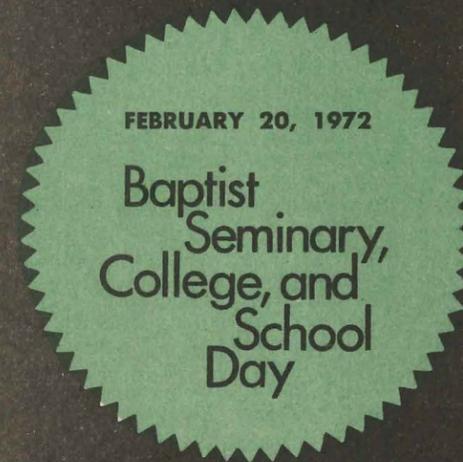


Six Things You Can Do to Help Our Seminaries, Colleges, and Schools

I urge all of our people to adopt the spirit of this statement from the Baptist Education Study Task summary:

"We need to have a better understanding of . . .



1

the significance of Christian higher education as an integral component of the Baptist witness.

2

the present difficulties that confront our Baptist colleges and universities.

3

the purposes of Christian higher education in our present day culture.

4

the nature and extent of financial support necessary to provide Christian higher education of acceptable quality.

5

the vital relationships between the colleges and the conventions that foster and support them, and a clearer understanding of the areas of control and lines of responsibility.

6

our part in the improvement and strengthening of these institutions."

CARL E. BATES, President
Southern Baptist Convention



Staff Changes

Raymond Lawrence, pastor of the Central Baptist Church in Corbin, Kentucky, has been elected to the position of assistant to the president for church development and special assignments at Cumberland College.

He is resigning as pastor of his church in February and plans to do evangelistic work until June 1, 1972, when his duties at Cumberland College will require full-time service.

Lawrence served as pastor of the First Baptist Church, Shelbyville, and has also served pastorates at Mt. Vernon, Kentucky; Neosho, Missouri; and Crittenden, Kentucky.

He is a graduate of Georgetown College and the Southern Seminary. For six years he was a member of the Christian education committee of the Kentucky Baptist Convention.

Lancaster Baptist Church, Lancaster, has recently called Nicholasville resident **Don Reed** to serve as part-time minister of education and youth, according to church pastor William G. Humphrey.

Trinity Baptist Church, Fern Creek, has recently called **Jim Richardson** as associate pastor.

A recent graduate of Southern Seminary, Richardson also holds a degree from Mars Hill (Baptist) College in North Carolina. Roy Lamberth is pastor of the Trinity church.

Louis A. Moore, news director of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary for the past two and a half years, resigned effective December 31 to assume the position of religion editor of the *Houston (Texas) Chronicle*.

He joined the staff of the afternoon daily on February 7 after completing his master of divinity degree from Southern Seminary the latter part of January.

In his new capacity, Moore will write and edit the newspaper's weekly church supplement as well as cover religion on a daily basis.

His wife, the former Kay Wheeler of Garland, Texas, will also be on the newspaper's staff as a general assignments reporter. (BP)

Emery Kinslow has resigned as pastor of the Mt. Salem Baptist Church in Lincoln County to become pastor of Mt. Washington Baptist Church. Kinslow is a graduate of Clear Creek Baptist School and a student at Campbellsville College.

Franklin Wright has resigned as pastor of New Hope Baptist Church, Adairville. He is now serving the Maceo Baptist Church, Maceo, Kentucky, as pastor.

B. A. Houchens has accepted the pastorate of the Park City Baptist Church, Park City, after serving more than 11 years as pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, Bowling Green.

The executive board of Warren Association has expressed appreciation for the 30-year-plus ministry of Houchens in Warren County. In addition to the Calvary pastorate he has also served as pastor of Highland, Bethany, Plano, Clear Fork, Providence Knob and Woodburn churches in Warren Association.

He has also been very active in associational work having served as moderator and representative from the association to the Executive Board of the Kentucky Baptist Convention.

Church Chuckles by CARTWRIGHT



"Despite his acute bronchitis, I noticed the preacher was still able to croak, 'money, money, money' . . .!"

DEVOTIONAL



James Tharp
High Point Baptist
Church, Mayfield

Now thanks be unto God, which always causes us to triumph in Christ.
—II Corinthians 2:14

The story is told of a man who was a helpless slave to alcoholic drink. He tried again and again to get free and others tried to help him but he could not get rid of his drunkenness until he was saved. When he was converted there was a wonderful change and someone said, "So you have got the mastery of the Devil at last?" "No," he said, "but I have got the Master of the Devil."

Since Satan is a supernatural enemy, it takes a supernatural power to overwhelm him. Christ is that Power. Christ in the believer is not only the Hope of Glory, He is the Hope of Victory.

Most of us probably would be willing to admit there has been fewer victories in our lives than we desire. Often times as we relive the past it seems that most or many of our efforts ended in defeat. Why is this true? Every person rejoices in triumph. No Christian wants to fail whether in the moral or the spiritual realm and often much hard work and earnest efforts are put forth to try to bring success. New resolutions are made year after year only to be broken. Continued defeat will eventually bring frustrations and anxieties which make life a drudgery.

Have we taken the time to ask ourselves what is the secret of victory? It may be that we depend too much upon methods and human skill and fail to depend upon Christ. According to the Apostle, triumph is in Christ.

To be in Christ means to be a new creature and to abide in Christ is to be a victor. Christ is our source both as Saviour and as conquering and reigning Lord. Paul said, "For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strongholds." (II Corinthians 10:4) Christ is Lord and Master and with His power we can overcome Satan as well as our besetting sins.

The New Testament Christians were blessed with day by day victory because they practiced day by day trust and commitment to Christ. "Always causes us to triumph in Christ," could be a reality to each of us if daily we were filled with His fullness.

If A Car Could Write

Dear Brother Colvin:

I was sure you had left me in the right hands the other day, for not long after you and brother Jones were on your way, Freeda said there was a little sadness in her heart to see the other truck leave since it held so many memories of the past two and one-half years.

I knew what she was talking about later on in the evening but I don't want to get ahead of my story or I would leave the most important thing out. Before she took me out to show me off and let me begin my service she asked the Lord to take care of me and use me in a greater way than the others and then she prayed for all the people that would go in and out my doors and that God would lead her to souls for Him. She ended her prayer thanking God for all the people that had given that I could be with her.

The real joy I had was later in the evening when we went out to pick up the junior and intermediate girls for Bible club and saw their excitement about me. Some knew I was coming but didn't expect me so soon. We like to surprise people sometimes and see the joy on their faces. Some didn't know who we were since we were a different color than the others, we soon made them know who we were by the way we blew our horn. I heard Freeda say she sure was glad I was so loud she could really get them to hear her now. She said the horn on the other had grown weak from wear.

We traveled on up the main highway to this little community called Alleghany where people really looked me over and wondered where in the world did Freeda get such a big beautiful car like me but each girl, as they entered the car, knew the story behind my being there for they had heard it many many times, for I like all of the others had been prayed for and the girls all talked about this on the way back to the Center. Some said they wanted to give more to missions now than ever before.

Some said they could get money for ball games etc, so I think I had a part in challenging them to see how much I am needed here and how others just like me are needed in other places. Soon twenty-two of them had gone in and out of my big door, they thought this was fun and they liked my color, white with blue upholstery.

The girls and Freeda decided to let me rest awhile as they parked me in front of the Baptist Center. When the meeting was over all came bouncing out to get the choice seats. I think they learned that all were the same and

roomy which was exactly what they needed. As we settled down for the night I heard Freeda say the "Little Ones were sure going to love me" so I was looking forward to Saturday and meeting them too.

