

Putting students to work at Christmas

Middle Tennessee State University senior Mark Walsh tells a Bible story during a Backyard Bible Club sponsored by the Baptist Student Union at married student housing on campus. "My Mission On Campus" is this year's theme for Student Day at Christmas. Churches are encouraged to spotlight their college students while they are home during the holidays.

Whaley retires from KBC staff to be field coordinator in Kenya

by James H. Cox, Associate Editor

James and Wilma Whaley of Middletown, Ky. have been approved by the Foreign Mission Board for "a support relationship" in Kentucky Baptists' partnership with Kenya.

Whaley, 65, will retire in January as executive associate in the Kentucky Baptist Convention's executive office.

Whaley officially submitted his retirement to the executive board of the Kentucky Baptist Convention meeting this week in Louisville.

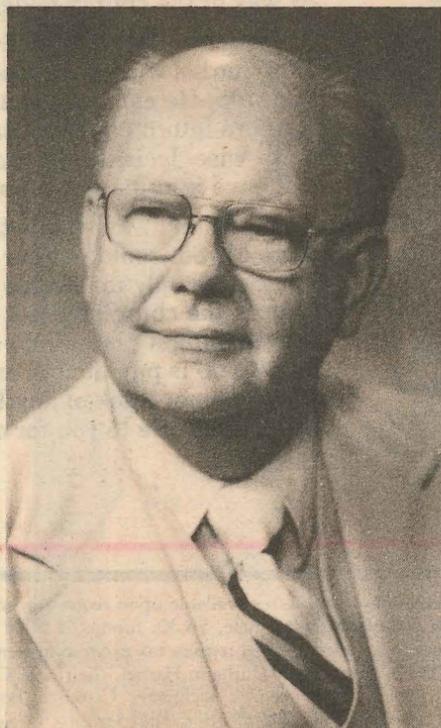
The Whaleys will participate in a week-long orientation session at the Foreign Mission Board in Virginia shortly after Thanksgiving. They plan to depart Louisville for Nairobi, Kenya

Jan. 19.

Whaley's tentative retirement plans, pending the outcome of application processing by the Foreign Mission Board, had been announced at the May 1984 meeting of the KBC executive board.

The Whaleys will be project coordinator-host and hostess to hundreds of Kentucky Baptists expected to fill volunteer roles during the three-year partnership arrangement which officially begins Jan. 1.

Whaley has been a KBC staffer more than 31 years, having been director of the Training Union (now Church Training) Department most of those years, and later as assistant to the executive secretary-treasurer.



Whaley

Loyalists support SBC agencies with Kentucky originated paper

by Jack D. Sanford, Editor

Declaring they "think Cooperative Program-supporting Southern Baptists need more information about what is happening," a group, mostly Kentuckians, has published *The Call: Dallas '85*. The paper is a declared moderate voice in the current controversy raging among Southern Baptists.

Supporters of the new publication voice opposition to "domination of a political machine that organizes a bloc of voters for the convention; puts people in charge who are attending their first convention and have never served on an associational committee; elects a president whose church barely supports the Cooperative Program; and passes resolutions without giving the floor an opportunity to discuss their substance or amend their contents."

Published by "Friends of SBC Cooperative Ministries Inc." of Lexington, the \$3000-\$4000 needed to publish and mail the first issue was paid "by a group—most of them pastors—who care enough about the future of the SBC that they are willing to support this first issue," so declared Larry Dipboye, editor of *The Call: Dallas '85* and pastor of Buechel Park Baptist Church, Louisville.

Managing editor is Gregory L. Hancock, pastor of Latonia Baptist Church, Covington. Featured editorial writer is C. R. Daley, retired editor of *Western*

Louisville churches rally against Sunday racing

by Patrick Cole, Staff Writer

A group of Louisville churches participated in a rally Sunday, Nov. 6 to voice their opposition to Sunday racing at Churchill Downs. Several hundred churchgoers gathered two blocks from Churchill Downs in the parking lot of Ninth and O Baptist Church.

Larchmont Church of God pastor Ernie Gross, who presided at the rally, said Sunday racing is "not in the best interest" of the neighborhood. He cited traffic congestion, parking and track patrons' "unruly behavior" as reasons why racing should be banned on Sundays.

Bill Merritt, pastor of Victory Memorial Baptist Church, maintains the churches' protest is an "appeal to decency and order." Church leaders have vowed to be heard at a Dec. 18 meeting of the Kentucky State Racing Commission.

The commission approved Sunday racing on a trial basis several weeks ago. At the December meeting the commission will evaluate the status of Sunday racing.

Rich Hutchins, pastor of Southside Baptist Church, told the crowd, "We'll let them know we're not going to stand still without our voices being heard."

The churches have been joined in their protest by the Beechmont Neighborhood Association. Bobbi Jo Weber, president of the association, read a letter of protest sent to racing and government officials.

Other pastors who spoke at the rally were Farrell Gardner, Carlisle Avenue Baptist; Eugene Enlow, Beechmont Baptist; and Ron McCormick, Southside Church of the Nazarene.

Recorder.

In the Nov. 9 issue of the Louisville Courier-Journal Dipboye stated "about 35,000 copies of the first issue were printed and sent this week to nearly every Southern Baptist pastor in the United States. From three to five issues are to be published by June." He went on to say "we would be delighted to be out of business by reason of establishing a fair convention forum."

The first issue contained articles by Daley; Hancock; Roy Honeycutt, president of Southern Seminary, Louisville; Lewis E. Lee, director of missions, El Paso, Tex.; T. B. Maston, emeritus professor of ethics at Southwestern Seminary; and R. Keith Parks, president of the SBC Foreign Mission Board.

Great things he hath done at Bethlehem's revival

by Jack D. Sanford, Editor

Ralph Hodge, pastor of Bethlehem Baptist Church, Louisville, reports a great outpouring of the Holy Spirit week before last during revival services at the church. According to Hodge the revival effort produced 58 professions of faith, 15 additions to the church by letter and 143 rededications.

Henry Linginfelter and Dick Barrett were evangelist and song leader for the meeting. "They were solid and well received," declared Hodge.

Preparations for the meeting included a "Block Buster" program which selected specific areas of the local community for special visitation. Deacons were assigned these blocks and they went door to door, inviting people to attend the services. According to Hodge, many doors of witnessing were opened through this program.

Target groups, such as single parents and alcoholics, were made objects of prayer and special visitation during the week.

All Sunday school workers agreed last August to spend 11 weeks with the popular "Survival Kit." The workers used the kit every day and spent part of every day in prayer for the Sunday school and the revival.

In 1983 Bethlehem gave about \$18,000 through the Cooperative Program while they invested about \$70,000 in local mission programs of various kinds. Two nights after the close of the revival the finance committee met and decided Bethlehem should increase the Cooperative Program giving to \$31,000 and set a goal of double that (\$60,000) for the following year.

Hodge has been pastor at Bethlehem 12 years and he vows this is the best revival during his tenure. "This was a solid revival," he exclaimed, "with most of the decisions made by teenagers and adults. The church has been truly revived in every aspect."

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sanford's perspective

President Stanley

Millions of people around the world who watch Southern Baptist Convention president Charles Stanley on television know how persuasive and articulate he can be. When you are with him in face to face conversation, you know these millions are right, and you also know that here is a man of deep emotional power who has a gracious manner of trusting openness. At least that is the impression I have of Stanley after a meeting with him in Nashville a few weeks ago.

In a luncheon meeting with the state Baptist paper editors Stanley said he has been trying to discover what is going on in Southern Baptist life since his election as president. To acquaint himself with the work of the SBC he has visited agencies and institutions for a first hand look at our work. He said he has learned much, some of which surprised him. He was surprised at the strong emphasis on evangelism he discovered in meeting with Foreign Mission Board personnel. He has praised the people who work in our institutions and was impressed at the businesslike way the work is done. When speaking of the seminaries, Stanley remarked that some things being said are not true. "There is so much (accusation and charges) flying in the wind, I'm not sure anyone knows what the truth is," he stated. He is positive there has been a lot of "misunderstanding of motivation" and "misunderstanding of methods" on both sides of the current SBC controversy.

Stanley said he felt his election as president was the will of God. He said the only reason he is president is "not out of choice, not by a coalition, but because I could not live with myself if I had not said, 'God if you want me to be president of the Southern Baptist Convention you'll have to arrange it.' . . ." He went on to say, "I'm sure a lot of inerrantists voted for me, but they are not the only ones who voted for me. I'm not committed to anybody, as best I know, but God. I want to be obedient to him." The editors were willing to accept Stanley's version of his election and asked no hard questions about the late night, early morning hotel room prayer meeting just before his election.

He openly confessed that he has a lot to learn about the SBC. He spoke frankly when he said he can understand why some people would think him a "disloyal" Southern Baptist. But he declared he would be nothing other than a Southern Baptist, and is now a Southern Baptist by deliberate choice. In his younger years he was associated with the Pentecostal-Holiness church. "I made a choice to be a Southern Baptist. I was not born one. None of my family was one."

Stanley said he must now rethink the mission program of the church where he is pastor, First Baptist Church, Atlanta. The church gives 2.1 percent through the Cooperative Program, but has a mission goal of \$345,000 to support the 78 missionaries under the care of the Atlanta church. He has stated he would challenge his congregation to raise Cooperative Program giving to at least five percent.

Bob Terry, editor of Word and Way, state paper of the

Missouri Baptist Convention, has written, "For those who feared the new president would be unsympathetic with the ministries Southern Baptists do together, Stanley's words are comforting. To those who supported his candidacy, the comments confirm their confidence in the man." There is no question Stanley is a gifted, capable man who has the capacity to be a healing minister among us. The only question in my mind is his commitment to cooperative ministries carried out in our agencies and seminaries. I did not vote for him in Kansas City because I did not believe he was qualified to be president because of his lack of participation in Southern Baptist life.

I do not know if I will vote for him in Dallas, but Charles Stanley deserves our prayers as he tries to find his way among our people. Our prayer must be that we have chosen a man who will be able to lead us to bold mission on every front God has laid before us, all the way from our witness in third world countries to our struggle with congress and the government for church-state separation.

We need a strong, spiritually alert man who can help strengthen our schools, expand our world mission effort and lead us to reach the goals of Bold Mission Thrust. My prayer is that Charles Stanley has the gift of the Spirit to bring us together for the glory of God and lead us out of the struggles which now take so much of our energy. If he is God's man for this hour, and I fervently pray he is, then we are in for a better day. May God give Stanley the vision and the spirit necessary to hasten that day.

Welcome Shepherdsville

First Baptist Church, Shepherdsville, has taken what we believe is a wise step by joining the Western Recorder family of weekly subscribers.

