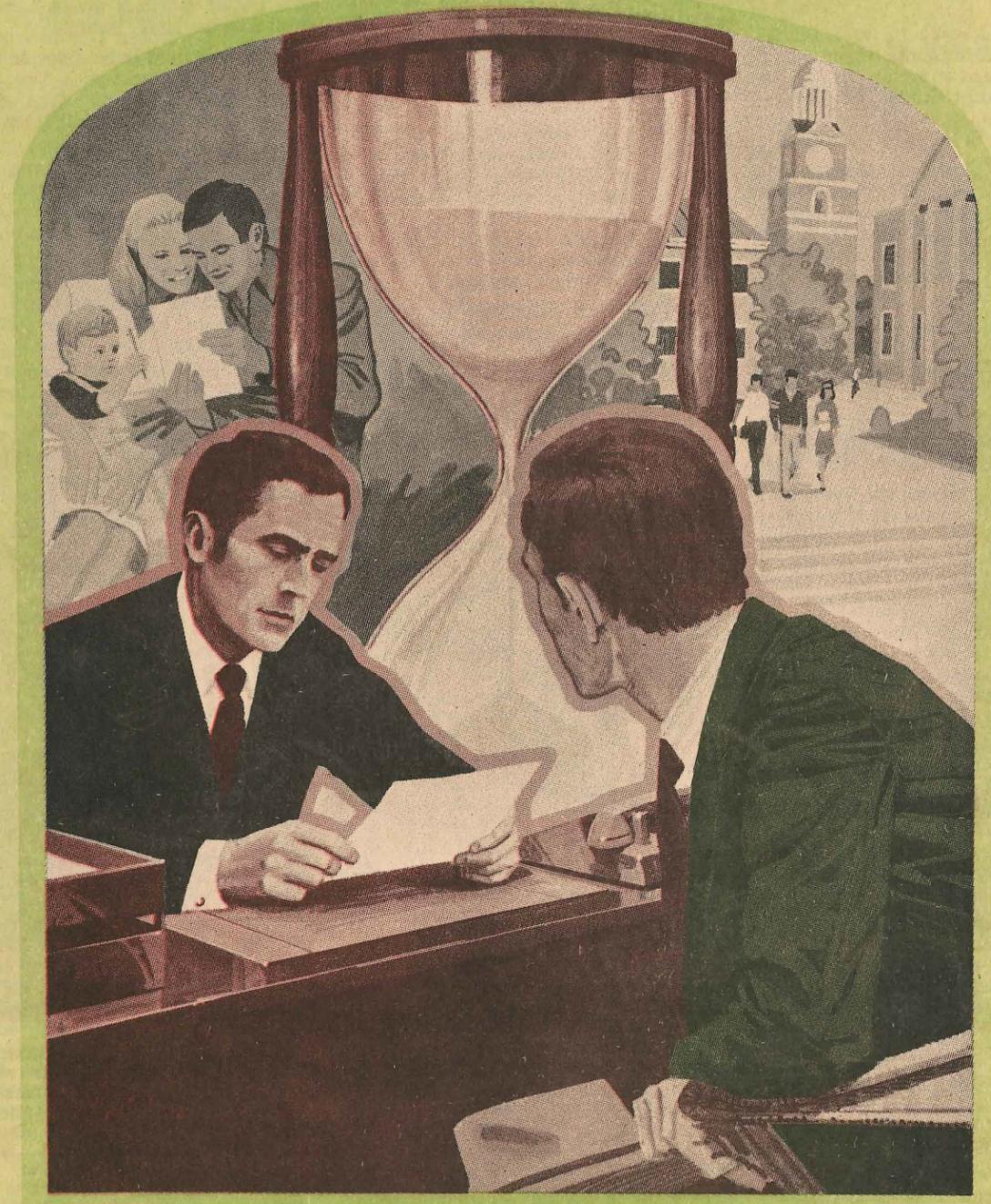


DO YOU HAVE A WILL?



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Campbellsville Trustees Meet

Trustees of Campbellsville College reelected J. B. Crawley, a seven year veteran of the board, as chairman for the second consecutive year at the annual organizational meeting.

Crawley attended the college in its earlier years and has maintained contact with the school serving as general chairman of the College Growth and Development Fund program prior to

Southern Baptist Film To Be Viewed In East Germany

"Home," the award-winning ecology film produced by the Southern Baptist Radio and Television Commission, has been accepted for broadcasting in East Germany — the first time that a Radio-TV Commission produced film has ever been shown in an eastern bloc country.

The film won acclaim at the Leipzig Film Festival in East Germany and was seen there by representatives of East German Television.

It has won numerous awards in film festivals, including a first place in the American Film Festival in New York.

"I think the Communists were interested in 'Home' because they're just as concerned with ecology and the using up of the earth's resources as are the Americans," observed Truett Myers, director of the commission's radio and television programming.

"The film has been shown in Europe," he continued. "It was seen in England on BBC in late 1972, was translated into Dutch and shown in Holland that same year, and has also been seen in West Germany."

In "Home," the ecological crisis is expressed through scenes of modern pollution presented in contrast with an Indian chief's heartfelt love for his natural environment. He reminds the viewer that "whatever befalls the earth, befalls the sons of the earth." (BP)

assuming the chairman of the board of trustees post last year.

Other officers elected were William L. Hancock, pastor of Highview Baptist Church, Louisville, vice chairman; Everette Lee, owner of Lee Tire Company, Campbellsville, secretary; and David Gardner, pastor of First Baptist Church, Greenville, assistant secretary.

Named to head the four standing committees of the board were Bruce Hartsell, academic committee; Herbert Keeton, business; Wendell Romans, student life; and Morris Norfleet, advancement.

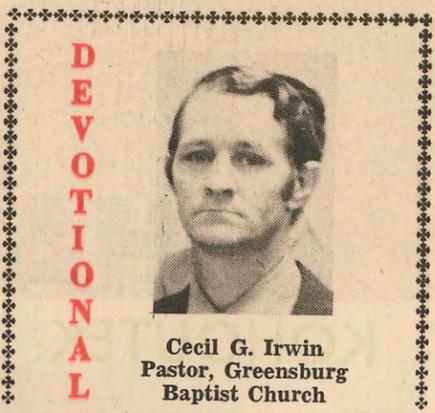
W. R. Davenport, college president, greeted newly appointed trustees to the board. Beginning their service were Norman Cabbage, Leitchfield; Wayne Dehoney, Louisville; George Gaddy, Campbellsville; Henry Huff, Louisville; Douglas LeNeave, Mayfield; and W. R. Mann, Campbellsville.

