincy with the Home Mission Board, Atlanta; and H. Park Tucker, retired chaplain of the federal penitentiary at Atlanta.

**A BIBLICAL DOCUMENTARY** examining the historical significance of the book of Revelation was shown for the second time by the American Broadcasting Co. on May 5. The film, entitled "I, John," was produced by ABC news in cooperation with the SBC Radio-TV Commission.

## Three Baptist Churches Demolished in Falmouth Tornado

At least three Baptist churches in northern Kentucky were totally destroyed by a tornado that ripped through Falmouth last month, killing six persons.

The church buildings were the First Baptist Church of Falmouth, a Negro congregation that receives some assistance from the Falmouth Baptist Church in that town; Forest Hill Baptist Church, located about 12 miles northeast of Falmouth; and the Dover, Kentucky, Baptist Church, located 35 miles east of Falmouth on the banks of the Ohio River.

A. B. Colvin, secretary of the direct missions department of the Kentucky Baptist Convention, visited the Falmouth area two days after the tornado passed through that town.

In addition to these three Baptist churches demolished by the storm, Colvin said the homes of most people who belong to Willow and Berlin Baptist Churches were also totally destroyed. These two small communities are located 15 miles northeast of Falmouth.

W. L. Crumpler, missionary for Crittenden and Union (Falmouth area) Associations, was on his way to visit Dry Ridge Baptist Church when the storm struck. His car was damaged slightly by the large hail stones that fell in that area.

The total value of Forest Hill's property was \$9,500, while Dover Baptist Church listed its property assets as \$20,000. No figures were available on the First Baptist Church of Falmouth.

Rough estimates, however, indicate that damage to all three Baptist church buildings combined will run to about \$40,000.

At press time none of the three churches had announced definite plans for rebuilding.

In addition to these three Baptist churches, several other buildings of other denominations in both Falmouth

and Dover were destroyed in the tornado. In Dover, a town of 800 persons, three of the four churches were leveled, and every home was heavily damaged, most of them beyond repair.



**A MASS OF RUBBLE** and splintered timbers is all that remains of the First Baptist Church of Falmouth, and the Negro Baptists of that town are left without a place to worship. The Falmouth Baptist Church has invited the congregation to meet with it or use the facilities of the white church, but the Negro Baptists have made no decision about their future plans. (Photo by A. B. Colvin)



**NOT A BUILDING** was left untouched by the tornado as it passed through the town of Dover. The general destruction here is symbolized in this photograph by the ruins of Dover Baptist Church.



**W. L. CRUMPLER**, missionary for Crittenden and Union Associations, inspects the ruins of Forest Hill Baptist Church near Falmouth. This 80-year-old congregation has 43 resident members. (Photo by A. B. Colvin)

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Will Southern Baptists Fiddle While America Burns?

Up until recently, predictions have pictured the 1968 Southern Baptist Convention as another routine convention with the selection of a successor to President Franklin Paschall as about the most interesting item. These predictions had better not be true. If Southern Baptists do business as usual this year in Houston, we may well be out of business in a short time so far as being an influential force in American life. The movements in modern American life and the dramatic events in recent days make 1968 one of the truly crucial periods in Southern Baptist history.

There is much that is right about Southern Baptists, and we can be justifiably proud of much of our record. But in one area we have miserably failed up to now, and our whole future may rest on what we do about this failure. This is the area of our attitude and our action toward our Negro brothers and their human rights.

In the struggle of American Negroes for equal opportunity and first class citizenship Southern Baptists have done almost nothing. We have refused not only to work for full rights for black Americans ourselves, but in many instances we have actually resisted the efforts of others in the struggle for full emancipation.

Now the times demand that Southern Baptists be counted for or against a new day of freedom and justice for American Negroes. The world must know where we stand on the burning issues that hourly threaten to plunge America into a holocaust of destruction and a bloodbath of interracial war.

We must no longer justify our silence with high-sounding arguments. One of these is historic Baptist polity which puts so much emphasis on local autonomy and independence that no Baptist speaks for another nor any Baptist group for the rest of Baptists. This is a precious part of our heritage and must be preserved, but we can no longer hide behind it in our silence. At least, Baptists who gather at Houston can speak for themselves. And since the vast majority of all Baptists at the convention will be pastors and their wives, their voices will be significant.

Another reason given for non-involvement by many Southern Baptists in the human rights struggle is their objection to many policies and methods employed by civil rights leaders. To many of us, many methods employed have been highly objectionable and

even unchristian and could not be endorsed. But we must not forsake the ideals while rejecting the methods. Let us join the struggle, choosing our own methods in keeping with our own convictions.

Southern Baptists in Houston should take two monumental steps. One is to come forth with a loud and clear voice sounding our convictions on human rights. This voice should be so sharp and strong that no one hearing it could ever doubt where we stand.

The other step that should be taken will be much more difficult. This is to implement these convictions with an educational program directed to all Southern Baptists to overcome our traditional prejudices and come to the practice of love and fellowship which know no color distinctions. For this step there must be divine transformation as well as human education. It's a pious sounding suggestion, but the only hope for many of us in this matter is the miracle of God's power to change our thinking. Let every Baptist who prays stay in the closet with God until he has God's mind on this matter.

Such heartsearching will necessarily produce heartbreaks. Some good people will never change their basic attitudes in this life toward the Negro. This means that to take a stand will in some instances put brother against brother, congregation against pastor, father against son and even husband against wife.

More pastors will have to go as some have already gone. To be headless and right, however, is better than to be secure and wrong. Denominational leaders must be fearless for God's sake rather than fearful for position's sake. They must be climate-makers and not climate-reflectors. This will be at the cost of being branded modernists, liberals and even Communists. Furthermore, some loss of denominational revenue due to withholding of contributions can also be expected. Our denominational unity will be seriously strained if not broken. This is a high price but it must be paid, if necessary. Too long we have protected denominational harmony by compromise and silence.

America is on fire. Will Southern Baptists fiddle while it burns? God has been more long-suffering with us than we have deserved. This is our great moment of truth. If we fail we need not ask for whom the bells toll. We can be sure they toll for us.

Academia in Appalachia

Few areas of our nation receive greater publicity or attention than Appalachia, that mountainous area which stretches from north Georgia to Pennsylvania and involves no less than nine states.

A recent visit to First Baptist Church, Williamsburg, Kentucky, for a revival offered this writer numerous opportunities to see first-hand the conditions existing and the steps taken to alleviate the problems.

Once coal was king, but now there is a new monarch of the mountains—poverty. The decline of the mines and the increase of automation in the little mining that remains has made jobs nonexistent for many whose only way of life was in the mine.

Poverty in the mountains is different in at least one major point—attitude of the poor. While crowded conditions in the compacted areas of the city become breeding grounds for violence, looting and rioting, poverty in the mountains produces depression, withdrawal and lack of initiative.

