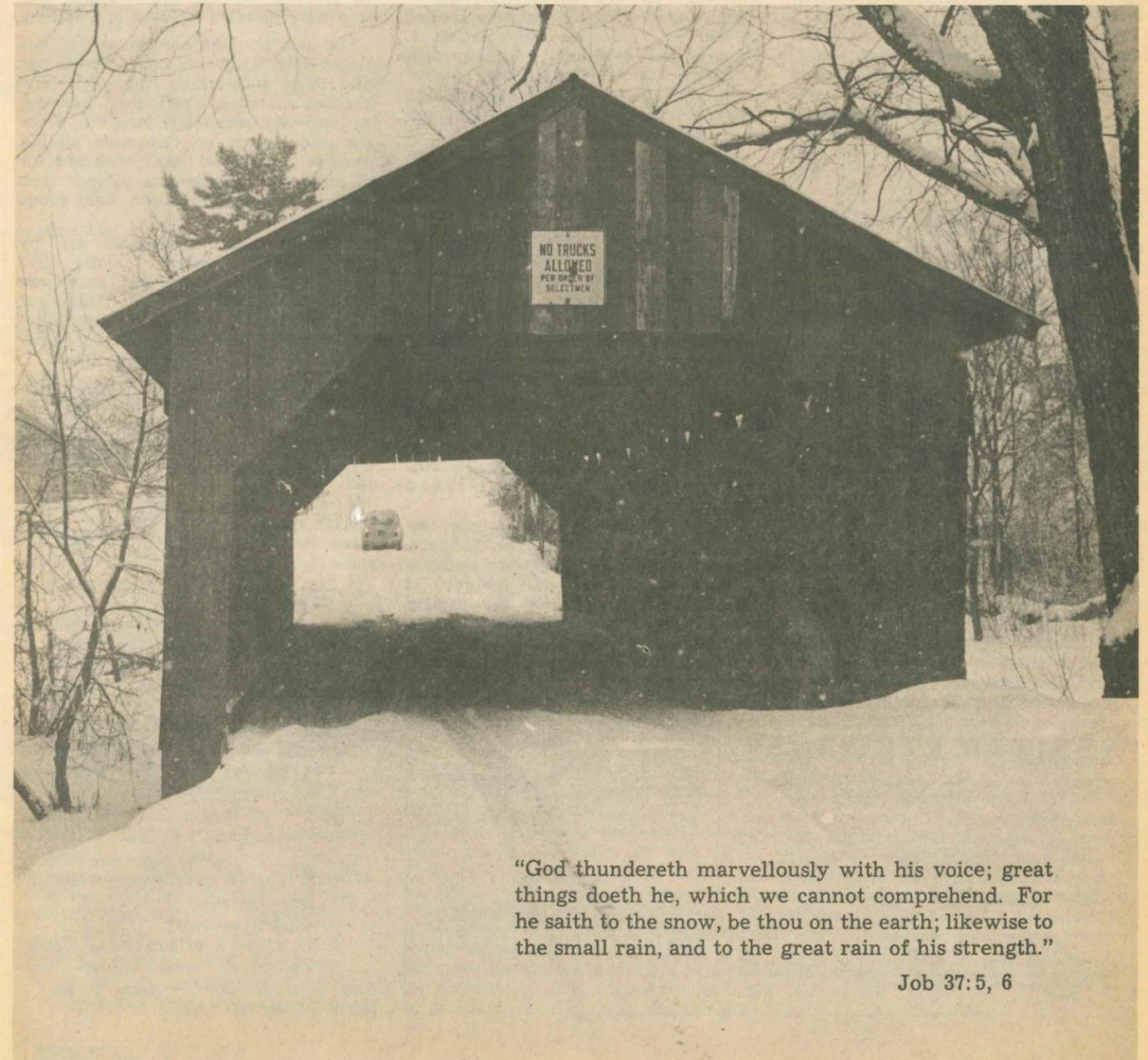




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"God thundereth marvellously with his voice; great things doeth he, which we cannot comprehend. For he saith to the snow, be thou on the earth; likewise to the small rain, and to the great rain of his strength."

Job 37:5, 6

MARTIN B. BRADLEY, Director

Race, War Top Baptist Moral List

by Floyd Craig

Race relations, war and crime are the three major moral issues currently facing Southern Baptists, according to a national survey of Baptist pastors, laymen and denominational workers.

Results of the survey conducted by the research and statistics department of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board were released during the annual meeting of the SBC Christian Life Commission, which requested the survey.

While listing the top current moral issues facing the denomination, results indicated that most persons surveyed feel that the ranking will shift in two years. "Crime" will move to second and "war" and "urban crisis" will be virtually tied for third, they said.

Verse-By-Verse Guide To Romans Prepared

A Study Guide to Romans, the first of its kind, has been prepared for use with the adult and young people's Life and Work Sunday School curriculum material for the first quarter 1970.

The guide, prepared by staff members of the Southern Sunday School Board's Sunday School department, is the first produced by the board to use a verse-by-verse method of study of a biblical book.

Scripture texts from the American Bible Society's Today's English Version of the New Testament are reproduced in the guide. Accompanying the biblical text are study notes, including additional scripture references as background to quoted scripture, and study questions.

The guide is designed as a multiple-use piece, including use by Bible study groups in youth groups. (BP)

All geographical areas of the denomination were represented in the study sample which was made of 478 denominational workers, 500 pastors and 500 laymen. Almost one-half of the respondents (48.5%) returned the questionnaires.

The cross section of Southern Baptists were asked: "What do Southern Baptists think the big moral issues are now and what will they be in two years?" Those answering the question ranked the current issues: 1. race relation, 2. crime, 3. war, 4. alcohol, 5. urban crisis, 6. poverty, and 7. pornography.

Traditional issues of "dancing" and "tobacco" received little or no response either as an issue now or by 1971.

It was obvious from the data that individuals, who ranged in age from 35-54, do feel today's key moral issues will be altered in some way within two years. The results show that on an average about one-half of the respondents changed the ranking they gave to each key moral issue today and two years away.

For example, the 1971 issues were ranked: 1. crime, 2. race relations, 3. war, 4. urban crisis, 5. alcohol, 6. poverty, and 7. pornography.

The current number one issue varied with the geographical region. Respondents in the Southwest are more concerned with the issue of war. The Southwest and West respondents listed "crime" as the major issue.

The survey asked if the present activities of the Christian Life Commission should be extended, left as they are or curtailed. The majority (56.6%) of the respondents said that the present activity level of the Commission should be extended. Only a small minority (7%) said that the agency's work should be curtailed. (AP)

DEVOTIONAL



Kenneth R. Cole
First Baptist Church,
Morehead, Kentucky

Freedom - Responsibility

For sometime now, I have felt that the freedom we cherish so highly has been misconstrued, misused and abused.

The new freedom movement that has gained such wide acceptance across our land helps substantiate this fact. The freedom marches, draft card burning, the anti-war demonstrations, the freedom movements on campuses, sit-ins, love-ins and almost total disregard for all rules and regulations placed upon them by the administration, help prove this fact.

Whether these movements are by "rebels WITH a cause", I really don't know. But, I do know this: many are "rebels WITHOUT a cause". This must be remembered, there is responsibility with freedom, and I believe many of our young people have forgotten this.

One young man advocated total freedom from all rules and regulations because they were made by adults "who represented a generation that produced the H-bomb, civil rights disobedience and the Vietnam war."

Rev. Jess Moody, speaking in Miami, Florida, said, "Let me tell you something the adult generation has done for you—

... Six million of our generation died in Eichman's incinerators
... a million young kids lie sleeping beneath the sod,—they died in American wars, so the winds of freedom could blow in your young faces.

SO—you can march in the streets
SO—you can burn your draft cards" and be free from all restraint of those in authority,

"Fly you doves
Sail you hawks
But don't forget the high price others paid for your generation's freedom."
You want to rebel?
You want to be free?
—then latch on to something worthwhile.

You want freedom?—there it is.
NOW DEMONSTRATE.

There is an old tradition in Scotland associated with New Year's Day. The first person to come through your door that day is called a "First-footer". Whoever it might be determines the luck of your house for the year ahead. If a woman comes in first, it means bad luck. If a dark-haired man enters, you can expect good luck. But the best luck of all is brought to you if a man enters who was known to have been born feet first.

