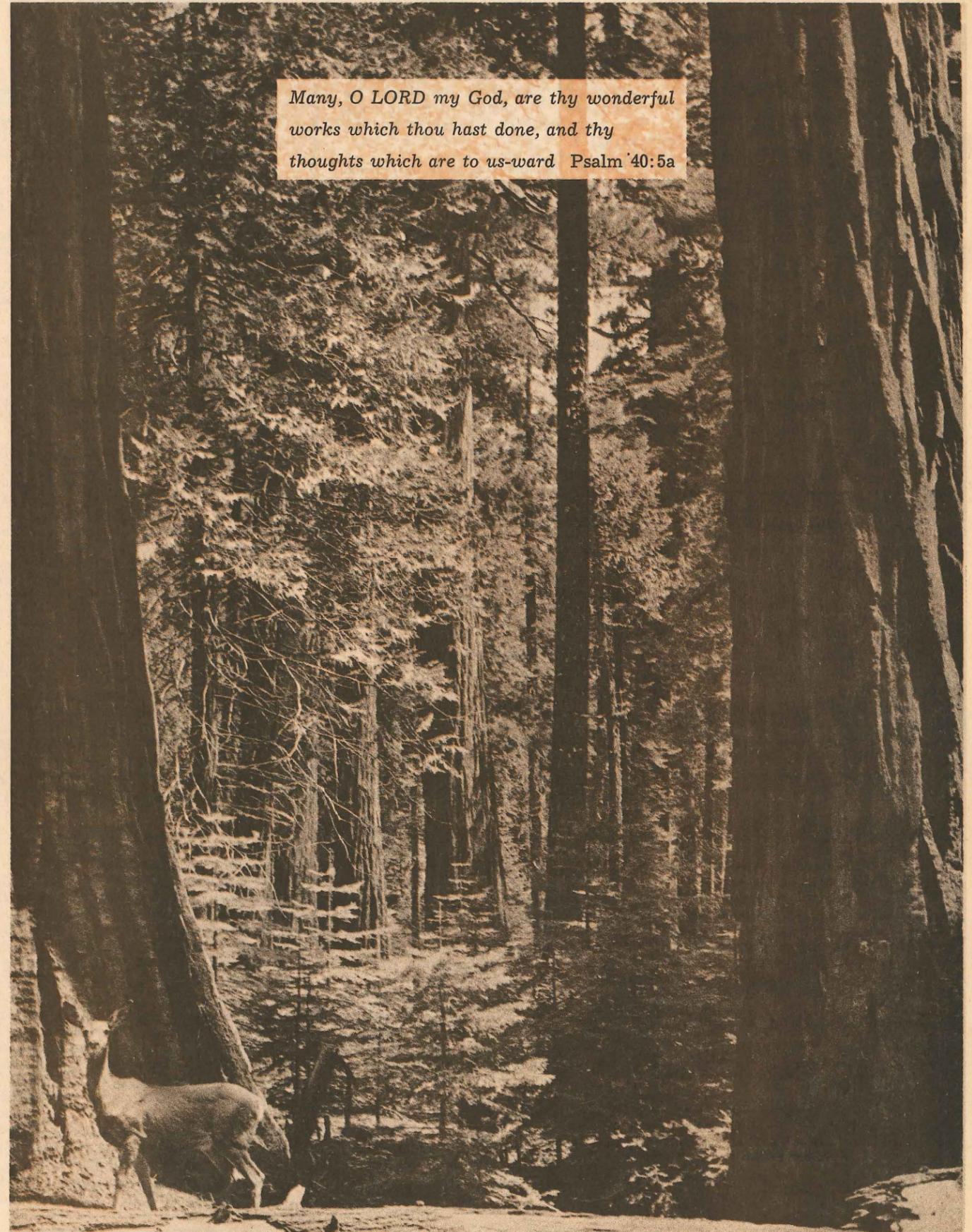


*Many, O LORD my God, are thy wonderful
works which thou hast done, and thy
thoughts which are to us-ward Psalm 40:5a*



Staff Changes



Mrs. Streible

Atkinson

Bethlehem Baptist Church, Louisville, has two additions to its full-time staff. **Howard Atkinson** of Paducah, Kentucky, has assumed the duties of minister of education. He is a graduate of Cumberland College. Atkinson came to Bethlehem after serving as pastor of Paintlick Baptist Church, near Warsaw, Kentucky. **Mrs. Joan Streible** is now director of children's education for the church. She has attended Georgetown College and has had training in kindergarten and children's work.

Theodore Hodge recently began employment at Kentucky Baptist Hospital as staff chaplain. Prior to this position, he worked at Ebenezer Baptist Church in Naruna, Virginia, where he was pastor for two years.



Hodge

Hodge has a BA degree in English from Carson-Newman College, Jefferson City, Tennessee, and a master's degree from Southern Seminary, Louisville, where he is now working toward his doctorate.

Hodge is married to the former Beverly Tissiot. The couple has two children, Jeff, 3 years, and Chris, 15 months.

Gary Holder resumed his duties as associate pastor of Crabtree Avenue Baptist Church in Owensboro, Daviess-McLean Association, on October 1, 1973. Buddy Maddux is pastor of Crabtree Avenue.

Holder comes to Crabtree from Highland Baptist Church in Henderson. He will receive his degree in music from the University of Evansville in the spring.

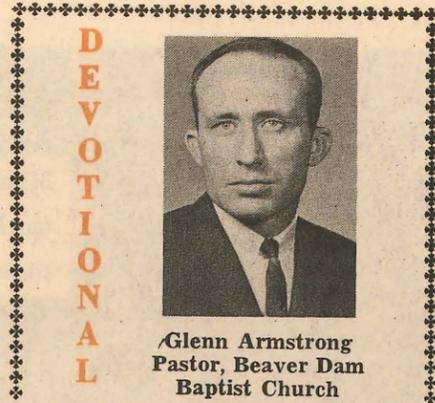
Bill W. Mathis has been appointed vice president-systems by Baptist Hospitals, Inc., which operates hospitals in Lexington, Louisville and Paducah. He joined the hospital group as its first director of systems in 1969. During this period he directed the innovative design and establishment of Kentucky's only shared real-time computing center for hospitals. In this network the Baptist hospitals in Lexington, Louisville and Paducah utilize one computer, sharing its capabilities via telephone lines. In addition to continuing the development of the shared data center, he will be responsible for establishing management systems engineering functions in all the Baptist hospitals.

Mathis' undergraduate degree is from Samford University. He earned the master of business administration at the University of Louisville.

Church Chuckles by CARTWRIGHT



"That one is definitely you!"



Glenn Armstrong
Pastor, Beaver Dam
Baptist Church

Living In The Now

Philippians 4:11

I recall sometime in my past seeing a movie. I have long since forgotten its title. One scene in that movie made a lasting impression. A group of Marines waited tensely for the enemy to approach. Foggy darkness covered the land. Frogs croaked. Men nervously glanced at their watches. One man said to another, "Sarge, did you ever stop to think how much of your life is spent waiting?"

It set me to thinking. So much of my life to that point had been spent waiting — waiting to start to school, waiting to get my driver's license, waiting to graduate, waiting to get out of military service, waiting to get married, waiting to get out of college, waiting to get out of seminary — waiting to live. The present was time which had to be endured beyond which life would really begin. "In a few years," one says, "I'll retire. I'll build a new home. I'll do some of the things I have always wanted to do. I'll have time to enjoy my family. Then I'll really live." But, in so many cases, those dreams are nullified by an unexpected coronary attack, a debilitating illness, or the loss of a loved one.

