

 **WESTERN RECORDER**  
NOVEMBER 10, 1973

Kentucky Baptists will gather at First Baptist Church, Owensboro, for the annual convention November 13-15. This issue of the *Western Recorder* contains the program of the annual session along with other helps for conventioners.

# Church Drama Confab Scheduled

Cedarmore Baptist Assembly is the meeting place for the Church Drama Conference on November 23-24. Those who attend will receive guidance in presenting religious plays, skits, and readings. They will also see several Christian plays presented by youth groups from all over Kentucky.

Four conferences will help youth and youth leaders get a basic and workable understanding of play production in the church. A session on the techniques of drama will be led by John Welton,

professor of drama from Tennessee.

Tom Smoot, minister of education and youth at the Eastwood Baptist Church in Bowling Green, will conduct a mini-course in acting. Smoot is well-known throughout the Southern Baptist Convention as an expert in religious drama.

Don Phillips, minister of music and youth from Franklin, will lead a session on the different forms of drama.

Jennifer Smoot of Bowling Green will conduct a special conference on making and using puppets.

The conference begins Friday, November 23, with lunch at 12:00. Reservations can be made by contacting Cedarmore Baptist Assembly, Route 1, Bagdad, Kentucky 40001. The telephone number is 502/747-8911.

Youth groups and their counselors will be staying in the Youth Conference Center (Youth Dorm, motels, and cottages). The cost will be \$11.00 each.

The Church Drama Conference will conclude Saturday afternoon, November 24.

## Missionary News

### Furlough

**Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn C. Hoglen** (Venezuela) may be addressed at Box 559, Campbellsville College, Campbellsville, Kentucky 42718.

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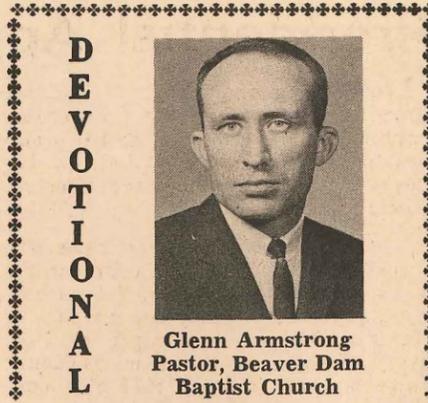
### On the field

**Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Evans** (Kenya) can be addressed at Box 478, Kitale, Kenya. She is the former Elizabeth Young who was born in Balkan and lived in Insull, Kentucky.

**Mr. and Mrs. J. Leslie Smith**, missionaries to Indonesia, have transferred to Yogyakarta. They may now be addressed: Jl. Dr. Sutomo 22, Yogyakarta, Indonesia. She is the former Edna Broadley of Hebbardsville, Kentucky.

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**Glenn Armstrong**  
Pastor, Beaver Dam Baptist Church

## A Pen That Won't Write

Luke 13:6-9

What do you do with a pen that won't write? It is not big enough to be a paper weight. It is not pretty enough to be a desk decoration. I've had pens to quit writing in the middle of important examinations. Rushed for time, and in utter disgust, I would usually throw them in the nearest waste can. What do you do with a pen that won't write? Most usually, you throw it away. Its continued presence is a source of aggravation. By failing to write, it forfeits its right to exist.

What do you do with a can-opener that won't open cans, or an air conditioner that won't cool? Jesus once asked, "What do you do with a fig tree that won't bear figs?" He was really asking, "What do you do with a nation or a man who won't do what they were made to do? What do you do with a Christian who won't bear fruit?" Like a ball point pen or a can-opener, we were made for a purpose.

Like that barren fig tree, many lives are useless and a hindrance to others who are trying to do well. They take, but do not give. They are a burden rather than a burden-lifter. They contribute to the problem rather than to the solution. Like that barren fig tree, they invite disaster upon themselves.

A member of our church has a herd of dairy cows. One can see them from the highway, a picture of contentment, grazing on the hill side. Because of those cows, people have milk, children are nourished. There are many who spend a lifetime on this earth and make not nearly as great a contribution to mankind as one of those Holstein cows.

What do you do with a pen that won't write? Perhaps there is a possibility of fixing it. The land owner felt there was hope for the fig tree. It was to have been committed to the care of the vine dresser and given another chance. What do you do with a fruitless life? Perhaps it should be turned over to the one that specializes in overhauling lives. □

# Presidential Appointee Believes In Rule Of Law

Leon Jaworski, named to succeed fired special Watergate prosecutor Archibald Cox, told a Baptist group nearly three years ago that he believes in the rule of law and effective power of court orders.

"Today's American scene reveals a threat to the efficacy of court orders and a disrespect of constituted authority that should alarm every minister of the gospel, every worshiper of God, every devotee of religious freedom," Jaworski said in early 1971 at a conference on "National Priorities and Christian Responsibility" in New York City. The conference was sponsored by the Christian Life Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention.

up the torch so shockingly taken from the hands of his predecessor and as he moves faithfully to carry out his commitment to bring to justice all the law breakers involved in the Watergate and related scandals."

At the 1971 Christian Life Commission conference, Jaworski suggested that religious institutions had not responded noticeably to the country's desperate need for leadership and a recommitment to voluntary compliance with the rule of law.

"With an avalanche of disobediences descending upon us, I had hoped for indications that the church and its organizations would take a leading role in reestablishing throughout our land a dedication to the acceptance of the rule of law and firmly denounce the concept that the individual has a right to choose which law to obey and which to defy.

"I view with similar concern the failure of other institutions and groups, as well as my own profession's remissiveness, to offer vigorous leadership in support of a national commitment to obey the law of our land," said the former president of the American Bar Association.

"The simple truth," explained Jaworski, "is that there's not a single worthy social or political gain that an interested citizenry cannot gain by resort to political processes."

Jaworski explained that he was not trying to prescribe the church's agenda, but said he was sure "the church cannot fail to take note of the modern day forms of disobediences rampant about us. Neither can it fail to do something about it and still retain its prestige as a force that contributes to the stability of the community.

*"It is time for the church to shed its timidity and speak boldly . . ."*

"It takes no depth of wisdom to realize that once the bonds of law are frayed and weak, court orders and other legal restraints correspondingly will lose their weight and force," Jaworski, a Presbyterian minister's son and graduate of Baylor University, a Southern Baptist school in Waco, Texas, told the conferees.

Foy Valentine, executive secretary of the Christian Life Commission, said Jaworski's statements should not be taken out of the context in which they were made in 1971, but he added:

"The tremendous importance of Mr. Jaworski's words today is obvious.

"It is time for the church to shed its timidity and speak boldly concerning the current moral crisis in government. It is time for all Christians who share Mr. Jaworski's concern for the rule of law, the efficacy of court orders and justice without special privileges or respect of persons to step forth with supportive words and deeds," Valentine said.

"I pray to God that this new special prosecutor may feel the strong undergirding of all Christians as he takes

*"We should never cease aspiring to reach the ends of justice in all of our endeavors . . ."*

"A nation in crises can scarcely afford its undergirding institutions to be timid or hesitant," he declared. "If we are not boldly to speak out and condemn the disrespects, the disobediences, the lawlessness now plaguing us, what will be the alternative?" he asked.