It is at the point of incentive and attitude that Cumberland College strives to render a genuine ministry. As an educational institution, the objective of Cumberland is to open doors of opportunity to students, particularly mountain young people, who really want an education and will work for it.

Founded as an institute in 1889 by the local Baptist association because there were practically no public schools in the area, Cumberland later became a junior college. In 1959 a program of four-year work was begun and now the college has the largest number of full-time students of any non-tax supported college in the state.

Opening with 199 students in one 200-capacity building, the stated purpose of the school was to "train boys, girls, young men and young women in knowledge, morality and religion." Initial investment was about \$12,500 and churches in the area were asked to contribute annually to the school's operation.

Dr. Ancil Gatliff, a physician in the city, served as president of the trustees for many years and was generous in his support of the school. The chapel on campus today bears his name. His philosophy was "a school where boys and girls of the mountains could

get an education in a Christian atmosphere at a price they could afford."

That philosophy still prevails. Though the student body of 1,600 represents several states, including California, New York, New Jersey and Maryland, the emphasis is still on mountain students. Each year approximately 300 students with little or no resources complete a four-year program.

For any student the costs are low. Tuition, room, board and fees are currently \$1,050 per school year. They will be raised to \$1,120 in September because of the rising costs. By comparison with the national picture, these prices are low.

From the founding of the school until now the need for money has always been a problem. The Kentucky Baptist Convention contributed about \$250,000 last year. An endowment of \$1.2 million produces another \$60,000 annually. Interested individuals supply additional income to assist in meeting the annual budget of approximately \$1.8 million.

Every effort is made to maintain a low cost to the student that the purpose of the school may be realized. College administrators and faculty members could no doubt find higher salaries elsewhere, but many remain for years to share in the ministry of this school.

The overwhelming impression of a visitor to the campus is that here is a Baptist institution fulfilling its purpose. A respectable academic program is maintained in a Christian atmosphere.

First Baptist Church of Williamsburg and Cumberland College have been inseparable through the years. The first president of the school was also pastor of the church. Students and faculty continue to share with the people of the city the tradition of mutual support of church and college.

Look to the past for an insight into the future. Funds will be a problem, especially as more and more tax money goes to other schools. The rising secular spirit will make it more difficult to maintain a Christian witness in an academic context, but the purpose of Cumberland College has not been forgotten in her 80 years.

May it remain so forever.

BY R. G. PUCKETT, EDITOR, MARYLAND BAPTIST

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Beware of False Prophets

Dear Editor:

"Beware of false prophets who come to you in sheeps clothings but inwardly are ravenous wolves. By their fruits ye

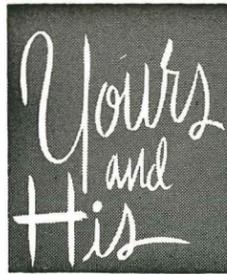
shall know them." The simple but profound words were spoken by one Jesus of Nazareth almost two thousand years ago.

Louisville, Ky. John R. Sampey, III

King A Communist

Dear Editor:

It seems to me there are more important and interesting things to write about than Martin Luther King. In the April 18th and 25th issues of the *Western Recorder* you extol the virtues of King. A person can be a Baptist and a communist. J. Edgar Hoover classed King as a communist or as being backed by the communists. I think you are lowering the opinion Baptists and others have of our denomination by such editorials. Harlan, Ky. H. W. Wood



### Half-Way Point of CP

In the April 11 and 13 issues of the *Western Recorder*, we listed all the churches' gifts to the Cooperative Program for the first six months of this convention year — from September 1, 1967 through February 25, 1968. Did you check your church? Association? If you find any errors, or apparent ones, please write G. B. Morton, business manager, Kentucky Baptist Convention, Middletown, Kentucky 40243. We will be glad to re-check your gifts.

Due to the heavy winter and the fickle spring, our receipts are behind ordinary expectations—We assume that the local church offerings were down, too, and that now they will pick up and your church will be sending larger checks for the Cooperative Program. We are about \$285,000 behind for the period through April 25—our budget is \$312,500 per month. Our convention year closes August 31.

All Baptist work in Kentucky and around the world depends upon our faithfulness in providing funds through the Cooperative Program. Please pray that our churches will develop faithful stewards, and share a larger percentage of the offerings for the cause of Christ around the world. The Cooperative Program is your "Passport to the World" with Christ.

### SUMMER OPPORTUNITIES

Our camps and assemblies provide some of the great opportunities of the summer for leadership training, youth development, and missionary education in a natural setting in God's great out-of-doors. Your local camp and your state assembly and state camps at Cedarmore are getting ready for you and your children.

Now is the time to make reservations for camps, especially. State RA camps start June 17—10 weeks. Write Brotherhood Department, Middletown; your state GA camps start June 17—8 weeks; write WMU Department, Middletown—send \$1 registration fee for each person—NOW!

For youth and adult assemblies write Cedarmore, Route 1, Bagdad, Kentucky. 40043, for reservations. \$1.

See you there!

*Harold G. Sanders*

## Permit for Baptist March Denied Because of Recent Civil Disorders

A permit for a public march and rally by Baptists at Washington during the Continental Congress of the Crusade of the Americas, October 10-13, has been denied because of recent and possible future civil disorders.

William J. Cumbie, executive director of the Washington area committee for the Crusade of the Americas, however, assured Baptists that they should feel free and safe to come to the Continental Congress in large numbers.

He pointed out that only a limited area in the inner-city in the ghetto area was burned and that the remainder of the city is functioning normally.

Likewise, Cumbie continued, the failure to obtain a permit for a march and rally for the Baptists in no way affects other plans for the Continental Congress. It only means that the plans for the march and rally are being held in abeyance, he said.

Plans had earlier been made by the North American Committee for the Crusade of the Americas for a Baptist march from the U.S. Capitol to a rally at the Washington Monument.

Cumbie's reassurance came after he received a notice about the proposed march and rally from Monte E. Fitch, superintendent of Central National Capital Parks, National Park Service, Department of the Interior.

The letter from Fitch said: "Because of the civil strife that is taking place in Washington, we are not making any commitments or issuing permits for large gatherings in our public parks."

The notice indicated that the possibility of a march and rally is not a closed matter. "If, at a later date this problem ends and we foresee no further difficulties, we will be glad to consider the possibility of your group holding this event as requested," he said. (BP)

### East Church of Louisville Has Homecoming Services

East Baptist Church, Louisville, held a homecoming service for former members and friends on Sunday, May 5, with Harold G. Sanders, executive secretary of the Kentucky Baptist Convention, as guest speaker. Luncheon was served following the morning service.

Serving Louisville on Chestnut Street since 1890, East Baptist Church has weathered several radical changes during its ministry.

Last year the congregation moved into its present facilities, which also house the Long Run Association of Baptists offices, a day care unit and a university lounge.