Others live in the past, feasting on a diet of memories. Some allow the mistakes and failures of the past to hang around their neck like an albatross, marring any possibility of happiness in the present.

The lesson: The past is forever gone. There is nothing we can do to change it. The future is not yet ours, nor do we have any assurance that it will be. The present is all we have. We must live life to the fullest now!

To live in the now, we must take Paul's advice. We must forget the past, be content with the present, and commit the future to God.

Informed Baptists depend on
WESTERN RECORDER

COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR —

32-Million Baptists Join In Reconciliation Program

(Joseph B. Underwood, consultant in evangelism and church development for Southern Baptists' foreign mission outreach, is general chairman of the World Mission of Reconciliation Through Jesus Christ, a program of the Baptist World Alliance.—Editor.)

Question: What is the World Mission of Reconciliation Through Jesus Christ?

Answer: It is a concerted, cooperative endeavor of the Baptists of the world to proclaim in word and deed the gospel of Jesus Christ to all people, seeking to demonstrate through varied and positive ministries of reconciliation the redemptive love of God.

Q.: You say it is a concerted endeavor of the Baptists of the world. How many Baptists are involved?

A.: Ninety-eight Baptist conventions representing 32-million Baptists in 85 countries of the world have voted their participation in the Mission of Reconciliation.

Q.: What are the objectives of this world movement?

A.: Primarily they can be summarized under four points: (1) To lead men to faith in and commitment to Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord. (2) To lead believers to discover and use their abilities (vocations, influence, knowledge, skills) in dynamic witnessing and service. (3) To bring out the reconciliation of men with men by leading them to become reconciled with God through Jesus Christ. (4) To help create a new society, characterized by the practice of the gospel, living in righteousness, justice and Christ-like love.

Q.: Wherein do those objectives differ from the continuing mission of the churches?

A.: That is a good question. Actually, they are an expression of the continuing ministry of the churches and of every Christian. That's why I often refer to the World Mission of Reconciliation as "not a campaign — but a way of life!"

Yet the World Mission does focus attention on this primary mission, and it challenges Baptists to a new study of and commitment to the supreme mission of the churches.

Q.: If that is so, then what is happening among Baptists of the world?

A.: Some very exciting things are happening. Many who were reluctant in the beginning are now enthusiastic in their plans and actions. Some who had reservations about any special evangelistic efforts are now encouraging the training of every church member for continuous personal witnessing, and are planning special evangelistic efforts to inspire the practice of both personal and mass evangelism.

Others have set special goals — such as doubling the attendance in Bible classes and in the worship services during the three years — 1973-1975. Some have set extremely challenging goals for the establishment of new Bible study fellowships in the homes or in mission points. Some are planning to double the number of churches. Others have a more modest goal but goals that are challenging for their own situations.

Many are conducting inter-racial fellowships in homes, in churches, in other meeting places, seeking to break down barriers of misunderstanding and distrust. Others are going into communities, or sections of their community where no church is witnessing and beginning various types of minis-

try. Others have been led to open their churches to people of all races and classes in a fuller manner than they have ever done before.

These are a few of many encouraging and fruitful happenings already beginning to be multiplied throughout the world.

Q.: What plan have you suggested to Baptists of the world for their involvement?

A.: No uniform plan has been proposed. From the first it was agreed that Baptists in each country would be absolutely free to choose and develop the plans most appropriate to their particular circumstances and psychology.

Q.: You mentioned mass evangelism. Are any evangelistic campaigns being planned?

A.: Oh, yes, in a number of countries extraordinary evangelistic campaigns have been planned. For example, Nigeria. Baptists of Nigeria have been experiencing spiritual awakening that already has resulted in the baptism of more people than ever before during the last two years. They resolved to enlarge on these opportunities for Christ in a very special way.

Their plans call for three weeks of special evangelistic endeavor in each of 17 regions. One week is dedicated to the training of church members in personal witnessing. The second week involves members from churches in a wide area joining with the members of churches in the largest city of the region in person-to-person witnessing and in a central evangelistic campaign. The third week involves simultaneous evangelistic campaigns in the churches of the whole region.

In the first of these campaigns — Agbor — there were more than 1,600 first-time decisions to trust Christ as Saviour and Lord.

Q.: What is needed with reference to the World Mission of Reconciliation Through Jesus Christ?

A.: First of all, awareness.

Baptists need to be aware of this World Mission of Reconciliation in which Baptists of the world are actively involved. They need to be aware that as they share in the plans of evangelism and ministry they are vitally involved with Baptists of 98 conventions in 85 countries.

More than awareness is needed, however, and that is a plan of action.

A possible emphasis is "Share His Love Now," giving suggestions for action within the churches and by groups and individuals within the community. Another is "Life Style Evangelism," training and involving church members in a new life style of witnessing.

One of the most exciting aspects of the World Mission of Reconciliation is the major emphasis being given throughout the world on training every church member for personal evangelism. Think what could happen if 32 million Baptists in the world really began to practice dynamic witnessing in their jobs and in all their relationships!

"Love thy neighbor" is an effort to minister and witness to people of special need or circumstance in ways that will demonstrate God's reconciling love. Plans are suggested for using the skills and abilities that God has entrusted to his people as avenues of service and witness.

One thinks of the many who suffer from loneliness — of

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WESTERN RECORDER

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

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The Governor's Prayer Breakfast

We came away from the Governor's Prayer Breakfast on October 16, thoroughly impressed with the positive Christian emphasis of the gathering and practically awed by the keynote speaker, Senator Harold Hughes of Iowa. We were not accustomed to hearing a United States Senator declare that after teaching a high school boy's Sunday School class, singing in the church choir, attending national denominational conventions and being friend and counsel to minister and bishop, he was still dissatisfied with his relationship to God. The three term Iowa Governor declared that he had missed the simple truth of the Scriptures, "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart and with all thy soul and with all thy heart... and thy neighbor as thyself."

Realizing this truth, he said, turned his life around. "Since then," he said, "I've tried to grow spiritually and I've come to know Christ personally as my Savior. I've tried to develop a discipline in my life and to permit God to direct me. I'm not saying for a minute that politics is not important. But for me I am convinced that what is important is a personal experience of Jesus Christ which will lead men and women to realize that their first objective is to serve God."

Hughes, assistant majority whip of the Senate, recently announced his decision not to seek reelection in 1974. "I have been in public service for 15 years

Bob Terry
Acting Editor

now and if I ran again for the U. S. Senate another six years would reduce the number of years I would have left to devote my full time to leading others to Christ."

The tone for Hughes address was set by the opening prayer offered by Kentucky's senior senator Marlow Cook. The prayer, for this writer was a moving experience as Cook gave thanks to God for Jesus Christ and for salvation through belief in Him. Other program personalities were just as pointed in their Scripture readings and prayers. Vague references to an almighty being, the usual course for an interdenominational prayer gathering, were out. Acknowledgement of our salvation through Jesus Christ was in.

After the Prayer Breakfast former Kentucky governor and United States senator Earl Clements was reminiscing about his days in office. "I'm sorry I didn't start something like this a long time ago," he said. "There are just too many decisions that you have to make every day. We need help in making those decisions. We need God."

Kentucky Governor Wendell Ford is to be congratulated for initiating this first annual Governor's Prayer Breakfast. We believe that its coming in the midst of a major moral crises in government reflects the Governor's desire to be directed by God in the crucial days ahead, especially as the legislature gathers in Frankfort to ponder and decide our commonwealth's future.

