

Sisters Jane Kent [l] and Mary Pat Price discuss West Virginia mission opportunities with WMU convention

speaker, Tommy Halsell, executive director of West Virginia Southern Baptists.

Taylor inaugurated sixth Cumberland College head

James Harold Taylor was inaugurated as the sixth president of Cumberland College, Williamsburg, May 2. Taylor succeeded J. M. Boswell who headed the college from 1946 until August 1980.

The inauguration ceremonies were held in the Cumberland College gymnasium to accommodate the large crowd. The Cumberland College concert band and the college chorale provided music. The inauguration procession included trustees and former trustees of the college, delegates of colleges, universities and Kentucky Baptist schools, faculty members and the presidential party.

Program personalities drew heavily upon the trustees. Carl Sears led the opening prayer, Billy G. Hurt welcomed the audience with introductory remarks, Paul Estes extended official greetings to president Taylor, Sam Ballou performed the investiture and George Munro pronounced the benediction.

Others extending official greetings to the new president included Beverly Bolton on behalf of the students, Robert Jones for the alumni, Emma McPherson for the faculty, C. Edward Brandon Jr. for the Kentucky Independent Foundation College Fund, John W. Fraser for the Council of Independent Kentucky Colleges and Universities, Franklin Owen for the Kentucky Baptist Convention and Frances Jones Mills for the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

Maynard Head, pastor of East Cumberland Avenue Baptist Church, Middlesboro, read the scriptures and Western Recorder editor C. R. Daley delivered the inauguration address.

In his response president Taylor thanked his family and others for their contribution to his life and training. He credited president emeritus Boswell with much of the training that led to his selection as head of the school. He promised aggressive leadership of Cumberland which, he said, should be on the brink of a new and significant era.

Taylor is a native of San Antonio, Tex. He graduated with honors from Cumberland College in 1968. He received his MA degree from Union College, 1972, and his DEd from Nova University, 1978.

He joined the Cumberland staff in 1968. Before assuming the presidency Aug. 1, 1980, he served as special assistant to the president, director of alumni affairs, director of admissions and director of development and alumni affairs. In 1973 Taylor became vice president for development at Scarritt College in Nashville, Tenn., but after one year returned to Cumberland as vice president for development.

Taylor is an ordained Baptist minister and has served as pastor of several churches. In educational circles he is recognized as an authority on foundation funding, in revenue development and planned giving.

President Taylor places great importance on Cumberland's relationship to Kentucky Baptists. He sums up the objective of Cumberland as "the best Christian education possible for Appalachian youth."

Mrs. Taylor is the former Dinah Lynch, daughter of Lee and Margaret Lynch of Barbourville, Ky. The couple has one son, James H. Taylor II.

SBC prayer room slated

Kentucky Baptists have been assigned two special periods to visit the Southern Baptist Convention Prayer Room at the Hilton Hotel in Los Angeles. The special periods are from 8:00 to 9:00 p.m., Tuesday, June 9, and from 10:00 until 11:00 a.m., Thursday, June 11, according to Howell Upchurch, prayer coordinator.

Upchurch urges all Kentucky Baptists attending the convention to be present for one or both of these special prayer periods. He would also like for those planning to attend the periods to notify him so he can be better informed as to what to expect.

A Prayer Room has also been set up in the Convention Hall to which messengers can go anytime during the convention sessions for a special prayer.

Testimonies, business, recognitions highlight 1981 WMU convention in Ashland

by C. R. Daley, Editor

Kathryn Jasper, executive director of Kentucky WMU, seldom lacks for words even on unusual occasions but she was literally speechless when fellow WMU'ers presented her an all expense paid mission tour of Africa. It was the occasion of her 10th anniversary as leader of Kentucky WMU and the presentation was one of the highlights of the 1981 annual convention, Apr. 23-25, at Unity Baptist Church, Ashland.

The three day meeting, in addition to business matters and recognition of Miss Jasper, featured missionary addresses and testimonies along with a variety of inspiring music planned and directed by Southern Seminary teacher and music writer Phillip Landgrave. The Southern Seminary Vocal Ensemble and the sanctuary choir of Unity Baptist, the host church, were featured in the two evening sessions.

Recognition of Miss Jasper started out in routine fashion with the presentation of a \$100 check usually presented to WMU staff members after 10 years service. Then someone came in with pieces of luggage followed by another with a check covering the cost of a mission tour of Nigeria, Egypt and Kenya. The mission tour is scheduled for October of this year. Climax to the surprise presentation was the presentation of Miss Jasper's brother and sister-in-law who came from Somerset for the occasion.

The missionary address in the Thursday evening session was delivered by Jimmy Allen, former Southern Baptist Convention president and now president of the Southern Baptist Radio and TV Commission. Allen asked the ladies to help Southern Baptists recapture the vision of Bold Mission Thrust which he said has been sidetracked somewhat by controversy in the convention.

In reviewing the response of Southern Baptists to the challenge of presenting the gospel to every person in the world, Allen said over 500 volunteers have given themselves for one or two years mission service. As many as 25,000 have volunteered for one week, two weeks or longer in mission enterprises in America and the rest of the world.

Allen cited a recent Gallup poll which revealed Southern Baptists are ahead of most other religious groups in evangelistic zeal. The poll showed 67 percent of Southern Baptists try to share their faith with others but Allen said this is not enough. Why have not the other 33 percent also witnessed since Baptists believe every believer has access to God, to Scripture, to the Holy Spirit and has an obligation to witness? asked Allen.

Mrs. Christine Gregory, president of the Southern

Baptist Convention WMU, delivered the main address in the second session Friday morning. She renewed her request of Kentucky WMU ladies made two years ago in their annual meeting to give up their status symbols for the sake of sharing the gospel. She declared sharing the gospel is worth more than possessing silver, jewelry, clothes and other status symbols in America.

Mrs. Gregory reviewed the part women played in the dark days of economic depression when Southern Baptist agencies and institutions were practically bankrupt. She called for the same leadership in stewardship and missionary training of Southern Baptists today.

Tommy Halsell, executive director of Southern Baptists in West Virginia, thanked the ladies for Kentucky Baptists' part in opening new churches and chapels in West Virginia. He said 60 percent of West Virginia is unchurched and that 170 communities in the state are known to need a church. He reported 78 Southern Baptist churches and 31 chapels and missions with 20,000 members in West Virginia and reported a goal of doubling these 100 churches and missions in the next five years. Already 58 of these churches and chapels have adopted another West Virginia community in which to begin a witness, said Halsell.

He named Green Valley Association in the Henderson, Ky., area and the Henderson First Baptist Church and Zion Church near Henderson as examples of those contributing much to new mission stations in West Virginia.

A. B. Colvin, missions division director for Kentucky Baptists, and M. A. Winchester, Whitley City physician, were featured speakers Friday evening. Colvin pointed out how disciples today can minister with Jesus in cities, open country, desert places, by the sea and everywhere else the original disciples ministered with Jesus. He challenged the ladies to say more, pray more and pay more.

Winchester showed slides from volunteer medical missions he and his family have participated in during the past three years in the bush country of Kenya.

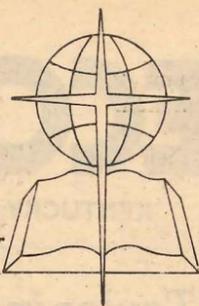
Other missionary addresses were given by Victor Lyons, missionary appointee to Chile, and Lonnie Turner, missionary to Zambia.

In the Saturday session Mrs. Doris Mullendore, Bowling Green, was elected president to succeed Mrs. Maribeth Hambrick. Mrs. Dixie Mylum was re-elected vice president, Mrs. Wetha Carter was chosen as secretary and Mrs. Vera Durham was reelected treasurer.

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

Baptist women meetings provide inspiration

Those looking for inspiration in Baptist meetings learned long ago it is found nowhere in Baptist life like it is in WMU annual meetings whether on the national or state level. Year after year these women's meetings provide high spiritual experiences and more and more men are taking advantage of them.

This year's state meeting of Kentucky WMU ladies in Ashland lived up to this standard. It started on a spiritual high Thursday night and continued in that style throughout the final session Saturday morning.

The ladies came to Ashland like happy religious pilgrims to a joyous festival. From the north, the south and the west they came but not from the east because Ashland is about as far east in that direction as a Kentuckian can go without being in Ohio or West Virginia.

It was no record registration but it was a strong response considering some ladies had a six or seven hour drive from far western Kentucky. Ashland's lodging and eating places overflowed with some visitors spilling over into surrounding communities. Unity Baptist Church, long known for its warm hospitality, pastor Harold Cathey, music minister Gary Carrier and the ladies of Unity and other Ashland congregations were perfect hosts with no need unmet. Unity men even endured the rain to help in orderly parking.

The Ashland meeting was the kind to enjoy. President Maribeth Hambrick who can do more things well than one woman ought to do and her fellow planners had just enough but not too much to take in during every session. Breaks between sessions were long enough for nourishment and rest and the sessions had enough variety never to be tiresome. More ladies ought to serve on program committees for state and national Baptist conventions.