In other board action, the trustees, acting on a recommendation from the faculty and committee, authorized the reinstatement of the associate degree programs and approved the associate of science in library science degree.

Church Chuckles by CARTWRIGHT



"Between you and the weather, either my conscience or my arthritis is always riled up!"



Cecil G. Irwin
Pastor, Greensburg
Baptist Church

"Songs To Sing"

Ephesians 3:14-21

This passage is one of the great doxologies. It was written in a prison. (Ephesians 3:1) Paul knew that "four walls do not a prison make, nor iron bars a cage." He was delivered from fear, resentment, and the sense of limitation. These emotions and feelings would have been natural under the circumstances.

How could this be? This is not the first time Paul had been in prison. He was jailed at Philippi. He and Silas, his missionary partner, sang their songs of praise. The jailer was so impressed that he asked: "What must I do to be saved?" Paul's answer was: "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and you will be saved . . ." (Acts 16:31) Paul's belief in God gave him songs to sing in the night. God's power operative in Paul's life gave him joy and the ability to sing in the midst of adversity.

Paul's power, his peace and confidence, lay in the fact that he had the means of drawing on God's power. He had the secret of releasing it into action in his own life, and through himself, into the lives of others. What a faith Paul had. It was no mere weak belief. It was a faith that took God at His word. It made ventures and took risks on the power of God only. Someone has said that "religion is betting your life that there is a God." Vital Christian living is believing that God is like Jesus, and that He is able to do abundantly above what we ask or think. God can be trusted. A father does not usually appeal to his child to trust him. He shows himself trustworthy. As a child comes to realize his father's strength and love, trust is born. So it is with us and God. We trust God, we make ventures in faith in practical things, and come to live and move in a world in which the most dependable fact is God's grace and power.

Let us pray that God's power may become more operative in our lives early in 1974. Then, perhaps, we can sing our songs of praise in the midst of adversity.

KOHOUTEK: some see it as a sign from God

A young mother of three and her husband, both former Southern Baptists, are packing their bags to leave the country on what they believe is America's eve of destruction heralded by the Comet Kohoutek.

For several months now, Moses David (Berg), middle-aged mentor of the otherwise youthful Christian sect, the Children of God, reports a vision foretelling the destruction of the United States by God.

The possible instrument is the Comet Kohoutek, he says.

For more than a year the Christian group, which believes in a strict adherence to the literal scripture, has been warning Americans that God was readying to judge America. Now, says Moses David, our time is up.

Moses David estimates America's judgment day to be in late January, 1974 — when the Comet Kohoutek is at its closest proximity to the earth.

In a copyrighted Children of God tract, Moses David says, "Whatever its effects and meaning, like a boomerang from the hand of its Maker it will slice through our lives and return to the hand of Him that flung it, as it begins to depart from us by the end of January, 1974, having accomplished its mission, wreaked its havoc or portended its crises and decided its events, whatever these may be!"

The young mother, who said she and her husband still hold basic Baptist beliefs, was in Atlanta recently saying goodbye to her parents as she prepared to flee to Europe.

Chalcedony, the Biblical name she has adopted, said, "I don't think Moses David believes the comet is going to touch the earth, but sun spots can cause blackouts, and when you have something as big as the comet any number of things could happen—a magnetic imbalance or floods or earthquakes."

She and her husband, Reuben, and their preschool age children, Abiel, Carmi and Gentle Heart, will be leaving their Knoxville, Tennessee, home soon.

"We're pretty sure we're going to Europe, but aren't sure where because we don't know the needs of all the dif-

ferent colonies in Europe and South America."

The couple had planned to leave the United States a year ago, but "the Lord showed us not to leave." She was sued for an old debt and the payment took all their traveling money.

"Not all the Children of God are leaving," she added. "We've got refuges in the mountains and everywhere in the United States stocked with food and warm clothing. They're for people (survivors) who ask for help when they really turn to the Lord and see the truth."

She added, "We're not saying 'get out,' but you should leave if you don't know it's God's will for you to stay."

Chalcedony said her mother isn't going with them, "but she's going to be getting ready, like stocking up on warm clothing."

Unlike some other parents of Children of God members, Chalcedony said her mother has helped her in the past through prayer. Other parents have been accused of kidnapping the Children from their homes, countercharging kidnapping and brainwashing on the part of the Children of God themselves.

A former college student, Chalcedony said she lost interest in schooling and in organized religion. "I backslid," she said. But since joining the Children of God, her faith "has been shored up."

"My husband and I don't believe anything different than when we were Baptists. We were brought up in Southern Baptist homes, but we both believe that sometimes it's so burdensome to be so organized that you can't do anything."

"We believe we don't have time to go through four years of seminary. We believe we can function without that," Chalcedony said.

Chalcedony joined the Children of God around Christmas of 1970 after she had come back to the United States from a jaunt in Europe. She hooked up with a "swinging roommate" who convinced her that it wasn't right for a 23 year old girl, single or otherwise, to be a virgin.

She became pregnant and started

taking drugs "all in the same week. It wasn't real heavy drugs — just mild diet pills — but that was drugs to me," she said.

"I thought I was really getting into the world," she added.

The former Baptist said she had been visiting the House of Judah, a small Christian home group but had no intention of joining. "I thought they were jerks," she said.

"Everything started falling out from under me," she said. She had just bought a new car and Christmas presents. "I was in debt everywhere I turned." Her boyfriend, the unwed father, refused to help financially so she asked House of Judah leaders for help.

"If I hadn't been pregnant I probably wouldn't have joined them," she said.

Reuben was a guard at their Atlanta girls' home, Temple of Still Waters. "He came up to me while I was pregnant and said he believed the Lord wanted us to get to know each other. So we did and fell in love and were married."

In early 1971, the group from Atlanta's House of Judah were won over to the still fledgling Children of God. Many, including Chalcedony and Reuben, went to the Children's former ranch headquarters in Texas to live.

The couple and their children have since been to Burlington, Washington; Baltimore, Maryland; Washington, D.C.; Homestead, Florida; and New York City.

"We use driveaway cars, where people pay to have their cars moved around. All we do is pay for gas," she said.

A driveaway car won't fill the bill in getting Chalcedony, Reuben and their brood to Europe, but, whatever the expense, she believes in Moses David's visions of doom and is willing to evict herself and her family from their homeland, which they believe is going to be punished by God for spiritual evil.

