

"Let justice roll down like waters."

(Amos 5:24)

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God's call for justice focus of Baptist thought in CLC sponsored thrust

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God commands, "Let justice roll down like waters" (Amos 5:24, RSV). God seeks justice that is like a mighty torrent of water, sweeping away all the obstacles and debris in its path. This mighty torrent is never to be reduced in its powerful intensity, but is to be constantly undiminished as it washes away sinful injustice and establishes righteousness.

In the days of Amos, people were outwardly quite religious. God found fault with their religiosity, however, for they lacked compassion for the poor and needy and were greedy and dishonest.

God has established moral standards to guide his people in their relationships with each other and with all people. Amos insists that right relationship with God is demonstrated in acts of justice toward those who are poor, hungry, weak and helpless. Justice means being truthful, being fair, being helpful and being honest. Justice means resolving inequities so the strong do not take advantage of the

weak.

God has given us the freedom to choose how we live, but he expects us in our relationship with him and with others to choose justice and to follow righteousness.

True Christian faith leads to doing justice.

Does our faith in Christ help shape the world of which we are a part? Does our Christian worship give us direction and motivation to make our nation a more just and peaceful place in which all people can live? Do the policies which are being formed and implemented by our government reflect a compassion for all people, including the weak, the old, the sick, the poor and the needy? Do our churches, as with Israel in the days of Amos, use religious rhetoric to disguise widespread materialism? Where is our nation now with regard to these issues?

Christian Citizenship Sunday—July 3, 1983—is an opportunity for you and your church to emphasize Christian citizenship and to make a commitment to practice Christian citizenship in pursuit of the goal of public righteousness in our nation. "Let justice roll down like waters."

He came from Kenya to learn the Cedarmore way

by Bob Allen, Staff Writer

When Samson Kisia goes away to camp for the summer, he really goes away to camp.

It is nearly 10,000 miles from Limuru, Kenya, where Kisia is director of Brackenhurst Baptist International Conference Centre, to Cedarmore Baptist Assembly, near Bagdad, Ky. He arrived at Cedarmore June 1 for eight

weeks tutelage with assembly manager Marshall Phillips.

Kisia, 43, lived in a non-Christian home "until I was a big boy," when his mother was led to Christ by a Quaker missionary. He was saved shortly after marrying in 1963 after hearing Southern Baptist missionary Tom McMillan preach in an open marketplace.

Kisia was baptized and helped McMillan start a church. At that time a worker in Kenya's national parks, he moved to Tanzania in 1970 where he was business manager for the Baptist seminary six years. There he met Phillips, who taught at the seminary a total of 12 years.

Kisia returned to Kenya in 1976 as assistant director of the Baptist assembly. He became director in 1980.

Kisia's camp is the only Baptist assembly in the eastern part of Africa and is open to all denominations in Kenya and in neighboring countries. The camp's board recently renamed the assembly to reflect the international appeal.

More than 11,000 persons were at the center last year, Kisia said. The camp contains 307 beds, about half as many as Cedarmore. Facilities are older and less elaborate than the Kentucky assembly and the grounds are dwarfed by Cedarmore—148 acres to 1400. The terrain and scenery, he claimed, are "really the same. I just feel like I'm at home."

Brackenhurst's directors did not send Kisia to Cedarmore to admire the scenery, however, but to work alongside Phillips, observing his day-to-day rou-

tine, making mental notes of ideas that can be implemented in Kenya.

Missionary James Hampton, a member of the Brackenhurst board, contacted Phillips about the apprenticeship. Phillips took it to KBC executive secretary Bill Marshall, who finalized the arrangement. The Kenyan board furnished travel expenses for Kisia, and the KBC provides an honorarium.

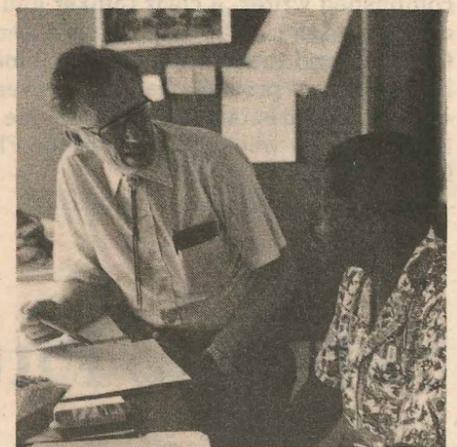
Phillips has walked Kisia through every procedure of bookkeeping. Kisia observed registration and attends staff meetings. (Regular staff meetings, he observed, are a good idea. It's not done that way at his camp.) He has visited churches to hear Phillips preach (that is essential for the camp manager both here and there). In short, "seeing how he's involved in every problem that occurs."

The idea Kisia has found most revolutionary is dividing youths into groups and assigning counselors to the subgroups. There are no "counselors" in Kenya camping, he shared, and all teaching is done in large groups.

Aside from paper work, Kisia's schedule has afforded some contact with youth at the assembly and Camp Rabro. "Most of them are very friendly," he opined. "Most of them want to know about Africa. They want to know what their money to foreign missions does. I tell them 'that money saved me.' I tell them many people are being saved because of their money and many churches are being built."

Baptist work started in Kenya in 1956.

The convention recently sent 10 home



Phillips [1] and Kisia discuss bookkeeping procedures.

missionaries to areas where language and culture are a barrier to the gospel. They are planning to appoint 12 more as funds become available.

There has also been major growth in music programs, Sunday schools, theological education and Bible schools, along with a challenge for churches to grow and for individuals to make converts.

The Brackenhurst center, along with camping, has a language school for missionaries, a theological seminary, a church, international publishing service, an elementary school where two of Kisia's five children attend and a vocational school. The center hopes to be able to offer farming classes for pastors to teach skills with which they can earn support while ministering in a bivocational role.

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How critics distort facts

There was a time when bitter attacks and false accusations against Southern Baptists and their methods of using mission funds came from those outside the fold. We have come to expect loose use of the facts by Frank Norris, John R. Rice, Jerry Falwell and other independents.

Recently there are those in the Southern Baptist fold who are resorting to the same smear tactics and the same distortion of facts. I have before me a clipping from a Baptist periodical whose name and editor I will not dignify by mentioning in the Western Recorder though the editor is a Southern Baptist and spoke on the floor of the convention this year in Pittsburgh. The clipping is the same kind of stuff we used to see in the publications of Norris and Rice.

The article is entitled "Baptist Watergate." It accuses the denominational office of the Southern Baptist Convention of misleading Baptists in saying half of Cooperative Program money goes to the Foreign Mission Board when actually less than 18 percent gets to the Foreign Mission Board.

This is a classic case of twisting facts which is characteristic of such critics. Messengers in Pittsburgh including the critic had the truth in black and white print before them.

Of the \$114,500,000 in the 1983-84 basic operation budget of the Southern Baptist Convention, the Foreign Mission Board will get

\$57,250,000 which is 50 percent. If the seven million dollar plus challenge goal is reached, the Foreign Mission Board will get a little over three million additional which is also right at 50 percent. This does not include the \$50 million plus Lottie Moon Christmas offering of which 100 percent goes to the Foreign Mission Board.

There's no way critics can deny this but they try to justify their charges by pointing out how much Cooperative Program money is kept in states before any is sent to Nashville.

It is a fact that on an average about two-thirds of Cooperative Program gifts coming to state conventions from churches are used by the state and one-third sent on to Nashville for Southern Baptist Convention use. (Kentucky in 1982-83 will use 65 percent and send 35 percent for Southern Baptist Convention use.)

This might seem a high percentage to keep in Kentucky but is a community in Kentucky without a Baptist witness any less a mission field than some foreign land? Messengers from Kentucky Baptist churches approve this division each year at the convention and members of the executive board from every association in the state decide how every penny of Cooperative Program funds is spent in Kentucky.

The critic is technically right when he says about 18 percent of total Cooperative Program gifts from churches get to the Foreign Mission

Board because about one-half of the 35 percent reaching Nashville goes to Richmond. This would be about 18 percent of total Cooperative Program gifts through the churches. The critic's charges are misleading, however, and he accuses denominational leaders of deceiving Baptists in the process. The result is he out-watergates the "Baptist Watergate" he tries to make.

Church members who know how their contributions are used in their own churches are not surprised nor shocked to know how their Cooperative Program gifts sent to the state convention are used. The truth is about 90 cents of every dollar of undesignated gifts in a church remain in that church while only 10 cents is sent on for state and Southern Baptist Convention use. Some churches give more than 10 percent through the Cooperative Program and many boost their mission giving with the Lottie Moon and Annie Armstrong special mission offerings but keeping a strong home base requires a lion's share to be kept for use by the local church.

Hopefully a day is ahead when the church, the state convention and the Southern Baptist Convention will all do better in division of funds. Increased giving will hasten that day.

In the meantime, beware of wolves in sheep's clothing who distort facts in order to undermine your confidence in denominational leaders.

A lesson for us all

Norman Allen of Prestonsburg is my favorite county paper editor in Kentucky. He is an accomplished writer, a clear thinker and a magnificent story teller. Above all, he is a genuine Christian and though he is not the kind to parade his religion or preach a sermon in everything he writes, his Christian convictions shine through his homespun weekly column in the Floyd County Times.