Reports in Ashland revealed that WMU in Kentucky is alive and doing well. During last year all age levels of WMU in Kentucky showed an increase in membership. The special mission offerings were also at an all time high.

The success of WMU in Kentucky prompts an admission which is hard for Baptist men to make. Baptist women are and have been for a long time in the forefront in missionary education and support. In fact no group in Southern Baptist life has been accorded less recognition and contributed more than WMU ladies. In Kentucky, for example, it's amazing when we realize that the three special mission offerings sponsored by WMU amounted to over \$2.25 million

last year. These offerings, to be sure, have now become church-wide projects but the ladies are responsible.

At the same time they have built special offerings to this height, they have kept plugging the Cooperative Program as the lifeline of Baptist mission outreach. No group is more responsible for the success of tithing and the Cooperative Program among Southern Baptists than the WMU ladies.

Contrary to the image we sometimes have of WMU, there is nothing static about it. Ladies are far more open to change than men and creative changes and innovations are constantly being made by WMU.

An excellent example is the brand new project known as STARTEAM. It is an ambitious and promising plan whereby every Baptist church now without a missionary organization will be contacted personally by a STARTEAM member with the view of helping the church start such an organization.

What a glorious prospect! This does not mean every church will fully respond but a contact will be made in the interest of missionary education and that will be an accomplishment in itself.

Ladies, you've come a long way since the days when a motion was made in the Southern Baptist Convention not to let a woman read a report to the messengers and when some messengers walked out rather than listen to a WMU report. But you have a long way yet to go before every Southern Baptist is a missionary being. Your task will not be over until the Lord returns but he will find you busy.

Guest Editorial

Are you a criminal?

by Larry E. High,
Editor, The Maryland Baptist

Are you a criminal? Is your church involved in criminal activity? Are you teaching your children to be criminals?

Most Christians would quickly answer the preceding questions with a rather indignant, "Certainly not!" Yet many congregations and Christians regularly break a very important law which has been on the books since 1790. It was in that year the first Copyright Law of the United States was enacted.

Several revisions in that law have been made through the years but the statutory right obtained by individuals to prohibit reproduction of their works without permission is still very much valid. Under the current Copyright Law, the copyright owner is the only person entitled to print, reprint, publish, copy and sell the copyrighted work.

Copyright violations are numerous in our society and many transgressions take place in the church. Whether the infringement is intentional or the result of ignorance is not relevant in this matter. A copyright violation is a serious concern and churches must take steps to ensure they are not guilty.

Several times each week church bulletins containing a reprint of copyrighted material pass through this office. More than likely the bulletin compiler saw something of interest and decided to reprint the material. Permission for such a reprint is rarely requested.

Perhaps the area in which churches are in greatest violation of copyright laws is within music programs. Many churches purchase one or two copies of a musical score and then photocopy enough of the original so each choir member has his own score. This is a gross violation of copyright guidelines and is punishable under law.

Often church groups produce a song sheet with just the words printed to popular music. If the lyrics of the song are copywrited, this is also a clear copyright violation.

The copyright law may seem harsh and silly at times but it is designed to protect and encourage the development of arts and sciences by creative individuals in our society. Creative works would surely decline if all material could be freely copied by everyone.

Lest any of us think such matters are mere technicalities, notice the penalties under law for infringement: (a) payment of from \$250 to \$10,000 (statutory damages) and if the court finds willful infringement, up to \$50,000 per infringement; (b) if willful infringement for commercial advantage and private financial gain is proved, fines of up to \$50,000 and/or two years imprisonment, or both.

The penalties of copyright law should not be the major concern for Christians. We should be more concerned with the ethical dimensions of this problem. Photocopying someone else's copyrighted material for our use is wrong. It is stealing. Reprinting another's copyrighted article is likewise thievery.

Some pious folks seek to excuse their illegal acts with the rationalization, "It's for the Lord's work," or "My church can't afford to buy that many copies." The truth is that since such material is for the Lord's work we have even more reason to be ethical and fair when dealing with copyrighted material.

Maryland's church music director, James Allcock, summed up the issue when he recently said, "The bottom line is that authors, composers and arrangers are depending on writing for a livelihood. When we illegally reproduce their material, we are robbing them of their just earnings."

Several brief publications which explain copyright laws are available. The Church Music Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board, 127 Ninth Ave. N., Nashville, TN 37234 has an excellent publication titled "You and the Copyright Law." If you have questions concerning copyright laws, public libraries are an excellent source of information. In any event, let's be certain Christians are not the violators of copyright laws.

Baptist Forum

'Speaks only for himself'

Mr. John W. Baker certainly does not speak for me on the issue of gun control. It should be made clear that Mr. Baker speaks only for himself. I do not believe that any hunter or sportsman would object to some type of control on the Saturday night special.

Our main concern is that this constitutes the foot in the door that leads to further trouble. Most government programs start in a reasonable manner and soon are completely out of control. First it would be the Saturday night special, then all handguns, next all rifles, then all shotguns, next all archery equipment. The government has never shown any reason or common sense in most of their programs yet. I see no reason to believe there could ever be any type of sound gun control program. The only people who could possibly benefit from a hysterical gun control program are the criminals.

R. W. Craig, Lexington

Baptist News in Brief

Abner McCall to oppose Smith

Abner V. McCall, president of Baylor University, Waco, Tex., will be nominated to oppose Bailey Smith for the presidency of the 13.6 million-member Southern Baptist Convention. Smith, pastor of First Baptist Church, Del City, Okla., was elected at the 1980 annual meeting in St. Louis. He has announced his intention to seek the traditional second term.

"I have asked for and received his (McCall's) permission to put his name into nomination," said Ralph Langley, pastor of First Baptist Church of Huntsville, and a long-time supporter of the Texas Baptist school.

McCall, Langley said, will give Southern Baptists a clear choice "against the anti-education, anti-insti-

tution, anti-board, anti-literature mentality current in the convention."

McCall told Baptist Press he realizes the "odds are against" his winning the presidency but said he thinks the "group primarily backing Smith have given support to an attitude of exclusion of a substantial segment of Southern Baptist people. They say 'If you don't agree with me you ought to be removed from all boards and committees, in fact excluded from participation in Southern Baptist affairs'."

"Such a spirit threatens not only the Cooperative Program but also the whole program of the Southern Baptist Convention," and is "in the spirit of the spoils system," he said.



Twelve Kentucky women were among more than 175 women from all over the SBC who participated in a week-long intensive training program for STARTEAM. STARTEAM members will seek to initiate Woman's Missionary Union organizations in more than 11,000 Southern Baptist churches not now reporting WMU work. The training, conducted by Woman's Missionary Union, Auxiliary to SBC, was held at a retreat outside Birmingham. Pictured are [l to r], front row: Kathryn Jasper, executive director, Kentucky WMU; Estelle Gray, Hardin; Anna Mary Byrdwell, Baptist Woman director, Kentucky WMU; Linda Caldwell, Pineville; Billie Emons, Ashland; and Gwen Phillips, Girls in Action/Mission Friends director, Kentucky WMU. Back row: Carol Noffsinger, Baptist Young Women director, Kentucky WMU; Bobbie Reynolds, Russellville; Dixie Mylum, Berea; Boots Williams, Louisville; Suzanne Boyd, White Plains; and Jessie Boyd, Ashland.

WMU leader dies in Brazil

Esther Silva Dias, 80, emeritus president of the Brazilian Baptist Woman's Missionary Union, died Apr. 20 in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, after a lengthy illness.

Not only serving as national president for 25 years, she also served as executive secretary of the Carioca state convention WMU for 40 years.

Mrs. Dias was a professor at the Baptist Institute of Religious Education in Rio de Janeiro where a new auditorium was recently named in her honor. A member of Rio's First Baptist Church, she was a representative to the Baptist World Alliance for the Brazilian WMU.

tor of interfaith witness for the Home Mission Board.

Based in Miami, Fla., Whyte, 62, covers eight states informing Southern Baptists about other religions and defining Baptist beliefs to those of other faiths.

About 2.2 million people are Jehovah's Witnesses, says Whyte, attributing their rapid growth to tireless visitation efforts. He notes Mormons visit an estimate 900 people to reach one person, but claims the figure for Jehovah's Witnesses is "higher than that."

In light of rapid growth and increased outreach efforts by such groups, Whyte is concerned about reaching Baptists

before cults do. He fears that among Southern Baptist's 13.6 million membership are thousands of "paper" Baptists, members who have their names on church roles but never attend.

"As our denomination increasingly becomes middle-class, some members feel uncomfortable. If they don't know what they believe, and if they're a bit unhappy with the church, they are more open to cults," he said.

Whyte believes one solution might be for each Southern Baptist church to have annual one-week refresher courses of hard-nosed doctrinal study. "If you could get the average born-again Baptist to give his time to door-to-door visitation," he insists, "we would have the greatest revival in the history of mankind."