"The phrase 'law and order' is a time-honored one, having been embraced by every generation since the founding of our nation," observed Jaworski and "it seems—after all these years—to require a change, the addition of the word 'justice.'

"While seeing no real reason for the change, I gladly accept the addition," he said. "We should never cease aspiring to reach the ends of justice in all of our endeavors, but I would remind you that justice must come as the result of law, and it alone, because it is undeniably true that where there is no law there is no freedom.

"For our church groups to be skirting this challenge (detering lawlessness and disobediences) to our society and instead to be taking on brush fires is but another indication of the failure of some church segments properly to assess their present-day responsibilities," he told the conferees.

"From what has been said," Jaworski continued, "it is easy to perceive that I am critical of the church's role of leadership today and that I feel that it has not discharged its responsibility to the rule of law.

"Were the church not dear to my heart," he continued, "I would not speak of it so. It has been a meaningful part of my life from the time of my birth in a parsonage to the present day. I want it to fulfill its mission to God and country so that every Christian can point to it with justifiable pride," Jaworski concluded. (BP)

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

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## Hospital Walls Do Not A Prison Make

For many years on visits to the Kentucky Baptist Hospital I passed by a closed door above which was written, "Department of Psychosomatic Medicine." I wondered what really went on behind this door. Since I did not know the truth I shared many of the misunderstandings and false notions which people have about emotional illness and its treatment.

Now I know how it feels to be behind this door. I have sat where the depressed sit and I have seen life through their eyes. I understand now why the Lord sent his prophet Ezekiel to sit speechlessly for seven days and nights with the Hebrew captives before he tried to minister to them. This is not to say the Lord sent me to the hospital. My illness was my own doing. I am confident, however, the Lord's mercy and love were evident in the provision of the hospital along with the doctors, the nurses and many others who constituted the healing team.

Emotional illness can wreck life for its victims but it need not do so. Like all other human experiences which appear tragic, depression and its treatment can be redemptive instead of destructive. It depends upon how we respond to the illness and the available therapy.

How should one react when emotional illness comes and psychiatric care is needed? How does one escape the stigma almost universally associated with mental illness? The first inclination is to conceal it and try to overcome it as quickly as possible with the fewest friends possible knowing about it. Another temptation is to feel sorry for oneself and to complain about the treatment from doctors, nurses and others trying to help.

Experience, however, has taught me that to face the situation honestly and realistically and to cooperate completely with those trying to help me is the only wise and sensible attitude.

I have learned that hospital walls—even the walls of a psychiatric ward—do not necessarily make a prison. Hospital walls and strict regulations may make a prison for the body but not for the spirit. The physical body can be restrained but neither space nor time is a barrier for the human spirit which soars upon the wings of inspired imagination and sacred meditation.

Friendship and fellowship are natural and meaningful among partners in suffering. The usual barriers of age, sex, color and social status are nonexist-

ent. My roommate who will ever be a fast friend was a warm hearted Hoosier. One of the most unforgettable characters for me was a young black of about 30 who was everybody's friend.

There were three teenagers in the fellowship who demonstrated spiritual dimensions in a most interesting way. A dozen or so of us usually ate lunch and supper together in the dining room which doubled for an outpatient waiting room and a game room. Understandably there are no planned religious services in the psychiatric ward but it seemed natural to pause for a blessing before we ate. After leading the prayer several times I learned that the friendly sixteen year old lad wanted to say the blessing. At the next meal he was invited to offer thanks for all of us. As we bowed he began with the formula, "In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit," and continued with a beautiful, memorized blessing. His prayer identified him as a Roman Catholic by faith but his attitude identified him as a brother in spirit to all of us.

Next a beautiful 17 year old girl let it be known that she would like to say the blessing sometime. When her time came her words were spontaneous and beautiful. They reflected her training in a Baptist Sunday School and a Christian home. For all of us mealtime came to be keenly anticipated for more than the food.

Trying to make some of the hours more meaningful I turned to Colossians to begin preparation for next January. Paul's prayer for the Colossians in the very first chapter became more understandable in light of my hospital experience. Paul besought for the Colossians the gifts of patience and longsuffering in their trials. To pray for such blessings seems proper but Paul asked for another blessing which seems contradictory. He asked for the Colossians joy in their tribulation. This joy is more than the stoical resignation to grin and bear hardships. It is true serenity conceived and born in suffering and which relates to fellow sufferers with cheerfulness and responds to God with thanksgiving. Such joyful serenity is as available in a hospital room as it is in the sanctuary because it is not an accomplishment of man but the gift of God. This is at least part of what Paul meant when he said, "We know that in everything God works for good with those who love him..." (Romans 8:28).

## Do We Need Another Paper?

In the October 20 issue of *Western Recorder*, an article appeared announcing the formation of *The Southern Baptist Journal*, a publication of the Baptist Faith and Message Fellowship. The article quotes the new editor, William A. Powell, as saying "The Bible, missions and evangelism will be prominent positive emphases." We are glad those who compose the Baptist Faith and Message Fellowship, those who will be the primary supporters of *The Southern Baptist Journal*, believe in missions and evangelism. This places them in the mainstream of Baptist life since this year Southern Baptists baptized more people than in any other recent year. In Kentucky the number of baptisms has been rising each of the past three years. The report state evangelism director T. Hicks Shelton will make at the convention in Owensboro, November 13-15, will indicate the highest number of baptisms since 1959.

The fact that the group and its paper will be mission minded is also reassuring. But the record Lottie Moon and Annie Armstrong Mission Offerings, along with continuing volunteers for mission service, seems to indicate that most Southern Baptists are.

The fact that *The Southern Baptist Journal* will support the Bible as God's divinely inspired word, as "truth without any mixture of error," is also good to know, but not surprising. All of the state paper editors we know endorse the 1961 adopted "Statement of Baptist Faith and Message" concerning God's word.

But the announcement does raise some interesting implication. For example, the editor found it necessary to spell out that the new publication will support the Bible, missions and evangelism. Does this imply that other Southern Baptist papers do not support these causes? And again, is the editor implying that Baptists of his persuasion have been denied access to the pages of Baptist papers to present their contentions? We cannot answer for all publications, obviously, but this is a good time to examine the record of *Western Recorder* in these areas.

First, and basic, *Western Recorder* has consistently advocated a belief in the Bible as God's Word in line with the statements found in the Baptist Faith and Message adopted in 1961. Our editor was a Bible professor at a Baptist College before moving to the pastorate and then to the editorship of this paper. Today he is known across Kentucky as a superb Bible teacher. He has taught the Bible Study at the Mountain Mission Conference and at the Area Wide Fellowships conducted this year at Jonathan Creek Baptist Assembly and Campbellsville College. Before his illness he was scheduled to lead the Bible study periods at the Pastor's Conference in Owensboro. He has enough invitations to teach the January Bible study

Bob Terry  
Acting Editor

book that he could stay busy six months a year. Kentucky Baptists know C. R. Daley and *Western Recorder's* commitment to the Bible.

Kentucky Baptists also know *Western Recorder's* commitment to missions and evangelism. The paper is consistently sharing feature stories and news articles about persons and projects involved in reaching people, here and abroad, with the good news of Jesus Christ. Editorially, the paper has called on Baptists to support these and other causes financially through the Cooperative Program and personally through prayer and individual involvement.