### First Continental Congress Registrant

The first person to register for the Continental Congress on Evangelism slated at Washington, D.C., October 10-13, Richard Caughron (left), presents his registration form to congress officials Wayne Dehoney (center) of Louisville, and Bill Cumbie (right) executive secretary of the Mount Vernon Baptist Association in Northern Virginia.



Dehoney



Abernathy



McCall



Sanders



McElrath

## Kentuckians Scheduled to Appear On SBC and Auxiliary Programs

Five persons from Kentucky are scheduled to appear on the programs of the Southern Baptist Convention and various auxiliary organizations during the meetings of these groups at Houston June 3-7.

The Kentuckians and their parts on these programs are:

JAMES ABERNATHY, pastor of Carlisle Avenue Baptist Church, Louisville—lead the closing prayer at the Tuesday morning session of the Pastors' Conference.

WAYNE DEHONEY, pastor of Walnut Street Baptist Church, Louisville—speak on the Crusade of the Americas at the Monday morning session of the SBC Pastors' Conference.

HUGH McELRATH, professor of church music at Southern Seminary, Louisville—seminary representative who will read a statement on "philosophy of church music for training church musicians by our seminary schools of music" at the Monday afternoon session of the Church Music Conference.

DUKE MCCALL, president of Southern Seminary, Louisville—give the report of the seminary during the Thursday morning session of the Southern Baptist Convention.

LESLIE SANDERS, pastor of West Broadway Baptist Church, Louisville—lead in prayer at the beginning of the Wednesday afternoon SBC session.

## Astrodome to Salute Southern Baptists on Saturday, June 8

Houston's fabulous Astrodome, the "Eighth Wonder of the World", and ASTROWORLD, the Southwest's largest family amusement park, have proclaimed Saturday, June 8, as "Southern Baptist Day," and have planned a special salute for all conventioners when the Houston Astros host the Pittsburgh Pirates.

"This will be a great tribute to our people and should certainly be one of the highlight's of the Houston Convention," said Gerald Martin, president of the Southern Baptist Pastors' Conference.

The Astros will be playing in the Astrodome on May 31, June 1, and June 2, against the Chicago Cubs, then meet the World Champion St. Louis Cardinals on June 3, 4, 5 and 6 and follow with the Pirates on June 7, 8, and 9. All these are night games.

ASTROWORLD, an elaborate, high-quality amusement park similar to Disneyland, will feature 50 rides and attractions and will be mostly air-conditioned. The admission price, which includes entrance to the park and admission to all the rides and shows, is \$4.50 for adult and \$3.50 for children under 12.

A special section for the June 8 baseball game has been set aside for the SBC and tickets will be available at the convention headquarters, Shamrock

Hilton, Rice Hotel, and the Houston Exhibit Center.

Conventioners who would like advance tickets for either ASTROWORLD, Astro Baseball or both should send check or money order to Tickets, Houston Astros, Box 1691, Houston 77001. Box seats are \$3.50 and reserve seats are \$2.50.

## FMB Plans Reception For SBC Conventioneers

The Foreign Mission Board invites messengers and visitors attending the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention in Houston, Texas, to a reception on Wednesday afternoon, June 5, from 4:00 to 6:00, in the Crystal Ballroom of the Rice Hotel, at Main and Texas.

Guests will have opportunity to meet missionaries—many of them clad in the national dress of the countries where they work—and members of the Board's administrative staff.

## Annual Luncheon For SBC Annuitants Scheduled June 6

More than 250 persons are expected to attend the ninth annual luncheon for SBC annuitants at the Southern Baptist Convention in Houston, Texas. The luncheon is sponsored by the Southern Baptist Annuity Board for more than 6,000 retired or disabled ministers and denominational employees or their widows who receive benefit checks from the board.

The luncheon will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday, June 6, in the Terrace Room of the Rice Hotel. The hotel is situated at Texas and Main Streets, within walking distance of the convention site.

Presiding will be E. Hermond Westmoreland, president of the board of trustees. R. Alton Reed, executive secretary of the Annuity Board, will speak briefly and recognize the oldest and youngest annuitants present.

Annuitants may pick up free tickets to the luncheon at the Fellowship Center, adjacent to the Annuity Board booth, according to J. D. Stoneham, director of relief and annuitants service.

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JULIAN G. ROGERS  
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# 111th Annual Session of the Southern Baptist Convention

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SKYSCRAPERS IN DOWNTOWN HOUSTON



## TUESDAY EVENING, June 4

6:45 Music-Song Service-Scripture-Prayer  
7:15 Welcome Address ..E. Harmond Westmoreland, Houston  
7:20 Response .....Robert G. Lee, Memphis  
7:30 Report of Registration ....W. Fred Kendall, Nashville  
7:35 Committee on Order of Business .....J. Norris Palmer,  
Baton Rouge, La.  
7:40 Oratorio .....School of Music, New Orleans Seminary  
8:05 Announcement of Committee on Committees  
Committee on Resolutions  
Tellers  
8:10 Recognitions  
8:20 Music  
8:30 Convention Sermon ..W. Douglas Hudgins, Jackson, Miss.  
9:05 Benediction

## WEDNESDAY MORNING, June 5

8:45 Music-Song Service-Scripture-Prayer  
9:15 Executive Committee .....Porter W. Routh, Nashville  
10:15 Music  
10:25 Introduction of Miscellaneous Business  
11:05 Radio and Television Commission ....Paul M. Stevens,  
Fort Worth, Texas  
11:30 Music  
11:35 President's Address ....H. Franklin Paschall, Nashville  
12:15 Benediction

## WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, June 5

1:45 Music-Song Service-Scripture-Prayer  
2:15 Election of Officers  
Introduction of Miscellaneous Business  
3:15 Christian Life Commission .....Foy Valentine, Nashville  
3:55 Music  
4:05 Election of Officers  
Introduction of Miscellaneous Business  
4:50 Benediction

## WEDNESDAY EVENING, June 5

6:45 Music-Song Service-Scripture-Prayer  
7:15 Annuity Board .....R. Alton Reed, Dallas  
7:50 Brotherhood Commission .George W. Schroeder, Memphis  
8:05 Music  
8:10 Home Mission Board .....Arthur B. Rutledge, Atlanta  
9:30 Benediction

## THURSDAY MORNING, June 6

8:45 Music-Song Service-Scripture-Prayer  
9:15 Election of Officers  
Introduction of Miscellaneous Business  
10:15 Sunday School Board .....James L. Sullivan, Nashville  
10:50 Education Commission ....Rabun L. Brantley, Nashville  
11:05 Congregational Singing  
11:10 Report of Theological Seminaries  
12:20 Election of Officers  
12:35 Benediction