Singles celebrate Easter

"You are all far more significant than you realize," Roger Crook told more than 350 single adults attending the fourth annual Single Adult Easter Conference at Ridgecrest Conference Center.

Crook, chairman of the department of religion at Meredith College, Raleigh, N. C., and featured speaker during the conference, claimed, "It is sometimes hard to believe that God is concerned about each of us and that nothing can separate us from the love of God."

Relating the Easter story Crook said the supreme expression of God's love is exemplified in the crucifixion. "The crucifixion is a story about someone who chose to die for you and me. It

should say to us that we are never alone in our sufferings and trials," he stated.

"Because Jesus chose to suffer on the cross we can better understand God's love for us when we suffer," Crook explained.

Shortly before sunrise on Easter morning conferees gathered on the lawn of Rhododendron Hall to celebrate the resurrection of Christ.

"The resurrection of Jesus is not an event that can be explained, only proclaimed," said Crook.

In addition to the main worship sessions, participants attended small group conferences focusing on attitudes becoming to a Christian.

Rebecca Thompson, vice president of student affairs at William Carey College, Hattiesburg, Miss., led a conference on peacemaking.

"We are called to receive the peace of Christ, then take the initiative in sharing it with others," she said. "Peace is the key word in Jesus' ministry."

Leading a conference on purity, Ron Kemp, an individual, marriage and family counselor from Bolivar, Mo., told conferees that purity has a great deal to do with our motives. "Our motives are mixed because we are not aware of who we are and our true feelings," he said.

"When we are able to discover our motives, purify them and turn them over to God we will begin to see him in new ways," he concluded.

Other conferences were led by Emily Lite, director of New Woman Image, Dallas, Tex., and Franklin Farmer, consultant for Management Recruiters, Brentwood, Tenn.

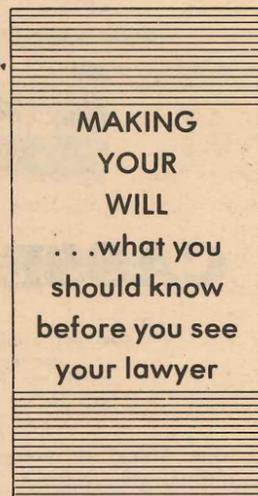
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Postal rates not Reagan's fault

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What the article was actually saying, however, is that some past administration began subsidizing non-profit mailers by paying half of their mailing expense. Now that the Reagan administration is making a valiant effort to cut off unnecessary subsidies and doles such as this, the beneficiaries are wailing.

It's funny but the wails sound the same as those we often utter toward separation of church and state.

Why don't we trust the time-honored tradition of supply and demand? If our publications are effective, responsible and needed, we can support them without government aid.

J. E. Abell, Owensboro

Viewpoint

The positions expressed in this column are not necessarily those of the editor. Responses invited.

by John Dunaway, Corbin

Does Bailey Smith deserve to have organized opposition to his second term?

Are his appointments contradictory to the promises he made earlier this year of balanced committees? Have his actions in the last several months been conciliatory or divisive?

Prior to this year I have not known Bailey Smith. Early in his presidency he did speak off the cuff and reaped justifiable criticism. However, he has grown in stature and performance over this year. He has also gained insight in the mission program of our convention and a growing commitment of support to the Cooperative Program.

He stated clearly at the Executive Committee that his appointments would be balanced. They reflect this. There were several repeats from the previous year in the initial appointments. When this was called to his attention by Howard Cobble of Georgia he immediately corrected this. Does this appear to be someone seeking to inflict hurt on our denomination?

Bailey Smith, in my estimation, has made every attempt to be conciliatory and maintain his independence of all groups. This is commendable.

If the report in the Baptist Press is correct that Cecil Sherman's group will support, though perhaps not endorse, opposition to him for a second term, then the question must be raised about their intentions.

Is it one of conciliation or further divisiveness? It appears to me that the best interest of the convention and of unity would be served by supporting president Smith whom I believe to be a man of his word. He has made responsible appointments and even changed some where he thought necessary for conformity to previous committee appointments.

Smith has faced the problems responsibly and courageously. He has spoken and acted in a conciliatory manner. He has sought to be used of God as a unifying force within our denomination. I believe he has done his part toward unity. It is time both the Pressler-Patterson group and the Sherman group work toward unity in the convention.

Therefore, I should hope Baptists would pray for him and support him with love. I would pray that we should go to Los Angeles in a prayerful spirit trusting God to focus our attention on our commitment to Bold Missions.

by Adrian Lamkin, Elizabethtown

Many people are alarmed about the increase in crime and violence in our country.

In Cincinnati, Oh., someone broke into a young lady's apartment, raped and killed her. In Louisville, Ky., a young lady, while working at a filling station, was taken out, raped and killed. In another state a tile was thrown into the buggy of an Amish family and their baby was killed. President Ronald Reagan and three other men were wounded by an alleged assassin.

One wonders what has happened to the ideals of honesty, love for one's neighbor and personal righteousness.

All through the Bible the righteousness of God is mentioned. The Psalmist wrote, "For the righteous Lord loveth righteousness; his countenance doth behold the upright" (Ps. 11:7). The righteousness of God means, at least in part, that he always acts according to his holy nature. He is without sin, absolutely pure and good. All of the acts of God are right because they conform to his holy character.

In the book of Romans the apostle Paul emphasized the doctrine of imputed righteousness. He spoke about righteousness that was based on faith in Jesus Christ. He wrote, "The righteousness of God which is by faith of Jesus Christ unto all and upon all them that believe" (Rom. 3:22). Paul was

saying that there is a God-kind of righteousness that everyone needs and cannot get in any other way except by faith in Jesus Christ.

In our country there are millions of people who say they are born-again Christians. How should a Christian live? What qualities of character should born-again believers possess?

In the Sermon on the Mount Jesus gave some characteristics of his people. They would be poor in spirit, mournful, meek, merciful, pure in heart, peacemakers, and would hunger and thirst after righteousness (Matt. 5:1-10).

When Jesus said his people would hunger and thirst after righteousness, he was talking about personal righteousness. His people are to be good and do good. The Lord was also talking about personal righteousness when he said, "Except your righteousness shall exceed the righteousness of the scribes and pharisees, ye shall in no case enter into the kingdom of heaven" (Matt. 5:20).

The apostle Paul was writing to Christian people when he warned, "Shall we continue in sin that grace may abound? God forbid. How shall we who have died to sin live any longer therein?" (Rom. 6:1-2).

Jesus emphasized the importance of living in obedience to God here on earth. He said, "But seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you" (Matt. 6:33). He taught his disciples to pray, "Thy kingdom come and thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven" (Matt. 6:10).

In the first century, Christianity made a difference in the Roman Empire. Christianity will continue to make a difference if Christian people will live in obedience to God through Jesus and the Holy Spirit. If Christian people are the salt of the earth and the light of the world, it is time for them to apply the salt and turn on the light.

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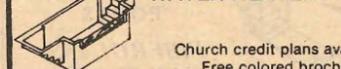
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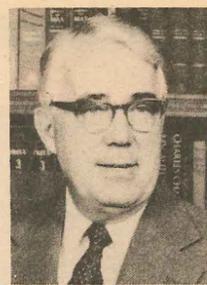
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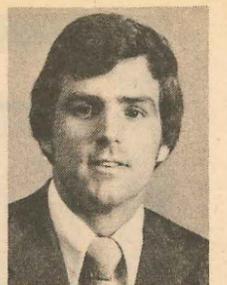
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Georgetown hosts second pastor's fellowship

The second Baptist Pastors Fellowship at Georgetown College is set for Thursday, May 7.

Featuring several Kentucky Baptist pastors on the program, the day-long meeting will include discussion on a number of aspects of the preaching ministry.

William Tuck, associate professor of Christian preaching at Southern Seminary, will be the keynote speaker.

Other program participants are H. B. Kuhnle, former pastor, Immanuel Baptist Church, Lexington; Altus Newell, pastor of St. Matthews Baptist Church, Louisville; James Pierce, pastor of Porter Memorial Baptist Church, Lexington; Eldred Taylor, pastor of First Baptist Church, Somerset; James Highland, pastor of First Baptist Church, Shelbyville, and Ben M. Elrod, president of Georgetown College.

Topics of discussion include doctrinal preaching, evangelistic preaching and preaching on missions and stewardship.

Three win scholar awards

Three Kentucky Baptists have been named winners of Rice-Judson Scholar Awards by Southern Seminary.

Stacey DeAnn Cruse of Georgetown, Willie C. Fort Jr. of Cadiz and James Cory Mills of Whitesville are among 20 persons to receive the \$500 award. The Rice-Judson awards are presented annually to incoming students at Southern Seminary who demonstrate outstanding leadership, scholarship and commitment to ministry.

Miss Cruse, daughter of Rev. and Mr. Darrell Cruse, is a 1980 graduate of Georgetown College. Fort, son of Mr. and Mrs. Willie C. Fort Sr., is a 1981 graduate of Western Kentucky University. Mills, son of Martha M. Mills, is a 1981 graduate of Campbellsville College.

