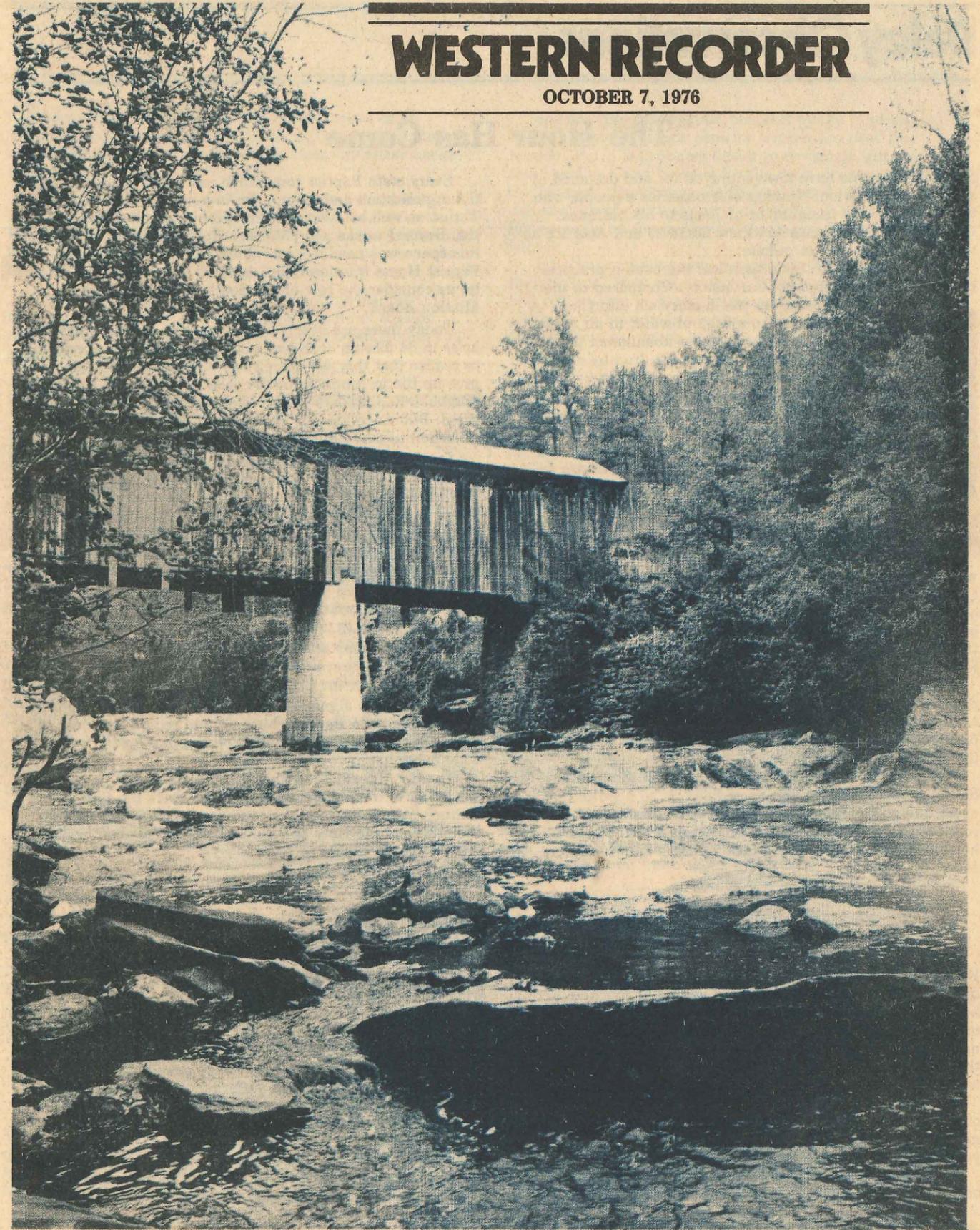

WESTERN RECORDER

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The Hour Has Come

Southern Baptists have always prayed for and dreamed of world evangelization. Nothing else becomes a people who take seriously the assignment of Jesus to his disciples. Only John 3:16 outranks Matthew 28:18-20 and Acts 1:8 as texts treated in Baptist pulpits.

The realization of this dream has not been a practical expectation during most of our history. Compared to the need our world outreach effort has been like a drop of water in an ocean. But we have never abandoned this dream nor ceased our drop by drop contribution to its realization.



Southern Baptists are accused of being so busy working at the task that we have no time for the thinking and planning necessary to accomplish our goals. Not so! Too many of us are so loosely identified with and so little committed to what our church and

35,000 other Baptist churches are doing that we really don't know what's happening.

Take it from this observer there are those among us who spend much energy and long hours in establishing objectives and devising strategies for realizing the dream of evangelizing the whole world. Such planning is not as exciting as performing on the field but it is necessary and the Holy Spirit is as real in the planning as in the performing.

Several years ago Southern Baptist leadership began dreaming of and planning for the last quarter of the 20th century. They became convinced God was expecting his disciples to confront every person in the whole world with the gospel by A.D. 2000.

We have now entered the last quarter of this century. So the time of performing has come. It is so needful that every one of the 12-and-a-half million Southern Baptists scattered over 50 states know what is expected of him or her in this divinely assigned task which is known as Bold Mission Thrust.

The Story of a Relief Dollar

Human suffering from famine, drought, hurricanes, earthquakes, etc., in recent months and years has touched the hearts and purse strings of Southern Baptists in an unprecedented way. Last year the news of hunger and natural disasters produced compassion which spread through Southern Baptists and resulted in more than a million dollars in special human relief offerings.

Generally such compassion subsides with time and offerings drop. Not so with Southern Baptists. The relief gifts this year are ahead of those last year. To date this year special gifts for relief total \$1,273,797.

People who give to relieve human suffering want to be assured their gifts reach the victims and reach them

Every state Baptist convention and every Southern Baptist organization and agency are involved in Bold Mission Thrust as well as every church and every individual Baptist. Several weeks ago (Western Recorder Sept. 2, 1976) this space was used to present the plan of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board in Bold Mission Thrust. Now let us consider the role of the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board.

Today there are nearly 2,700 Southern Baptist missionaries in 84 foreign countries and territories. It is wonderful to realize that this many men and women are willing to give up life in America for the sake of the gospel and that Southern Baptists are giving enough money to sustain them. But much more is required if the gospel is to be preached to every living creature by A.D. 2000.

Southern Baptists are praying and working for 5,000 career missionaries in 125 countries by A.D. 2000. Plans also include using by the end of the 20th century 10,000 lay missionaries with special skills who will give four years, two years or less time for supportive ministries and special projects on foreign mission fields. This year about 3,000 of these special missionaries will be on foreign mission fields.

Are these goals possible? On our present level of support and commitment, no. On the level of what we could and ought to do, yes.

There are signs around us which engender hope. Experienced Baptist leaders believe we are on the verge of our greatest hour for Christ.

Two of these signs are record amounts of money put in offering plates in Baptist churches and record numbers of young people putting their lives on the line for the worldwide proclamation of the gospel.