Those who believed in the tradition were anxious to have a "lucky" New Year. We shy away from this word "Lucky". It is often associated with games of chance. However, one dictionary says that the word carries "a hint of being watched over by a higher power or of being blessed beyond one's deserts." The word is not quite as strong as "providential" would be. Still it sounds like "grace at work". Could it be the grace of God?

You do need the grace of God to meet the uncertainties of this year. Back in the Book of Joshua the officers of God's appointed leader gave the people a command to prepare to cross Jordon. They said,

A "Lucky" New Year

"When you see the ark of the covenant of the Lord, your God, and the priests the Levites bearing it, then you shall remove from your place and go after it." Joshua 3:3

They had been told before that they would possess the land. (Joshua 1:10) In fact, the Lord had told them through His servant that they should prepare sufficient food for within three days they would cross over Jordon. Perhaps they were looking for another miracle like the drying up of the waters of the Red Sea. God had often done wonderful things for them.

Up to this point they had done what they could. Now they were ready for marching orders. The specifics were not clear. There were indeed uncertainties. But the order was, "When you see the ark of the covenant of the Lord your God . . . remove from your place and go after it." The ark of the covenant had previously been in the midst of the camp. With the tables of the law within the ark and the mercy seat above the ark they were reminded of the law and grace of God that were ever present with them. But now law and grace will be their guide. The priests and the Levites, true to their task of holding forth the Word of Life, will go before you carrying the ark. Remove from

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your place! Follow the ark! Go after it!

Uncertainties? Of course! You will have them in 1970, too! It is a new way . . . an uncertain way for, "You have not passed this way before." But your guide is experienced. He knows the end from the beginning. Say it and really mean it.

"Follow, I will follow Thee, my Lord, Follow every passing day.

My tomorrows are all known to Thee,

Thou wilt keep me all the way."

Do not overlook the fact that God told the people to keep a distance from the ark . . . a space of about 2,000 cubits or a thousand yards. Was He trying to teach reverence? Familiarity does breed contempt. Perhaps, He wanted them to keep that distance so that the ark could be better seen by all of them. However, as a Christian you do not have to lag behind because you "are able to come with boldness" and you "do have access to Christ." And this you need, to face the uncertainties of 1970 and to have a "lucky", yes, a "gracious" New Year.

Then with God's favor upon you and His Holy Spirit leading you, the un-

certainties of this year can be transformed into opportunities. This will indeed make it a "Lucky" New Year. Think of the uncertainties that surrounded the Apollo 11 Mission from Earth to the Moon and back again. But, by the grace of God the uncertainties were changed to opportunities when Neil Armstrong warily moved his left foot from the module to the moon's surface saying, "That's one small step for man." And then moving his right foot to the ground he added, "And that's one giant leap for mankind."

Uncertainties can be changed into opportunities. It is the Word of God that says, ". . . tomorrow the Lord will do wonders among you." (Joshua 3:5) And we do believe it. This can be a year of opportunities for followers of Christ. But you had better determine to use them. Let's not be content to fill up the year with irrelevant discussion and dialogue, with impromptu meetings and motions, with routine committees and conventions. God does want to work. He wants to do wonders among us. But He wants your labor, too.

To enter a year of opportunities you must prepare yourself. So the Bible says, "Sanctify yourselves, for tomorrow the Lord will do wonders among you." The body, mind and spirit must be cleansed. A holy land of opportunity is just ahead. But you can't enter until you have the cleansing of His blood and the sanctifying of His Spirit. God will do wonders but He works through pre-

pared, cleansed and sanctified followers.

There are many evils to be attacked in 1970. There are many souls to be brought to Christ. There are many doors of opportunity open for you to enter. The Lord will do wonders. But He does need you. Dr. Paul Scherer tells about a little girl who saw some traps that had been set out in the garden to catch birds. She was distressed. When asked what she had done about it, she said, "I have prayed about it. I have prayed that none of the birds would go near the traps." Then she added, "And I prayed that if any did, the traps would not work." After a long pause and with a smile on her face, she concluded saying, "And just a few minutes ago I went out there and kicked the traps to pieces." God wants you to pray. . . . He wants you to work. . . . He may even want you to "kick some traps of evil to pieces". Find your opportunities! Use them, and it will be a "Lucky" New Year.

And then you need His grace for the victories of this year. Joshua received one word of assurance after another from the Lord as he stood on Jordon's banks. "This day will I begin to magnify thee in the sight of Israel." (Joshua 3:7) That was a promised victory from the Lord. "And it shall come to pass as soon as the soles of the feet of the priests that bear the ark of the Lord, the Lord of all the earth, shall rest in the waters of Jordon, that the waters of Jordon shall be cut off from the waters that come down from above; and they shall stand upon a heap." (Joshua 3:13) Here is a command, but a command with a promise. "And the priests that bare the ark of the covenant of the Lord stood firm on dry ground in the midst of Jordon, and all the Israelites passed over on dry ground, until all the people were passed clean over Jordon." (Joshua 3:17) And there is God's gracious victory in action! Jordon can be crossed by God's grace. There can be victory. And there must be some victories for you in 1970. It can't all be defeat if God is for you and with you. There can be victories within your own soul if you will pay the price of surrender. There can be victories in the souls of others if you will pay the price of witness.

A commentary on the story of Creation reminds us that after every act of Creation the Bible says, "And God saw that it was good." The stars . . . the sun . . . the trees . . . the animals . . . Always it says, "And God saw that it was good." But He omits the words after man was created. I wonder why? We are reminded that there is inherent goodness in all material things. But the choice of goodness is open for man. He must determine whether his life, yes his year, will be good or bad. Don't worry about the old tradition of "the First-footer". Just be sure that you open the door on New Year's Day and every day to let Christ come in and it will be a "Lucky" New Year.

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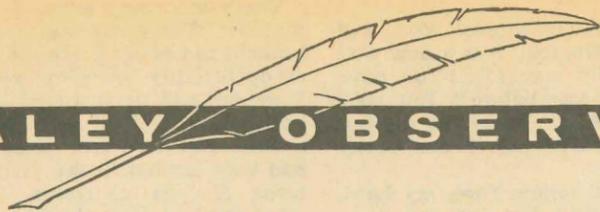
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The Western Recorder's New Year's Resolution

The *Western Recorder* has a serious New Year's resolution. This is to provide more and more Kentucky Baptists with more and more reliable and helpful information concerning the Lord's work both at home and around the world. Without such information even the sincerest Baptist is not prepared to participate responsibly in the work of the local church or the denomination.

Two recent illustrations dramatize the woeful lack of reliable information as well as its need. In the December Executive Board meeting there was extensive discussion of a recommendation for Kentucky Baptists to help Kansas Southern Baptists in their present financial crisis. Some board members confessed they were hampered in their discussion and decision on this matter because they were not familiar with the Kansas situation.

The Kansas Southern Baptist financial crisis was one of the top Baptist stories of 1969. It has been reported more than once in the *Western Recorder* and no one who looks to the state paper for such information would have been caught short.

A more lamentable example of the lack of current information came in yesterday's mail. A sincere Baptist wrote to report a discussion in a recent business meeting of his church. In discussing the Cooperative Program and other denominational offerings, one man stated he was told the Kentucky Baptist Convention was buying motels and hotels with convention money. Another member reported that a Baptist deacon told him the Kentucky Baptist Convention was investing money in whiskey and beer industries.

Such false reports would be funny if they were not so satanic and tragic. Even to pass on such vicious lies is a great disservice to a church, to fellow Baptists and to the Lord. Such conduct generally reveals an anti-feeling toward denominational work instead of a desire to know the facts and we will always have some Baptists who had rather believe the worst in rumors than to learn the truth. In this case the Executive Board member from the association in which

this church is located has the detailed budget of the convention and the facts could have been easily learned.

The lack of information encourages distrust and distrust destroys unity and cooperation. Some Baptists are prone to believe they are not told the truth but are kept in the dark and manipulated. They even regard the state paper as only a promotion sheet for the official position.

Let it be put straight. The *Western Recorder* presents and promotes the programs of work which are agreed upon by the messengers of the convention. For this we make no apology. It is a vital part of the state paper ministry. These programs are not only presented, however, but are also evaluated, sometimes with commendation and sometimes with criticism.