We began Saturday in the same manner as the day before. Prayer was going up for my benefit and all that would enter today. Well, I had some surprises coming my way for two or three times someone tried to take all of the road. I also found out the roads in this hollow were different and I must not be rushed. Some of the others acted as if they had only a minute to get to their destination.

As each one got in she was concerned about the way they stepped up and that all were seated and the door safely fastened before we went on our journey. We continued like this until there were 35. Now I know I can stand the test. She said there were over 40 in the others many times and she was sure there was room for more. Again I heard people excited about my looks and this really turned me on for this was part of my job and if I could turn them on for the Lord this way then this was what I came for.

The little ones made my journey worth it all as they sang the songs about Jesus.

After the meeting ended we took most of them home. Since it was Saturday, Freeda said I needed refilling just as Christians do some times so she took me to the filling station and told the man to fill me up and this was when I really was surprised. The fuel was not entering but falling on the ground.

Some one yelled so the attendant told Freeda to cut the key off. He got under the van and discovered the gas hose was not attached as it should have been. It was also swollen and had to be replaced. Then the attendant told Freeda it could have been dangerous if the gas had leaked out on the exhaust pipe. She used this as an opportunity to tell him that she knew our steps were ordered of the Lord and He had to stop us at the right time. After she had finished telling him about the Lord she had another meeting to go to at the Hellier Mission where I had never been. After we had taken all of the children home, I could see we had had a full day but my journey was not over. I thought I was going to rest when once again we were on our way into another hollow called Harlass Creek. Even Freeda had not been there before. Mary had called us to come take her baby to the hospital. It was very sick. I heard Freeda praying as we rolled along for God to touch

By Mrs. Freeda Harris, Director
Marrowbone Baptist Weekday Center

it and heal its body. We arrived. The mother and baby were ready and she was telling Freeda that she had asked someone to take the baby so she wouldn't have to come so far. I wondered why any one would refuse to take a little baby to the doctor that had such a high temperature and as near death as it was. It was 11:30 that night when we took the baby home with a happy mother.

I was in for another surprise Sunday morning for Freeda had been inviting people to Sunday School and church and when we arrived at the mission we had 30 people. When the services were over, they were talking about the ones who had made professions of faith and were going to follow the Lord in baptism. I really felt like turning my wheels for I was hearing things I had never heard before. When all had seated themselves she turned on the radio which none of the others had and when she tuned in a station where there was some good old gospel music, I knew that this group was really enjoying this journey. I heard it in their voices. After all had gone home I was really looking forward to the afternoon services when I too could be of service to God and the people.

We are ready for the evening service now. I feel that we will have something to talk about when it has ended. Here comes a young man, Freeda called him Bill, who wants to look me over. Who knows, maybe someday God will use him to drive one of us for His Glory. Wish He would.

Here they come. Something exciting has happened, I can tell by their voices. Freeda is saying "I knew Brenda was going to give her heart to the Lord for I talked with her this week after the Bible Club was over and when she told me to be sure and come for her this evening. When the other two were baptized, Brenda couldn't refuse any longer. Their pastor must have been a young man for I heard them speak of his youth and his love for lost souls, too. They called his name Floyd. They also said he too was a young Christian. I know these people are really going to use me. Freeda was so happy she couldn't wait to tell you about me and just think this is my first weekend. I transported 54 today just to Sunday School and church service.

If I am turning on and turning my wheels for Jesus then purchasing me has not been in vain. Please tell everyone to pray for us that we will both do the job we have each been called to do.

Yours in His Service
Freeda and Me

WESTERN RECORDER

"Earnestly contend for the Faith which was once for all delivered to the saints"—Jude 3

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There Is Much Right With The Church Today

In a day when the prevailing preoccupation of many who make observations about the church is to point out the many things wrong, one almost has to shift mental gears completely to think in terms of what is right with the church. While I confess to be one of the severe critics of many things seen in most churches today, I am also optimistically impressed with much about the church today.

In the first place whatever is said to the contrary, most churches are trying valiantly to remain true to their original objective which is regarded as a divine mandate. This is to bring man to God and meaningful life through Jesus Christ. Denominations, or churches within the same denomination, differ slightly and sometimes more than slightly as to how this objective can most effectively be realized, but they are mostly united in their chief goal. Churches often differ on many doctrinal positions but in the main they are holding to the changeless truths as disclosed by God in Jesus Christ and recorded in the Scriptures.

Another thing right about the church today is its greater and greater concern for persons instead of for programs and statistics. In the past too many churches have sat and waited for people to come to them and too many still do. However, it's clearly discernible today that the church is determined to reach out and find people where they are, accept them for what they are and testify to what they can be when properly related to God through Jesus Christ.

The church today is also right in demonstrating more and more flexibility in the choice of means and methods in accomplishing its task. In spite of some expected reluctance and resistance to change, most concerned churchmen demonstrate more and more openness to fresh, creative and experimental ways to communicate its eternal message to the non-churched and to those who are already church members but are disenchanted with past attitudes and stances of church leadership. In many churches today there is a surprisingly growing openness toward making place for zealous youth and lay groups which have been on the verge of writing off the established and institutionalized church.

The church today is right in engaging more and more in an honest and sincere effort to apply the truth it has proclaimed through the centuries to the critical issues that confront contemporary society. It is not true of all active and sincere members but more and more church members today see the vital relationship between religious convictions stemming from the teachings of Jesus and such issues as racial reconciliation, justice in political and economic structures, relief of poverty and its attendant blights and conservation of God given natural resources and physical environment.

My observations are understandably somewhat limited to Southern Baptists with whom I try to minister in making known to all the reconciling love of God. In spite of our image of being one of the most conservative and reactionary major denominations in America so far as change is concerned, I see many encouraging signs of concern not only for a person to person witness but for applying the message of Jesus Christ to all structures that affect mankind whether they be social, economic, political, religious or otherwise.

One illustration from Southern Baptists is offered to support this observation. Not only did Southern Baptists officially adopt several years ago one of the strongest and most forthright statements of concern for racial reconciliation but a growing number of churches has been engaging in redemptive racial reconciliation. As far back as 1968 a survey revealed 3,400 Southern Baptist Churches either had already or were willing to accept black members and the number has greatly increased since then. This doesn't sound impressive to those expecting overnight change but it represents much progress in light of our past record. Recent surveys reveal that over 80% of Southern Baptists would welcome blacks into their worship services and over 70% would accept blacks into their fellowship.

Though we have a long way to go to reach the expectations of the Lord of the Church as found in the New Testament and the picture of the early church found in Acts puts us to shame, there is much reason for hope for the church tomorrow.

Executive Board Members Have A Heavy Responsibility

The long awaited announcement has been made. After more than a year's searching the committee to nominate an executive secretary to succeed Dr. Harold Sanders, who reaches mandatory retirement age September 1, 1972, is ready to report to the Executive Board. The board members have been notified of a special meeting on February 25, for the purpose of acting upon the recommendation of the committee.

It would be difficult to overestimate the importance of this decision and the presence of every board member to participate in it. The spirit and ministry of Kentucky Baptists in the crucial years ahead are at stake. Right or wrong, Baptists generally respond according to their attitude toward their chief administrative leader. Just as a church most often responds positively or negatively according to the confidence and admiration which the pastor elicits, so it is with the fellowship of Baptists in Kentucky in respect to the executive secretary.

No one except those serving on this nominating committee knows how much time, thought, prayer and consideration have gone into the search for the Lord's choice of a nominee for this most important and difficult office. No one except the nominee can know the agony of trying to find what is the Lord's will for his ministry.

All this being so it is imperative that no demonic forces be allowed to hinder Executive Board members from finding and doing the Lord's will when the report is presented. This is always a danger and Satan would use any means available to create confusion and division among us.