## THURSDAY AFTERNOON, June 6 (NO CONVENTION SESSION)

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6:45 Music-Song Service-Scripture-Prayer  
7:15 Election of Officers  
7:20 Stewardship Commission ....Merrill D. Moore, Nashville  
7:40 Baptist World Alliance .....Josef Nordenhaug,  
Washington, D. C.  
7:50 Woman's Missionary Union .Miss Alma Hunt, Birmingham  
8:05 Music  
8:10 Foreign Mission Board ..Baker James Cauthen, Richmond  
9:30 Benediction

## FRIDAY MORNING, June 7

8:45 Music-Song Service-Scripture-Prayer  
9:15 Committee on Resolutions

9:30 Miscellaneous Business  
10:00 Recognition of Fraternal Messengers  
10:30 American Bible Society .....W. C. Fields, Nashville  
10:35 Music  
10:45 Baptist Joint Committee on Public  
Affairs .....C. Emanuel Carlson, Washington, D. C.  
11:00 Committee on Canadian Baptist  
Cooperation .....Arthur B. Rutledge, Atlanta  
11:05 American Baptist Theological Seminary .Rabun L. Brantley,  
Nashville  
11:15 Chaplains Commission ....George W. Cummins, Atlanta  
11:25 Music  
11:35 Address .....Joel Murphy, Charleston, South Carolina  
12:15 Benediction

## FRIDAY AFTERNOON, June 7

1:45 Music-Song Service-Scripture-Prayer  
2:15 Miscellaneous Business  
2:30 Southern Baptist Hospitals .....Hardy M. Harrell,  
New Orleans  
2:40 Historical Commission ....Davis C. Woolley, Nashville  
2:50 Committee on Denominational Calendar .Dan D. Bryson,  
Joplin, Mo.  
3:00 Music  
3:10 Committee on State Papers .....Hershel H. Hobbs,  
Oklahoma, City  
3:20 Southern Baptist Foundation ....Kendall Berrv, Nashville  
3:30 Committee on Boards (Final Report) ....T.T. Crabtree  
Oklahoma, City  
3:35 Music  
3:40 Address  
4:10 Benediction

## FRIDAY EVENING, June 7

6:45 Music-Song Service-Scripture-Prayer  
7:25 Message .....Evangelist Billy Graham  
8:15 Benediction

# Programs of the Annual SBC Auxiliary Agency Meetings

## SBC Pastors' Conference

June 3-4, 1968

### MONDAY MORNING, JUNE 3

8:30 Song-Scripture-Prayer  
8:40 "Good News to Missions America" ..James Nelson, New Mexico  
9:05 "Good News to Pioneer America"  
The North .....Clay Frazier, Vermilion, Ohio  
The East .....David Wilson, Bel Air, Md.  
The West .....Charles McKay, Arizona  
"Pastor, I Need Your Help" .....Milton Collum, Colorado  
Prayer for Project 500 .....D. G. McCoury, Denver  
9:35 "Welcome to Texas" .....George Stewart, San Antonio  
"Welcome to Houston" .....Lee Porter, Bellaire, Texas  
"We're Glad To Be in Terrific Titanic Texas" ..W. E. Thorn  
Wichita, Kansas  
9:50 Song-Prayer-Offering-Special Music  
10:05 "The Shantung Revival" .....Charles Culpepper, China  
Special Music .....W. Morris Ford, Longview, Texas  
10:30 "Good News to the Orient" .....W. H. Jackson, Japan  
"Participating Personally Motivates Me" .....Henry Scott  
Lubbock, Texas  
11:05 Crusade of the Americas .....Wayne Dehoney, Louisville  
"Campagna"  
"Good News to All the Americas" .....Henry Peacock, Brazil  
Moment of Prayer for the Crusade  
11:45 Special Music .....Claude Rhea, Richmond  
11:50 "Good News to All the World" .....Herschel Hobbs,  
Oklahoma City  
Benediction

### MONDAY AFTERNOON, JUNE 3

1:45 Song-Scripture-Prayer  
1:55 "The Indwelling of the Holy Spirit" .....Alvin Brackett,  
Macon, Ga.

"Pastor, I Need the Presence of the Holy Spirit" ..Ed Wilbanks,  
Memphis  
2:25 Special Music .....Mrs. Bob Estes, Memphis  
2:30 "The Pentecostal-Like Power of the Holy Spirit":  
In Africa .....Ernest Waite, Westminster, Colo.  
In Latin America .....Amelio Giannetti, Brazil  
In California .....William E. Grubbs, California  
In Indonesia .....Leroy Fowler, Houston  
2:50 Song-Prayer-Offering-Special Music  
3:05 Thank You, Pastor:  
From a Student  
From a Military Man  
From a Lifetime Recipient of Your Ministry  
3:10 "Sir, We Would See Jesus" .....Hutson Green, Missouri  
"Pastor, You Can Count On Me" .....John Tierney,  
Greenville, S. C.  
3:20 "Pastor, Step on My Toes" .....Wallace E. Johnson, Memphis  
3:35 "The Grieving of the Holy Spirit" ..K. Owen White, California  
4:00 Special Music .....Miss Anne Criswell, Texas  
4:05 "The Filling of the Holy Spirit" .....W. A. Criswell, Dallas  
Benediction

### MONDAY NIGHT, JUNE 3

6:45 Song-Scripture-Prayer  
6:55 "Pentecostal Praying" .....W. Marshall Craig, Dallas  
7:15 Personal Witnessing:  
Inspiring a State to Witness  
An Association of Churches Bound Together for Witnessing  
A Church Witnessing  
"Pastor, I Need Your Example"  
"Layman, I Need Your Participation"  
"A Set of Tools for Witnessing"  
"Witnessing Won Me" .....Tom Lester, California  
8:10 Song-Prayer-Offering-Special Music  
8:20 "A Powerful Witness" .....James Jeffreys, Kansas City  
8:25 "The Evangelical Imperative" .....Clark Pinnock, New Orleans  
8:40 "Preaching Persuaded Me" .....Miss Joan Myers, Clinton, Miss.