We reject any charge that the truth is ever withheld by the *Western Recorder* or the news is managed for the purpose of manipulating Kentucky Baptists. We have too much respect for the dignity of man, the sacredness of human personality and the competence of the individual soul before God. We don't go around guttersniping in order to expose every scandal among Baptists but we do report as truthfully as we know how what is happening on the Baptist scene. We believe that trusting the people and telling the facts is not only the right way but the best way in the long run.

Kentucky Baptists bought the *Western Recorder* in 1919 for the purpose of objectively reporting Baptist news and helpfully informing all Baptists. The paper is administered for Kentucky Baptists by a convention elected board of directors to assure it independence from any agency, institution or committee. The paper has as its concern, then, the welfare of every Baptist in Kentucky, and not the cause of any special interest group. May it ever be this way.

In 1970 will you help us in our resolution? Read the *Western Recorder* every week and make it available to every family in your church.

There's Reason For Deacons' Concern

The letter in the Baptist Forum this week from the deacons of the First Baptist Church, Somerset, is one of the most important expressions that could be communicated to *Western Recorder* readers. It is especially commendable in that it was the work of the deacons without any prompting from the pastor though the pastor was surely in full accord.

The Somerset deacon action was spearheaded by Oscar Davidson, a man of strong convictions and one who knows how to tell it like it is. Readers are urged to consider very carefully this well written letter which in no way exaggerates the situation.

Two arguments are generally used to defend filthy movies. The first is the argument for realism and honesty in portrayal of contemporary life. This sounds good but it does not justify what is being shown on movie screens today. It is true many of us live sheltered lives and tend to stick our heads into the sand. At the same time it is hard to believe American morals are as low as they are portrayed in modern movies. Honesty in being realistic would require proportionate depicting of the clean, moral living of millions of Americans.

The other argument defending such movies is freedom of expression. Now free speech is a precious American heritage and we never want to lose it. And we can run less risk by being too tolerant than by hasty invoking of censorship. However, the courts, especially the Supreme Court, seem to go too far in allowing filthy movies and pornographic literature on constitutional grounds.

While we should be dead set against such movies, we should not jump to the conclusions of some alarmists. The claim that filth peddlers and lenient courts are communist duped and are deliberately trying to destroy the morals of American society has no foundation. In the case of the movie makers, it is what makes money that determines what is produced. With those whose god is profit, morals are of secondary concern. In the case of the courts, it is concern for free expression. Some judges seem to think more of

free speech than the morals of American society, but they are not out to destroy America.

What can Christians do? The Somerset deacons make some worthwhile suggestions which every reader should consider.

There are at least three approaches Christians can take. One is the legal approach. We should use the law to whatever extent we can to control the moral climate. We should express ourselves and keep the pressure upon city, county, state and national officials. Morality cannot be legislated but laws can be used to make possible a climate where morality has a chance.

But law is not the final nor the best approach. A better approach is to make the filth business unprofitable by boycotting it. There are enough professing Christians in America to put filthy movies out of business if they refuse to go and ask others not to go. The sad truth is that church members make such movies profitable just as they make Sunday business profitable. Even peaceful demonstrations against immoral movies would be in order for Christians.

The third approach is the creating in ourselves and our children of inner strength and resistance to such debasing efforts. In the last analysis this is our only hope. It appears the world in which we live will become worse and worse. The day of the use of law and public opinion to control evil influences seems to be about over. More and more we will have to learn to live as Christians in a non-Christian society.

But this is no reason to despair. It was this way with the early Christians and in no era of history did Christianity make more of an impact.

It is encouraging to see Baptist deacons who understand their responsibilities go beyond looking after the routine business affairs of a church. May the Lord lead more deacons to take the leadership in trying to clean up the moral conditions in their communities.

aware of the rating system, "X", "R", and "M", and "G"? If you cannot answer these questions, then we would suggest you do a bit of agonizing re-appraisal about your attitudes toward them. "Oh," you say, "I never go to a movie; they're too dirty for me." And you take great pride in that you are keeping your own mind pure, but by sheer neglect and default of duty, you're giving free access to a morass of filth and degradation to your children the likes of which would have put Sodom and Gomorrah, Pompeii, Corinth, and the Roman Empire to shame!

It's difficult to fathom the appalling depths to which movies have plunged in regard to decency and morality. Nothing is left to the imagination any more and the language is rougher than any "barracks-type" expletives that anyone has ever heard. Nudity, sexuality, homosexuality, lesbianism, bestiality, perversion, sodomy, profanity, violence, gore, and any other thought or immoral act you can name is explicitly portrayed in glorious, wide-screen technicolor. This is all done, they say, in the name of portraying life as it is, to be

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MOVIE RATING SYSTEM

Dear Editor:

Attention, Adults! Do you know what your children are seeing when they attend most of the current movie crop? How long has it been since you, the parents, have attended a movie, excluding of course the Walt Disney productions, "Sound of Music", etc.? Are you

Church Dedicates Building, Burns Note

The Salem Baptist Church, near Murray, held a dedication and note burning ceremony for its new church building on November 23, 1969, at the regular morning worship service. The program was conducted by Pastor James E. Bean and other church leaders. Earl Warford, Blood River associational missionary, led the prayer of dedication.

Salem Church was organized in 1848. Its old building burned in November, 1967, and construction on the new building started in February, 1968. Clifton Key, chairman of deacons, supervised the construction and many members, both men and women, worked on the building.

The estimated value for the building is \$100,000 though its actual cost was slightly over \$57,000. The entire deficit on the building was paid off after special offering on October 5.

Pastor Bean reports that while the building was under construction the Salem Church contributed 20 percent of its regular offerings for regular missions and also contributed more than \$1,200 for special mission causes during the time.

The dedication service was followed with a potluck luncheon in the new building. During the period of construction the church services were held in the Lynn Grove Elementary School.

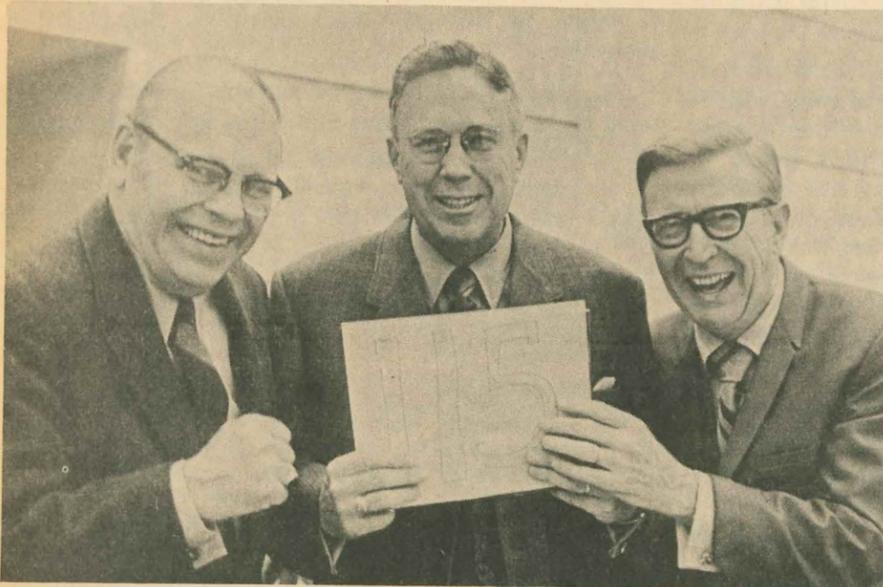
More Convention Business Time Asked

The Board of Directors of Baptist Hospitals, Inc., has passed resolutions requesting the Kentucky Baptist Convention Committee on Order of Business to eliminate some of the sermons, choir groups, devotionals and other items on the convention program in order to give more time for reporting and discussing the work of the convention. The resolutions say there is a pressing need for Kentucky Baptists to be adequately and fully informed as to the work and progress of the Kentucky Baptist Convention.

The hospital group says three things will be accomplished by such a move.

1. The elimination of dissatisfaction expressed by messengers who feel debate and discussion have been prematurely terminated.
2. The accomplishing of the main purpose of the convention which is to conduct business.
3. The saving of time and the gaining of satisfaction by the messengers.

In the 1969 convention the Kentucky Baptist Hospitals report was combined with the report of the Child Care Board and given 15 minutes. Three speakers were scheduled to discuss the two reports and time ran out early in the presentation.