Here's a gem from a recent issue:

"Two youngsters, a black boy and a white, drowned in Dewey Lake last Sunday. One of the two is dead because he went to the rescue of the other.

"At first, I was tempted to ask which was the heroic would-be rescuer, the white boy or the black, but then decided it didn't really matter.

"The important point is, one of the boys, black or white, was in trouble and his friend—never mind the color of his skin—dared to help

him.

"So it was that there, in the presence of death, the color line was washed away. And this youngster, black or white, put to shame all the bigots and all of us who shed tears for the masses, for "suffering humanity" but are slow to lift a hand for a suffering individual."

Now that's what I regard as a powerful sermon or as the caption used in his own publication for this gem said, "A lesson for us all."

Salute to Pittsburgh

by Ellis M. Bush
Executive Director-Treasurer
Baptist Convention of Pennsylvania-South Jersey

What title would you give to a comment written to pay tribute, to honor, to praise? Whatever your best word is, give it to Pittsburgh.

People kept saying to me, "This convention is the best . . ." After that, they were specific about . . .

. . . the friendliness of the city,
. . . the courteous thoughtfulness expressed everywhere,

. . . the local news coverage,
. . . the spirit of the convention,
. . . the work of the local committees on arrangements. During the Thursday evening session, the messengers gave this stalwart group a standing ovation.

Thanks Pittsburgh. You gave us your best, and for some messengers it was their best . . . in several years.

This tribute has a flip side. We did not give without receiving. The meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention in Pittsburgh was good to us.

guest editorial

The messengers and friends who came early and stayed after to work in the witnessing, revival and church-starting projects brought great encouragement and aid to the 40 churches participating.

The convention messengers brought to Pittsburgh an abundance of goodwill, friendliness and caring testimony of the love of Christ alive in them.

The convention honored us by electing one of our laymen, Ed Price of Pittsburgh, as second vice president.

Southern Baptists did a lot more than whistle dixie in Pittsburgh.

Thanks SBC. You gave us your best.

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

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baptist news in brief

Senate panel approves two prayer amendments

Yielding to White House pressure, a Senate Judiciary subcommittee has agreed to send to full committee President Reagan's proposed constitutional amendment on school prayer along with a "silent prayer" version favored by a majority of the subcommittee.

The Subcommittee on the Constitution had been set for more than two weeks to scuttle the Reagan proposal in favor of one pushed by chairman Orrin G. Hatch, R-Utah, allowing "individual or group silent prayer and meditation in public schools" and providing "equal access to the use of public schools by all voluntary (including religious) student groups."

But previous efforts to conclude subcommittee action had stalled in the face of White House insistence on approval of its proposal which would allow state-written oral prayer in public schools. In an effort to resolve the dilemma, Hatch moved to send both proposals to full committee to let that panel "work its will."

Hatch emphasized he would have preferred to send only the "silent prayer" amendment to the Judiciary Committee but deferred to White House wishes because of President Reagan's commitment to the issue.

It may prove to be a short-lived victory for the White House. Judiciary Committee Chairman Strom Thurmond, R-S. C., said he had "personally conducted a canvass" of his panel and was convinced the Reagan proposal as introduced "has no chance of being favorably reported."

Four from Kentucky on WMU Ridgecrest slate

Four with Kentucky ties will participate in the national Woman's Missionary Union Leadership Conference July 30-Aug. 5 at Ridgecrest Baptist Conference Center.

Geneva and Wiley Faw, Southern Baptist missionaries to Nigeria, will conduct missionary conferences and speak at convocations. The Faws are originally from Waynesburg.

Betty Cook, WMU director from Walnut Street Baptist Church, Louisville, will conduct conferences on WMU enlargement.

Anne Smith, minister to children at Shively Baptist Church, Louisville, will lead conferences for children's workers.

Brotherhood lawsuit appeal heard by court

An appeal of a lower court decision in a \$3 million sexual harassment lawsuit against the Southern Baptist Brotherhood Commission has been taken under advisement by a three-judge panel of the Sixth U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals.

A decision on the appeal is not expected for at least several months.

Barbara (Mrs. Robert) Minor, 45, a former secretary at the Memphis, Tenn.-based Brotherhood Commission appealed a June 18, 1982, decision by federal district judge Odell Horton of Memphis that "a complete and binding settlement agreement has been negotiated among the parties in this cause."

The appeal, filed by Mrs. Minor's Memphis attorney, Hite McLean, does not deal with the merits of the case, but

only on whether a legitimate settlement was reached.

Mrs. Minor, a nine-year employe of the commission, filed suit Apr. 9, 1981, against the commission, three of its executives and the Southern Baptist Convention, charging sexual harassment and defamation of reputation.

Named as defendants were James B. Smith, commission executive director; Norman Godfrey, associate executive director, and David Haney, director of the Baptist Men's division who since has left the commission.

In his ruling, Horton ordered that a settlement reached Aug. 4, 1981, be enforced. Mrs. Minor, however, contended that settlement had not been reached, although she admitted she signed a letter setting out terms of a settlement negotiated by her then attorney, Lillian Dykes, and Ernest G. Kelly Jr., the commission's attorney.

Baylor president stable after having heart attack

Baylor University president Herbert H. Reynolds suffered a mild heart attack Sunday, June 19, at his home. Reynolds, 53, was listed in "serious but stable" condition at Hillcrest Baptist Medical Center in Waco until mid-morning Monday, when his condition was upgraded to "stable."

Doctors said Reynolds would remain in the hospital for approximately seven days and would then need "another four or five weeks of rest and rehabilitation" before returning to work as head of the largest Southern Baptist university in the country.

Reynolds succeeded Abner V. McCall as president in June 1981 when McCall was named university chancellor. Reynolds came to Baylor in 1969 as senior vice president. He was named executive vice president and treasurer in 1970, executive vice president and provost in 1973, and executive vice president and chief operating officer in 1978.

Hollinger named California editor

Herbert V. Hollinger, editor of the Northwest Baptist Witness, was elected editor of The California Southern Baptist, newsjournal of the Southern Baptist General Convention of California, in a called meeting of the board operations committee of the executive board June 7.

He will assume the office Sept. 1.

Hollinger succeeds Elmer L. Gray, who has been editor since March 1974. Gray is retiring but will continue with the paper in a consultant capacity until December.

Hollinger, a graduate of the University of Idaho and Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary, began his career in journalism with secular newspapers. He worked with the Reminder and Reminder Morning News of Burley, Idaho, and later was editor and general manager of the South Idaho Press, also of Burley.

He was licensed to preach in 1970 by First Baptist Church of Graton, Cal.

Record May CP giving exceeds \$9 million

More money, \$9,115,509, was received by the national Cooperative Program of the Southern Baptist Convention in May 1983 than in any May in history.

"This is only the fourth month in the 58-year history of the Cooperative Program (the SBC's unified giving plan) that gifts have exceeded \$9 million," Harold C. Bennett, executive secretary-director of the SBC Executive Committee, said. "And this is the first time Southern Baptists have given at that level in some month other than January."

The monthly total is 17.17 percent (\$1,335,482) above May 1982 figures. For the first nine months of the SBC fiscal year, CP contributions are 9.4 percent (more than \$5.8 million) ahead of the same period a year ago.

The \$9 million month also pushed the budget back on target to meet both the basic and the challenge budgets of the SBC. If the present level of giving is sustained, national Cooperative Program receipts would total \$102,717,318.

Designated gifts to national programs are up 6.15 percent over a year ago. After nine months designated gifts totaled \$68,172,808 (\$66.2 million to the Foreign Mission Board and the Home Mission Board).

If both CP and designated giving continues at the same rate, the national programs will receive more than \$200 million during the present fiscal year. After nine months the combined CP and designated totals are more than \$10 million ahead of last year.

Churches honored for 'distinguished WMU's'

Sixty-five Southern Baptist churches and eight associations in Kentucky were recognized for their achievements during the Woman's Missionary Union national annual meeting when it met in Pittsburgh June 12-13.

Named as distinguished church WMUs were: Adairville Baptist; Rose Hill Baptist, Ashland; First Baptist, Bowling Green; New Harmony Baptist, Bremen; Brooks Baptist; First Baptist, Burnside; Campbellsville Baptist; First Baptist, Carlisle; Central Baptist and First Baptist, Corbin; Lawrenceville Baptist, Corinth; Crittenden Baptist; Oakwood Baptist, Cynthiana; Severns Valley Baptist, Elizabethtown; Eubank Baptist; Mt. Pisgah Baptist, Faubush; and Finchville Baptist;

First Baptist and Immanuel Baptist, Frankfort; Sulphur Spring Baptist, Franklin; First Baptist, Fulton; Georgetown Baptist; Gratz Baptist; Greensburg Baptist; Sunshine Baptist, Harlan; Bruners Chapel Baptist, Harrodsburg; First Baptist, Henderson; First Baptist, Jenkins; Calvary Baptist, Grace Baptist, Hillcrest Baptist, Immanuel Baptist and Russell Cave Baptist, Lexington; First Baptist and Swiss Colony Baptist, London; Hillcrest Baptist, Hurstbourne Baptist, Ninth and O Baptist, Walnut Street Baptist and West Broadway Baptist, Louisville; First Baptist, Madisonville; Pleasant Run Baptist, Manchester; Emmanuel Baptist and Marion Baptist, Marion.