One potential misunderstanding for the board members is that the nominee's name is not included in the announcement for the special meeting to hear the committee's report. Ordinarily a board member would expect to have the name of the nominee in time to consider prayerfully how to vote as well as to have opportunity to hear any reactions from pastors and laymen in the association he represents.

The notice sent to the board members indicates the committee would ordinarily be disposed to share the name of the nominee but is not doing so in this case out of consideration for the nominee and the congregation he now serves. Since the nominee is a Kentucky pastor and since it cannot be certain he will be elected nor that he will accept if elected, it makes sense that his name should not be circulated statewide before he communicates responsibly and fairly with his congregation.

Besides, the denominational grapevine is always busy and by now every board member knows or can know within a few minutes who the nominee is. Thus, the board members can know who he is even though the nominee's name has not been officially announced.

The important thing is that the board members not feel they are being kept in the dark and are expected to rubber stamp the committee's selection. Opportunity should be and will be given to any board member to address any question to the committee or to the nominee of the committee when the special meeting convenes February 25.

The only thing more important is that the Lord's will be done and from where this observer sits it appears we have one of the brightest prospects in Kentucky Baptist history for this to happen.

BAPTIST FORUM



BOSWELL ARTICLE

Dear Editor:

I read with interest and appreciation the recent feature story by Billy Jack Canupp on Jim Boswell, president of Cumberland College. The story is well written and gives deserved credit to one of our outstanding Southern Baptist educators. While Jim Boswell's primary contribution to Southern Baptist higher education, of course, has been in Kentucky and with Cumberland College, his educational leadership has extended far beyond the bounds of Kentucky. He has made a signal contribution to the Association of South-

ern Baptist Colleges and Schools and his educational leadership is further reflected in committee posts which he has held in accrediting agencies. Jim Boswell represents the highest type of Christian leadership and, as the article indicated, he has been totally dedicated to the advancing the interest of Cumberland College.
Nashville, Tennessee Ben C. Fisher

HOME MISSION CONTRIBUTIONS

Dear Editor:

On behalf of our directors and staff, I want to thank you and the good people of your state for three important

contributions made to home missions in 1971.

First, their contributions through the Cooperative Program to the missionary thrust of the Home Mission Board amounted to \$231,918.82. You can take justifiable pride that this generous amount provides the base of our operations throughout all fifty states . . . including Kentucky.

Second, their gifts to the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering in 1971 totaled \$214,770.86. Such unselfishness on the part of your people deserves particular appreciation. I wish it were possible to thank personally every contributor in your state. We are encouraged to find uniform support of our program of missions throughout the country. Chauncey, as you know so well, the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering provides for about one-half of our total budget.

Third, your personal support of our

(Continued on page 14)

January Coop. Prog. Gifts Reported

Southern Baptists started the year 1972 with the second largest month of mission giving in the history of the denomination's Cooperative Program unified budget.

In January, Southern Baptists gave \$2,795,708 to world missions through the Cooperative Program.

The largest month of Cooperative Program giving ever was in January, 1971, when \$2.9 million was received.

On the books, January, 1972, will

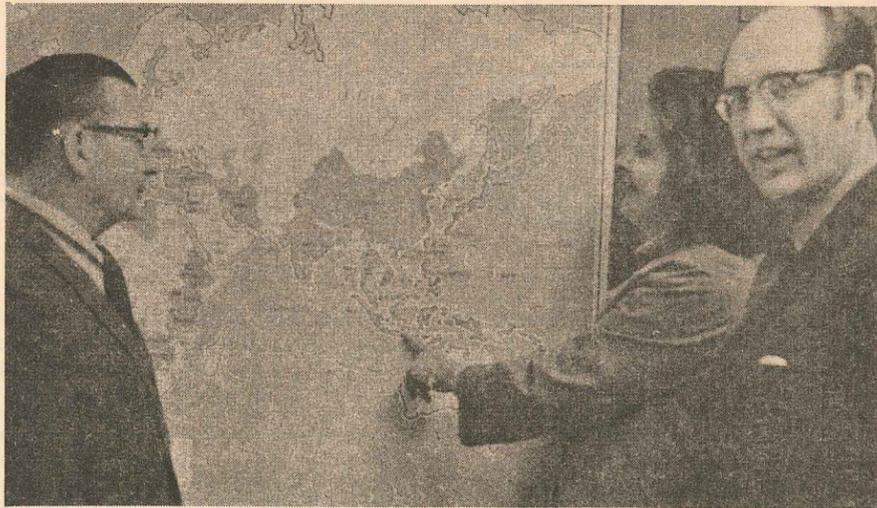
Pollution Is Topic Of SBC TV Program

"Home," a documentary depicting pollution as an evil stemming from man's loss of spiritual perspective in regard to his environment, will be telecast nationwide by ABC-TV Sunday, March 5, 1:00-1:30 p.m., EST.

Produced by the Southern Baptist Radio and Television Commission, "Home" takes an unusual approach to environmental pollution.

The narration is an English translation of a mid-nineteenth century Indian chief's reply to a U.S. president's request to buy Indian land on the western frontier. The Indian, Chief Seattle of the Duwamish tribe, describes in lyrical terms the beauty and worth of nature and man's kinship to his natural surroundings.

The ecological message is driven home by the stark contrast between the chief's poetic words and the film footage, which presents scenes of modern man-made pollution.



A MISSION TOUR — Mrs. Eldred Taylor shows Western Recorder editor C. R. Daley, left, the destination of a mission trip she and her husband are currently making. Taylor, pastor of First Baptist Church in Somerset, is a member of the SBC Foreign Mission Board and serves on the Far East subcommittee of the FMB. This trip will take the Taylors to Japan, the Philippines, Indonesia (pointed to on the map), Thailand, Singapore and Hong Kong. In addition to gathering first hand information about the work from the missionaries, the Somerset pastor will be preaching in many of the areas.

show up as a decrease in Cooperative Program giving, since January 1971, was the previous record. Last year, the amount was \$158,859, or 5.38 percent greater than January, 1972 contributions.

John H. Williams, financial planning secretary for the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee, pointed out, however, that the 1971 figures were inflated by an unusually large check from North Carolina which should have been received in December but did not arrive until January. The equivalent check this year was received in December. Thus, January, 1971, Cooperative Program gifts were recorded as a 13 percent increase over January, 1970, contributions.

January, 1972, also recorded the highest contributions to designated mission causes for any January in SBC history.

This year, Southern Baptists gave \$5,061,518 to special mission offerings and other designated causes during January, an increase of \$440,649 or 9.54 percent over designations for January, 1971.

The combined, grand total of Cooperative Program and designated contributions reached \$7,857,226, an increase of \$281,790, or 3.72 percent for the year.

Amounts included in the financial report reflect only contributions to national and worldwide Baptist mission causes and do not include contributions to local and state Baptist mission efforts. (BP)



Please help!

I need your help. We are working with the Kentucky Baptist Historical Commission in securing portraits of all former state Baptist Convention executive secretaries, together with information about their descendants.

We need (1) any picture of any kind, (2) names and addresses of any and all their descendants, and (3) any history about them to prepare monographs on them. We have already presented six (6) of these and have a number of portraits finished to be presented at the May board meeting. We have many others for whom we are seeking photographs and family information.