HONORED—J. Chester Durham, left, was among four student workers honored during the Southern Baptist Planning and Promotion Conference in Nashville, for 25 or more years of service with college students. Durham began as Baptist Student Union Director at Murray State University in 1941. A year later he was made state secretary for student work for the Kentucky Baptist Convention, the post he currently holds. Others honored were Ralph Winders of Mississippi, center, W. F. Howard of Texas, left, and Howard Rees of Washington, D. C., not pictured. Together the four count for 115 years of service in the area of student work.



A good new year

"Happy New Year," a well-used and familiar phrase. To some, it is glossy, familiar, over-used, rather hollow. But, when used by a Christian, in the light of his own "blessedness" in Christ, it has richness, freshness, relevance—for this is such an unhappy world we live in! Divorces, crime, war, hatred, jealousies, strife, envy, 30 million abortions a year, two billion hungry and without proper medical care. Two-and-a-half billion know nothing about Christ, church, Christian love, happiness.

Many of those who say "Peace" and make the sign, and wear the symbol around their necks know no real peace—they only want it, hope for it, live to see it, die still seeking it—they are not happy! They are sad, sick, sore of the world's ways and works.

"Happy New Year!"—the Christ-kind of blessedness and peace. With God, With one's self. With one's enemy. With one's family. With one's friends. With the stranger! How rare a possession. Therefore, if we were able to impart it, what a godly greeting: Happy New Year!

Only the God-touched can know it. Only the God-responsive can share it. But God wants to touch every man and give him peace—the kind that Christ gives and no man takes away. God wants to find every man responsive—in fellowship, in love-relationships, in giving-and-receiving of His great love.

Shaping the Seventies

From the Dissenting, Dividing Sixties, we finally pass into the Stubborn Seventies. The doubt and dissent will not automatically fade away and turn into faith and assent—evil gives in stubbornly, slowly inch-by-stubborn-inch—but it must give way to men possessed of the Spirit of Jesus Christ who are determined to shape the seventies in the Spirit and by the power of Christ our Lord.

The Seventies can shape you and your "little world", molding you after the ugly pattern of the enslaved—and they will unless you are set free by the Son who makes you free indeed; and free, you devote your energies and influence to setting others free in Him.

Let's walk with Him, and shape the seventies after the likeness of God's perfect Son, Jesus Christ.

Harold G. Sanders

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Evangelism Conference Nears, 1,000 Expected

More than 1,000 Kentucky Baptists will converge on Walnut Street Baptist Church, Louisville, January 19-21 for the annual Evangelism Conference.

According to Hicks Shelton, state secretary for evangelism, this year's program will be centered around the theme "Living the Spirit of Christ." Program personalities include New Zealander

Bruce Stewart, Evangelist Gray Allison, Seminary Missions Professor Bryant Hicks, and Eual Lawson, associate director of the Home Mission Board's evangelism division.

Also on the program will be musicians Philip Landgrave and Joe Ann Shelton. Several area pastors and laymen will also be featured along with

Southern Seminary students who spoke to the recent meeting of evangelism secretaries in Nashville.

Bringing the final three sermons will be Gordon Clinard, pastor of the First Baptist Church of San Angelo, Texas. He is the immediate past president of the Baptist General Convention of Texas and former professor of preaching at Southwestern Seminary.

W. Bryant Hicks will begin the preaching as he brings the Monday evening message. He will also speak Tuesday morning and afternoon. Hicks is professor of missions at Southern Seminary and a former missionary to the Philippines.

Bruce Stewart of New Zealand will discuss using the scriptures in personal evangelism. He is the first full-time director of evangelism for the Baptist Union of New Zealand. Stewart says his main emphasis is seeking to involve local church members in personal witnessing.

Exploring the future of evangelism in the 1970's will be the responsibility of Eual Lawson. He will offer a preview of the coming decade as the Home Mission Board sees it. Also, he will speak on the topic "The Living Word."

Gray Allison, former evangelism professor at New Orleans Seminary, will lead in three sessions of Bible study from the book of I Peter. Allison has led evangelism conferences in Korea, Lebanon, New Zealand, Australia, Vietnam and Switzerland. He has also taught missions and church history at New Orleans Seminary.

J. Philip Landgrave, church music professor at Southern Seminary, will discuss "Evangelism Through Music." Landgrave, author of the folkmusical "Purpose", is one of the outstanding composers among Southern Baptists. He has composed 10 cantatas and more than 70 hymns, anthems and solo pieces.

Bringing three vocal concerts will be Miss Joe Ann Shelton of Ft. Worth, Texas. Currently working with the Radio and Television Commission, she is a former Southwestern Seminary music professor. Her recordings, both as soloist and as director of the Baptist Hour Choir, have been widely distributed by Christian Home Music, Word Records and Zondervan Records.

The importance of the Evangelism Conference, according to planner Hicks Shelton, is seen in the upswing of baptisms in Kentucky. Already the total of baptisms during the church year are seven percent ahead of last year's total. Any additional baptisms reported will add to the increase.

While Kentucky showed an increase in the number of baptisms, projected figures indicate that convention wide the number of baptisms will decrease between four and five thousand.

MONDAY AFTERNOON

Thomas H. Shelton, Presiding
Eugene F. Quinn, Music Director
THEME: "Prayer for Revival"

4:00 Prayer and TestimoniesChapel, Walnut Street Baptist Church

MONDAY EVENING

THEME: "Living the Gospel of Christ"

6:30 Hymn, Scripture and PrayerEugene Sutherland
H. C. Zachry
6:45 Sacred Music ConcertJoe Ann Shelton, Soloist
Albin Whitworth, Accompanist
7:15 Bible Study — I PeterGray Allison
7:45 WelcomeWayne Dehoney
Walnut Street Baptist Church ChoirEugene Sutherland, Director
8:10 Youth EvangelismCharles Covington
8:30 "The Call to Holy Living"W. Bryant Hicks
10:00 Hotel Prayer Meetings

TUESDAY MORNING

THEME: "Beliefs That Strengthen"

9:15 Hymns, Scripture and PrayerEugene F. Quinn
J. C. Bigbee
9:30 Bible Study — I PeterGray Allison
10:00 "The Living Word"Eual Lawson
10:30 Book Store
10:40 "Laymen in Evangelism"Finley F. Baird
Floyd Dievert
11:15 "The Vital Experience"W. Bryant Hicks

TUESDAY AFTERNOON

THEME: "The Ministry of Recovery"

1:30 Hymn and Prayer
1:45 Sacred Music ConcertJoe Ann Shelton, Soloist
Albin Whitworth, Accompanist
2:00 Bible Study — I PeterGray Allison
2:30 "The Recovery of Relationships"W. Bryant Hicks
Hymn
3:10 "The Recovery of Hope"Gordon Clinard

TUESDAY EVENING

THEME: "A New Decade for Evangelism"

6:30 Hymn and PrayerEugene F. Quinn
6:45 Sacred Music ConcertJoe Ann Shelton
Albin Whitworth, Accompanist
7:15 Bible Study — I PeterGray Allison
7:45 "Evangelism in the 70's"Eual Lawson
8:15 Hymn — Offering
8:25 Evangelism Through MusicJ. Phillip Landgrave
8:50 "The Renewed Church"Gordon Clinard
10:00 Hotel Prayer Meetings

WEDNESDAY MORNING

THEME: "The Spirit of Christ in Personal Evangelism"

9:15 Hymns, Scripture and PrayerEugene F. Quinn
Albert J. Gisler
9:30 Bible Study — I PeterGray Allison
10:00 "Using the Scriptures in Personal Evangelism"Bruce Stewart
10:30 Period of Prayer
10:50 MessageGordon Clinard
11:30 Conference Adjourned

January 3, 1970

Shotgun Blast Rips Pastor's Home; Church Fires Him Next Day

On Saturday night, Dec. 13, a shotgun blast sent buckshot ripping through the living room window of the home of Baptist pastor J. Wesley Shipp of Wake Forest, N.C., while his daughter was entertaining white and Negro youths at a party.

The next morning, the deacons at Ridgecrest Baptist Church fired Shipp as pastor.

"They told me that I was a disruptive influence in the community, that my views on racial matters would hurt the church," Shipp said.

Shipp's views on racial matters are, he said "simply that black is as good as white. I believe that," he stated. "I've always believed that, and no one's going to change my mind."