The Children of God await the coming of Kohoutek. (BP)

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The Viewpoint Makes The Difference

An interesting report of the formation of a new organization appeared sometime ago in an issue of *The Record*, the Louisville archdiocesan newspaper. The organization is named the Catholic League for Religious and Civil Rights (CLRCR) and is designed to combat "unjust attacks in the media" and "discriminatory public policy" toward Catholicism.

"Decency and respect for Catholics has never adequately existed in this country," said Father Baker, editor of the *Homiletic and Pastoral Review*, "and anti-Catholicism is increasingly on the rise in America." Baker, one of the organizers of the league, cited certain newspapers and magazines which he said published anti-Catholic articles. He also blamed the courts with anti-Catholicism in the no direct aid to non-public education and abortion decisions.

Such charges bring a smile to the face of some of us who have thought through the years Catholicism has received a fair shake and the lion's share of favorable publicity in the media. Until recent years when the media have tended to become unfriendly if not

Awake The Dawn

It was one of those colder than usual December morns. The clock said it was time to get up though it was still dark outside and the warm bed was hard to leave. Outside the ground was almost covered with snow and the flakes were still floating down.

Usually it is invigorating to walk down the driveway in the darkness to get the morning paper but not so that morning. The frozen driveway and the blowing snow made it an unwelcome chore. What was worse I felt on that particular day no feeling of inspiration or anticipation about the duties waiting for the day. It was one of those days of sagging spirits.

Then it happened! As I reached into the box for the paper there came a surprising sound of a bird from the nearby bushes. I never saw the bird in the darkness nor could I identify him by his song. Not to recognize the bird made no difference to me but what made a big difference was the cheerful cheeps of the singing bird.

outrightly anti-religious, Catholicism almost without exception was presented in a good light and non-Catholics felt much of the press and other media must be Catholic controlled or otherwise influenced.

There is a kind of yellow journalism which uses false information about Catholicism and appeals to the uninformed and prejudiced readers. But such falsehoods have been used against Baptists and others. Unfortunately too many readers are prone to believe such charges but to tolerate such is the price we pay for freedom of the press. This, however, is not what this new Catholic organization is aiming at but at the respectable and trustworthy news media.

As to the specific charges leveled by Father Baker at the courts, it depends upon which side one is on. Rather than the aid to non-public education and abortion decisions being "anti-Catholic" it appears the Catholic positions on these and some other matters historically have been "anti-American" and "anti-constitutional."

Back in the house out of the cold and snow I could not forget the bird and his song. Not even the beautiful Psalms which I use in personal devotion could make me forget the bird. What could prompt any bird to sing in such biting cold and darkness? The more I reflected upon the bird the more his song seemed to be a special message for me.

It was certain the bird had what I needed. His song was surely an expression of faith. It was still dark but his faith assured him light was not far away. The more snow that fell the more difficult it would be for the bird to find food for the day but he was still singing. He had no super markets, no pantry, no refrigerator, no deep freezer, not even a nearby delicatessen from which he could select provisions for the meal of his choice. For the bird it was a day to day search for food, snow or no snow. Yet he faced a difficult day without fear, complaint or self-pity but with a happy song.

The bird's song was not only an expression of faith but also a melody of joy. The very joy of being alive in God's world was enough to set the bird to singing. I cannot translate bird language but he seemed to be singing with the psalmist, "This is the day which the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it." (Psalm 118:24)

The bird's song was also an expression of personal gratitude and spontaneous praise. He was grateful to his Creator and was singing his testimony to the whole world. He didn't have to be asked to sing nor was he appointed to some committee of fellow birds to have the early morning shift that day. To the bird his song was not an assignment nor even a duty. It

was the overflow of his gratitude and happiness expressed in joyful song.

Back in a warm and lighted room I was reflecting upon the meaning of the bird's song when the first dim rays of dawn appeared in the east. Though I know better for the moment I wondered whether the morn awakened the bird or the song of the bird awakened the dawn.

I don't believe in transmigration but if I did I would like to reappear on the earth as a bird to awaken the morn and occasionally lift the sagging spirits of someone whom I didn't even know was listening. In the meantime I pray the song in my heart will reflect faith, joy and personal gratitude.

BAPTIST FORUM



NEED ANOTHER PAPER

Dear Editor:

In regard to your article, "Do We Need Another Paper?", in the November 10 issue of *Western Recorder* and to the article, "Faith and Message Starts Own Magazine," in the October 20 issue. This letter is not only to you at the staff of the *Western Recorder* but to all Southern Baptists everywhere.

I say "Praise the Lord" that the publication, *The Southern Baptist Journal*, is being started. Your reaction at the *Western Recorder* to the comment that "since a decent publication was being started, *Western Recorder* would soon be out of business" is completely uncalled for and maybe you should look and see if the love of Christ was truly in it. Maybe you should reread the article in the October 20 issue again and this time ask for the Holy Spirit to let you understand.

We, as Bible believing Southern Baptists, should have the knowledge when and where any of our publications depart from what we believe. We should know which of our schools employ people that will not teach the Bible as "Truth without any mixture of error." As we look toward the latter days and realize that the Bible states that there will be many that will depart from the Word of God, let us as true Christians and believers in Jesus as the risen Saviour and the only way into salvation, look not only at what others teach but what we teach. Powell said he would not editorially advocate the firing of individuals who did not teach as the Bible teaches but would just point out who was doing it. I do not believe

that this stand is strong enough. If any one does not believe, preach and teach the Bible as the "infallible Word of God — Truth without any mixture of error" then he should be made to leave the schools that are training our preachers and children. Praise God, the number of people who don't believe and teach this is small, but my question is why should there be even one? I love Jesus Christ and live to serve Him and I also believe in the Southern Baptist Convention, and, as I have heard both Criswell and Hobbs state that about 90 percent of the people are still the same Bible believing people they have always been, I agree that they are but, I would like to hear specifics and not just general statements whenever Southern Baptists are accused. I would like this to come from inside the SBC and not from others.

As for support of the *Western Recorder*, or any state paper, I will always support it even when I am, as now, overseas or out of the state. I find sometimes things I don't like in it but I truly believe the staff of the *Western Recorder* is doing all it can to stand up for Jesus. And as long as you are doing this then Powell will never have reason to speak about your paper in his. I also believe that if the *Western Recorder* is standing up for Christ as I think it is then not only do you have no worry but you should support to the fullest Powell and *The Southern Baptist Journal*.

I hope that I have been able to get across what I feel and I pray for both your work and Powell's work.