Power Of The People

Anyone doubting the political power of the American citizens has only to relive the past two weeks to see that the people still ultimately control the policies followed by this country's government. The case in point is the dismissal of special Watergate prosecutor Archibald Cox by President Nixon. The decision that met with such adverse public reaction, President Nixon was forced to turn over the Whitehouse tapes to the courts.

This is not an attempt to debate the merits of President Nixon's arguments nor those of Special

Bob Terry
Acting Editor

Prosecutor Cox. Neither do we wish to discuss the political questions involved in the matter. Our purpose is simply to observe that the American people expressed a feeling so intensely that the President was forced to take a step he had resisted for months, turning over the Whitehouse tapes to the courts.

Evidently, what the public demands, the public gets. The truth of this axiom was demonstrated in Louisville a few months ago when a few hundred persons circulated a petition and got a television sta-

tion to alter its daytime format and reinstate a cancelled hour long variety show. And those working with newspapers know that "news" is largely determined by readers as they decide what information they will accept and what they will reject.

In our Baptist churches and denominational life the same principle proves true. There is no hierarchy that makes decisions and hands down edicts to the church members or convention messengers. Instead every motion or resolution is weighed on its own merits and the people decide what policies will be followed and what actions taken.

But a certain amount of cynicism may have engulfed us related to governmental decisions. Perhaps we have been so conditioned by special interest and lobbying groups that we expect behind the scenes manipulation to be of more influence than honest expression of public sentiment. If so, the past two weeks should be reassuring as we see again the impact of American public opinion.

Political scientist have long contended that gov-

ernment is an accurate reflection of what the people want and expect. Iowa Senator Harold Hughes supported this contention at the Governor's Prayer Breakfast October 16, when he stated, "The government will not make the decisions that are necessary unless the people set higher standards and demand these decisions. We raked across the world with our misuse of power. We are raping our natural resources for private profit and the government will not solve these problems until the people require it."

If these contentions be true, then as Christians we must accept some of the responsibility for the conditions of our cities, counties, state and nation. But as Christians we must also accept some of the responsibilities for the solution of the problems confronting us. As Senator Hughes implied, as Christians we must be among those demanding that our elected officials, local, state and national, make the "necessary decisions." Better yet, with elections Tuesday, we can begin by helping elect officials with the moral courage and the faith in God to stand for what is right.

BAPTIST FORUM



DISLIKES GUEST EDITORIAL

Dear Editor:

It was indeed "Sad and Shocking" to read your guest editorial on page 5, 10-27-73. I deeply regret that our Baptist weekly sees fit to sit in judgment and imply guilt in this manner.

I have spent so much time, lately, writing letters to congressmen and other government officials that I didn't think there was energy left for another. I feel certain that this letter, likewise, will prove futile, and that the *Western Recorder* will most likely continue to echo the rantings of the mainstream press — even if the attitude projected by you is somewhat more subdued and less hostile than, say, the *Courier-Journal*.

As I say, I simply do not have the energy left to enter into a lengthy presentation of all the facts as I see them. I would, however, ask that you study the last paragraph of a letter to Elliott Richardson. Therein, I feel, is part of the key to this puzzle, if you are interested in contemplating the other side of the coin.

Harlan, Kentucky King Rice

(A few months ago we foolishly mused at the plight of the liberals. Not even

the press could afford to hint that Spiro Agnew was even remotely connected with Watergate. So, if they removed Nixon, look who would take his place! How could this be tolerated? The answer is now abundantly clear.

Last paragraph of letter to Elliott Richardson.)

ABORTION NEEDED

Dear Editor:

William R. Hagan notes in his recent letter (*Baptist Forum*, October 13) of seeing a picture of a 21-week old fetus "brutally killed by abortion."

I, too, have seen a picture related to this issue: a photograph of a young woman whose death resulted from the aftereffects of an illegal abortion. Denied hospital access, she was forced to have her pregnancy terminated in a motel room by an unqualified person using grossly inadequate equipment. It is not very pleasant to think about, but women will continue to seek abortions by whatever means available — and continue to die — as long as unwanted pregnancies occur. Are we to deny them access to proper medical facilities simply because we feel a fetus has a right to life? Isn't our morality

askew if we allow adult women to die in this fashion?

I personally have doubt in my own mind about when life begins; abortion is not an easy issue for me, yet I feel it is beyond the realm of church edict or state legislation. A woman and her doctor should be able privately to conclude if the rights of the unborn are greater than the needs of those already living.

Studies in New York, where abortion has been legal for three years, indicate that a clear majority of those having legal abortions would have had illegal ones if that were the only alternative. Truly, there are more sides to this issue than Mr. Hagan is willing to confront. Until contraceptive knowledge is so widespread that unwanted pregnancies never occur, the best alternative Christians can support is not a right to life amendment, but an atmosphere of love where each woman can make a decision concerning abortion in the light of her own conscience and experience with God.

As a final note, I would hope that in the future all males (Mr. Hagan and myself included) would abstain from legislative and other decision-making activities (such as convention resolutions) on abortion. How can we tell women how to care for their bodies when we ourselves will never have to confront the possibility of an unwanted pregnancy?

Austin, Texas Jack Marcum

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HMB Appoints New Missionaries

The Southern Baptist home missions force of more than 2,200 received another boost with the appointment of 26 missionaries and missionary associates.

The 13 men and 13 women work on mission fields across the U.S. under the joint appointment of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board and the state Baptist conventions in which they serve.

Career missionaries are as follows:

Duane and Edith Highlander serve in Chattanooga, Tennessee, where he directs Christian social ministries for Hamilton County Baptist Association and the Baptist center.

An Alderson, West Virginia, native, he is a graduate of Temple Baptist Seminary in Chattanooga. She is a native of Paducah, Kentucky.

Donald and Peggy Pinkerton, Asheville, North Carolina, natives, serve in the New South River Baptist Association, Fayetteville, North Carolina, where he directs Christian social ministries. He is a graduate of Western Carolina University, Cullowhee, North Carolina, and Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Wake Forest, North Carolina.

A Detroit native, Joyce Mitchell directs Priscilla Hall, a Baptist mission center in her hometown. She holds a BA degree from Wayne State University, Detroit, and an MRE degree from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky.

Larry Baldrige is pastor and director of weekday ministries at Caney Creek Church, Pippa Passes, Kentucky. A native of Hueysville, Kentucky, he holds degrees from the University of Kentucky, Lexington, the University of Louisville and Southern Seminary.

Baldrige's wife, Martha Sue, the daughter of retired Southern Baptist missionaries to Brazil, James and Nelle Lingerfelt, is a graduate of Carson-Newman College, Jefferson City, Tennessee, and Southern Seminary. Appointed missionary associate by the Home Mission Board in 1965, her status has been changed to missionary.

Appointed to El Portal (California) Baptist Mission, Kenneth and Shirley Brooks are natives of Las Cruces, New Mexico, and Purcell, Oklahoma, respectively.

Both hold degrees from the University of Oklahoma at Norman. He also is a graduate of Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary, Mill Valley, California.

William and Wilma Bell are pastoral missionaries serving the First Baptist Church of Cucamonga, California. A Muldoon, Texas, native, William is a graduate of Hardin-Simmons University, Abilene, Texas, and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas. Wilma is a native of Haskel, Texas.

Thomas and Barbara Davidson serve in Warren, Ohio, where he is superintendent of missions. A graduate of Georgetown College, Georgetown, Kentucky, and Southern Seminary, he is a native of Catliffe, Ky. Barbara is a native of Newcomb, Tennessee.