Shipp said that the shotgun blast that pelted his living room would have killed someone if it had happened ten seconds earlier. About eight or ten persons, most of them students at Wake Forest High School, were in the den popping popcorn, and several had just left the living room.

The youths, including several Negroes and liberal-minded students who have vocally opposed the Vietnam war, had

been invited to the pastor's home by his 16-year-old daughter, Karen.

Shipp has decided to stay in Wake Forest, where he is currently studying at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary here.

Through the ordeal, he has received a lot of support from his fellow students and faculty members at the seminary.

The faculty, in meeting just a few days after the shooting, adopted a resolution deploring the "act of cowardly terrorism."

Though Shipp has decided to stick it out in Wake Forest, he has moved from the Ridgecrest church parsonage to a house in the city of Wake Forest.

Shipp said the deacons gave him an opportunity to resign, but "I refused because I want it on my record that this is the reason I've been asked to leave the church."

"I'm no hero," he continued, "I'm scared and I'd probably be smart to get on out of this area. But I want to expose this attitude of hate and bigotry that these so-called Christian people are filled with."

The Wake County Sheriff's Department had turned up no clues four days after the shooting, and North Carolina Governor Rob Scott has offered a \$2,000 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person(s) who fired the shot. (BP)

Carrier Leaves Church For Sunday School Post

Wallace Carrier, pastor of the Harrodsburg Baptist Church since 1957, has resigned to accept an editorial post with the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board in Nashville, Tennessee. Carrier will be editor of Adult Leadership materials in the Sunday School Department and will begin his duties about the middle of January.

He is a native of Bristol, Tennessee, a graduate of Carson-Newman College and Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. He was pastor of the First Baptist Church, Hartsville, Tennessee, for 4 years and the First Baptist Church, Rockwood, Tennessee, for 9 years before coming to Harrodsburg 12 years ago. Under his leadership a new Harrodsburg sanctuary was constructed which is regarded as one of the most beautiful and adequate buildings in Kentucky. He served as moderator of Mercer Baptist Association and has been prominent in civic and community leadership.

He is presently serving as trustee of Georgetown College and has been a member of the Kentucky Baptist Convention Executive Board.

Mrs. Carrier is the former Anne Galloway. She was born in Bardwell, Kentucky, but now considers her home in Nashville, where her parents live. The Carriers have one son, Chip, age 11.

Sunday School Board Appeals Tax Decision

The Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention has filed a bill in petition in Chancery Court here appealing the opinion of the Tennessee Board of Tax Equalization concerning taxation of certain of the properties of the religious publication and educational agency.

"The opinion rendered by the equalization board recognizes the basic tax exempt status of the Sunday School Board," said James L. Sullivan, the executive secretary-treasurer of the church agency.

"However, there are certain areas the opinion would treat as taxable, but which we feel are tax exempt as the law is now written," Sullivan said. (BP)

SBC Membership Total 11.4 Million, Most Organizations Suffer Decreases

Statistical projections based on early profile analysis indicate that membership in Southern Baptist Convention churches will be 11.4 Southern Baptist leaders were told recently.

If the unofficial projections are correct, church membership would have increased by 132,500 over the 1968 total church membership.

Probable decreases were projected in Sunday School, Training Union, Brotherhood and Woman's Missionary Union enrollments, and in the number of baptisms compared to 1968. An increase was projected in music ministry enrollments.

"The churches involved in this estimate are not completely representative of all Southern Baptist churches. Some church size categories and state conventions are over represented due in part to the sequence of associational meetings," said Martin Bradley, secretary, research and statistics department, Southern Baptist Sunday School Board. However, allowance is made for this in the statistical process of projection.

The estimate disclosed a possible decline in number of baptisms from 373,025 to 368,288. This would be a de-

crease of 4,737 from the 1968 total.

The total Training Union ongoing and cumulative enrollment was projected to be 2,649,612 compared to 2,725,097 in 1968, a decrease of 75,485.

Sunday School enrollment was projected as 7,405,166 in 1969, a decrease of 140,347.

Woman's Missionary Union enrollments were projected as 1,291,258 for 1969, a decrease of 116,415.

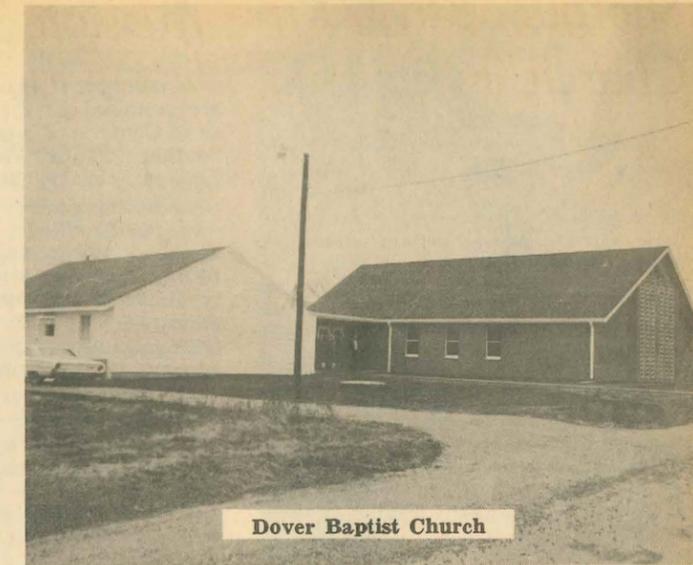
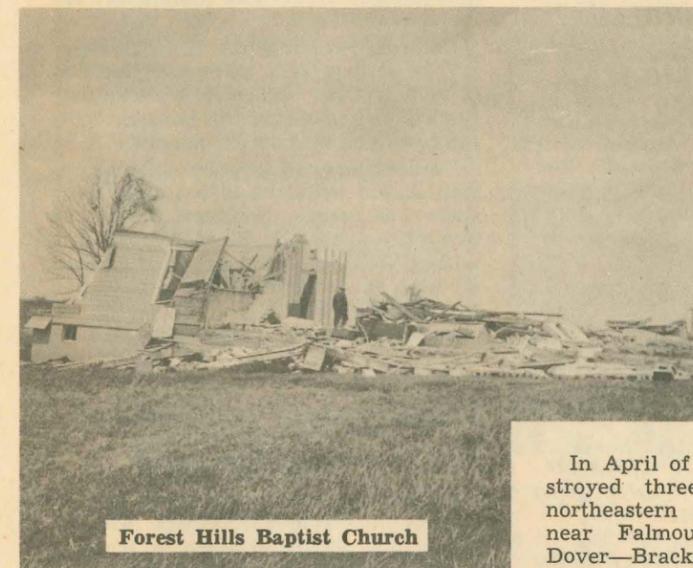
Brotherhood, the men's and boys' mission education organization, was projected to decrease by 15,661 with a total enrollment of 433,077 for 1969.

Music ministry continued upward with an estimated total enrollment of 1,065,805, an increase of 27,515.

Total mission gifts were projected to be \$134,373,708 for 1969, an increase of \$6,349,977.

Final statistics based on church letters from more than 34,000 SBC churches will be released by the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board's research and statistics department in February.

The preliminary statistical projections were released here during sessions of the Southern Baptist Planning and Promotion Conference. (BP)



In April of 1968, a tornado destroyed three churches in the northeastern part of Kentucky near Falmouth. The churches, Dover—Bracken Association, Forest Hills—Union Association, and First Baptist, Falmouth—General Association, received funds from the State Mission Offering to aid in rebuilding. Pictured above is the destruction after the tornado and the newly erected facilities.



RECEIVES AWARD—Douglas H. McCall recently received the Coast Guard Achievement Medal for his service in organizing the emergency medical and dental facilities at New Orleans for victims of Hurricane Camille. He is the son of Duke K. McCall, president of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and former Executive Secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention. The award cited his "sound judgment, high level of professional competence and unwavering devotion." Since receiving the award Lt. Commander McCall has gone into private practice as a dentist in Louisville.

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Mission Conference Set At Seminary

A number of interesting innovations are promised for the 1970 Student Missions Conference when it is held on the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary campus February 27-March 1.

Under the general theme, "My Brother—or My Brother?", the college-student weekend will feature major addresses by four members of the seminary faculty, a film dialogue set in a coffee-house atmosphere in various locations on the campus, and a set of "hot-topic" discussions led by professors and students of the seminary.