It put Western Recorder in the church budget and will send the paper to 345 families each week through the inexpensive church budget plan. We are excited about this move by the Shepherdsville congregation since this is the first church to join us for several months by way of the church budget plan.

We salute Stephen McSwain, pastor at Shepherdsville, for his wisdom in leading his congregation to take this step. He can now be assured his church family will be more informed about Baptist life and better able to make wise decisions for God's glory since all the people will have information supplied by Western Recorder.

Would that McSwain's tribe would increase and that more of you would put our paper in your church budget. The cost is only nine cents a week, \$4.50 per family per year on the church budget plan. When you use the church budget plan we do all the mailing, so all you have to do is pay the bill and read the paper. Try as I will, I cannot think of anything as valuable as the state paper available to you for only nine cents per family per week.



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baptist forum

Defying the experts

I have long been a reader of Western Recorder and pray our Lord and savior will allow this form of journalism to continue for many years to come.

Over the years there have been two occasions when I could not remain silent about issues that were either addressed in the editorials or the paper's Forum. Many of the comments and articles in recent weeks once again require that I as a pastor called to be an under shepherd of the greatest shepherd, Jesus Christ, write to express my views.

I believe the church body has allowed itself to become contaminated with the world's beliefs and runs the risk of God's chastisement upon it. We have come to a point in time where we are considered to be good Christians if we are open minded and are willing to conform to the world's standards, but the same liberal minds that tell us to be open and allow everyone to believe what they will refuse to allow those of us who still believe the word of God to express our opinions. The same ones who state they believe in being broad minded become very closed minded when anyone disagrees with what they believe. If I am not mistaken that conforms to the definition I find our savior used when he was so critical of the religious leaders of the day calling them hypocrites and white washed tombs.

Some examples of this type thinking come to mind when we read in Western Recorder that "experts in the fields of biblical study, church history, psychology and sociology chided religious teaching that subjugation of women in church and society is valid." Who determined these persons to be "experts." If we read the writings of the "experts" of 50 years ago or accept as "experts" just those who have devoted their entire life to the study of God's holy word such as catholicism does, we find there are just as many "experts" in each of these fields who state the scriptures do in fact teach from the first reference in Gen. 3:16 through the close of the book of Revelation that womankind is to serve in a position of subjection to the male. What does all this mean?

I believe it points out one undeniable fact and that is when it comes to the word of God and our understanding of that word there are no "experts," rather only theories put down by man for man, for every man and woman who has experienced a new birth in Christ Jesus is "... a holy priesthood ..." (1 Pet. 2:5) and as such has the capability of having the scriptures defined and clarified by the only real "expert" who is Christ Jesus.

Thank you for the opportunity to express my belief and opinions.

William R. Woods, Berea

Professor backs Honeycutt

I hope that thoughtful and committed Christians will respond to W. A. Criswell's ill-advised remark calling for Roy Lee Honeycutt's resignation. According to Criswell, it is O.K. for a group of power seekers to undermine our denomination, using all means of subversive tactics, but Honeycutt is supposed "not to criticize the people who pay his salary."

As a long time financial supporter of our denomination I resent Criswell's implication that "they" pay Honeycutt's salary. I too help pay it, along with thousands of others who support

him and agree with him. Please be advised that Criswell does not speak for me or my home church. Thank God Honeycutt has spoken out. Maybe all of us should.

D. Dixon Sutherland
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Let them fire me

Why are so many pastors being fired these days? Why are so many other resigning under pressure? And doesn't this amount to about the same thing?

Could much of the dissatisfaction with pastors be because congregations want a man to come in and immediately cause an increase in the income, a numerical growth and solve all problems while the congregation does little or nothing? If so, it just won't work.

I have been a pastor for 32 years and each church I served grew financially, numerically and I hope spiritually while I was pastor. However, I am serving a church now that is not growing and, for the first time in my ministry, some of the members have asked me to resign.

Inasmuch as the record shows that some of the people in this church have wanted every pastor for more than 25 years to leave after a short stay, I believe my observation stated in paragraph two is partly correct.

I have attempted about everything to help the church: singings, special meetings, youth activities (many at my expense), and nothing has worked. My worst empathema has been when a visitation program was planned and nobody came and somebody said the pastor was not doing anything. I am grateful for the few who helped with visitation but almost always nobody

helps.

Right now I am suffering with a good case of aporia. These people who are wanting me to resign are insisting that I do so without any emolument. I am not avaricious and I'm not a pugilist but so far I have not resigned.

I have always thought that if just a few people in a congregation wanted me to leave I would immediately do so, my reason being I would never want to hurt a church. However, now that it has happened I feel differently. I asked for reasons and was told that I was not denominationally oriented and that my wife was absent from church too much. My wife is under a doctor's care and does miss occasionally. However, I have served on the executive board of the Kentucky Baptist Convention, have been moderator of two associations, have served on about every committee that an association can have, always promote and give to all of our missions causes and so I think both of these charges are false. Surely there must be another reason.

No, I have not resigned. Let them get enough together to fire me. Or maybe our wonderful Lord will cause another church to take me off their hands. Am I wrong?

Editor's note: Name withheld by request to avoid embarrassment for the church concerned.

Sunday school literature needed

Regarding the question of what to do with old Sunday school literature, our church sends old literature to a church in Silver Creek, N. Y. I'm sure there are other churches or missions that can't afford literature that would be glad to have it.

Vernon Carpenter, Frankfort



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campbellsville college today

Missions and education

One of the essential threads in the fabric of Baptist life is missions. Last month I was privileged to experience anew the cutting edge of our mission work in Africa.

In Zimbabwe, Campbellsville alumni Reva and Gene Milby carry on an absolutely amazing ministry through the Bible Way Correspondence School. I was thrilled at what God is doing with these two, with help from only three nationals who have been trained to do some of the routine tasks. Over 20,000 are enrolled. Last year there were 561 professions of faith reported from this home Bible study program alone.

Another significant thread in our Baptist fabric is education. As I returned to the Campbellsville campus, I took stock of the interrelated factors involved in the Milby's being in Africa to share Jesus. How grateful I am that this Baptist college is here to help pre-

pare dedicated volunteers like Reva and Gene.

It's still happening! From year to year we vary some, but between one-fourth and one-third of our students are preparing for some phase of missions or other church-related vocation. Many students continue their preparation at seminary level. We are a small college but, at last report, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary indicated that only 10 colleges and universities provided them with more students than Campbellsville. That's outstanding.

If either thread is missing or weak, the fabric will be less than it should be. For us to share Jesus with the world, many more of us must respond to the call to be "on mission with God," as Bill Marshall puts it. We must also keep Campbellsville and our other Baptist colleges strong to provide these volunteers the best in Christian education.

Thanks for your gifts and your prayers. We need them both. I am trusting God for \$300,000 in gifts for scholarships and work assistance this year. What dividends these investments are bearing in the lives of missionaries like Gene and Reva Milby!



Leon Simpson
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clear creek comment

Done for his glory

In Col. 3:17 Paul states, "Whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the father by him."

Our report to Kentucky Baptists this year concerns what we have done for Christ at Clear Creek Baptist School during the 1983-84 school year. We gladly give an accounting of our stewardship for the Lord and thank Kentucky Baptists for their faithful support during this past year.

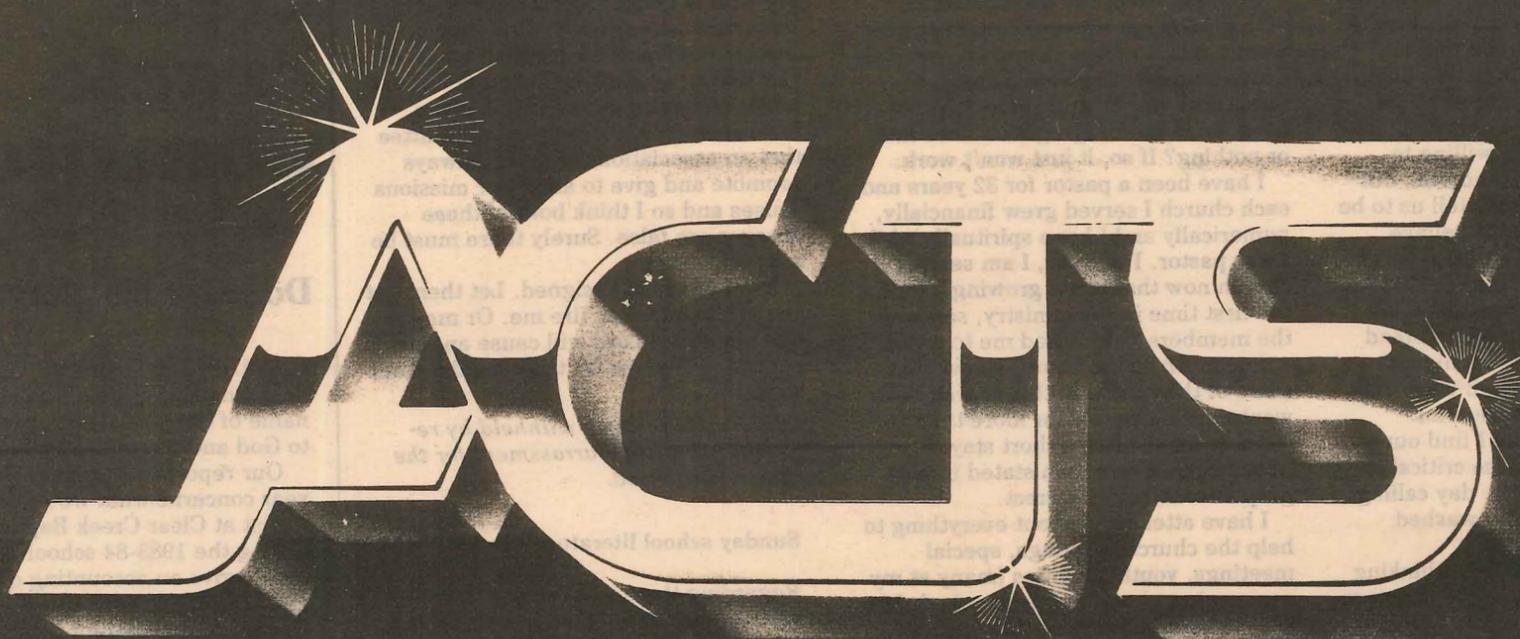
What we have accomplished at Clear Creek this past year has been done in the name of the Lord Jesus. We are a Christian school and a Baptist school. We proudly witness to the name of Jesus at Clear Creek, before whom the great and mighty potentates of the earth shall someday bow. We pray in our savior's name, we honor his name and we regularly confess our allegiance and loyalty to the name of Jesus. No visitor leaves Clear Creek thinking we are just a good, friendly place, like a liberal arts college or a state park. The dynamic presence of the Lord is here and our school is chartered in heaven in his name.

