

Parks

Foreign Mission Board elects Keith Parks to follow Cauthen

R. Keith Parks, 25-year-veteran of the Foreign Mission Board and a former missionary to Indonesia, was unanimously elected executive director of the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board in a tearful, emotion filled special session of the board Aug. 7 at Glorieta, N. M.

Parks will become executive director-elect Sept. 3 and assume full responsibility Jan. 1 after the retirement of Baker James Cauthen, executive director for 26 years.

Parks, unanimous choice of a 15-member search committee, will move up from the post he has held for four years as director of the board's mission support division. The board voted Parks an annual salary of \$45,000, including a housing allowance.

M. Hunter Riggins Jr., chairman of the search committee, presented Parks' name to the board during an executive session the preceding night. The next morning, in open session after a period of questions and answers, the 80-member board stood to vote its unanimous support for Parks' election.

In an especially moving moment, Parks read 1 Kings 3:7-9, a part of Solomon's prayer after his coronation as king in which he asked God to give his servant "an understanding (or hearing) heart." "That would be our prayer, for the wisdom of God in this responsibility," Parks said.

All four of the Parks' children were present. Two elder sons, Randall and Kent, are preachers, and a daughter, Eloise, cried as she told those present she feels God is leading her to a career in missions. "I look forward to the day my father can appoint me."

The Parks' third son, Stanley, a high school junior,

also told how he has a personal sense of God's leading him to be a preacher.

Riggins, of Poquoson, Va., said Parks was the committee's unanimous and first choice to become the board's ninth chief executive from among almost 100 names considered. He praised the work of the committee and said it was "utterly dependent upon the Lord."

Parks, 51, brings a background of 14 years' missionary experience, seven years' work as an area secretary and four years as one of the board's three division directors. In June 1968, after he and his wife had spent 14 years as missionaries in Indonesia, he was elected secretary for Southeast Asia. His recent responsibilities as director of the mission support division have included missionary personnel, communications, furlough ministries and denominational coordination.

Born Oct. 23, 1927 near Memphis, Tex., Parks grew up in Texas and Arkansas. At age six he became ill with inflammatory rheumatism and his parents were told he could not live past 13. But his mother prayed, dedicating her son to God, and young Keith lived. "I knew nothing of this until I had entered religious service," Parks wrote in 1954 as he and his wife, the former Helen Jean Bond of Abilene, Tex., were appointed missionaries to Indonesia.

Parks holds bachelor of divinity and doctor of theology degrees from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Ft. Worth.

Parks will direct the work of more than 2900 missionaries in 94 countries and administer an annual budget in excess of \$71 million.

Four cities may host SBC in the future

Atlanta, Dallas, Kansas City and New Orleans will be recommended by Southern Baptist Convention manager Tim Hedquist as the only cities for the convention to meet in in the future.

Hedquist, director of financial planning for the SBC Executive Committee, Nashville, will suggest to the convention arrangements committee in September that the convention alternate between these four cities.

The convention has voted already to meet in these cities in the next six years: St. Louis, June 10-12, 1980; Los Angeles, 1981; New Orleans, 1982; Pittsburgh, 1983; Kansas City, 1984; Dallas, 1985.

Carter hosts new Baptist leaders

President Carter met with new Southern Baptist leaders and led them in prayer during a 15-minute meeting at the White House Aug. 8.

The president invited new SBC officials Harold C. Bennett, Adrian Rogers, Abner V. McCall and Don A. Touchton to the get-acquainted session. Also in attendance were Rosalynn Carter, the four SBC leaders' wives and the Rogers' daughter, Janice.

Besides meeting with Carter the group received an extensive briefing on domestic issues by a presidential aide and were briefed on SALT II by a state department official.

Will the double standard go?

Chances for the success of legislative attempts to end double taxation for many missionaries and other charitable workers in foreign countries increased substantially with the introduction of a bill by Sen. John H. Chafee, R-R.I., which is cosponsored by Sen. Russell B. Long, D-La., powerful chairman of the Senate Finance Committee.

Chafee's bill, S. 1703, is given a high probability of moving rapidly through the finance committee when Congress returns from its August recess. A spokesman for the SBC Foreign Mission Board said that Long has been receiving a heavy volume of mail on the subject from his home state. Some letters included a copy of an editorial written by Lynn Clayton of the Louisiana Baptist Message supporting such a measure.

Parks: loves his family, jogs and rides horses

Involvement in missions has been "the dominant note in my life since God first called me," says R. Keith Parks, the man elected to succeed Baker J. Cauthen as executive director of the Foreign Mission Board.

Parks is also a former cowboy, jogger, do-it-yourselfer and a man deeply dedicated to his family.

"The Lord is working in some thrilling ways around the world," Parks believes. "There are more 'winnable' people than at any other time in history."

"We have not yet been willing to pay the cost in dollars that it will take," he points out, adding that giving must move to a "new level."

Board members at the session in which Parks was elected seemed moved by the statements offered by both Parks and his wife, Helen Jean, about their personal, spiritual and missions development. Their statements and Parks' response to questions from board members reflected both the serious thoughts and the casual humor typical of the couple.

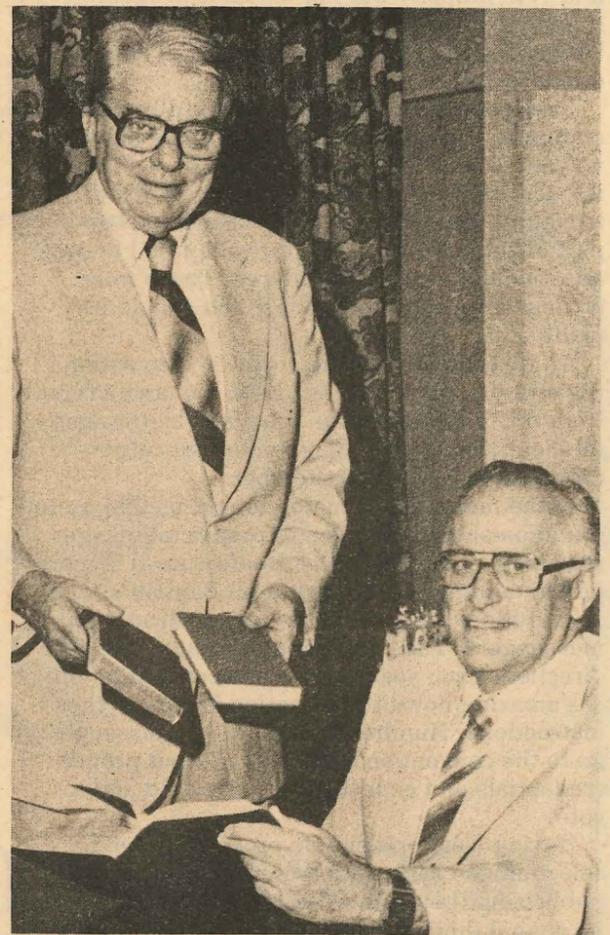
All four of their children have acknowledged a call to the gospel ministry or to missions. Their decisions, their father reports, have been their own, for he and Mrs. Parks have taken care to avoid unduly influencing their vocational choices. "We just told each of them, 'we want you to follow the Lord's will for your life,'" relates Parks.