The opening address on February 27 will be presented by Wayne E. Oates, professor of psychology of religion.

Patterson Appointed Grad. Studies Director

W. Morgan Patterson has been named Director of Graduate Studies in the school of theology at Southern Seminary. He succeeds William Hull who recently became dean of the school of theology at the seminary.

Patterson, an associate professor of church history, has been on the Southern faculty since 1959. Prior to that time he served as assistant professor of church history at New Orleans Seminary.

A native of Louisiana, Patterson is a graduate of Stetson University in Florida and holds the doctor of theology degree from New Orleans Seminary. He has done additional study at Oxford University in England.

Since 1965 he has been book review editor for *Review and Expositor*, a faculty journal. He is the author of *Baptist Successionism: A Critical View* and co-editor of *Professor in the Pulpit*. He has also contributed regularly to numerous professional journals.

Patterson assumes the responsibilities of graduate studies director immediately although he will not officially assume the role until the first of February.

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Others speaking to the expected 1,000 students will be Walter Delamarter, the seminary's director of social work education; Harold S. Songer, associate professor of New Testament interpretation; and President Duke K. McCall, who will bring the closing message Sunday morning.

Saturday morning conferences will be led by faculty members and students on such topics as Extremism, War and Peace, Sex Revolution, Ecumenism, the Church and the Arts, Christianity and the World Religions, Population Explosion, Race, Leisure, Big Government, and others.

On Saturday afternoon, discussion of the diverse vocational opportunities within the scope of "missions" will be offered to the students, who are expected to come from as many as 80 different universities, if previous conferences are indicative.

Saturday evening, the film "Syzygy" will be shown. It is an open-ended discussion starter designed to stimulate small-group dialogue in various "coffee houses" set up on the campus.

Those interested in reservation materials should write the 1970 Student Missions Conference, Southern Baptist Seminary, Louisville, Ky. 40206. Housing will be provided at no charge on campus as long as available. The registration fee remains \$3.00.

Faculty Journal Focuses On Coming Decade

Orders are now being taken for the *Review and Expositor*'s Winter, 1970 edition which will be released in January.

Edward B. Lindaman, manager in the Configuration Management of the Apollo Command Division of North American Rockwell Corporation, will explore "What Will Life Be Like in the 1970's."

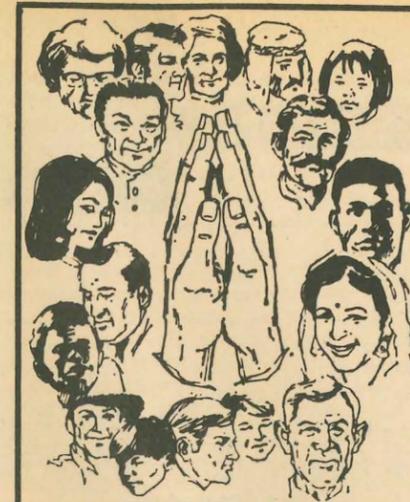
"Some Reflections on State University Education in the 1970's" will be written by Sabin P. Landry, Jr., professor of Religious Education at the seminary.

Ellis A. Fuller, Jr., a medical doctor in Louisville, will be writing on "The Challenge of Biology to Traditional Theology."

Paul F. Geren, former president of Stetson University in DeLand, Florida, will explore "The Christian and International Politics in the 1970's."

The journal will also include book reviews on current theological writings.

Available at \$1.25 per single copy or \$4.00 per year, the journal can be purchased by writing the *Review and Expositor* Office; Southern Seminary; 2825 Lexington Road, Louisville, Ky. 40206.



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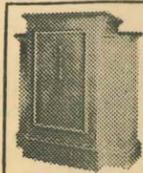
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dramatic, and/or realistic in adding to the story or plot. Our observations have been that a plot or story is almost non-existent, and these aforementioned acts or conditions are there merely to stimulate the more prurient interests of the viewer.

If churches permit this festering sore to continue, then how on earth can we say we are concerned about the morality and decency of our youth? If churches, service clubs, fraternal organizations, local officials, Parent-Teacher Associations, and other concerned citizens tolerate such filth, then much of the immorality of our young people must be placed at their feet. Why? If young people see life in the movies glorified, then they must think that that is how life is; and if that is the way life is, then they are missing something. The end result is that they experiment, and sin and heartbreak must inevitably be the consequence.

It is doubtful that the incessant flow of pornographic movies can be stopped; it is too far entrenched already. And this condition for the most part, has developed in the last year. In just a short period of time this avalanche of filth will be channeled into our homes via television. What we would like to encourage is a two-fold admonition and recommendation:

1. Attend and see for yourself what is being shown.

2. Consider some overt action you may take to express your disapproval.

Most important, we as Christians must emphasize to our young people and adults the immoral aspects of seeing such trash, and our feeling is that the majority of our young people don't want to see it. They really want good entertainment, some place where they can go and come away feeling clean and decent. If enough demand for good movies is made evident, perhaps this tide can be turned. If not, then heaven help us, as a people and as a nation, for we are farther down the Roman road of decadent destruction than we can possibly realize.
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ASHLAND "DRY" TOO

Dear Editor:

I read, with a great deal of joy and interest, your editorial entitled "Anti-Liquor Forces are still Strong," dated September 27, 1969. However, there is one city which was omitted from your list which I wish to call to your attention. That is the beautiful city of Ashland, of which her citizens are extremely proud.

We had a local option election on December 28, 1968, the third since January, 1945, which the United Dry Forces won again 6,590 to 4,048, a margin of 2,542.

Since we believe Ashland to be the largest city in our state legally dry, I personally like to boast of our fine city and the victory over the Wet Forces. This is proof that when God's people get together, work and pray, that by His help things can really be accomplished.

Often we are guilty of criticizing our officials and police department for not enforcing the law, but I think our police department is to be commended for the very good job they do in this respect.
Ashland, Ky.

Roy N. Lewis

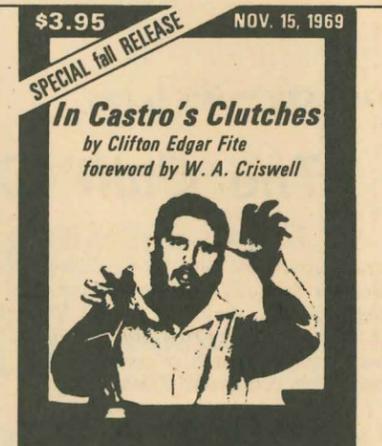
PAROCHIAL SCHOOL AID

Dear Editor:

In its annual meeting October 3 and 4, the Laurel River Association passed the following resolution:

"Whereas the Laurel River Baptist Association interprets the use of public money for aid to Parochial schools to be prohibited by the First Amendment decree against government 'establishing religion', be it resolved that we express on behalf of over 6,000 members our disapproval of such use of public funds."

London, Ky. Richard B. Edwards



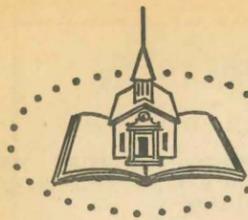
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Jesus Confronts Evil

Matthew 4:1-11

When our Lord was lifted out of the waters of baptism by John the Baptist, He listened to the testimony as to His divine sonship, heard the Father speak His approval of the action of His beloved Son, and immediately thereafter was led by the Spirit into the fires of temptation. Oftentimes the most blessed experiences are followed by the greatest conflicts and temptations. At the behest of the Spirit, Christ went into the remote, desolate, and forlorn part of the wilderness to contend with Satan.

Temptation, or solicitation to do wrong, is the common lot of all God's children. While none of them can escape temptation, all can resist and overcome it through the strength which God imparts to those who will receive it.

The Tempter

The tempter is Satan. God never tempts anybody to do wrong. Temptation always comes directly or indirectly from Satan. Those who acknowledge the truthfulness and authority of the Scriptures do not doubt that Satan is a real person.

The Temptations

Taking advantage of the situation at the end of His fast of forty days and nights, Satan tempted Christ to distrust God's care and use His divine power to work a miracle and satisfy His personal hunger. Had the Master done so He would have separated Himself from His brethren, for they were not able to work miracles to satisfy their hunger or their other needs.

Christ's power was for the benefit of others, but Satan tried to get Him to use it in a miraculous way to satisfy His own selfish desires and needs, but He refused to do it. Instead of arguing with Satan, which would have been useless, Christ merely quoted God's Word (Deuteronomy 8:3).