So, give me any photo or bit of information about these men:

1. John Lightfoot Waller, Corresponding Secty 1837-38
2. George Matthews, Corresponding Secty 1839
3. F. A. Willard, Corresponding Secty 1840-41
4. Younger R. Pitts, General Agent 1846
5. J. D. Black, General Agent 1848
6. Henry Day, Corresponding Secty 1849
7. D. G. Hatch, Corresponding Secty 1850-51
8. W. W. Gardner, General Agent 1851
9. F. C. McCalla, Corresponding Secty 1852
10. Samuel H. Ford, Corresponding Secty 1853
11. V. E. Kirtley, General Agent 1852-54
12. Andrew Broadbudd, Genl. Agt., Corres. Secty 1857-59
13. J. M. Bennett, Corresponding Secty 1860-61
14. Elder B. T. Bennett, General Agent 1860
15. D. — Burbank, Corresponding Secty (?) 1861
16. R. L. Thurman, Genl. Agt.-Supt. Missions 1862-66, 68
17. S. F. Thompson, Corresponding Secty 1866-71
18. A. B. Cabiness, Corresponding Secty 1872-78
19. J. R. Ware, Corr. Secty-Supt Missions 1879-80

Your assistance will be a great boon to our work of reconstructing the history and pictures of these great leaders of the past.

—Harold G. Sanders

Home Mission Week Of Prayer, Offering, Near

A call for prayer and to share will bring Southern Baptists into their annual all-out focus on home missions.

The Week of Prayer for Home Missions is slated for March 5-12. Sunday services, Wednesday programs, and weekday missions organization meetings will spread news and elicit prayer for the convention's Home Mission Board and its 2,237 missionaries.

Culmination of the Week of Prayer will be the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for Home Missions. Last year this offering totalled \$5,345,551.03. The 1972 goal is to increase this amount 13 percent for an offering of \$6,000,000.

Theme for the observance is "Expect great things from God, attempt great things for God." William Carey used this theme in 1792 to launch Baptists on the organized world missions trail.

Southern Baptists used the same theme last December for the companion emphasis on foreign missions. "The idea works in this country as well as abroad," said Mrs. R. L. Mathis, president of Woman's Missionary Union, the agency which heads the convention-wide observances. "By using the Expect-Attempt theme again we are call-

ing for the same quality of enthusiasm and dedication for home missions as we render for foreign missions. Baptist objectives are the same around the world."

At the far end of the \$6,000,000 offering goal stand major projects which will thrust home missions into new areas.

The final \$350,000 within the goal is earmarked for advance of Christian social ministries and of church extension in crisis situations. All receipts beyond the \$6,000,000 goes toward television evangelism projects.

In between zero and these target expenditures hangs almost half the support of home missionaries, field ministries and regular projects.

The major section of the offering — the first \$4,850,000 — involves missionary support. The biggest chunks go for language missions and church extension. Language missionaries who reach approximately thirty ethnic groups make up almost one-half the home missionary force. Support of these and their work will be underwritten by a \$1,645,000 allocation.

Church extension is down for a mil-

lion dollar allocation. This money will help support to varying degrees approximately 600 pastors in missions.

Evangelism, such as support of WIN (Witness Involvement Now) training, and expansion of witnessing training among teenagers is slated for \$200,000. The chaplaincy program will receive \$30,000. Associational services, including support of many associational superintendents of missions, stands to receive \$750,000. Christian social ministries will be allocated \$765,000; \$90,000 will be for projects in interfaith witness; \$370,000 will help support work with National Baptists.

The second major category of allocations is \$800,000 for support of special projects. Familiar programs covered in this section include US-2 missionaries, summer student missionaries, mission buildings and properties, and scholarships for missionaries' children, for members of language groups and for National Baptists.

Home Mission Board officials say that every cent of the Annie Armstrong offering is spent on the field, not in the home office or for other overhead.

People And Places



Wilburn

Ronald E. Wilburn, minister of music at Grace Baptist Church, Lexington, has recorded a stereo gospel solo album entitled "It's In My Heart." The album is under the label of the Rite Record Production Company of Cincinnati, Ohio.

Betty Jean Chatham of Shelbyville was presented in concert in the San Antonio, Texas, area several times during February 11-15. These concerts were both sacred and pop programs presented in church services and special church banquets.

Mrs. Bruce Hartsell, wife of the pastor of First Baptist Church, Shepherds-ville, recently suffered the loss of her mother, Lillie S. Lowdermilk of Valdese, North Carolina. Hartsell is chairman of the christian education committee of the KBC Executive Board.

Ten Mile Baptist Association held its first Christmas Carol Sing during December, according to Lee Wyatt, associational music director. A total of 207 persons representing 10 churches participated. Wyatt termed the event "one of the best attended meetings held this year."

Ruth Heizer, Georgetown College philosophy professor, recently received a grant to participate in a "Theory of Knowledge Institute" at Amherst College June 26-August 4. The institute is sponsored by the Council for Philosophical Studies under a grant from the Carnegie Corporation of New York. The Georgetown professor is one of approximately 50 teachers selected from across the United States.

Robert Stapp, professor of art at Campbellsville College, is currently exhibiting his artwork in the exhibit area of Cinema 1 and 2 in Louisville. An exhibit by his wife is on display at Cinema 3 and 4, February 12 - March 18 is the length of the display.

Gayle Clifton became the second person in the history of Cumberland College to graduate with a perfect A (4.0) average when he received his degree in January from the Baptist college. A ministerial student, he is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Clifton of California, Kentucky.



Clifton

Porter Memorial Baptist Church in Lexington will be the site of a regional music festival for adults and youth March 24 at 7:30 p.m. The event will be under the direction of W. Voris

Howard. Those desiring to participate may contact him at First Baptist Church, Cold Spring, Kentucky 42101. This festival was omitted from original publicity prepared by KBC music director Eugene Quinn.

Ralph Avenue Baptist Church recently ordained two persons, one to the gospel ministry and the other as a deacon. Fred Edwards, minister of music and youth at the Louisville area church, was ordained to the gospel ministry. A South Carolina native, the new minister is a graduate of Carson-Newman (Baptist) College in Tennessee and holds the master of church music degree from Southern Seminary. Ordained deacon was Walter Naegle.

Scottsville Baptist Church recently ordained three men as deacons. They are Jimmy Simmons, Walter Sexton and David Williams.

The church also began a kindergarten program on January 18, 1972, with 10 students enrolled. The new kindergarten is the first in the Allen County town.

CORRECTION

A recent staff changes article incorrectly stated that William Carey Moxley, new minister of music education and youth at Harrodsburg Baptist Church, recently received a doctor of education degree from Southern Seminary. He received a master of religious education degree. The faulty information was furnished us by Harrodsburg sources.

President Nixon Scheduled For Philadelphia SBC

President Richard M. Nixon hopes to accept an invitation to speak at the Southern Baptist Convention when it meets in Philadelphia June 6-8, the convention's chairman of the committee on order of business announced in releasing the text of the tentative program.

"An invitation has been extended to the President and it is his hope to be present at our convention in Philadelphia," said Lee Porter, chairman of the committee and pastor of First Baptist Church of Bellaire, a suburb of Houston, Texas.

"It is impossible for the President and the White House to give a firm commitment until at least 30 days in advance," added Porter.

The White House confirmed to Baptist Press, news service of the Southern Baptist Convention, that "there is a good chance" the President will address the convention.

If the President can clear his schedule for the convention, he would address an anticipated 13,500 Baptists expected to attend the convention sessions on Thursday afternoon, June 8,

at 3:45 p.m.

It would mark the first time in the history of the convention that the President of the United States would have addressed the convention. The Southern Baptist Convention, with 11.9 million members, is the largest Protestant denomination in the nation.

Evangelist Billy Graham, a Southern Baptist, will speak during the Wednesday evening convention session.

With both President Nixon and Graham on the tentative program, convention officials are expecting capacity crowds to attend the convention, which meets at Convention Hall in Philadelphia Civic Center, Tuesday morning through Thursday night, June 6-8.