Most of his personal activities are family related. Outings as a family and travel together have contributed to their closeness.

Parks jogs up to two miles a day fairly regularly, usually at night. For him, the exercise also provides a quiet period of reflection. He plays tennis and enjoys home repair chores.

A Texan, Parks has been at home on horseback since childhood. His father raised cattle and young Parks soon learned to handle the herds. He wielded a branding iron and otherwise earned his spurs as a working cowboy.

Parks is devoted to prayer and the Bible. "I have always been committed to the scripture as the word of God, a very personal guide to me," he declares.

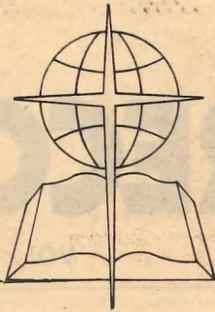


Changing of the guard

On his last day as executive secretary-treasurer of the SBC Executive Committee, Porter Routh handed his successor, Harold C. Bennett, two tools he felt Bennett needed most—the Bible and Robert's Rules of Order. Routh retired July 31 after 28 years. Bennett, 55, former Florida Baptist Convention executive secretary-treasurer, started Aug. 1.

Earnestly contend for the faith which was once for all delivered to the saints. —Jude 3

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C. R. Daley

Daley Observations

Proper registration is a matter of integrity

The matter of improper messenger registration and voting irregularities in the Houston convention has been overplayed. Doubtlessly there was some voting irregularities but there always is and they made no difference in the outcome of any convention vote.

Most of the mistakes made from year to year in convention registration and voting are unintentional or at least they are not diabolical attempts to steal an election. Lack of understanding the process of the selection and registration of messengers is the source of most irregularities. For those attending conventions regularly it's a very simple process to register and vote properly but not for the considerable number of first-timers at every convention. Churches are sometimes careless and do not officially select messengers.

Even though not officially selected by their churches, those attending conventions like to vote on issues that interest them. In such cases it's easy to break a rule without even taking the trouble to learn the rule. In Houston zeal on the part of some for electing a president led to some questionable voting procedures. These were obviously wrong but not too much should be made of it.

An investigation of the Houston convention registration and voting is under way and a report from this investigation is promised by the time the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee meets in September.

In the meantime Houston taught us that more attention should be given to proper messenger registration. Probably the greatest need is more understanding on the part of all Baptists of the constitutional requirements for certification of messengers. The state papers usually give clear directions each year prior to the convention but it's amazing how little attention is paid to these instructions. Hundreds of would-be messengers go to the convention each year without proper credentials and expect to be registered and to vote.

Having clear and simple procedures for selection and registration of messengers and publicizing these procedures is about all that can be done. I think little of a policing plan to check and doublecheck the credentials a messenger presents. In Baptist polity integrity and honesty are assumed but there is no way to guarantee these qualities.

If someone wants to be dishonest, a way will be found to get around the rules. And when we arrive at the place we cannot trust one another, we are out of the Lord's business anyway.

Little Bethel sets a worthy example

Praise the Lord for Baptists in Little Bethel Association where Hughlan Richey is director of associational missions. Baptists in the Madisonville area have taken on the sponsorship of a refugee family from southeastern Asia. This is in keeping with a recommendation from the Home Mission Board that Southern Baptists help in the resettlement of these unfortunate humans.

There are two possible attitudes toward the bringing of refugees into the United States. One is not to open America to them but to concentrate on our own poor and unemployed. We are not responsible for the plight of these foreigners and therefore we should not be expected to provide relief for them.

This attitude was reflected in a question put to President Carter in his recent town meeting in Bardstown. In responding the President defended the policy of opening our shores to these dispossessed people and reminded the questioner that the ancestors of all Americans who are not Indians were once refugees.

In such a reply the President voiced the other attitude. This is one of compassion and help for the poor and needy whether they come from American slums or from the other side of the world. This is the attitude Christ taught and practiced and one that all the world has to admire.

Baptists have never cared enough for the poor and the deprived. We have rightly emphasized evangelism and spiritual needs but have mostly ignored the basic physical needs of others.

In this connection Paul's attitude toward the poor in Jerusalem and Judea amazes me. This flaming missionary and evangelist was always looking for new places to preach the gospel but he took time from his missionary travels to gather and to deliver personally an offering for the poor in Jerusalem.

According to chapter one of Romans, Paul delayed his trip to Rome and his intended mis-

sionary tour of Spain in order to deliver relief for the poor in Jerusalem. And the response of the Macedonian Christians to his appeal for this offering drew from Paul about the highest commendation of any Christians found in the New Testament (2 Cor. 8:1-7).

And so Little Bethel Baptists are in the finest New Testament and Pauline traditions when they take on the sponsorship of a displaced family from the other side of the world. Other associations, churches or individuals will also sponsor a refugee family and we would like to know about it.

The end is in sight

Often the price of improvements is inconvenience. This has surely been the case with the Baptist Building in Middletown for more than a year. Those of us who work in the building have learned how to cope with it but it has been terrible for visitors who often look in vain for parking space and the one entrance which is in the rear of the building.

We regret this but we are doing the best we can. Actually the construction workers have been very cooperative and have had to put up with much inconvenience themselves.

On several occasions the electricity has had to be cut off during working hours and thus the building was closed. Phone service has been disrupted often and a temporary system is being used by some of us now. This is why some callers have not been able to get through.

On a number of occasions I have been provoked when I was out of town and tried to reach the Baptist Building and Western Recorder personnel by telephone. How much more others who did not know the circumstances must have been provoked.

Please bear with us. The end is in sight and things will be better. The improvements are impressive and are more than worth the inconvenience.