The missionary associates are as follows:

Delbert and Barbara Penrod, to serve in Springfield, Illinois; Domingo and Dolores Ozuna, Chicago, Illinois; Antonio and Margarita Ramos, Miami, Florida; Manuel and Ivette Alonso, Tampa, Florida; Fred Everson, Oakland, California; German and Gloria Ballesteros, San Antonio, Texas; David and Marisa Lages, Fort Worth. (BP)

Funeral Preaching



FRANKLIN OWEN

Executive Secretary, Kentucky Baptist Convention

A young man, doing some work on the furnace at our house, stated that he had recently heard the best sermon that he ever heard at a funeral. Mrs. Owen opined that possibly this is where the best sermons are preached. I concur in this. I believe it is where I have done my best preaching.

The spirit of the occasion brings a solemnity, a seriousness of mind, a consideration of such questions as eternity, immortality, rewards and punishments, judgment, heaven, hell, promises of God, et cetera.

It is awfully difficult to get the ear of people. The pressure of modern life is tremendous. We worshippers so often go hurriedly to church without succeeding in closing the world out and without achieving real concentration on eternal things.

When we go to the funerals of people we love the shock is great enough to get our attention. The scriptures often say "He that hath an ear, let him hear," (Revelation 2:7) and I suspect the funeral is the occasion on which most of us have the best spiritual ears.

The funeral occasion also has its effect on the minister who tries to bring a message. Most often he knew and loved the deceased and is moved to his best thought and feeling about death and attendant subjects. A great minister of the past, wasn't it Philip Brooks, said that "Preaching is in some measure pouring back in the form of a flood the inspiration received from one's audience in the form of a mist." To whatever degree this is true then the attentiveness of the people at the funeral setting is a further help to a preacher.

As late as when I entered the ministry it was still common to have large funerals. Many people attended. It was a less hurried world. The custom of dropping by and getting one's name on the book at the funeral home instead of attending the funeral had not become popular.

Now people go to funerals in very, very small numbers. Seems like we can't stop the wheels anymore, not even for the death of our friends. Also, the preaching of a funeral sermon and dealing with these great doctrines at funerals is no longer stylish. Let it be a very short, pleasant talk; especially short, please! (I'm out of space. We'll continue the subject next week unless some priority cuts in; if so, still later.)

—Frank Owen

Williamstown Music Director Earns New Award

By Larry High

Enriched opportunities for employment are often the only criteria given by many people for returning to school after an extended absence from the academic world. Colleges and universities across the nation are receiving an ever increasing number of applications for admission from former students. But the chance to move up the employment ladder is not the only reason some people return to academia.

A housewife in Dry Ridge has completed several music courses at schools in Kentucky and Ohio for the sole purpose of "keeping abreast of the changing times." Even though Mrs. Homer V. Rouse has attended and completed courses at the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music she treasures a degree earned from the Baptist Sunday School Board.

Last February Mrs. Rouse was awarded the Distinguished Christian Leadership Diploma in the new church study course of the BSSB. According to Eugene F. Quinn, KBC church music department director, "As far as I know, Ann Rouse is the first person in Kentucky to receive the Distinguished Christian Leadership Diploma. I haven't even gotten it yet," he concluded.

That should make Mrs. Rouse even more pleased with her accomplishment. "I wanted to be the first to receive the DCL award so I worked especially hard at getting it," she said.

The effort to earn the degree is demanding but for Mrs. Rouse it became even more difficult. During her course of study for the degree she was hospitalized for a detached eye retina. "It might not have been so bad," Mrs. Rouse said, "except that while I was hospitalized and at home recovering the doctor wouldn't let me do any reading. I was worried all the while that Mr. Quinn would beat me in getting the diploma. We had a race to see who could earn it first," she explained.

Mrs. Rouse defends the time she spends in study by replying, "there is so much new material to learn and I feel I should know it if I plan to do an effective job at my church."

She has been choir director and organist at the Williamstown Baptist Church in Williamstown for "so long that I can't even remember when I began to play there."

"I do remember the first time I ever played a piano in a church," she reminisced. "I was so scared I couldn't see the notes because I was crying so hard. But my mother made me play



AT HOME — In the living room of her home Mrs. Rouse practices on her new instrument, a deep, rich sounding organ. Within the same room she has a large grand piano and numerous other instruments, including a violin. Mrs. Rouse said she practices often so she can present new arrangements to the church choir.

for the people so I wouldn't be afraid the next time," she added.

Mrs. Rouse's mother, Mrs. Anna Clinkscales, 87, taught her how to sing and play the piano and in turn Mrs. Rouse taught her six brothers and sisters. Today while Mrs. Rouse plays the organ in church her sister is across the aisle playing the piano.

"My mother is now at a nursing home in Georgetown," she said, "but she still plays for the people from her wheelchair."

Her desire to learn more about music programs has driven Mrs. Rouse to work through the Sunday School Board's study courses for several years. Prerequisites to the DCL award included the Church Music Diploma and the Church Leadership Award.

Although Mrs. Rouse is constantly urged by neighboring churches to be their organist she has remained at Williamstown as a volunteer. "Other churches are always asking me to become their organist and some of the salaries mentioned are tempting, but I stay at Williamstown without pay because that's my church and I just couldn't take their money," she said.

For over 30 years Mrs. Rouse gave piano and organ instructions to pupils. "I finally gave it up and now I teach my grandchildren only," she said. "There just got to be so many pupils that I was working much harder than they were and it started to get to me. At one time I had 52 pupils a week to teach," she reported.

Despite her extensive training in music and her sincere dedication Mrs. Rouse quickly points out "this is a talent I didn't ask the Lord for, He gave it to me and without Him I am nothing. It is my responsibility to use this gift the best I can and glorify His name with it," she said.

"Mrs. Rouse is one of the most consistent church music leaders we've had the pleasure to be associated with over the years," according to Quinn. "She has led her church in an outstanding way as a volunteer musician," he said.

It doesn't cost a lot of money to hire a musician to play organ and direct church choirs. The Williamstown congregation enjoys some of the finest music they've ever heard and it doesn't cost them anything.

NEWSGRAM

Cooperative Program Receipts

FOR THE MONTH CLOSING OCTOBER 24, 1973

	1973	1972
Cooperative Program Receipts (Oct.)	\$427,300.43	\$289,628.13
Goal to date this year	750,000.00	716,666.66
To date this convention year	681,490.39	502,986.71
Under goal	68,509.61	213,679.95
To date this time last year	502,986.71	493,415.63
Increase	178,503.68	9,571.06
Percentage increase	35.49%	.019%

NEEDED EACH MONTH TO REACH GOAL\$375,000.00

Revival Reports

The Jack Sherman Evangelist Team held a weekend revival September 28-30 at Bruner's Chapel Baptist Church in Rose Hill, Kentucky. Five professions of faith and many rededications were reported.

The Parrish Avenue Baptist Church of Owensboro held revival on September 16-23. Evangelist for the revival was Wade Clemons of Morristown, Tennessee. Doyle Eddings, minister of music of Ninth and O Baptist Church, Louisville, led the singing. Pastor L. C. Gray reported 95 decisions: 47 professions of faith, 45 rededications and 3 additions by letter.

First Baptist Church, Leitchfield, held revival recently. They reported 191 decisions. Ninety-three of the decisions were professions of faith. Harold Tallant of Louisville was the evangelist. The pastor of First Church, Leitchfield, is George W. Smith.

Lockport Baptist Church, Henry County, held a revival October 7-12. Bernard Toppings of Clinton, Tennessee, was the evangelist. Pastor Houston Jackson reported five professions of faith and 11 rededications.