Theme for the three-day convention will be, "Proclaim Liberty to All." Each morning and afternoon session will be opened with a theme meditation by Clarence Cranford, pastor emeritus of Calvary Baptist Church, Washington, D.C.

In addition to President Nixon and Graham, other major speakers listed on the program include Roger L. Fredrikson, pastor of First Baptist Church in

Sioux Falls, South Dakota, and former president of the American Baptist Convention; and Leon Sullivan, pastor of Zion Baptist Church in Philadelphia, founder and chairman of the Opportunities Industrialization Centers, a network of training centers set up to teach practical skills to black people who are fighting the poverty cycle.

Two other major addresses are scheduled: the annual presidential address by Carl E. Bates, pastor of First Baptist Church, Charlotte, North Carolina; and the annual convention sermon by E. Hermond Westmoreland, pastor emeritus of South Main Baptist Church, Houston.

The convention will end Thursday evening with a missions emphasis session which will include the reports of the SBC Home and Foreign Mission Boards and the SBC Stewardship Commission.

In a departure from the format used for the convention last year, the agenda this year will include individual reports on the work of each of the 19 agencies of the convention. Last year, the reports were received in printed format all at one time.

Thursday morning's session will be devoted almost entirely to agency reports, except for the address by Sullivan and one miscellaneous business period.

A pageant depicting Baptist history in the Philadelphia area will be presented by the SBC Historical Commission, with music by The Centurymen and a special symphony orchestra. The pageant is scheduled for Tuesday evening preceding the convention sermon.

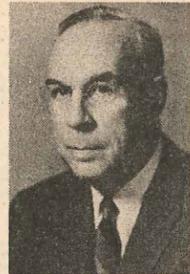
Baptist students from across the country will make a special presentation entitled "Students Speak Up," designed to "encourage SBC messengers to accept responsibility for and commit their resources to strengthen, support and expand SBC student ministries." The presentation is being coordinated by a steering committee of state Baptist Student Union presidents and staff members of the National Student Ministries program of the SBC Sunday School Board.

Music director for the convention will be William J. Reynolds, secretary of the church music department, Southern Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville. Organist will be Don Hustad, professor at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville; and pianist will be Max Lyall, professor at Belmont College, Nashville.

Most of the convention will be devoted to conducting business of the convention, with five hours and forty minutes scheduled for miscellaneous business, and five hours and forty minutes devoted to reports from convention agencies. (BP)

'Greatest Living Preacher' To Be Lecturer At Southern Seminary

The man called by many the greatest living preacher in America, George A. Buttrick, will be the Roble Lecturer in Christian Preaching at The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary during this year's spring semester. He will lecture and conduct discussion sessions on communication skills, inviting students into his home for individual consultation.



Buttrick

Buttrick, a native of England, was ordained in the Congregational Church U.S.A. in 1915. He has since served as pastor of four American churches, most notably for 27 years at Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church in New York City until 1954.

Following his New York pastorate,

Buttrick served for six years as Preacher to the University and Plummer Professor of Christian Morals at Harvard University. For a year he served as Harry Emerson Fosdick Visiting Professor at Union Theological Seminary in New York City. From 1961 to 1969 he taught preaching at Garrett Theological Seminary, Northwestern University.

Buttrick has held a number of lectureships at leading colleges and universities throughout the United States, including the Mullins Lectures at Southern Seminary in 1943. He was most recently Visiting Professor at Vanderbilt Divinity School before retiring with his wife to their new home in Louisville, just a few blocks from the seminary.

The 80 year old Buttrick is well known as editor of *The Interpreters Bible* (12 volumes), 1952, and *The Interpreter's Dictionary of the Bible* (4 volumes), 1959.

Remember—SBC Church Bus Evangelism Clinic,

Walnut Street Church, Louisville, Feb. 21-23

Sunday School Set At Cedarmore Outreach Retreat

"Reaching to Win" will be the theme for the evening session of the statewide Sunday School Outreach Retreat March 17 at Cedarmore Baptist Assembly.

After a message on "Commitment to Go," special conferences will be conducted on the theme "Reaching to Win through . . .": bus ministries, visitation programs and outreach projects, personal evangelism and the WIN materials, fellowship Bible classes.

These conferences will be followed by prayer and inspiration groups emphasizing "It can be done now."

Saturday morning conferences will be conducted for workers with the theme "Planning for Outreach through . . ." preschool departments, children departments, youth departments and adult departments. Pastors and other general officers will discuss "Planning to Win through the Sunday School."

All conferences will be led by Kentucky Baptist Sunday School department and Baptist Sunday School Board personnel.

Make your reservations now by sending \$3.00 per person to Cedarmore Baptist Assembly, Route 1, Bagdad, Kentucky 40003. (\$2.00 of this will be applied to account.)

Rates are: 1 person per room, \$12.00; 2 persons per room, \$9.50; 3 persons per room, \$8.50; 4 persons per room, \$7.50.

Time schedule for the retreat is as follows:

Registration from 4 p.m. Friday, March 17; Supper served at 5:30 with the general session at 6:30 p.m.; Friday night conferences from 7 to 9 p.m.; prayer groups from 9 to 9:30, followed by fellowship time.

Saturday morning sessions begin at 8:30 a.m. and will continue until lunch at 11:45.

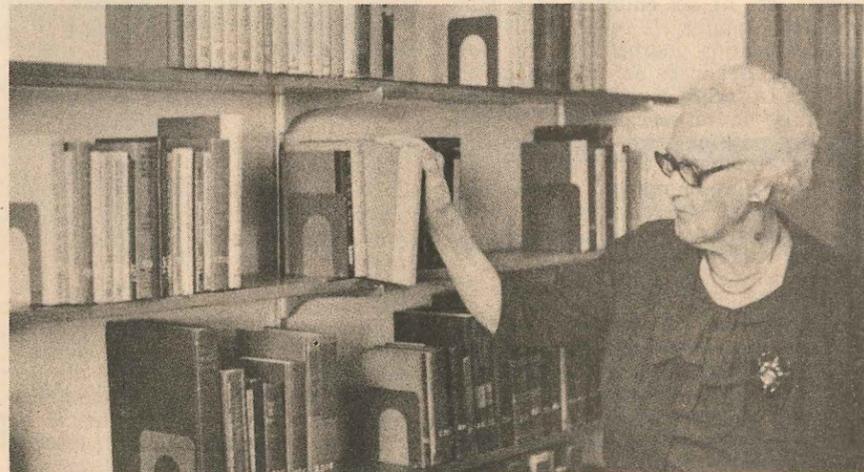
Commission Raises Woody

W. C. Woody, former sales manager of WFAA Radio in Dallas, has been named vice president and manager of the Dallas office of TimeRite, Inc., a subsidiary corporation of the Southern Baptist Radio Television Commission with offices in Fort Worth, Texas.

Woody, who joined TimeRite in 1970 as an account executive, will manage the Dallas office and succeed in that capacity Don Chanslor, who resigned as president of TimeRite to set up his own company. Charles Roden of the Radio-TV Commission staff, will be the interim president of TimeRite. Roden is the commission's administrative assistant. (BP)



NEW STAFFERS — Wesley Shipp and Ed Freeman, right, pastor and associate pastor at 23rd and Broadway Baptist Church, Louisville, greet new music minister Robert Hetherington, left, and Billy R. Hollins, also associate pastor. Part of the salaries of the three student staffers comes from the KBC interracial department. The church also recently ordained its first black man as deacon. He is P. J. Manly, retired Kentucky State College professor.



MEMORIAL — Stanford Baptist Church recently formed the W. H. W. Reynolds Memorial Library in honor of the late Mr. Reynolds, an active layman in the church prior to his death. Pictured is Mrs. Effie Reynolds viewing a portion of the books which formed part of Reynolds's personal library. These books are the nucleus for the new church library.