Baptist Forum

Of hunger, horses and children

I see nothing wrong in the suggestions for fighting world hunger as outlined by the Baptist Brotherhood Commission. There was a time when people were taught to have many children so their country would be victorious in battle. God forbid that we raise horses for battle, let alone children.

I think the important thing is to want, love and provide for the child or children we have.

Anne E. Henderson, Ashland

Bared his soul at Cleft Rock

A public thank you to Eddie Ruth and Bob Fields and their associates for the ministry at Cleft Rock near Mt. Vernon, Ky. My wife and I recently attended a weekend retreat with 11 others from our church in northern Kentucky. Our theme was Isa. 61:1-3. The experience was fulfilling and rewarding. If you are caught up in a tight schedule and feel the need of a spiritual renewal, let me recommend a similar retreat. You will come home emptied of self and full of God's spirit.

Theodore R. Padgett Jr.
Chairman of Deacons
Ashland Avenue Baptist Church
Covington

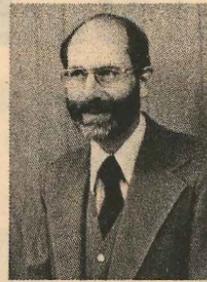
Christian Education



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Flanagan



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Couple graduates from Southwestern Seminary

Charles Steven Hale, Murray, received the MDiv degree and Debra Leah Hale, Owensboro, received the MRE degree during commencement exercises July 13 at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Flanagan named vp at Campbellsville

W. R. Davenport, president of Campbellsville College, has announced that Danny E. Flanagan, campus minister and director of religious activities, has been promoted to vice president of student life.

An alumnus of Campbellsville, Flanagan received the MDiv degree from Southern Seminary and the MSW degree from the University of Louisville, Kent School of Social Work.

A native of Jamestown, Flanagan pastored churches in Russell, Jefferson and Marion counties. He has been associational missionary of Russell County Association. He has also been senior chaplain of Barkley Boy's Camp, superintendent of Pine Mountain Boy's Camp and assistant to the secretary in the Department of Human Resources in Kentucky.

Flanagan and his wife, Virginia, director of alumni and public relations at Campbellsville, have two sons, Will and Matt.

Ryan joins seminary extension staff

James Louis Ryan has been elected associate director of extension center education with the Southern Baptist Seminary Extension Department.

Ryan, pastor of Levy Baptist Church, North Little Rock, Ark. succeeds Bob Johnson who joined the faculty of Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Ryan, 42, was director of Boyce Bible School at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary from 1974-77. He earned the EdD from Southern and has BDiv and MRE degrees from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. He is a graduate of Ouachita Baptist University.

His responsibilities with seminary extension will involve work with associational directors of missions and others interested in establishing local ministry training centers.

A native of Little Rock, Ark., Ryan is married to Judy Fisher of Jefferson City, Mo. They have two sons.

Deaf ministry training to begin at Boyce

James is a deaf young man without a college education who feels called into the ministry. He decides to pursue a theological education. What then?

As a Southern Baptist, he faces a formidable roadblock. Few, if any, denominational Bible schools or seminaries offer advanced theological training to the deaf.

Boyce Bible School, a division of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, plans to initiate a program of training for the deaf to begin this fall.

"We have surveyed the field and there appears to be a need for training the deaf. In fact, the need appears to be great," said Boyce director David Q. Byrd.

"The opportunity to minister through this program seems to be almost unlimited and is most exciting—another effort in bold missions. This seems to be an area that has been greatly neglected," he added.

A minimum of five deaf students is needed before Boyce's program can be implemented, Byrd said. During the program's initial phase, the hearing-impaired will be placed in the same classes with hearing students and teachers.

Lectures and class discussions will be "signed" by an interpreter. Hearing-impaired class members also may participate in class discussions through this interpreter.

P. G. Kirkland Sr. dies

Paul G. Kirkland, 67, died Aug. 7 at Baptist East Hospital in Louisville.

Kirkland, a native of Urbana, Ill., was a former executive director of the seminary foundation at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Kirkland pastored churches in Illinois, Arkansas, Tennessee and Ohio. He was a member of St. Matthews Baptist Church in Louisville.

Survivors include his wife, Betty Reed; two sons, Paul G. Kirkland Jr. of Garber, Okla. and Richard R. Kirkland; two daughters, Mrs. Mary E. Swanson of Tucson, Ariz. and Mrs. Bobbie Duvall; a foster daughter, Mrs. Margie Rich of Belleville, Ill.; and five grandchildren.

The family requests expressions of sympathy take the form of contributions to Southern Seminary or the building fund of St. Matthews Baptist Church.

Admissions staff added at Cumberland



Additions to Cumberland College's admissions staff include [l-r]: Larry Riley, Laura Barber and William Mays Jr.

Cumberland College president J. M. Boswell announced the appointment of three individuals to the college's admissions staff: Larry Riley, assistant director of admissions, Laura Barber and William Mays Jr., admissions counselors.

Riley attended Cumberland College and received a BS degree in psychology in 1978.

While at Cumberland Riley was involved in numerous activities: president of the Baptist Student Union (1977), chairman of married couples (1978) and a member of the ministerial association (1977).

Licensed in 1975, Riley has been minister of youth, Southern Hill Baptist Church, Hamilton, O. and minister of children's church, First Baptist Church, Corbin.

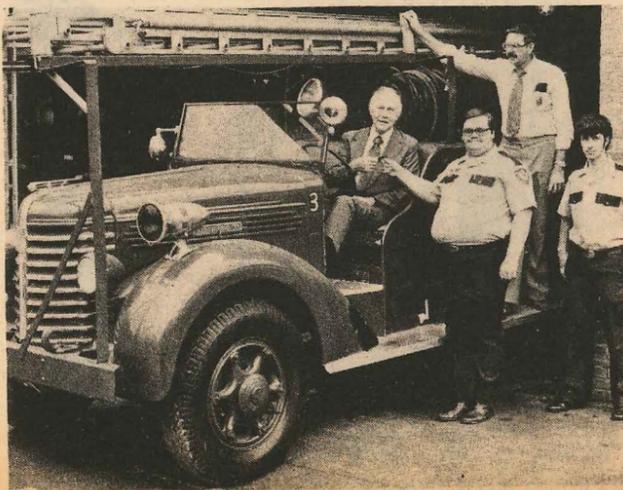
Miss Barber is a graduate of Ameri-

can University, Washington, D. C. where she received a BA degree in literature. She has done further work at the University of North Carolina.