What we have accomplished at Clear Creek this past year has been achieved by his power. The idea that a school can continue to exist charging low tuition and almost nonexistent rent is absurd. In our day everything is high powered and expensive. But Clear Creek continues by the power of God! This is his school, from the days of Kelly through the tenure of Aldridge and until our Lord shall come. Whatever is accomplished is always due to God touching the hearts of his people for Clear Creek.

What we have accomplished at Clear Creek this past year has been done with thanksgiving. We give thanks to God for the privilege of serving the Lord and Kentucky Baptists at Clear Creek. Our students and their families are thankful for an opportunity to prepare for a vital and meaningful ministry. Our faculty and staff appreciate the opportunity to serve in this wonderful ministry. And I am most thankful the Lord opened the door of opportunity for me at Clear Creek to lead this great school.

What we have accomplished at Clear Creek this past year has been done for his glory. Whatever we do at Clear Creek is for the glory of God (2 Cor. 10:31).

Our entire school is dedicated to God's glory. What we have done at Clear Creek this past year has been done for his glory!



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Presidential address

The trumpet call of God

These are excerpts from the message to be delivered to the 147th annual meeting of the Kentucky Baptist Convention this week in Louisville by KBC president Willis W. Henson, pastor of Lone Oak Baptist Church, Paducah.

I am excited about what God is going to do with—and through—Kentucky Baptists. God is leading in the setting of goals, planning of strategies and calling together the right personnel for the present, as well as the future. Never have I been so impressed with a group of state workers as those who are now—and will be—coming to our Baptist Building in Middletown. I believe that Bill Marshall and his associates are sounding a clear trumpet call to progress.

As your president, I call on you to hear this clear trumpet call and get on the side of progress and get on with the work of his kingdom. This trumpet call will force you to examine where you stand. In many cases, it will force you to take sides.

Elijah stood on Mt. Carmel in the presence of the king, the queen, 500 priests of Baal and a great multitude of people and said, "If the Lord is God, then follow him."

Moses stood before the people of God and told them they would have to make a choice for or against God. Joshua did the same thing. Paul faced that decision one day and said, "Lord, I'm on your side; what do you want me to do?"

I hear a trumpet call from God calling us to get our eyes off the current problems and get back to the basics.

I. First, I hear the trumpet of God calling us to take a stand on the side of the local church. Our Baptist preaching and teaching has always been that the local church is vital to the growth of the kingdom. I am convinced the day has come for us to live by our preaching. In some ways, I fear we have elevated the local associations, the state conventions, the Southern Baptist Convention and even our agencies and institutions above the local church. This ought not be the case!

We observe in history that whenever an ecclesiastical organization is imposed over the local church—and there is a concentration of power—that power is eventually corrupted and abused. It should be clear that the only justification for any church organization is that it extends the reach of the local church, or strengthens it in some way.

Southern Baptists have a different denominational structure. In most denominations, the power starts in the national organization and filters down to the local church. But in the Southern Baptist Convention the power is in the local church. The strength of our convention is not in Middletown but in the 2200 Baptist churches across our state.

If we are to reach the world for Christ through Bold Mission Thrust it must be done in and through strong local churches.

It is in the local church God calls out the gifted for special service.

It is in the local church we find sacrificial giving.

It is in the local church we meet the challenge of mission support.

It is in the local church we should develop and debate our doctrines and

reject all creeds in favor of the Bible.

It is in the local church we stay in touch with the "grass roots people."

I know you agree with me when I say the world has a right to question the commitment of any Christian who does not support a local church. There is something out of focus in the life of a Christian who will volunteer to go to Kenya and who won't visit in the community where he or she lives. There is something out of focus in the life of a Christian that will serve on denominational boards and committees and not serve faithfully in a local church. There is something out of focus in the life of a WMU or Brotherhood member who will pray for the lost in South America and not pray for the lost on the south side of the street. There is something out of focus in the life of a church that will boast of their 3500 foreign missionaries and report no baptisms on their associational letter.

The message that pulsates through the New Testament, and history, is that the church is the mind through which Christ thinks, the heart through which Christ loves, the voice through which Christ speaks, the hands through which Christ helps and the body of believers through whom Christ works.

The great thing about standing on the side of the church is that we already know which side is going to win. Listen to the declaration of Christ: "Upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not overpower it." There is no need to apologize for the church; we just need to get it ready for the victory celebration.

II. I hear the trumpet of God calling us to take our stand on the side of WHY we have the Bible.

The one main subject of our conversation these days is, "How did we get the Bible?" Too much is being said about HOW and not enough about WHY. While we are living in our theological greenhouses and debating the inerrancy question, the grass root Baptists are starving for a message from God. They are almost unanimous in their belief that God protected the original manuscripts so that they contained God's message to man, just as God wanted it to be. Most agree that God has protected the Bible until this day, to the degree we still have his true message to man. I would think that after nearly 2000 years of scrutiny by friend and foe, the question of the authority and truth of the Bible would have been settled.

Now, WHY do we have the Bible? There may be no consensus of opinion here but may I suggest that the Bible is my support in believing the unbelievable. That unbelievable truth is marvelously summarized in John 3:16, God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

Here is where the "unbelievable" comes in. Why should God love people? I can understand why he could love or

like dawn and sunset, October leaves and April showers. I can even understand God loving some of the people I know. But, it is hard for me to understand how he could love some of the other people I know. Knowing humanity, I would think God would send a floor or fire and brimstone, but not his son. It is not easy for man to conceive that God, the perfect, could so love the imperfect; that God the sinless one could love the sinful; that God the omniscient and omnipotent should care enough to send his son with the message of the Bible, "I love you."

III. I hear the trumpet of God calling us to take our stand on the side of evangelism.

You and I say we believe the gospel and in a way I'm convinced we do. However, if we do, why is the gospel not getting through us to the world? Why is the message short circuited in our lives, the very ones who claim to be his followers? It would be easy to fix the blame on modern culture, secularization of society, television or a multitude of other social forces. However, the truth is that while we try to decide if our fellow minister is a liberal, moderate or fundamentalist, our record of reaching people for Christ goes down in this country while it increases on the foreign mission field. Last year our total baptisms were under 400,000 in the Southern Baptist Convention, and that was the first time in several years.

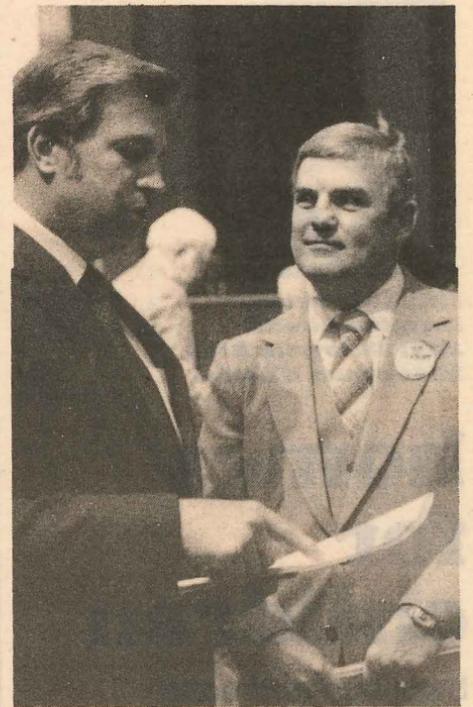
Surely, we agree that uppermost in the mind of Christ is reaching individuals and seeing them saved. I know that some say churches that emphasize numbers sometimes forget people, but churches that are not interested in numbers are often not interested in the souls of people either. I believe it is time for a renewal of interest in numbers that really do represent people.

Southern Baptists are now ready to offer to all 36,000 Southern Baptist churches an opportunity to join together in an effort to reach this country for Christ.

Good News America is the name given this special effort. It is nationwide simultaneous revivals planned for 1986. This evangelistic effort just might be our last opportunity to reach the United States for Christ. I know revival comes to churches and nations when God, in his sovereign will, chooses to send it. But, I also know it never comes without the prayers and commitment of God's people. The promise of God in 2 Chron. 7:14 is just as true today as it was when it was first stated: **If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sins and will heal their land.**

IV. I hear the trumpet of God calling us to stand on the side of cooperation and the Cooperative Program.

A strong mission commitment brought Baptists together and that



KBC president Willis W. Henson [l] of Paducah emphasizes a point to Robert W. Durham of Glendale, second vice president.

same commitment keeps Baptists together. We have learned that it is through cooperation that we can best fulfill our mission. Cooperation-in-missions is the Baptist way! But this has not always been true. A love for missions alone is not enough to guarantee mission success. Mission success requires that a love for missions be married to a spirit of cooperation.

The history of Southern Baptists verifies that we have always had a love for missions but that we were lacking in a workable plan until 1925. For more than 50 years we have enjoyed unprecedented growth through cooperation and our Cooperative Program.

We must once again renew our commitment to cooperation. Let us put our hands into the hands of God and form a needed partnership for the future.

Planned Growth in Giving is a tool, or plan, that I believe God will use in the future to help us grow in cooperation.

It is a plan that calls for each Christian to increase his/her personal giving over the next 15 years.

It calls for each church to increase the percent of its budget going to the Cooperative Program by 7.5% during that 15 years.

It calls for each state convention to move toward a 50/50 division of its Cooperative Program receipts.

It also calls for the Southern Baptist Convention to adopt a goal of giving 75% of its Cooperative Program Funds to the Home and Foreign Mission boards.

If successful, this program will generate additional support for all levels of our work, from the local church to the Southern Baptist Convention. In addition, it should generate greater prayer support because the funds will be invested more like the people in the pews desire.

It would be great if we knew what the future holds for Kentucky Baptists. Since we do not, may I close with the advice of the king of England when he said, "I said to the man who stood at the gate to the future, 'Give me a light that I may walk safely into the unknown,' and he said, 'Go out into the darkness, and put your hand into the hand of God, and that shall be for you better than a light and safer than a known way'."

baptist news in brief



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homes for children

Sacrifice and song

Under the reign of Ahaz the spiritual life of Israel fell to a low ebb. Upon his death young Hezekiah came to the throne. Fearing God, Hezekiah immediately repaired and opened the doors to the house of the Lord. Next he gathered the religious leaders and challenged them to sanctify themselves to the Lord and clean the filth out of the house of God.

When this was done, the young king called the people together for the purpose of making a sacrifice unto the Lord. Animals were brought, a sin offering prepared, and the sacrificial fire lit. Second Chronicle 29:27 says of the incident, "When the burnt offering began, the song of the Lord began also."

What is meant by "the song of the Lord"? It means the people began to sing songs unto the Lord. They were rejoicing, praising and honoring God in worship. However, this happened only after the sacrificial offerings were made. The burnt offerings were made to God as an atonement for sin. When their sins were atoned for, then they sang the song of the Lord.