Secondly, *Western Recorder* has not intentionally denied any Baptist access to other Baptists through the pages of this publication. On the contrary, a strenuous effort has been made to see that all factions of Kentucky Baptist life have access to the paper. Letters to the editor, even those extremely critical, are printed, usually without response by the editor. Page three of *Western Recorder* is reserved for opinion articles. Many are printed that do not reflect the thinking of the editor and others, but the paper is to share all views, not just those held by the editor.

Regular readers will remember a few months ago when *Western Recorder* served as the forum for an ongoing theological debate between Southern Seminary professor Dale Moody and Bowling Green layman Paul Rutledge. This is illustrative of the role *Western Recorder* attempts to serve, a forum for Baptists to discuss issues of concern, an organ to share news of interests to Baptists and a publication to promote the work of the denomination both state and national.

Perhaps we are overreacting to the announcement of the *Southern Baptist Journal*. One of the groups' officers indicated in a recent conversation that the publication was not intended as an indictment of state papers. Yet, one person used the announcement story as the impetus to call *Western Recorder* and declare that since a decent publication was being started, *Western Recorder* would soon be out of business.

All of this is to say that a state Baptist paper is important, vitally so. If the paper is not fulfilling its purpose, then those of us who work here should be held accountable through our Board of Directors. Existing instruments should be made effective rather than starting new ones. But, if *Western Recorder* is providing information, inspiration and indoctrination for Kentucky Baptists, and if these functions are still worthwhile, then *Western Recorder* deserves the support of each individual Kentucky Baptist, and each local congregation.

# Kentucky Baptist Pastor's Conference

NOVEMBER 12-13, 1973

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, OWENSBORO

Theme: WE PREACH CHRIST: THE MAN AND HIS MESSAGE

"... we preach Christ ..." I Corinthians 1:23

## Monday Afternoon Session

November 12, 1973

2:00 p.m.

Theme: We Preach Christ

- 2:00 Gospel Music Concert ..... Bill and Anna Keith and The Solid Rock First Baptist Church, Mayfield
- 2:15 Hymn ..... Bill Keith
- 2:20 Theme Interpretation ..... G. Allen West Long Run Association
- 2:45 Message: THE PASTOR: THE MAN ..... John Boyle Southern Seminary, Louisville
- 3:15 Hymn ..... Bill Keith
- 3:20 Offering ..... Guy Gordon
- 3:30 Special Music ..... Bill and Anna Keith
- 3:35 Message: THE PASTOR AND THE COMMUNITY ..... William Turner Central Church, Lexington
- 4:00 Benediction ..... Hughlan Rickey Little Bethel Association, Madisonville

## Monday Evening Session

November 12, 1973

6:30 p.m.

Theme: We preach CHRIST

- 6:30 Gospel Music Concert ..... Bill and Anna Keith and The Solid Rock
- 6:45 Hymn ..... Bill Keith
- 6:50 Theme Interpretation ..... G. Allen West
- 7:10 Special Music ..... Anna Keith
- 7:15 Message: THE PASTOR AND THE HOLY SPIRIT ..... John Huffman First Church, Mayfield
- 7:40 Offering ..... Bill Cubine
- 7:45 Election of Officers
- 7:55 Hymn ..... Bill Keith
- 8:00 Special Music ..... Bill Keith
- 8:05 Message: THE PASTOR AND THE MULTITUDES ..... William Hancock Highview Church, Louisville
- 8:30 Hymn ..... Bill Keith
- 8:35 Special Music ..... The Solid Rock
- 8:40 Message: THE PASTOR AND THE CHURCH ..... Rollin Burhans First Church, Bowling Green
- 9:05 Benediction ..... Curtis Warf First Church, Pikeville

## Tuesday Morning Session

November 13, 1973

9:00 a.m.

Joint meeting of the Pastors, Ministers of Music and Ministers of Education

Theme: We PREACH Christ

- 8:50 Prelude
- 9:00 Hymn ..... Bill Keith
- Scripture and Prayer ..... Jerry Oakley Columbia Church, Columbia
- Special Music ..... Bill and Anna Keith
- 9:10 Message: THE PASTOR AND THE CHURCH STAFF ..... Ernest Mosley Pastoral Ministries, BSSB, Nashville
- 9:35 Special Music ..... Kentucky Ministers of Music
- 9:45 Message: PREACHING CHRIST TODAY ..... J. D. Grey
- 10:15 Benediction ..... Harold Pike South Side Church, Covington

## Crooked Bush



FRANKLIN OWEN  
Executive Secretary, Kentucky Baptist Convention

It isn't that I am a shrubbery expert but I have learned a bit about the corylus avellana contorta from a knowledgeable friend. Its attractiveness to collectors lies in the fact that every limb is supposed to be crooked. Hence, the name "contorta."

The plant is sometimes called "Harry Lauder's Walking Stick." It is also known as "The Devil's Walking Stick."

Many of these contorted shrubs have been grafted. Because of this there are two natures in such "crooked bush" — one crooked and one straight. Each nature tries to grow. They say that if you let the straight growth get far enough ahead, it will take over the life of the bush and it will eventually lose its crooked identity.

It is interesting to note that there is a residual straightness even in the plant that is known for its crookedness. It depends on which is cut back and which is encouraged.

It seems to me that we have a parable in this shrub, of human beings, in whom is often contained a great deal of both the good and the bad nature. It is a case of which is kept cut back, which is discouraged, and which is cultivated, encouraged.

I know that in the theology of the Apostle Paul, we are indwelt by a new nature and I believe this with all my heart, but Paul's theology makes clear also that the old nature does not die immediately. It is doomed from the moment of the birth of the new nature but the battle is on; the battle that Paul characterized as being between the flesh and the Spirit. John liked to speak of it as being between the light and the darkness.

We are the descendants of Adam and as such we bear the mark of sin. There is crookedness in us, but we have been born again of the Spirit, and the nature of Christ seeks growth in us. Our task is to cut back crookedness. Discourage it. Hinder it. Defeat it. Encourage and cultivate straightness.

—Frank Owen

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## More Meetings Scheduled For Convention Dates

On the eve of the Kentucky Baptist Convention, November 12, Kentucky Woman's Missionary Union will honor wives of pastors at a reception from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. The reception will be held in the Multipurpose Room at First Baptist Church, Owensboro.

Mrs. Hugh Owen, WMU director of the host church, is in charge of local arrangements.

Jack Coldiron, associate professor of voice at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, will speak at the annual meeting of the seminary's Kentucky alumni association on November 14.



Coldiron

The group will meet at noon for lunch in the dining hall of the First Baptist Church, Owensboro. Cost of the luncheon is \$2.50. The meeting is being held during the Kentucky Baptist Convention.

Ronnie Smith, chairman of the fine arts department at Campbellsville College, is president of the seminary's Kentucky alumni association and will preside at the meeting.

Former students and friends of Southwestern Seminary are expected to meet in 31 different state meetings during the months of October and November. Eighteen professors and staff members will represent the seminary at these gatherings.