Prior to coming to Cumberland, Miss Barber held commission sales positions at Warner QUEB, Columbus, O. and Foley's, Houston, Tex. She also held secretarial and public relations positions at TOPS, Houston, and Educational Broadcasting Co., New York.

Mays attended Cumberland College and earned a BS degree in psychology and religion in 1978. At Cumberland he was in the clinical pastoral training program as a volunteer chaplain and was associational youth director of numerous youth camps.

Ordained in 1977, Mays has been pastor of Greenmount (Ky.) Baptist Church.



Clear Creek Baptist School president, D. M. Aldridge, accepts the keys to a 1945 Diamond T fire truck from Pineville fire chief Billy Robbins during a recent ceremony giving the school official title to the former city fire engine. The fire engine will be used at the school and in conjunction with the Bell County Volunteer Fire Dept. Also pictured are chaplain Lewis Jennings and a Pineville fireman.



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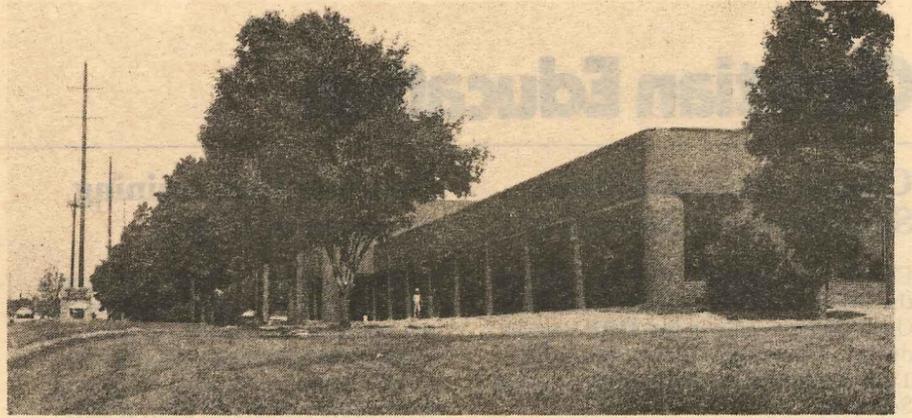
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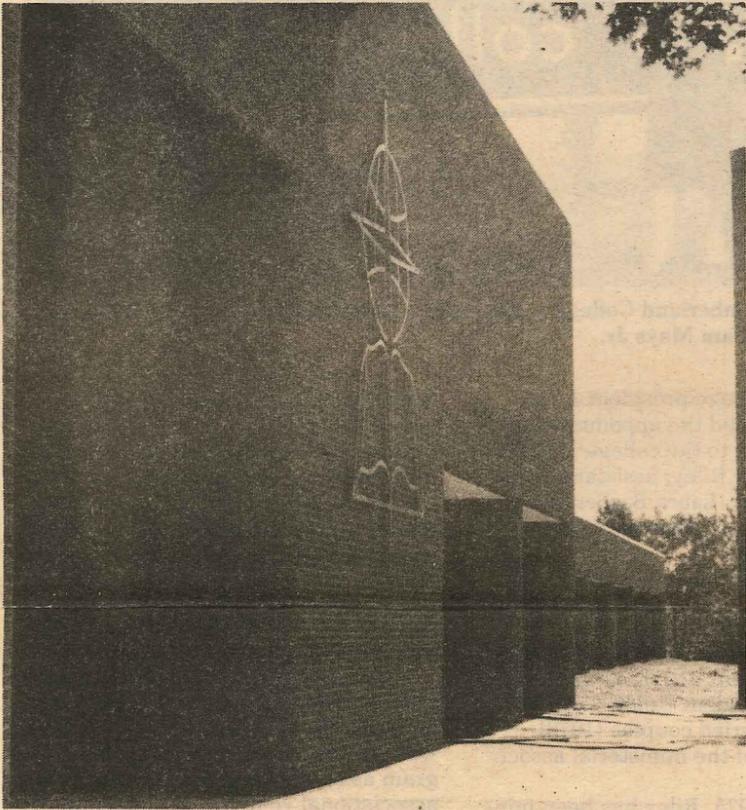
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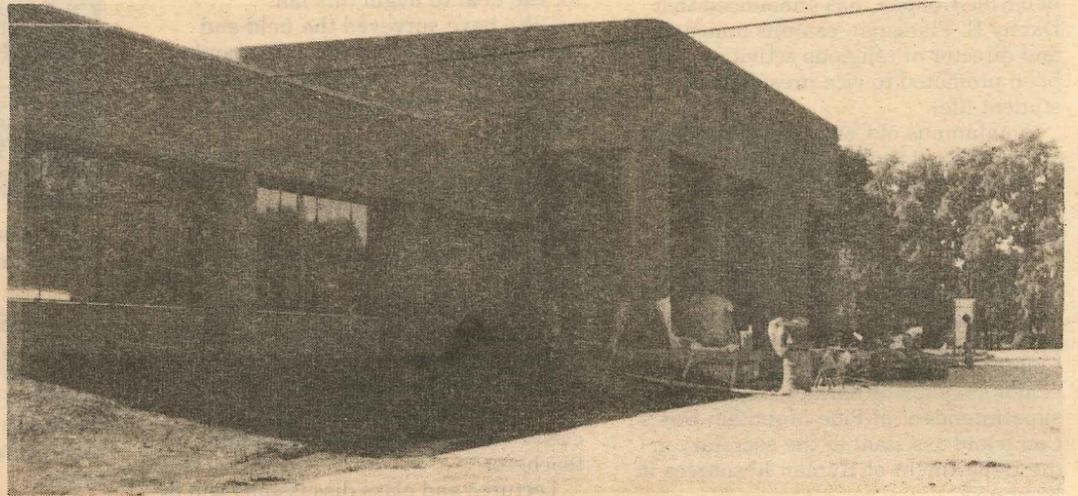
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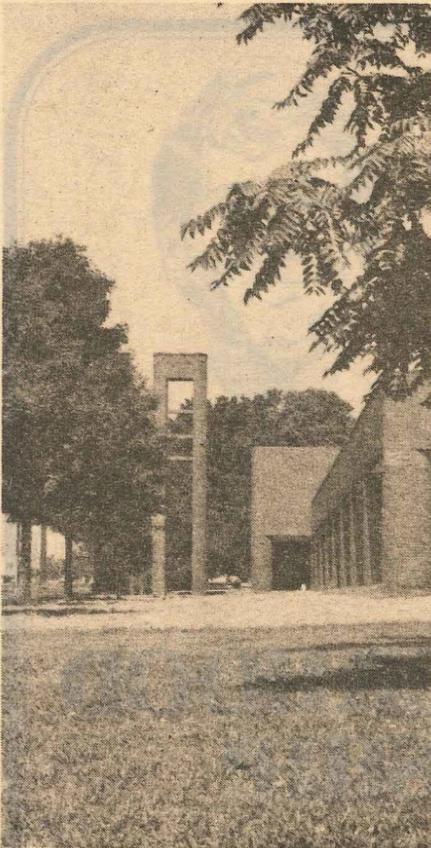
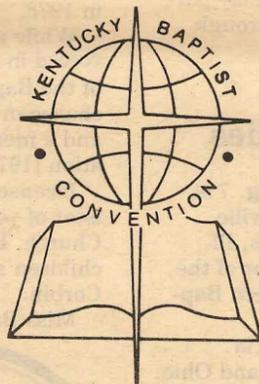
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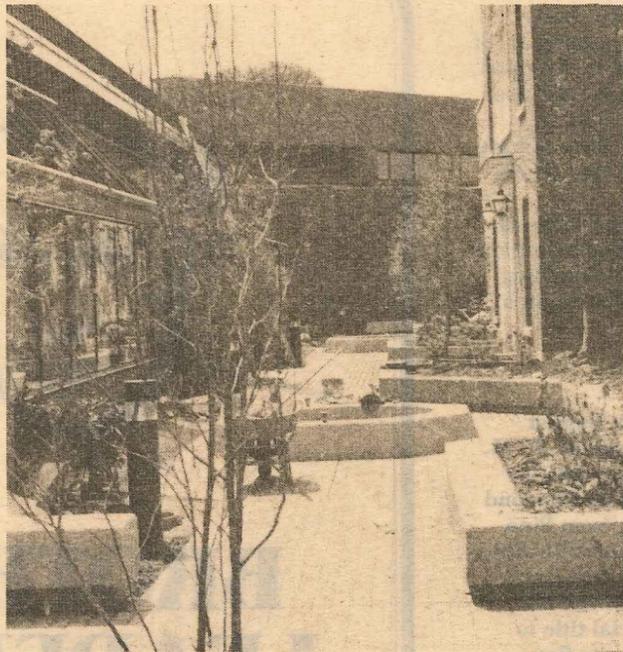
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Teels return to Bangladesh