Parlor Grove Baptist Church, Lincoln County, held a revival October 1-7. They reported 10 professions of faith, 10 additions by letter and over 30 rededications. The evangelist was Raymond Long, pastor of the Bethel Baptist Church, Harrodsburg. Lynn Hughes of Georgetown was the minister of music. Pastor of Parlor Grove Church is Fred Conaster.

Stonelick Baptist Church of Maysville, Bracken Association, held revival October 1-13. Jim Murphy, pastor of Immanuel Baptist Mission, Cynthia, Kentucky, was the evangelist. Pastor Tom Prather reported four professions of faith and 22 rededications.

Simpsonville Baptist Church in Shelby County will hold revival services November 5-11. Evangelist will be Charles Harris, pastor of Bashford Manor Baptist Church in Louisville. Richard E. Magallon will lead the music. James A. Atchley is pastor of the Simpsonville church. Services begin nightly at 7:30 p.m.

Revivals were recently conducted in the First Baptist Church, Ludlow, and the Latonia Baptist Church by evangelist Bill Burkett of Birmingham. Burkett is a native of Kentucky and has been pastor of several Kentucky churches.

COOPERATIVE PROGRAM GIFTS —

Top Churches In Total Giving Listed

Church; Association, Pastor	1972-73
1. Severns Valley; Severns Valley, Verlin C. Kruschwitz	\$100,478.29
2. First, Owensboro; Daviess-McLean, David Nelson	53,248.90
3. First, Madisonville; Little Bethel, Harold J. Purdy	53,154.67
4. First, Somerset; Pulaski, Eldred Taylor	48,936.93
5. Third, Owensboro; Daviess-McLean, E. Keevil Judy (int.)	42,564.73
6. Harrodsburg; Mercer, Samuel Clelland Gash	32,699.79
7. First, Murray; Blood River, Richard Walker	31,963.86
8. Immanuel; Elkhorn, Ted R. Sisk, Jr.	31,956.45
9. Campbellsville; Taylor, Chester Badgett	31,456.11
10. Central; Boones Creek, Ron Stone	30,887.37
11. First, Ashland; Greenup, John M. Sykes	29,032.61
12. Unity; Greenup, Ira McMillen	28,592.42
13. First, Mayfield; Graves County, John Huffman	27,350.07
14. Crescent Hill; Long Run, John E. Howell	26,994.00
15. Second, Hopkinsville; Christian, John R. Christian	26,991.93
16. First, Central City; Muhlenberg, W. R. Cook	26,976.38
17. Versailles; Elkhorn, Henry D. Johns	26,522.81
18. Beechwood; Long Run, John Howard Hovde	26,086.52
19. First, Bowling Green; Warren, Rollin S. Burhans	25,511.35
20. Latonia; Northern Kentucky, Harold Wainscott	25,323.60
21. Rockford Lane; Long Run, David Askins	25,098.29
22. St. Matthews; Long Run, Alton McEachern	24,993.34
23. Calvary; Elkhorn, L. Reed Polk, Jr.	24,750.00
24. Georgetown; Elkhorn, Dan C. Moore	24,334.36
25. First, Franklin; Simpson, Eugene M. Fleming	22,675.60
26. First, Hopkinsville; Christian, Sidney Maddox	22,525.08
27. Broadway; Long Run, Edwin F. Perry	21,792.13
28. First, Greenville; Muhlenberg, David M. Gardner	21,414.64
29. Beechmont; Long Run	21,346.43
30. Valley View; Long Run	21,144.14
31. First, Russellville; Bethel, Glenn Sullivan	20,949.96
32. First, Shelbyville; Shelby, Fred T. Moffatt	19,494.27
33. Eaton Memorial; Daviess-McLean, Wilson L. Lofland	19,128.91
34. Florence; Northern Kentucky, J. William Jones	19,103.57
35. Erlanger; Northern Kentucky, Keith LaGeese	19,049.32
36. Harlan; Upper Cumberland, Earl S. Bell	19,033.12
37. First, Fulton; Fulton, James W. Best	17,548.36
38. First, Hodgenville; Severns Valley, Charles Ken. Hayes	17,273.95
39. First, Pikeville; Pike, Curtis H. Warf	16,988.91
40. Highview; Long Run, William Hancock	16,247.05
41. First, Frankfort; Franklin, Herman M. Bowers	16,190.63
42. Porter Memorial; Elkhorn, Albert E. Griffin	16,118.20
43. Buena Vista; Daviess-McLean, Archie Allison	16,111.36
44. Immanuel; West Union, Billy G. Hurt	15,977.27
45. Columbia; Russell Creek, Jerry D. Oakley	15,964.50
46. South Jefferson; Long Run, Donald Coleman	15,914.28
47. First, Winchester; Elkhorn, W. Wayne Price	15,896.05
48. Mt. Pisgah; Muhlenberg	15,792.45
49. Deer Park; Long Run, C. Carman Sharp	15,752.73
50. First, Leitchfield; Grayson County, George W. Smith	15,652.12

Awards Transfer Deadline Nears

Persons holding book awards earned between October 1, 1965, and January 1, 1970, will have until December 31, 1973, to receive two credits for each book award when they apply for one of the New Church Study Course (NCSC) diplomas, according to J. William Thompson, study course coordinator at the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board.

After January 1, 1974, only credits for courses in the current NCSC system can be used, he added. Requests for diplomas should be sent with evidence of

book awards or course credit slips to the Awards Office, Sunday School Board, 127 Ninth Avenue, North, Nashville, Tennessee 37234.

The NCSC became effective January 1, 1970. It consists of Christian Leadership Courses, Christian Development Courses and Foundational Units for boys and girls. The NCSC is sponsored by departments of the board's church services and materials division; Woman's Missionary Union; Brotherhood Commission; and respective departments in state Baptist conventions.