There is no way to deny that Baptists of this generation are living in the most challenging age since the first century. All of our resources will not be sufficient without the power of the Holy Spirit but together they can bring a 2,000-year-old dream to reality.

The hour has come.

rapidly. This kind of assurance is not easy to have considering all the details involved in getting money and materials from one part to another part of the world.

The Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board has been designated as the agency to channel these special relief funds to the areas of suffering. Every penny of hunger and relief gifts is used to relieve suffering. Not even the postal and other incidental expenses of handling the funds are deducted by the Foreign Mission Board.

Donors might be interested in knowing the route of a dollar given for world relief. The dollar joins others at the Foreign Mission Board in Richmond but only for a short time. In the meantime requests for help come in from

Southern Baptist missionaries where dire needs exist. These requests are carefully studied and appropriations are made monthly from available funds. Then the missionaries are informed of the appropriation.

Because dollars are not easily transferred to other countries and exchanged for foreign currencies, the Foreign Mission Board deposits the appropriated funds in a New York bank. The missionaries draw the funds from the New York bank as they are actually spent.

This sounds simple but that is not always the case. The day to day fluctuation of the American dollar on foreign money markets and other factors require careful and expert administration.

Specific designations are honored by the Foreign Mission Board so funds sent for hunger are used for hunger. But it is probably better to designate gifts for relief and let them be used for the most desperate need at the moment. Hurricanes, earthquakes and other natural disasters create critical needs overnight. Where we have missionaries on the field relief funds can be on the way in hours.

However and wherever our gifts go they carry more than dollars. They are incontrovertible expressions of love and compassion in Jesus' name and Southern Baptists are fortunate to have missionaries in all parts of the world to administer these funds.

Baptist Forum

DEFENDS RELIGIOUS SCHOOLS

There is a strong indication that runs throughout your paper of reservations about Christian schools.

Granted many people turn to Christian schools for reasons other than religion, but do not people also join churches for reasons less than personal salvation (social pressures, family, prestige)?

Would you close the churches because of those few who attend are not Christians? Pray not, because how will they learn of Jesus Christ except of bringing them in.

A Christian school is more than academics (in which it towers over a public school). It is a concept and belief of Christian parents to have their children have Bible study, not just on Sunday, but every day along with their academic studies.

I could go on listing the reasons why I send my children to a Christian school but it would take an entire page in your paper. So I'll just refer you to 2 Peter 2:20-21.

Shirley Newton, Louisville

SUPPORT PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Your recent editorial concerning the rise of Baptist involvement in elementary and secondary education is indeed timely.

Those who are involved in public education are in need of sympathy and support. These are not the times for the withdrawal of the "salt" and "light" but a time for the believer to stand up to his civic responsibility and be a positive witness for God.

Public school teachers in our congregation manifest a spirit of compassion for those children from homes torn by divorce and shattered by our inflationary economy. They touch lives from a wide spectrum of backgrounds including the affluent which have not known Christian love.

Members of the school board who are also a part of our congregation have been spending long hours reading and examining text books which have been proposed for our children.

The State Superintendent of Public Education is a Baptist who is interested in the education of our children. I talked with James Graham while he was a resident of our city and always found him to be a man of Christian concern.

The structures of society will continue to be effected by the selfish motives of men but the people are still worth redeeming for this is the purpose of the ministry of the believer in all ages. Let every church endeavor to strengthen every member that everyday in every place there might be a positive witness for Jesus Christ.

James L. Britt, Bowling Green

HIGHWAY BIBLES

In a recent *Western Recorder* this scripture appeared, "All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness" (2 Tim. 3:16).

In light of that scripture, one can't help but wonder the positive witness available and profitable results for the kingdom of God if all the church bulletin boards and letterable highway signs were turned into "Living Bibles" for countless motorists and passersby.

As a motorist traveled the road to work or play each week he or she could be taught the "Roman Road to Salvation in Jesus Christ."

What joy there is in the knowledge that sowing the good seed of God's Word can result in the harvest of souls for all of eternity.

The written Word guides hearts to the "Living Word"! It pays to advertise.

Name Withheld by request

PLAY IT AGAIN

I am writing in regard to the letters of Owen and Cassidy in the Aug. 19 and Sept. 16 Baptist Forums, respectively.

Anyone who feels that the religious music of today is vociferous has never (Continued on page 9)

Baptist News in Brief

Ballot Disclosure Coming?

The Southern Baptist Executive Committee's public relations advisory committee recommended unanimously in Nashville that all vote totals on ballots taken at Southern Baptist Convention (SBC) annual meetings be made public.

The recommendation grew out of a motion at the 1976 SBC sessions in Norfolk by Jim Newton of Memphis. He asked for the full disclosure of ballot vote totals, which have not previ-

ously been released at SBC sessions.

The advisory committee's recommendation will be referred to the Executive Committee's administrative subcommittee for consideration at the Executive Committee's February meeting in Nashville.

In other action, the public relations advisory committee appointed a special subcommittee to study a motion made in Norfolk by Ray Hodge, pastor of First Baptist Church, Kinston, N. C. He called for development of a special

logo or art symbol which could be used to identify Southern Baptist churches.

Cooper Set for TV Show

Owen Cooper, Yazoo City, Miss., industrialist and former SBC president, will appear Tuesday night, Oct. 12, on NBC-TV's "Tomorrow" show, discussing Southern Baptists and Jimmy Carter.

Owen Heads N. Plains

Roy W. Owen has been elected executive director of the Northern Plains Baptist Convention, succeeding John P. Baker, who will retire Dec. 31 after nine years as the convention's chief executive. Owen will begin work Oct. 15.



Owen

Owen, 52, associate executive director and director of missions for the Colorado Baptist General Convention since 1974, will also serve as editor of the *Northern Plains News*, publication of the four-state convention.



Newly elected officers of the SBC Christian Life Commission are welcomed by Foy Valentine [R], executive secretary. L to R: Chevis F. Horne, pastor, First Baptist Church, Martinsville, Va., secretary; John S. Harris, pastor, Pineville [La.] Park Baptist Church, vice chairman; and Forrest H. Siler, pastor, First Baptist Church, Lawton, Okla., chairman.

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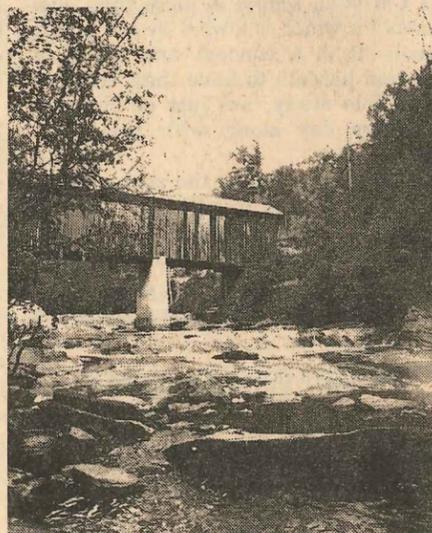
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Double Exposure

Stand still, and consider the wondrous works of God (Job 37:14). Isn't God wonderful for providing our five senses? How would you breathe in nature's fresh autumn air without smell? How could you view God's creations without eyes? Without ears, how could you hear the sounds of a mountain stream rippling by? How could you enjoy eating and drinking without taste? How could you appreciate this stream's coldness without touch? We could not begin to pay God for his goodness to us through the senses. Only as we use them to worship him can we express appreciation in a small way.