(Richmond, Ky.) John M. Stone

AMNESTY

Dear Editor:

As I read the Baptist Press news release in the December 29, 1973, issue of the *Western Recorder* concerning professor Henlee Barnette's plea for a Southern Baptist stand on amnesty, I immediately recalled visiting a home just before Christmas of a dedicated Baptist layman and his wife whose 19 year old son laid down his life in Vietnam.

I was deeply impressed with the absence of bitterness of these dear people and their strong faith in God despite this loss. They said: "The wonderful thing about it, Brother Grant, is that we know he is with the Lord." He had been twice wounded before and sent back to fight again.

I saw hundreds of these boys in the hospitals of Japan when I was a missionary there, many of whom are living out their days as amputees, some as basket cases.

Let professor Barnette carry on his crusade for amnesty, and I would no doubt do the same if my son had chosen to flee the country as did his, but why drag our denomination into what is so obviously a very personal matter?

And if we must as a denomination "take a stand" — who is going to speak for the parents of the dead soldier, who do not happen to occupy a seminary chair?

Washington, D.C. Worth C. Grant

Dear Editor:

In your December 29 edition professor Henlee Barnette asks Baptists to take a stand on amnesty. May I cast my vote against amnesty and explain my reasoning:

The first argument presented for amnesty by professor Barnette is that of

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Church Victim Of \$20,000 Hoax

A man claiming to be Leonard Bernstein, Jr., received a standing ovation at a Sunday evening service at First Baptist Church in Dallas, Texas, when he presented a check for \$20,000 to its sanctuary choir.

The choir had just completed its dramatization of Handel's "Messiah" when the man handed a check to the pastor, W. A. Criswell, to take the choir to New York in the spring to perform with the New York Philharmonic Orchestra.

With tears in his eyes, the man said he and his father, whom he identified as world famous conductor Leonard Bernstein, were both Christian Jews and attended Calvary Baptist Church in New York City.

The next day, Jack Bird, director of communications for the church, largest congregation in the Southern Baptist Convention, announced the check and the man were a hoax.

Suspicion was first aroused when one church member said the famed conductor was too young, at 55, to be the father of the "generous" donor, guessed to be 35-40.

Church business administrator John

Shanks then checked with the Wells Fargo Bank in a San Francisco suburb on which the check was written. Bank officials could not locate such an account.

Another phone call to Leonard Bernstein's office in New York revealed he has one son, Alexander, 20, a student at Harvard University. Also, Bernstein has no connection with the Baptist church in New York.

He also said a man fitting the same description had done the same thing in Oklahoma recently and was jailed for impersonation.

Criswell said he first heard about the man on the Sunday afternoon before the presentation was made when he received a phone call, supposedly from an official from ABC-TV in New York, saying a man named Leonard Bernstein, Jr., would fly into Dallas Sunday night for the choir's performance.

The pastor said he had no reason to doubt the authenticity of the man. A number of television networks and media agents had been discussing the possibility of televising the church's "Messiah" dramatization, he said. (BP)

Three Seminars Planned By BSSB

The Southern Baptist Sunday School Board has announced the scheduling of three separate seminars to be conducted in the coming weeks to assist church staff members and leaders.

The seminars in pastoral care, church music and preaching and leadership will be held in Nashville.

A seminar to assist pastors and other church staff members improve their skills in pastoral care will be conducted January 28-February 1.

"This seminar is designed to help church staff members review their approach to pastoral care and update their basic caring skills," according to Bob Dale, consultant in the department's church ministries section.

In addition to Dale, leadership for the seminar will include Liston Mille, professor of pastoral care at Vanderbilt University Divinity School, Nashville; Don Bouldin, pastor of First Baptist Church, Columbia, Tennessee; and William Mays, chaplain at Baptist Hospital in Nashville.

A seminar focusing on the pastor who is the only staff member of his church will be held March 11-15 in the Church Program Training Center at the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board in Nashville.

"Participants will concentrate on skills the pastor needs to be a generalist," Walter Bennett, church ministries consultant, said.

Other areas of study will include planning and conducting congregational worship services, working with church groups, church growth and working deacons.

The church music department of the Sunday School Board will simultaneously conduct three church music seminars in Nashville, March 11-15.

Seminars are scheduled for preschool leaders, youth music leaders and organists. Saxe Adams will direct the preschool leaders' seminar; Gerald Armstrong, the youth music leaders' seminar, and Sharon Lyon, the organists' seminar. All are members of the church music department of the Sunday School Board.

Each participant is responsible for his own lodging. A list of motels and hotels will be sent from the Church Program Training Center upon request.

Registrations for any of the seminars should be sent to the Church Program Training Center, 127 Ninth Avenue, North, Nashville, Tennessee 37234. A \$20 registration fee, which includes seminar materials, other related books and materials and some meals, should be included for each seminar to be attended. Each participant is responsible for his own lodging. A list of motels and hotels will be sent from the Church Program Training Center upon request.



Invite
Us

FRANKLIN OWEN
Executive Secretary, Kentucky Baptist Convention

I'm thinking about the energy crisis and its influence on all our Kentucky Baptist work. The success of it all depends, to a great extent, upon our ability to keep the Baptists of Kentucky informed and enlisted in our convention's support of a world program. We as Christians are still under the Great Commission, whatever may be the historical circumstance.

If this energy squeeze continues to worsen, we shall, of course, do our best at the Baptist Building to get more of our work done by telephone or by mail (which cost also is increasing); but nothing takes the place of the grasp of the right hand of fellowship and the sight of a face who personifies the program he represents.

So let me urge you to invite our people to your associations and churches just the same, energy crisis or not. We are all glad to come (no charge) to represent all or any part of the Baptist Mission Program and we are equally glad to come for occasions of pulpit supply, banquet programs, training sessions, etc. We feel that any time one of our people is out in the churches for any good purpose, his presence also makes the people conscious of all that we represent.

It is by such contacts and communication that Baptists "hang" together and maintain reasonable fellowship. Without live relationships in our local church autonomy system we could become so independent as to be unable (or less able) to transfer members from church to church. In a fluid society this would be our denominational death knell.

We hope that whatever gasoline program is adopted will give our denominational workers reasonable consideration. Even with filling stations closed on Sundays, we can make as long a round trip as a tank of gasoline permits. Maybe the inviting church could arrange for sufficient gasoline to permit the return home.

Invite us. Our people are ready to come. The Apostle Paul revisited all the churches he could in the interest of sharing among them and keeping them together through communication. By the same token, the Baptists through the medium of Kentucky Baptist Convention personnel must stay in touch with one another through whatever days may come.