8:50 Special Music .....Mrs. Robert Cliett, Atlanta  
8:55 "Persuasive Preaching" .....Ramsey Pollard, Memphis  
Benediction

### TUESDAY MORNING, JUNE 4

8:30 Song-Scripture-Prayer  
8:40 "The New Birth" .....Stanley Hardee, New Orleans  
9:05 "For I Have Been Born Again" ..Jack Price, Garland, Texas  
9:10 "The New Man" .....Jerry Glisson, Memphis  
9:35 "The Old Dangers" .....Landrum Leavell, Wichita Falls, Texas  
10:00 A Symposium on Baptist Distinctives:  
Free Souls  
Free Churches  
Free Institutions  
Free Denominations  
10:35 Song-Prayer-Offering-Special Music  
10:45 "Real Live Texans" .....Marvin Hurley, Houston  
10:55 "Sola Scriptura" .....Clark Pinnock, New Orleans  
11:10 "Pastor, I Believe the Bible is the Word of God"  
Clifton Wholley, Memphis  
11:20 "The New Hope" .....Carl Bates, Charlotte, N. C.  
11:50 Special Music .....Buice Wallace  
11:55 "The New Promise" .....J. D. Grey, New Orleans  
Benediction

### TUESDAY AFTERNOON, JUNE 4

1:45 Song-Scripture-Prayer  
1:55 "The Virgin Birth" .....James Coggin, Fort Worth, Texas  
2:25 Election of 1969 Officers  
2:40 Song-Prayer-Offering-Special Music  
2:55 "The Bodily Resurrection of Christ" .....J. Norris Palmer,  
Baton Rouge, La.  
3:25 "The Fact of Christ" .....Clark Pinnock, New Orleans  
3:40 "Preachers Are Inspired" .....Horace Chapman, Columbia, S. C.  
"Pastors Are Encouraged" .....Clyde Martin, Macon, Ga.  
Special Music  
3:55 "Jesus—and We" .....Robert G. Lee, Memphis  
Benediction

## SBC Woman's Missionary Union

June 3-4, 1968

### MONDAY MORNING, 9:30

Call to Worship  
Song Service .....Paul Green, Houston  
Catapulted into the Year of Ministry, 1968  
The Alaska Flood .....Mrs. Robert Brannen, Freeport, Texas  
The Beulah Hurricane .....Charles McLaughlin, Dallas  
Solo .....Virginia Babikian, Houston  
Prologue to the Year of World Missions and Evangelism, 1969  
The Contemporary Luther Rice Story ..Wendell Belew, Atlanta  
Meditation — "Hope of the World"  
Adjournment

### MONDAY AFTERNOON, 2:00

Call to Worship .....John A. Abernathy, Hot Springs, Arkansas  
Song Service .....Underneath Are the Everlasting Arms  
Through 42 Years in China and Korea .....Miss Luck Wright  
Through 39 years in China, Hawaii, Hong Kong .Blanche Groves  
Through 41 Years in Nigeria .....I. N. Patterson  
Through a lifetime in Brazil .....Helen Bagby Harrison  
Solo .....Virginia Babikian  
A Continued Story .....Jesse Fletcher, Richmond  
Meditation — "Hope of the World"  
Adjournment

### MONDAY EVENING, 7:30

Call to Worship .....Thad Roberts, Houston  
Song Service .....Address: In an Age Without Precedent .....Edward B. Lindaman  
Fullerton, California  
Solo .....Virginia Babikian  
Adjournment

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## Campbellsville Professor To Study At Tulane

Professor Robert S. Clark of Campbellsville College has received a grant to study European history at Tulane University in New Orleans.

Clark is one of 30 students from several states chosen to participate in this National Defense Education Association summer institute in history.

He is a graduate of Campbellsville, Southern Seminary at Louisville, Middle Tennessee State University at Murfreesboro, and has completed course requirements on his doctoral degree at Vanderbilt University in Nashville.

## Trinity, Lexington, Expands Special Ministries

Trinity Baptist Church, Lexington, has launched new ministries since the first of the year, according to pastor Bob W. Brown. Most of the new ministries are related to special groups.

New ministries have been started with the blind, with problem drinkers, and with retired people. The church now has a Parents without Partners, a group for divorcees, widows, widowers with children and a child-care kindergarten. A food and clothing bank has also been established at the church. Special work with mentally-retarded children was begun at Trinity nine years ago and this

ministry has been enlarged.

Mark Watts, former pastor at Union City, has been called as associate pastor and works with pastor Brown in conducting the activities. The youth program has been enlarged and is under the direction of youth minister, Mark Ray of Hopkinsville.

Pastor Brown is very hopeful about the new ministries and reports that the older and established ministries of church evangelism, worship, music, education and training have not suffered but rather have been strengthened by the new work.



**New Church Building In Italy**

Nearly 10 years after construction first began, Baptists of San'Angelo in Villa, Italy, recently dedicated this church building. A village of about 400 people, San'Angelo is set among vineyards and olive groves approximately 50 miles from Rome. About half of the villagers are Baptists.

## Annuity Board Film Scheduled at 1968 SBC

"When the Messenger Turns to Go Away," a 30-minute color film commemorating the 50th anniversary of the SBC Annuity Board, will be presented in a premiere showing at the Southern Baptist Convention in Houston, Texas, June 5 at 7:15 p.m.

Featuring Hal Burdick and Jo Ann Shelton, the film portrays the Baptist preacher and the role he fulfills through a combination of song, dialogue and vignette. Miss Shelton sings seven songs.

After the premiere, the film will be available for presentation in churches and at various meetings. Any viewer interested in having the film shown in his church may make arrangements at the Annuity Board booth and receive, free of charge, a 45 rpm record of the songs Miss Shelton sings in the film.

The film is presented by the Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. Floyd B. Chaffin, associate secretary, was production supervisor. Production consultants were Truett Myers and the Radio and Television Commission, SBC.

## 1968 Programs of the SBC Auxiliary Groups

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### TUESDAY, MORNING, 9:30

Call to Worship  
Song Service  
Business  
Election of Officers  
Dreams — Bridge to the Future  
Tomorrow in Africa — Mrs. Milton Cunningham, Fort Worth, Texas  
WMU Geared to Change — Alma Hunt, Birmingham  
Soleo — Virginia Babikian  
A Dream in My Heart — Dr. Dorothy Brown, Nashville  
Meditation — "Hope of the World"  
Adjournment

### TUESDAY AFTERNOON, 2:00

Call to Worship  
Song Service — William Ichter, Minden, Louisiana  
Crusade of the Americas — Cecil McGee and Bob Oldenburg, Nashville  
Adjournment

## SBC Church Music Conference

June 3-4, 1968

### MONDAY MORNING, JUNE 3

10:30 Organ Meditation  
10:45 Call to Order  
Presentation of Program  
10:50 Worship through Singing  
11:05 Concert — Adult Choir, First Church, Shreveport, La.  
11:30 Message — James W. Middleton, Shreveport, La.  
12:00 Closing Prayer

### MONDAY AFTERNOON, JUNE 3

1:30 Organ Meditation  
1:45 Worship through Singing  
2:00 Concert  
2:20 Panel  
Reading of prepared statements on the following subjects:  
A philosophy of church music for training church musicians by our seminary schools of music  
Hugh McElrath, Louisville  
A philosophy of church music for training church musicians by the music departments of our Southern Baptist colleges  
A philosophy of church music for training church musicians by the music department of the Sunday School Board and the state Baptist conventions  
3:00 Panel Discussion  
3:20 General Discussion  
3:40 A Hymn of Praise  
3:45 Concert — John Lock, Organist, Dorchester, England  
4:10 Closing Prayer  
4:15 Ministers of Music Singing  
6:00 Banquet, South Main Baptist Church