The Georgetown College Pastors Breakfast will be held Wednesday, No-

## Kentucky Baptist Music Association

President—T. A. Prickett, Seven Hills Church, Owensboro  
Vice President—Guy Gordon, Elkton  
Secretary-Treasurer—William Cubine, Central Church, Paris

### THIRD BAPTIST CHURCH, OWENSBORO

Monday, November 15, 1973

- 2:00 Devotional Concert: "Share the Word Now" ..... Baynard Fox, Jr., soloist Artist and Composer, Tucker, Georgia
- 2:30 Kentucky Baptist Chorale Rehearsal ..... Eugene Sutherland, director Walnut Street Church, Louisville
- 3:30 Refreshment Break ..... Bill Carner, host Third Baptist Church, Owensboro
- 4:00 Message: "Church Music Directions, '73-'74" ..... John Gardner, speaker Church Music Department, BSSB, Nashville, Tenn.
- 5:00 Dismissal to Dinner
- 5:45 Recognition Dinner ..... Eugene Coates, presiding Rockford Lane Church, Louisville
- 7:00 Kentucky Baptist Chorale Rehearsal ..... Eugene Sutherland, director
- 8:00 Slide-film hymn presentation ..... Ron Wilburn, author Grace Baptist Church, Lexington
- 8:30 Sharing Session ..... Eugene Coates, presiding
- 9:00 Devotional Concert: "Share His Love Now" ..... Baynard Fox, Jr., soloist
- 9:30 Benediction

### Tuesday, November 16, 1973

- 8:00 Doughnuts and Drinks at First Baptist Church ..... Grover S. Waller, host First Baptist Church, Owensboro
- 8:30 Kentucky Baptist Chorale Rehearsal ..... Eugene Sutherland, director
- 9:30 Joint Session with Pastors and Other Staff Members
- 10:45 Kentucky Baptist Convention ..... Kentucky Baptist Chorale singing

November 14 at 7:30 a.m. at the Third Baptist Church in Owensboro. All graduates and friends of the college are invited.

I. Doyle Maricle, vice president, director of member services, will represent the Southern Baptist Convention Annuity Board at the Kentucky Baptist Convention in Owensboro, November 13-15.

He will present the board's ministry in providing retirement and insurance plans to ministers, church staff members, and employees of denominational agencies.



Jones

Testament interpretation.

Kentucky alumni of The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary will meet at noon on November 14 in the Owensboro Motor Inn, Owensboro, for their annual fall reunion. Special seminary guest will be Peter Rhea Jones, associate professor of New

## Cedarmore Baptist Assembly Announces



MR. AND MRS. MARVIN BYRDWELL

## The Marvin And Violet Byrdwell Endowment Fund

The Marvin and Violet Byrdwell Endowment Fund was established by the Executive Board of Kentucky Baptist Convention in May, 1972, honoring the first manager and his wife who served continuously from 1949 until his retirement June 15, 1971. Contributions to Cedarmore in appreciation of the Byrdwells, as memorials to loved ones, and other designated donations are placed in this Fund with Kentucky Baptist Foundation. The investment income from the Fund is used to supplement the annual operation budget of the Assembly. For additional information, please write Cedarmore Baptist Assembly, Route 1, Bagdad, Kentucky 40003.

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**TUESDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 13, 1973**

Session Theme: "Sharing Christ Through His Word"  
 Song Leader ..... Tony Whitfield  
 Lone Oak Church, Paducah  
 10:45 Convening of the 1973 KBC..... T. L. McSwain  
 KBC President  
 Hymn  
 Prayer  
 10:55 Organization of 136th Annual Session  
 Appointment of Committees  
 Report of Credentials  
 Committee ..... Howard L. Matthews  
 Utica Church, Utica  
 Report of Committee on Order of  
 Business ..... William L. Hancock  
 Highview Church, Louisville  
 11:00 Words of Welcome ..... David A. Nelson, Host Pastor  
 11:05 Fraternal Greetings  
 11:20 Musical Medley ..... Kentucky Baptist Chorale  
 Directed by Eugene Sutherland  
 Walnut Street, Louisville  
 11:30 Solo ..... David Cummings  
 Bellevue Church, Owensboro  
 11:35 Convention Sermon ..... Henry W. Schafer  
 Bellevue Church, Owensboro  
 Alternate ..... Fred T. Moffatt, Jr.  
 First Church, Shelbyville  
 12:00 Benediction

**TUESDAY AFTERNOON, NOVEMBER 13, 1973**

Song Leader ..... C. Alan McCutchen  
 Memorial Church, Murray  
 1:45 Musical Meditation  
 Hymn  
 1:55 Theme Interpretation ..... Peter Rhea Jones  
 Southern Seminary, Louisville  
 2:10 Assembly & Camps ..... Arlis Hinson  
 Resident Manager  
 2:15 Report of Committee on Direct  
 Missions ..... J. Tyre Denney  
 Alton Church, Lawrenceburg  
 2:20 Report of the Executive Board ..... Franklin Owen  
 Executive Secretary-Treasurer, Middletown  
 3:00 Hymn  
 3:05 Recognition of New Leadership ..... Franklin Owen  
 3:25 Public Affairs Committee ..... Herman Bowers  
 First Church, Frankfort  
 3:35 Miscellaneous Business — Introduction  
 of New Items  
 3:50 Hymn  
 Solo Medley ..... Jack Coldiron  
 Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth, Texas  
 4:00 President's Message ..... T. L. McSwain  
 First Church, Richmond  
 4:20 Benediction ..... Jack Brown  
 Melber Church, Melber

**TUESDAY NIGHT, NOVEMBER 13, 1973**

Song Leader ..... Sam Stephens  
 Bloomfield Church, Bloomfield  
 6:45 Musical Meditation  
 Hymn  
 7:00 Theme Interpretation ..... Peter Rhea Jones  
 7:15 Report on Conventionwide  
 Education ..... G. Willard Reeves  
 Cumberland College, Williamsburg  
 7:20 Christian Education in Kentucky ..... James B. Lewis  
 Westport Road Church, Lyndon  
 7:25 Address "Christian Higher Education—  
 Why Have It?" ..... Norman A. Wiggins  
 Campbell College, Buies Creek, North Carolina  
 7:50 Hymn

**136th Annual Session**

**KENTUCKY BAPTIST CONVENTION**

**NOVEMBER 13-15, 1973**

**First Baptist Church, Owensboro**

**Convention Theme "SHARING CHRIST"**

President—T. L. McSwain, First Baptist Church, Richmond  
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8:05 Report of Church Organizations..... Howard Hovde  
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 Woman's Missionary Union  
 Kathryn Jasper, Middletown  
 Response to Report ..... Evelyn Tully, Birmingham  
 8:45 Inspirational Music ..... Jack Coldiron  
 Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth, Texas  
 8:50 Inspirational Address ..... J. D. Grey  
 New Orleans  
 9:30 Benediction ..... Norris Smith  
 Henderson Memorial, Hopkinsville

**WEDNESDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 14, 1973**

Song Leader ..... Don Phillips  
 First Church, Franklin  
 8:45 Musical Meditation  
 Hymn  
 9:00 Theme Interpretation ..... Peter Rhea Jones  
 9:15 Report of Committee on  
 Retirement Plans ..... J. Frank Young  
 Benton  
 9:20 Report of Committee on Baptist  
 Foundation ..... Joe D. Cross  
 Layman, Louisville  
 9:25 Report of Committee on Stewardship..... James W. Best  
 First Church, Fulton  
 9:30 Address ..... Ben C. Fisher  
 Education Commission, Nashville, Tennessee