FOR 1972-73 —

Top Per Capita Giving Churches Listed

Church (Members), Association, Pastor	Per Cap.
1. Liberty (71), Caldwell	\$45.23
2. Severns Valley (2669), Severns Valley, Verlin C. Kruschwitz	37.64
3. Hardinsburg (246), Breckenridge, E. Rudy Patton	37.55
4. Mt. Pisgah (451), Muhlenberg	35.01
5. Beacon Hill (345), Pulaski, Ansel Kay Gambrell	33.97
6. Sidney Missionary (68), Pike, Lawrence R. Shipley	32.34
7. Pleasant Home (111), Ten Mile, Emery Gullion	30.07
8. Beechwood (920), Long Run, Howard Hovde	28.35
9. First, Somerset (1841), Pulaski, Eldred M. Taylor	26.58
10. Cecilia (322), Severns Valley, Arnold Moon	25.14
11. Mt. Pleasant (435), Logan, Roy Sears	24.29
12. Spring Bayou (380), West Union, Bob Jones	24.26
13. Highland Hills (231), Northern Kentucky, John W. Kruschwitz	24.00
14. 2nd, Greenville (562), Muhlenberg, John W. Brandon	23.55
15. First, Benton (643), West Union, Wm. G. Sullivan	22.96
16. Versailles (1160), Elkhorn, Henry D. Johns	22.90
17. Immanuel (387), Franklin, Malcolm G. Lunceford	22.87
18. Briensburg (463), Blood River, Calvin C. Wilkins	22.73
19. Cadiz (677), Little River, Louis Belva	22.71
20. Hurstbourne (489), Long Run, Wallace Deloach	22.50
21. Pleasant Hill (454), Taylor, Isadore Childers	22.22
22. Bethel (391), Mercer, Raymond Long	22.16
23. Moscow (99), West Kentucky, Charles Wiley	22.14
24. Henderson Memorial (403), Christian, Norris E. Smith	21.67
25. Oaklawn (688), West Union, Jack C. Naylor	21.41
26. Salem (271), Ohio River, Kenneth R. Hoots	21.40
27. Roland Memorial (244), Muhlenberg, James R. Doyle	21.32
28. First, Calvert City (578), Blood River, Jerome F. Brown	21.24
29. First, Owensboro (2515), Daviess-McLean, David A. Nelson	21.17
30. Long Branch (68), Laurel River	21.15
31. Woodland (151), Muhlenberg, Euin Hall	21.11
32. Locust Grove (198), Blood River, Jack Jones	21.06
33. Little Clifty (131), Grayson, James Humes	20.94
34. Eddy Creek (238), Caldwell, John H. Adams	20.80
35. Eaton Memorial (934), Daviess-McLean, Wilson L. Lofland	20.48
36. Burgin (571), Mercer, Harold A. Dann	20.25
37. Penrod (118), Muhlenberg, Wm. L. Cook	19.86
38. Vernal Grove (104), Muhlenberg, Fred Fox	19.63
39. Mt. Zion (63), Caldwell	19.50
40. Central (1585), Boones Creek, Ron Stone	19.48
41. Broadway (1124), Long Run, Edwin F. Perry	19.38
42. Macedonia (496), Daviess-McLean, R. Louis Rideout, Jr.	19.38
43. First, Leitchfield (815), Grayson, George W. Smith	19.20
44. First, Fulton (919), Fulton, James W. Best	19.09
45. Unity (1500), Greenup, Ira McMillen, Jr.	19.06
46. Olivet (533), West Union, David McMichael	19.05
47. First, Russellville (1106), Bethel, C. Glenn Sullivan	18.94
48. Chevy Chase (461), Elkhorn, Ralph Edsel Thomas	18.79
49. First, Greenville (1141), Muhlenberg, David M. Gardner	18.76
50. Mt. Gilboa (116), Taylor, L. D. Kennedy	18.75

Drama Groups Offered Audience

Drama groups looking for a ready-made audience will find it November 23-24 at Cedarmore Baptist Assembly during the Church Drama Conference.

Churches have been invited to send their youth groups who are interested in drama. Several groups have responded. Mic Morrow, associate in the KBC church training department, the sponsoring department, says there is still room on the program for groups wishing to perform. Plays, skits, monologues, choral readings, and other types of drama will make up the presentations.

The Church Drama Conference begins with lunch on Friday, November 23, and concludes Saturday afternoon, November 24. The cost for youth and youth counselors will be \$11.00 each. Youth groups will stay in the Youth Conference Center (Youth Dorm, cottages, and motels).

Reservations can be made by writing or call Cedarmore Baptist Assembly, Route 1, Bagdad, Kentucky 40001. Telephone number is 502/747-8911.

Additional information on the conference can be obtained by contacting Morrow at the Kentucky Baptist Building, Middletown.

Seminary Begins Fuller Scholarship

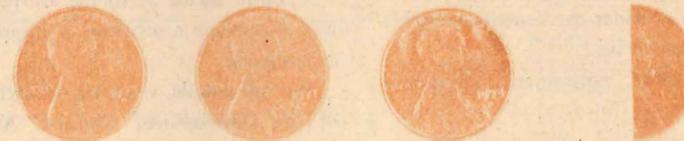
In an effort to assist Christian women in developing their talents for the ministry, the Women's Committee of Southern Seminary has established a new annual scholarship for entering female students.

The Elizabeth Fuller Scholarship, when fully endowed, will provide a \$500 scholarship annually to a new female student entering the seminary.

Elizabeth Fuller, a native of South Carolina, is the wife of the late Ellis Fuller, past president of Southern Seminary and former pastor of Atlanta's 100-year-old First Baptist Church. Mrs. Fuller was named the first executive secretary of the Women's Committee in 1961.

The Women's Committee hopes to sponsor more than one scholarship in the future. For each \$10,000 received in the scholarship fund a \$500 scholarship will be awarded by the committee.

Contributions to the Elizabeth Fuller Scholarship fund may be sent to the Treasurer's Office, 2825 Lexington Road, Louisville, Kentucky 40206.

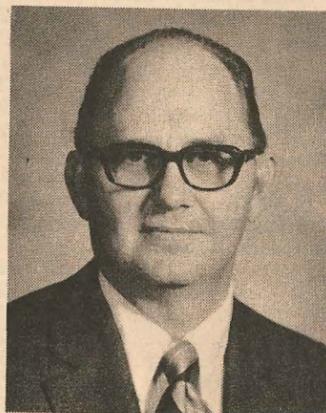


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Crucial decisions will be made. The very life of your church depends on how you spend the funds in the budget. One item that needs special consideration is salary compensation for your pastor, other ministers and church employes. How you budget for salary and benefits will affect each of them. Every church wants to do what is fair. Yet, a church can be unfair sometimes and not be aware of it.

As a former pastor, I know how your pastor and staff feel. Rising costs make paying bills hard on them too. I would like to suggest that your church consider

salary increases for each staff member.

Since 1967, inflation has jumped more than 25 per cent nationally. Predictions are that 1973 will register one of the steepest increases ever in the cost of living.

Remember further that Social Security tax for ministers also goes up. Every ordained minister by law must pay all of the Social Security tax himself.

Retirement and insurance programs are offered by the Annuity Board. If your church does not provide these plans for its employes, consider the benefits available. Both are hard to beat.

Since 1967, retirement, disability,

widow, and child benefits in the Protection Program have jumped considerably. Yet, dues costs have never increased. Not only do you help the minister, church staff, and their families, but you answer in advance the question — what should our church do if our pastor is disabled or must retire with inadequate benefits?

If your church participates now in the Protection Program, *make sure the dues are based on 10 per cent of total salary for all your staff.* It will take this and more when you consider what inflation will continue to do.

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For full details, write the Church Area of the Development Division, Annuity Board, SBC, 511 North Akard Building, Dallas, Texas 75201; or, contact the annuity secretary in your state convention office.

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Exec. Director Lackey Resigns Stewardship Post

James V. Lackey, executive director-treasurer of the Southern Baptist Stewardship Commission since 1971, has resigned.

The Stewardship Commission's executive committee, which met to consider the resignation, announced "regretful acceptance." They also designated Michael L. Speer, associate executive director-treasurer, as acting executive director-treasurer while they seek a replacement.



Paul Cates of Lubbock, Texas, executive committee chairman, stressed that there was "no moral or legal involvement" in the decision but that Lackey, who joined the commission in 1962, "simply felt that this was the Lord's will for him at this time."

Lackey explained, "For some time I have felt mentally and physically drained and in fairness to the Stewardship Commission, whose work and ministry I believe in and support, and in the interest of my family and for my own well-being I felt it best to resign."

"It was a difficult decision to make, especially after having been in denominational work for more than 20 years, including 11 enjoyable years with the Stewardship Commission," Lackey said. "Yet I believe God will bring good to all concerned from my decision. I am in no hurry to announce specific future plans until I have had time to rest."

Lackey, 44, a native Oklahoman, spent more than nine years as superintendent of young people's work in the Sunday School department of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board before joining the Stewardship Commission as director of stewardship development.