The three award winners plan to enter Southern Seminary this fall.

Sixteen C'ville students are summer missionaries

Sixteen students from Campbellsville College have been appointed as missionaries this summer and will be serving across the United States.

The Kentucky Baptist Student Union has appointed Melva Curry of Salem, Ind., to Kentucky and Tim Miller of Louisville to Michigan.

The Home Mission Board has named the following summer appointees: Donna Overmoyer of Erie, Penn., to

New York; Teresa Gay of Lancaster to Ohio; David Smith of Louisville to North Carolina; Jay Robison of Marengo, Ill., to Iowa; Terra Postlethwait of Owensboro to Ohio; Moninda Monin of Jamestown to Oklahoma; Ramona Pendley of Madisonville to Missouri; Cheryl Miley of Dayton, Oh., to Florida; and Linda Spears of Fountain Run to the New England area.

Other appointments include an evangelism team to California. Members of the team are: Tony Rodgers of Campbellsville; John Godby of Kentland, Ind.; and Randy Maynard of New Whiteland, Ind.

Debbie McCandless of Glasgow has been assigned to serve at Glorieta Baptist Assembly and Eddie Boden of Georgetown will be associate director of Christian activities in a church in Georgia.

Harris, Stegall named to Mid-Continent positions

Henson Harris has been added to the faculty of Mid-Continent Baptist Bible College, Mayfield, and Orman Stegall has been named associate director of public relations according to president Raymond Lawrence.

In addition to teaching math, Harris will also be on the faculty committee on accreditation. Harris was vice president of Georgetown College from 1957 to 1962.

Stegall was missionary of Graves County Association for 27 years.

Music camp set for June

Campbellsville College will host the Central Kentucky Music Camp June 15-20 for students in grades seven through nine.

The camp, which will consist of vocal and instrumental instruction, will "emphasize basic musicianship and ensemble participation," stated Larry Reed, fine arts division chairman.

Reed said members of the college music staff will be the instructors along with outside teachers. Dallas Blair, assistant professor of music, is camp director.

Cost for full-time students is \$85 and day students are \$55. Fees include instruction, housing, meals and recreation for the appropriate sessions. Those wishing to attend should write Blair at Campbellsville College, Campbellsville, KY 42718.

Georgetown trustees announce faculty moves

The trustees of Georgetown College have approved the following changes in faculty and administrative positions.

Louis Polgrave was promoted from associate professor of education to professor of education. Fred Hood was appointed professor of history after being an associate professor. Lindsay Apple was named associate professor of history after being an assistant professor.

Ray Alexander was named dean of graduate studies after serving as acting director of graduate studies since January.

Tenure was granted to Robert Bryant, chairman of the sociology

department; Suzanne Peale, assistant professor in business administration and economics; and Marvin Stringfellow, chairman of the department of health, physical education and recreation.

Sabbatical leave was granted to Horace Hambrick, chairman of the department of history, and Margaret Greynolds, chairman of the department of communications arts.

Christine Shannon, associate professor of mathematics, was granted a leave of absence during 1981-82 and David Forman, director of financial aid, was granted a partial leave of absence.

Tenn. pastor to speak at Cumberland baccalaureate

Russell Bridges, pastor of First Baptist Church, Jellico, Tenn., will deliver the baccalaureate sermon at Cumberland College Saturday, May 9.

The sermon will be delivered at 2:30 p.m. at Williamsburg's First Baptist Church and will be followed at 5 p.m. by the senior banquet in T. J. Roberts Cafeteria. Graduation exercises will begin at 8 p.m. in Gatliff Gymnasium.

Bill Amos shifts at NOBTS

Clifford William Amos has been appointed director of development at

New Orleans (La.) Baptist Theological Seminary effective Apr. 13.

Amos, born in South Charleston, W. Va., considers Loveland, Oh., home. He is a graduate of the University of Cincinnati and completed requirements for a MDiv degree at New Orleans Seminary in March.

Amos is married to the former Vickie Richards of Milford, Oh. They have one son, Luke, born Jan. 30, 1981.

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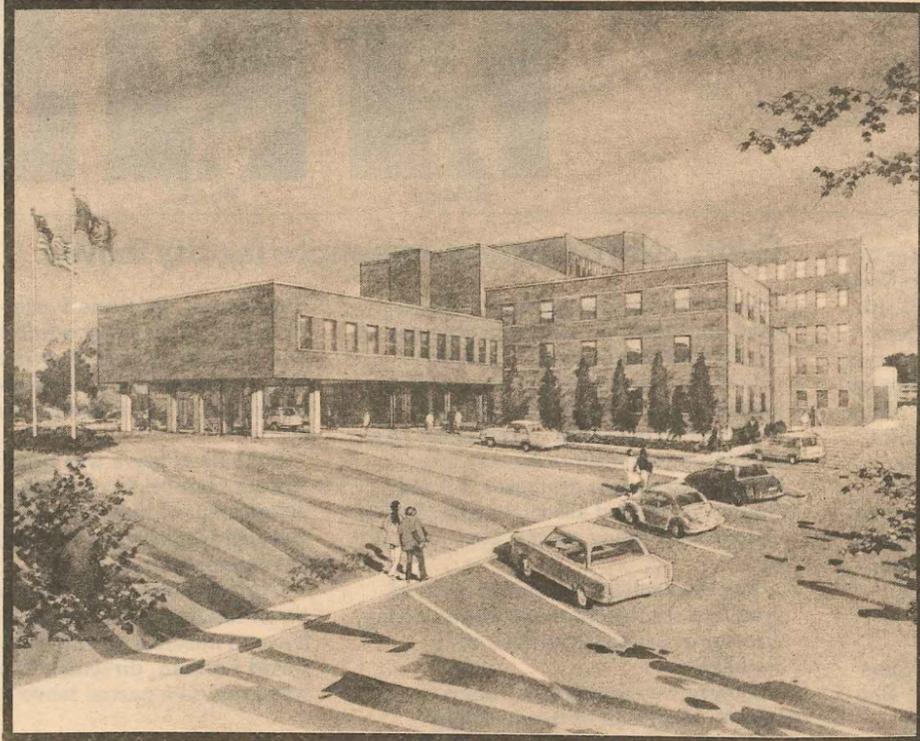
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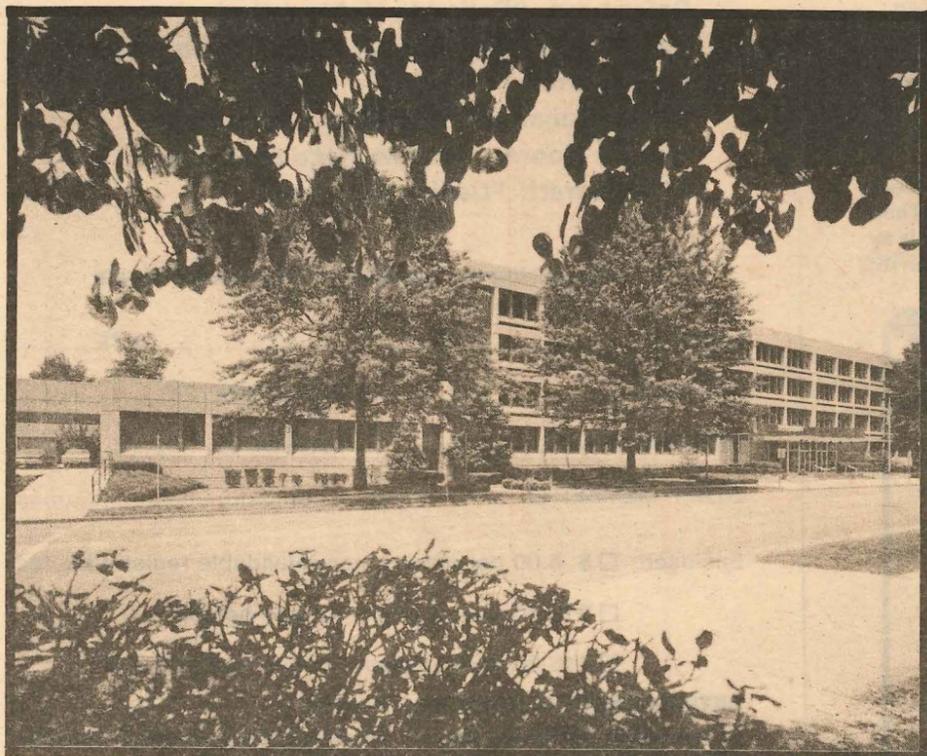
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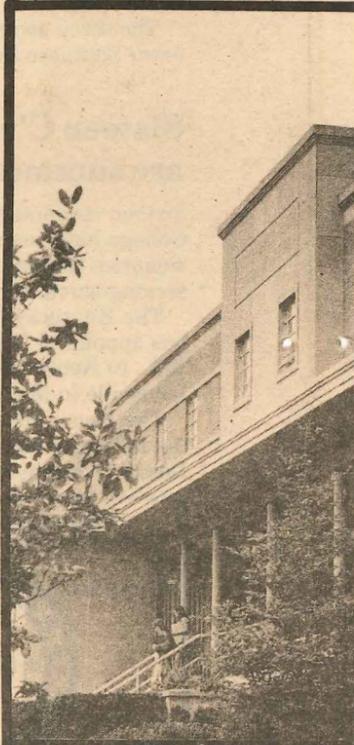
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Kentucky Baptists may be justifiably proud of their hospital system, which is directed by 24 pastors and laymen elected as directors by the Kentucky Baptist Convention.