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The Merkle, Tex., native previously served on the staff of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board, 1968-74.

The Northern Plains Convention was organized in 1967. It has 16,408 members in 96 churches in North Dakota, South Dakota, Montana and Wyoming.

Rosalynn at Ridgecrest?

Mrs. Rosalynn Carter, wife of Democratic presidential candidate Jimmy Carter, has tentatively accepted an invitation to deliver the keynote address at the 1976 Winter Youth Celebration Dec. 28-31 at Ridgecrest (N. C.) Baptist Conference Center.

Other program guests will be Christian entertainer Grady Nutt of Louisville; recording artist Ken Medema; and the musical group "Trinity."

Registration is limited to 750. Youth groups may register by writing Box 128, Ridgecrest, N. C. 28770.



Frank D. Pollard, pastor of First Baptist Church, Jackson, Miss., will preach October-December 'Baptist Hour' sermons. 'The Baptist Hour' is produced and syndicated by the Southern Baptist Radio-TV Commission to more than 400 radio stations around the world.

Zip Codes 420, 423, 424: Now Hear This!

A new system for handling Baptist Book Store mail orders is now in operation for persons in Kentucky living in zip code areas beginning with 420, 423 and 424, according to Bob Mendenhall, western region book stores' manager.

Persons in these zip codes who place Baptist Book Store orders to be deliv-

ered through the mail should send those orders to: Baptist Book Store Mail Order Center, Box 219, Hazelwood, Mo. 63042. The Baptist Book Store serving people in this area no longer fills mail orders but continues to serve walk-in traffic.

Customers living in all other zip code areas in Kentucky should continue to order from the Louisville store. The mail order center for those areas will open next fall.



These "Men of Action" form the Baptist Sunday School Board's new Action section, offering assistance to churches, associations and state conventions for Action campaigns. Ernest R. Adams [lower right] is section supervisor. Andy Anderson [upper right], promotion specialist, developed the Action Sunday school enrolment plan while a pastor. Consultants include Neil Jackson [upper left], Eugene Skelton [seated left] and Frank Smith [center].

Kentucky Baptists at Work

Brotherhood's Contribution One Of Helping Churches — Sawyer

by Jim Cox, Associate Editor

On a late September day Forrest Sawyer, state Brotherhood director, mused over his philosophy of the work he was called to lead.

"For 30 years I have held the conviction the Brotherhood exists to help churches in their programs by involving the members," he surmised.

"Because of the very nature of things Brotherhood work must be in a supportive role of the church. It can never be the frontrunner," said Sawyer.

"A church simply cannot have two pastors. Brotherhood has a rightful place, but it cannot have the preeminence and do what ought to be done," he explained.

FUTURE PLANS

Sawyer was asked about his goals and priorities for Brotherhood work in Kentucky.

"About three years ago," he said, "we began working toward having half the Baptist churches in Kentucky with a Brotherhood ministry by 1983. This would include either Royal Ambassadors or Baptist Men or both. About one-third of the total number of churches now have such a program."

Sawyer spoke of the annual associational Brotherhood prayer breakfasts held each spring, scheduled for Apr. 16 next year. "This is in behalf of the Co-operative Program and giving to world missions," he interjected.

"Last year these breakfasts were held in about 50 of our 80 associations, drawing some 2,000 men. We hope to raise the number of associations and men participating in 1977."

Sawyer observed a renewed interest on the part of laymen in personal evangelism.

"I believe in one week's time we could assemble 200 men from across this state who would assist us in a personal evangelism endeavor," he declared.

"I also have a growing desire that our churches see the calendar of events in Baptist life not as a taskmaster but

as times and places providing needed opportunities of service."

1977 AGENDA

Regarding his own (Brotherhood) calendar for 1977, Sawyer said the year would be launched Jan. 23 with the observance of Baptist Men's Day in the churches.

Eight Royal Ambassador congresses are scheduled across the state the following month: Feb. 14, Hazard and Paducah; Feb. 15, Somerset and Henderson; Feb. 17, Bowling Green and Ashland; and Feb. 18, Muldraugh and Walton.

Eight Brotherhood workshops for church officers follow: Mar. 7, Pikeville and Mayfield; Mar. 8, Grayson and Nortonville; Mar. 10, London and Auburn; and Mar. 11, Georgetown and Elizabethtown.

Hello Baptists! Where Are You?

Nonresident membership in Southern Baptist churches increased by more than 63,000 from 1974-75. Today, of the 12.7 million persons who claim membership in Southern Baptist churches, nearly 3.5 million are nonresident.

In Kentucky approximately 27.9 percent of the 708,909 persons claiming membership in a Southern Baptist church are nonresident.

Hello Baptists, a new project of the Baptist Sunday School Board, helps churches find and contact nonresidents. It works like this:

The home church checks its membership roles and makes a list of all members who have moved away but have not moved their membership. Then the church contacts the Hello Baptists Desk in Nashville and requests enough Hello Baptists information cards to record one family per card.

After completing the information the church has two options:

1. Mail the cards directly to the

The state RA track meet May 14 at Cedarmore and eight conferences for associational Brotherhood officers at yet-to-be-determined places round out spring activities.

Counselors' training week at Rabro, on the Cedarmore Baptist Assembly property, begins June 6. Nine five-day camps for boys in grades 4-12 are scheduled for the summer months plus two weekend father/son outings for boys in grades 1-3 and their fathers.

Twelve conferences for new church Brotherhood directors will be announced for Sept. 19-23 and the 1977 state Brotherhood convention will be Oct. 6-7 at First Baptist Church, Danville.

Two associational officers' briefings (Oct. 28-29 at Cedarmore and Nov. 5 at Jonathan Creek) and Royal Ambassador Week Nov. 6-12 complete 1977's agenda for Brotherhood work.

"While we don't plan anything flamboyant," Sawyer concluded, "we're dedicated to continually helping men assist their churches, and to minister in the name of the church. That's what it's all about."

churches located near the homes of nonresident members; or

2. Mail the cards to the Hello Baptists Desk, 127 Ninth Ave., N., Nashville, Tenn. 37234.

To follow the first option, local churches will need a copy of the *Directory of Southern Baptist Churches*. The directory is item 9522-6 on the undated literature order form and sells for \$8.25.

Churches that follow the second option need only mail their information cards to the Hello Baptists Desk. There the cards are divided by conventions and forwarded to state Sunday school secretaries. Then the cards are distributed among the directors of associational missions.

In turn, the directors locate churches near the homes of these nonresident Baptists and pass the cards along. The task is not finished, however, until the local church visits each nonresident family and seeks to enlist them in Bible study.