Other distinguished church WMUs were Poplar Spring Baptist, Murray; Yellowcreek Baptist, Owensboro; First Baptist, Paducah; Parksville Baptist; First Baptist, Pineville; Northside Baptist, Princeton; Freedom Missionary, Providence; Rineyville Baptist; Liberty Baptist, Russell Springs; Southern Heights, Russellville; First Baptist, Sebree; Salem Baptist, Shelbyville; Pleasant Grove, Shepherdsville; Duke Memorial, First Baptist, High Street Baptist and Pleasant Hill Baptist, Somerset; Grangetown, Sturgis; Kings Baptist, Taylorsville; Valley View Baptist,

Vine Grove; Concord Missionary, White Plains.

Distinguished associations cited were Blood River, Christian, Crittenden, Elkhorn, Little Bethel, Long Run, Pulaski and Upper Cumberland.

Nevada editor retires; McCullough successor

Vern A. Miller has retired as editor of the Nevada Baptist and will be replaced by Mike McCullough.

Miller, a retired veteran of the U. S. Navy, was selected in February 1979 to establish the newspaper shortly after the Nevada Baptist Convention was formed.

McCullough, a native of San Antonio, Tex., will assume the editorship with the July issue, according to Nevada executive director Ernest B. Myers. He has been on the staff of the convention as director of Christian social ministries since January 1982.

He is a graduate of Texas A & M University, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary and Louisiana State University. His wife, Sarah, is a graduate of San Jose State University and Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary.

Hinson identifies threats to Baptist voluntariness

Expressing "cautious optimism," fundamentalist efforts to take control of the Southern Baptist Convention will fail, a Southern Baptist church historian said he is not optimistic the Baptist idea of voluntariness in religion will survive.

Speaking at Ravensworth Baptist Church following the Southern Baptist Convention in Pittsburgh, Wake Forest University professor E. Glenn Hinson offered mixed assessments of the immediate effort by fundamentalists to gain control of SBC agency boards and the long-term survival of the Baptist heritage of free religion.

From their beginning, Hinson asserted, Baptists have affirmed the idea "to be authentic, faith must be free; to be authentic, religion must be voluntary religion."

That Baptist idea is threatened today by several factors, Hinson said. He included efforts to equate fundamentalism and "Baptist," but said a larger threat is the fact the Southern Baptist Convention has now become the "established" church of the South, causing Southern Baptists to "no longer think like their Baptist forebears."

Although it contributes to the confusion of Baptist identity, Hinson said the current fundamentalist push may actually "help us to worry enough about the Baptist tradition that it may survive longer. We are going to be forced to see Baptist over against fundamentalist right now."

Baptist forebears, Hinson said, emphasized every person must be free to interpret scripture. Today, he said, many Southern Baptists have changed that to say "every Baptist must be free to interpret scripture for himself or herself except employes of the corporation."

The corporation mentality, Hinson said, says "employes cannot do that because they have to represent the corporation. And so they ought to think like the corporation." Insistence on freedom to interpret scripture as Baptist forebears did "tends to make the corporation unstable. If you have people who might think for themselves, that's dangerous."

Super Sunday exceeds goals for Taylor churches

Enlargement campaign a boon to Sunday schools in central Kentucky association

by L. D. Kennedy, *State Correspondent*

Enlargement is the name of the game for Sunday schools of Taylor County Baptist Association. Eleven of the association's 20 churches participated in an 8.5 by '85 Sunday school enrolment/enlargement campaign May 21-25. Larger and more enthusiastic Sunday schools have resulted.

Ground plans for the campaign were laid last year as 18 of the churches worked together in a "people search" of the entire association. This was followed by an associational revival conducted in the football stadium of Taylor County High School.

Several preparation meetings were held in the months previous to campaign week. An enrolment blitz was conducted Sunday afternoon, May 22, resulting in 355 new enrollees.

During the week the 11 Sunday schools added 794 new prospects to the 2267 they had previously discovered.

May 29, designated Super Sunday, participating churches set high attendance goals for their Sunday schools. Pleasant Hill, Elkhorn, Green River Memorial and Mt. Gilboa met or exceeded their goals. Campbellsville Baptist, Good Hope, Lowell Avenue, Salem, Meadowview, Liberty and Fairview reported high attendances, some falling short of goals by only two or three. The fact that Super Sunday fell on Memorial Day probably hurt attendance, some pastors suggested.

The 11 churches reported a total Sunday school attendance of 1978, which was 245 more than attended the previous Sunday. Several churches reported professions of faith or rededications.

"We had a lot of visitation going on this week and it surely did pay off," observed James Collison, Elkhorn pastor. "A high percentage of prospects visited were present."

To accommodate their 220 in Sunday school, Elkhorn had to use hallways, a

trailer and the pastorium. (Last year their average weekly attendance was 142.) For their 270 in morning worship they had to add seats in aisles, vestibules and across the front. They have begun building a large annex. On Super Sunday they received \$4200 toward their building fund, making a total of \$20,700 during the past five weeks.

"I think the campaign was an excellent program," said Everette Lee, Sunday school director of Campbellsville Baptist. "The content of it was applicable for what we needed. We were real pleased with the director who came (Wally Miller of Middletown)."

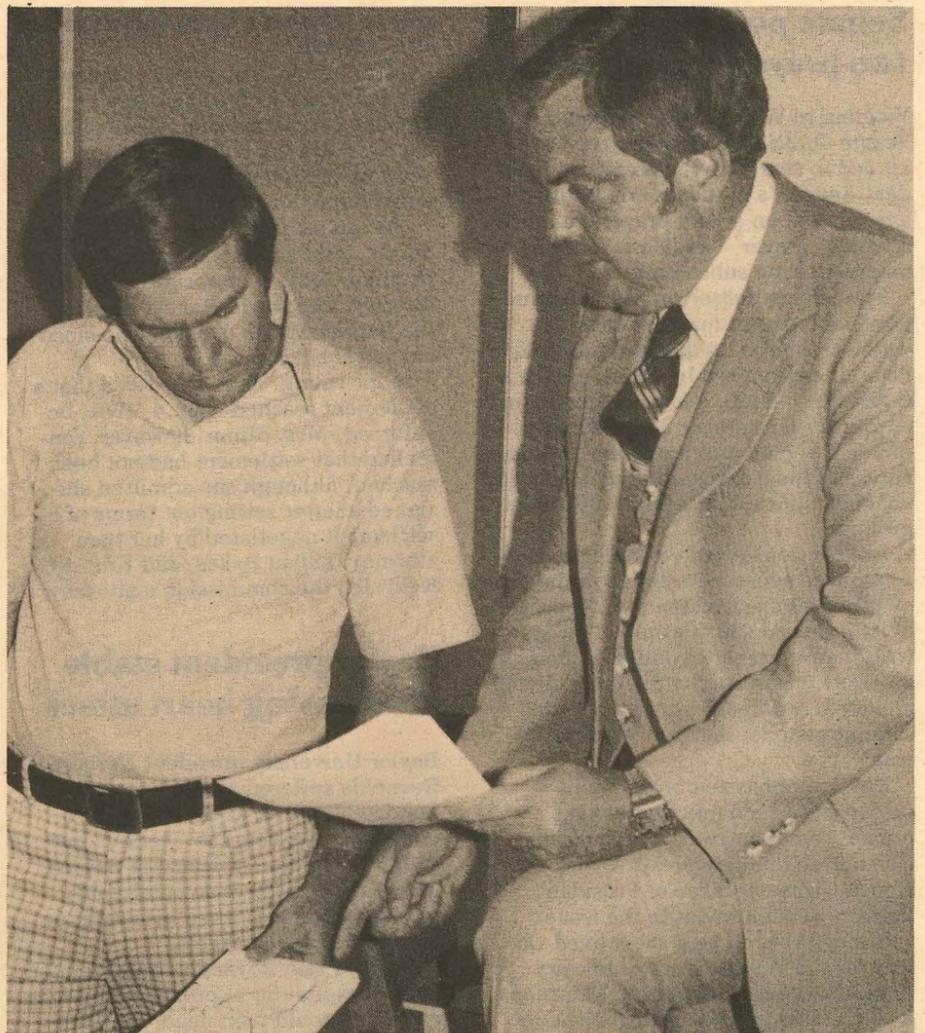
"I think it was great for our church," agreed Edgar Russell, Sunday school director at Mt. Gilboa. "The cooperation of workers was of much benefit. I also think it helped the association as people worked together in the campaign."

Though fewer than 100 people actually live in Mt. Gilboa, the church discovered 110 prospects.

Green River Memorial had a goal of 200 for Super Sunday but an attendance of 220. On the record slips 387 contacts were reported, according to Donald Gowin, pastor. "If we can just keep this enthusiasm for making contacts, we'll continue to grow and convince the church we need to build additional space," Gowin added.