Seven years in the U.S. is long enough

by Jimmy Hester, staff writer

It had been seven years since they came to Louisville from Bangladesh. On July 31, Howard and Maxine Teel returned to the mission field.

In 1970 the Teels came to Louisville on furlough after nine years in Bangladesh. They returned to the small, unstable country in 1972 for what proved to be a short visit. The country was torn with war and unsafe for mission work. The Teels had to return to the United States after only seven months.

Teel explained Louisville was "the only place in the United States our children could call home. So, we naturally returned to Louisville."

There are five children in the Teel family. David, 26, works in Louisville. Becky Newhall, 25, lives with her husband in Louisville. Kathy, 23, and Marcia, 21, are working in New York. Stephen, 16, returned with his parents to Bangladesh.

"Stephen will be in boarding school in northern India. The school is located at the foot of the Himalaya Mountains," Teel said. "He's excited most of the time about going but sometimes he's not. It's hard to leave friends."

When Teel returned to the U. S. in 1972 he accepted a position at Long Run Association, Louisville, as director of missions and ministries. "The Foreign Mission Board just sent our records from Richmond to Atlanta to the Home Mission Board when we began our work at Long Run," Teel remarked.

The ministry in Louisville was related to what he and his wife had done the previous nine years in Bangladesh. The Teels established two missions in Bangladesh which have since become churches. But their concept of ministry goes beyond just establishing an organization.

"We conducted a comprehensive ministry to the people of Bangladesh similar to what Long Run Association does at Jefferson Street Chapel," Teel said of the missions overseas.

Teel believes a comprehensive ministry is



important everywhere but especially in Bangladesh where there are so many needs.

"Bangladesh is about the size of the state of Alabama," he explained. "There were 60 million people when we first went in 1963. When we left in 1972 there were 75 million." Today, there are close to 85 million people and the projection is that by the year 2000 there will be over 150 million people.

The Foreign Mission Board sponsors 17 missionaries in Bangladesh. There are 673 members in 14 churches and 32 missions. Twelve national pastors assist with Baptist work in the heavily populated nation.

In a country the size of Bangladesh with few natural resources there are many needs. The Teels are anxious to become involved in meeting some of them.

Teel will be working with an organization called HEED-Bangladesh. HEED (Health, Education and Economic Development) is an organization sponsored by 13 evangelical agencies from eight countries. HEED is concerned with a comprehensive approach to meeting needs of people in Bangladesh. According to Teel, the organization sponsors work in a leprosy hospital and community health centers, provides child and maternal care and conducts agricultural training.

Teel's title is executive director in charge of projects. He explained his relationship to HEED as a Southern Baptist missionary as "being on loan from the Foreign Mission Board for the next three years to provide expertise in the area of family planning." Teel suggested "the thrust of the work of HEED is world hunger. Under that we begin with family planning."

The missionary will also be a liaison with broader mission work. "I will work with the government in the area of world hunger planning mission strategies and suggesting long range planning," Teel said.

He feels this is where Southern Baptists must get involved if long range solutions are to be discovered. "We have to do more than just hand out blankets. We must get involved in national planning. Evangelism is more than just starting churches."

Teel will continue work on a PhD degree while in Bangladesh. He is a graduate of Samford University, Southwestern Theological Seminary and Southern Theological Seminary. He is currently working on an interdisciplinary PhD at the University of Louisville. His ministry in Bangladesh is part of the research for this degree.

Mrs. Teel attended Samford University, Southwestern Seminary and Louisiana Tech. In Louisville she worked with the Jefferson County juvenile detention center.

The Teels join another Kentucky couple in Bangladesh, Jim and Betty McKinley.

Mission Service Corps volunteers

Kentucky couple more than spectators

by Erich Bridger

Richard and Marion Graham should have been ready for a break.

By the end of 1978 Graham, 29, had struggled through 10 years of college, seminary and various jobs, five of those years as a married man, two as a father. He'd finally earned his Master of Divinity degree from Southern Seminary. His wife Marion had worked hard to help put him through.

The two deserved a nice, comfortable church where Graham could earn a reasonable salary as pastor and raise a family in security.

