

## Child care lets contracts for \$1.8 million; breaks ground Aug. 28 at Glen Dale, Spring Meadows

by James H. Cox, Associate Editor

The Kentucky Baptist Board of Child Care has signed two contracts totaling \$1,820,949 for major face lifts on both its children's home campuses.

Groundbreaking ceremonies will be conducted for five new cottages Thursday, Aug. 28 at 10 a.m. at Spring Meadows in Middletown.

Similar ceremonies are scheduled at 2 p.m. that same day at the Glen Dale home in Glendale for six new cottages there.

Contractors from both Elizabethtown and Louisville bid on the jobs. The child care board selected the two lowest bids, both from Louisville contractors.

Bright Construction Co. Inc. will build the Glen Dale cottages. Woodbine Construction will handle the Spring Meadows job. Both expect to start work Sept. 2 and complete it in about 10 months.

The board had earlier announced plans to construct the new cottages one at a time on each campus. It reversed that decision earlier this month, deciding to undertake the entire construction project all at once.

The action was prompted by bids received from 13 contractors on the total project and on piecemeal versions.

"We discovered, even without considering rampant inflation, we could save about \$100,000 per campus by doing the total job all at once," said William E. Amos, director of the agency. "The cost savings was so phenomenal it nearly blew our minds."

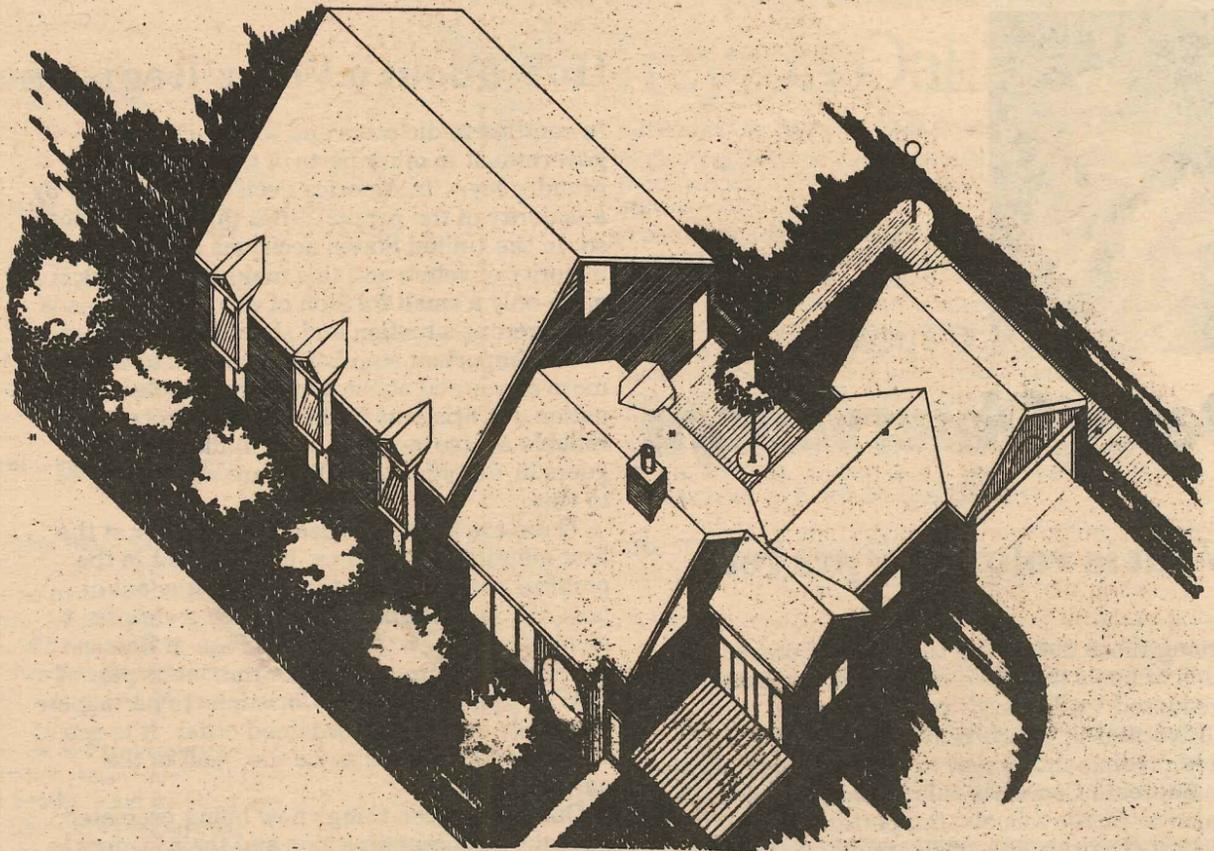
Amos said the board would finance the entire project through a construction loan.

"This isn't like borrowing the total amount needed in the very beginning," he explained, "but borrowing only what is actually required to complete the job." He said with anticipated gifts and bequests coming in all along "not much may need to be borrowed" to finish the job.

He said \$900,000 cash is now in hand for the project before construction begins.

The construction bids do not include remodeling the present superintendent's home at Spring Meadows, converting it into a sixth cottage there. A new home will be built for the superintendent near Shelbyville Rd.

The eight existing cottages at Glen Dale and eight cottages at Spring Meadows would, in all probability, be demolished following construction of the new cottages, according to Amos.



An isometric view of a typical cottage shows sleeping quarters [left] and living-dining areas [center].

### We'll miss you Sept. 3

It doesn't happen too often, but every now and then a year comes around in which Western Recorder's publication day occurs 53 times in a calendar year instead of 52. Such is the case in 1980 when there are 53 Wednesdays, our publication day.

Since our postal permit allows us to print 50 issues annually we normally drop out one week in July and one week in December. With 53 Wednesdays in 1980 we have also elected not to publish Sept. 3 this year.