SBC Radio-TV Commission Lists Its Programs on Kentucky Airwaves

The Baptist Hour

Cadiz WKDZ Sunday 12:30 PM
Elizabethtown WQXE Sunday 8:30 AM
Fulton WFUL Sunday 4:05 PM
Hardinsburg WHIC Sunday 7:30 AM
Harrodsburg WHBN Sunday 12:30 PM
Hindman WKCB Sunday 6:30 PM
Lebanon WLBN Sunday 9:30 AM
Lexington WVLK Sunday 7:00 AM
London WFTG Sunday 2:30 PM
Louisville WINN Sunday 7:00 AM
Manchester WWXL Sunday 1:00 PM
Marion WMJL Sunday 12:30 PM
Morehead WMOR Sunday 7:30 AM
Pikeville WPKE Sunday 8:30 AM
Richmond WEKY Sunday 7:30 AM
Russellville WAKQ Sunday 12:30 PM
Russellville WRUS Sunday 12:30 PM

Mastercontrol

Eminence WSTL Sunday 6:30 AM
Fort Knox WSAC Sunday 7:30 AM
Grayson WKCC Wednesday 4:30 PM
Louisville WINN Sunday 3:30 AM
Louisville WLRN Sunday 6:00 AM
Louisville WSTM Sunday 10:30 AM
Morehead WMKY Sunday 6:00 PM
Munfordville WLOC Sunday 5:33 AM
Russellville WAKQ Sunday 4:00 PM
Russellville WRUS Sunday 5:00 PM
Somerset WSFC Sunday 11:30 PM

Nightsong

Hodgenville WLCB Sunday 2:00 PM
Also 4:00 PM

The Answer

Madisonville CATV Tuesday 8:00 PM
Murray CATV Monday 7:00 PM

The Human Dimension

Murray CATV Monday 6:30 PM

Jot

Madisonville 8101

Powerline

Ashland WCMI Sunday 9:00 PM
Bowling Green WKYU Sunday 5:30 PM
Brandenburg WMMG Sunday 12:30 PM
Cadiz WKDZ Saturday 5:30 PM
Cynthiana WCYN Sunday 12:30 PM
Fort Campbell WABD Sunday 10:30 AM
Fort Knox WSAC Sunday 8:30 AM

Georgetown WRVG

Glasgow WOVD Sunday 7:30 AM
Harlan WHLN Saturday 1:30 PM
Harrodsburg WHBN Saturday 5:30 PM
Hindman WKCB Sunday 9:30 PM
Jenkins WREM Sunday 8:30 PM
Lexington WVLK Sunday 10:00 PM
Louisa WVKY Friday 7:35 PM
Louisville WAKY Sunday 9:00 AM
Madisonville WTTL Sunday 8:30 PM
Marion WMJL Saturday 5:00 PM
Morehead WMKY Monday 10:30 AM
Murray WKMS Saturday 9:30 AM
Richmond WEKY Sunday 10:00 AM
Scottsville WLCK Sunday 4:30 PM
Somerset WSFC Sunday 11:00 PM
Winchester WWKY Sunday 9:00 AM

SoulSearchers

Louisville WLRS Sunday 6:30 AM

Country Crossroads

Barbourville WYWY Monday 9:30 AM
Brandenburg WMMG Sunday 9:30 AM
Cadiz WKDZ Saturday 2:00 PM
Hawesville WKCM Sunday 8:00 AM
Hindman WKCB Sunday 10:30 AM
Liberty WKDO Wednesday 4:00 PM
Louisville WINN Sunday 4:00 AM
Marion WMJL Sunday 7:15 AM
Prestonsburg WDOC Sunday 7:00 PM
Prestonsburg WPRT Sunday 2:30 PM
Richmond WCBR Sunday 7:00 AM
Scottsville WLCK Wednesday 8:30 PM
Somerset WSEK Sunday 11:30 PM

Student Dept. Names Two Campus Ministers

The Kentucky Baptist Student Department has announced the appointment of two new Baptist campus ministers.

Danny E. Flanagan is serving at Campbellsville (Ky.) College while William David Sawyer was appointed part time at the University of Louisville Medical Center.

Flanagan, a native of Jamestown, Ky., is a graduate of Campbellsville College, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and the University of Louisville Kent School of Social Work.

He has served pastorates in Kentucky, been associational missionary in

Russell County and was most recently assistant to the secretary for the state Department of Human Resources.

Sawyer is a native of Arkansas and is currently enrolled at Southern Seminary. He has been a US-2 worker with the Home Mission Board, serving in Jacksonville, Fla.

Cedarmore Hosts BYW

"Missions from My Perspective" is theme of an overnight Baptist Young Women retreat at Cedarmore Baptist Assembly Oct. 15-16. Husbands of BYW members are invited to the event beginning with supper at 6 p.m. Friday, continuing through lunch Saturday.

Program personalities include Mr. and Mrs. Larry N. Keaton, missionaries to Spain; Cathy Sue Forman, missionary journeyman to Gaza; Mr. and Mrs. Jim Musen, missionaries to Kenya; and Mr. and Mrs. Randy Hongo, Hawaiian natives now enrolled at Southern Seminary.

Reservations, at \$3 per person, are available from Cedarmore Assembly, Rte. 1, Bagdad, KY 40003. A married couple may stay in Boone Lodge for \$33.50. Individual rates, depending upon the number of persons per room, varies from \$16.75 to \$19.

Stress Family Stresses

"Stress in Family Living" is theme of a family life conference Oct. 25-26 at Crescent Hill Baptist Church, Louisville. It will assist laypersons and professionals in dealing with problems of ministering in a hostile world.

Personalities include Swan Haworth, director of pastoral counseling, North Carolina Baptist Hospitals; Wayne Oates, professor of psychiatry and behavioral science, University of Louisville School of Medicine; Ann Davis, assistant professor of social work education, Southern Seminary; and Herbert Wagemaker, director of inpatient psychiatry, General Hospital, Louisville.

The free conference is open to the public, and no advance registration is required. Additional information is available toll free at 1-800-292-9440. In Louisville call 245-0261.

Don Hustad

First a Minister, Then a Musician

by Phil Burgess, Staff Writer

Don Hustad took time out from a busy schedule to reflect on his life. He did not recall all of the highlights because that would take a full day.

Hustad is professor of church music at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. But the earlier years of his life deserve recollection. They are witness to a man of extraordinary talents.

Ready for an account of a child prodigy? "I studied music at age four," recalled Hustad. "I learned all the instruments by the time I was a teenager."

"I grew up in gospel music," he said. "Much of my training was practical experience."

But this experience was tempered with a B.A. degree from John Fletcher College and the master and doctor of music degrees from Northwestern University. Subsequent study was with the American Guild of Organists, the Royal College of Organists (London) and Jean Langlais, the eminent composer-organist of Paris, France.

From 1942-46 Hustad was staff musician for WMBI, the radio station of Moody Bible Institute, Chicago. It was here that he received training in religious radio.

FIRST ASSOCIATION WITH GRAHAM

It was during the Chicago years that a very significant event took place. His pastor was a young man named Billy Graham. Hustad and Graham became close friends and in 1947 Hustad played for a Graham crusade. "In 1961 Cliff Barrows invited me to join the team," he recalled.

When asked what moves Billy Graham, Hustad said: "It's a spirit of God. You can't answer it on a completely human term. He has an intense earnestness and single mindedness. Billy has a great personal concern for the members of his team and those he doesn't know. He has an obvious intensity."