### MONDAY EVENING, JUNE 3

7:30 Organ Meditation  
7:45 Worship through Singing  
8:00 Message — Claude Rhea and missionaries  
8:35 A Hymn of Assurance  
8:45 Concert — Singing Churchmen, Tennessee  
9:15 Closing Prayer

### TUESDAY MORNING, JUNE 4

8:45 Organ Meditation  
9:00 Worship through Singing  
9:15 President's Message — Donald Winters  
9:30 Concert — Handbell Choir, Sharpstown Church, Houston

9:45 Departmental Conferences  
Election of Officers  
10:30 A Hymn of Assurance  
10:35 Concert — Junior Girls Choir, Willow Meadows Church, Houston  
10:45 Historical and Technical Papers  
11:55 A Hymn of Devotion  
12:00 Closing Prayer

### TUESDAY AFTERNOON, JUNE 4

1:30 Organ Meditation  
1:45 Worship through Singing  
2:00 Concert — Youth Choir, Park Place Church, Houston  
2:20 Business Session  
Old Business  
Committee Reports  
Reports from Departmental Conferences  
Presentation of Honorary Membership  
Introduction of New Officers  
New Business  
2:50 A Hymn of Praise  
3:00 Music Publications, Broadman Press — Loren R. Williams, Nashville  
3:30 Concert — Houston Baptist College Singers  
4:00 World Premiere of "Praise God" — Houston Baptist College Singers  
4:10 Adjournment  
Closing Prayer and Benediction

## SBC Religious Education Association

June 3-4, 1968

### MONDAY AFTERNOON, JUNE 3

1:30 Theme Interpretation — Sarah Miller, Houston  
1:50 Appointment of Committees  
2:00 We Work Together  
The Role of the Parent — Ellis Bush, Montgomery  
Church Staff Worker — Henry Love, Shreveport, La.  
Volunteer Worker — William B. Crittenden, Houston  
Materials — B. A. Clendinning, Nashville  
2:45 Questions to the Panel  
3:00 We Live Together — Mrs. J. Winston Pierce, Mill Valley, Calif.  
3:30 Adjourn

### MONDAY EVENING, JUNE 3

6:30 Banquet — Fellowship Hall, First Baptist Church, Houston

### TUESDAY MORNING, JUNE 4

9:30 Praise in Song  
9:35 Program and Curriculum Developments in the 70's  
Keener Pharr, Nashville  
Continuing Educational Opportunities — Bob Franklin, Huntsville, Ala.  
The Years Ahead — Floyd Chaffin, Dallas  
10:35 Song  
10:40 Discussion  
10:55 A Church in Action . . . 20th Century — James G. Harris, Fort Worth, Texas  
11:30 Adjourn

### TUESDAY AFTERNOON, JUNE 4

2:00 Praise in Song  
2:05 Religious Education And Missions  
Journeyman — Philip N. Caskey, Fort Worth, Texas  
US-2 — Raymond Lee Silvers, Waco, Texas  
Missionary Educator — George Wilson, Kansas City, Mo.  
3:10 Song  
3:15 Religious Education via Radio and Television — Edward Shipman, Fort Worth, Texas  
3:45 Election of Officers and Miscellaneous Business  
4:00 Adjourn

## SBC Nursery Service Offered at Lower Cost This Year

Nursery facilities for the Southern Baptist Convention at Houston June 3-7 will be offered at a lower cost for a wider age-span of children than in previous years, the convention's nursery committee has announced.

The nursery facilities will be provided at the First Baptist Church of Houston, located at the corner of Fannin and Lamar Streets, about eight blocks from the Coliseum where the convention will be held.

The nursery facilities will be available for children from birth through age six (pre-school), at a reduced cost of \$1 per session for one child; \$1.75 per session for two children; or \$2.50 per session for three or more children.

Nursery committee chairman C. Allen Collier, minister of education for the

First Baptist Church, pointed out that the nursery fee has been considerably reduced this year when compared to previous conventions, and that the age-limits have been increased.

Last year, for example, the nursery facilities at the convention were limited to children three years of age and under, and the cost was 75 cents per hour per child.

Collier said that the Union Baptist Association was subsidizing the nursery budget for the convention, enabling the costs to be lowered.

Collier said that those attending the convention with children in the nursery are urged to call for the children as quickly as possible upon the conclusion of each convention session.

Nursery and pre-school departments will open at 8:15 Monday morning, June 3, and be open for each session of the Southern Baptist Convention, the Pastors' Conference, Woman's Missionary Union Convention, Music Conference, and Religious Education Conference.

In addition, the facilities will be open on an advance reservation only basis Thursday afternoon, June 6, when there

is no convention session, but advance reservations must be made at the time of first registration at the church.

No meals will be provided for the children, but refreshments will be served during each session. Meals will be served, however, during the Thursday afternoon period for an extra charge.

Registration information desks will be placed at the Fannin Street entrance of the church, and parents are advised to enter by this door, Collier said.

The nursery committee chairman also suggested that parents with children park near the church, leave their children, and then walk the eight blocks to the coliseum. Although the church owns no parking lot, Collier said the public parking lots nearby are likely to be less crowded than near the coliseum. (BP)

## Alumni Luncheon Scheduled For New Orleans Seminary

The 50th anniversary celebration of New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary will be featured during the annual luncheon for alumni of the school, scheduled at Houston June 6 during the sessions of the 1968 Southern Baptist Convention.

Highlighting the noon program in the grand ballroom of the Rice Hotel will be an address by Seminary President H. Leo Eddleman, speaking on the accomplishments of the school during its first 50 years of service.



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## Keith Named Texas Baptist Public Relations Director

Billy Keith, former director of Baptist radio and television work in northern Japan, has been named director of public relations for the Baptist General Convention of Texas, effective June 1.

Keith, a Southern Baptist missionary to Japan since 1961, succeeds R. T. McCartney who resigned January 1 to become general manager of Arthur Davenport Association in Oklahoma City.

The new Texas Baptist public relations director is a native of Oklahoma, where he was pastor of First Baptist Church, Canadian, before appointment by the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board as missionary to Japan in 1961.

Keith, 34, is a graduate of Wheaton College, Wheaton, Illinois, and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, where he served for several years as news director. He was also news director at the seminary last year while on furlough from the mission field.

During his service in Japan, Keith was news director for the Japan Baptist New Life Movement, a nation-wide evangelistic effort co-sponsored by Texas Baptists in 1961, pastor of a Japanese church, plus directing radio and television work in Sapporo, Japan, on the northern island of Hokkaido. He also was editor for a period of the *Japan Baptist News*. (BP)



### Thanks For Youth Night

Dear Editor:

I would like to convey this message to Kentucky Baptist youth through the *Western Recorder*.

I'm one of your home missionaries who serves in Florida among Czechoslovakians. Friday night I got to attend your Youth Rally in Richmond, Kentucky. I had been visiting my mother in Kentucky because of her serious illness. The rally was most inspiring. Congratulations to every one who helped present the "Good News" in such a challenging manner.