Laymen and Wife Aid Arlington Bible Drill Hopefuls

By Larry High

Pose the question to almost any Southern Baptist pastor and he will tell you the backbone of the church is dedicated laymen. Throughout Baptist churches the Lord has blessed many a pastor with sincere laymen without whom his task would have been much more difficult, if not impossible.

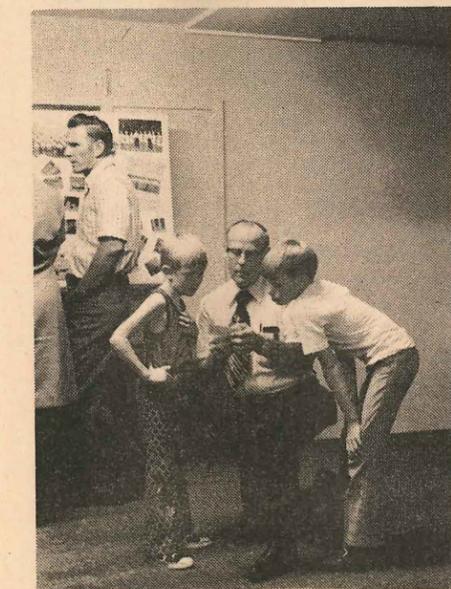
One such secular servant of the Lord is a 59 year old appliance and grocery store owner in Arlington. Since his childhood Robert Hocker has played an active role in the ministry of the First Baptist Church in his hometown.

In addition to serving the church in almost every capacity at one time or another Hocker was elected church training director of the West Kentucky Association in 1946. Every year since he has been reelected and has accepted the continued responsibility.

Despite his schedule that would exhaust a younger man Hocker has been active with the church youth for over two decades. Much of his time is spent training them in preparation for Bible sword drill contests and speaker's tournaments.

Since 1949 First Baptist, Arlington, has supplied more state, regional, and Southern finals champions than any church in Kentucky. Hocker's training has resulted in a victory for one of his prodigies an average of once every four years.

But in recent years much of the training time for contestants has been led by his wife, Mary Helen. Hocker



POSSIBLE CANDIDATES — Bob Hocker kneels to explain a photograph to two young interested Arlington boys. Youth of this age may already be preparing for upcoming Bible drill competition.

used to train the potential winners himself but the dedication and sincere study of the Bible by the young people convinced Mrs. Hocker to drop her Presbyterian affiliation and join the Baptist church.

Since that time she and her husband have shared the responsibility of readying young contestants for their opportunity to become champions.

Hocker said he nor the church insists that any child submit to the rigorous training period. It must be a decision that the young person has reached himself, he added.

The instruction starts many months before the tournaments and lasts one hour each weekday until the time of the contest.

Marilyn Talbot, a former state contestant from Arlington and now a school teacher in Memphis said, "Mr.

and Mrs. Hocker have been like a mama and papa to all of us. We spent so much time at their house it seemed like a second home."

The Hocker's have two children and both are involved in the Bible drills and like other youth they spend the same time in preparation for the drills.

Hocker said he has no explanation for the success of church members in the contests except that they work hard and are diligent in their study.

That surely plays a large role in the victories but most of the credit is given to the Hockers by past participants. Dedicated laymen and women are a tremendous asset to any congregation and like the young people trained by the Hockers they never forget the time and effort given to the church in the name of the Lord. ■

IN MADISONVILLE AND LEXINGTON—

Reach Out Rallies Announced

In a continuing effort to reach people for Bible study in 1974-1975 the Sunday School department of the Kentucky Baptist Convention has scheduled two state Reach Out Rallies.

People to People Reach Out is a project designed to help churches reach its Sunday School enrolment in attendance. It will have a one week thrust with follow-through actions extending over a period of six weeks. Personal contact of prospects will extend over a seven week period.

The first statewide rally will be conducted at the Liberty Baptist Church, Liberty Church Road off Highway 857 in Madisonville on January 29, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Calvary Baptist Church, 150 East High Street, Lexington, will host the second state rally on January 31, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

The attendance thrust will begin in Kentucky churches on September 29 and climax with High Attendance Celebration Day, November 17.

People to People Reach Out Week will emphasize personal renewal, inspiration and commitment. The week will feature Bible exposition, group activities, class and department goal setting, visitation and personal commitment.

Associations are asked to support Reach Out by enlisting one Reach Out representative for every 10 churches. Each representative will be responsible for promoting attendance at the associational Reach Out Rally and interpret-

ing the project to church leaders not present at the rally. These Reach Out representatives will be trained at the two state rallies.

Associations are also asked to conduct a People to People Reach Out Rally during April or May. The rally will explain Reach Out to Sunday School leaders and provide inspiration for conducting the project.

Reach Out manuals will be provided for each church at the associational rally. Manuals will be distributed to associational representatives at the state training meetings. Suggested agendas for the Associational Reach Out Rally may also be found in the Associational Sunday School Bulletin (January-March 1974 issue).

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Staff Changes

James G. Drury is the new minister of music and youth at Ralph Avenue Baptist Church, Louisville. He began his duties there on November 1, 1973. He has served as minister of music in churches located in Frankfort, Walton, and Lexington and as associational music director for Northern Kentucky and Elkhorn associations.



Drury, a native of Versailles, attended Georgetown College. He is married to the former Laquita J. Conlin of Lebanon Junction. The couple has two children. W. Louis Walters is pastor of Ralph Avenue Church.

Miss Nancy Jo Watson has resigned as Girls in Action and Mission Friends director for the Kentucky Woman's Missionary Union. The resignation became effective January 1.



Miss Watson, a native of South Carolina, said she hoped to focus her future ministry in work with children. During her three years with the state WMU, she coordinated the popular Girls in Action fairs and served as camp director during the summer camping seasons. She is a graduate of Southern Seminary.

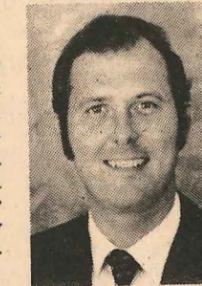
Calvin C. Wilkins has resigned as pastor of the Briensburg Baptist Church near Benton to accept the call of pastor of First Baptist Church, Providence, effective December 30. He has been pastor of the Briensburg Baptist Church since January, 1967. While pastor at Briensburg he also served as assistant moderator and moderator of the Blood River Association. He also served on the Kentucky Baptist Executive Board.