"We had a super week!" exclaimed Lynwood Newton, Sunday school director at Good Hope. "We found 75 prospects and enrolled 11." At the end of last associational year Good Hope had an enrolment of 123 and average weekly attendance of 69. On Super Sunday their enrolment had grown to 157 and 98 were present. They have set a Sunday school enrolment goal of 175 by Sept. 30.

"The campaign helped us in seeing organizational needs and in placement of departments," said Howard Beauman, Lowell Avenue pastor. "Bob Law-



Bob Martin, Pleasant Hill Baptist Church pastor [r], confers with Charles England during people search.

rence did a real good job as our guest director. He had the expertise to give us the right directions. He knew how to work with people."

This associational year Lowell Avenue's Sunday school enrolment has climbed from 286 to 330.

Meadowview, whose enrolment last year was 37, sent out two teams on blitz Sunday that enrolled 15 new members. While visiting one family, guest director Guy King led a 70-year-old man to Christ.

According to member Raymond King, this was the first Sunday school study course ever taught at Meadowview. Attendance for the study was good. "It made you see a lot of things you need," Bell commented. "We hope to add two new units."

All of the guest directors gave their churches a computer-composed "growth spiral." They also furnished written reports to the churches with observations and recommendations. The churches recognize that follow-up and implementation are imperative and are making plans accordingly.

Most of the pastors and Sunday school directors were impressed by the large number of prospects among young adults. Some have determined to make these their target prospects.

"When you enlist young adults," one pastor explained, "you will get their children. But when you concentrate on children, you do not necessarily get their parents."

Mt. Gilboa plans to start weekly class visitation of prospects, start one or two new adult classes, buy a van or bus to bring in those needing transportation, and lead teachers to complete their Sunday school leadership diplomas.

Good Hope is considering dividing their young adults into two classes and starting a special study during the Church Training hour of books that count toward the Sunday school leadership diploma.

"In place of our monthly visitation program at Good Hope," said Lynwood Newton, "we'll set up a quarterly campaign to enrol new people." Periodically they plan to visit prospects and absentees.

Lowell Avenue plans to start a single parents' class soon. They are considering going from one to three adult departments. "We've got a little over 400 prospects now," Howard Beauman pointed out. He also expects to start a pastor's class of church members not enrolled in Sunday school. "It will give me an opportunity to visit these folks as I try to enlist them," he added.

"We're going to start two new classes as soon as possible and eight by October 1984," promised Everette Lee of Campbellsville Baptist.

"The only problem we are going to have is follow through," acknowledged Harold Mills, Sunday school secretary at Meadowview. Their church, as well as several others, has already elected an outreach director.

Campaign leaders commended the churches for their excellent planning, participation and cooperation. They especially praised Donald Gowin for his volunteer leadership as associational Sunday school director. Taylor County Baptist Association has no director of missions.

Coordinator for the campaign was H. T. Karn Jr., director of missions, Chilton-Unity Baptist Association, Clanton, Ala. He was assisted by Eugene Skelton, consultant for the Sunday School Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board, and Jack Palmer, consultant for the Kentucky Baptist Convention.

All 11 churches used guest directors.

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personnel

Wayne Causey has been called as minister of music by First Baptist Church, Princeton.

Causey is a native of Alabama and a graduate of Stetson University. He received the MCM degree from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in 1980.

He comes to Princeton from Ooltewah (Tenn.) Baptist Church, where he was minister of music and youth. He is married to the former Carrie Botto of Winchester, Ky., also a graduate of Stetson University. They have one child, a 15-month-old son, David Andrew.

Ty Clenney has accepted the pastorate of Younger's Creek Baptist Church, Elizabethtown. He comes from a four year pastorate at Rolling Hills Baptist Church, Fairfield, Oh.

A native of Kentucky, Clenney grew up in Covington. He received the BS degree from Campbellsville College, the MA from Eastern Kentucky University and attended Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. He is former pastor of Lucas Grove Baptist Church, Upton.

He is married to the former Scotty Cocanougher of Springfield. She also is a graduate of Campbellsville College and will teach in Hardin County schools. They have two sons, ages 20 and 15.

William N. Miller Jr. has been appointed race track chaplain for Ellis Park and Latonia race tracks by Race Track Chaplaincy of America. He and his wife will live in northern Kentucky during thoroughbred and harness meets Sept.-June and will move to Henderson in July and August to serve Ellis Park.

Funds were provided by Kentucky Baptist Woman's Missionary Union for a second race track chaplain to supplement the ministry of Jesse G. Hood, Louisville.

Miller is a graduate of Caldwell County High School. He is a 1978 graduate of Boyce Bible School and a 1978 graduate of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

His experience includes financial office management, volunteer chaplain at Kentucky State Penitentiary, associate pastor at Jefferson Street Mission, Louisville and pastor of Trinity Baptist Mission, Crosswell, Mich., and First Baptist Church, Versailles, Ind.

Robert Scott Nash, pastor of Clear Creek Baptist Church, Elkhorn Association, since August 1978, resigned effective May 29.

Nash began June 5 as pastor of Victory Memorial Baptist Church, Louisville.

Nash is a recent PhD graduate of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, where he was an instructor of Greek. He and his wife Dawn have two sons, Marc and Chris.

Don Berry resigned May 29 the pastorate of Zion Baptist Church, Ohio County Association.

Larry S. Burcham has been named pastor of Stanford Baptist Church, Lincoln County Association, effective June 1.

Burcham, a graduate of Carson-Newman College and Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, has pastored Elk Lick Baptist Church, Lewisburg, the past three- and one-half years.

He and his wife Cheryl have two children.

Tim Burdon, Henderson, has been



Causey



Clenney



Miller



Nash

called as pastor of Whispering Meadows Baptist Chapel. First Baptist Church, Morganfield, Ohio Valley Association, parent church of the chapel, elected Burdon.

Burdon succeeds John Coble, who pastored the chapel several years.

Mike Clark became minister of education and youth at Beacon Hill Baptist Church, Somerset, June 12.

Clark and his wife Fay have a 10-month-old daughter, Heather.

Douglas T. Strader is pastor at Beacon Hill.

Al Claybrooks resigned effective June 19 as pastor of Covington Baptist Church, Sulphur Fork Association. Claybrooks has accepted the pastorate of Beacon Baptist Church, Shelbyville, Ind.

Gary Cook, Nashville, Tenn., is interim pastor of First Baptist Church, Murray. His primary responsibilities will be preaching Sunday morning and Sunday evening.

Cook is director of the church and staff support division of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board. A native of Ardmore, Okla., he received the BA degree from Oklahoma Baptist University and the MDiv from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.

He was pastor of churches in Oklahoma before joining the SSB staff in 1981.

Lee Gussler resigned May 29 as pastor of Sand Run Baptist Church, Northern Kentucky Association. He was assigned chaplain to the 194th Armored Brigade at Ft. Knox for three years.

Gussler and his wife Sandy are parents of two children, Kimberly and Jonathan.

William E. Crosby Jr., pastor of First Baptist Church, Shepherdsville, since 1978, has been called to the pastorate of Erlanger (Ky.) Baptist Church. He assumed his new responsibilities at Erlanger June 12.

Crosby is a native of Tennessee, a graduate of the University of Tennessee and Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Other ministerial experience includes serving as minister of education at Vine Street Baptist Church in Louisville and pastor of Antioch Baptist Church, Bedford.

He is married to the former Linda Lee Palmer, a graduate of the University of Louisville and a registered dental hygienist. The couple has two children.

Gary Daugherty, Centertown, was called as pastor by Olaton Baptist Church, Ohio County Association.

J. Burt Davis has been named pastor of York Terrace Baptist Church, Sheffield, Ala. A native of Alabama, Davis was a Kentucky pastor seven- and one-half years at First Baptist Church, LaCenter, and most recently was interim pastor of Twelfth Street Baptist Church, Paducah. He has been on the executive

board of the Kentucky Baptist Convention and was West Union Association moderator in 1981-82.

He is a graduate of Birmingham (Ala.) Southern College, Vanderbilt University and Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. He is married to the former Margaret Ann Sapp of Middletown. They have one daughter, Lisa Ann.

Leonard Harmon, director of missions for Crittenden Association, has announced his retirement effective Dec. 31 to the association's executive board. Harmon has been director of the association four years.

The board appointed a search committee to find a prospective replacement.

Bill Hodge is interim pastor at Sand Run Baptist Church, Northern Kentucky Association. The pastorate was vacated with the resignation of Lee Gussler.

Dennis McMillian has been named associate pastor, music minister and youth leader at Gray Baptist Church, Lynn Camp Association. He and his wife Gayle, who is assistant pianist at the church, are students at Clear Creek Baptist School. They have two daughters, Sarah and Jamie.

James G. Merritt has resigned a three year, eight month pastorate at Buck Grove Baptist Church, Ekron, Salem Association, to accept a pastorate at Highland Baptist Church, Laurel, Miss.

Lloyd Mims was named minister of music and worship by Highland Baptist Church, Louisville, June 8.

Mims, 32, is a doctoral student and instructor in the School of Church Music at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. He is a native of Florida with ministerial experience in Mississippi.

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall G. Mines, Lakeland, Fla., celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary June 12.