I took a copy of the New Testament you distributed that night and on the bus trip into Florida the next day, I gave it to Dr. Mihailo Jevtic. He was

traveling with his wife and two children and so the opportunity for me to witness. They are from Yugoslavia and have been in America only 15 months but have picked up English very well. I enjoyed small conversation with them in Russian. This extra twist of the tongue was a delight to their children and an acceptable effort on my part to show our genuine concern for foreigners. His last words were, "Thank you for the Bible!"

Others will also catch your spirit of conquest for Christ as we will have a similar rally in our association at the close of the school year for all high school graduates in the three counties of our Alachua Baptist Association. Thank you for inspiring my heart. Maşaryktown, Fla. Ed Burgher

## Decision on Accepting Federal Aid Is Deferred by Mercer University

Mercer University trustees have deferred a decision on whether or not to seek and accept all federal funds available until a study of the educational needs of the Georgia Baptist Convention is completed.

The deferral came in the April trustees meeting in discussion of a motion made in January by trustee Ellis Arnall that the trustees "take all necessary actions and steps to secure all federal funds and aids which are or may be available to it."

The special educational study of all six Georgia Baptist colleges is now being conducted by Doak Campbell Associates of Tallahassee.

A preliminary report is due in June, and a final report is due by the September meeting of the Georgia Baptist Convention Executive Committee. The study was approved by the Executive Committee last December, upon motion of Robert W. Jackson, pastor of Dalton First Church.

In 1965 and again in 1966, the Georgia Baptist Convention refused to allow Mercer trustees to accept federal loans for its new science center. The convention had approved loans for various institutions until that 1965 vote.

In other action, the Mercer trustees also deferred making a formal presentation to the Macon City Council of a request that a 35-acre section east of the Macon campus be made an urban renewal area so Mercer could buy it for future expansion. (BP)

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## U. S. Court Hears Pros and Cons Of New York Textbook Loan Case

A New York lawyer contended before the U. S. Supreme Court at Washington that textbook loans to parochial school pupils at public expense violates separation of church and state while bus transportation, lunches and health aids to the same are acceptable.

Marvin E. Pollack represented the school board of East Greenbush, a suburb of Albany, N. Y., in a challenge of the constitutionality of the New York Textbook Loan Act.

He argued that the public loan of any textbook, regardless of its nonsectarian contents, to pupils in parochial schools is an aid to religion, and therefore unconstitutional.

Mrs. Jean M. Coon, assistant attorney general of New York, represented the New York commissioner of education, James E. Allen Jr., as the defendant.

She said that New York provides public school approved textbooks to all school children and that therefore the aid is not to religion but to pupils and their parents.

The case known as School Board v. Allen reached the Supreme Court after a rocky course in New York's courts. In August 1966 the New York Supreme Court declared the textbook law unconstitutional. In December of that year

the appellate division reversed the lower court and said a local school district lacks jurisdiction to challenge the law.

In June 1967, however, the court of appeals, in a four to three ruling, gave the local school board the right to file suit in the matter, but declared the law to be constitutional under both the state and federal Constitutions.

Five parents in New York joined the suit as intervenors by the time it reached the U. S. Supreme Court. They were represented by Porter Chandler, a prominent New York constitutional church-state lawyer. (BP)

## Ohio Baptists Ask for SBC Fund For Victims of Recent Riots

The Executive Board of the State Convention of Baptists in Ohio has voted to ask the Southern Baptist Convention to establish a fund to aid the victims of riots in the ghettos following the assassination of Martin Luther King.

The action came on the request of Charles A. Jolly, pastor in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, one of the more than 100 cities across the nation where rioting

## Mrs. Nelrose Dipboye Dies Of Heart Attack April 28

Mrs. Nelrose Dipboye, wife of the pastor of the West Point, Kentucky, Baptist Church, died Sunday, April 28, of a heart attack.

A memorial service was held at the West Point church on Monday, April 29. The funeral and burial were at Marshall, Texas, her home town.

Dipboye, a native of Galena Park, Texas, is a Th.D. student at Southern Seminary in Louisville. A graduate of Southwestern Seminary in Texas, he has served the West Point congregation for 2½ years.

Mrs. Dipboye's survivors include her husband; a daughter, Michelle, 5; a son, Larry Keith, Jr., 2; and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Martin of Marshall.

erupted after King's death.

Jolly urged Baptists to "do something constructive and Christian besides talk and resolutions," which don't help the victims of riot-torn ghettos.

The Ohio Baptist board voted to request the "proper convention agencies" in the SBC to promote a fund-raising effort throughout the Southern Baptist Convention for the benefit of riot victims.

Jolly, who is also a member of the convention's Home Mission Board, said he hoped that the aid would be comparable to the convention-sponsored world relief offering made following World War II when Southern Baptists gave millions for relief of the war-stricken people of Europe and the Orient.

In other action, the board approved employment of John Pate, assistant to the business manager at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth, as business manager for the Ohio Convention.

A native of Indiana, Pate was for 12 years with the Whirlpool Corp., in Evansville, Indiana, and joined the seminary staff in 1965 while studying for the bachelor of divinity degree. (BP)

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## The Duty of All Men

Ecclesiastes 5: 1-12

Ecclesiastes, which means "preacher," is a very unique book. In it the writer sets forth his numerous attempts to find that which could satisfy his heart and life. As an outgrowth of his personal experiences, observations and reflections, he sought to persuade others to avoid setting their affections on the things of this world by placing them upon the things that are above.

The writer discovered that the acquisition of knowledge could not satisfy the mind and heart of man. In fact, there is no real satisfaction for a man whose horizon of life does not go higher than the sun. For one whose life is altogether circumscribed by this world, it is true that "all is vanity," but for one whose hope is in the Lord, Who is above the sun, the statement is far from being true. Life "under the sun," that is, with God left out, does not offer any true satisfaction.

In his search for happiness Solomon tried wisdom, but found it entirely inadequate to satisfy his soul. Then he decided to conduct experiments in the realm of pleasure, hoping therein to find peace for his troubled mind, but he soon discovered that pleasure could not bring real satisfaction. Life apart from God is vain, empty and futile.

In chapter five the readers are cautioned against irreverence and insincerity in worship, discouragement because of political wrongs, and the coveting of riches or the misuse of them.

The writer urges us to walk in the way of reverence and obedience prior to entering the house of God for the purpose of worship. The act of removing the shoes from the feet on entering the temple, which has always been a custom in the East from the earliest times to the present, has always been considered an outward symbol of reverential awe. Worship must be with genuine sincerity of heart and not merely with outward symbols. Deliberate thoughtfulness is necessary for acceptable worship. True worshipers are characterized by reverence and submissiveness.