Wilkins Other Kentucky churches served by Wilkins were: First Baptist Church, Kuttawa; Garrison

Baptist Church, Garrison; Riverview Baptist Church, Berry; and Irvingsville Baptist Church, near Cynthiana. He has also served as pastor of the First Baptist Church, Oran, Missouri, and Hare Baptist Church, Texas.

Gary Oliver, Baptist campus minister for University of Kentucky, has resigned to accept a similar post at Colorado University in Boulder.



Oliver and associate pastor of churches in New Mexico, Kentucky and Indiana.

Oliver is a graduate of the University of New Mexico and Southern Seminary. He is married and the father of two children.

Jack M. Jones came to Beechmont Baptist Church, Louisville, as minister of music and youth the first of July, 1973. He came to Beechmont from Rosemont Baptist Church, Lexington, where he was minister of music for five years. Prior to his service at Rosemont, he was minister of music at First Baptist Church, Frankfort, for five years.

Mrs. Jones is the former Maurine Brafford of Gray, Kentucky. The couple has three children.

Ralph Avenue Baptist Church, Louisville, has called **John K. Holloway** as minister of education. A graduate of the University of Georgia, Holloway received his MRE degree from Southern Seminary, Louisville, on December 21, 1973. He was born in Pascagoula, Mississippi, and is married to the former Evelyn Reynolds of Nicholasville, Kentucky.

CORRECTION

A recent issue of *Western Recorder* contained a story on the administrative committee of the Kentucky Baptist Convention's Executive Board. In that story, B. B. Steele was incorrectly listed as pastor of First Baptist Church, Frankfort. He is minister of education of that church. Pastor is Herman Bowers.

Gleanings

Jaroy Weber, pastor of Dauphin Way Baptist Church, Mobile, Alabama, has accepted the pastorate of First Baptist Church in Lubbock, Texas, the second largest church in the Southern Baptist Convention.

Weber, current president of the Southern Baptist Pastors' Conference, has served the Dauphin Way Baptist Church since 1966 and held previous pastorates in Texas and Louisiana.

Major General **Robert Preston Taylor**, retired chief of chaplains of the U.S. Air Force, retired December 31 as director of development for Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth, Texas.

The Southern Baptist chaplain, who came to Southwestern in 1966 after retiring from the Air Force, survived the infamous Bataan Death March, Hell Ships and Japanese prison camps of World War II. His World War II experiences are recounted in a recent book, *Days of Anguish, Days of Hope*, published by Doubleday. (BP)

A mid-morning fire caused an estimated \$7,000 in damage to an apartment in married student housing on **Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary** campus in Mill Valley, California, and destroyed clothing, furniture and personal items of the family living there.

No one was injured in the fire, which was brought under control in 10 minutes and did only slight smoke damage to two connecting apartments.

A spokesman said the fire was started by a child playing with matches. (BP)

Harold G. Hanson has been elected secretary of the church training department of the Baptist General Convention of Texas.

Tommy Dixon, an associate in the Texas Baptist church training department since 1966, will join the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, as a consultant in the youth section of the church training department.

Hanson succeeds R. Clyde Hall, who resigned in June to enter private business. He is a former associate in the Texas Baptist Sunday School division and has served for the past six years as minister of education at First Baptist Church, Tyler, Texas.

Both **Hanson** and **Dixon** are graduates of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth. **Dixon** is a graduate of Samford University, Birmingham, Alabama, and **Hanson** is a graduate of Stephen F. Austin University, Nacogdoches, Texas. (BP)



(Continued from page 5)

taking human life, unjustly. To my knowledge, there are provisions for conscientious objectors whereby they do not have to be involved in actual killing and if this is still true there was no need for one of his sons to flee to Sweden.

The next argument presented is that of an unjust war. Who ever heard of a just war? The first questions asked of me when I was taken a prisoner by the Germans in world war two was why we were fighting them. I was never able at that time or until now to give them a just answer anymore than I could give a just answer for the Vietnam involvement. All wars are caused by greed and yet our nation would not be what it is had not the citizens of this country went to battle, time after time.

The real question is why was his one son sent to battle while the other spent his time in peace in Sweden? Is he better than the other son because he felt different about the political situation as to why we were in war? Is his life more precious than the other son, because of his feeling? Where would our country be if all men took this attitude? Now he wishes to return to this country which he refused to help in its battles. Would not we all like to be able to do so? But when we talk about conscience, what does his conscience

tell him about his brother's going and his not going. Can he, in good conscience, feel that he is just as entitled to live here as his brother when he refused to serve in his place? How long would our nation last if comprised solely of his type individuals? What does he do to the morale of those who stand up for their country?

Professor Barnette mentions that many major denominations have gone on record favoring amnesty. Well, many denominations have gone on record for many things, including the National Council of Churches, which many members in my church do not approve of. A good Baptist or Christian does not always follow the crowd. He lives with his own conscience and his son who went to Sweden will do this just as the one who went to war.

If we said "I won't go to church because I don't like the preacher," where would our church be? If we say "I won't go to war because I don't like the President," where will our country be? Right or not it is my church and right or not it is my president and I feel it is my duty to support both. When I cannot I will go to another church or to another country, but I will not contribute to dissent in my church or my country. There is a duty to God and to country and without obedience each cause will suffer.

Sonora, Kentucky E. P. Fulkerson



PART-TIME MUSIC DIRECTORS TRAIN — Bill Anderson, standing, leads a session of the first regional conference for part-time music directors in Kentucky Baptist churches. The conference met at Jonathan Creek Baptist Assembly on November 2-3, 1973, with 21 persons from 18 churches in 10 associations present. Anderson, of the church music department of the Baptist Sunday School Board at Nashville, and Kentucky Baptist state music director E. F. Quinn shared leadership of the conference. Another conference is scheduled at Campbellsville College campus for eastern Kentucky on November 1-2, 1974.

COUPON DRIVE

Dear Editor:

As you published our original plea for Betty Crocker coupons, will you now please publish the following information regarding results of the project?

The Inland Empire (Baptist Association, Spokane, Washington) WMU's project to collect Betty Crocker coupons for the purchase of a much-needed bus for Bailie Memorial Boy's Ranch has ended.

Although not enough coupons were collected to purchase a new bus, the WMU did collect 268,300 coupons, worth \$1,341.50. This amount is being applied by the Boy's Ranch toward the purchase of a 15 passenger used bus.

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Spokane, Wash. Mrs. Maxine D. Abney

ABORTION

Dear Editor:

If abortion is not murder, and it is a personal decision, then we are not just one step away from all restraint, we are already there. Realism and compassion? One would wonder just how some people would define these two words. Abuse — I know this word all too well! But it has not destroyed my real feelings for the peoples of the world, only increased them. We have many choices, but taking the life of an unborn child at will is not one of them.