Today we do not need burnt offerings to atone for our sins. Jesus made atonement for us in his sacrificial death on the cross. Therefore, we sacrifice to God as an act of worship because he first loved us and because we now love him. However, our offering to God is not a sacrifice unless it costs us. To sacrifice is to give to God in such a way as to do without something desired for ourselves.

The Bible and Christian history are filled with examples of sacrifices that produced songs to the Lord. Abraham, in his heart, sacrificed his only son Isaac. David the king was offered the place, wood and animals for a sacrifice to God. But David said, "I will not offer burnt offerings which cost me nothing." So he paid for the land and oxen, then built an altar and offered a burnt offering.

The time has come for the "Song of the Lord" among Kentucky Baptists. That song will fill the land when we begin to sacrifice—when we do without something in order to give to the Lord. Now is our time of opportunity to make a sacrificial gift through our churches for Baptist Homes for Children. The children in our care have not had many things for which to be thankful. Your sacrificial gift can cause the song of the Lord to begin in children's hearts as you help heal their hurts. Make your Thanksgiving offering sacrificially and begin the song of the Lord.

Ky. Temperance League wants advertising ban

The Kentucky Temperance League is helping sponsor a nationwide petition to ban advertising of alcoholic beverages on radio and television. Anyone interested in more information may contact Delbert Butts, Executive Director, Temperance League of Kentucky, 4801 Sherburn Lane, Suite A, Louisville, KY 40207.

Southern Baptists react to African food shortages

Southern Baptists showed their concern for drought victims in Africa by flooding the Foreign Mission Board with calls after television newscasts graphically depicted famine conditions in Ethiopia.

Callers were especially interested in helping people in Ethiopia, where Southern Baptist ability to help is limited, but they learned Southern Baptists are already helping in other African countries where drought is also critical.

During October, the Foreign Mission Board allocated almost \$600,000 for hunger and relief in Africa, much of it drought related. High priority was given to food distribution in Kenya and Rwanda, other East African countries where drought has made food scarce.

FMB board president R. Keith Parks said he has great concern for the people of Africa and has experienced tremendous frustration at the political, geo-

graphic and economic realities that have made it difficult to "meet some of the needs that we are aware of."

Although Southern Baptist efforts to help in Ethiopia and other countries are sometimes hampered by government restrictions and a lack of roads to reach some of the worst-hit areas, Parks said the board is seeking to do what it can in countries stricken by drought. "We are eager to channel all the funds Southern Baptists make available to help provide food and other assistance to these people whose needs are so great," Parks said.

Southern Baptist hunger and relief funds have already helped in a number of drought stricken countries, such as Kenya, located just south of Ethiopia. Because rains have failed in some areas of Kenya for two years, Baptists drive in and unload their trucks into waiting arms, said Maroney. "We're just giving them the food to keep them alive."

Investigating needs in the Meru, Kenya area, missionary Darrel Wise saw children whose hair had turned red from malnutrition. He saw dead cattle on the side of the road and learned of one family who had eaten all their chickens. "This is only done as a last resort as flocks are a sign of wealth," he said.

The need for water, as well as food, is critical in drought areas, said Maroney. Southern Baptists have sponsored water projects in countries like Zimbabwe, Rwanda and Burundi. In some countries, such as Zimbabwe, Burkina Faso (formerly Upper Volta)

and Togo, water development has been combined with a range of development activities designed to prepare people to cope with the effects of drought before it hits.

In Mozambique, where 100,000 are believed to have died in 1983 because of the drought, Southern Baptist missionaries have been able to take in food from neighboring Malawi, Zimbabwe and Swaziland. An interracial team, including Southern Baptist missionaries Dwight and Lila Reagan, carried more than 15 tons of maize and other products financed by South African Baptists into Mozambique this summer.

One man told the South African Baptists his monthly ration of food lasted him only 15 days. The 300 loaves of bread they carried in were received as though made of gold, said Reagan. At one town near the capital, dozens of youthful arms reached up for each load.

On the other side of the continent, where the drought is also taking a terrible toll, Southern Baptists helped solve one of the toughest problems in famine relief by providing transportation for 5000 tons of grain secured in Mali by a group of interested Baptists in the Washington area. There, as in most of Africa, poor roads and a shortage of good transport often make it difficult to get food from the ports to the people.

Because Southern Baptists have missionaries in so many African countries, they are in a better position than some agencies to secure transportation and plan grassroots distribution systems in rural areas, often through local Baptist

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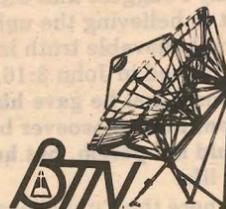
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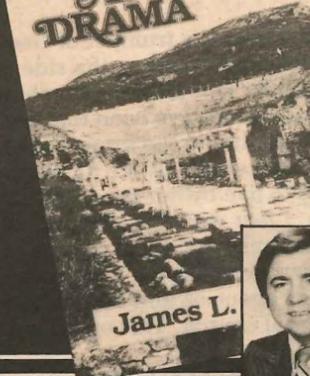
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Although many Southern Baptists want to send food directly to Africa, overseas conditions make money about the only feasible way to help, said Parks. Most governments have restrictions on importing food, and foods preferred by the African people often can be purchased closer to the areas where they are needed.

Seminary gives Johnson highest [Mullins] award

R. Inman Johnson, who taught thousands of ministers in music and speech during a 45-year career at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, has received the 1984 E. Y. Mullins Denominational Service Award.

The Mullins Award, presented 21 times since 1963, is the highest honor Southern Seminary can bestow on an individual, honoring outstanding contributions to Baptist life.

Johnson, 89, is the oldest living retired member of the Southern Seminary faculty. His affiliation with the seminary stretches back into the 19th century when he lived in student housing as the son of a seminary student.

He joined Southern's faculty in 1919, during the presidency of Mullin's, the seminary's fourth president, to teach the seminary's first classes offered in elocution and church music. He is best known by the thousands of students who for many years studied in his speech class. They affectionately called

him "Prof," a name that still brings recognition nearly 20 years after Johnson's retirement from the faculty in 1965.

Congress neglects bill that would aid Africa

While Congress in its final days debated and raised the national debt and approved "pork barrel" legislation, a comprehensive African famine aid bill got lost in the shuffle.

H. R. 6203, the Africa Relief and Recover Act, called for emergency funds to aid millions of starving Africans suffering from drought inflicted famine.

The legislation, which supporters hope to resurrect in January, will have provided \$450 million in food and non-food assistance to 28 African nations where approximately 150 million people face severe food shortages.

W. David Lockard, who directs hunger relief and action for the Southern Baptist Christian Life Commission, pointed out unless new legislation is approved, Africa will receive less U. S. food relief in 1985 than in 1984, even though conditions have worsened dramatically.

Louisville firm will direct publicity for 1986 revivals

The Home Mission Board has signed a two-year, \$198,000 contract with a communications firm which handled

media relations for the presidential debates in Louisville, to develop a mass media campaign as a part of nationwide simultaneous revivals scheduled in 1986.

The company, Jolly Communications, is a "Christian-oriented" communications firm headed by Alan G. Jolly, an accredited member of Public Relations Society of America and an active member of Westport Road Baptist Church, Louisville, according to Robert L. Hamblin, evangelism vice president for the Home Mission Board.

Hamblin said Jolly Communications will develop a three-tier mass media campaign for each state, offering options of a minimum, basic and desirable media campaign. "This will assure maximum benefit to all states, associations and convention agencies as we use mass media to tell the people of America the good news that God loves them," he explained.

About 3500 Africans are saved in Tanzania

Another round of revival has broken out in Tanzania, this time in the country's Rungwe district, where 3498 Africans made professions of faith in an evangelistic crusade.

The two-week crusade, planned by Southern Baptist missionary Olan Burrow and featuring a team of volunteers from four states, took place in late September in schools, homes and churches throughout the area.

It follows earlier revivals in which volunteers from the states, missionaries and national Baptists collaborated to record 4119 professions of faith in the Kyela district and about 1000 decisions in Bukoba.

Coloradoans thought they had a staffer, but didn't

Hopes for a new executive director were dashed unexpectedly during the annual session of the Colorado Baptist General Convention Oct. 30-31.

In separate actions Colorado Baptists both affirmed and restricted the executive director search committee and passed modifications to an executive board proposal on a committee to relate to the Rocky Mountain Baptist, news-journal for the CGBC.

Plans to present a candidate for executive director Wednesday morning were abruptly reversed at the last minute. "As late as 7 a.m. this morning we were prepared to bring a unanimous presentation to the convention," said Eads pastor Eddie Nye, search panel chairman. "Shortly after 7 a.m. the man we were to recommend called and said that through prayer he decided he was not the man for Colorado."

Attempts to open the floor for nominations were ruled out of order.

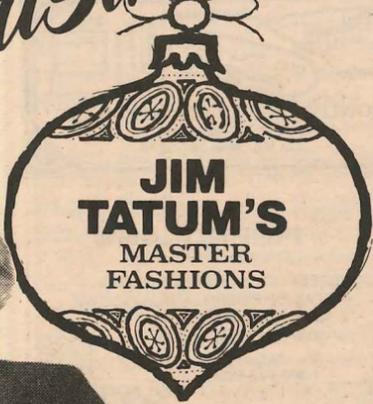
Messengers also restricted the committee's ability to negotiate on salary and benefits by approving a limit on the salary package.

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209 attend New York Baptist annual meeting

The Baptist Convention of New York adopted a budget of \$2,075,899 for 1984-85 and increased the percentage of undesignated receipts from local churches it will send on to the worldwide mission and educational programs of the Southern Baptist Convention through the Cooperative Program from 22 percent to 23 percent.

The 15th annual session of the BCNY attracted 209 messengers and 72 guests.

Reports from all areas of ministry of the convention showed increases for the past year. The convention's budget includes approximately \$1.5 million from the Home Mission Board and the Baptist Sunday School Board.

A resolution expressed opposition to the appointment by the government of an ambassador to the Vatican. It urged the Executive Committee of the SBC to rescind earlier action and actively join in the legal challenge to the appointment of an ambassador to the Holy See in the name of maintaining a consistent public stance on the matter of separation of church and state.

Another resolution affirmed the establishment of a task team for increasing the availability of Southern Baptist theological education in New England.

Mechanics and ministry merge for seminarian

While other seminaries find their ministry outlets in pulpits and classrooms, Chuck Edwards has found his under the hood of an automobile.

Combining a commitment to evangelism with a knack for mechanics,

Edwards, a third-year student at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, conducts "auto clinics" in area churches.