Repulsed at one point, Satan tried to get Christ to put God's keeping power to the test by jumping from one of the wings of the temple in view of the crowds below, with the expectation that the Father would protect Him from any injury. From Christ's refusal we learn that it is right to trust God, but that it is wrong to make presumptuous experi-

ments in order to discover how far God can be trusted. In reply to Satan's appeal to do something spectacular and sensational, Christ quoted Deuteronomy 6:16.

Having failed in his temptation of Christ in the realm of the appetite, and in the realm of adventure, Satan then turned to the realm of ambition. He boldly sought to get Christ to render to him that worship which belonged to God alone. Satan tempted Christ to sacrifice principle for property and power. In abhorrence at this subtle suggestion, our Lord quoted Deuteronomy 6:13.

The Triumph

Each time that Satan sharply assailed the Master, in the hope that he would bring Him into subjection to his own wicked will, he made a miserable failure. He was unable to stand before the incisive power of God's Word, so he fled and left Christ alone for a season.

In His triumph over Satan our Lord used the threefold method of all victory over him, namely, absolute dependence

on God, accompanied by absolute faith in God, and reinforced by obedience to God. If you will follow Christ's example, you will be triumphant over Satan too.

HEBREWS 4:14-16

These verses remind us that Christ, our great High Priest, is seated upon a throne of grace to which we, as Christians, are urged to come for mercy and help. As our High Priest, He is strong—great in person, position, and power; He is sympathetic—concerned with our infirmities, ignorance, and helplessness; He is sinless—subjected to the full force of temptation, but never yielded to it; and He is sufficient for all our needs. His strength, sympathy, sinlessness, sufficiency, and supremacy combine to make Him worthy of our adoration and praise.

It is wonderful to have One Who sympathizes with us in our infirmities, difficulties, trials, and heartaches, and Who is ready and amply able to impart grace, to grant mercy, and to give sufficient help in every time of need.

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The Guilt Of The Privileged

Those whom the Lord saves, sustains, and supervises will be required to render an account to Him for every privilege that is given to them. Therefore, it should be remembered that "Unto whomsoever much is given, of him shall be much required" (Luke 12:48).

Romans 2:17-24

The Jews were highly privileged in being the recipients and possessors of a written revelation from God. The Gentiles were not as highly favored, but they did have a God-implanted and instinctive knowledge of right and wrong. Instead of being humble and grateful for the high and holy privileges with which they had been divinely endowed, the Jews were extremely proud of themselves and of the fact that God had made them the custodians of His

revelation. They made the tragic blunder of thinking that they had a monopoly on God. It would have been far better had they realized that to whom much is given of him much will be required, and had they acted accordingly. All who have superior knowledge and special privileges should be aware of the fact that these advantages entail tremendous responsibilities.

Christians are highly favored today. We have both Testaments with their clear revelations of the will of God. We have the Saviour as our example. By our profession we have led others to believe that we have committed ourselves to live according to the standards set forth in Christ's teachings. The disparity between our profession and our practice is causing many to lose faith



in us, to ridicule us, to reject Christ, and to harden their hearts. All hypocrisy has an adverse effect on Christianity. It grieves the Lord when professing Christians refuse to let Him manifest Himself in their hearts and lives.

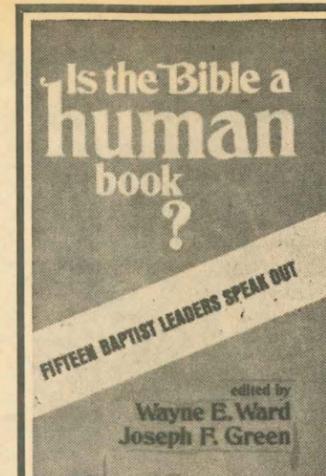
Romans 3:1-9

What was known about God had to be revealed by Him. God chose the Jews as the channel through which He would reveal Himself to others. Their chief advantage lay in the fact that they were the writers, the possessors, the custodians, and the stewards of the Old Testament Scriptures. Through them the written messages of God were to be transmitted to the world. Having entrusted them with His oracles, God rightfully expected the Jews to be faithful in their stewardship of them. While that was an honor and a privilege, it was also a great responsibility. Like those of us who are Christians, the Jews failed to appreciate their God-given advantages and privileges, and to make the most of them. Naturally, they were the poorer because of their inexcusable failure. Throughout their long history the Jews demonstrated the characteristics of unrighteousness and unfaithfulness.

In view of the fact that God had given the Jews a special privilege, they were under obligation to do what God wanted them to do, rather than doing as they pleased. Rather than their relationship to God and their assignment from Him granting them exemption from the performance of their duty, it was imperative that they conform to His will. It was so unfortunate that the Jews betrayed their trust and proved to be unfaithful in their discharge of their duty. However, it should be remembered that their unfaithfulness did not diminish the faithfulness of God in the least.

The Jews were entirely wrong in thinking and in adopting the attitude that because they were the chosen people that God would overlook what they did which was contrary to His will. Their willful disobedience to the revealed will of God was not ignored. Their self-reliance, departure from God, and attempt to justify themselves for sinning as they did deprived them of numerous blessings, but did not permit them to escape judgment. Neither will any of these things allow us to escape judgment. It is encouraging to know that when we shall appear before the righteous judge His judgment of us will be strictly impartial, fair, and honest in every respect. He will judge Christians in righteousness, and on the basis of the light we have received and the way in which we have utilized the opportunities that He has given us.

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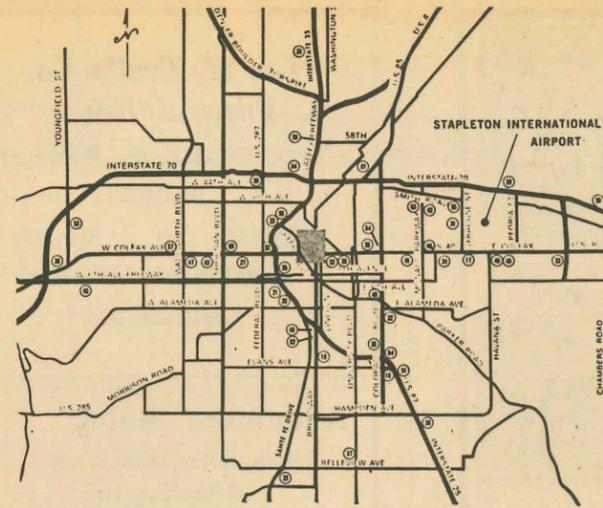
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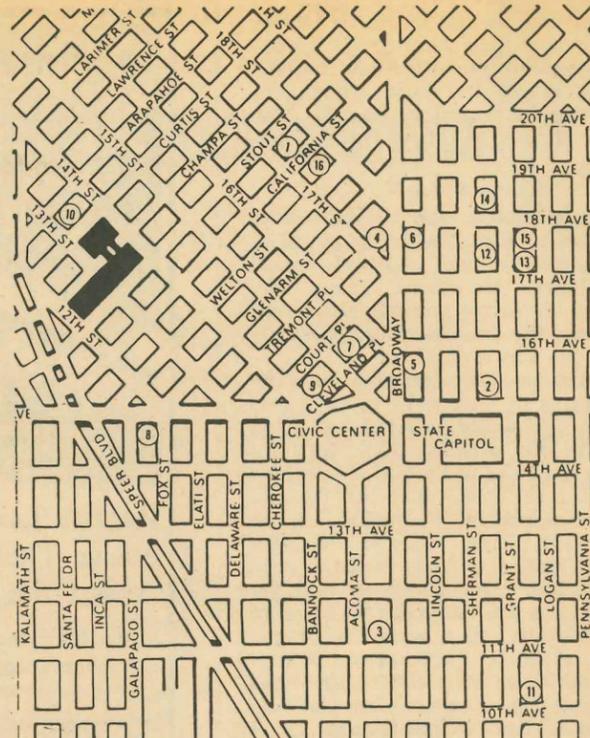
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18. Broadway Motel	\$10	\$13	\$15	\$2 ea. extra person	—
19. Cameron Motel	\$10	\$12	—	\$18 (2 persons)	—
20. Capri Motel Hotel	—	\$14.50	\$16.50	\$2 ea. extra person	—
21. Centre Denver Motor Lodge	\$11	—	—	\$18.50-\$28.50 (2 persons)	—
22. Cherry Creek Inn	—	—	—	\$2 ea. extra person	—
23. Continental Denver Motor Hotel	\$12-15	\$14.50	\$17-19	\$3 ea. extra person	\$26-75
24. Driftwood Motel	\$10	\$12	\$14	\$16 (2 persons)	—
25. Essex House	—	—	—	\$2 ea. extra person	—
26. Executive Inn	\$12	—	—	\$24 (2 persons)	—
27. Four Winds Motel	\$14	\$18	—	\$26 (4 persons)	—
28. Gaslite Motel	\$12	\$16	—	\$16 (2 persons)	—
29. Heart O'Denver Motor Hotel	\$12-14	\$16-17	—	\$20 (3-4 persons)	—
30. Hilton Inn	\$16-18	—	—	\$18-19 (2 persons)	—
31. Holiday Inn-Airport	\$15	\$18	—	\$3 ea. extra person	—
32. Holiday Inn-Central	\$14	\$18	—	\$3 ea. extra person	—
33. Holiday Inn-East	—	—	—	\$18.50 (2 persons)	—