As a result, the Sunday school lessons are included this week on the back page (instead of six), and a center spread incorporated on State Missions Week of Prayer (Sept. 7-14). All of the regular features and news items you look forward to will return to their regular places in the Sept. 10 issue. — Editor.

### Voters dry, percent high in Pulaski referendum

Opponents to legalized sale of alcoholic beverages in Somerset and Pulaski County won a smashing victory in a local option referendum Aug. 19.

Despite an intense campaign by advocates of legalized liquor sales, the dry forces won in every one of the county's 48 precincts. In Somerset where it was thought most support would be for the wet cause the margin of victory was almost as large as in the rural precincts.

Advocates for legalized sale of alcoholic beverages circulated a petition several months ago and received enough names to call for a referendum on liquor sales.

Ministers and churches responded to the challenge and set out to get the vote out feeling the majority of people in Pulaski County preferred to live in dry territory. They enlisted the help of Delbert Butts and the Kentucky Temperance League.

Eldred Taylor, First Baptist Church pastor, was a key leader and says enough credit cannot be given Butts for his help.

One of the first and most successful efforts in the campaign was getting 4000 new voters registered.

The voter turnout was the largest in Pulaski County history. Approximately 29,000 were qualified to vote and about 20,000 voted. This is a 72 percent turnout of registered voters.

In some precincts 85 percent or more of all voters were against legalized sale of alcoholic beverages. Countywide the victory for the dries was 71 percent.

### Helms amendment fails to generate enthusiasm

Most witnesses at a second House subcommittee hearing on the controversial Helms proposal to deny federal courts jurisdiction in school prayer cases opposed the amendment.

The number of supporting witnesses declined when Sen. Jesse Helms, R-NC, author of the Senate-passed amendment, canceled his appearance.

A fifth day of hearings is set in early September for members of Congress. Possible witnesses include Rep. Stephen L. Neal, D-NC, sponsor of a resolution expressing the sense of Congress the Constitution does not preclude periods of silence in school and Rep. Robert F. Drinan, D-Mass., a Catholic priest.



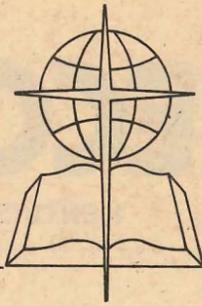
### People of the Book (Store)

Part of the crowd for grand opening ceremonies at Louisville's new Baptist Book Store earlier this month is shown milling about the 7000 sq. ft. facility at 1235

Hurstbourne Ln. The store is one of three in Kentucky owned and operated by the Baptist Sunday School Board. [Photo by Ray Furr, WR staff]

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

### What is voluntary prayer?

Among those discussing the place of prayer in public schools there is a difference in what is considered "voluntary" prayer.

Advocates of the current efforts to restore Bible reading and prayer to public schools claim the Supreme Court has ruled out voluntary prayer in public schools. Supporters of the Supreme Court rulings claim voluntary prayer has not and cannot be ruled out as long as there are students and teachers who want to pray.

Which group is right? As usual, both groups have a point and it is a matter of interpretation. Here's where the difference in interpretation seems to be.

The group now working for legislation designed to restore Bible reading and prayer to public schools considers voluntary prayer in schools to be group prayer opportunities arranged by school officials in which volunteers lead and which pupils can choose to attend or not to attend.

The groups which support earlier Supreme Court rulings outlawing prescribed or school-sponsored prayers consider voluntary prayer to be individual, private prayers by pupils or teachers any time they choose.

There has been some uncertainty about exactly where the courts have drawn the line between voluntary and prescribed prayer but by now the line is fairly plain. School officials, according to rulings, cannot arrange for group prayer experiences no matter how voluntary they are attempted to be made.

In recent years several state legislatures passed bills providing for teachers to issue daily calls for volunteers to lead in prayer and announcing that students not wanting to participate could excuse themselves. (Such a proposal was made but failed to pass in the 1980 Kentucky General Assembly.)

Such a law was passed in Massachusetts but has been declared unconstitutional by the Massachusetts Supreme Court. This will probably be the ruling in other states.

Thus the concept of voluntary prayer has been defined narrowly by the courts—maybe too narrowly. It would seem teachers and/or pupils who choose to join in prayer on school property before or after school hours could do so lawfully but not so according to most court rulings.

The outcome is only individual, private prayer by pupils or teachers is considered constitutional. I could wish the rulings were not so narrow but freedom of worship from state support or state opposition is better served by an interpretation too narrow than one too broad.

## How about a Voter Registration Day?

In contrast to dictators and totalitarian forms of government in other parts of the world, we proudly say, "In America decisions are made by a majority of the people." But this really is not so. In the United States decisions are made by a majority of voters and this majority of voters is often only a small fraction of all citizens. This is a dangerous situation and should be corrected.

One important step is for churches to become more concerned about more responsible participation of Christians in the political process. A reliable source says out of 75 million church-goers in America, 25 million are not registered to vote.

There are those who react with horror at the first mention of churches' involvement in the political process. "Let the church stay out of politics" is a familiar cry but such a view isn't based on the New Testament. Paul in Romans 13 not only recognizes civil government as part of God's order but advises Christians to participate positively in this God-ordained order. It is one of the ways Christians can be the "salt of the earth."

One of the good things now being promoted by right wing organizations and their leaders is an intense effort to get Christians registered to vote. This effort is going so far as to recommend special voter registration days in churches. There are even directions for conducting a Voter Registration Sunday.

Here are some easy-to-follow suggestions for churches which want to conduct registration campaigns. They are condensed from material distributed by the National Heritage Foundation.

1. Set a date and select a chairman for Registration Sunday.
2. Secure a supply of voter registration forms from the County Clerk's office. (Number needed is equal to approximately one-third of adults present.)
3. Set up a registration table in a prominent place.
4. Distribute registration cards during Sunday school or worship service to all persons not certain they are officially registered. Be certain cards are filled out correctly.
5. Have registration cards returned as a group to county voter registration office.
6. Have registration completed by Oct. 1.