LIKE NEW — Bob Jones, left, director of the KBC mountain mission program, presents the keys of the 1966 reconitioned van bus to John Sammons, pastor of Warfield Baptist Church. The bus was used at Marrowbone Baptist Center.

Davenport — Called Of God

Randy Davenport has made Christian education at Campbellsville College personal.

"He has added a youthful, Christian dimension to the campus that was badly needed," says Mike Crain, senior from Texas, Kentucky. "He takes an interest in each student."

President Davenport is often with students offering advice to a freshman during registration, leading in a pep rally for a basketball game, or visiting a troubled student in the dorm.

During an all night prayer and praise meeting conducted by students and some faculty members, Davenport surprised the group by participating with them in prayer and testimony of ex-

periences with God. It was 5 a.m. before he left.

One ministerial student was so moved by Davenport's presence that he sought out the president before noon the next day for assistance with a serious spiritual problem. After counseling and prayer, he left the president's office having found the peace with God for which he had been seeking.

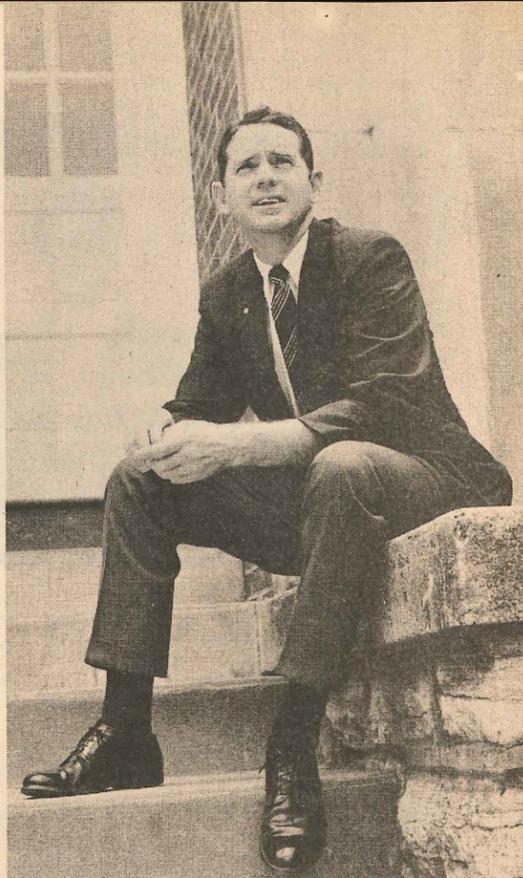
A coed from Michigan spent her Christmas holidays with the Davenports. Her Jewish family has rejected her since she has become a Christian. Davenport believes that he is at Campbellsville as a result of a calling from God. In a letter to the board of trustees December 9, 1969, he wrote: "The call from God to serve Him at

Campbellsville College as it came (through the trustees) was a very clear call. The reasons . . . however, were not clear. . . . In the last few weeks, however, the reasons have become increasingly clear. I am convinced that God would have me take a position of leadership in standing firmly and vigorously for certain spiritual values, and equally firmly and vigorously against certain values or behavioral patterns which affect the make-up and character of this College. . . . Our campus will be a Christ-centered and Christ-honoring community. Activities and behavioral patterns which are not compatible with this philosophy will not be supported, welcomed, nor condoned. . . ."

Born William Randolph Davenport, he was one of six children of a Missouri farm family. He received his doctor of education degree from the University of Arkansas as did two of his brothers (a record for that University).

Making education personal to students is nothing new to Davenport. Prior to coming to Campbellsville, he had various teaching and professional experiences at several universities. He has also authored a professional handbook for student teachers.

While preparing for a career as an industrial chemist at the University of Louisville (and a Navy ROTC cadet), Davenport experienced God's direction and call to the field of teaching and education. His decision was made at the Kentucky Baptist Student Union convention at Lexington in his senior year. Davenport met his wife, the former Janet Chambers of Louisville, while a student at the University of Louisville. They have four children.



In addition to his call to serve in Christian education, Davenport has had a leading role in the Gideons International. In July, 1971, he was elected president of that organization. He had previously served as the International vice president, a zone trustee, a state president, and as a state vice president.

Gideons, who serve in 90 countries, place a million copies of the scriptures every 45 days. President Davenport experienced a memorable moment by presenting the 100 millionth Gideon-placed Bible to President Richard M. Nixon in August of 1971.

Even as he travels as Gideons International president, Davenport boosts Campbellsville College and the students he has come to dearly love.

Davenport is a man who is deeply concerned about the future of Campbellsville College. The college is presently engaged in a program of growth and development to provide not only for its continuation as a vital institution, but also to allow for the essential development in future years that will keep it an institution of quality. At the present, many colleges feel a severe financial pinch. Davenport admits that Campbellsville is no exception.

From her founding, Campbellsville College has had financial support from churches and from individuals who believe in this kind of Christian education. The president points out that persons have either become complacent about support of Campbellsville College or have erroneously assumed that our Kentucky Baptist Convention Cooperative Program adequately provided our needed financial support. As a re-

sult the available money for the college has not been adequate, and temporary financing measures have been necessary.

Through the Growth and Development Fund program, Davenport wants to awaken the people who still believe in the values of Christian education to the financial needs of Campbellsville College and to urge them to rise to her support again. The alternatives to such support are grim ones, indeed. Therefore, Davenport is logging thousands of miles in telling of the personal, meaningful Christian education at Campbellsville College.

"I am convinced that when properly informed of our Christ-centered education and of the absolute necessity of their financial and prayer support, Kentucky Baptists will rise to meet the needs of Campbellsville College," emphasized Davenport. "I am excited about the future as I see God's will being worked out in the lives of so many young people."

And the students at Campbellsville College are excited that their president, Randy Davenport, personally cares.

FMB Approves Mission Support Increase

The Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board appropriated the largest single amount for emergency adjustments in missionary support in its 126 year history during its February meeting in Richmond, Virginia.

In another major action, the board appropriated \$76,500 in relief funds for rebuilding villages in Bangladesh.

The record \$653,540 for emergency adjustments in missionary support was approved by board members to ease financial strain for overseas personnel at three pressure points, according to board officials.

Special financial problems of missionaries were aggravated by the U.S. dollar devaluation and worldwide inflation, escalation in college education costs and increased taxation, said Baker J. Cauthen, who presented the recommendation on behalf of a board committee which studied the whole structure of missionary support.

Cost of living adjustments for missionaries in 38 countries with inflationary conditions amounted to \$145,540. The board had previously allocated

\$214,460 in December and January meetings as emergency compensation for its missionaries affected by U.S. dollar devaluation overseas.

In a second major financial action, the board increased the allowance for missionaries with children in college by an annual \$400 per student. With 370 missionary children currently in college, this appropriation amounted to \$148,000.

The single largest appropriation was \$360,000 to help relieve increased taxation. The board voted to provide an additional \$150 per missionary in view of his increasing tax burden.

The \$76,500 in relief funds for Bangladesh was added to \$25,000 the board authorized earlier for use by Southern Baptist missionaries in rebuilding a village outside Feni.

Village reconstruction has given Southern Baptist missionaries their first opportunity to become directly involved in relief operations since the former East Pakistan began its fight for independence about one year ago. (BP)

The Teacher's Faith

Waldo Beach of Duke University once said, concerning teachers and their beliefs, "Underneath solemn gowns of academic objectivity, the slips of faith are always showing." The faith of a professor is important, for it is observed.