Mines is a 1937 graduate of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. He was one time pastor of Caneyville Baptist Church and pastored Cadiz Baptist Church 1964-69. He then joined the faculty of Mid-Continent Bible College, Mayfield, as registrar, dean of students, and teacher of missions, evangelism and doctrine until 1973.

Mines is currently interim pastor of First Baptist Church, Lutz, Fla.

The Mines have two sons, Donald, a Southern Baptist missionary to Argentina, and Harold, a physician in Lakeland, and seven grandchildren.

Thomas R. Moore, Mayfield, will assume the pastorate of Grace Baptist Church, Pike Association, in August. Current pastor Robert Bozarth will retire July 31.

Lester Nash has resigned the pastorate of McKee Baptist Church, Irvine Association. He came to the church from Danville in February 1980.

John Pinson, pastor of Sutton Baptist Mission, Pike Association, has resigned.

D. Timothy Rutherford is new pastor at Graceway Baptist Mission, Owenton.

Rutherford has worked with his father in Michigan and worked in a church in the Cincinnati, Oh. area about two years.

He and his wife Carol have two daughters, Denise and Michelle.

Phil Singleton has begun as minister of youth at Decoursey Baptist Church, Northern Kentucky Association.

Singleton is a senior at Northern Kentucky University and president of the Northern Baptist Student Union.

Robbie Speer has resigned after two years as minister of recreation at Columbia Baptist Church, Russell Creek Association, to accept a church staff position at Daniel Memorial Baptist Church, Jackson, Miss.

A native of Hancock County in western Kentucky, Speer is a graduate of Campbellsville College and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Ft. Worth, Tex.

Berry Tackett resigned as pastor of Hellier Baptist Church, Pike Association, effective June 26.

Jerry Wright was called June 1 as minister of music and education at First Baptist Church, London.

Roger Barkley has accepted the pastorate of Dry Run Baptist Church, Elkhorn Association.

Barkley, 35, is a native of Scott County. He comes from a pastorate in Ticfaw, La. and has pastored churches in Argenta, Ill. and Denham Springs, La. He attended Boyce Bible School, Hannibal-LaGrange College and seminary extension classes.

He and his wife Bennie are parents of three sons: Roger Jr., Keith and Curtis.

congregations

East Hickman Baptist Church, Elkhorn Association, celebrated its 196th anniversary June 26.

Pastor Dick Wilkins preached the morning worship service. A fellowship dinner followed; then there was an afternoon "musical singspiration."

Liberty Baptist Church, Little Bethel Association, will celebrate its 200th anniversary July 24.

The celebration will begin at 9:45 a.m. There will be a fellowship meal at noon and an afternoon service highlighted by presentation of the church's history.

Copies of the history will be available, \$15 for hard covers and \$9 for soft bound.

Liberty Baptist is located three miles east of Madisonville on Highway 85.

Two members of First Baptist Church, Ludlow, Northern Kentucky Association, have established a scholarship fund with the Kentucky Baptist Foundation, naming Clear Creek Baptist School's general scholarship fund beneficiary. The scholarship was established in the name of the church to encourage others interested in Clear Creek to contribute to the fund.

Parkland Baptist Church, Louisville, celebrated its 97th anniversary a homecoming June 26. Former pastor Donald Zuberer preached the afternoon message and former minister of music

Jerry Douglas led music at the 2:30 p.m. service.

Florence Baptist Church, Northern Kentucky Association, commissioned three church members leaving the congregation to pursue special callings. Peggy Tucker, a registered nurse going to a two year special project mission term to Yemen; Sheila Munson, an elementary school teacher going to Nigeria as a volunteer missionary, and Dennis Hobbs, a computer programmer entering Southwestern Seminary, were commissioned.

Bracken Baptist Mission met the first time May 22. The mission is located in Bracken Association.

First Baptist Church, Windsor, Russell County Association, constituted May 15.

The church, formerly First Baptist Mission, sponsored by Sano Baptist Church, has 14 charter members.

H. E. Delk is pastor.

revivals

Corinth Baptist Church, London, reports 12 additions to the church resulting from a recent lay led revival. The church has reported additions by baptism for 10 consecutive weeks.

Ben A. Baird is pastor.

Liberty Baptist Church, London, reported eight professions of faith and several other decisions following a recent revival. Ben A. Baird, pastor of Corinth Baptist Church, London, was evangelist.

Thurman Taylor is pastor.

Northside Baptist Church, Mt. Vernon, reported 33 professions of faith, three additions by letter and 186 other decisions following a revival Apr. 24-30.

John Holloway, pastor of Fairlane Baptist Church, Alexandria, was evangelist.

John Justice is pastor at Northside. There have been 96 additions to the church since Justice began his pastorate last June 16.

Three professions of faith and 34 rededications were reported following a revival Apr. 28-May 1 at **Walnut Grove Baptist Church**, Bethel Association. Ronnie Sivells, Princeton, was evangelist. William E. Lynch is pastor.

Union Baptist Church, Northern Kentucky Association, reported 12 professions of faith, five transfers of membership, one commitment to full time Christian service and 18 rededications after a recent revival.

Charlie Flener, Jefferson County Police chaplain, was evangelist.

St. Matthews Baptist Church, Louisville, recently held revival services with Leonard Sanderson, Pineville, La. as evangelist and John Shillington, Shawnee, Okla., as music leader.

Eight professions of faith, eight additions by letter and one rededication were reported in the revival held Sunday through Wednesday.

Dycusburg Baptist Church reports three rededications resulting from a revival Apr. 18-24. Randall Rogers, pastor of Pleasant View Baptist Church, Clarksville, Tenn., was evangelist.

Bennie Chandler is pastor.

Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church, Owenton, reported seven professions of faith, four rededications and seven recommi-

ments by families after a recent revival. Attendance for the revival averaged more than 100.

Thomas Dail, pastor, was evangelist.

First Baptist Church, Jamestown, held a revival May 22-25. Doug Davis, pastor of Willisburg Baptist Church near Springfield, was evangelist. Nick Szymansky led music. C. E. Hansford is pastor.

ordinations

Nick Foster was ordained to ministry June 19 by Crescent Hill Baptist Church, Louisville. Foster is a full time evangelist based at Crescent Hill.

Roby Richardson and Ray Roberts were ordained deacons by White Mills Baptist Church, Severns Valley Association, May 29.

Stephen T. Deaver was ordained May 15 at Marrowbone Baptist Church, Pike Association. Deaver is pastor of the church.

John Weaver, associate pastor of First Baptist Church, Morehead, was ordained to the ministry at Morehead First May 1.

Mark Sorrels, pastor of Burks Branch Baptist Church, Shelbyville, was ordained to the ministry by his church May 1. Sorrels is a second year student at Boyce Bible School and a native of Shelbyville.

George Redding, Oneida Baptist Institute, preached the ordination sermon.

Larry Bennett and Attis Higgenbotham were ordained deacons by Clear Springs Baptist Church, Russell County Association, Apr. 17. Cleveland Johnson is pastor.

Frank LaMaster was scheduled to be ordained by Crescent Hill Baptist Church, Louisville, May 15.

R. Rex Sholar Jr. was ordained to the ministry by Latonia Baptist Church, Covington, during the morning worship service June 5.

Sholar, a graduate of the University of Kentucky and Southern Seminary, has been minister of youth and music at Latonia two years. He is married to the former Toni Wolfenbarger of Beattyville. The couple has one daughter, Erin Elizabeth, age 2.

Before joining the Latonia staff in 1981, Sholar served several Kentucky churches part time including Evergreen Baptist Church, Frankfort; First Baptist Church, Middletown; and Woodland Avenue Baptist Church, Lexington. He represents the second consecutive generation of Sholars to serve Kentucky Baptists through music ministry. His father, Ron Sholar, is currently minister of music at First Baptist Church, Hazard.

Steven G. Strohl was ordained to the ministry by Hillsdale Baptist Church, Long Run Association, June 5. He is reportedly the first minister ever ordained by the church which was constituted in 1956.

Strohl is minister of music and youth at the church and is a student at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. Seminary professor Phillip Landgrave preached the ordination sermon. Paul Clark, a student at Southern, was soloist. Pastor Pete Lumpkins led the prayer. Deacon Ray Skeeters presented the Bible and Roger Hodge, former

youth director, pronounced the benediction.

Edner Hardwick, Troy Hardwick and Gary Hicks were ordained deacons May 15 at Meadow Creek Baptist Church, Wayne County Association.

Khamsing Norady was ordained to the ministry May 28 at Red Hill Baptist Church, Severns Valley Association.

He has been pastoring a Laotian fellowship at Red Hill Church. He completed studies at Campbellsville College this spring and now leaves to pastor a Laotian congregation at Ft. Smith, Ark.

Coy Watson and Kelly Branscum were ordained deacons at Steubenville Baptist Church, Wayne County Association, May 15.

James Amburgey was ordained June 5 to the ministry by Immanuel Baptist Church, Northern Kentucky Association.

Ken Hale, minister of music and outreach at First Baptist Church, Lawrenceburg, was ordained to the ministry June 12. He will take over as pastor of Washington (Vt.) Baptist Church July 1.