A voter registration campaign is a legitimate political involvement for churches but not all other political devices are proper. One danger in connection with such drives is that they tend to become crusades where one position is espoused and ultimately one candidate endorsed. The result is bloc voting. This is an insult to the intelligence of individual voters and prostitution of the political process.

The objective is to lead individuals, not groups, to examine the issues, to evaluate the candidates and to vote their own convictions.

## Baptist Forum

### Them's fightin' words

It is increasingly irksome to many of us to pick up Western Recorder week after week only to find new attacks against conservative causes and leaders blazing out in the editorial columns. It has become such a case of "overkill." Do the liberals have no sins? Are all conservatives "the enemy"?

How can you justify your constant editorials which deal with political issues such as "the prayer amendment," while at the same time you damn any effort of conservatives to bring the crucial moral/political issues of the present campaign to the attention of the electorate?

How can you deny that abortion (the shameless and wanton murder of millions of babies), so-called "homosexual rights," the undermining of the family incipient in the so-called Equal Rights Amendment and the internationalist plot to disarm this nation are related to biblical morality? These issues, and others involved in this campaign, are not only related to biblical morality; they also are crucially involved with the question of whether this nation can endure.

Contrary to your editorial comments, the Moral Majority is not a partisan organization. It is purely issue-oriented. It is positive in its approach to issues and not negative. Its stance is pro-home, pro-family, pro-God, pro-life, pro-morality and pro-defense, which is translated as pro-American. The movement wants everyone to vote his or her conscience Nov. 4, but desires that everyone know the issues involved in this election as they vote.

And please, Jerry Falwell is not the enemy!

Bill Hall, Danville

### Throwing the book [store] at Enoch

I'm sorry about Mr. Enoch's views (WR, 8/13/80) on the new location of the Baptist Book Store.

I say, "Praise the Lord, I can enjoy the store as I did in the old days!" The east end is the perfect location. The move was long overdue.

Lillian Brown, Liberty

### Passing the buck

I am writing in regards to the Western Recorder issue, July 30, 1980. As I read your article entitled, "When is a church in friendly cooperation," I was in general agreement, although not completely. Then I read the next article, "Catholic banning of beer sales is commendable."

I was greatly disappointed. Why do you (or whoever wrote the article) say that President and Mrs. Carter are responsible for encouraging drinking practices of alcoholic beverages?

I certainly am saddened at any drinking of alcohol in the White House, or any other government properties, but to try to blame the President with it seems like someone is just jumping onto the "easy road" and passing the buck.

Why don't you, or whoever, write an article about how our own governor is responsible for encouraging alcoholic beverage consumption?

Instead of putting it on President Carter's back, why not say the increased acceptance of social drinking among Baptists is really due to a "let-down" of moral standards and principles based on the word of God itself.

The drinking of alcoholic beverages in the White House certainly didn't begin with President Carter, and there have been other presidents who have claimed Christianity, yet drank alcoholic beverages, but were not blamed with encouraging an increase in drinking among their specific denominations.

It seems the real encouragements come from us: when we fail to go to the polls and vote down the wet-dry questions, and when we fail to show real concern of the heart toward the matter of alcohol consumption.

I would think that those who would blame the President for their own drinking have a much deeper spiritual problem that the President neither caused nor can help! And it comes back to the same old thing. Passing the buck.

J. Duane Holland, Cadiz

# Mountains to the Mississippi

## Personnel

### Cobb joins Central Hospital

Larry F. Cobb, assistant administrator for operations, Cooper Green Hospital, Birmingham, Ala., will join the staff of Central Baptist Hospital, Lexington, as assistant administrator Sept. 1.

An Alabaman, Cobb holds a BS degree from the University of Alabama. He later received a MBA degree from the University of Florida.

Cobb was an administrative assistant at Mt. Sinai Hospital, Greater Miami, Fla. two years. In 1974 he joined Cooper Green staff.

Another administrative change at Central Baptist Hospital: Alan Newberry is moving from personnel director to administrative assistant.

### Mt. Gilead calls Howard

Mt. Gilead Baptist Church, Russell Creek Association, has called Jerry Howard as pastor. Howard is a native of Elizabethtown.

He and his wife, Linda, are students at Campbellsville College.

### Sowder accepts Mouthcard

Sam Sowder has been called as pastor of Mouthcard Baptist Church, Pike County Association. He is coming from the pastorate of Robinson Creek Baptist Church, Campbellsville.

Sowder is a graduate of Clear Creek Baptist School.

He and his wife, Mary, have two children, Charlene 16 and Canaan 13.

Sowder began his duties Aug. 11.

### Clement new at Richland

William A. Clement became pastor of Richland Baptist Church, Madisonville, Dec. 30, 1979. He is a sophomore at Madisonville Community College.

Clement is married to Ava Jean Bolin of Russell Springs.

### Pauley goes to Ashland Central

Central Baptist Church, Ashland, welcomes Larry Pauley as associate pastor and minister of music.

He is married to Anita Sue Carroll. They have two children.

Pauley holds an MCM degree from Southwestern Seminary. John P. Weaver is pastor at Central.

### Cash Creek welcomes Ford

Walter Scott Ford has accepted the pastorate of Cash Creek Baptist Church, Henderson, effective July 13.

Ford, a native of Owensboro, holds an AB degree from Kentucky Wesleyan College and an MDiv degree from Southern Seminary.

He has been pastor of Old Panther Baptist Church, Whitesville, interim pastor of Bethabara Baptist Church, children's pastor at Ninth and O Baptist Church, Louisville, and minister of youth at Macedonia Baptist Church.

Ford is married to Patti Webb of Louisville.

### FBC Middletown calls White

Charles R. White has been called as pastor of First Baptist Church, Middletown. He is coming from the pastorate of Hillcrest Baptist Church, Frankfort.

White will begin his duties Sept. 7.