"People bring in their cars and I diagnose them and instruct volunteer laymen and owners in making repairs. It builds friendship and breaks down barriers for sharing Christ," Edwards explains. "It shows people in the community this church wants to help."

The idea started when Edwards helped a neighborhood boy repair his car, "and I saw how I reached him through auto mechanics. He learned I was willing to get my hands dirty with him," Edwards recalls.

His "auto clinic" ministry is seeing results. It has proven to be very effective "as an outreach and evangelistic tool for the local church," according to Dallas Vincent, pastor of Ormsby Heights Baptist Church, Louisville, where Edwards conducted a clinic a year ago.

Edwards hopes the clinic idea will spread. "If I do a clinic, I can only touch a few. But if I share the concept with others, a lot more can be reached. A church can hire a good mechanic for a day," he explained.

A seventh seminary in northeast U. S.?

The Baptist Convention of Pennsylvania-South Jersey meeting in its 14th annual session Nov. 1-3, authorized appointment of a committee to work with other conventions from the northeastern United States and with the Southern Baptist Convention to pursue the establishment of a Southern Baptist seminary in the northeast.

Messengers adopted a budget of \$1,638,220 for 1985. Of the \$462,000 to

be contributed by the churches of the convention, 26.5 percent, the same as last year, will be used to support worldwide evangelism, education and missions programs through the SBC Cooperative Program.

SEBTS trustees approve student center project

Officers were elected and a go-ahead given for a \$2.4 million student center project during the fall meeting of the board of trustees of Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Wake Forest, N. C.

O. Charles Horton, pastor of College Park Baptist Church, Orlando, Fla., was named chairman by the 30-member board, succeeding W. Lee Beaver, layman from St. Louis, who had been on the board the maximum two one-year terms.

Other officers elected were: Bill Bruster, pastor, First Baptist Church, of Bearden, Knoxville, Tenn., vice chairman; Charles Midkiff, pastor, First Baptist Church, Greenville, Ky., secretary; and J. Edwin Collette, member, First Baptist Church, Winston-Salem, N. C.

Approval was granted for construction to proceed on the student center, with a contract to be awarded Central Builders, Rocky Mount, N. C. The project will involve renovation of and an addition to Gore Gymnasium, which was the indoor athletic center of Wake Forest College prior to that school's move to Winston-Salem, N. C., in 1956.

Completion of the extensive renovation and the addition will provide the seminary community with a center for recreation, leisure activities and meetings, as well as a book store and food service.



James H. Cox
Associate Editor

fourth estate

A blue ribbon panel

As we prepared to move our Western Recorder office operations to downtown Louisville to provide news coverage of the Kentucky Baptist Convention this week, the thought occurred to me that some of our readers might be interested in a little "behind-the-scenes."

Actually, just about everything we use daily except the large word processors and the typesetting machine go with us to the press room at the convention's host church each year.

Western Recorder is prepared to cover almost any action of the week. This includes the convention itself and numerous side events—meetings, meal functions and so on—occurring in several locations before and during the convention proper.

This is my 10th Kentucky Baptist Convention as a press representative. One volunteer has served alongside me at all 10 of these meetings. Gregory L. Hancock, pastor of Covington's Latonia Baptist Church, has faithfully caught the convention on camera each year for a decade. We've depended upon Greg for late night photo processing in makeshift darkrooms (often janitor's closets adapted to our purposes), as well as interviewing the new KBC presidents most years. How does one repay a debt like that? I am grateful for a friendship that allows such an imposition on his time.

Of the others serving with us at Walnut Street this week (and who may be easily identified by their blue ribbon badges), at least two are veterans of six previous convention press teams. Virginia Flanagan, public relations director at Campbellsville College, and Robin Oldham, assistant to the president at Georgetown College, could cover this meeting blindfolded.

In addition, since 1976 our staff writers have been the Recorder's eyes and ears in many parts of the host cities. Serving this year are Darrell Monroe, Janis Whipple and Pat Cole.

Overall responsibility for our press operation rests with editor Jack D. Sanford, who joined the staff last summer. Under him, I have the assignment of scheduling the Recorder's day-to-day press coverage of the convention. We also endeavor to assist the secular news media reporters who are assigned to the convention.

When our work at Walnut Street is ended, we will return to the office with 12 pages of completed layouts, edited copy, cropped photos and lots of good memories from hallway exchanges with a constituency we love—and for whom our labors become joy. It's a fascinating line of work, and I'm grateful for these dear friends who share my enthusiasm for it.

Western Recorder Youth Writing Competition

To encourage youth participation in Western Recorder, a Youth Writing Competition for young people will be conducted.

To enter the 1984 Youth Writing Competition it is necessary to write 500 words or less about a moving personal experience in which faith in Jesus Christ had an important part. It should be an actual personal experience.

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1. Entrants must be between the ages of 15 and 22.
2. Entrants must write a first person story telling of some true personal moving experience in which their faith in Jesus Christ made a difference in their lives.
3. Entrants must be a member of a Southern Baptist church in Kentucky.
4. All manuscripts must be the original work of the person submitting the entry and must be written in English.
5. Manuscripts must be typed, doubled-spaced, with a maximum of 500 words.
6. Manuscripts must be mailed to: Youth Writing Competition, Western Recorder, Box 43401, Middletown, KY 40243. Entries must be postmarked by midnight Dec. 15, 1984, and include name of author, home address, telephone number, birth date, parents' or guardians' name, and author's church membership. Winners will be notified by mail prior to announcement in Western Recorder.
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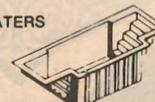


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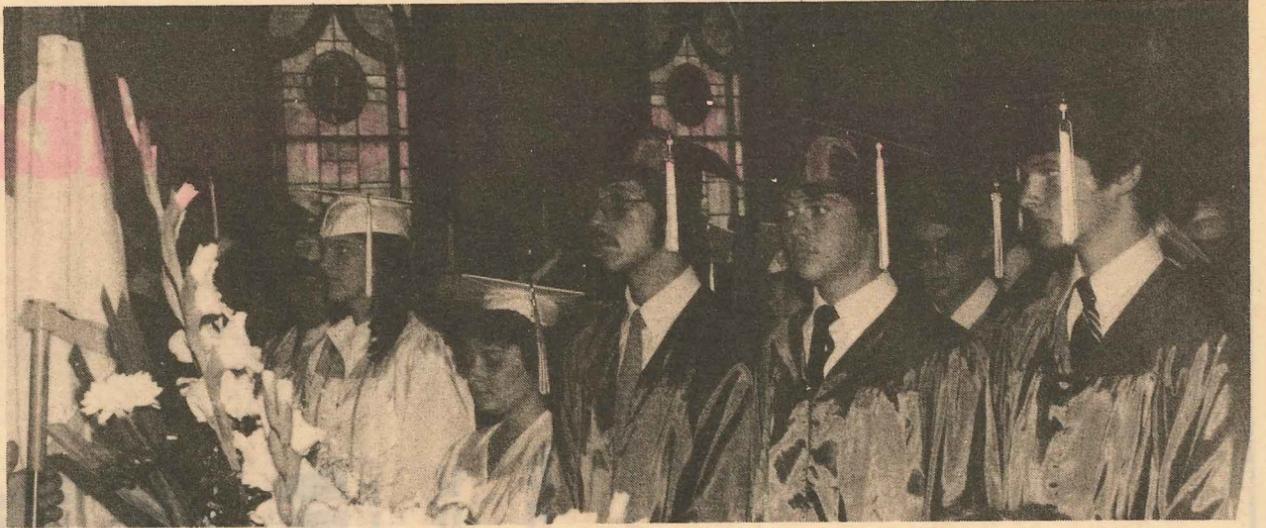
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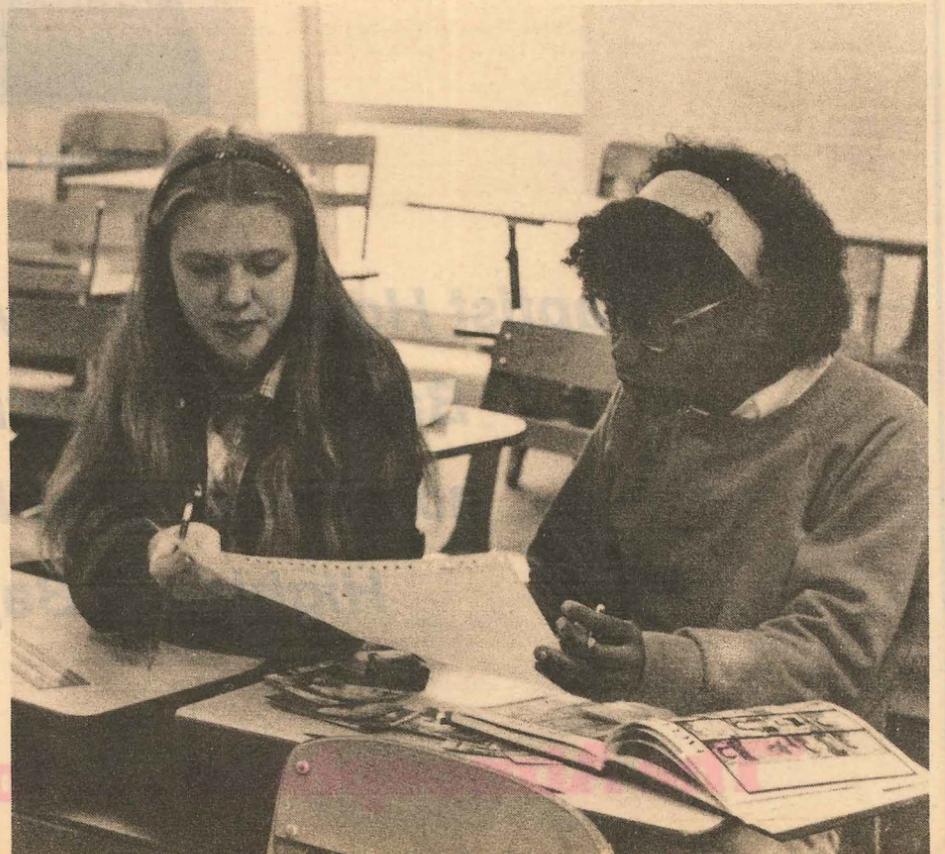
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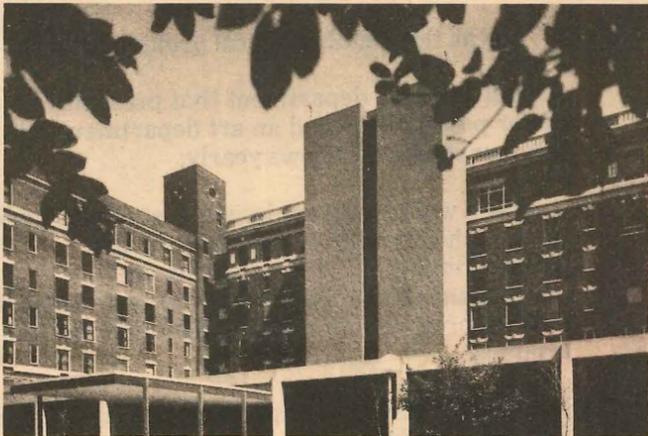
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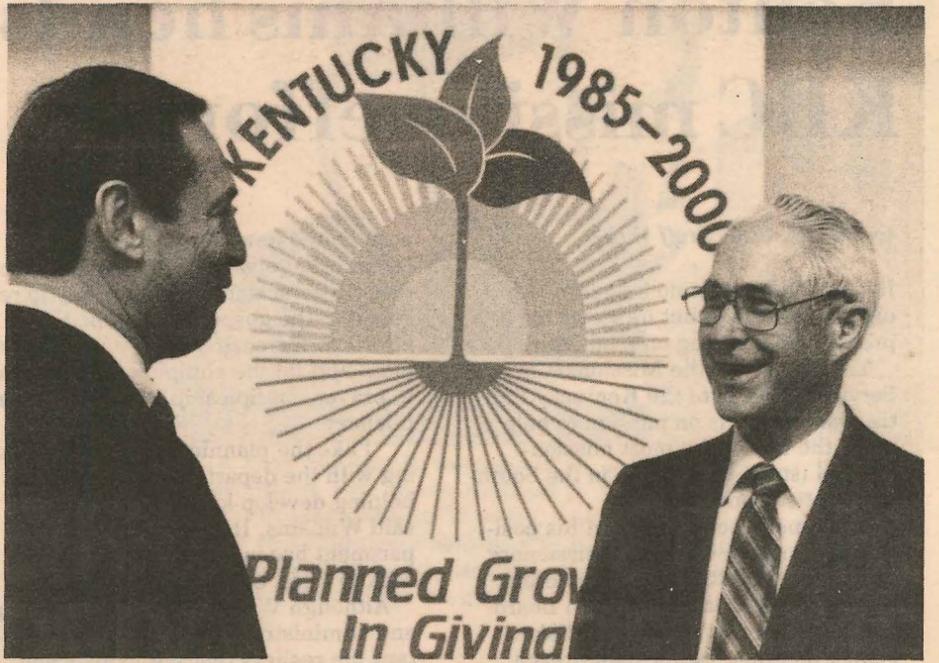
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Bill Marshall [left], executive secretary-treasurer of the Kentucky Baptist Convention, and Cecil Ray, national director of Planned Growth in Giving, discuss the possibilities of this emphasis in Kentucky. The plan will extend over 15 years, from 1985-2000.