Hale is a graduate of Georgetown College and Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. He has been at Lawrenceburg First nine years. Mr. and Mrs. Hale have two children.

missions

Mr. and Mrs. Billy D. Whittaker, missionaries to the Philippines, have arrived on the field to begin their first term of service (address: Box 99, Davao City, Philippines 9501). They are natives of Kentucky. He is from Bowling Green. The former Rebecca Howard, she was born in Owensboro and considers Bowling Green her hometown. They were appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1982.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard D. Clement, missionaries to Venezuela, have arrived in the States for furlough (address: 501 East Depot, Greenville, KY 42345). He is a native of Mortons Gap, Ky. The former Barbara Hargrave, she was born in Hawaii and lived in several states. They were appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1965, resigned in 1972

and reappointed in 1974.

Jack Sherman, a London, Ky. native who has been a vocational evangelist 13 years, is beginning a two year stint as a mission pastor in interior Alaska. (Address: P. O. Box 00511, Nenana, AK 99760.)

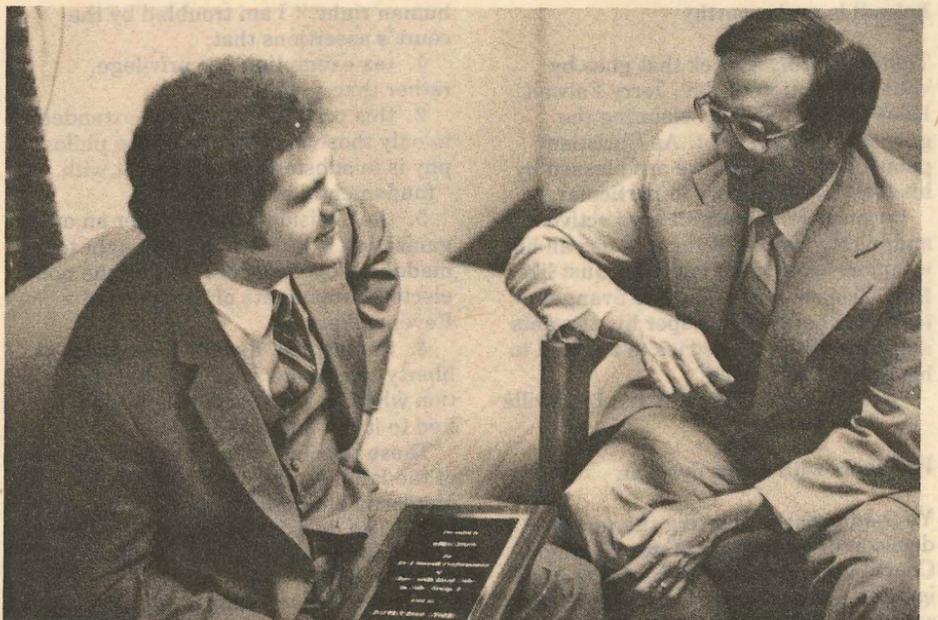
Howard and Maxine Teel, former Southern Baptist missionaries to Bangladesh, left Louisville May 20 for Port-au-Prince, Haiti, to join International Child Care and Grace Children's Hospital.

International Child Care is a non-profit health and development agency with a Christian commitment. Teel will be director and will be leading in the expansion of the work into a broader based primary health care, safe water, nutrition, family planning and development. The illiteracy rate in Haiti is 80 percent and 41 percent of the children die before the age of 15. Teel completed his PhD degree at the University of Louisville before leaving for Haiti. The new address will be Mr. and Mrs. J. Howard Teel, B.P. 1767, Port-au-Prince, Haiti, W.I.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry W. Wakefield, Baptist representatives to Mexico, have completed furlough and returned to the field (address: Apartado 148-C, Morelia, Nichoacan, 58280 Mexico). Born in Tennessee, he lived in several states while growing up, but considers Muldraugh, Ky., his hometown. She is the former Peggy Wright of Hodgenville, Ky. They were appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1978.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert L. Hardy Jr., missionaries to Chile, have returned to the field (address: Casilla 197, Antofagasta, Chile). They are natives of Kentucky. He is from Fulton, and she is the former Ruby Brown of Madisonville. They were appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1950, resigned in 1973 and reappointed in 1975.

Mr. and Mrs. Wiley B. Faw, Southern Baptist missionaries to Nigeria, will be on furlough beginning around the middle of July. They will live in the missionary residence provided by First Baptist Church, Lawrenceburg. They can be contacted through First Baptist Church, 113 N. Main St., Lawrenceburg, KY 40432, or through telephone directory assistance.



The Owensboro, Ky. Baptist Book Store was one of eight stores in a 65-store nationwide chain to receive awards based on 1982 performance. Manager Bryan Howard [l] receives award from Royce Dodd, manager of the stores' western region, for best overall performance among stores of comparable size having only local sales.

christian education

Campbellsville names admissions assistant

A new assistant director of admissions has been assigned to the western section of Kentucky for Campbellsville College.

Steve White, a graduate of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, will travel in the western part of the state meeting prospective students and talking with high school and church personnel about students. He will also be doing other admissions work there.

White will cover the counties of Allen, Ballard, Barren, Breckinridge, Bullitt, Butler, Caldwell, Calloway, Carlisle, Christian, Crittenden, Daviess, Edmonson, Fulton, Graves, Grayson, Hancock, Hardin,

Hart, Henderson, Hickman, Hopkins, Jefferson, LaRue, Livingston, Logan, Lyon, Marshall, McCracken, McLean, Meade, Monroe, Muhlenberg, Ohio, Simpson, Todd, Trigg, Union, Warren and Webster.

He will also cover the states of Indiana, Illinois, Kansas, Minnesota, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Washington, Wisconsin and Wyoming.

White began work June 6, replacing Brenda Simmons who was married in May. He will be working under Jim Coates, director of admissions.

White received the MDiv degree from the seminary in May. He graduated in 1980 from Campbellsville College with the BA degree.

White has served as associate director of Freedom Ministries in Louisville.

In 1980, White received the Campbellsville College Alumni Association Leadership Award and the Sociology Award from the College. He was named to "Outstanding Young Men of America" in 1980 and to "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges" in 1979.



White



Crowe

Kentuckian Crowe Southeastern grad

Larry Thomas Crowe of Owensboro was among the 197 graduates during recent commencement exercises at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Wake Forest, N. C. Crowe received the ThM degree.

Southeastern is one of six seminaries owned and operated by the Southern Baptist Convention.

Two Kentuckians earn degrees

Two Kentuckians report receiving degrees from seminaries recently.

John T. Simpson, pastor of Dry Ridge Baptist Church, Crittenden Association, received the DMin from Lexington Theological Seminary.

Stephen Fix was one of 32 graduates at Mid-America Baptist Theological Seminary, Memphis, Tenn. He received the MDiv degree.

Campbellsville classes of 40's planning reunions

The Campbellsville College classes of 1940 through 1944 are planning reunions.

No specific times or places have been designated, but if you belong to any of these classes and would like to have a reunion please contact one of the following persons:

1939-40: Reed Durham, Yosemite,

KY 42566, (606) 787-6806; Margaret Phillips McDonald, 200 Shreve Dr., Campbellsville, KY 42718, (502) 465-4600;

1940-41: Hollis J. Mitchell, 3115 Boudinot Ave., Cincinnati, OH 45211, (513) 661-8699; Lillian Bales Johnson, 500 Forest Ave., Campbellsville, KY 42718, (502) 465-4810; Rufus Godby, Rt. 1, Eubank, KY 42567, (606) 379-2779; A. G. Perry, 1815 Cantrell Dr., Lexington, KY 40505, (606) 299-4310; Caldwell Easley, Rt. 7 Box 217, Shelbyville, KY 40065, (606) 633-1519;

1941-42: Pauline Bradley Mitchell, 3115 Boudinot Ave., Cincinnati, OH 45211, (513) 661-8699; Roberta Hale Shely, 407 Lakeview Dr., Campbellsville, KY 42718, (502) 465-8643; Becky Long Sims, 322 N. Fourth St., Danville, KY 40422, (606) 236-5476;

1942-43: Forest Shely, 407 Lakeview Dr., Campbellsville, KY 42718, (502) 465-8643.

Cumberland BSU exceeds year's mission goal

Cumberland College's Baptist Student Union raised more than \$26,500 for student missions during the recently completed school year. Efforts exceeded an ambitious goal of \$20,000 announced prior to the fundraising by the BSU. Joined by marked increases in personnel involved in mission projects and success in new mission endeavors, the fundraising effort topped off a year of student missions the BSU labels unbelievable.

Cumberland sent out 44 student summer missionaries this year and raised \$8009 for student summer missions. Some of the missionaries are serving in camps, including Cumberland's Love-In-Action, a ministry to area children, for which an additional \$6705 was raised.

The students raised \$7760 for Cumberland's Mountain Outreach program. Begun two years ago to help poverty level people in communities surround-

ing Williamsburg, students help out by cutting firewood, repainting homes and insulating. This year students began a project to build eight homes with help from church mission groups from the Home Mission Board, Baptist Men's groups and the KBC Direct Missions Department. During the past year the Mountain Outreach crew saw a 77-year-old man who had been hostile to any witness accept Christ.