We do not have to think very seriously to know we can find excuses for anything we really want to do. All too often we use the term "not Christian" to forget God's laws do not change just because everything around us is changing. This may or may not be a male dominated world but thank God we have men and women who will stand up and fight for principles that our forefathers thought very important. As for the medical world, I know many very fine Christian persons in this field that would no more think of participating in this terrible crime than anyone of another field. The ones I know have a very high regard for the life of an unborn child. Many medical people feel that they are not God, but are very important instruments of God. How grateful I am for this. My life depended on it, and probably few have as much reason to love them for this.

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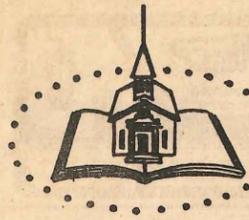
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Lord Of The Sabbath

Mark 2:23 - 3:5

Of the numerous ways in which people honored God, the Jews gave the priority to the strict observance of the sabbath. The laws pertaining to the sabbath were most precious to them. The scribes believed that the people who honored God the most were those who did as nearly nothing as possible on the sabbath. Christ challenged their belief on this subject.

One sabbath Christ and His disciples were walking through a field of grain. The hungry disciples began to pluck the heads of grain, rub them out, and eat the grain, which was quite permissible (Deuteronomy 23:25). Ever watchful for something about which they could find fault, the critical Pharisees saw a chance to make a point against Christ. Hoping to challenge Him, whom they held responsible for what the disciples were doing, these fault-finding formalists contended that He permitted His disciples to violate the law with reference to the sabbath. Their attempt to get at Christ through His disciples is another example of the indirect approach which cowardly people so often use to injure someone whom they would not dare to face personally. These hypocritical and fanatical Pharisees sought to make it appear that plucking, shelling, and masticating the grain were equivalent to reaping, harvesting, and grinding. God never intended for His Word to be covered with such man-made traditions.

Christ immediately brushed aside all of their tradition, and expressed His personal approval and support of His disciples. In defending what they did, He referred these self-appointed and self-righteous critics to the scriptures which related how their hero, David, had eaten the shewbread when he and his men were hungry. He also called attention to the work of the priests on the sabbath in their making the necessary preparation for the sacrifices. Then, He emphasized that He was the Lord of the Sabbath. He used that day for rest, worship, and doing good to others, and we should use the Lord's Day for the same purpose. It is exceedingly important that all Christians heed the admonition of Hebrews 10:25

not to forsake the assembling of themselves together in the Lord's house on the Lord's Day. Calling upon those whom we might persuade to attend the services at the house of the Lord is certainly one good work that we can do on the Lord's Day. Witnessing to those who are not saved and trying to persuade them to receive Christ as their Saviour is another good work that we can do on the Lord's Day. Calling upon the sick and the bereaved is another excellent thing to do on Sunday.

One reason for the bitter opposition which Christ encountered at the hands of His enemies was His disregard of their restrictions upon the sabbath.

One Sabbath Christ entered a synagogue in order to participate in the worship services, as was His regular custom. In the large group assembled there was a man with a withered hand. We are impressed by two things about this afflicted man — his disability and his presence at the house of worship in spite of his physical condition. Upon his entrance of the synagogue, Christ's attention was drawn immediately to

this man whose hand was atrophied. In the eyes of Christ this laborer, whom no employer would think of hiring, was the most appealing figure in that assembly. His need was his only claim to attention and consideration.

When this man, who realized his need and utilized his opportunity, stood in the presence of Christ, he typified sin. Sin always impoverishes and weakens. In dealing with this afflicted man our Lord uttered two commands — "Stand forth" and "Stretch forth thine hand." This first command — "Stand forth" — was a call to separate himself from the rest of the crowd and place his trust in the Great Physician rather than in any of his associates there present. The second command — "Stretch forth thine hand" — was an injunction to attempt to do the humanly impossible. Instead of pleading his utter inability to do so, the man tried to obey Christ. As he put forth the effort Christ gave him the ability or the power to extend his withered hand. As a result of his faith in Christ and obedience to Him, the man received a perfect cure.

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Love Among Believers

A Pattern, John 13:1-5

With the shadow of the cross falling across His path, Christ chose to assemble His disciples in an upper room in Jerusalem for a period of fellowship and a last meal together before He left them.

On their way to that upper room the disciples engaged in a dispute as to "which of them should be accounted the greatest" in the kingdom. Full of jealousy, anger, and resentment, the disciples entered the room and seated themselves like a group of sulky boys. Christ was grieved deeply by their longing for self-glorification, which was such a contrast from His spirit of self-abnegation.

In that country where loose sandals were worn, and where the feet would

naturally become very dusty and dirty, it was customary for the servants to remove the sandals and to wash the feet of their masters and of the guests who entered their homes. The disciples did not have a slave to render this menial service for them and on this particular occasion neither of them would condescend to wash the feet of the rest. Thoughts of preeminence rather than servitude occupied their minds. When it became apparent that neither of them would render this needed service for the others, Christ quietly arose from the table, laid aside His outer garments, picked up a towel, tied it about His waist, took a basin, filled it with water, and began to wash the feet of the disciples and to wipe them with the towel wherewith He was girded.

This unusual service was rendered when the need of the hour was action instead of words, a pattern instead of precept, and deeds instead of creeds. Christ dramatized His sermon before their eyes, and He did it in a way which they never forgot. When they beheld His condescension, they understood that, if He could take a servant's place, they could and should exercise the same humility in their treatment of one another.

A Precept, John 13:12-14

When our Lord resumed His place at the table, He gave the disciples an explanation of the event which had just taken place. He impressed upon them the importance and value of self-denying service. In the light of what He had done for them, they were under obligation to render loving service to one another. His explanation then passed into an estimate of servant and Lord, sent and Sender. He taught them that a servant is not greater than His Lord, and the one sent is not greater than the Sender. He made it clear that to follow Him means a life of Christian service and helpfulness.

A Proof, John 13:34-35

Love prompted Christ to leave the glories of heaven, to come to the earth, to yield Himself to unjust and hateful treatment without complaint, and to give His life on the cross as a ransom for many. His love was so self-forgetful, unselfish, and sacrificial that He willingly laid down His life in order to save others from their sins.

On the night before His crucifixion, after Judas had left the company for the purpose of carrying out his nefarious plans, Christ turned to the other members of the apostolic band and said: "A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another."