In 1942 Hustad met Ruth L. McKeag at a Baptist church in Chicago. They were married that year. "She has

provided spiritual and emotional balance," mused Hustad. "She has creative talents in homemaking and dress-making."

Mrs. Hustad has also served as her husband's secretary. She types letters and does research. The Hustads are parents of three daughters: Donna Ruth, Sondra Louise and Marcia Jane.

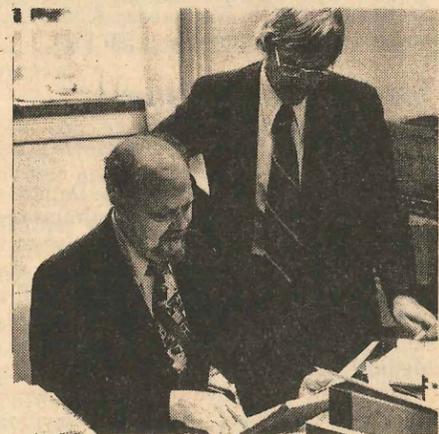
Don Hustad is not a life-long Southern Baptist. His affiliations include that of the American Baptists and independent Baptists. He has had no problems in orienting to Southern Baptists. "Southern Baptists are more ministry-oriented," he said.

"We have enjoyed this climate," he mused. "The people are less competitive, more friendly and caring."

TO SOUTHERN SEMINARY

Why did he come to Southern Seminary? "My attention went from music as art to a servant of the church. I was convinced that church music was a graduate level subject. In 1966 I received a call from Southern and I felt this was where the Lord wanted me."

Hustad feels that Southern Seminary offers a broad range of church music. "I know of no other place in America



Don Hustad [left] and Hugh McElrath of the Southern Seminary School of Church Music review plans for a chapel service.

that is more comfortable with the whole span. That is thrilling to me," said Hustad.

He teaches a full course load at Southern Seminary that includes music in worship and evangelism, advanced conducting, organ, seminary choir, private conducting and a graduate doctoral seminar.

This month Don Hustad will lead a conference at Southern Seminary with the theme "Meaningful Worship." Commenting on this, he said, "We don't need to be afraid to study worship — it will not destroy our tradition. We will examine the theological basis of worship in light of Baptist tradition." Hustad added that a session on special worship services will examine baptism, funerals, weddings and the Lord's Supper.

Reflecting on church music, he said, "Music adds the non-verbal element of worship — the emotional aspect. It is supra-rational. When you add music to the text it tends to intensify the text, dramatizes it and makes it moving."

Hustad believes that the new church music of the '60s was inevitable. He sees it as an answer to the demand of the youth culture — an expression of an "irrational, intuitive day."

"The new music is highly emotional and highly physical. It is an extension of old folk music and it responds to our time."

For young people planning to pursue church music as a career Hustad has some definite ideas for their preparation. "The local church calling is a great challenge. They must develop to the utmost as a minister first, secondarily as musicians. They must understand God's call. They should be prepared to preach on occasion and be a teacher and pastor. Musicians must be thoroughly mature. They should minister to the whole church, not just to the musicians."

For Don Hustad it has been a story of varied and significant experiences. It is an account of one who has mastered all types of church music from the simple to the classics. It is an inspiring biography of a man who has edited hymnals and has written for religious publications; it is a story of being listed in *Who's Who in Religion and Outstanding Educators of America*.

Hustad concludes: "The Lord has been good to me."

(Continued from page 3)

been present at a rock concert.

Secondly, who are we to relax and permit secular music to dominate us? If it can be loud enough for all in the environment to hear its message, and our volume so low that none of the people not attending the concert can hear what gospel singers have to proclaim, the purpose for their existence is defeated.

John Boyd, Cadiz

BIASED EDITORIALS?

As a Baptist pastor and an educator who has been very active in the Christian school movement I was sorry to read your recent editorial expressing doubts about the genuineness of our convictions.

1) You argue that we are operating in opposition to the public schools. We have always supported Oneida, Campbellsville College, etc., for exactly this reason.

2) It is alleged our schools are racist in nature. I know the men who have been involved in the Christian school movement and do not believe this charge is true.

I urge you and your readers to visit our schools and form your opinions on the basis of personal knowledge and not on the basis of biased and ill-informed editorials.

Wm. L. Turner, Principal
South Louisville Christian School

HOW WILL HE ACT AS PRESIDENT?

We are approaching an election that gives me mixed feelings. Both of our major candidates profess to be Christians. A Christian must be born again spiritually, and he must so live and act at all times. This includes the way he treats other people and their problems and the way he handles their tax money.

If they are born again Christians, they will handle themselves in a righteous manner. They will seek to spread the Word of Jesus Christ. They will seek the Wisdom of God. "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom . . ." (Prov. 9:10). "When the righteous are in authority, the people rejoice

. . . If a ruler hearken to lies, all his servants are wicked. Then the wicked are multiplied, transgression increaseth . . ." (Prov. 29:2, 12, 16).

If Mr. Carter is elected, he has a double duty to perform. He has his duty as President and, above that, he has his duty to God. He will not be able, as a Christian, to go along with certain programs and ways of life in the White House. It will be interesting to see what is done about alcohol in the White House and the practice of sipping cocktails with atheistic Communists in China, Russia, Cuba and other places.

If he continues these practices, it could be the most serious and offensive thing that has happened to Christianity and Southern Baptist life in this century. I have known Southern Baptists who had license to sell whiskey; some who drink it and many who help make it — also many who gamble. None of these, from the President on down to any individual, could be an effective witness for Christ. So let us all pray for faithful Christians to run for offices of every kind. If any Christian does not want to get mixed up in politics, then he is hypocritical if he goes to the polls and pulls the lever, because he is into politics at that point.

Pray and think it over seriously.

Garland Haynes, Louisville

THANK YOU, KY. BAPTISTS

My retirement from the Sunday School Department came May 31, 1976. I would like to take this opportunity to express my deep thanks and appreciation to Kentucky Baptists for the privilege which was mine to serve as the director of the department for 23 years and seven months. It has been a real joy to serve the Lord through this avenue.

Through these years I have had efficient and dedicated people assisting in every phase of Sunday school work. To some degree success and failure has characterized the work. I feel there has been more success than failure. The success has largely been due to the splendid services of my helpers.

I wish to express thanks for my associates, office secretaries and special workers. For many years I have

had the services of Mrs. Mary Catlett, office supervisor, and Mrs. Velma Jeffries, office secretary. These two persons contributed more to the Lord's work and the Sunday School Department than can possibly be expressed. I thank the Lord for them. The interest and cooperation of the many pastors, associational missionaries and Sunday school workers is to be highly commended. I also express sincere thanks to my good friend and co-worker, C. R. Daley, for his wonderful spirit and cooperation. *Western Recorder* has contributed much in assisting churches in Bible study. It has been a pleasure to have had fellowship with other employees of the convention who work in the Baptist building.

Upon my retirement my dear friend, Fred Halbrooks, was elected to serve as the director of the department. He was my associate for two years. It is with joy that I highly commend him to Kentucky Baptists. His faithfulness to our Lord and his many qualities of leadership give Kentucky Baptists assurance of a steady progress in reaching and teaching more people the Bible. Words are inadequate for me to express my deep feeling of appreciation for Bro. Halbrooks and family.