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9:45 Hymn  
 9:50 Election of Officers (President)  
 Committee on Constitution and By-Laws  
 Miscellaneous Business  
 10:45 Hymn  
 10:50 Solo ..... Jack Coldiron  
 Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth, Texas  
 10:55 Report of Christian Life Committee..... Winn T. Barr  
 Cynthiana Church, Cynthiana  
 11:00 Address ..... Foy Valentine  
 Christian Life Commission, Nashville, Tennessee  
 11:30 Benediction ..... Harold F. Skaggs  
 Calhoun Church, Calhoun  
 12:00 Seminary Luncheons

**WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, NOVEMBER 14, 1973**

Song Leader ..... Grover S. Waller  
 First Church, Owensboro  
 2:10 Musical Meditation  
 Hymn  
 2:25 Theme Interpretation ..... Peter Rhea Jones  
 2:40 Memorial Service ..... H. B. Kuhnle  
 Chairman, Obituary Committee, Lexington  
 2:50 Report of Historical Commission ..... Leo T. Crismon  
 President, Louisville  
 2:55 Report of Benevolence Committee ..... Wyatt Shely  
 Layman, Lawrenceburg  
 Report of Board on Child Care..... William E. Amos, Jr.  
 Executive Director, Middletown  
 Report of Baptist Hospitals, Inc. .... Homer D. Coggins  
 Asst. to President, Louisville  
 3:10 Report of Committee on Radio and  
 Television ..... Dan C. Moore  
 Georgetown Church, Georgetown

3:15 Hymn ..... Jack Coldiron  
 Solo ..... Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth, Texas  
 3:20 Address—"The Full Gospel In Trust" ..... D. E. King  
 Monumental Baptist Church, Chicago, Illinois  
 3:45 Election of Officers (Vice Presidents)  
 Miscellaneous  
 4:30 Benediction ..... Harold G. Polk  
 Frankfort

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT, NOVEMBER 14, 1973**

Song Leader ..... Alan Chambers  
 First Church, Henderson  
 6:45 Musical Meditation  
 Hymn  
 7:00 Theme Interpretation ..... Peter Rhea Jones  
 7:15 Report of Committee on Cooperative  
 Program ..... Mrs. H. M. Watters  
 Owensboro  
 7:20 Report of Committee on Foreign  
 Missions ..... Joe R. Tackett  
 Grace Church, Lexington  
 7:25 Report of Committee on Home  
 Missions ..... Mrs. Mary Gholson  
 Paducah  
 7:30-9:00 Special Program on Kentucky Missions  
 9:00 Special Music ..... Campbellsville Collegiate Chorale  
 9:05 Message ..... V. C. Kruschwitz  
 Severns Valley, Elizabethtown  
 9:40 Benediction ..... Earl Warford  
 Supt. of Missions, Murray

**THURSDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 15, 1973**

Song Leader ..... Wayne Randolph  
 First Baptist, Middlesboro  
 8:50 Musical Meditation  
 Hymn  
 9:00 Theme Interpretation ..... Peter Rhea Jones  
 9:15 Committee on Committees ..... M. D. Morton  
 Louisville  
 9:25 Miscellaneous Business — Scheduled Items  
 Committee on Resolutions ..... LaVerne Butler  
 Ninth & O Church, Louisville  
 Committee on Arrangements ..... W. O. Spencer  
 Hall Street Church, Owensboro  
 9:50 Hymn  
 9:55 Committee on Nominations ..... V. C. Kruschwitz  
 Severns Valley, Elizabethtown  
 10:05 Bicentennial Committee ..... Robert L. Mills  
 President, Georgetown  
 10:10 Student Work Report — Recognitions  
 10:30 Temperance League ..... Delbert L. Butts  
 Executive Director, Louisville  
 10:35 Report of Interracial Cooperation  
 Department ..... William H. Rogers  
 Middletown  
 10:40 Report on Evangelism ..... Harold D. Tallant  
 Louisville  
 10:45 Western Recorder ..... Bob Terry  
 Middletown  
 10:50 Hymn  
 10:55 Officers Recognitions:  
 Presentation of plaque to T. L. McSwain  
 Appreciation to other outgoing Officers  
 Presentation of New Officers  
 11:10 Inspirational Music ..... Alan Chambers  
 First Church, Henderson  
 11:15 Address ..... Owen Cooper  
 SBC President, Yazoo City, Mississippi  
 11:45 Benediction ..... P. A. Stevens  
 Layman, Louisville

## Committee On Aging To Present Progress Report

### Are You Aware That . . .

- ▶ One out of every ten Americans is over 65
- ▶ By 1980 one in eight will be a senior citizen
- ▶ Approximately 96 percent of the senior adults have their own or are provided living accommodations
- ▶ Only about 4 percent need institutional care
- ▶ A survey of the Southern Baptist Convention indicates there is no significant ministry to the aging apart from institutions in a few states

The nine member "Committee on Aging" appointed by the Executive Board last May will bring a progress report at the Kentucky Baptist Convention meeting in Owensboro November 13-15. Against the background of an awareness of need for a ministry to and with the aging and years of inaction the committee was appointed and instructed "to study the possibility of implementing a program of ministry to and with the aging . . . to recommend program assignments, areas of focus, and schedules of procedure in establishing this ministry . . ."

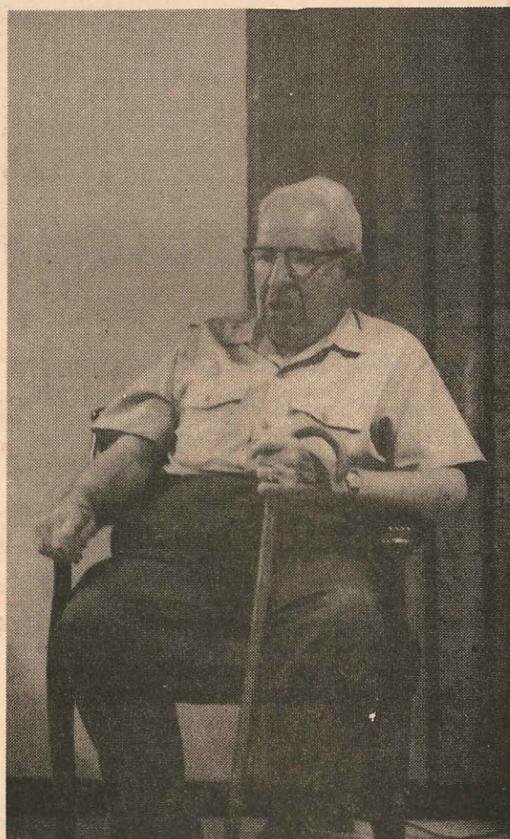
The committee has been surveying the Southern Baptist Convention during the past months and looking into sources outside Baptist life for materials, resources and information relating to a ministry for the aging.