The old commandment, that we should love our neighbors as we love ourselves, was not abrogated, but this new commandment was added to it. This commandment is still new to many. Christ emphasized the fact that one characteristic of believers in Him was their love for one another. Love is that deep and abiding respect for others which expresses itself in confidence, good will, and mutual helpfulness.

Christ told His followers to love one another as He loved them. His love for them was simply a pattern of their love for others. His love was self-denying, gracious, condescending, bountiful, practical, and endless. And one prominent characteristic of the early Christians was that they loved one another. According to Tertullian, the enemies of the Christians said: "See how they love one another." Can the enemies of Christ say as much for His followers today?

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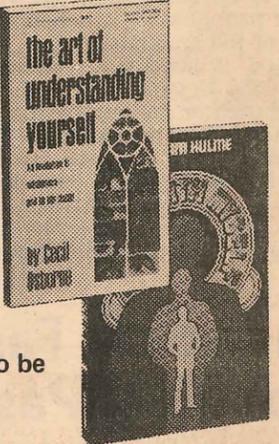
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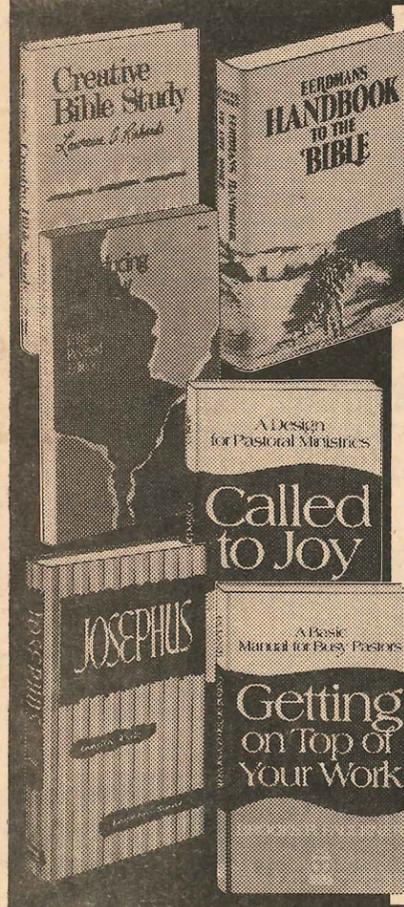
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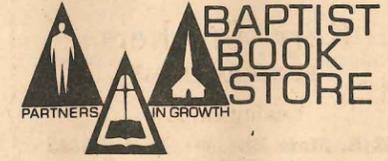
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Sojourners will serve 10 week terms in the case of the students or one year with option to renew for another year in the case of the graduates.

The project is strictly a voluntary effort with the Sojourner and his or her home church or parents paying all transportation and living expenses. The Home Mission Board through its department of special mission ministries will serve only as liaison between the student and the place of service and will assume no financial obligation.

Clay Price, missionary associate who is directing the project, said volunteers for placement as Sojourners should be mature Christians, active in a Baptist church with a definite interest in missions. They must be single and have good physical, mental and emotional health, unquestionable character and have their parents' approval.

Types of work Sojourners will engage in include general assistance to churches such as vacation Bible schools, surveys, visitation, youth work, camps, day care and mission centers, recreation programs, resort ministries and language groups.

Sojourners will be assigned to their home states or to adjoining states in most instances, although it will be possible for more distant assignments.

The Sojourner project was an-

nounced last fall. Price said he had been pleased with the response.

"Everyone I have talked to has been enthusiastic," he said. Some 30 students and about 20 pastors and youth directors immediately responded to the announcement. Price has also corresponded with 250 churches which have sponsored mission youth groups.

"We are hoping to involve anywhere from 10 to 30 persons in the project next summer," he said. "If we get that many we think we will have done well."

Persons interested in serving as Sojourners or churches interested in utilizing their services should contact Sojourners, Department of Special Mission Ministries, Home Mission Board, 1350 Spring Street, Northwest, Atlanta, Georgia 30309.

Humiliation, Fasting And Prayer Resolution Passed By Senate

The U.S. Senate passed without discussion and without referral to a committee a resolution to set April 30, 1974, as "a national day of humiliation, fasting and prayer."

Presumably, the matter will be taken up in the House of Representatives at an early date, although the matter was done so quickly in the Senate that no plan for House action had been formed at the time the Senate acted.

Proposed by Senator Mark O. Hatfield (Republican, Oregon), the resolution was also sponsored by Senators Harold E. Hughes (Democrat, Iowa), Jennings Randolph (Democrat, West

Virginia), Dewey F. Bartlett (Republican, Oklahoma), Lawton Chiles (Democrat, Florida), Paul J. Fannin (Republican, Arizona), John C. Stennis (Democrat, Mississippi), James B. Allen (Democrat, Alabama), J. Bennett Johnston (Democrat, Louisiana), Sam Nunn (Democrat, Georgia), Pete V. Domenici (Republican, New Mexico), and Clifford P. Hansen (Republican, Wyoming).

When Hatfield introduced his resolution, he said that he wanted it referred to a Senate committee for consideration. Then in a hurried consultation with the Senate leadership, the request was made for immediate consideration. There was no objection to immediate consideration, and the resolution was passed without further discussion.

In his introductory remarks, Hatfield pointed out that the resolution "is modeled primarily after a resolution adopted in 1863 and as written by Abraham Lincoln."

Hatfield explained that "In the midst of the Civil War, the U.S. Senate requested, and Lincoln responded on three separate occasions to a resolution setting aside a day for national humiliation, fasting and prayer."

The preamble to the Hatfield resolution proclaims that it is the duty of nations to acknowledge their dependence on God, that the United States has been unusually prospered by the blessings of God, but that "we have forgotten God." (BP)

Service Station

Richland Baptist Church in Washington state took note of the gasoline shortage and the Sunday closing of increasing numbers of service stations and came up with a unique reminder for passing motorists.

Cecil Sims, the pastor, posted a sign to remind residents that the church is open for Sunday business, according to an Associated Press report.

Sims' message to persons passing the church is simply — "This Service Station Open Every Sunday."



A WELCOME TURKEY — Mona Blake, five year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Blake of Hawesville, receives her family's Christmas turkey. The Blake family was one of 120 Clear Creek student families that received Christmas turkeys, compliments of the school's alumni. Presenting the turkey is Bill Whittaker, pastor of the First Baptist Church in Sturgis and a friend of the Bible school. He has coordinated the Christmas turkey program for the past three years.