A view of this truth has just been given by Nicholas H. Charney, new chairman of the board of *Saturday Review*:

"First words leave an everlasting imprint. I remember going to the first meeting of a philosophy of science class at MIT that was being taught by . . . Abney Shimoy. On that first day, Shimoy gave us this preface for the course. 'I'm going to do my best to introduce you as objectively and dispassionately as I can to the foundations of science,' he said, 'but I am human. I'll do my best to filter out my own prejudices, but they will penetrate nevertheless — often without my awareness. Therefore, before we get into the course itself, let me lay all my biases on the table. Knowing them, you can protect the integrity of your own ideas.'"

This honest confession calls to mind a fact which collegians and their parents often forget — a teacher's biases and prejudices are important. And it is valuable to know if he is prejudiced in favor of the Christian faith and life or not.

An exhaustive study made by the FEBRUARY 19, 1972

Danforth Commission discovers:

"Faculty notions about religion are probably the most important single factor in determining what the religious impact of an institution on its students will be."

The Education Commission finds these recognitions of professorial worth salutary. It knows, of course, that not all Christian teachers are in seminaries

By W. Howard Bramlette

or Baptist colleges and schools; and it is grateful for all of them, wherever they are, and for their distinctive witness.

It thinks our seminaries are the best in the land. It is glad that one-third of those pastors who don't go to a seminary do go to a college (Baptist colleges, usually, where they get the benefit of training under great Christian teachers).

The Education Commission notes that whereas the majority of Baptist college students are not in Baptist colleges, from the ones who are come about 70 percent of Southern Baptist pastors.

The graduates of all those institutions are not destined to an identical vocational end, of course. They go everywhere geographically and they do everything vocationally.

Things are looking up at Baptist

colleges. There are 5,000 more students enrolled this year than last, for instance.

Academic standards are high. All colleges are accredited except two and these are now being processed for full accreditation.

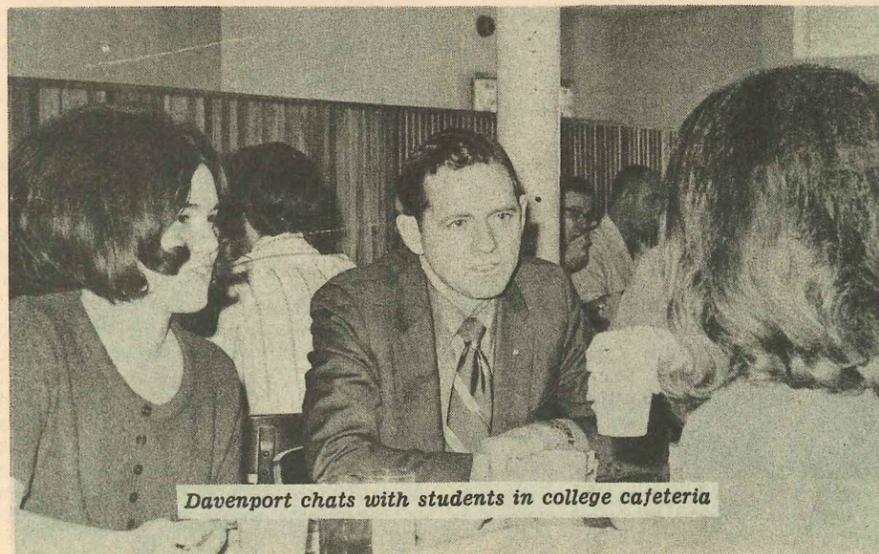
Faculty salaries are competitive, regionally.

Students are realistic. They find an abundance of creative outlets and opportunities to apply their educational experiences to life. There is a distinct absence of nihilism, hopelessness, frustration, meaninglessness and despair.

These schools do not operate in a vacuum. Rather, there is an air of involvement and relatedness, as students decide where to go, what to do, how to perform — and with what balance of caution and daring. Few students graduate without learning what their world is like and what the possibilities of Christian living in it are.

It does matter what Professor Doe believes, particularly if the persons coming in contact with him see the possibility of "letting the mind which was in Christ, be in you."

As the Education Commission seeks to interpret the concerns of the churches to higher education and the concerns of higher education to the churches, it works with some of the finest people in the land. Significant in that number are faithful teachers.



Davenport chats with students in college cafeteria

THE WORLD OF BOOKS

Luke For The Space Age Church, by Elmer L. Gray; Broadman Press, copyright 1971.

The author sets forth incidents from the Book of Luke to show that Christ Jesus can relate to modern man, both as a personal example and a living authority. He attempts, through Scripture, to answer the question, "What is there here that will help today's man know what he exists for and how he can accomplish that purpose?"

Death And Rebirth Of A Marriage, by Alan and Margaret Havard; Tyndale House Publishers, copyright 1970.

The authors tell the true story from both points of view of their marriage from their first meeting to a crumbling into bitterness and thoughts of divorce. Their marriage guidance counselor was God, who stepped in to heal their marriage which they contend is more alive than ever before.

The Two Natures In The Bible by Owen S. Cooper; Exposition Press, copyright 1971.

This volume was written to set forth solutions to long puzzling Biblical questions. The author demonstrates his defense of the unity of Scripture with logic and Biblical quotations. His purpose in writing this book was to strengthen the faith of his readers.

Simple Sermons of the Old-Time Religion by W. Herschel Ford with introduction by W. A. Criswell; Zondervan Publishing House, copyright 1968.

This book is the author's twenty-fifth volume of "Simple Sermons." He has a fourfold purpose in writing these volumes which is to: furnish sermonic suggestions and material; help all Christian workers; point the lost to Christ; and teach and strengthen the saved. Each message is written to be easily understood and is Scripturally based.

Children and Conversion, edited by Clifford Ingle; Broadman Press, copyright 1970.

Here is a book searching Biblical, theological and practical concepts relating to why, how and when to seek to lead children to make Christian decisions. It gives illustrations of confusion among leaders, considers the child within the Old Testament community, within the home, within the church and within the New Testament passages. Many other aspects of the subject are reflected upon.

Red Star Over Cuba by Don Crawford; Tyndale House Publishers, copyright 1971.

This is the story of Cuba as it is policed by totalitarian Communism and of six who fled Cuba. It relates events of today in Cuba such as Bible destruction, pastor arrests, atheistic school teachers, neighborhood spies, persecutions, shortages of necessities, and

workcamp service requirement in exchange for permission to leave.

Sourcebook of 500 Illustrations by Robert G. Lee; Zondervan Publishing House, copyright 1964 seventh printing 1971.

Robert G. Lee's sourcebook of 500 illustrations is for public speakers, ministers and Sunday school teachers. Among the subjects dealt with are the following: advice, amazing truths, behavior, Bible, brotherly love, Communism, death, facts, God, gratitude, human nature, humor, reward and punishment, warning and witness.

Baptist Successionism: A Critical View by W. Morgan Patterson; The Judson Press, copyright 1969.

The author attempts to prove that Baptist successionism rests largely on the insecure footing of books written long ago by unscholarly, careless or even biased historians. He traces the origin of the teaching that modern day Baptist churches stand in a direct line of succession from New Testament times to its source. Also the circumstances accounting for its popularity are described.

They Changed My China by Molly Wong; Broadman Press, copyright 1970.

The author became a labor slave to the Communists when they first occupied Shanghai and was insulted by them because she was of the Christian faith and had a college education. Then Molly Wong escaped to Hong Kong, a British Colony. In this book she gives a firsthand report of her encounters under the Communist takeover in China.

Simple Sermons On Heaven, Hell And Judgment by W. Herschel Ford; Zondervan Publishing House, copyright 1969.

The contents of this book are messages the author used as sermons while still in the pastorate. Through his studies he found "Heaven, Hell and Judgment" inextricably interwoven throughout the structure of Scriptures. All the messages are designed to convey information or to explain difficult to understand passages.