Ella Faye, my wife, and I say "Thank you, Kentucky Baptists, for all your love and service."

Our home address is 2905 Lexington Rd., Louisville, Ky. 40206.

Roy E. Boatwright, Louisville

LOVE AT FIRST SIGHT

I would like to express appreciation to all Kentucky Baptists for their support of our Baptist hospitals. Recently my wife gave birth to our little girl at the Baptist East Hospital. The treatment and care both received was excellent in all ways.

We can be proud of our Baptist hospitals for the tremendous ministry of healing that they perform. I am glad to have a part in it through my tithes and offerings given through the Cooperative Program. I now have a deeper awareness and commitment to this special ministry of Kentucky Baptists. I

Thomas R. Kinman, Simpsonville

College Caught Between HEW and S. C. Baptists

A South Carolina Baptist committee has charged that changes made by the Baptist College at Charleston to comply with federal guidelines against sectarian teaching and worship have made it "impossible to carry out the purposes of the college as it relates to the South Carolina Baptist Convention."

The convention's Government Funds Evaluation Committee, according to a report by John Roberts, editor of the *Baptist Courier*, said "continual monitoring of college activities" by the U. S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare (HEW) "creates an intolerable atmosphere for the operation of a Christian college."

It declared that "none of our educational institutions should accept any further funds for acquisition or construction of buildings," which it said is the root of the problem at Baptist College at Charleston.

After an investigation last March of charges by a Baptist pastor that the college was in violation of guidelines, HEW gave John A. Hamrick, the president, 30 days in which to correct what it called violations of use of college buildings constructed with federal funds, the *Courier* reported.

HEW charged the college with sectarian religious instruction in the Title Seven-funded buildings and asked the college to guard against sectarian worship services in such buildings.

The committee said it sees "no completely satisfactory permanent solution" within the means of the South Carolina Convention. It said the only real answer would be for the college to have a building totally free from government loans or grants to house the department of religion, the *Courier* said.

In an editorial accompanying his report, Roberts said it would not be proper to criticize either HEW or the college for the dilemma. He said HEW is "operating under good laws designed to protect our rights" — laws "written at the insistence of Baptists . . . (who) do not want tax money used to promote sectarian teaching." And, he said, the college reported every loan to South Carolina Baptists, who approved them, although concern was voiced on each

occasion about restrictions.

He urged convention action to give the college the facilities it needs for unhampered teaching and worship.

During its investigation, HEW visited classrooms, student convocations, faculty offices. They studied course descriptions and the professors' lecture notes, examined the teachers' personal libraries and listened to recordings of class lectures.

Rockwood Giddings Holds GC Meet

The annual meeting of the Rockwood Giddings Society of Georgetown College convened Sept. 18. Over 100 members came to the campus for the day-long program.

Students, faculty and staff brought society members up-to-date on current programs and future plans at Georgetown College.

Speakers included Robert Mills, president of the college; Ruth Heizer, associate professor of philosophy; Tom Meigs, dean of religious life; Richard Carlton, coordinator of alumni affairs; and Verlin Kruschwitz, pastor of Severns Valley Baptist Church, Elizabethtown.

Samford \$100,000 Richer

The Kresge Foundation of Troy, Mich., has awarded a \$100,000 grant to Samford University to be used in expansion of the Baptist school's Robinson Hall and the Cordell Hull Law Library.

Memory Leake Robinson Hall houses Samford's Cumberland School of Law. A major addition to the facility is now under construction. When completed in 1977, the addition will double classroom, library and office space in the badly-overcrowded law school. The \$100,000 grant is conditioned upon certification that the balance of funds required for the addition have been raised in full and that the project contract price is within available resources. Money for the law school project is being raised by the Phoenix Fund Campaign, a Samford fund-raising effort seeking \$3 million.

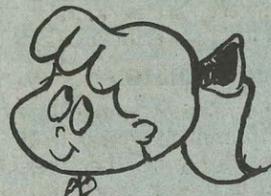
Comish Gets Mercer Post

Allen B. Comish of Nashville has been named assistant to the president for denominational relations at Mercer University, a Baptist school in Macon, Ga., effective Jan. 1.

Comish, 55, who directed the Church Services and Materials Division at the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board for five years before his recent resignation, will succeed the retiring P. Harris Anderson.

Comish spent 16 years as an associate pastor and pastor in churches in Brunswick, Jonesboro and Columbus, Ga., interrupted by a period as both superintendent of intermediate work and training for the Sunday School Board's Sunday School Department, 1955-59.

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Moral Issues in Elections '76

Focus: Informed Voting

by C. Welton Gaddy, Director of Christian Citizenship Development, Christian Life Commission, SBC, Nashville

One candidate in a county school board election received 80,000 votes. On election day he was incarcerated in a mental hospital as a result of having been arrested for breaking into a public official's office armed with a handgun.

That candidate did not win the election. That's good news. However, the number of votes he received is alarming. Citizens had heeded the challenge to vote without acquiring the kind of information which would have enabled them to vote intelligently. That's bad news.

As this nation's bicentennial celebration comes to a close, citizens have an opportunity to vote for the public leaders who will shape the course of their government for years to come. On Nov. 2, 1976, decisions will be made regarding the occupant of the White House as well as leaders in the United States Congress, state capitals, city councils and local government agencies.

70 MILLION NON-VOTERS

Given the sad prediction that as many as 70 million voters may not cast a ballot this year, civic organizations are right in urging every citizen to get out and vote on election day. However, one additional emphasis is needed—cast an informed vote!

Every citizen has a democratic responsibility to vote. Every Christian citizen has a moral responsibility to vote intelligently. Followers of Christ have been commissioned to function as moral salt and light in the world (Matt. 4:13-14). Historically the people of God have been committed to that "righteousness" which "exalts a nation" (Prov. 14:34). In a situation where the majority of voters cannot distinguish between candidates' major positions, careful listening and intensive study should precede election day. Voting is not enough. Informed voting is essential.

HOW TO VOTE INTELLIGENTLY

Here are some suggestions for Christian citizens on how to prepare to vote:

1. Study the issues. Elections are not popularity contests. Votes should be cast on the basis of sound reasoning in relation to a candidate's stand on various issues. At the national level, much can be learned about the political ideas of presidential contenders by studying the platforms of their respective parties. Regarding the position of each candidate, seek answers to questions such as: What are the person's priorities? Is the candidate responsive to questions regarding his idea? Do the candidate's plans for financial expenditures comply with his stated goals for service?

2. Investigate the candidates. As much as possible know all of the candidates — Local, state and national — for whom you vote. Information about both personal life style and political competence is important. However, unless a

major moral or character flaw is discovered, give more weight to evidence of a candidate's political capabilities than to details of his private life. Inquire as to how the candidate would be accountable to the public if elected. Ask questions such as: Will you hold news conferences regularly? Do you favor official meetings which are closed or open to the public? How do you plan to stay in touch with the citizenry?