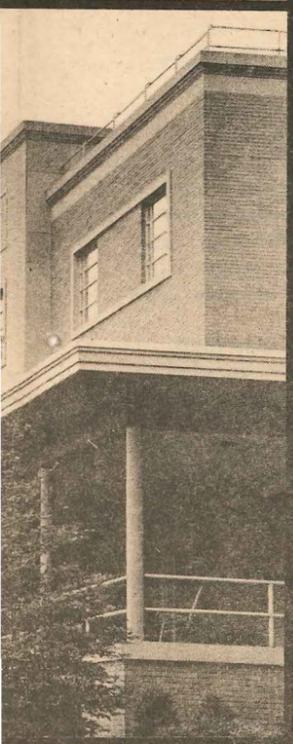


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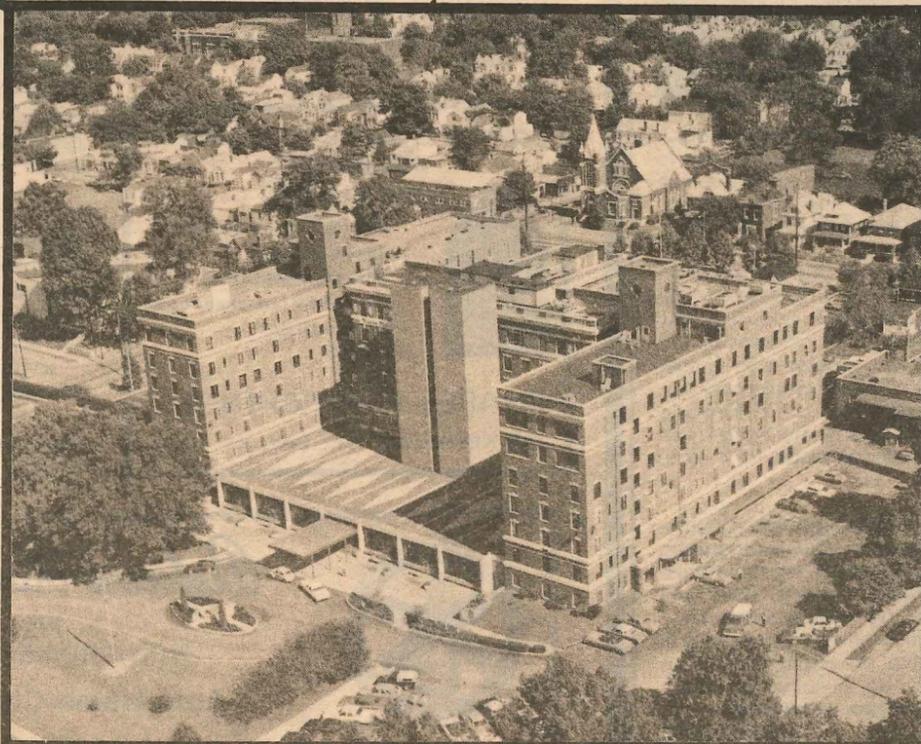
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Adams

Personnel

Mitchell leads Bullittsburg music
Bullittsburg Baptist Church, Burlington, has called Tim Mitchell as music director.

Mitchell is a senior music education major at Northern Kentucky University. He is presently music director of the university's BSU.

Mitchell plans to attend seminary to pursue MCM and MRE degrees.

W. D. Hulette is pastor.

Arbaughs to minister at Rosedale
Philip and Norma Arbaugh have been called to Rosedale Baptist Church, Abingdon, Va., as minister of education and minister of music, respectively.

This husband and wife ministry team, formerly from Jackson, Oh., are third year students at Clear Creek Baptist School, Pineville.

Jan McIlwain leaves Hazelwood
Jan McIlwain has left Hazelwood Baptist Church, Louisville, to become director of children's ministries at Rehobeth Baptist Church, Tucker, Ga.

Jan worked at Hazelwood for the past two years as children's minister. She is a native of Mississippi, a graduate of Union University, Jackson, Tenn., and a graduate of Southern Seminary.

Miss McIlwain's father, Bill McIl-

wain, is pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, Memphis, Tenn.

As well as directing a full range of children's activities and programs at Hazelwood, she was also a special consultant and teacher for the church development program, Long Run Association.

Adams accepts Fulton FBC call
Michael Lee Adams has accepted the call of First Baptist Church, Fulton, to become pastor. He began his ministry there Apr. 19.

Adams attended Union University, Jackson, Tenn., where he received a BA degree. He continued his education receiving MDiv and DMin degrees from Southern Seminary.

His pastoral ministry for the past 10 years includes Spring Hill Baptist Church, Trenton, Tenn., and First Baptist Church, Grand Junction, Tenn.

He and his wife Jan have two sons, Jed, 1, and Matthew, 3.

Revival

Four decisions at Friendship revival
Friendship Baptist Church, Russell Creek Association, reports a recent revival with associational director James E. Casey Jr. as evangelist. Pastor James F. Smith reports one profession of faith and three other decisions.

Congregations

Highlands honors pastor Downing
Highlands Baptist Church, Lexington, observed pastor appreciation day Apr. 5 for pastor Henry M. Downing on the occasion of his 47th anniversary in the ministry. It was also his seventh anniversary as pastor of the Highlands congregation.

Choosing a unique way in which to express personal appreciation to the pastor, the congregation blindfolded him and made him into a living money tree. People came by and dropped money on him and spoke words of appreciation and love.

Highlands also reports a very successful Tuesday afterschool Bible event. The church bus picks up children after school and takes them to the church for an hour of specific Bible teaching. Children's ages from preschool through high school, and 135 children have been enrolled.

Lexington launches unity rally
Senator Mark Hatfield (R. Or.), Cheryl Prewitt, Miss America 1980, and Lee Rose, former head basketball coach at Transylvania University, joined Lexington religious leaders on Sunday, May 3, in the Rupp Arena for the largest unity-in-Christ event in the history of Lexington.

The Festival of Faith Rally, which began at 3 p.m., brought together more than 23,000 Christians in a demonstration of Christian unity and witness. Leaders of the major denominations in Lexington joined in the preparation and planning of this spiritual event.

The nationally known Lexington Army Band performed along with Lexington's Main Street Baptist Church Choir. Rod Ruby, evangelist and music director, conducted a 1000 voice combined choir from participating Lexington churches.

The rally was open to the public.



Thornhill Baptist Church, Frankfort, recently presented Mr. and Mrs. Hartung with a trip to the Holy Land. Hartung will soon complete 10 years as pastor of Thornhill. The trip was given by church members and friends of the Hartungs. Scott Bryan [r], financial chairman, made the presentation.

Russell Creek distributes Romans
Churches in Russell Creek Association have completed distribution of the book of Romans to all unreached people in the associational boundaries.

Irvin Milby Jr. was chairman of the distribution campaign.

Yancy honored at Central
Central Baptist Church, Burna, recent-

ly honored pastor Philip Yancy upon completion of 40 years in the ministry.

Yancy, who has been Central's pastor almost 10 years, was presented a gift at a fellowship breakfast. Before coming to Cennel, Yancy pastored churches in Tennessee, Michigan and Kentucky including seven churches in the Ohio River Association.

Deaths

Thomas Meador died Mar. 6
Thomas Meador, well-known retired Baptist minister, died Mar. 6 in Columbia, S. C., at the age of 85. He was a native of Simpson County and a graduate of Bethel College in Russellville, Georgetown College and Southern Seminary.

He served pastorates in Tennessee and Kentucky before becoming a faculty member at Bethel Women's College, Hopkinsville. After retiring from the college post he lived in Franklin and served as interim pastor of several churches in Simpson County.

Funeral services were conducted at First Baptist Church, Franklin, on Mar. 9. He is survived by his wife Arrabelle of Franklin, one daughter, Mrs. Ella May Porter, Columbia, S. C.; and one son, Tommy Meador, New York City.

Jeannette Robertson succumbs
Mrs. Jeannette Robertson, 67, Pineville, passed away Apr. 17 after a long illness.

Mrs. Robertson was married to Jackson Robertson, professor at Clear Creek Baptist School.

A native of Clarks, La., Mrs. Robertson was past president of the Alabama Baptist Minister's Wives. She was also on the executive board of the Alabama Baptist WMU.

Funeral services were held at Clear Creek School with D. M. Aldridge president, and Charles Jones, pastor of First Baptist Church, Pineville, officiating.