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concept of missions means so much to me. Likewise, I deeply appreciate your ministry there in Kentucky.

As together we face 1972 and its challenges, let me take this means of expressing appreciation for your encouragement and support during the past year. We are grateful for the generous space you have made available for reporting the work of this agency. Atlanta, Ga. Arthur B. Rutledge

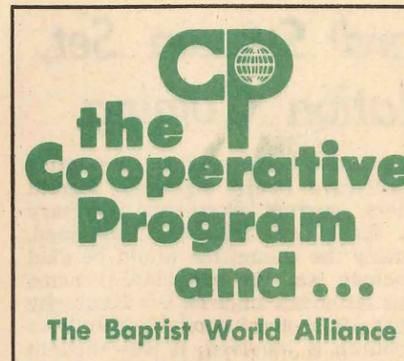
The Cooperative Program is the backbone not only of the Southern Baptist Convention and all its agencies but of the Baptist World Alliance as well. The Cooperative Program sup-

By Robert S. Denny,
General Secretary, BWA

plies 54 percent of the operating budget of the Baptist World Alliance. While Southern Baptists contribute the largest amount several other Baptist groups give more per capita.

What does this money go for? For what is it used? It is used to extend the work of Southern Baptists to "all" the world. The Baptist World Alliance touches 120 countries.

In the study commissions of the Baptist World Alliance, the mission executives of Southern Baptists discuss with mission executives from other Baptist



groups the total missionary endeavor for the entire world. Leaders learn from each other, share with each other and cooperate with each other on a voluntary basis. Thus they can be efficient in expending the mission dollars which are entrusted to them.

The same procedure of cross fertilization of ideas takes place in the field of evangelism, religious liberty, Christian education, communications, Baptist doctrine and theological discussions.

It was the seed bed of the Baptist World Alliance which brought about the European Baptist Federation, the North American Baptist Fellowship, the African Fellowship, the Latin Fellowship and the Asian Fellowship.

A few years ago evangelistic fires broke out in Brazil and from there spread to North America and to the rest of the world through the channels of the Baptist World Alliance.

When crises arise in any part of the world, it is through channels of the Baptist World Alliance that Baptists can help each other. Thus, we sometimes want to add to a familiar hymn, "Bless be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love and service."

World Baptist Membership Set At 31,432,130

Baptist churches in 115 countries have a total membership of 31,432,130, the Baptist World Alliance reported in Washington, D.C.

The membership tabulation compiled by the Alliance showed a gain of 390,493 over a year ago, with increases in every continent except Asia and Europe.

Churches in North America, where the largest concentration of Baptists live, showed a gain of 290,000 members to a total 27.5 million.

Membership in Africa increased by 70,000 to a current 808,266; and churches in South America reported membership increases of 50,000 to a total of 442,859.

C. E. Bryant, associate secretary of the alliance, explained that the decreases for Asia membership (from 1,138,948 to 1,079,471) reflect an arbitrary editorial change deleting a figure of 123,000 which has been carried for mainland China since 1951. A footnote on the new chart indicates 123,000 was the "last report" from Baptists in China but does not include the total in the tabulation.

A decrease in the European total from 1,170,114 to 1,161,606, a drop of 9,508, is in keeping with a general decline in the membership of all free churches in Europe, Bryant noted. The figures do not include, however, an undetermined number of Baptists in Russia who are members of an unregistered group of Baptists (called Initiative Baptists) which is outside the

550,000 member All Union Council of Evangelical Christians-Baptists.

In addition to the 115 countries for which membership figures are listed, the chart shows 15 countries where Baptists are known to live but where no statistics are available. (BP)

S'Western Seminary Given \$500,000

Nine years ago, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Jackson of Lubbock deeded two pieces of west Texas property to Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth, Texas, through the Baptist Foundation of Texas.

Little did they know that today that property would net the seminary nearly a half-million dollars.

One of the tracts of land, a 177 acre farm in Hockley County, was sold in 1963 for \$78,500 shortly after it was given to the seminary. The proceeds were used to construct a building in the Student Village.

The other piece of property was a 160 acre tract in Lubbock County. Later the city of Lubbock extended its boundaries to include the acreage. The value of the land multiplied and was sold last fall for \$400,000.

That amount, less closing costs and expenses, is now part of the permanent endowment of the seminary. The combined benefit of the two pieces of property was \$478,500.

"When we began thinking about our will, our thoughts centered on the seminary and we decided our investment there would be the most profitable mission work we could do," Jackson said. "We've never regretted our decision and are completely happy in it." (BP)

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Special Executive Board Session Set, Exec.-Sec. Recommendation Coming

Kentucky Baptist Convention president Harold Wainscott of Owensboro has called a special meeting of the state Executive Board at the Severns Valley Baptist Church in Elizabethtown. The meeting will be held at 11:00 a.m. local time on Friday, February 25.

The meeting was called at the request of the committee to recommend a new executive secretary. According to John Huffman, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Mayfield and chairman of the special committee, a recommendation for the office of executive secretary will be made for consideration by the executive board.

However, the name of the candidate is not being officially released prior to

the executive board session. In a letter to Executive Board members, Harold Sanders, current executive secretary for Kentucky Baptists, explained, "Frankly the committee would be glad to include his (the candidate's) name in this letter but since he is a Kentucky Baptist pastor and his relationship with his church is involved, it was thought best not to officially print his name here (in the letter announcing the board meeting)."

In a telephone interview, Huffman explained that this was a case of a job seeking a man. "When you do this," he stated, "you have to abide by some of the conditions of the person you are seeking."

Sanders, who has served as executive secretary since 1961, is scheduled to retire in August.

Wheels were set in motion in November of 1970 to secure a replacement when then KBC president Sidney Maddox of Hopkinsville appointed a 25 member committee to study the office of executive secretary and to make recommendations for the office.

The following May, a new job description was proposed by the committee and adopted by the Executive Board. Since that time the committee has been seeking a person to fill the office.

Baptist Laymen Form Corporation For Elderly Housing

Baptist Towers, a 17 story apartment building for the elderly, is scheduled to be completed about June 1 and applications for occupants are being processed now, according to H. C. Banks, president of Baptist Towers, Inc. Construction of the 199 unit complex began in November, 1970, on the west side of Second Street, between Kentucky and Walnut Streets.

The 199 units will consist of 102 efficiency apartments and 97 one bedroom

apartments. Sponsors of the project are Walnut Street Baptist laymen who formed a non-profit corporation known as Baptist Towers, Inc. There are no legal nor financial obligations to the project on the part of Walnut Street Baptist Church though all members of the corporation are members of the church.

The project is being financed entirely by a government loan and the total cost will be just under \$2,500,000. All units will be equipped with wall to wall carpeting, draperies, electric stoves and refrigerators. These along with heating and air conditioning will be provided for the rental price of \$84 a month for the efficiency apartments and \$110 for the one bedroom apartments or 25% of the applicant's income, whichever is greater. The annual income of occupants may not exceed \$4,555 for a single person and \$5,400 for a couple. The minimum age for ap-

plicants is 62, but one member of a married couple may be younger. Applicants need not be retired to qualify for residency.

Banks said planning for the project began in 1965 when a group of Walnut Street Baptist laymen surveyed the housing needs for persons over 62 and discovered many wanted to have comfortable, independent living and be near churches, restaurants, shopping centers and transportation. The group also wanted the project to be a significant contribution to the revitalization of historic Old Louisville.

Those interested in renting one of the apartments should make application immediately. This can be done by writing Baptist Towers, Inc., 220 West St. Catherine Street, Louisville, Kentucky 40203, for an application form. Requests for application forms can also be made by telephone. Numbers to call are (502) 584-4585 or (502) 458-8103.



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