Careless and rash talk is prohibited in all who approach God in heartfelt worship. To use vain repetition, or to rattle off a formula, however well constructed,

vows. It is better not to make a vow than it is to make one and not pay it.

After he had toiled much and long for the accumulation of things, and amassed far more wealth than either of his predecessors, Solomon was still without satisfaction. It finally dawned upon him that he was very foolish to spend his life in accumulating possessions that others would dissipate soon after he had passed from the scene of action. Would that all others might realize this fact also!

Riches cannot bring real happiness or joy. The more wealth increases the more the longing for it grows. Not only that, but the greater the wealth the more its burdens increase. Those who are sacrificing everything worthwhile to make money need to remember that Christ said, "A man's life consisteth not in the abundance of things which he possesseth." Unless our possessions can be used for the benefit of others and the glory of God they become a curse to us.

without weighing the meaning, cannot be pleasing to God. When a person enters the presence of God, he should have a sense of reverence and should weigh his words. The scriptures condemn formal petitions from those who attempt to compensate for the devotion which they lack by the multiplicity of their words.

Rash promises and hasty vows are also out of place in the lives of God's children. Impetuous pledging is trifling. One is responsible for any vows which he may assume hastily. People who are sick, or who have loved ones who are ill or who have other troubles often promise God many things, if He will heal or help them. After all is well with them again, they forget their promises to God. Nevertheless, they will be held accountable for the payment of those

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On the night before His crucifixion Christ calmly announced to His disciples that He was going to leave them. That announcement pierced their hearts. They were sorely troubled at the thought of separation from Him Whom they had learned to love so dearly. They wondered how they would be able to live when the light of their lives had gone out, and how they could ever face the world without His supporting presence.

Observing the troubled look upon their faces and every billow of anguish that surged through their hearts, Christ said, "Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me."

By those memorable words Christ intended to comfort His disciples and fortify them for the terrible faith-shattering ordeal through which they soon were to pass.

John 14: 12-18

Christ here assured those who had a deep and abiding faith in Him as a personal, loving and omnipotent Saviour that they would be enabled to do even greater works than He did during His sojourn here in the flesh. His work had been limited largely to Palestine, but their works would be far more extensive. Only a small number came to know Him as a personal Saviour during His earthly ministry, but on the day of Pentecost 3,000 were saved.

A Christian is a person who has experienced the pardoning love of Christ, and in turn has an abiding love for Him. Love for Christ will manifest itself in thinking, reading, hearing and talking about Him, and in obeying His commandments. Every good Christian strives to do the things that please Christ. The supreme test of love for Christ is obedience to Him. To say that we are followers of Christ and that we love Him, and then refuse to be obedient to Him is to prove that our profession is false. Christ said, "If you love me, keep my commandments."

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Obedience to Christ is the best evidence of love for Him. It is so encouraging to know that when He commands us to do something that He will enable us to do it. Moreover, all His commandments are intended for our benefit. Therefore, it behooves us to be obedient to Him to the fullest extent.

During His ministry among His disciples our Lord had guarded, protected, encouraged and guided them, but now that He was leaving them He assured them that the Holy Spirit would come to be with them, and to assume the responsibility of being another guardian of

the same kind as He had been. Christ made it perfectly clear that the Holy Spirit is a Person who knows, feels, and wills. He strengthens the saved, guides them in the study of the Scriptures, directs in the work of the Lord, comforts in sorrow, dispenses gifts and empowers for service.

John 14: 23-27

All of God's children who walk in the pathway of obedience to Christ are assured the blessed presence, protection and power of both God the Father and Christ the Son. All who disobey Him

deprive themselves of this blessedness.

If there is any word which excites pleasing sensations, it is peace. From time immemorial man has longed, prayed, and hoped for peace. Wonderful as is peace in the personal, family, social, national and international realms, it is nothing to compare with the peace of mind and heart which comes from being right in one's relationship with God. This latter kind of peace is a condition in which we are brought by the Holy Spirit as a result of complete reconciliation with God through Christ.

The peace of God is the peace that God Himself enjoys, peace from God is the peace that God gives, and peace with God is the peace which is enjoyed by true believers. Peace is not the result of self-effort, but is something which the Lord gives freely. God the Father decreed this peace, Christ the Son purchased it, and the Holy Spirit applies it.

Salvation always precedes peace with God. It is the cause of which peace is the effect. Christ paid the price for this peace, so it cannot be purchased or earned by man. Rather, it must be received as a gift.

Peace with God is the most valuable blessing one can enjoy on earth. Peace was the gift which Christ singled out, above all others, to bestow upon His disciples as a parting legacy. This legacy is the most precious of gifts, an inheritance which this world can neither give nor take away.

## 14 Associations in Kentucky Cited for Outstanding Minutes

Fourteen Baptist associations in Kentucky earned an "outstanding" rating on their minutes for 1967 in a competition sponsored by the Baptist Sunday School Board at Nashville.

A total of 241 associations throughout the Southern Baptist Convention earned the "outstanding" rating for their annual minutes. The purpose of the competition is to encourage associational clerks to produce a high-quality record of the proceedings of their associations.

Kentucky associations and their clerks cited for outstanding work are:

Bracken, Bert T. Gibson; Crittenden, Mrs. Kenneth Harrison; Greenup, L. R. Bussey; Liberty, Ira P. Singleton; Little Bethel, George L. Oates; Little River, Norman Ellis; Logan, H. Hughes Clardy. North Bend, Clarence R. Lassetter; Ohio River, J. A. Simpkins; Pulaski County, Louis W. Shepherd; Red River, Lonnie R. Morrison; Salem, Mrs. Carolyn Meuth; South District, Clyde Wilson Ray; and White's Run, Sherman Dunn.



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## SBC Ministers' Wives Will Take A Look At Themselves

Several hundred wives of Southern Baptist ministers will seek to take an honest look at themselves during the annual luncheon for Baptist Ministers' Wives during the Southern Baptist Convention, June 5.

The 12:30 Wednesday luncheon will be held at the Sheraton-Lincoln Hotel just a few blocks from the Sam Houston Coliseum where the convention will hold its sessions.

The program will feature a panel discussion entitled, "Let's Look at Ourselves." Panelists will be Mrs. Lamar Jackson of Birmingham, Alabama; Mrs. Andrew Hall of Fayetteville, Arkansas; Mrs. Charles Jolly of Pittsburg, Pennsylvania; and Mrs. Charles Walker of Jasper, Georgia. Each is the wife of a Baptist minister.

Two brief addresses will follow the panel: Mrs. Ollie J. (Loulie Latimer) Owens, of Columbia, South Carolina, on the subject, "Let's Laugh at Ourselves," and by Mrs. Carl Bates of Charlotte, North Carolina, on "Let's Like Ourselves."

Tickets for the luncheon will be on sale in the lobby of the convention hall beginning Monday, June 3, at a cost of \$3.75. (BP)



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