Instead, they left their Louisville home in early January and headed for Salt Lake City, Utah to take over as leaders of Glendale Baptist Church, a four-member congregation struggling to survive a recent church split.

Moreover, the Grahams went as volunteers, serving through Mission Service Corps, the Southern Baptist plan to place 5000 volunteers on foreign and domestic mission fields by 1982. Mission Service Corps volunteers pay their own expenses or are directly supported by churches and individuals.

The Grahams' financial needs for two years are being provided by Hurstbourne Baptist Church, Louisville, and Second Baptist Church, Greenville.

"I was thinking about pioneer missions," Graham said, "and Mission Service Corps came along at an ideal time for us to use as a vehicle for involvement."

In the six months since the Grahams arrived in Salt Lake City Glendale Church has gained 10 new members, frequent visitors and a new lease on life.

In addition to Sunday school, worship services and Wednesday prayer meetings, the Grahams hold fellowships, backyard Bible clubs and Bible studies. Future possibilities include deaf ministry (Marion is fluent in sign language) and a Bible study at the Utah State Prison near Salt Lake City.

It's no secret that the Mormons (Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints) exert great religious, social and political influence in Utah. However, 20-26% of metro Salt Lake City residents claim no church affiliation. Thousands more are Mormons in

name only. Further, city authorities estimate that 350,000 newcomers will flood the Salt Lake Valley in the next five years.

Hovering over a Salt Lake map, Richard Graham is optimistic. "God can do it here if Christians live their faith and offer searching people a valid alternative," he suggested.

Progress is slow, however. Often only one church member joins the Grahams for Wednesday prayer meeting. Graham's entire congregation is smaller than the Sunday school class he taught in Kentucky.

The Grahams battle homesickness. "My family is very close and I miss them," Marion said, "but if we stayed home, we wouldn't be where we belong. The

Lord wants us here."

"You don't have to settle for a 'comfortable ministry.' You can be more than a spectator. You can reach out and have an adventure with Christ. That's what we're doing here through Mission Service Corps."

Richard also talks about adventure. "This is an adventure involving a lot of risk. It means leaving familiar things and risking yourself, your faith, your time, your money and your effort for something you say you believe in."

In Salt Lake City, Richard and Marion Graham are risking everything they have, and in the process, they're finding themselves.



Mission Service Corps volunteers Richard and Marion Graham (r) with son Matthew share a moment with

members of Glendale Baptist Church, a small congregation the Kentucky natives are leading.

Mountains to the Mississippi

Personnel

Pack outstanding young man

Dean LeRoy Pack, pastor of First Baptist Church, Prestonsburg, has been selected for inclusion in the 1979 edition of Outstanding Young Men of America.

The annual awards publication recognizes men who have distinguished themselves in one or more fields of endeavor. The criteria for selection include a man's voluntary service to community, professional leadership, academic achievement, business advancement, cultural accomplishments and civic and political participation.



Pack



Phelps

Phelps called to FBC, LaCenter

David R. Phelps has accepted the call to be minister of music, youth and education at First Baptist Church, LaCenter.

A native of Cincinnati, O., he is a graduate of Eastern Kentucky University and Southern Seminary.

As a First Lieutenant in the U. S. Army Phelps was a chemical and nuclear staff officer. While in Germany he was an interim pastor and youth advisor.

In Kentucky he has been youth advisor for Greenview Baptist Church, Florence, and minister of music and youth at Salem Baptist Church, Brandenburg.

In 1979 Phelps was elected as one of the outstanding young men of America.

Cole to FBC, Walton

Kenneth R. Cole has resigned as pastor of Russell Cave Baptist Church, Lexington, to accept the pastorate of First Baptist Church, Walton.

Cole is a native of Louisville and a graduate of Georgetown College and Southern Seminary.

Former pastorates include Franklinton, Mt. Eden, Dry Ridge and Morehead. He also served four years in the U. S. Air Force and was a school teacher and athletic coach in Grant County.

Cole and his wife, Joyce, have three sons and one daughter. He will begin at Walton Aug. 26.

Crew associate, not pastor

Roger Crew resigned as associate pastor of First Baptist Church, Williamsburg, to return to New Orleans Seminary to pursue an EdD degree. It was incorrectly reported he was pastor of the Williamsburg congregation. David Perkins is pastor.

Craig accepts Chevrolet

James C. Craig has been called as pastor of Chevrolet Baptist Church, Upper Cumberland Association. He comes to Chevrolet from the pastorate of Yocum Creek Baptist Church.

Concord calls Carl Boyd

Carl Boyd has been called as pastor of Concord Baptist Church, Little Bethel

Association.

Boyd comes to the White Plain's church from First Baptist Church, Klamath, Calif.

Boyd is a graduate of Campbellsville College and attended Humboldt State University, Arcata, Calif. and Golden Gate Seminary.

Boyd was a pastor 13 years in northern California. He taught school eight years and was a civilian chaplain in the Air Force two years at Klamath.

He is married to Suzanne Barnett, a native of Central City. They have three children: Mark, 13, Janet, 11, and Carl Wayne, 9.

Black Mountain loses pastor

Richard Harris has resigned as pastor of Black Mountain Baptist Church, Upper Cumberland Association, to accept a similar position at a West Virginia mission.

Waddle to Franklin Street

Steve Waddle has been called as minister of visitation to Franklin Street Baptist Church, Long Run Association.

Waddle is a graduate of Southern Seminary. For the past two years he has been a student intern at Franklin Street.

Warsaw calls Harold Jones

Harold Jones has been called as pastor of Warsaw Baptist Church, Ten Mile Association.

Jones and his wife lived in Dry Ridge eight years before moving to Warsaw. They have four children.

Joel Rackley to Oneida

Joel Rackley has accepted the pastorate of Oneida Baptist Church, Booneville Association. He began there July 1.

Lewis takes leave of absence

Dale Lewis, pastor of Jackson Memorial Baptist Church, Laurel River Association, has been granted a leave of absence because of illness. Virgil Vandeventer will be interim pastor in Lewis' absence.

Childress resigns at Central

Melvin Childress has resigned as minister of music at Central Baptist Church, Corbin. He began Aug. 1 as a member of the music faculty at Clear Creek Baptist School.

Stephens to Flat Rock

Flat Rock Baptist Church, Pulaski Association, has called Brent Stephens as pastor.

Deaths

Mrs. Joseph Alexander Hardesty

Mrs. Joseph Alexander Hardesty, 84, of Lexington died July 17 at Central Baptist Hospital.