Two SBTS students die
Two students of Southern Seminary died in April accidents in Louisville.

Mark Alan Boland of Colorado Springs, Colo., died in his seminary dorm room the weekend of Apr. 18. Boland was a graduate of the University of Colorado, had studied at the University of France at Bordeaux and entered Southern's MDiv program in 1979. He was a member of Louisville's Lyndon Baptist Church.

Clyde Eugene Bond of Sheridan, Wyo., died Saturday, Apr. 25, of electrocution. A member of Baxter Avenue Baptist Church, Louisville, Bond was a first year student, having graduated from Chadron State College, Chadron, Neb.

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The thrill of Bible drills

by Laurie K. Taylor
State Correspondent

Two hundred and twenty three nervous, squirming fourth, fifth and sixth graders waited patiently for the big event to happen. They had worked for months memorizing Bible verses, key passages and books of the Bible. Today they would be put to the test.

The children had already successfully completed the church and associational drills. Now they would face the state Bible drill at Immanuel Baptist, Lexington.

Why do these children spend so much time preparing for the drills?

"My mom makes me, and it's fun," admitted sixth grader Joey Reynolds. A third-year participant from Hopewell Baptist, Louisville, he continued, "This past month the youth at our church presented a puppet show. They used a lot of Bible verses and I knew most of them. That made me feel good."

Fourth grader Carla Jenkins from St. Matthews Baptist, Louisville, expressed concern about the outcome of the drills. "I hope everyone makes it," she grinned. "I've been working on the verses since January because I thought it would be neat to be in Bible drills and it has. No matter what happens today, I'm going to do it again next year."

Not only were the children nervous, their parents were even more anxious.

Bill McCoy, a father from First Baptist, Cannonsburg, summed up his feelings about his sixth grade daughter, Angela.

"This is Angela's second year to participate. She was a state winner last year. I'm pretty proud and kind of nervous, too. She has studied hard and is already a winner whether she wins here today or not.

"The Bible says to train up a child in the way he should go. There's a special

value in learning Bible verses. The passages stay with the children from now on," he said.

Mrs. Larry Caldwell, a mother from Stanford Baptist, reflected on the benefits her sixth-grade son, Chris, had gained from Bible drills.

"Chris is very nervous about the drill right now, but the experience is good for him. He's learned Bible passages that will help him in life. It's also been good as far as competition. It's helped him to get before a large group of people and participate."

Perhaps the most anxious people at the drill were the leaders who had worked for so many months teaching the children all they had to learn.

Beverly Cathey, wife of Harold Cathey, pastor of Unity Baptist, Ashland, beamed with enthusiasm.

"In 1976 we started participating in children's Bible drills. Each year we've had state winners. This year we've brought 14 children. Next year we hope to bring an even larger group from our association.

"I believe in Bible drills," she explained. "Bible drills are the foundations for strong, Bible-committed young people."

The group from First Baptist, Whitesburg, traveled three hours to participate in the state drill.

"I've learned the value of Bible drills," shared first-year leader Mae

Cox. "This is the place God has for me. I plan to help the children every year."

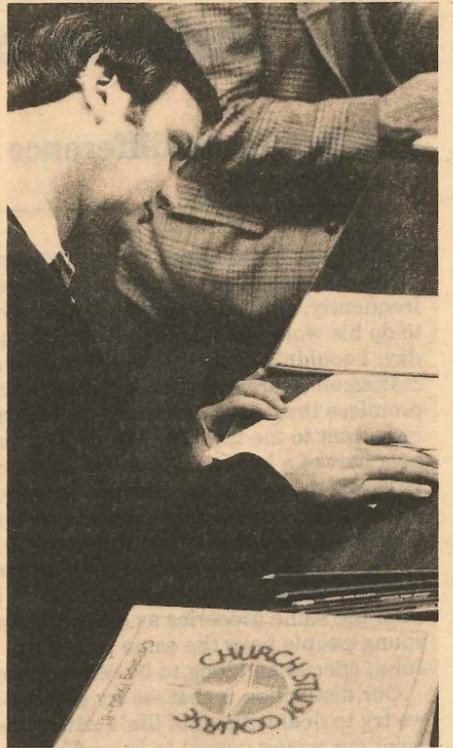
Leader Florene Smith, also from Whitesburg, has worked in Bible drills for 20 years. Seven of her eight children participated in the drills. Six were state winners and two of her daughters were three-year Bible drill winners.

"Bible drills give the children the first stage of self discipline to memorize and learn the Bible. It gives a sense of accomplishment since the children compete against themselves. They don't have to depend on someone else to reach their goal," Miss Smith commented.

Of the 223 participants in the state drills in Lexington last weekend, 195 did reach their goals and were declared state winners.

Ten of these children were three-year winners. They were Kelly Clark, Lexington; Leisa Fowler, Ashland; Karen Cooper, Pineville; Moriah Boggs, Ashland; Shannon Klaiber, Ashland; Glen Elrod, Louisville; Mary Alice Traugher, Louisville; Courtney Jean Dunn, Louisville; Janice Arnold, Campbellsville, and Michelle Pack, Shepherdsville.

Churches interested in participating in Bible drills for fourth, fifth and sixth graders next year may contact Vernon Cole or Mike King, Church Training Department, Kentucky Baptist Convention, P. O. Box 43433, Middletown, KY 40243.



Billy Burton, Utica, was one of 29 Sunday school special workers from Kentucky who participated in a regional training institute in St. Louis, Mo., sponsored by the Sunday School Board's Sunday School Department. More than 600 special workers are expected to participate in four regional institutes this spring.

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Hebrews 4:14-16 These verses remind God's children Christ is their High Priest, he is great in his person, position and power, and he makes it possible for them to "receive mercy, and find grace to help in time of need."

Christ, our High Priest, is strong. He is strong enough to save amid all the perils of our pilgrim way. Christ is also sympathetic—concerned with our infirmities and helplessness. Moreover, he is sufficient for all our needs. His strength, sympathy, sinlessness, sufficiency and supremacy combine to make him worthy of our adoration, praise and service. We should approach the throne of grace with reverence, faith, expectation and boldness. Because Christ is able to help us in every difficult situation, we should come into his presence with full confidence that he will supply adequate help as the needs arise. It is through Christ that all of our needs are supplied.

Hebrews 5:1-10 In any age there are basic, essential qualifications for a priest. One is that he must be a human being. Angels could not serve as priests because they were not "taken from among men." A priest had to have the experiences of a man before he could be a representative of men. It was necessary for him to live in the midst of men and know their experiences before he could truly sympathize with them and bring their needs to God.

It was also the function of a priest to offer sacrifices for the sins of people and to mediate between them and God. It was important that a priest have compassion on those who had become the victims of selfishness and waywardness.

Another qualification for a priest was divine appointment. Man did not have the right to choose the priesthood but was required to receive his appointment from God. Therefore, he was not to use his appointment for the purpose of glorifying himself, but was required to make the most of his privilege by glorifying God.

"Strong crying and tears" are terms that express the fervency with which the Son of God, in the Garden of Gethsemane, offered up prayers and supplications to his righteous father. How tragic was his sorrow and agony on that occasion! In answer to his prayers Christ obtained strength for his trials and sufferings. His obedience to the will of the Father was consummated on the cross when he became the procurer of a perfect and eternal salvation for men.

The great purpose of the sufferings of Christ was our salvation for eternity. It is encouraging to know that the ministry of Christ continues on our behalf. Every Christian should avail himself of Christ's role as mediator by approaching the throne of grace when help is needed.

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Acts 13:1-3 Members of the young church at Antioch in Syria were submissive to God's will and yielded to the leadership of the Holy Spirit. There were prophets and teachers in that church. The prophets made known the will and purposes of God and the teachers explained the meaning of the Word of God, both of which were essential to the effectiveness of the church.

While the members were in the line of Christian duty, the Holy Spirit said to them, "Separate me Barnabas and Saul for the work whereunto I have called them." This was a call to pioneer work among the unevangelized in distant places. Responsive to the Holy Spirit, they did not raise any questions or offer any objections. Instead, they were willing to give their best leaders to the missionary cause without complaint. After fasting and praying, they laid their hands on Barnabas and Saul and sent them forth as missionaries. It must have been encouraging to them to know that they were definitely chosen by God.

2 Corinthians 8:1-5 Paul sought to motivate the Corinthian Christians to faithfulness and generosity by citing the wonderful liberality of the church members in Macedonia, who had given from the depths of their poverty rather than from the abundance of riches. Having given themselves to the Lord, it was not hard for them to dedicate their substance to him. The measure of any Christian's love for and dedication to his Lord is seen in his giving.

The giving of self is what the Lord desires most of all from his followers, and it is always followed by the giving of substance. Love cannot exist without giving. It is useless for one to say, "I love the Lord," when his hands are closed firmly over his possession.

Ephesians 6:18-20 Paul besought the Christians in Ephesus to persevere in praying for all Christians. He also requested them to pray specifically that the Lord would enable him to make known the mystery of the gospel in a bold and effective manner when he was given an opportunity to speak as "an ambassador in bonds."