## Congregations

### Roland celebrates 30th anniversary

Roland Memorial Missionary Baptist Church, Greenville, celebrated its 30th homecoming Aug. 24th. Roland Memorial was organized July 2, 1950 under the direction of J. B. Metheny, director of missions of Muhlenberg Association. Metheny was guest speaker during the morning worship hour.

Music was presented by the Barry Clardy Trio, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Richardson and others. Charter members were recognized and a history of the church was reviewed.

James Doyel is pastor at Roland Memorial.

### Allen retires from Immanuel

Aug. 31 Lyman Smith Allen will retire after 35 years as pastor of Immanuel Baptist Temple, Henderson. A reception will be held in honor of the Allens Aug. 31 in Immanuel Baptist Temple fellowship hall from 2 to 4:30 p.m.

### Enterprise meets at Prestonsburg

July 29 Enterprise Association held an associational Brotherhood meeting at First Baptist Church, Prestonsburg. Sixteen men representing five churches met to learn about starting and maintaining Brotherhood work in their churches both in the areas of Baptist Men and Royal Ambassadors.

New Brotherhood work has been started at the churches in Warfield and Martin. The meeting was one of great fellowship and learning for all who attended.

### Springdale announces homecoming

Springdale Baptist Church, Lexington, will hold its annual homecoming Sept. 7 at 1:30 p.m. Potluck dinner will follow the morning services.

John Luyben is pastor.

## Revivals

### New Bethel has revival

New Bethel Baptist Church, Allen Association, had eight professions of faith and 10 additions by baptism resulting from revival services July 20-31.

Ralph Garmon was evangelist.

Durwood Garmon is pastor.

### Bethlehem reports 22 decisions

Bethlehem (Ky.) Baptist Church, had 14 professions of faith and eight commitments in a recent revival Aug. 3-8.

R. Trevis Otey Sr. was evangelist.

R. Trevis Otey Jr. is pastor.

### Oak Grove has two saved

Oak Grove Baptist Church, Monroe Association, reports two professions of faith and two additions for baptism.

Amos Martin was evangelist.

Clyde England Jr. is pastor.

### Peters Creek has four decisions

Peters Creek Baptist Church, Monroe Association, had two saved and two additions for baptism.

Jack Rinks was evangelist.

Frank Harlow is pastor.



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### Who was Eliza Broadus?

Eliza Somerville Broadus, eldest daughter of John A. and Maria Harrison Broadus, was born in Charlottesville, Va. in 1851. The same year her father became pastor of Charlottesville Baptist Church and assistant professor of Latin and Greek at the University of Virginia.

In 1858 Broadus went to Greenville, S.C. to become a professor in the newly established Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

While Miss Broadus was living in Greenville a missionary society was organized in her church and she became one of the charter members.

In 1877 Miss Broadus and her family moved to Louisville with the seminary. Her father continued as professor of New Testament interpretation and homiletics. He was seminary president from 1889 until his death in 1895.

In Louisville Miss Broadus joined Walnut Street Baptist Church and became a member of its missionary society. The following year, 1878, Kentucky formed a central committee to promote missionary societies and Miss Broadus was elected to represent

the Walnut Street organization.

She continued to serve as an active member of the committee, later known as the executive committee, until 1928, a period of 50 years. During that time she was committee chairman 32 years and vice chairman nine years. When she resigned she was made an honorary life member of the committee.

In 1888, when Woman's Missionary Union was organized in Richmond, Va., Miss Broadus was elected vice president from Kentucky.

No cause was dearer to her than the establishment of a training school in Louisville for young women preparing for Christian work. In 1907 the school she helped start became the WMU Training School, of which she was a board member 20 years.

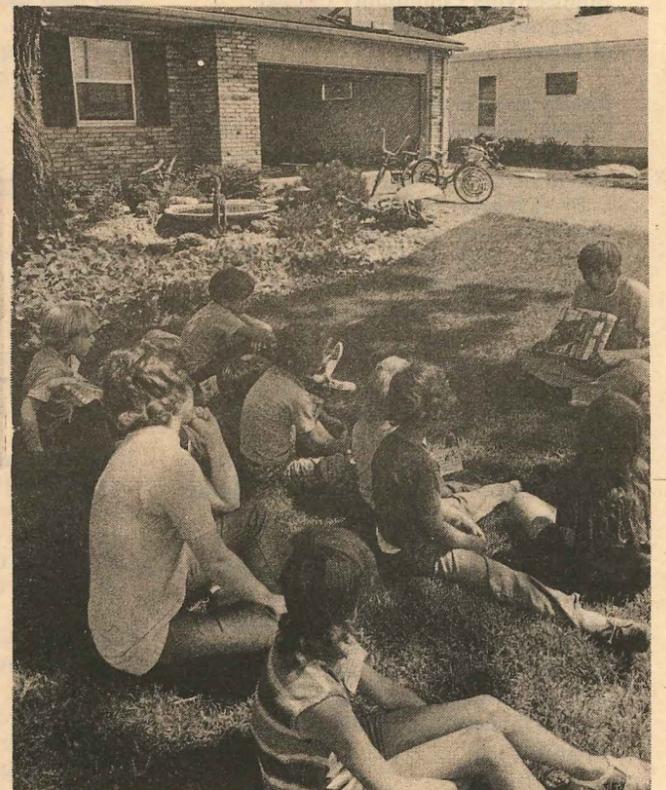
In 1913 Miss Broadus led the Kentucky WMU to promote an annual offering for state missions to be taken in all churches.

In appreciation of her faithful service to Kentucky WMU and the denomination for more than 50 years, the state missions offering was named for her in 1976.