Born in Meade County Mrs. Hardesty was the daughter of the late William Alexander and Blanche Williams Adkisson.

Mrs. Hardesty taught church school for over 40 years as a member of Walnut Street Baptist Church, Louisville, and Immanuel Baptist Church, Lexington.

She was nominated for mother of the year and was national merit mother from Kentucky in 1977.

Survivors include three daughters: Mrs. R. N. Wesley, Charlotte, N. C.; Mrs. W. H. Harper, Lexington, and Mrs. R. S. Powell, Thomasville, N. C.;

a son, Brent Alexander Hardesty, Florissant, Mo.; two sisters: Mrs. G. H. Smith and Mrs. A. P. Knott, both of Louisville; a brother, Harvey E. Adkisson, Brandenburg; 13 grandchildren and 19 great grandchildren.

Mrs. E. Keevil Judy dies

Mrs. E. Keevil Judy of Henderson died Aug. 9 of an incurable disease.

Mrs. Judy was the wife of E. Keevil Judy, pastor of First Baptist Church, Henderson for many years.

Besides her husband, Mrs. Judy is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Trevis Otey of Jackson, Tenn.

Revivals

FBC McDowell has revival

First Baptist Church, McDowell, Enterprise Association, recently held revival services led by a team from Clear Creek School. There were eight professions of faith, one received by the promise of letter, two rededications and one called to the ministry.

11 decisions at Horse Creek

There were 10 professions of faith and one received by the promise of letter during a recent revival at Horse Creek Baptist Church, Booneville Association. Dennis Rush is pastor.

47 decisions at Northside

Northside Baptist Church, Rockcastle Association, reports a successful revival. The Mt. Vernon church was led by its pastor, Lester Caldwell. There were 21 professions of faith, one received by the promise of letter and 25 rededications.

Kentucky journeymen commissioned



P. Aday



C. Aday



Barry



Martin



Mobley



Slusher



White



Young

Seven Kentuckians were among the record 123 missionary journeymen commissioned in July at Tabernacle Baptist Church, Richmond, Va., by the Foreign Mission Board.

The journeymen will go to one of 44 countries or territories to work beside career missionaries.

Baker J. Cauthen, executive director of the FMB, challenged the group to claim the "freedom to be" which Jesus gives as they go overseas.

Journeymen from Kentucky include: Phillip L. Aday, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Aday of Vine Grove, and his wife

Lily Grove experiences growth

Lily Grove Baptist Church, Booneville Association, reports five professions of faith and nine rededications during a recent revival.

23 baptized at Princeton FBC

First Baptist Church, Princeton, recently had a successful revival. As a result, 23 persons were baptized.

Congregations

Lily Grove dedicates building

Lily Grove Baptist Church, Booneville Association, held a dedication service July 22 for a new building. Lincoln Bingham of Louisville was speaker.

TV ministry set at Middlesboro

East Cumberland Avenue Baptist Church, Middlesboro, recently began video taping its morning worship service.

The church will distribute color cassettes of the service to several cable systems in the area for telecast at various times.

"Everyone is excited about this new dimension of our ministry," stated interim pastor K. Maynard Head. "We have several shut-in members who will appreciate this participation in worship. The ministry will also enable us to reach many people who are not affiliated with a church."

Victory Memorial invades Ridgecrest

Victory Memorial Baptist Church, Louisville, recently had the distinction of having the most people in attendance at a Ridgecrest Sunday school leadership conference. There were 47 in attendance from Victory Memorial. W. Louis Walters is pastor.

Cynthia to Nassau, Bahamas; Lisa Barry, a native of Greenville, music teacher, North Brazil Baptist Seminary, Recife, Brazil; John A. Martin, Crittenden, assistant for the Christian outreach program, Hong Kong Baptist College; Gregory Mobley, Campbellsville, secondary English teacher, Baptist High School, Jos, Nigeria; Ida Slusher, Pineville, nurse, Baptist Hospital, Gaza; Shelby R. White, Richmond, lecturer in English, Hong Kong Baptist College; and Joe V. Young, Bowling Green, RA worker, Monrovia, Liberia.

Ground was broken July 11 for construction at Camp Schafer of two cabins and a kitchen and dining/assembly room. The camp, near Hawesville in Hancock County, is owned and operated by Daviess-McLean Association. Participating were [l-r]: J. V. Case, director of missions; Gates Bowman, chairman of trustees; Dan Hughes, camp director; Denny Wroe, contractor; and Terry Blake, architect.



Kentuckians write for Outreach
Four Kentuckians have contributed articles to Outreach magazine, published by the Sunday School Board.

B. B. Steele, associate pastor-educator, First Baptist Church, Ludlow, is the author of "Commissioning Service for Sunday School Workers" in the August issue.

In September, articles include: "Improving Teaching is More Than Clay

Knives," by Mrs. Mildred Wade, director of teacher improvement and training, Immanuel Baptist Church, Lexington; "Dial a Bible Story," by Mrs. Mary Kinney Branson, director of children's work, First Baptist Church, Madisonville; and "Preparing Sunday School Workers for Change," by R. Wayne Jones, associate pastor and director of religious education, Erlanger Baptist Church.



Janet Cooper, New Hebron, Miss., and Pam Wood, Radcliff, Ky., are sojourners at Caudle Avenue Baptist Church, Springdale, Ark., in conjunction with Washington-Madison Association, as vacation Bible school workers. They also conduct backyard Bible clubs in Springdale. Sojourners are high school graduates from Southern Baptist churches who spend the summer serving churches throughout the U. S.

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Concentrating on cities

Born, reared and educated in a city, Paul was qualified to minister in population centers. His converts carried the gospel to areas they went to on business or other reasons.

Acts 18:1-4 Paul went to Corinth, capital of Achaia in southern Greece, a center of wealth and wickedness. In Corinth, Paul sought a home and a job, tentmaking, to earn a livelihood. Residing with Aquila and Priscilla, Paul wrought at tentmaking and in the fellowship of the gospel. What a delightful fellowship they had in discussing things of the Lord! On the week days Paul labored at his trade; on the sabbaths he went into the synagogue, as was his custom, and tried to win Jews and Gentiles to faith in Christ. But his proclamation that Jesus of Nazareth was the Messiah infuriated the Jews.