Local mission efforts were diversified with the formation of two new groups on campus. The BSU organized Bread for the World to raise consciousness of world hunger and to raise money for the Foreign Mission Board's Manna project. Campbellsville donated \$559 to world hunger relief. Peacemakers grew out of a concern for the poor as one student questioned the reasons for poverty. The group has grown to inform other of the biblical call to peacemaking.

In addition the BSU continued to be active in revival teams, drama, puppet teams, choir and ministry to elderly. The rest of the money raised went for a BSU intern (\$2480), spring break missions (\$750) and the BSU retreat (\$250).

Honor students named at Clear Creek School

Leon D. Simpson, president of Clear Creek Baptist School, recently announced the academic honors list for spring semester 1983.

To be eligible for this honor, a student must carry a minimum of 12 hours and maintain an academic standing of 3.33 on a 4.0 system.

Honor students from Kentucky are: Wendell Carmack, Booneville; Lynn Dotson, London; Pam Dotson, London; Gary Green, Middlesboro; Randy Melton, Middlesboro; John McPheron, Mt. Vernon; Teresa Ramsey, Berea; Sharon Robinson, Harrodsburg; Sherl Thomas, Irvine; Lewis Walter, Stanford; Patsy Walter, Stanford; Debbie Williams, Sebree; and James Williams, Ashland.

baptist forum

Falwell is praiseworthy

There is hardly a week that goes by without mention of Rev. Jerry Falwell. He is very actively proclaiming the gospel of Jesus Christ. As Christian people and Baptists, we are blessed by his television ministry in particular.

Because Jerry Falwell is so active and highly visible, Satan will use all his weapons against his ministry. Just like Billy Graham and other fine evangelicals, the Lord will prosper his servants and cause their ministries to succeed to his glory. Praise God!

Richard C. Porter Jr., Louisville

Problems with Jones decision

Your editorial supporting the recent decision of the United States Supreme Court in the Bob Jones University case ignores several important points. The court's ruling has broad ramifications which extend far beyond the immediate issue of interracial dating.

Disregarding your assertion that attendance at Bob Jones University (or any other private institution) is a "basic

human right," I am troubled by the court's assertions that:

1. tax exemption is a privilege, rather than a right;
2. this privilege should be extended to only those institutions whose philosophy is in substantial agreement with "fundamental public policy";
3. the decision as to whether an organization is thus compliant ought to be made, not by Congress, but by the non-elected bureaucrats of the Internal Revenue Service;
4. the Internal Revenue Service is at liberty to assume any regulatory function which is not specifically prohibited to it by Congress.

These policies, which are now the law of the land, are likely to result in increased entanglement of church with state. The decision should be deeply disturbing to all those who value religious liberty.

William Lloyd Turner
Springfield, Ky.

Worth quoting

There is something in the book, *The*

Churches of The New Testament by George W. McDaniel, a book that I have taught in three or four New Testament churches that I think is noteworthy in these times:

"The night I was ordained to the gospel ministry in the First Baptist Church of Waco, Tex., September 1899, the Presbytery consisted of B. H. Carroll, A. W. McGaha, J. G. Kendall and other brethren asked what seemed to me to be every possible question on doctrine, faith, and practice. When the ordination was over and the congregation dismissed, Professor Schauss, director of music in Baylor University, who had known me through my college course from 94-98, waited an opportunity to speak to me privately. He was a cordial soul, highly educated in the arts and sciences, a devout believer and a friend of all the students. He had breathed, without contamination, the atmosphere of the universities of his native land. A hearty handshake and a 'God bless you in your life work' from him abide with me now. Also a remark he made has recurred a thousand times. It was this: 'George, had I been a member of the Presbytery there is

one question I should have liked to have asked.'

'Why, Professor, I thought Dr. Carroll asked every question he could think of and that surely was enough for one night. What is your question?'

'Said he, 'my question is this: Should you find yourself out of harmony with the doctrines to which you have subscribed tonight, and in the confidence of which this church ordains you, what are you going to do? Are you going to have the honor, manhood and character to surrender your credentials, as a Baptist minister, to the denomination whose views you no longer represent?'

'One has no moral right to undo what he is expected to do; to pull down what he is ordained or elected to build up. . . . It is not honest to accept the financial support of a church or a denomination and undermine the faith you are appointed to uphold. It is like getting money 'under false pretenses,' an indictable offense under the law of the land. It is fraudulent. It is the heresy of Simon Magus from the motive of Balaam.'

Better said than I could have said it!
Lee A. Gore, Ashland, Ky.



sunday school lessons

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LESSONS FOR JULY 3, 1983

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Jephthah, the ninth judge of the Israelites, was handicapped by being the son of a father who was unfaithful to his marriage vows and of a mother who was a harlot. Because he was illegitimate he was driven from home and from his people. Nobody believed in him and everybody expected him to go wrong. But Jephthah refused to allow his handicap, for which he was not responsible, to keep him down. He became a judge and served in that capacity six years.

Judges 11:7 When the legitimate sons of Gilead became men they forced Jephthah out of the home because they did not want him to acquire a share of their father's estate. In Tob he led a group of guerrillas in acquiring the necessities of life by raiding the residents in the area and for his success in this realm he acquired quite a reputation. Aware of the enormity of their current problems his half-brothers turned to Jephthah for help, much to his surprise.

Judges 11:8 The elders of Gilead visited Jephthah to request his aid in their dire need, hoping he might overlook or forgive the treatment he had received at their hands. They asked him to become their leader in their conflict with the Ammonites. Shocked by their audacity, in view of their mistreatment of him, he asked some questions related to their request.

Judges 11:9 To avoid any misunder-

standing, Jephthah let the elders know that should he grant their request and come to their aid it would be on the condition that should he win the victory over the Ammonites he would require the position of permanent leadership among them.

Judges 11:10 The elders responded by agreeing to the terms stipulated by Jephthah, "a mighty man of valor," and then confirmed their promise with an oath: "The Lord be witness between us, if we do not so according to thy words."

Judges 11:29 Empowered by the Spirit of God, Jephthah enlisted the forces of the Gileadites and started on the march to a confrontation with the Ammonites, fully intending to win a great victory.

Judges 11:30-31 As they marched toward the Ammonites Jephthah prayed God would enable them to win a great victory. In his effort to get God's support and defeat the Ammonites, he decided to pledge to God something he considered of great value. In seeking to bargain with God, Jephthah made the rash promise he would offer as a burnt offering whatever came out to welcome him upon his return home.

Judges 11:32-33 Through divine enablement Jephthah and his forces won a great victory over the Ammonites and took 20 of their cities and slaughtered many of their inhabitants.

Judges 11:34-35 Excited and happy over the victory Jephthah approached his home for a celebration. When his daughter was the first one to come out to meet him, his joy turned to sorrow because of the rash vow he had made.

Life and Work Series WHO AM I?

Genesis 1:26-28 All anyone knows about the origin of man is what we are told in the Bible. Man's creation was the result of God's sovereign decision (v. 26) to fulfill God's particular purpose (v. 26) and by God's direct and immediate act (v. 27). God purposed that man should have dominion over "ever living thing" upon the earth.

Made in the image of God, man had some duties to perform. Among them was the task of replenishing the earth. Man was to be the agent through which God would continue to populate this earth, but selfishness has prevented man from complying with the divine will in numerous cases. Moreover, man was to "have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl, and over every living thing that moveth upon the

earth."

Psalm 8:3-8 Surveying the outspread canopy of the heavens in the stillness of the night, the psalmist was overwhelmed with all the beauty and grandeur of the vast expanse with its starry glories. By their splendor and stability the heavens manifested the glory of God in an impressive manner. One wonders how anybody can remain an unbeliever when he reverently scans the heavens and sees the marvelous work of God. God's revelation of himself should inspire awe and reverence in all of those who behold it.

With all the glories of these heavenly manifestations before him, the psalmist turned his thoughts to frail and apparently insignificant man. He marveled that God should consider man at all, and even more that he should make man the crowning manifestation of his glory.



on mission together

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SBC-1983: SOME REFLECTIONS

Anyone who attended the Southern Baptist Convention should have an opinion about it. And the opinions would be almost as diverse as the messengers who gathered. Likely by now thousands of Kentucky Baptists have heard reports and impressions from pastors and lay persons who represented them as messengers. I offer these reflections in the same spirit—a report to those who made possible my journey to Pittsburgh.

First, president Draper's handling of his strategic function deserves strong commendation. Any criticism of his performance would be muted by the affirmation he earned from the vast majority of the messengers.

Second, the resolutions committee did their work so well that the occasions for messenger discussions were informative and generally constructive. Anyone with even a half-open mind had the opportunity to experience our diversity in verbalized form and go away a little more aware of the "why" of that diversity.

Third, the decision to refer to a special committee the matter of "seating Canadian Southern Baptists" perhaps most singularly depicts the tenor of the

convention—the proponents of the proposal to seat them ultimately spoke for the referral. The volatile nature of the issue became so clear that to press for the vote would have produced no real winners. This kind of spirit and wisdom prevailed throughout.