Christians need to grow. In the New Testament it is assumed that although Christians are imperfect, they have the potential for growth. Paul used the "milk to meat" expression to emphasize the need for growth in the Christian faith. Paul wrote the Corinthian church, "I have fed you with milk, and not meat; for hitherto ye were not able to bear it" (I Cor. 3:2).

Growth is normal for Christians. The scriptures anticipate growth. Thus Peter writes: "Grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and savior Jesus Christ" (2 Pet. 3:18). The Christian is to learn more about Christ and is to become more like Christ. Since Jesus Christ is the inexpressible expression of God's self-giving love, to become more like Christ is to become more loving and more generous in giving.

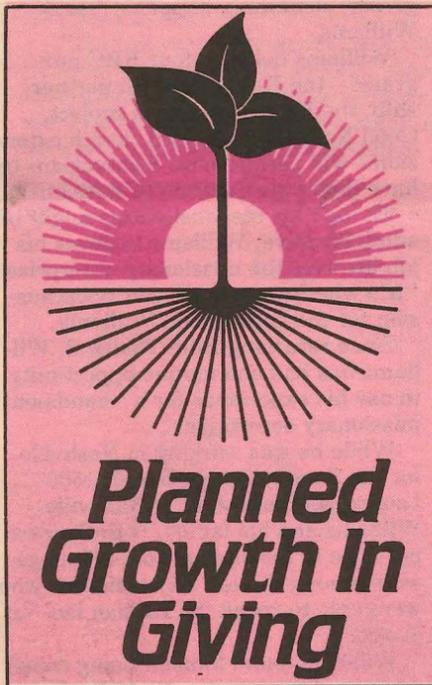
Christians are always becoming. God is at work in us to help us to grow. Paul writes, "... he which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until

the day of Jesus Christ" (Phil. 1:6), cf. (Phil. 2:12-13). The expectation that Christians will grow is an expression of faith in God to work in their lives through his word.

Spiritual growth includes growth in giving. God is the supreme giver. We do not have anything that is not a gift of God (James 1:17, I Cor. 2:12, I Tim. 6:17, Deut. 8:18). All material things are God's gifts through redemption. God is a generous and gracious giver. To become more like God is to become more generous in sharing and giving. Jesus Christ is God's gift and our greatest example of giving. He freely and sacrificially gave of himself and his resources for others (Phil. 2:5-8, 2 Cor. 8:9).

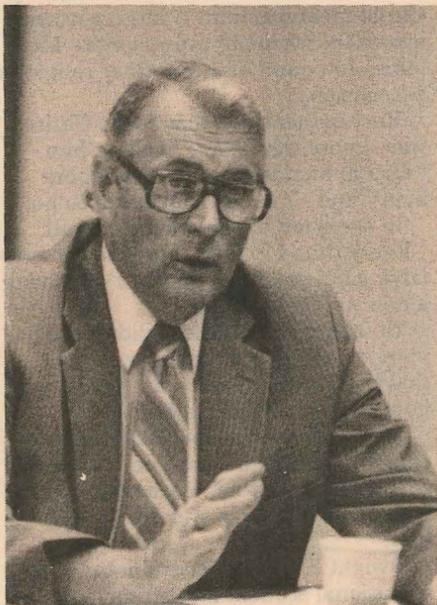
He also taught his followers to give. He said: "Freely ye have received, freely give" (Matt. 10:8). "It is more blessed to give than to receive" (Acts 20:35).

To grow in giving is to love and obey Christ and to become more like him.



The Kentucky Planned Growth in Giving Task Force met recently to plan for this emphasis in Kentucky. The group consists of: T. L. McSwain, chairman, Mrs. Kathryn Akridge, Charles Barnes, J. Howard Cobble, Glenn Durham, Harold L. Greenfield, Gregory L. Hancock, Don Mathis, Bill Messer, Mrs. Dixie Mylum, James Rennell, Eugene Reynolds, Douglas T. Strader and J. Robert White.

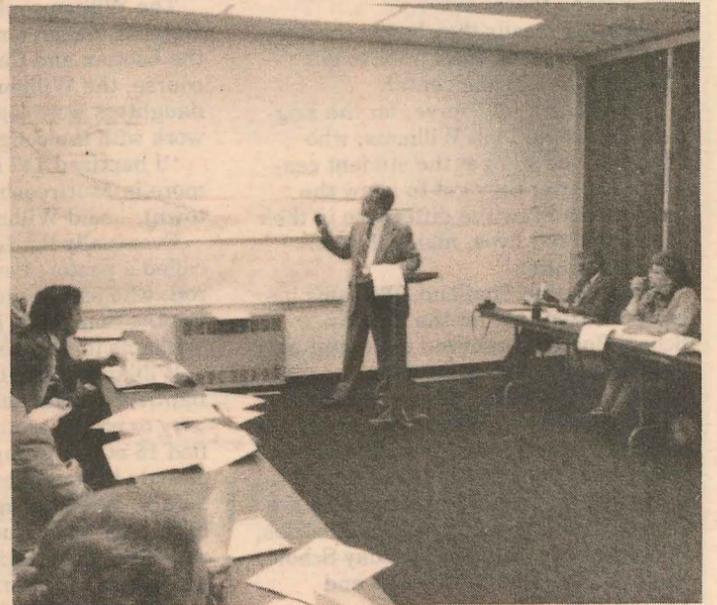
Others attending the planning sessions were Bill Marshall, A. B. Colvin, F. Ross Figart, Jesse Stricker, Shirley Tucker and James Whaley.



T. L. McSwain, pastor of Hurstbourne Baptist Church, Louisville, and chairman of Kentucky's Planned Growth in Giving Task Force, talks about the importance of Kentuckians raising their level of giving commitment.



Kentucky's Planned Growth in Giving Task Force gathered for a day of meetings at the Kentucky Baptist Building to design Kentucky participation in this 15-year giving emphasis.



Jesse Stricker, state director of Planned Growth in Giving, explains details of the plan to the 14-member task force. They explored the best means of communicating the plan to Kentucky associations, pastors and churches.

At right, the Williamses stand beside a painting they obtained in Thailand.

Benton Williams heads KBC mission effort

by Patrick Cole, Staff Writer

Benton Williams is no longer on a foreign mission field but he views his present job as being on a mission.

The director of the Missions/Church Services division of the Kentucky Baptist Convention is on mission to help make the KBC "the most mission-minded (state) convention in the Southern Baptist Convention."

Williams, who has been at his position since April, traces his missionary call back to the 1959 annual meeting.

He recalled Foreign Mission Board executive secretary-treasurer Baker James Cauthen, rather than preach, asked the convention to pray for foreign missions. "He (Cauthen) said we're going to pray for an hour," remembered Williams. "I was disappointed because I thought he was one of the greatest preachers I had ever heard."

Williams said Cauthen instructed the people to pray for three concerns: (1) that world needs might be met; (2) that someone might go meet those needs; (3) that God might call you to go meet those needs.

"Lib (Williams' wife, Elizabeth) and I both felt afterwards that God was speaking to us about missions," shared Williams, who was then pastor of Everett Hills Baptist Church, Maryville, Tenn. "We decided we would pursue appointment until the Lord closed the door."

The Foreign Mission Board soon appointed Williams and his wife as missionaries to Thailand, where they did student work and helped start new churches. The couple and their four daughters spent 12 years in that country.

Williams said his work in Thailand was greatly strengthened by the building of the Baptist Student Center in Bangkok. He noted there were over 100,000 students in Bangkok when he was serving there.

Williams recalls they began teaching English classes at the center to get Thai to come by the center.

"They came, of course, for the English," explained Lib Williams, who shared in the work at the student center. "Yet after they got to know the teachers and saw the difference in their (the teachers') lives, many of them accepted Christ."

After leaving Thailand, Williams became a consultant for the Sunday School Board. He served the board until assuming his present position.

As director of the Mission/Church Services Division, Williams is in charge of budgets, personnel and planning for seven KBC departments. The departments within Williams' jurisdiction are Church Training and Special Ministries, Church Music, Student, Sunday School, Brotherhood, Direct Missions and Evangelism.