3. Raise moral questions. Though Christians cannot legitimately expect the government to do the work of the church, concern for the support of basic moral principles is in order. When any candidate holds to positions which violate the fundamental moral concepts of freedom, peace and justice, there is cause for alarm. Amidst evaluations of "Is it economically possible?" and "Is it politically popular?" do not hesitate to ask "Is it morally right?"

4. Avoid the one-issue fallacy. Support of or opposition to a candidate should be based on more than one issue. Agreement or disagreement with a candidate's position on a single concern must not be allowed to blot out the candidate's stance on others.

5. Carefully distinguish between campaign promises and political realities. Rhetoric aimed at winning voter support needs to be tested by social, economic and political possibilities. Important to know are answers to questions such as: Does the office sought actually have as much power as the candidate thinks? Can the candidate's policies be approved by the proper decision-making bodies, financed by available taxes and enforced by officials of justice?

For Christian citizens it may be that the most important moral issue in the '76 elections is whether or not we will enter the electoral process responsibly, vote with informed convictions and thus demonstrate moral integrity.



Gaddy

Personnel Changes

Copeland at Midlane

Ed Copeland is minister of education and recreation at Midlane Park Baptist Church, Louisville. The Illinois native is a graduate of the University of Missouri and Bradley University, Peoria, Ill. He is a student at Southern Seminary.

Romanstine Called

First Baptist Church, Middleboro, has called Stan Romanstine Jr. as minister of music and youth. The South Carolina native is a graduate of Carson-Newman College, Jefferson City, Tenn. He has worked in churches in South Carolina and Tennessee.



Romanstine

Watts Leaves Midlane Pk.

David Watts has resigned as minister of music and youth at Midlane Park Baptist Church, Louisville, to go to Eastern Hills Baptist Church, Charlotte, N. C.

Rice to Canada

R. Michael Rice has resigned as minister of youth at Southside Baptist Church, Louisville, to become minister of education and youth at Highfield Street United Baptist Church, Moncton, New Brunswick, Canada.

Claypool Leaving Texas

John R. Claypool, pastor of the 5,000-member Broadway Baptist Church in Fort Worth, has resigned to accept the pastorate of the 500-member Northminister Baptist Church, Jackson, Miss., effective Dec. 12.



Claypool

he made his decision to move because his new position will allow him to devote more time to preaching, counseling and writing.

Before coming to Broadway Church, where he was pastor for five years, Claypool served for 11 years as pastor of Crescent Hill Baptist Church, Louisville.

Revivals

Hopkins at Fairview

Evangelist Bob Hopkins of Brookville, Ohio, led Fairview Baptist Church, Ashland, in revival Sept. 13-19. Seven people united with the church and nine made rededications.

Leo M. Buschur is pastor of Fairview.

Hull, Snead to Highland

Highland Baptist Church, Louisville, will feature preaching by William E. Hull and music by Robert L. Snead at its fall revival Oct. 10-13. Hull is pastor of First Baptist Church, Shreveport, La., and former dean of theology at Southern Seminary. Snead, chairman of music studies at Truett-McConnell College, Cleveland, Ga., has served as minister of music in Panama City, Tallahassee, Lake Charles and Nashville.

Deaths

Buell H. Kazee died Aug. 31 in Winchester at 76. He had taught at Cumberland and Lexington Baptist Colleges. He was a former pastor of Devondale Baptist Church, Lexington, and First Baptist Church, Morehead. Survivors include his wife and two sons.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Brans Mason of Amarillo, Tex., parents of Betty Moore of Louisville, both died of heart failure

the same weekend (Sept. 25-26). Betty Moore is the wife of Tom Moore, director of development services, KBC Board of Child Care.

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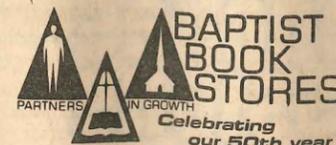
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TIME TO PREACH

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The multiple ministries in many churches are requiring increased promotional time. The pastor, himself, needs some time other than the sermon for church family concerns and sharing of program matters.

The music in recent years tends to consume a great deal of worship time. More and longer musical presentations have become common.



People are unwilling for more than one hour of worship. More and more, the preaching time is squeezed into topical sermonettes.

Of course, many will say that the preacher needs to reduce his preaching time. I agree that many sermons could be shorter, but not all of them. Short sermons can be great sermons. However, there are types of expository and theological preaching that simply can't be done unless the preacher has at least the traditional half of the worship hour in which to preach and give an invitation with hymn, prayer, etc. Logical treatment of many great doctrines, as they bear upon one another, takes more time. To completely abandon such preaching is to raise up church members who don't know what they believe. (Has this already hap-

pened?) Full segments of scripture exposition require time. I recently heard of a pastor who is experimenting with the sermon at the start of the service. At least he won't get undeserved blame for overtime.

Every part of worship is important, but there is a great body of doctrine that the apostle Paul felt belonged to the Christian faith that can hardly be transmitted to the next generation without adequate sermon time.

We are all accustomed to jokes about long-winded preaching. Nevertheless, preaching should never get as short as some people wish, whose cups don't hold much. Let's face it, some want very little preaching and some want none at all, but "it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe" (I Cor. 1:21).

by H. C. Chiles, Murray, Ky.

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When Christ saves a person, by delivering him from bondage to Satan and slavery to sin and giving him a life-changing relationship with God, that individual is obligated to prove that he is a child of God by his manner of life.

When believers choose to be servants of sin, they displease God, influence others in the wrong way and do themselves a serious injury. The fact that Christians are under grace does not give them a license to indulge in sin. There is no justification whatever for professing Christians to be the servants of sin. Those who yield themselves to Christ always enjoy a richer, deeper and fuller life than they have ever known before.

While we were in slavery to Satan and the servants of sin, we ignored God and lived without any interest whatever in righteousness. The result of that manner of life was consciousness of guilt, unhappiness and remorse. Upon our acceptance of Christ as our saviour and being saved by him, we came into possession of real peace, joy and satisfaction. Because of our love for Christ, who did so much for us, it is our genuine desire to live righteously. Living in compliance with the Lord's will for us is delightful. It affords a joy that nothing else can provide or impart.

Satan pays wages to all who work for him by sinning. His wages are always proportionate — the more work one does for him the greater will be the wages which he receives from him. Satan never gives anything to anybody. That is contrary to his nature and disposition. Compare his promises and his payments, and you will see how deceitful Satan is. To the sinner Satan promises life, pleasure and profit, but the wages that he pays are death, destruction and torment. Death is the wages of sin, that for which men work, something they earn or deserve.

In contrast with Satan's wages stands God's gift. God presents salvation as a gift, but he will not sell it to anybody. There is no way in which one can earn, buy, merit, or be worthy of salvation.

Life is the very opposite of death. Eternal life is the counterpart of eternal death. Eternal life is God's greatest gift to a human being. Unmerited by man, eternal life is bestowed freely, entirely and exclusively through Jesus Christ.

Either we yield ourselves to God as instruments of righteousness or to Satan as instruments of unrighteousness. The importance of yielding ourselves to God cannot be overestimated. Since our Lord has saved us, he asks us to yield to him the control of all that we are and have. When you present yourself to the Lord, the Holy Spirit will enrich your life beyond description. The yielded life is the only one that is really pleasing to God or truly satisfying to us. It will be amazing what God can and will do through a life that is completely yielded to him. Let God use you to the fullest.