Committeeman William Rogers reported that the survey indicated there

is little being done by any state convention in the ministry to the elderly. Only three conventions had any significant amount budgeted for this work. Most of this expenditure, he reported, is for the operation of Baptist homes for the senior citizens. Another three states are making the same type investigation as the Kentucky convention, he added.

The church training department of the Baptist Sunday School Board has a senior adult consultant in the person of Miss Adelle Carlson. It was indicated that the approach of the board will be in the area of information and education. The Home Mission Board of the SBC also has a consultant on aging. Paul R. Adkins heads this position and is available for consultation with Southern Baptists.

The progress report of the KBC committee will indicate areas of need, min-



istry to and with the aging already being successfully enjoyed and will seek to create an awareness throughout our convention on the resources available now to Kentucky churches for a more effective ministry to the aging.

Curtis Erwin, committee chairman, pointed out that the report to the Owensboro convention is only a progress report. He emphasized that the committee's work has only begun and will continue until, based upon extensive and specific investigations, definite recommendations concerning a ministry to and with the aging for Kentucky Baptists can be made.

The committee will have a booth at the convention under the theme "Aware." Pamphlets will be distributed at the convention for all pastors and churches suggesting possible fields of action to be taken now for an effective ministry. The "Aware" theme of the committee is an acrostic for "All Wanted And Responsibly Engaged."

A free packet of resource material is available on the ministry to and with the aging. Send request to William Rogers, Kentucky Baptist Board of Child Care, 10801 Shelbyville Road, Middletown, Kentucky 40243.



## Seminary student parks study

When a group of students, led by 23-year-old Gary Cook at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, decided to undertake a class study of what Southern Baptists are doing in ministering to senior adults, they never dreamed it would blossom into a full-fledged convention study of the situation.

A second-year master of divinity student with a long-time involvement in senior adult work, Cook said he never expected the class project to lead to a resolution at the 1973 Southern Baptist Convention in Portland.

A member of the Walnut Street Baptist Church, Louisville, Cook is director of activities for nearby Baptist Towers, a senior adults home ministered to by the inner-city congregation.

Cook, a native of Little Rock, Arkansas, also organized a senior adults Vacation Bible School at Walnut Street Church which averaged 75 adults attending.

As a result of their study, Cook and his Southern Seminary colleagues concluded that the convention could be doing a great deal more in ministering to senior adults.

They contacted Albert McClellan, associate executive secretary and program planning secretary of the SBC Executive Committee and asked what they could do to help strengthen the

senior adult ministry among Southern Baptists.

McClellan outlined several ways of getting SBC attention, including proposing a resolution at the annual convention. The youth decided on this course.

Cook attended the 1973 Southern Baptist Convention in Portland where he presented a resolution "urging" our churches to creatively seek to meet the needs of senior adults.

His resolution pointed out that from 1900 to 1970 the percentage of citizens in the United States over 65 years old has risen from approximately four percent to ten percent.

The resolution, passed by the Southern Baptist Convention, also proposed that "the convention's Executive Committee do a feasibility study on the need for a major survey of present and future ministry to and with senior adults and to take appropriate action."

The committee asked Leonard E. Hill, managing editor of the Baptist Program, to find out what is being done among state conventions, SBC boards and commissions in the area of senior adult ministries.

Hill's report, submitted to the committee at their September, 1973, meeting indicated "very little is being done by SBC agencies and state Baptist conventions to specifically meet the needs of elderly persons.

"The awareness that older adults

have special needs and can make unique contributions is slowly beginning to develop within the SBC even as a similar awareness of the needs and potential of older persons is developing in society in general," the report said.

Cook attended the September meeting and noted for the Executive Committee areas of action where he hoped the resolution on senior adults would gain results.

He proposed a senior adult magazine (the Baptist Sunday School Board has been considering such a publication), production of films with senior adult topics, promotion of senior adult groups in local churches, creation of a convention-wide senior adult day, and the enlistment of senior adults into a new missionary program much like the US-2 or journeyman programs.

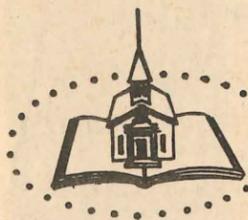
"Programs of mission work for senior adults should be initiated, and just as much emphasis should be placed on the senior adult program as existing programs. The Peace Corps and VISTA effectively use many senior citizens," Cook said.

SBC president Owen Cooper said in his Portland address to the SBC that an estimated 80,000 Southern Baptists reach retirement age each year. Of this number 975 could be reached annually for two or three years of service in some type of mission work, Cooper said.

After studying Cook's recommendations, the Executive Committee asked the Inter-Agency Council, which has a representative from every SBC board and agency, to do a complete study of what Southern Baptists can do in ministering to senior adults. The council is to report to the Executive Committee in 1975.

Cook worked with senior adults while a student at Baylor University, Waco, Texas, serving as director of a nursing home ministry for the campus Baptist Student Union. He was chairman of the senior members' committee at Seventh and James Baptist Church, Waco, and began the XYZ (eXtra Years of Zest) Club for senior adults. (BP)





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(These Lessons for November 18, 1973)



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## Following Jesus' Example

John 1:37-49

That was truly a red-letter day for the disciples of John the Baptist when he directed their attention to Christ as the long-expected Messiah, sin-bearer, and life-giver. When these open-minded and inquisitive men demonstrated their desire to get better acquainted with Christ, by following Him, He said to them: "What seek ye?" Recognizing that He was capable of teaching them the truths which they wanted to know, they inquired as to the place of His abode. Seemingly they had a desire for a private and uninterrupted interview with the Master.

Understanding that they were anxious to be in His presence and to obtain additional information from Him, Christ invited them to His place of abode. They gladly accepted His invitation, accompanied Him to His abode, and enjoyed sweet fellowship with Him through the night. That meeting convinced both of the men that Christ was the Messiah, and they became His ardent disciples.

That Andrew had a great joy in his heart was attested by the fact that he did not sit down in complacency but immediately became concerned that his brother, Simon Peter, would come to know the Lord also. Andrew simply could not withhold the glorious news that he had learned which filled his soul with joy and thanksgiving. He had to tell someone and who should he tell but his brother, Simon. He found his brother and told him what he knew about Christ, expressing it in a few, short, crisp words: "We have found the Messiah, which is, being interpreted, the Christ."

Andrew was a splendid example for all soul-winners. He was a very humble man. He kept himself in the background, and never sought to focus attention upon himself. He was consistent in his conduct. His method was very simple.

When Andrew brought Peter face to face with Christ, the Master said to him, "Thou art..." and He described what he was by nature—a sinner, unsaved, weak, and vacillating. When He said, "Thou shalt be..." He described what he would become—a saint, saved, instructed, established, and what he should be in Christ. Because of the

strength that he would receive from Christ, he would be able to stand many hardships and terrific persecutions, and at the same time be able to strengthen many other Christians.

On the day following the one in which Christ dealt with Andrew and Peter, He went forth into Galilee, searched for Philip, found him and uttered that terse and constraining personal invitation, "Follow me." It was His desire that Philip forsake his calling, whatever it was, leave his home and his friends, and accompany Him wherever He might lead. Our Lord wanted the services of this thoughtful, prudent, patient, and humble man, whom He knew would not be elated unduly by success or undaunted by failure.