Prayer is vital to right living and effective Christian service. Being dependent upon God for guidance and strength, as we are, each of us needs to pray earnestly and often. We cannot do God's will acceptably or his work successfully without earnest prayer for endowment from him.

Philippians 1:12-14 Paul had prayed that God would open the way for him to preach the gospel in Rome. Instead of his imprisonment curtailing his missionary work, it enlarged his sphere of usefulness and contributed much to the dissemination of the gospel in widely scattered areas. Appreciating Paul's faithfulness in proclaiming the gospel to those who were chained to him, some of the timid souls redoubled their efforts to preach Christ to the non-prisoners.

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Tailored to fit

The ministry of Clear Creek Baptist School reaches more people than most of our friends realize. Although the campus is located in the Cumberland mountains of eastern Kentucky, we extend to most of the continental United States and to several foreign countries—through our alumni.

It has often been stated that our former students are "fiercely loyal." They believe in what the school stands for and they, of all people, should know since they have observed first-hand our unique ministry.

Clear Creek School is an adult Bible institution offering a solid program in theology, religious education and church music. The programs take two forms, a degree program and a certificate course. Regardless of educational background, a person who has experienced a call from God may enrol and receive an education preparing him (or her) for ministry wherever God leads. Those individuals meeting the necessary requirement of a high school diploma or its equivalent may select a degree program.

Whichever route a person selects will be tailored to fit his individual needs. Our faculty advisors take personal interest in each student so he may be assured of securing adequate educational preparation for full-time Christian service.

As I have often stated, Clear Creek does not compete with our fine seminaries for students. We feel we fill a need in the total program of Southern Baptist educational planning. In fact, some of our students continue their training at one of our seminaries. They always do an excellent job either in the ministry or at another school upon completion of their tenure here.

Another way the school reaches out is through our in-service training program. While still students, the men and women attending Clear Creek Baptist School are required to witness. They minister at hospitals, penal institutions, extended-care facilities and on street corners in nearby towns. This, of course, is in addition to the service they provide in churches and missions in a several-state region.

God has been good to Clear Creek Baptist School—and he has assisted us through people like you. Our school cannot continue its program without that continuing prayer and financial support.

You can learn more about us through the bimonthly periodical, *The Mountain Voice*. If you would like to receive the informative paper, write to me, D. M. Aldridge, Clear Creek Baptist School, Pineville, KY 40977 and I will place your name on our mailing list. It will help you understand what we are doing here.

God bless you and please remember to pray for our school.

KBC Activities

Here and now

MAY

- 8-9 State Youth Choir Festival West. Jonathan Creek. 7 p.m. 8th through 4 p.m. 9th. Register with Church Music Department, KBC
- 8-9 WMU Associational Clinic. Cedarmore. Evening meal 8th through noon meal 9th. Reservations made with Cedarmore
- 10 Mother's Day
- 11-13 Senior Adult Retreat. Cedarmore. Evening meal Monday through lunch Wednesday. For all Senior Adults and their leaders. Register with Cedarmore. Retreat repeats May 18-20
- 11-12 Outreach Clinics for Church Sunday School Workers. 7 to 9 p.m.
 - 11—Bowling Green, Hillvue Baptist Church; Cynthiana, Cynthiana Baptist Church; Paintsville, First Baptist Church; Campbellsville, Campbellsville Baptist Church
 - 12—Middletown, Kentucky Baptist Building; Barbourville, First Baptist Church; Benton, First Baptist Church; Madisonville, Second Baptist Church

Looking ahead

- 14-15 Preschool/Children's Church Staff Retreat. Cedarmore. Evening meal Thursday to Friday afternoon. Register with Cedarmore
- 14-15 Director of Missions Workshop. Cedarmore
- 15-17 BSU Presidents/Campus Ministers Conference. Middletown, Kentucky Baptist Building
- 16 WMU Officers' Clinic. Jonathan Creek
- 17 Baptist Radio and Television Sunday. Materials from Radio/TV Commission, Box 12157, Ft. Worth, TX 76116
- 18-19 "Pastoral Evangelism" Seminar. Madisonville, First Baptist Church. 10 a.m. 18th through 4:30 p.m. 19th. Register with Evangelism Department, KBC
- 18-20 Senior Adult Retreat. Cedarmore. Evening meal Monday through lunch Wednesday. For all senior adults and their leaders. Register with Cedarmore
- 22-23 Youth Mission Retreat. Cedarmore. 9-12 grades. Youth interested in mission vocation or summer missions workshops. Register with Cedarmore
- 26 Interfaith Witness Conference. Radcliff, Stithton Baptist Church. 7 to 9 p.m.
- 28-29 Interfaith Witness Conferences. 7 to 9 p.m. 28—Campbellsville, Pleasant Hill Baptist Church. 29—London, First Baptist Church

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Oneida Journal



Barkley Moore, President
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'By their love'

Denvis Rush, who led our revival services a month ago, is pastor of nearby Horse Creek Baptist Church in Clay County. He has pastored that church for 32 years and for some years has also pastored Lily Grove Baptist Church, the only black church in Clay County.

Returning home Rush shared with his people what he had witnessed and experienced on our campus. His congregation was so touched they gave a special offering for Oneida totaling \$5000 and gave \$3000 to the Annie Armstrong offering.

Horse Creek is a country church but it is a God-filled congregation led by an outstanding pastor. They know how to love and share and they do more than talk missions. They do it.

Holy scripture plainly teaches we are saved through faith in Christ and not by works, lest any man should boast. But we are also taught that the saved can be recognized by acts of love and by changed lives, for "by their works ye shall know them."

There have been 166 professions of faith by boys and girls since school started in August. Think of that! 166 young men and women who came to us lost and are now saved. Truly ours is a work of state, home and foreign missions as well as Christian education for lives of service. We have students from every part of Kentucky, from 18 other states and 13 nations.

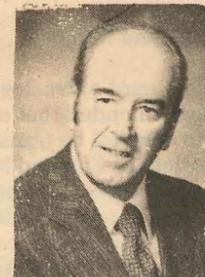
This year, for the first time in 82 years, we are closing an academic year with more students than when we started the year.

How lives can change. I think of a beautiful young lady from Louisville who was a part of our school choir for months before her profession of faith. Her testimony today is, "I understand what the words mean now." This statement inspired us to name our first Oneida album, which will be released in a few weeks, "Praise, With Understanding." The album will be sold for \$6.95 including shipping. If you want to hear our Oneida Choir singing in our chapel, mail us a check or money order for \$6.95 and the record will be mailed to you on release.

Many of our new Christians have destroyed their once greatly cherished rock tapes and records. They did that on their own without any instigation from us. That is evidence of real change. Also, many have quit smoking. Even more are trying to quit. Their efforts remind me of Mark Twain's statement, "It is the easiest thing in the world to quit smoking. I've quit 200 times."

Girls meet nightly for Bible study in their dorm, and so many boys attend nightly it is necessary to use the church. Attendance is voluntary. There is singing, sharing of prayer concerns and a devotional. Most nights there are so many present they ring the entire auditorium standing side by side for prayer. From 10 to 15 pray nightly, beautiful prayers, especially meaningful to me as I recall paddlings, suspensions, expulsions, but now changed lives by God's grace. I meet with them not as president and student but as brothers in Christ. By their love are they known.

Frank Owen



Don't forget our target

Many of our churches have or will have at least doubled their Cooperative Program giving between the year 1977 and 1982. This has been the five-year phase target of BOLD MISSION THRUST. How grateful we are for the churches that have joined in this goal and for all who are honestly and consciously still trying to achieve it.