34. Holiday Inn-North	\$16-18	—	—	\$23-26 (2 persons)	—
35. Holiday Inn-South	—	—	—	\$3 ea. extra person	—
36. Holiday Inn-West	\$12-14	\$15	—	\$23 (2 persons)	—
37. Holiday Motel	\$ 8.50	\$12.50	—	\$3 ea. extra person	—
38. Howard Johnson's Motor Lodge (South)	\$12-16	—	—	\$18 (2 persons)	—
39. Howard Johnson's Motor Lodge (North)	\$11	—	—	\$3 ea. extra person	—
40. King's Inn	\$ 9-12	\$10-14	\$13-18	\$17.50 (2 persons)	—
41. La Vista Motel	\$20	\$22	\$24	\$2 ea. extra person	—
42. Malibu Airport Inn	—	—	—	\$2 ea. extra person	—
43. Mesa West Motel	—	\$12.50	\$15	\$17-19 (2 persons)	—
44. Niagara House Motel	\$16	\$16	\$19	\$3 ea. extra person	—
45. Ramada Inn-Foothills	\$12-14	\$14	—	\$23 (2 persons)	—
46. Ramada Inn-South	\$15.50	\$18.50	—	\$24 (2 persons)	—
47. Ramada Inn-South	\$15.50	\$18.50	—	\$2 ea. extra person	—
48. Ranch Manor Motor Inn	\$ 7-11	\$10-14	—	\$2 ea. extra person	—
49. Ranger Motel	\$12	\$14	\$16	\$12-16 (2 persons)	—
50. Rarick's American Family Lodge	—	—	—	\$18 (2 persons)	—
51. Rodeway Inn	\$13	\$16	—	\$2 ea. extra person	—
52. Royal Host Motel	\$10	\$14.50	\$16	\$18.88 (2-3-4 persons)	—
53. Royal Inn	\$14	\$16	—	\$18 (2 persons)	—
54. Royal Palace Motel	\$12	\$16	\$18	\$3 ea. extra person	—
55. Skyways Motor Hotel	\$ 9.50	\$12.50	\$14	\$3-36 ea. extra person	—
56. Spa Motor Inn	—	—	—	\$16 (2 persons)	—
57. Trail's End Motel	\$10-12	\$10-12	—	\$2 ea. extra person	—
58. Travelodge Motel	\$14	\$15	—	\$14-16 (2 persons)	—
59. Voyager Inn	—	—	—	\$2 ea. extra person	—
60. Western Hills Motel	\$12	—	\$14	\$17 (2 persons)	—
61. Western Motor Inn	\$11	—	—	\$2 ea. extra person	—
62. Westward Ho Motel	\$ 8	—	—	\$16 (2 persons)	—
63. Writer's Int'l. Airport Inn	—	—	—	\$3 ea. extra person	—
64. Writer's Manor	\$16	\$21	—	\$15.50-\$17.50	—

NOTE: All rates quoted are subject to city and state sales taxes.

HOTEL OR MOTEL PREFERENCES

1st Choice _____
 2nd Choice _____
 3rd Choice _____
 4th Choice _____
 ARRIVAL RATE _____ at _____

TYPE ROOM AND RATE DESIRED

Single _____
 Double Bedroom _____
 Twin Bedroom _____
 Parlor, Bedroom Suite _____
 A.M. _____
 P.M. DEPARTURE DATE _____

Mode of Travel Automobile Plane Bus Other

NAMES OF ALL OCCUPANTS:

(Please bracket those sharing room)

ADDRESSES:

MAIL CONFIRMATION TO: NAME:

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____

STATE: _____

SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

Southern Baptist Convention	June 1-4
Woman's Missionary Union	May 31-June 1
Pastors' Conference	May 31-June 1



SILENT CLASS—The First Baptist Church of Richmond has a special Sunday School class for the deaf and the morning service each Sunday is interpreted. Shown in the picture from left to right, front row, T. L. McSwain, Pastor; Mrs. Myrtle Rodgers, Mrs. Virginia Whalen, and Dr. Marion Roberts. Back row, Robert Harris, Caro M. Rodgers, Mrs. Billy Bowman, and Billy Bowman holding his daughter. The Silent Class was organized in October of 1968 by Marion Roberts. Mr. Bill England, a student at Eastern University, who has taught the sign language is Roberts' assistant.



NEW CHAIRMAN—The North American Baptist Fellowship elected Duke K. McCall, president of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, as its chairman, and L. Venchael Booth of Cincinnati, executive secretary of the Progressive National Baptist Convention, as vice chairman. In major business, the fellowship voted to encourage the chief administrative group (general council, executive committee, etc.) of each convention to meet during the same week in a common location during 1972 or 1974 with some joint and separate sessions.



PROMOTED—It's a family affair for newly promoted Chaplain Hugh B. Goldsby, 46, pastor of Lyndon Baptist Church, as he receives his silver eagles from his wife Eloise at a ceremony in the office of Major General Ben J. Butler, commander of the 100 Army Reserve Training Division. Looking on are daughter Carol, 16, and son John, 10. Chaplain (now Colonel) Goldsby is the senior chaplain of the 100th Division and is now the highest ranking active Army Reserve Chaplain in Kentucky.

From The Fields

Raburn L. Brantley, executive-secretary-treasurer of the Southern Baptist Education Commission for the past 10 years, has announced plans to retire effective September 1, 1970, his 11th anniversary as the secretary.

As the top executive for the SBC Education Commission, Brantley has coordinated services provided for 73 Baptist colleges, universities, seminaries, academies, and Bible schools throughout the nation. The commission has no operating control over any of them, however. (BP)

John Beam, former dean of students at Belmont Abbey College in Belmont, North Carolina, has been named director of development for Gardner-Webb College in Boiling Spring, North Carolina. (BP)

Ron Willis, young Southern Baptist pastor whose ministry to hippies on the West Coast has projected him into national prominence in the Southern Baptist Convention, has been named pastor of Emmanuel Baptist Church in Bangor, Maine.

Willis, 29, was pastor of Golden Gate Baptist Church in Oakland, California, and a student at California's Merritt Junior College. He, more than any other individual, has been responsible for Southern Baptists' ministry to hippies in San Francisco's Haight-Ashbury district. (BP)

Dr. Charles A. Leonard, Sr., retired foreign missionary, has written a new book entitled *Repaid a Hundredfold*. The book, according to the author, is a "lively, frank recital of what a missionary encounters". It sells for \$5.25 and can be purchased at Baptist Book Stores or an autographed copy can be ordered from Charles A. Leonard, Sr., 1716 Airport Road, Naples, Florida 33940.

Waldo Woodcock, missionary for the Floyd County Baptist Association at Rome, Georgia, was elected church training secretary for the Georgia Baptist Convention, effective February 1.

Woodcock is a former minister of education, associate pastor and pastor of churches in Georgia. He is a graduate of Mercer University, Macon, Georgia, and Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Wake Forest, North Carolina. (BP)

John B. Lane, retired Baptist Training Union Secretary for South Carolina, passed away November 29. Lane worked for the General Board of the South Carolina Baptist Convention from 1944 until his retirement December 31, 1968. He was 68 years of age.