Fourth, both home and foreign missions nights were well attended, well done and well received. More important, each retained and exercised that prophetic role which will not yield to lesser priorities. Both agencies reaffirmed the biblical priority of getting on with our mission with God in the world today—that all persons everywhere may experience Christ.

Finally, if any messengers came to the convention in Pittsburgh to start a fight they either changed their minds, moderated their positions, or fell in one of the many holes in the Pittsburgh streets. In any event, I left Pittsburgh feeling that even if the "sore" has not yet been fully healed, the majority wants to give it a chance to do so and will probably not long tolerate those who might be tempted to pick at the scab.

Thanks, Kentucky Baptists, for providing the means for my attending my first Southern Baptist Convention as your executive secretary.

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WHERE THERE IS A WILL

The phrase, "Where there is a will, there is a way," is often used to encourage determination to complete an important job. We have seen the seemingly impossible accomplished because a person was determined and committed to a goal.

Such could be said of those determined Baptists in the 1860's who saw the need for child care and determined to find a way to bring it to pass. Facing many obstacles, they kept on until Baptists began a children's home in 1869. That home has not closed its doors for 114 years, and Baptists have added a second home (Glen Dale) and other types of ministry to children.

George G. Gorman had a will. Born in Madison County, Ky., Sept. 25, 1897, George was placed in the Louisville Baptist Orphans' Home, now Spring Meadows, on Dec. 21, 1899. We are not sure just how long George lived with us, but evidently he was adopted.

Some 20 years ago George Gorman wrote to Spring Meadows reestablishing contact. Although he lived in California, he continued an interest in our

work. Later he sent us a copy of his Last Will and Testament in which he bequeathed all of his property to the Kentucky Baptist Homes for Children.

Recently, George G. Gorman's attorney wrote to inform us that Mr. Gorman had died and the estate would be settled with the proceeds after debts coming to us. As it turns out, the estate was not large. It appears that Baptist Homes for Children will receive about \$8000 from the estate. However, the important thing is not the amount of money but the fact that George Gorman remembered us in his will.

After 84 years, George Gorman, in appreciation for what was done for him, and for what we continue to do to help children, left us all he had. Eighty-four years ago Baptists "cast their bread upon the waters" that it might bless a baby's life. Eighty-four years later that bread returned to us, and we will use it to minister to other hurting, dependent children.

Where there is a will remembering this work, our ministry will be strengthened. Do you have a will? If not, the State of Kentucky has one written for you—and it will not mention us.



clear creek comments

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THE BURDEN OF INDEPENDENCE

Independence Day is upon us and I am thinking about more than fine works. I am impressed with the idea that independence brings with it a responsibility, even a weight or burden.

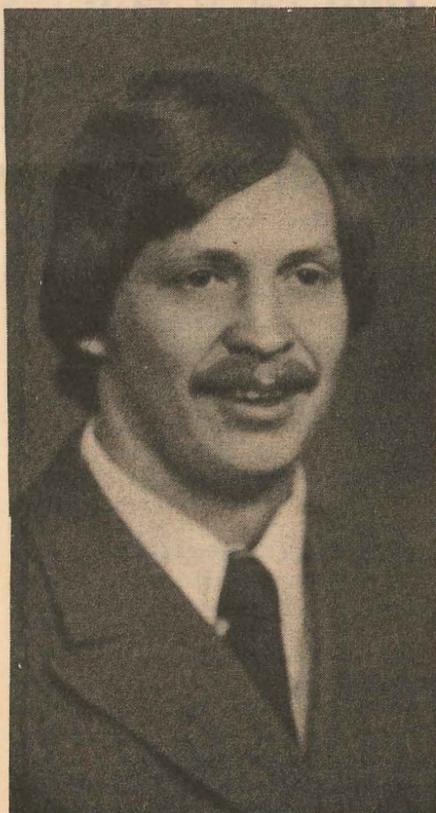
Perhaps my thinking has taken this turn because I have a teenager who sometimes wishes to be independent. I fear that he sees only the "opportunity" side of independence—"If I were my own man, I would . . ."—but fails to see the "consequences" side of independence—"I am responsible for what I do as an independent person."

Edward Gibbon states that the greatest of all earthly blessings is independence, and the gospel of Christ does make us free. I have been individually saved by a great independent savior. Paul speaks to this independence in Gal. 6:4-5: "Let every man prove his own work . . . For every man shall bear his own burden."

But in these same verses we find six separate exhortations for these independent Christians of Galatia to practice love and cooperation in their relationships to one another.

Our colonial forefathers did not wish just to be free—but free to worship and serve God and to accomplish good in the world. And that's what we are about at Clear Creek. We choose to cooperate because we believe that God is glorified and more good is accomplished when we recognize that "we are laborers together with God." Remember, if the 13 colonies had not learned to work together, the American Revolution would not have succeeded. This is the burden of independence!

America's gospel
Our country hath a gospel of her own
To preach and practice before all the world.



Roger McCurry, minister of recreation at Severns Valley Baptist Church, Elizabethtown, discusses volunteer coaches during church recreation week at Ridgecrest, N. C.

Dependability, desire, training important qualities for coaches, minister of recreation shares

Dependability is the most important quality in a volunteer coach, said Roger McCurry during church recreation week at Ridgecrest, N. C.

"A person must be willing to take the responsibility of being a Christian coach, active in all phases of the church and really want to coach," explained McCurry, minister of recreation at Severns Valley Baptist Church, Elizabethtown, Ky.

Training is another important aspect of enlisting coaches. "We don't put a teacher in a Sunday school class without training but we will let them be a coach," said McCurry.

"I believe in training coaches. I even prepare a manual for them," he said. "Give me someone who is dependable,

eager and wants to learn and I can teach them how to coach."

According to McCurry team sports provide church members with an opportunity to refresh and renew themselves through activity. They should also be used to undergird the other functions of the church. Also, sports should provide an opportunity for someone new to be involved in the church.

"Sports offer a big opportunity for teaching," said McCurry. "You can talk about temper in Sunday school, but you can really teach on the field when one of the players loses his temper."

Competition is always a factor when two teams get together but should not be the overarching concern, according to McCurry.

"Competition can be a good positive experience if it is used to teach appreciation for other people's abilities that bring out the best in a situation," he said. "There is more to competition than winning."

Participation is the key in church sports, McCurry explained. "People come out to play because they want to participate, not just because they want to win."

The volunteer coach is able to witness by his example and lifestyle and should be willing to share Jesus Christ with the players. "Once the coach develops relationships he can minister to the players' needs and lead individuals to see their self worth," McCurry said.

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JUNE

Conference and Camp Dates:
June 25 through July 1—
Ridgecrest: Foreign Missions;
Glorieta: Sunday School
June 27 through July 1—

Cedarmore:
Acteens & GA's, Grades 4-12;
RA's, Grades 4-12
Youth Week
Jonathan Creek: GA/Acteen Camp

JULY

3 Christian Citizenship Sunday
10 Christian Literature Day
29 Kentucky Baptist Historical Society
and Kentucky Baptist Historical Commission,
Williamsburg, First Baptist Church
Conference and Camp Dates:
2-8 Church Training Leadership/
Youth at Ridgecrest; WMU Leadership
at Glorieta
9-15 Sunday School at Ridgecrest;
Home Missions at Glorieta
16-22 Sunday School at Ridgecrest;
Church Music at Glorieta
23-29 Sunday School at Ridgecrest;
Bible/Preaching/Church Media Library
at Glorieta

CEDARMORE

4-8 Grades 4-12 for Acteens, GA's
and RA's; and Youth Week #4
8-9 Overnight for Mother/Daughter;
Overnight for Father/Son, Grades 1-3
11-15 Grades 4-12 for Acteens, GA's
and RA's; Children's Music Camp
15-16 Overnight for Mother/Daughter,
Overnight for Father/Son, Grades
1-3
18-22 Grades 4-12 for Acteens, GA's
and RA's; and Youth Music Assembly
Week
25-28 Grades 4-12 for Acteens, GA's
and RA's; and Children's Music Camp
JONATHAN CREEK
4-8 GA's and Acteens
11-15 GA's and Acteens

"Welcome to the Promised Land," proclaims the sign at the entrance to the day camp at Ridgcrest Baptist Conference Center.

The Promised Land is Canaan and day camp participants are studying about the journey of the Israelites from Egypt into Canaan. All crafts, nature and Bible activities center around the Promised Land theme.

[right] Blake Cothran from Nashville, Tenn. gives a questioning look to his counselor. [bottom] Each day starts with pledges to the American and Christian flags and the Bible. [below] Friends are easily made during day camp as the children help each other on their journey to the Promised Land. [far right] Emily Mitchell from Hopkinsville, Ky., and Mindy White from West Point, Miss., wear their Israelite head-dress as they say the pledge to the American flag. [Photos by David Haywood]

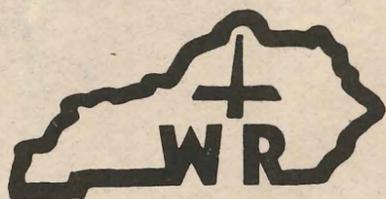


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