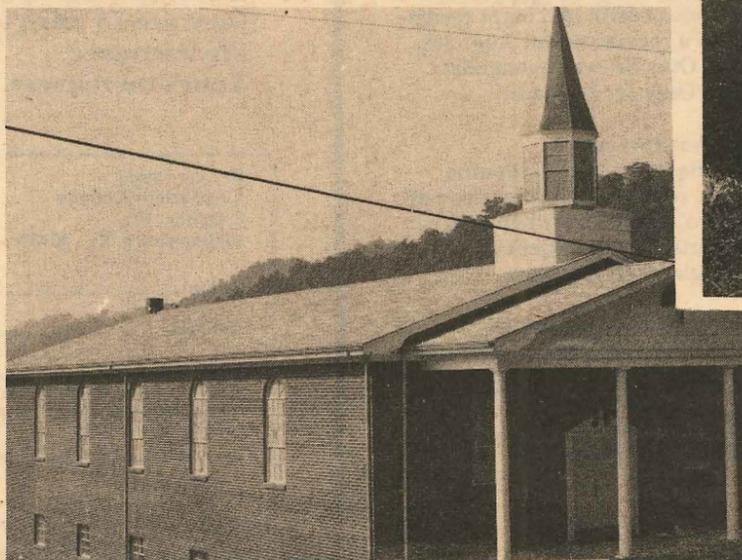
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International Conference	8,000
Clear Creek (Nursery)	2,500
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Mountain Pastor's Travel	5,600
M.K. Christmas Retreat	600
Outreach '80	2,500
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#### Missionaries

Salaries	
(State Missionaries)	\$65,000
Foreign Missions Appointees	2,000
Foreign Kentucky-born women missionaries' Christmas gift	3,000
Western Recorder to foreign missionaries	750
Furloughing Missionary Update	2,000
	<b>72,750</b>



#### Buildings

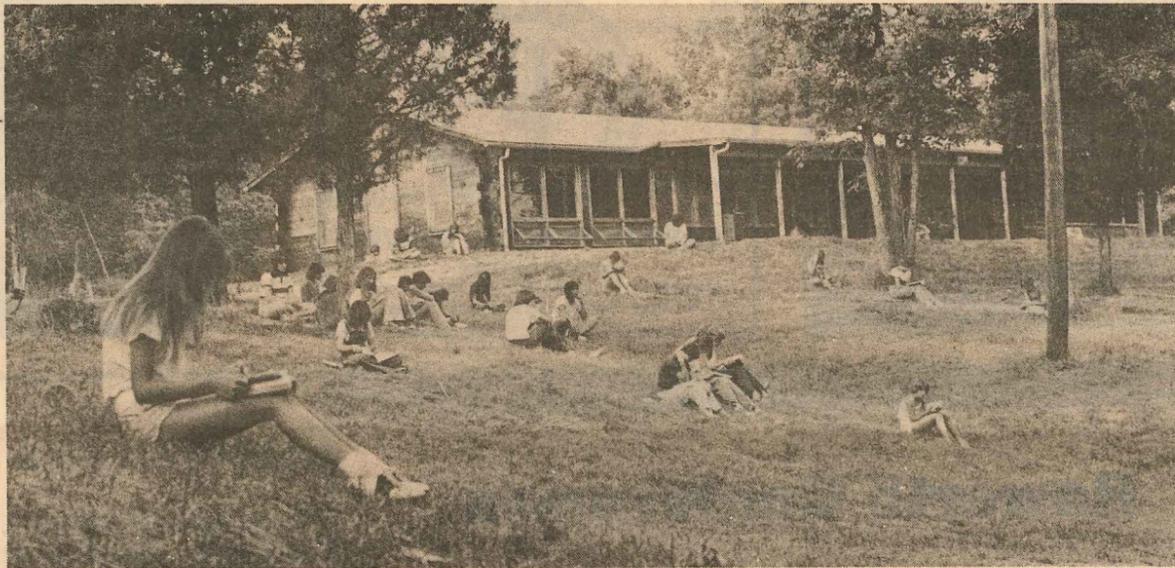
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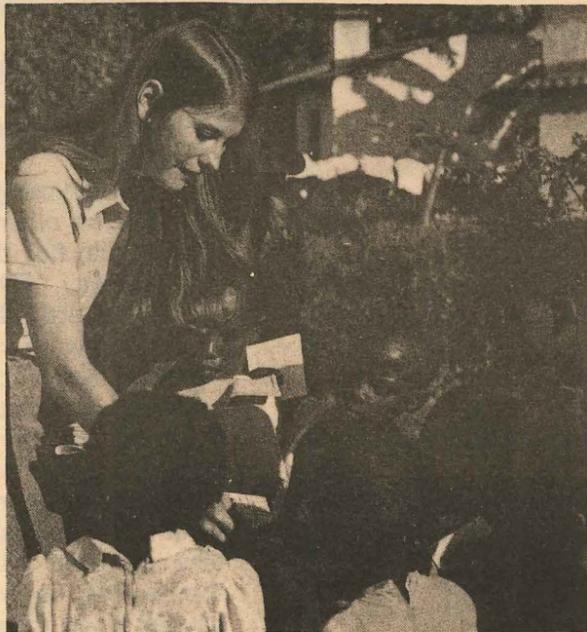
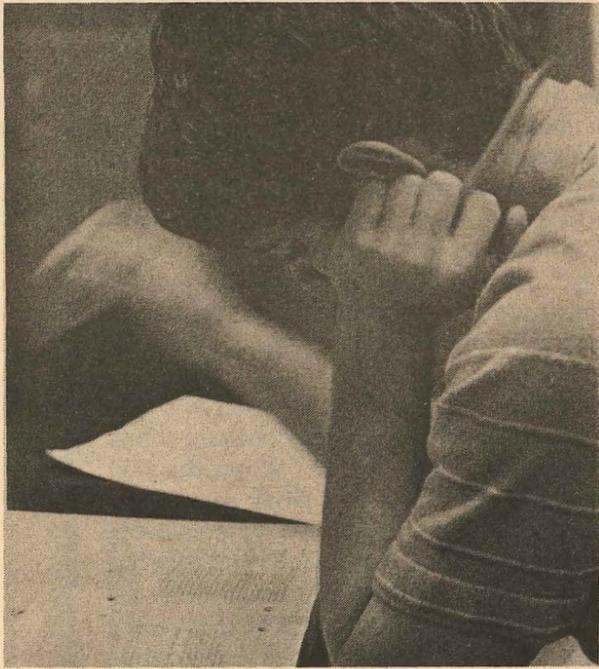
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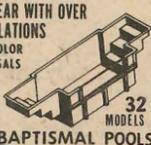
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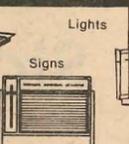



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## EVERYONE SHOULD HAVE A WILL!