After Philip heard the voice of Christ and looked into His eyes, he knew that he would never be the same again. Thoroughly convinced of the Messiahship of Christ, Philip quickly left all and embarked on life's greatest adventure, which is that of following Christ and witnessing for Him.

Due to the preciousness of Christ to Philip, he displayed his religious enthusiasm by immediately seeking and

finding Nathaniel and witnessing to him about Christ. He told him that Christ was the One of Whom the Old Testament foretold. Reluctant to believe that the long-awaited Messiah could come from Nazareth, Nathaniel unhesitatingly questioned the possibility of His having done so. Surprised and shocked at Nathaniel's questioning his testimony, Philip very wisely and tactfully insisted that he come and meet Christ and see for himself what manner of man He was.

This glorious privilege of introducing others to Christ is afforded everyone who will follow Christ. This method of "come and see" is an essential of the Christian faith. It is His purpose that we should be faithful witnesses unto Him unto the ends of the earth. If we are to be effective witnesses for Christ, we must not await chance contacts with the unsaved, but we must take the initiative and seek out those who do not know Christ and tell them what He has done for us. Christ's followers need to have instilled in their minds repeatedly the glorious fact that they are under obligation to share Him with those who have never come to know Him.

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## The Strong And The Weak

Romans 14:1-4

Paul's concept of Christian living included a vital concern for the spiritual welfare of those Christians whose faith was immature, and who, therefore, were in need of encouragement and strengthening. While Paul was unwilling to compromise the truth, he did urge his readers to be considerate of others who held opinions which were not in agreement with their own. With reference to things which were unquestionably right deviation therefrom or compromise therewith were not permissible. Paul insisted that all matters of conscience were to be settled with God. He urged mature Christians to exercise great care lest they influence their weaker brethren to violate their consciences and indulge in sin. Paul emphasized the fact that the preroga-

tive of judging belongs to God only. For this reason Christians are forbidden to ridicule or hold in contempt those whose opinions differ from their own. Paul pointed out the folly of participating in fruitless disputations which disrupted the unity of the church of which they were members.

Some friction arose within the membership of the church in Rome over a difference of opinion as to whether or not Christians should eat meat which had been offered as a sacrifice to idols and later found its way into the public markets. To some this did not present any problem, but to others it was considered an act of compromise. The latter refused to consume the meat and restricted themselves to a vegetarian diet. Paul emphasized that neither should criticize nor condemn the other.

He taught that for either to look down on or despise the other for being conscientious about this matter was definitely wrong. Judgment is a matter that is reserved for the Divine Judge.

I Corinthians 8:7-13

The Corinthian Christians had emerged from heathenism approximately five years before, and they were still residing in a very wicked city with all of the temptations connected therewith. One acute problem which arose among them was the question of whether or not it was right for Christians to eat meat which had been offered to idols and later sold in the public markets.

Naturally the quality of the meat was not altered in the least by the procedure of dedication to idols. The stronger Christians were convinced that it was not wrong for them to consume the meat simply to satisfy their hunger, since they were not involved in any way with idol worship. On the other hand, some weaker Christians believed that it was wrong to eat such meat.

Paul reminded them that knowledge is not the main thing, for it alone has a tendency to make people proud and conceited and, therefore, incapable of true discernment. Paul taught that love, rather than knowledge, must be the arbiter in this case. Whereas knowledge inflates with conceit, love always moves one to have a concern.

In attempting to help the Corinthians in the solution of their problem, Paul enunciated a principle which has been very beneficial to multitudes in the solution of similar problems. He taught that, in the exercise of their Christian liberties, believers should be thoughtful and considerate of the welfare of others. The Christian should never fail to consider how others will be affected by his actions. He should be willing to forego his actual rights rather than to cause others to stumble. If his rights become hindrances to others, he should not exercise them. Christian consideration for others will cause us to refrain from doing the things that would lead others into temptation and cause them to do wrong. Let us be most considerate of the well-being of others, striving to provoke them to good works rather than to cause them to stumble and sin. If needs be, let us make personal sacrifices in order that we may be positively helpful to others. Let us be very careful about our influence, or that power which we exert over others by our thoughts, words, and deeds, and ever see to it that it is always helpful. Let us guard against anything that would cause our weaker brethren to stumble and fall. Love must ever be the dominating motive. We must refrain from contributing to the spiritual impoverishment of God's children.

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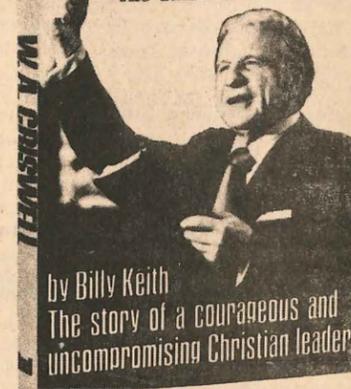
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Trinity Baptist Church in Lexington ordained Percy Belcher, Sid Corman, Jim Hale, John Haley, Grimes Mitchell, Rick Landon, Carl Vice and Harry Richards as deacons in October.

Mrs. L. C. (Ruth Lea) Alexander, 72, passed away on October 18, 1973, at the Forsyth Memorial Hospital, Winston-Salem, North Carolina. She was buried at Fulton, Kentucky.

A native of Lebanon, Tennessee, Mrs. Alexander graduated from Cumberland University. She met and married Lowell C. Alexander while both were students at New Orleans Seminary. The couple celebrated their 46th wedding anniversary on September 9, 1973.

Mrs. Alexander is survived by her husband; one son, Jack, who teaches in the church music department, Piedmont Bible College, Winston-Salem; and one grandson, Charles Jackson, age 13.

Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Southern Baptists' oldest institution, began the 114th session with 1304 students enrolled. This time last fall 1193 were enrolled. There are 127 students from Kentucky attending this term.

Southern Seminary Day was held in Bethel and Logan Baptist Associations in Kentucky, November 4, 1973. It involved churches in and around Russellville, Kentucky.

Mrs. Edwin A. (Margaret) Lasley is recuperating at home. On September 16, 1973, she was in an automobile accident.

Lewis Jennings, pastor of the West Pineville Baptist Church, Pineville, was recently elected moderator of Bell Baptist Association.



Jennings

Jennings is a native of Newnan, Georgia, and a 1968 graduate of Clear Creek Baptist School, Pineville.

Mrs. Jennings is the former Rosie Carolyn Beckom of Raymond, Georgia. The couple has three children: Thomas Drew, 14; Mary Ellen, 9; and Leslie, 3.

Georgetown College has been awarded a \$3,000 unrestricted grant from Eastman Kodak Company. The grant is based on the number of Georgetonians who have reached their fifth anniversary with the companies during 1973. The grant is computed at \$750 for each year the graduate was in college. Nancy S. Compton ('68) has been employed at Tennessee Eastman Company, Kingsport, Tennessee, since her graduation from Georgetown.

Mary E. Wharton, chairman of the biology department at Georgetown College, has co-authored a book, "Trees and Shrubs of Kentucky." She collaborated with Roger W. Barbour, professor of zoology at the University of Kentucky. This book will be on bookshelves November 15. It contains 1174 illustrations with a total of 282 species described. The text describes each species concisely, emphasizing distinguishing features and including habitat, frequency, distribution and the uses man has made of the plant.