Williams sees his job as coordinating the departments in an effort to do the overall objectives of the Missions/Church Services Division.

The objectives of the division are (1) an increase in mission awareness, (2)

accelerated new church development, (3) an evangelistic effort that will give every Kentuckian an opportunity to respond to the gospel, (4) stepped-up efforts to increase Sunday school enrollment and (5) the equipping of believers in prayer, discipleship, stewardship and ministry.

"I like the planning process in working with the department directors in helping develop long range plans," said Williams. He noted that each department has individual goals which seek to fulfill the broader objectives.

Although Williams sees his planning and administrative functions as important, he realizes that individuals and churches must become involved before plans can be actualized.

"When people stop thinking about themselves and start thinking about giving, something happens," said Williams.

Williams believes four KBC programs—the Kentucky-Ohio partnership, the Kentucky-Kenya project, Good News America and church extension—will permit more Kentuckians to have direct involvement in missions.

Though his responsibilities might be administrative, Williams believes his job involves the missionary enterprise. "It's wherever you are you're on mission for the Lord," said Williams.

Since returning from Thailand, Williams has had one unique opportunity to use his experience for a "hands-on" missionary enterprise.

While he was working in Nashville for the Sunday School Board, 1500 Laotian refugees went to Nashville. Williams and his family, with their experience in the similar Thai language, were among the few city residents who were able to speak the Laotian language.

Williams found himself being called on several occasions to go to the hospitals and police stations to interpret.

The Williams' church, Belmont Heights, began a ministry to serve both the Laotian and Cambodian people. Of course, the Williamses and their daughters were logical candidates to work with the congregation.

"I baptized 147 in three years and 43 more in Murfreesboro (a neighboring town)," said Williams.

Eventually the Laotian congregation called a pastor, Panom Nupirod. Nupirod, who as a student at the Thailand Baptist Seminary, had worked with Williams in Thailand.

Williams wants to see Kentucky Baptists become more involved in ministry to ethnic groups. "We've identified 15 ethnic groups," he said. "We already have eight programs going."

Mrs. Williams maintains her interest in international students by working with Friendship Ministry in Louisville, a program for international wives.

Concerning the future of Baptist work in Kentucky, Williams is optimistic. "One of the joys is to see the vision of Dr. (William) Marshall (KBC executive secretary-treasurer) has to give every person in Kentucky a chance not only to hear the gospel but to respond to it."



Kenyan students studying in state offer their views of American life

by James H. Cox, Associate Editor

The behavior of American youth, treatment of the elderly, cold weather and pace of life in the United States were cited by two Kenyan young women as their "biggest surprises" in coming to America for formal study.

The pair, who participated in Kentucky Baptists' international student conference Nov. 2-4 at Cumberland Falls State Resort Park, talked openly of their experiences since arriving in Kentucky.

Diannah Wathome, of Machakos, Kenya, is 24 and a senior at Berea (Ky.) College, studying dietetics. She plans to enroll in an American seminary following graduation next June.

Rose Adede, 32, is from the territory near Kisumu, Kenya. She has been doing graduate work in education at Morehead (Ky.) State University since June, having earlier received a master's degree from Earlham School of Religion, Richmond, Ind.

Both young women intend to return to Kenya to use their educations among their own people.

When asked about their biggest surprises in America, both girls' answers were surprises themselves.

The "behavior of youth" was Diannah's immediate reply. "Certain things are popular" here that would be "outrageous" for youth to do in Kenya, she declared.

She also allowed that "treatment of the old" was "shocking" to her, "especially by the young." She said that in Kenya, "we respect old age," calling it "a part of life." She added that people in Kenya don't dread aging the way she perceived they do in America.

Rose's reply to that question was that the weather here was "too cold" for her. It was an experience she had "never had" and was "unprepared for."

The thing that shocked her most, however, was "the fast pace" of American life—"too fast for me."

Diannah jumped in, "People seem to be under too much pressure and tension here when they don't have to be." She said she would rather have "one dress" and "what is necessary to survive" and "a deeper life."

Asked what they liked most about America, neither girl had to think long.

There are "real Christian people" here, Diannah noted. "People who have a real fear of God inside their hearts and who do not put material things ahead of it."

Rose chimed in that she shared the point on Christians, saying many had become "good friends" and "supportive of me" in her time here.

Diannah, who will study theology in a seminary next year, believes "you can't solve any problem till you tackle its innermost roots."

Rose has been a practicing Quaker, noting that there are 200,000 Quakers in Kenya. She came to America in 1981 through efforts in her church for training at Pendle Hill Quaker Study Center, Wallingford, Pa.

The international student conference attended by Rose and Diannah is directed by the Student Department of the Kentucky Baptist Convention. Funds for it are provided through the Eliza Broadus state mission offering of Kentucky Woman's Missionary Union.

Carol Noffsinger, director of Baptist Young Women's work in the state WMU, told more than 120 internationals from 38 countries at this year's meeting that the weekend would "focus on what makes us alive" as human beings "instead of what makes us different."

In a concluding address, Eric C. Rust, professor emeritus at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, shared his testimony of what Christ means to him. A large percentage of the students present were Moslems, Jews and of many other religious persuasions.

Rust emphasized that Jesus Christ was "more than man," calling him "God in human form," "a genuine man" and "man as man ought to be."

In speaking of sin, Rust declared, "Every time I exploit someone I'm crucifying Jesus Christ afresh. I'm driving a new nail in his hand."

He added that Christ "didn't die a martyr's death and that was it" but that he died and rose and "gave us hope for our own salvation."

Summing up his remarks, Rust concluded, "You and I are free, but our real freedom is when Jesus has captured us by his love and drawn us to him."

Dwight K. Lyons, coordinator of international student ministries in the KBC Student Department, presided at the sessions of the international student conference. Music was under the direction of Alan Chamness, minister of music, First Baptist Church, Henderson, and Sonburst, Kentucky student creative ministries team.

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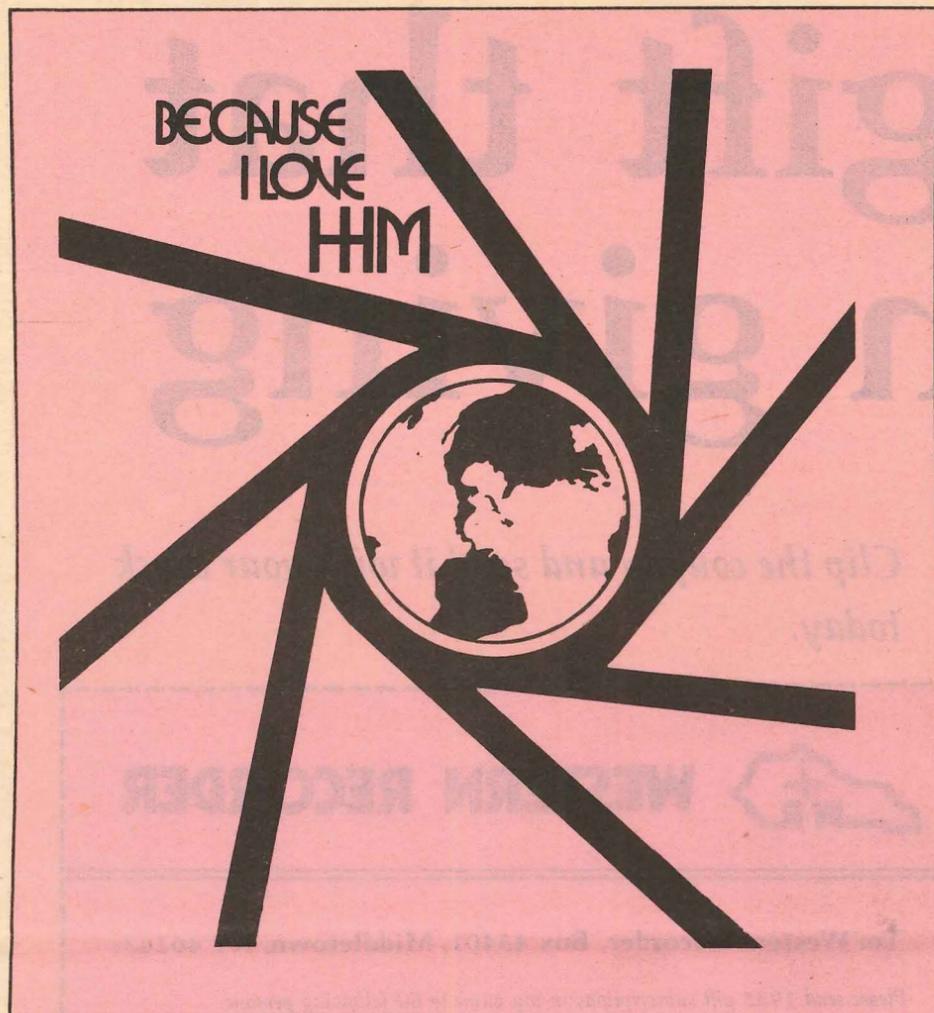
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National goal for Lottie Moon Christmas



Missionary couple searches China for footsteps of Lottie Moon

Armed simply with a visa, a biography and a "heart full of prayers," one missionary couple recently stepped back a century into the China of legendary missionary Lottie Moon.

Charles and Sara Mullins, retired missionaries on voluntary assignment in Macao, were the first Southern Baptists known to visit the site of Lottie Moon's church and home since Southern Baptist missionaries were evacuated from China in the 1950s.

The first leg of their journey brought the Mullins to Shandong Province, the large northeastern province near Japan and South Korea.

The home of Confucius and location of the famous Tai Shan Mountain, this province was also one of the areas where Southern Baptist missionaries pioneered in the mid 1800s.

In Shandong the Mullins requested visas to Yentai, formerly Chefoo, the port city where Lottie Moon landed by ship in October 1873. After a 24 hour wait, visas were granted and the Mullins made the first significant step in their "search for Lottie Moon."

In Yentai the Mullins made a second plea for visas and were given permission to visit Penglai, formerly Tengchow, the city where Lottie Moon made her headquarters.

In a very old section of Penglai the Mullins found the church where Lottie Moon worked and worshiped most of her 40 years in China.

Near the church was the monument erected in honor of Lottie Moon, Edmonia Moon, T. P. Crawford, Sally

Holmes and other missionaries who labored in China.

Lottie Moon's house, located close to the church, is still standing. The house was built for her by missions offerings from the United States.

The church building has been locked for many years and is greatly deteriorated. Like so many other churches in China, it was closed during the Cultural Revolution and has not been used for worship for a long time.

"We shared briefly with the crowd the story of a small and gracious lady from Virginia who came there 111 years ago to tell them of Jesus our savior," Mullins said.

When asked if any of the crowd had ever heard of Lottie Moon, the answer was "We are too young to have known of someone who lived so long ago."