If you do not have a will, the law will dictate who gets what you own. No one really intends to let the state where he lives determine who are his heirs and in what percentage they inherit, yet this is what happens when you die without a legal will. Why do people die without a legal will?

There are several reasons:

1. The main reason usually is simple—good intentions. They did not intend to die without having drawn a will—they just never got around to it.
  - a. The young have a way of feeling immortal.
  - b. The older folks have accepted the fact that they are going to die, but the unhappy event is at least ten to fifteen years away. (The thinking expressed above makes for a good mental attitude, but not based on facts. It does not lead one to draw up a will which is necessary for everyone.)
2. Another reason for putting off making a will is simply an age-old problem—superstition. This attitude is much like the old attitude. . . if you go into the hospital you will not come out alive. So if I have my will drawn, I will die soon afterward.
3. Ofttimes another reason for not leaving a will is the attitude of a husband and wife that they have nothing to worry about because if one dies, the other will inherit the estate. This is true. When the first spouse dies, no will is particularly necessary; but what is going to happen when the second spouse dies? More important, what is going to happen if both were to be killed at the same time? Experience has shown that if a couple does not bother with a will while both are alive, the survivor is not likely to draw a will later. It is to everyone's advantage to decide on the eventual distribution of their estate while both are still living and can make the decisions together.

## EVERYONE, THEREFORE, SHOULD HAVE A WILL!

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## Ministering to the children of the 80's

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### The flip side

I am always deeply moved and very appreciative of the fact how profound some of the New Testament teachings are. I am also encouraged at how relevant and practical they are in regard to how I try to live.

"Whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap." How often we have not only been aware of the truth of these words, but also have used them in providing guidance to others. Indeed they are good guiding words. The truth is not only quite evident but also has quite an impact on us when the reaping time comes into our lives.

We often find ourselves remarking quietly how surprised we are this particular thing happened. Other times, when reaping time comes, we are not surprised at all. We remember with absolute clarity what was sown.

When these kinds of things happen I am impressed with how much energy is spent in reacting to things over and over. We find this to be so true in working with youth at Spring Meadows and Glen Dale. Much sowing has been done before they come to live with us. We suddenly become helpers with them in learning to handle the days of reaping. Sometimes it has been sowing of bad personal habits or poor relationships with family members or not being able to get with it in school.

Thus, it seems much emphasis in life is given over to the reaping end of things. If we are not careful, however, we can find ourselves in the reaping end of things with an unhealthy attitude of "I told you so!"

Thankfully, however, there is another way to deal with this sowing-reaping syndrome. While I never want to be a part of backing off of the reality of that clear biblical word, there is the possibility of finding not only hope but guidance in those same words if you will simply turn them around. If you really have come to grips with the reality that what we sow we shall reap, why don't we somehow learn to internalize the reverse truth of that statement—sowing what we want to reap? How logical and how obvious!

This way we find ourselves in the front end of things instead of always having to play catchup and reacting to things. It is precisely at this point our staff can really shine. We can use the person of Jesus Christ and his teachings to help enable our youth with the sowing process instead of spending so much energy in reaping.

## KBC Activities

### Here and now

#### SEPTEMBER

- 7-13 Brotherhood Leadership Week
- 7-14 State Mission Week of Prayer and Eliza Broadus Offering
- 11 Senior Adult Conference. Owensboro
- 12-13 WMU Leadership Conferences. Jonathan Creek. Drive-in Days. Same program each day. 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. each day
- 13 ASSIST Training

### Looking ahead

#### SEPTEMBER

- 1 Labor Day
- 7-13 Information on all events listed under HERE AND NOW
- 15-18 New Directors' Conference. Designed for newly elected Brotherhood, Church music, Church Training, Sunday school and/or WMU church directors. Five separate conferences at each place. 7 p.m.
  - 15—Paducah — Lone Oak Baptist Church
  - 15—Middlesboro — Old Yellow Creek Baptist Church
  - 15—Grayson — First Baptist Church
  - 16—Bowling Green — Hillvue Heights Baptist Church
  - 16—Lexington — Broadway Baptist Church
  - 16—Russell Springs — First Baptist Church
  - 18—Madisonville — First Baptist Church
  - 18—Louisville — Farmdale Baptist Church
  - 18—Ft. Mitchell — Ft. Mitchell Baptist Church
- 25-27 Kentucky Baptist Music Leadership Conference. Cedarmore Baptist Assembly. 6 p.m. on 25th to 1 p.m. on 27th. For volunteer, part time and full time music directors and for music faculty of KBC colleges. Make reservations with Cedarmore
- 27 WMU Leadership Conference. Clear Creek Baptist School. 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- 28-Oct. 5 Sunday School Preparation Week

#### OCTOBER

- 3-4 Brotherhood Convention. Radcliff, Mill Creek Baptist Church
- 4 GA Mission Fair. Morehead, Baptist Student Center. 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- 6-7 Haworth Conference. Louisville, Crescent Hill Baptist Church
- 10-12 BSU State Convention, Louisville, Southern Seminary
- 11 GA Mission Fair. Campbellsville, Campbellsville College
- 17-18 Baptist Young Women's Retreat. Cedarmore Baptist Assembly
- 18 GA Mission Fair. Madisonville, First Baptist Church
- 24-25 Associational Officers' Briefing Meeting. Cedarmore Baptist Assembly
- 24-25 Baptist Women's Retreat. Jonathan Creek
- 31-Nov. 1 Baptist Women's Retreat. Cedarmore Baptist Assembly

## Oneida Journal

### A holy time

**Barkley Moore, President**  
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In recent years save one it has become our custom to have a retreat each August for our teachers, staff and families. This is held at Pine Mountain Settlement School, two hours east of Oneida, a former boarding school and now an environmental center. When we started these retreats six years ago we could all go together in one bus. This year two buses were necessary and several went in cars. Our family is growing.