Before that, Lackey, son of T. B. Lackey, former executive secretary of the Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma, served churches in Oklahoma and Texas as educational director. (BP)



NEW MATERIAL SUBCOMMITTEE — Recently this subcommittee of the Hymnal Committee met in Nashville to screen 500 suggestions of hymns and tunes that do not appear in the present Baptist Hymnal. The recommendations of this subcommittee will be presented to the theological and doctrinal evaluation subcommittee and then to the full committee of 68 people for approval or rejection. (Left to right, back row) Larry Black, minister of music, First Baptist Church, Jackson, Mississippi; Gerald Ray, minister of music, First Baptist Church, Houston; Gordon Stoker of The Jordannairens, Nashville; and composer Buryl Red, New York City. First row (left to right), Mrs. Emma McCall, minister of music, Union Baptist Church, Atlanta; Thad Roberts, minister of music, South Main Baptist Church, Houston; William J. Reynolds, secretary, church music department of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board and chairman of the Hymnal Committee; Claude H. Rhea, Samford University, Birmingham, Alabama; Donald P. Hustad, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky; Sharron Lyon (seated), keyboard consultant for the church music department, BSSB.

Frankfort & Long Run Top Credits List

The First Baptist Church of Frankfort earned 923 course credits in the New Church Study Course for October, 1972, through September, 1973. This ranks the church as number one in the state of all churches earning course credits.

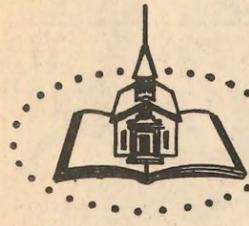
Listed below are the top churches and the number of course credits earned.

A total of 38,685 course credits were earned by churches in the Kentucky Baptist Convention during the 1972-73 church year.

First, Frankfort	923	Friendship, Greenville	232
Central City, Central City	711	Bethel, Harrodsburg	231
Crestwood, Frankfort	698	Central, Corbin	230
Edgewood, Hopkinsville	643	Shively Heights, Louisville	230
Severns Valley, Elizabethtown	635	South Elkhorn, Lexington	229
Good Hope, Campbellsville	516	Mount Pleasant, Lewisburg	220
First, Mt. Washington	423	South Jefferson, Valley Station	214
Mackville, Mackville	368		
Audubon, Henderson	360		
Hickory Grove, Independence	360		
Newtons Creek, Kevil	305		
Dehaven Memorial, LaGrange	304		
Pollard, Ashland	283		
First, Hopkinsville	275		
Eddyville, Eddyville	268		
Boones Creek, Lexington	266		
Sand Spring, Lawrenceburg	266		
Lone Oak, Paducah	260		
New Salem, Cox's Creek	246		
Turner Ridge, Falmouth	240		
Green Acres, Louisville	237		

The associations earning a thousand or more course credits are:

Long Run	3675
Franklin	2111
Northern Kentucky	2011
Christian County	1658
Muhlenberg	1548
Elkhorn	1505
Nelson	1298
West Union	1255
Severns Valley	1187
Greenup	1063



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By H. C. Chiles

(These Lessons for November 11, 1973)



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Matthew 4:18-23

As Christ walked by the Sea of Galilee He saw two pairs of brothers, one pair of whom was fishing and the other mending nets. His call of them was not to salvation, for they had already believed on Christ, but to service. He challenged them to leave their places, the honorable and profitable work in which they were engaged, the loved ones with whom they were associated, and the interests with which they were surrounded in order that they might follow and work with Him.

Those whom Christ called were not learned men from the rabbinical school, but they were humble young men from the common and busy walks of life. Christ called these industrious and cooperative young men to leave their secular work as fishers of fish and to follow Him as fishers of men. It was not a novel task they were invited to undertake, but a diversion of their labors to a higher service. He simply transferred the special qualifications of these men from the natural to the spiritual sphere. They were to use all the skill they had acquired in learning to fish, but in a much higher and nobler sphere. However, before they could become what Christ wanted them to be, it was necessary for them to follow Him and learn from Him.

Luke 14:21-23

The parable from which these verses are taken presents the gospel as a sacred feast prepared by the Lord for the hungry hearts of men. His provision is abundant, varied, and suitable. This parable illustrates how people respond to the Lord's free, generous, and direct invitation to the rich gospel feast which is extended to all in whose hearing the gospel is proclaimed.

Acts 1:4-8

Christ was not willing for the believers to undertake the task of worldwide evangelization until they were endued with the power of the Holy Spirit. Not until they are endued by Him are believers ever qualified to witness for Christ.

Because the disciples were still expecting Christ to bring national restoration and political independence to Israel, just before He ascended, they asked Him if He would restore the

kingdom immediately. He replied that this was not the consideration of present or paramount importance. It was not their privilege to "know the times or the seasons," as those things were entirely with God. Christ stressed that they were not to be absorbed in counting days, but in witnessing for Him. Instead of peering into the future, they were expected to be busy witnessing for Him by their words, ways, works, and warfare. For this work they needed a power beyond any provided by nature, or any which they might have acquired through their fellowship with the Lord as He had wrought and taught in their midst.

The purpose of the coming of the Holy Spirit upon the disciples was very clearly and definitely stated: "Ye shall be witnesses unto me." A witness is one who has seen, heard, experienced, or known something, and who is willing to tell what he knows. A witness for Christ is one who tells another what he knows about the Saviour with a view to winning to a saving knowledge of Christ or to influencing him to conform to the will of the Lord. Christian witnessing is of two kinds —

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Romans 12:14 - 13:1

It is to be expected that God's children will be subjected to unjust treatment at the hands of others, and that is not easy to take. When it comes, the most natural thing to do is to retaliate. The Christlike thing to do is to bear the persecution graciously, to forgive, to love, and to pray for the persecutor, asking God to bless him. Only the grace of God can enable one to do these things for the one who is treating him unjustly.

To love and bless an enemy in this fashion regardless of his attitude and actions is to comply with Christ's teaching and to follow His example, and frequently to change that antagonist into a friend. Such love will triumph when all else fails. No other method will be as successful as com-

of the lips and of the life. The life speaks even when the lips are silent.

Witnessing to Christ's power to save is a task which is incumbent upon all Christians. This is our greatest task and our highest honor. No greater work than this can occupy the thought, time, strength, or substance of human beings. What a tragedy that Satan has blinded the eyes of so many Christians to the tremendous responsibility the Lord has conferred upon us in commissioning us to be witnesses for Him! The sphere in which we are to witness is unlimited. No tribe, or district, or nation is to be excluded. Our supreme business is to preach the gospel of Christ to every person.

This task transcends our natural abilities, so we must have spiritual replenishment. Ability to perform this task does not lie in learning, however wide, nor in enthusiasm, however great, nor in money, numbers, prestige, or any self-attainment. No amount of education, training, culture, or human achievement will ever enable any of God's people to do effective witnessing. The Holy Spirit must accompany our witnessing if hearts and lives are to be changed.

pliance with God's will. This procedure may be very displeasing to you, because it is the very opposite of the natural impulse, but it is right and best. The best-known and most effective method of dealing with those who have an ill will toward us is that of showing a genuine sympathy for them. Love for others is the secret of harmonious living. Quarreling and fighting are unnecessary, unsatisfactory, and unprofitable.

Many unsaved people return evil for evil, but the saved are expected to return good for evil. Throughout this life we shall meet rebuffs, unpleasant circumstances in business dealings, and unkind criticism of our religious convictions, etc., but Paul has urged us to bless those who thus treat us wrongfully. The natural way is to meet blow

with blow, but Christ's way is to meet blow with forgiveness and kindness. Retaliation is neither successful nor Christlike; in fact, it violates both the example and the command of our Lord. Manifesting the attitude and spirit of Christ will be a rebuke to one's persecutor. Besides, one's suffering ill treatment from others is no justification for doing wrong. A Christian simply cannot afford to get down in the mire or live on a low level with any adversary. Love will return good for evil.