David E. Gillespie, registrar at Campbellsville College, has been elected president-elect of the Kentucky Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers at the annual meeting held October 10-12 at Park Mammoth Resort, Park City, Kentucky. Also elected was secretary-treasurer Tom Sherwood, registrar of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

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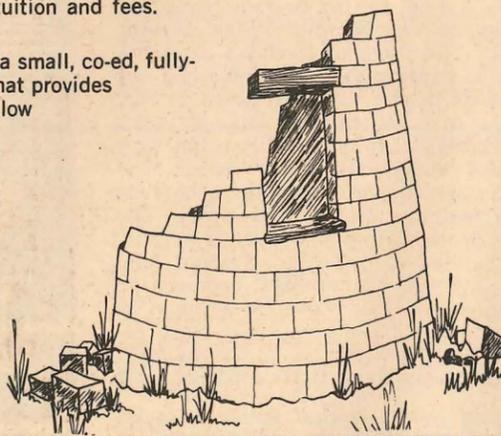
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Afternoon Session  
2:00 P.M.

West Chapel, First Baptist Church, Owensboro

2:00 Worship Together ..... Lyman Austin  
"The Meeting—What's Happening" ..... James Whaley  
"Pastoral Ministries on a Clear Day" ..... Ernest Mosley  
Supervisor, Church Ministries, Church Administration Department, BSSB

Discussion  
Break

Divide into 3 interest groups to share workable ideas:

Preschool & Childrens Directors ..... Nancy Jo Watson  
WMU Department, KBC  
Youth & Recreation Directors ..... Glenn Davenport  
Bethlehem Church, Louisville  
Educational Directors ..... Richard Hale  
Buena Vista Church, Owensboro

5:30 Fellowship Meal — Kings Table, 624 Dieterle Drive  
(Reservations to be made by 3:00 P.M.)

Evening Session  
7:00 P.M.

First Baptist Church

7:00 "How to Lose Your Job and Like It" ..... Ernest Mosley  
Discussion  
Business Session  
Reports from afternoon groups

Tuesday Morning Session  
November 13, 1973  
9:00 A.M.

Joint meeting of Pastors, Ministers of Music and Ministers of Education — Auditorium, First Baptist Church  
Theme: We PREACH CHRIST

8:50 Prelude ..... Bill Keith  
9:00 Hymn ..... Jerry Oakley  
Columbia Church, Columbia  
Scripture and Prayer ..... Bill and Anna Keith  
Special Music ..... Ernest Mosley  
9:10 Message: THE PASTOR AND THE CHURCH STAFF ..... Ernest Mosley  
9:35 Special Music ..... Kentucky Ministers of Music  
9:45 Message: PREACHING CHRIST TODAY ..... J. D. Grey  
10:15 Benediction ..... Harold Pike  
South Side Church, Covington

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## Clower Joins Grand Ole Opry

The man who successfully nominated Owen Cooper for president of the Southern Baptist Convention in 1971 has become the 64th performing member of the Grand Ole Opry cast.

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## Baptists Urge Governmental Integrity

"Southern Baptists are deeply concerned with Biblical morality and we desire to see this morality embodied in those who lead our nation," declared Owen Cooper, president of the Southern Baptist Convention, at a fellowship breakfast for Baptist Congressmen in Washington, D.C.

Thirteen Baptist Congressmen and representatives of two other Baptist legislators were among those attending the breakfast, which centered on the theme, "Focus on Integrity." It was sponsored by the Christian Life Commission, the Southern Baptist social action agency.

C. Welton Gaddy of the commission staff, who led the Congressmen in a "Prayer for Integrity," said, "Our trust has been ruptured by double-talk and immoral behavior on the part of persons in high echelons of government, our minds are troubled by a tumult of crises, our wills are frustrated as we vacillate between a sense of importance as citizens and a sense of futility.

"We pray," he said, "that leaders in this room may be among those in this 93rd Congress who by moral leadership secure once again the shaking foundations of this democracy."

The Southern Baptist president said that "because of recent tragic events, public distrust of governmental leadership and cynicism regarding the political process have increased."

Cooper expressed gratitude that, in spite of the continuing scandal in gov-

ernment, "there are so many Southern Baptist Senators and Congressmen as well as other outstanding Christian leaders in the United States government."

Referring to the Southern Baptist constituency, Cooper told the Congressmen, "We are a people who quickly grow impatient with anyone who attempts to use the processes of government for personal gain, to deceive voters or violate basic personal rights and liberties given to us by almighty God and guaranteed for us by the Constitution."

In spite of Watergate and related scandals, Cooper said Baptists "still believe in this government's ability to function effectively and justly. We want to encourage the citizens who attend our churches not to withdraw but to involve themselves even more meaningfully in the political process."

Of 52 members of Congress who are Baptists, 26 had indicated plans to attend the fellowship breakfast, but at the last minute congressional duties prevented several from attending. Two former members of Congress, a Methodist Congressman and 25 Baptist leaders from various parts of the country also attended.

Christian Life Commission executive secretary Foy Valentine said the primary purpose of the breakfast was for "fellowship and affirmative support" of those in Congress who struggle to maintain integrity in public life.

Cecil E. Sherman, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Asheville, North Carolina, and chairman of the Christian Life Commission, emphasized that morality is the same for Christians wherever they happen to be.

Whether people are in the backwoods of the country or in highly sophisticated areas or in Congress, "people are people and being a Christian is just being a Christian wherever you are," Sherman said.

Sherman then outlined the ethics that, he said, "all Americans need to see and a large majority of Americans want to see embodied in their governmental leaders."

"We are to love God," he said. "We are to place our loyalty to Him above all other loyalties. We are to live simply, for the clutter of many things will corrupt us. We are to tell the truth. We are to honor our families. We are to live temperate lives. We are to love our neighbors as we love ourselves. We are to 'bear one another's burdens.' These are the great ideas of the Christian ethic." (BP)

### On Sunday Evening WMU To Open Annual Session

Woman's Missionary Union, auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention, has slated a Sunday evening starting session for its annual meeting in Dallas, June 9 and 10, and has designated a headquarters hotel for WMU members.

"Several pastors in the Dallas area have expressed enthusiastic support for the unusual missions night we have planned," said WMU president Mrs. R. L. Mathis of Waco, Texas. The session will be held at 7:30 p.m. in the 10,000-seat arena of the Dallas Convention Center.

WMU had Sunday evening sessions last year in Portland and the previous year in Philadelphia. Mrs. Mathis cited outstanding attendance at those sessions but expects a greater turnout in the midst of the big Baptist population in Dallas.

Headline feature for the Sunday evening session is a commissioning service for new foreign missionaries, conducted by Baker J. Cauthen, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board. (BP)



**FOCUS ON INTEGRITY**—Baptist and governmental leaders call for integrity in public life. From left — Brooks Hays, former congressman; Representative Richard H. Fulton (Democrat, Tennessee); Foy Valentine, executive secretary of the Christian Life Commission; Representative William Jennings Bryan Dorn (Democrat, South Carolina); and Cecil E. Sherman, pastor of First Baptist Church, Asheville, North Carolina, and chairman of the Christian Life Commission.