At Pine Mountain we stay in dorms that housed boarding students in other decades, eat delicious meals in beautiful Laurel House, worship in the stone prayer chapel, sing for hours around the grand pianos in the chapel as well as in the dining room, spend other hours playing that old Baptist game called "Rook" and the more recent "Uno," go for breathtaking hikes on massive Pine Mountain with its gigantic trees and yes, get a few hours of sleep.

It was a special delight to talk with one of the Pine Mountain cooks who sent all five of her daughters to Oneida, and all are graduates. I attended school here with the oldest and the youngest one graduated after I became Oneida's president.

The principal retreat service began with a hymn that spoke both of the purpose of our retreat as well as of our work in general:

"Take time to be holy, speak oft with thy God; abide in him always and feed on his word. Make friends of God's children, help those who are weak; forgetting in nothing his blessing to seek."

Varsity basketball coach and teacher of French Larry Gritton lifted us to God's throne in his own unique way. Then the congregation sang another old hymn that seemed to have a special meaning for those at Oneida:

"It may not be on the mountain height or over the stormy sea . . . perhaps today there are loving words which Jesus would have me speak, there may be now in the paths of sin, some wanderer whom I should seek . . . There's surely somewhere a lowly place in earth's harvest field so wide, where I may labor thro life's short day, for Jesus the Crucified" . . .

Debbie Fraker, a senior music student at Cumberland College, sang of the heaven every Christian looks forward to "where the only thing there that has been made by man are the scars in the hands of Jesus."

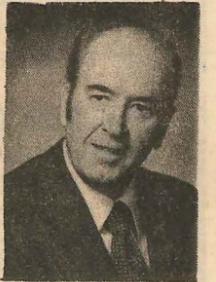
We stood to pray led by principal Oliver Hawkins, pastor and teacher for over 25 years. He then preached a very perceptive message on "Jesus, the Teacher."

Oneida pastor Joel Rackley, who grew up in the Berry School of Georgia and later married an Oneida girl, led in prayer followed by the congregation singing:

"Take the name of Jesus with you . . . it will joy and comfort give you . . . King of Kings in heaven we'll crown him, when our journey is complete."

A season of prayer followed led by John Sanderson, former foreign missionary now in his ninth year with us teaching history; Mrs. Dortha Bentley, newly arrived librarian from North Carolina, serving as a volunteer, and Greg Burnard of Virginia, taking a year from his college studies to serve as a volunteer tutor in our special help program. James A. Boswell, my assistant since 1974, closed the service.

## Frank Owen



### Strength for the pastor

Maybe you have to be a pastor to understand his desperate need for strength to stand up to his job. There is a pressure and a tension in the office that is real tough on the sensitive, conscientious type of man who deeply feels the obligation to try and fulfill all that is expected of him.

First, there is the tremendous demand of the pulpit. Sermon material has to be dug out and put together and it takes lots of time and mental energy and inspiration—much time for study and quiet, prayerful meditation.

Church administration is a heavy load. Perhaps not as heavy as larger businesses but maybe equally difficult because more contacts are necessary to get things done. Everyone in the democracy of church has a voice of potential authority. The pastor has many to please in steering the ship.

Then there is the visitation: hospitals, sick and shut-in. Terminal illness and death circumstances are a physical and spiritual drain. Also, many healthy members think the pastor ought to visit them occasionally. They don't invite him for a meal. There is no occasion for the visit but they just feel that they ought to see him at the door now and then.

Funerals, weddings, counseling sessions and being present to celebrate with those who rejoice and weep with the ones who weep, civic activity and service—these all take their toll.

No one can do all of the above. Conscientious ministers sometimes break down under the pull of all these and other forces in so many directions.

I counseled my son upon his going to a busy pastorate like I did at age 33, when I assumed the first congregation that was more than I could do. I told him of my pride and rejoicing with him but observed that there is a sadness in it. "The fun's done son. You will live, as it were, under the gun from here on, like I have done (as other pastors) trying to fulfill more ministry than one person can measure up to. God bless you with strength each day and may you be able to turn loose of your work (though never done) enough to rest each night until you can get back to the glorious, but never finished task upon each new tomorrow."

# Baptist News in Brief

## Smith prays for Democrats

In a 2½-minute prayer before the Democratic National Convention Aug. 14 Southern Baptist Convention president Bailey Smith asked God to forgive America for the blight of immorality and for its disregard for the lives of both the living and the unborn.

Smith, pastor of First Southern Baptist Church, Del City, Okla., was invited by the program planners to give the invocation for that session of the convention. He took advantage of the opportunity to pray an evangelical prayer, he said, asking God to bring America back to the issues that made it great and that the Bible would become the nation's standard of living.

He asked for God's blessings and

protection on President Carter and prayed that Carter would always lean on God for direction and strength. Smith asked that America never forget "blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord."

Smith said his petition regarding the sanctity of life was a reference to the Democratic campaign platform that favors the availability of abortion.

## Cancer strikes Smith

Rogers M. Smith, special assistant to the president of the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board, has been hospitalized with multiple myeloma, a type of bone cancer.

He had been complaining of back pain during the Foreign Missions Conference at Glorieta Baptist Conference Center earlier this month and entered a Richmond hospital after he arrived home.