Acts 18:7-11 Due to the fact the Jews rejected Christ and bitterly opposed Paul, the apostle announced he would carry the gospel to the Gentiles. Paul did not desert the Jews entirely for he preached in the house of Justus, a worshipper of God. There Crispus, chief ruler of the synagogue, believed on Christ and was saved. Besides Crispus and the members of his household, many Corinthians were saved and baptized.

Paul was ready to move but the Lord encouraged him to remain in Corinth. In a vision the Lord spoke to him and told him to stop being afraid and keep preaching the gospel. He assured Paul no man would harm him. Assured of the Lord's presence, Paul remained in Corinth for a year and a half, preaching the gospel and establishing a church.

Acts 19:8-10 For three months Paul preached the gospel boldly, faithfully and persuasively in the synagogue at Ephesus. Some of his listeners exercised faith in Christ; others rejected Christ. Those who rejected the saviour began to slander the preacher, insult the son of God and blaspheme him before the crowd.

Due to such strong opposition, Paul and the other believers withdrew from the synagogue to the building where Tyrannus conducted school. Paul remained in Ephesus two years because of the opportunities afforded him.

INTERNATIONAL SERIES

Why nations crumble

2 Kings 17:5-14 Neither an individual nor a nation can reasonably expect to remain strong or receive divine blessings if God is ignored or disobeyed. In spite of his extraordinary patience, the hour arrived when God's wrath could not be restrained or Israel's punishment deferred. The fall of the nation was inevitable.

Instead of being deeply grateful to God for his intervention and bringing them out of bondage in Egypt, they ungratefully turned from him in disobedience. In direct opposition to the divine prohibition, they erected idols and burned incense to heathen deities. They were aware of God's hatred of idolatry but they persisted in it.

All the sins of the people were abominable in God's sight. Their duplicity was evidenced by the fact they publicly professed to be the Lord's people when in reality they were following pagans.

The unfaithfulness of the people is in marked contrast to the faithfulness of God. God sent some of the noblest prophets to plead with the people to turn from their wicked ways. Their continuing defiance of God caused him to compare them with a self-willed animal that stiffened his neck against all persuasion. Whether God used a seer who saw visions or a prophet who spoke or wrote the message of God, each and every one of them warned of judgment and called for obedience, but most of their pleading was in vain.

After repeated attempts to get the Israelites to turn from their sins had failed, it became necessary for God to send judgment upon them. By their own willful sins they automatically removed themselves from God's favor. When God's anger reached its climax, he delivered them into the hands of a heathen king. As captives in Assyria, they discovered their punishment was severe.

Last round-up

Frank Owen

August is the last month in our Convention's fiscal year. We always go into the month with a prayer that all the churches will do their best to catch up with good intentions for a strong year of Cooperative Program giving. Our books will be open until Aug. 31.

Our receipts from the churches through July 25 reached \$7,448,057.25. Our operational budget is for \$8 million which we shall no doubt exceed, barring unprecedented and unforeseen reduction in the receipts of the current month. However, even if we could receive in August more than a million dollars (which we did last August for the only time in our history) we could still fall short of the additional challenge budget of \$800,000 which brings the full goal to \$8.8 million.

Our institutions and especially our schools this year would have a live interest in how we do in this additional challenge budget. Its full achievement would mean \$135,000 to each of our colleges and \$40,000 to Clear Creek and Oneida. The achievement of any portion would see them participate proportionately in the funds available. Has your church done its full part this fiscal year? You would warm our hearts and glorify God for a strong expression to this office before Aug. 31.

BOLD MISSION SESSIONS: Watch for the associational meetings for local church leadership training in Bold Mission Thrust. They will be getting under way all over our state before the end of this month and continuing here and there through the fall and early winter. Pastors, please arrange for your church leadership to be present. Ask your missionary or moderator about it.

Our staff personnel from the Baptist Building are "coaching" many of these important meetings.

Join us in prayer (everybody) as we try to implement Bold Mission Thrust in all our Baptist congregations. This is the critically important step. It either succeeds or fails in the local church. May we together quote past president Jimmy Allen: "It is up to me if it is going to be."

Baptist News in Brief



Rose



Miss Dickson

BSSB names veeps, ups prices

A direct sales department for some products and two new vice presidential positions were approved in the semiannual meeting of the trustees of the Baptist Sunday School Board.

Trustees elected Morton F. Rose, director of the office of planning at the Sunday School Board since 1975, to fill the new post of vice president for church programs and services. His jurisdiction will include four divisions: Bible teaching, Christian development, church and staff support and conference centers.

A position of vice president for publishing and distribution was approved but no personnel recommendation for the post was made. Both new vice presidential slots will answer to James W. Clark, executive vice president of the Sunday School Board.

Also approved were a 1980 budget of \$96 million, rate increases at the conference centers, increases averaging seven percent in church literature and the introduction of several new products.

B. Elaine Dickson, coordinator of the board's church services and materials unit since 1977, was elected manager of the new direct sales department, which will be an arm of the book store division when implemented Oct. 1.

The sales department will use direct mail, telephone sales, display advertising and other methods to inform persons who do not have access to Baptist Book Stores of the availability of Broadman and Holman products.

Under the new schedule of conference center rates, the services fee will be increased by one dollar for children in the sixth grade and younger and by \$2 for others.

Food service will cost about \$3 per week more as will private bath/hotel rates at Ridgcrest and Glorieta. Under the new structure, apartment rates at both centers will be increased by about \$20 per week.

'Hee Haw' goes Nutt-y

Grady Nutt, known to many as "The Prime Minister of Humor," will be seen weekly on the popular television show, "Hee Haw," starting with the new season in September.

Nutt was licensed to the Southern Baptist ministry at age 13. He was a Baptist minister in Dallas and Waco, Tex., Louisville and Graefenburg, Ky., from 1958 through 1964. From 1964 through 1969 he was assistant to the president of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

The church is a key source of his humor. According to Nutt, "It has always been an important part of my life and I am deeply committed. My association with the church has provided me with both inspiration and fun."

In each episode of "Hee Haw," he will be introduced by Grandpa Jones and will be seated in front of the country feed store where he will spin his favorite yarns for the regular cast members.



Archie Campbell is part of Grady Nutt's audience on "Hee Haw."



Next week is Church Music Week

State and south-wide denominational musicians pause at the keyboard to emphasize Southern Baptist Church Music Week Aug. 19-26. Eugene F. Quinn (l) has been Kentucky Baptists' only state church music director, serving 23 years. William J. Reynolds, secretary, Church Music Department, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, is internationally acclaimed as a musician and composer of many hymns in BAPTIST HYMNAL.

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