Members of Christ's Body

I Corinthians 12:12-21

Using the human body with its various members as an analogy to the church, Paul dealt with the relationship of each member to the other. In both the human body and the church each member has its own particular function, and the proper functioning of each is necessary to the best interests of all other members. If a church member would be a healthy cell in the body, he must give Christ his rightful place in his life, be a faithful student of the Word of God, be faithful in his daily prayer life, worship regularly in the Lord's house, be a good steward of his means, and witness personally to the unsaved with a view to influencing them to receive Christ as their saviour.

The members of the human body are all fashioned by God in their present form, and are set in their places according to his perfect will. Even though they are numerous, they compose and belong to but one body.

Obviously it is the divine intention for us to make the spiritual application of these facts, which are very self-evident, to the physical realm. Since the different parts of the human body cooperate beautifully, it is certainly unwise and sinful for a member of the church to yield to conceit, pride, jealousy, envy, or covetousness. Just as a physical body is healthy and efficient when each of its parts functions properly, so members of the church should respect each other and work with one another. One person only is not a church, but there are many members in the church, some of whom have greater gifts and talents than others and render greater service for Christ, but all of them are one in Christ and are closely related to each other.

Ephesians 4:11-13

Christian discipleship is expressed best within and through the fellowship of a church. According to Christ's plan, church members are to be instructed, indoctrinated and trained for service. It is our Lord's desire that each of his followers shall have a part in the work which he assigns for the advancement of his cause.

Among Christ's gifts are the following: "And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers." Apostles are those who are called, separated, endowed, ordained and sent forth as ambassadors for Christ. Prophets are men with a peculiar insight into the will of God. Evangelists are itinerant preachers who go into regions where churches have not been established and proclaim the gospel to those who have not heard it. Pastors and teachers (two functions of the same office) have the oversight of churches and seek to give spiritual guidance. Discover what the Lord wants you to do and strive to do it to the best of your ability.

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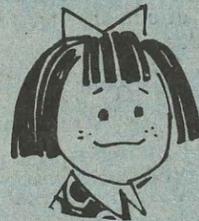
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Visit to Russia Is an Emotional Event

by Mrs. Charles W. Whitten, Missionary to Spain

The seat belt sign flashed on in Russian and in English. I felt excitement, anticipation, plus a little anxiety as the Soviet Union airliner touched down. The first stop was Leningrad. During a tour, our guide, a young Russian woman of Korean descent, explained the history of the city, calling it the cradle of three revolutions.

Later, my husband, myself and our 15-year-old son looked out our window at the street behind the hotel. We became excited each time a Russian-looking person came into view, especially when we saw a family with a baby carriage and two children pulling at their mother's skirt. We saw as much as we could in Leningrad on the planned tour, but when Sunday came we were determined to be in the Leningrad Baptist Church.

The church building, given to the Baptists, was small and cathedral-like, once belonging to the Russian Orthodox Church. In the churchyard people were standing together in groups, rejoicing in each other's presence. We met the pastor and several other smiling happy people. They spoke no English and we no Russian, but soon an interpreter was found.

The church has 3,000 members and must hold three services each Sunday to accommodate the people, each service lasting more than two hours. During the singing, special music and three sermons, the people pass forward written prayer requests. Twice I saw the pastor raise these pieces of paper above his head and ask God to respond as he knew best. The whole church, wall-to-wall, was full of people. People spilled over into the street. At first, I thought those standing must be tired, then I saw them rotate; with a smile and a nod those standing took a seat and those seated stood.

They didn't have enough Bibles and hymn books. Several people were trying to keep up with the scripture passage, writing it down as quickly as possible. When the choir director sang "Saved" in Russian, I wept to see a woman writing desperately to capture all the words.

The Moscow Baptist Church, with

5,000 members, also has several long services each Sunday and three services on weeknights, choir practices and youth activities. We were surprised but pleased to learn that 18 to 20 percent of the congregations are young people.

There are 550,000 members in 5,000 churches in the U.S.S.R. and six officially recognized "house churches" in Leningrad and 16 in Moscow. Officially registered churches continue to operate under government regulations so their proclamation of the gospel will not be hampered.

In theory they are allowed to ask permission to print Bibles and hymn books, but there are many obstacles. "Tourists can bring in one Bible, one New Testament and one hymn book with no complications.

Our tour guide in Moscow told about her religion. "I am in the youth group

of the U.S.S.R. and we have no religion. I have no faith. If I want to do something of this type, I just go to the tombs of our national heroes." Many others feel the same. Long lines waited to see the mausoleum of Lenin in Red Square. We saw many young couples come to that area to leave their wedding flowers at the tomb.

In philosophy and practice, I've never been so far from home. If we had not met and worshipped with the Baptists there, we would have come away under a heavy burden of sadness and pessimism. Christian people in the Soviet Union are a "colony of heaven" in an atheistic society. Their appearance and actions are different and they love differently.

My hope for the future is in the God many people in the U.S.S.R. still love and serve. It may be only a remnant, but what a remnant.

Reid Jogs Off Pounds and Miles; Nears Richmond

Missionary Orvil Reid is jogging off the pounds along with the miles.

Now near the mid-point of his 560-mile "Run For Life" between Atlanta and Richmond, Reid has already lost eight pounds, according to Eugene Greer of the Baptist General Convention of Texas, general coordinator for the run. Physically, Reid is in good condition, Greer reported, but his weight has dropped from 153 to 145 pounds.

"He's trying to eat a lot and is taking two vitamins daily to keep up his strength," Greer said.

Reid, a 68-year-old missionary to Mexico, was 18 miles ahead of schedule when he arrived in Albemarle, N. C. He plans to reach Richmond in time to be honored by the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board in ceremonies for retiring missionaries Oct. 11.

He left Atlanta Sept. 3, after a ceremony at the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board, and jogged 150 miles through South Carolina and headed into North Carolina on the 13th day of his run.

Reid said he is feeling good and is

"thrilled over the results" thus far in his efforts to win 1,000 people to Christ and raise some \$60,000 for world relief.

He is listed for 50 appearances during the 15 days he'll be running through North Carolina, according to Dave Langford, associate in the Brotherhood department for North Carolina Baptists.

After reaching Charlotte on Sept. 17, Reid spoke and gave demonstrations of his physical prowess at the regional correction center. Thirteen made professions of faith. In rallies in Atlanta before he left, more than 50 accepted Christ.

Mrs. Reid, who is keeping in touch with her husband by phone from their home in Greenville, S. C., said Reid reported 21 professions of faith in Concord, where he spent Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 18-19. "I told him not to overwork," Mrs. Reid explained. "He's just so thrilled over the results and over the way everybody has cooperated in making all this possible."

No figures were available yet on the total decisions made or money collected for relief during the first half of the run.

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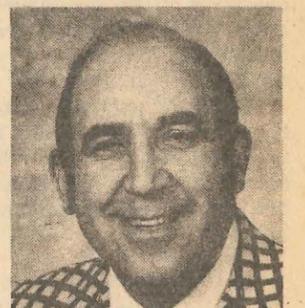
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