Doctors discovered the disease had weakened the 11th vertebra in Smith's back, causing his back pain.

He has been fitted with a brace. He has completed the first series of chemotherapy treatments. The next series will begin in about a month.

## SBTS opens house 14th

Southern Seminary is planning a campus-wide open house Sunday, Sept. 14 from 3-6 p.m. to which Baptists from all over Kentucky and Indiana are invited.

The highlight of the afternoon is a reception for Dr. and Mrs. Duke K. McCall in honor of Dr. McCall's election to a five-year term as president of the 30-million-member Baptist World Alliance. He will continue as chief executive of the seminary where he has been president since 1951.

Also on the agenda of the open house are tours of the seminary archaeological museum. The Billy Graham room, with archives from the famous evangelist's career, will be open to visitors, and a collection of memorabilia from the life of Baptist missionary Lottie Moon will be on display.

## Seminary now at 40280

The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary anticipates more efficient mail delivery as the result of a new zip code designation recently implemented by the U. S. Postal Service.

Effective immediately the use of zip code 40280 will speed mail to 2825 Lexington Rd. with fewer processing steps than the older 40206 zip code.

Approximately one million pieces of mail received annually by Kentucky's largest independent educational institution qualified the seminary post office for its own zip code. No other address will use the 40280 designation.

## Annie vaults goals

The 1980 Annie Armstrong Easter offering for home missions surpassed its goal for the first time in four years, William G. Tanner, executive director-treasurer of the Home Mission Board, said.

Tanner told participants at home mission week at Ridgecrest Baptist Conference Center the offering reached \$15,562,470.80 Aug. 11.

"The money will also insure appointment of 33 new missionaries in 1981," he added.

## Has BSSB got your No.?

An old telephone number for the Baptist Sunday School Board which appears in a new catalog has created a large headache for a Nashville construction company telephone operator.

Caroline Melbo, operator for Hardaway Construction Co., has been receiving up to 500 calls each week since the 1980-81 Church Materials Catalog was mailed in June to 82,000 churches and individuals.

The catalog lists church literature and Convention Press items and the old board main number appears in the book on a letterhead of a personal letter from a board executive. The board has not used the old number since April 1976.

"Every long distance operator in the United States knows I've been giving out your number to callers," Miss Melbo said good-naturedly. "People become irate when I can't fill their orders, and they won't listen to me when I tell them we're a construction firm."

The company began receiving calls for the board about one and one-half years ago, even though the number had not been used for any other telephone company customer for more than two years.

With the distribution of the catalog to customers in the United States and overseas Miss Melbo began to get calls from "all over the world."

The Sunday School Board—and Caroline Melbo—want everyone to know the board's main number is (615) 251-2000. Literature orders should be called to (615) 251-2633. Baptist Book Store items should be ordered from regional mail order centers.

## Beacon needs light

Jack Johnson, executive secretary of the Arizona Southern Baptist Convention, is acting as editor of the Baptist Beacon during an 18-month reevaluation of the newspaper.

Following the retirement of C. L. Pair as editor in June, the convention executive board hired Elizabeth Young as news writer and journalistic consultant on an 18-month contract. Miss Young is a May graduate of Baylor University and former summer intern for the Rocky Mountain Baptist in Colorado.

Publication of the Beacon, with circulation of 12,600, has been cut from 48 to 36 issues annually.

Johnson said a subcommittee from the executive board will study the purpose and function of the newspaper extensively, including such things as the format, frequency of publication, paper stock, printer and billing procedures.

Johnson said he hopes eventually to hire a public relations consultant who also would be newspaper editor.

# Sunday School Lessons



H. C. Chiles

## INTERNATIONAL SERIES

SEPTEMBER 7

### God: The covenant maker

**Genesis 9:8-17** In this lesson we have the account of the first great covenant mentioned in the Bible. Noah did not propose or request a covenant. As always, the initiative came from God's love and grace. God's blessings were to be bestowed even though nothing had been done by man to deserve them. The scope of the covenant was noteworthy, in that it included Noah, his seed and "every living creature."

Of this covenant the bow in the clouds was the token or sign. Noah had seen the rainbow many times, but thereafter he would see more in it than just the radiant beauty of its seven prismatic colors.

The appearance of the rainbow tells its observers that, however dark the cloud may be, the sun is still shining. So it is with the dark and tragic things in our lives of which the clouds are the symbol. Not only does the rainbow prevent man from yielding to presumption or to despair, but it reminds him anew of God's love, which is calling upon him to continue to trust and to obey God. Just as in the covenant with Noah, God made an unconditional promise he would never again destroy the whole earth with a flood, so the cross of Calvary is God's pledge to those of us who trust Christ as our saviour that the Father will never condemn us for our sins because Christ bore the penalty for them.

We regret that the Life and Work lessons for these two weeks failed to reach us by deadline.—Editor

## INTERNATIONAL SERIES

SEPTEMBER 14

### God and Abraham

**Genesis 12:1-4a** While Abraham was living quietly in Ur a summons came from God pleading with him to get out of his native country and away from his kindred, and to go into a land which he had chosen for him.

God called Abraham to become the founder of a new nation through which he could work out his redemptive plan. Along with that sovereign and gracious plea came an invaluable sevenfold pledge. God pledged himself to make of Abraham a great nation, to bless him, to make his name great, to make him a world wide blessing, to bless those who blessed Abraham, to curse any who might curse him and through him to bless all the families on the earth.

**Genesis 17:1-8** When Abraham reached 99 God's promise to him concerning the birth of a son was still unfulfilled, whereupon God appeared to him again and confirmed his purpose of grace. God said: "And I will make my covenant between me and thee, and I will multiply thee exceedingly." In a spirit of amazement at the divine favor shown him Abraham dropped to his knees in deep humility and reverence. The silence of 13 years did not alter God's purposes or change his mind concerning Abraham. From him we need to learn the lesson of patience in awaiting God's time for the carrying out of his purposes.

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