As far as your part is concerned "live peaceably with all men." If there is any quarreling, be sure that none of it comes from you, and react to it in the spirit of Christ, which is love.

Love returns good for evil, endeavors to bring about peaceful relationships, never seeks vengeance, always shows kindness to enemies, and constantly strives to dispel evil with goodness. Love always shows kindness to enemies. Love is the most effective weapon that a Christian can use. Active assistance to those who persecute us will be exceedingly beneficial to them in an area where their needs are great. By actively helping those who do not deserve your helpfulness you can honor Christ and advance His cause.

Romans 13 reminds us that human government is ordained of God and functions by His providence. God instituted government for the specific purpose of maintaining order in human relationships. God has ordained government for the protection of its citizens, for the punishment of evil doers, and for the administration of justice. Not only are Christians obligated to live in fellowship with other believers and in peace with non-Christians, but it is also their duty to be good citizens and maintain the proper attitude toward the government, which God has constituted to provide law and order. In this era when so many are determined to reject and denounce all authority, it is important for us to be reminded of the duty of maintaining respect for and loyalty to the government under which one lives and enjoys all the benefits which it provides. Defiance of governmental authority is a violation of the law and a mark of disobedience to God.

A Christian should abide by the laws of his city, county, state, and nation, and be submissive to said governmental agency unless it should require him to disobey God and do wrong. The limitation of the Christian's responsibility to be subject to the earthly powers begins only when such subjection contravenes the plain teachings of the Word of God. A Christian must obey God always in preference to obeying man. One must obey the law not simply to escape the consequences of wrongdoing, but for the sake of his own conscience which tells him to do right.

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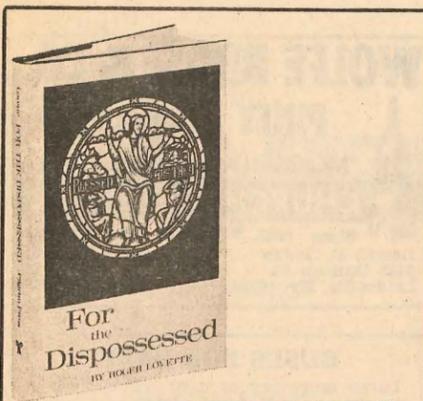
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those within the block where one lives who suffer all kinds of problems, sorrows and burdens who need the ministry of Christian love.

One thinks of those suffering from drugs and others suffering from physical, emotional or mental handicaps who need a loving ministry and whose relatives need assistance in caring for their loved ones who suffer. Then there are the broken homes, where both parents and children are in need of Christian love.

Baptists are challenged to find ways of penetrating huge apartment blocks and high rise buildings where there are tremendous spiritual needs but where the doors are locked—both literally and figuratively. And, yet there are people of great need who can be reached through Christian love and witness.

Baptists need to take the lead, as Christ would have us do, in ministering to those of other races and colors, helping

to bring about genuine reconciliation—creating real Christian brotherhood through Jesus Christ.

The moral problems in every country are so tremendous that they defy description. Surely the World Mission of Reconciliation calls Baptists to attack seriously this problem and find solutions through the transformation of character that comes through the new birth and through bringing about reconciliation between groups, classes, races, communities.

Q.: Is there anything else you would like to suggest?

A.: Just this. Denominations and churches as groups may give much emphasis to such themes as the World Mission of Reconciliation, but it is only as we practice personally and individually this reconciling love of Christ that we will effectively change the world.



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WHERE ARE THE MEN

Dear Editor:

What in heaven's name has happened to our men? I have never heard of anything so ridiculous as men that won't even stand up and fight for God's laws. Can't people even understand that a simple little sentence like "individual freedom" means just that?

It was hard for me to believe that Baptists would even consider the idea that they would not take a stand against abortion. And saying that Baptists have no consensus on the question of abortion. When people get more excited over a little television program, that one twist of a button will eliminate, and won't even stand and be counted over a horrible sin like legalized murder, something terrible is wrong. No wonder, some of our young people wish the Lord would come, even with all the work to be done. And we all know that young people are usually too full of life and involvement to think like that, no matter how dedicated they are. I read an article where a psychiatrist said that the church had failed in its mission. Without strong, stable, sensible men any establishment will lose its equilibrium. "Come on Baptist men, and don't let your church, country, and young people down."

Leitchfield, Ky. Mrs. Virginia Wilson

RESOLUTION SUBMITTED

Dear Editor:

Van Buren Baptist Church, Route 1, Mt. Eden, Kentucky, has submitted to the resolutions committee of the Kentucky Baptist Convention, the following resolution:

Whereas, God has emphatically stated, "Thou shalt not kill," (Exodus 20:13.)

Whereas, God has not delegated the authority to take innocent life

to any man, government, or institution,

Therefore be it resolved that we go on record as supporting an amendment to the Constitution of the United States that will guarantee all babies, born, or unborn, their God given right to life.

Evil triumphs when good people do nothing, but I ask you, my Christian friends, to do something. I ask you to discuss this in the churches, and to take a positive stand at the Kentucky Baptist Convention, November 12-15.

America's woes, which are many, will increase if this abomination is allowed to continue. God will not bless a nation that murders the innocent. The issue is clear—it's time for Christians to take a stand.

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summary and evaluation of the report presented an analysis of positive and negative aspects of the evangelical campaign from a Jewish point of view.

On the positive side, he noted the large number of "forthright statements by Christian leaders — including Key 73 spokesmen — disavowing any intention to proselytize the Jewish community."

Among the various reasons cited by Christian leaders for disavowing the intent to convert Jews, Tanenbaum cited the following: "Jews are already God's people by virtue of the unbroken Sinai Covenant... an equal partner, as well as older brother, in faith; Key 73 was intended for the unchurched or lukewarm Christian;" and "the effort to bring Jews into the Christian-Jewish cooperation necessary for social harmony and the achievement of mutually sought goals."

Among the negative aspects of Key 73, Tanenbaum noted various acts of "over-zealousness on the part of some evangelical Christians." These included "instances of coercion, and the use of government-funded public facilities for sectarian indoctrination." He noted "the gap between the statements of many Christian leaders repudiating proselytizing and the actual practices of those groups who are concentrating their attention on Jewish young people," and stated that it "poses serious programmatic implications for Jewish parents, community relations counselors and religious leaders."

Tanenbaum declared that Jewish parents, together with Christian leaders, public officials, and school personnel, would "have to find effective ways of establishing limits and guidelines for evangelistic activities that constitute a violation of the Constitution." (APC)

Jews See Good, Bad In Key 73

The analysis, titled "Key 73: An Interim Report," was written by Judith Banki, a member of American Jewish Committee's interreligious affairs department. It was introduced at the annual meeting of the AJC's top policy-making National Executive Council in St. Louis, Missouri.

In her introduction to the report, Mrs. Banki credits Key 73 with having

launched "a significant dialogue within the American religious community." She devotes a major part of her text to Jewish-Christian dialogue, the focal point of which was whether or not Jews were a legitimate and deliberate target of Key 73's evangelical thrust.

Rabbi Marc H. Tanenbaum, national director of interreligious affairs of the American Jewish Committee, in his

Ministers' Wives Dinner

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R. G. Lee Speaks At Winchester

Central Baptist Church in Winchester will host renowned Southern Baptist preacher R. G. Lee on Sunday, November 4. Lee will be bringing the Sunday morning message as the church observes a Homecoming celebration. The public is invited for the occasion.