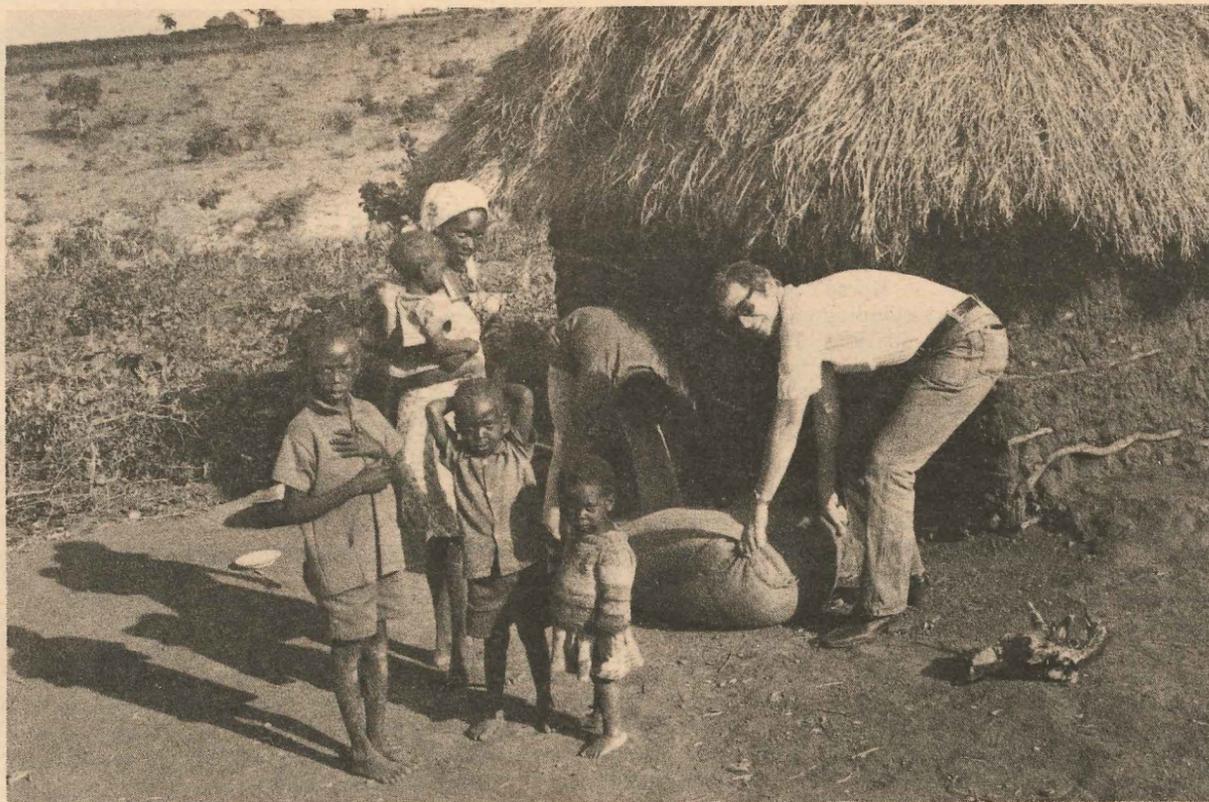
I don't hear or read much about this target of late. Surely Baptists aren't giving up. Let us keep it emphasized in Kentucky. Let's keep trying because the truth is we still could do it.

Again, good folks, will you look at your church's Cooperative Program giving record in 1977 and ask whether you could and would bring the mission giving level up to twice where it was in 1977 by 1982. Pastor, won't you give thought and word and deed to this objective? Why? In order to double the mission force and program around the world. Let us urge you to be thinking and planning now to recommend your 1982 budget to specify no less than twice the amount your church gave to the Cooperative Program in 1977.

Our office received \$941,383.93 from the Cooperative Program last month against \$891,600.42 the previous April. Both of those figures were successive all-time high water marks for April. We are \$868,683.04 over our operational goal to date. Last year we were \$189,898.71 over the operational goal. We have received \$812,117.67 more to date or 13.41% increase over the previous year. This, despite the fact that we have felt the coal strike, some industrial lay-offs and other tightening of the economy.

I notice that over-all Southern Baptist Convention March receipts increased 11.28% but the SBC received 19.36% more from Kentucky. Also, for the first half of our fiscal year the SBC had an overall increase of 13.64%. The SBC increase from Kentucky was 17.14%.

I repeat, we still could double by '82 if we tried. Brethren and sisters, would you seek to lead your church to double its 1977 Cooperative Program giving (or sharing) by 1982?



Southern Baptist missionary Louie Scales helps move one of the sacks of corn meal, whole corn and beans that he and two Kenyan Baptist pastors delivered to families of the Kambi tribe in the semi-arid Ukambani area of Kenya. The food is being purchased with hunger relief funds from the Southern Baptist Foreign

Mission Board. Because regulations allow him to buy only small quantities at a time, Scales says he and the pastors, Issac Mwenje and Johnson Githinji, can make more trips into the impoverished areas and lead more training sessions for small church groups far from main roads.

Anglican mission agency offers aid to Gaza Baptist Hospital

by Susan Cahen

The board of trustees of the Gaza Baptist Hospital has recommended that administrative responsibility for the hospital be transferred to the Church Missionary Society of England by Jan. 1, 1982.

The trustees, related to three Southern Baptist hospitals in the Middle East, consider this the most viable alternative to closing the financially beleaguered institution.

Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board officials will discuss this and other options and expect a recommendation on the hospital's future to be made at their May board meeting in Richmond, Va.

The Church Missionary Society, an Anglican evangelical missions agency which opened the Gaza hospital in 1879, continues to hold title to hospital properties because clear title could not be obtained after Southern Baptists took over the medical work in 1954. It offered to take back responsibility for the hospital when they heard the Foreign Mission Board might have to close the institution.

If terms of the transfer agreement are worked out, Southern Baptist missionaries who want to will remain at the hospital on loan to the new administration. Most have indicated they would like to remain. The Baptist church on the hospital grounds would continue meeting there and the school of health sciences would still gain access to its buildings through the hospital grounds and be affiliated with the hospital for training.

Under the proposed agreement, the school would remain under the auspices of the Foreign Mission Board even though it might be affiliated with the hospital. School property is adjacent to the hospital but is not part of land titles still held by the Church Missionary Society.

The hospital, school and church are the main thrust

of Baptist witness in Gaza. Although results have been slow, as in many Muslim areas, there was a revival last year with 28 professions of faith. Many have remained secret believers because of the Muslim faith's importance to social structure.

Tommy Adkins, a hospital administrator and a Southern Baptist missionary, said it is very important to keep a witness in Gaza. "We feel quite confident that if the Anglican church takes over, we will be able to have a witness here under this arrangement."

The serious financial crisis at the hospital was brought about by several factors. The patient load has fallen and workers' wages have risen 64 percent. To compensate for these, the hospital terminated 47 of its 109 employees. Gaza law dictated that these people be given severance pay at the rate of one month's pay per year of employment based on current pay scales.

Because of the 64 percent increase, severance pay for the 47 workers depleted the hospital's 1981 operating budget. The Foreign Mission Board has made an emergency appropriation to help defray the termination pay costs and keep the hospital operating another three months. Additional funds will be needed if the Foreign Mission Board continues to operate the hospital until January.

If missionaries are given the go-ahead to work under the Anglican administration, they will retain their status as Southern Baptists and continue to be paid by the Foreign Mission Board.

Missionaries work under similar arrangements in countries where it is impossible or impractical to begin a new work but where the board feels there can be an effective witness through the established work of a government or other agency. Physicians have taught in government hospitals and universities, nurses have worked in government-sponsored public health programs and seminary teachers have taught in schools maintained by other denominations.

Georgia pastor bucks TV movie

by Jack U. Harwell

Determined Georgia Baptist pastor Louis Stokes, who believes principle is more important than money, has succeeded in bucking a major Hollywood movie company.

As a result, a national television movie to be shown this fall will be less objectionable to Christians than it would have been in the original script.

A Hollywood production company was in Crawfordville, Ga., in March and April to make a movie for TV called "Coward of the County." It will star singer Kenny Rogers and is based on Rogers' 1980 hit song by that name.

Public officials in Crawfordville gave movie officials permission to film in their town. Preliminary contacts were with Stokes about the possibility of filming some scenes in and around Crawfordville Baptist Church where Stokes is pastor. He was told the movie would be one with which his church and community would be proud to be affiliated.

"But I was determined to find out exactly what type of movie they wanted to film on our church grounds and in town," said Stokes.

So he requested a copy of the complete script and learned that Rogers in the lead role would play a part time country preacher who was a "liquor-drinking, womanizing and profane hypocrite of the worst type," according to Stokes.

"The language in the script was totally unacceptable to me," he said. "So was the characterization of the minister. I am tired of movies and TV depicting preachers as scoundrels. I did not want such a movie filmed at Crawfordville Baptist Church."

Stokes called an emergency meeting of his deacons and they voted unanimously not to allow the movie company to film any footage at Crawfordville church. When Stokes conveyed this refusal to the movie-makers, they asked for personal conferences. These conferences stretched into long dialogues about morals, movies, American tastes, spirituality, Rogers' personal career and many other subjects.

"Ken Kragen, producer and Rogers' manager, later told me that those sessions were the most uplifting spiritual experiences he had ever had," Stokes recalled. "He had never been so confronted by a minister or any other Christian."

Out of all these discussions, Stokes said he convinced the moviemakers to totally rewrite the second half of the movie. As revised, Rogers will be "converted" halfway through the movie. He will abandon his drinking and womanizing, marry the common-law wife he has lived with, ask his congregation to forgive him for his double lifestyle, resign his pastorate and the congregation will forgive him and call him back as pastor because of his confession and conversion.

"In the original script, the minister never questioned or repented of his hypocritical lifestyle," Stokes explained. "In the final script, he does repent and becomes a new man. It certainly depicts ministers in a better light than they were portrayed in the original."

Crawfordville Baptist Church still would not permit filming on their property, because the language, drinking and lifestyles in the first half of the movie were still unacceptable to them. "But the new script is a vast improvement over the old one," Stokes remarked.

"Maybe it shows once again that Christians can get something accomplished, even with so powerful a medium as TV, when they are willing to take a stand," he added.