Prayer 'hotline' begins 14th year Nov. 23

Global Circuit, the foreign missions prayer "hot line" for Southern Baptists, begins its 14th year Nov. 23. The toll-free telephone line will offer up-to-date mission prayer requests through Dec. 10.

Taped messages containing short, specific prayer requests will change Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays during the 18-day period. The national toll-free number is 1-800-446-2725.

Offering supports efficient work in a world that needs good news

The biggest bargain in modern missions may have happened with part of last year's Lottie Moon Christmas offering—a new missionary couple opened work in Nepal for only \$1600.

Their total operating budget for 1984 was \$5000. Of course that doesn't include their salaries, but, even at that, it's still a bargain. The money is providing them with living and working accommodations.

The Wayne Thorpes, a doctor and nutritionist, are working under the United Mission of Nepal. Upon their arrival, Thorpe immediately started working in a 100-bed hospital and Mrs. Thorpe started teaching English. After their language study, the Thorpes hope to move to a rural area where they can concentrate their work among the Nepalese. He wants to be involved in curative and preventive medicine and she hopes to work alongside him using her nutrition background.

Setting up the Nepal mission so cheaply is definitely an exception. Normally the costs of setting up a new mission include missionary housing, office space, office equipment and automobile purchases. In recent years, much of the capital expenditures from the Lottie Moon Christmas offering has been used for setting up new work in new missions and in new areas of established mission work. However, in this case no capital was needed.

In Ecuador, an established area of work, the 1983 Lottie Moon Christmas offering provided \$25,000 for redevelopment of La Merced camp. La Merced was the site for two Royal Ambassador/Girls Auxiliary camps last year with 382 attending. One hundred boys and girls made professions of faith in Jesus Christ. Seventy indicated they felt God wanted to use them in full time service, or were willing if God did want them.

In West Africa, a pastors' school is "getting off the ground," according to

area administrator John Mills, because of last year's Lottie Moon Christmas offering. More than \$67,000 was appropriated for a married student dormitory for Owerri Baptist Bible College in Nigeria earlier this year. Mills said these funds had been requested for three years.

Communication among Southern Baptist missionaries in Tanzania will be easier because of last year's Lottie Moon offering. Very little gas is available in the country, telephones are down often and repair is slow or non-existent. And since local mail takes a month, mission work has been hampered because of lack of communication among the 16 stations where more than 75 missionaries live. The \$15,000 received this year will provide HAM radio-type communication between the mission stations in the country, which is a third larger than Texas.

Many other things are happening because of Southern Baptists' giving to the Lottie Moon Christmas offering—new churches and chapels, new hospital wings, audiovisual supplies, and missionary housing and cars. But some others had to be put on the waiting list because the offering ran close to \$2 million short of the \$60 million budgeted goal.

Missionaries in the tiny country of Belize asked for \$30,000 for a new bookstore ministry but were turned down. They also asked for \$15,000 for churches and chapels but the money was not available.

"The Foreign Mission Board budget is based on actual requests from the missionaries," said Carl Johnson, the board's vice president for finance. "The items listed are real needs and do go unmet when the goal is missed. Missionaries are grateful for the tools provided but remind Southern Baptists many people still die without the opportunity to know Christ."

Dec. 8-9 week of prayer for foreign missions reflects a variety of concerns, needs

Southern Baptists are constantly being reminded that missionaries need specific prayer support for a wide variety of needs they feel and face every day on the mission field.

This diversity of need is particularly reflected in some of the prayer requests being expressed for this year's Dec. 2-9 week of prayer for foreign missions.

In El Salvador a couple or a single man is needed immediately to assist two other couples already serving in a literature ministry. The response to the gospel in this country has been tremendous since 1979, and opportunities are almost unlimited there.

In December, Egerton Agricultural College students and graduates from all across Kenya will meet for a three-day retreat to discuss discipleship topics.

Prayer is requested that many Kenyans will attend this retreat and come closer to the Lord, and that the nonChristians attending will accept Jesus as savior and Lord.

In Bogor, Indonesia, prayer is needed that many students will enrol in the seminary extension program. This program is completing its first year. First-term missionary Bob Morgan requests prayer as he continues to learn the language from his students, even as he teaches them Bible courses.

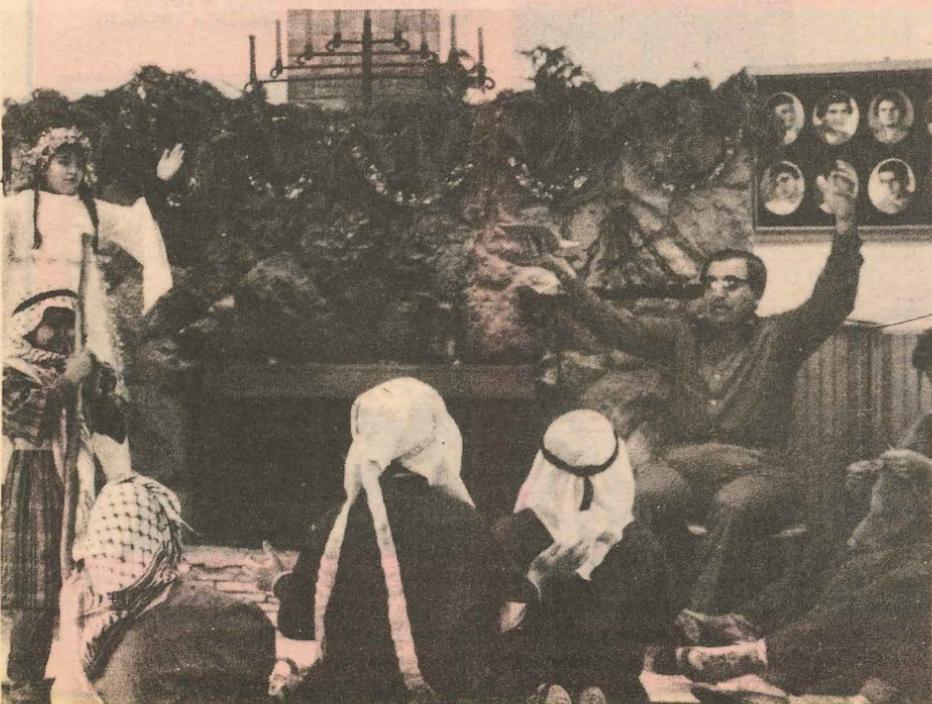
Southern Baptists are also asked to pray that every seminarian in the United States will be so confronted with the needs overseas and the opportunities for ministry there that each one of them will feel compelled to consider foreign missions as an option for service.

Finally, Southern Baptists are asked to pray for themselves, that they will accept the responsibility for sharing the gospel with the entire world, and that they will be willing to provide the financial support necessary as each church, state and the convention appropriates money for world missions.

Christmas offering is \$66 million this year



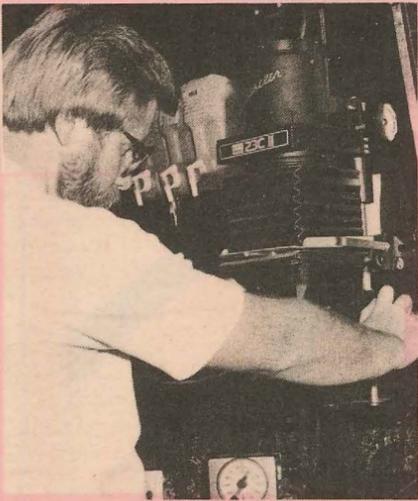
Gifts help spread the gospel in the land of Christ's birth



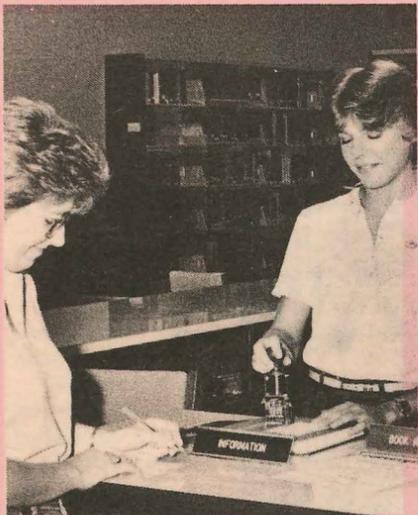
For Southern Baptist missionaries in Israel, Christmas is the best time of the year to share the gospel of Jesus. In the land of the savior's birth, crowds hear the Singers of Praise in a program ending with the "Hallelujah Chorus." Both Arabs and Jews look forward to visits in the homes of their Christian acquaintances. About 50 Southern Baptists, supported primarily by the Lottie Moon Christmas offering, work from Ashkelon to Galilee. Ray Register [right in top photo], Southern Baptist representative to Israel, visits a long time friend Abukham, an Arab noble and merchant whose sons studied at the Nazareth Baptist School. Register has taught English to some of the merchant's relatives. Like youngsters everywhere, children of Baptist families in Israel find a special happiness at Christmas, whether frolicking on the rocky shore of the Sea of Galilee as MK Sommer Hicks does with her dad, Ray [middle photo], or taking part in a pageant retelling the story of Jesus' birth [bottom photo]. Hicks, an evangelist who works in Tur'an and his daughter were not far from the village where Mary Magdalene grew up. The pageant at the Baptist Village in Petah Tiqua featured children of refugees once housed at the George W. Truett home. Pastor Surhail Ramadan narrates. Each year about 20 of the former refugees gather for a reunion the week after Christmas.

Campbellsville College Is Affordable

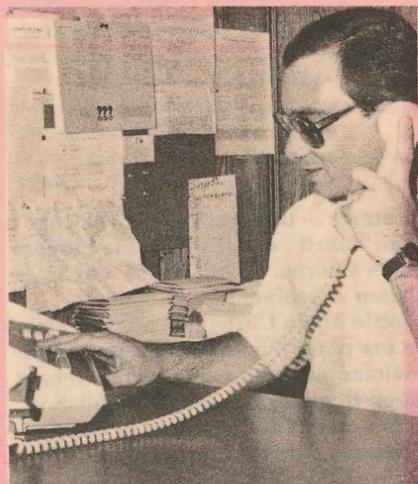
Working At Campbellsville College



Students wanting to be a photographer can have the opportunity as a work study position. Chris Mueller, a senior from Graham, works in the darkroom for the college's office of public information. (Photo by Robert Brown)



Work study students also work in the Montgomery Library. Julia Ballard, a sophomore from Loretto, checks out a book to Connie Newton, left, a freshman from Lebanon. (Photo by Chris Mueller)



Answering the switchboard is part of work study duties in the admissions office. Dana Ford, a senior from Greenville, takes a call. (Photo by Chris Mueller)

It is true, state college tuition is less than private college tuition. But Baptist young people can afford to attend a Baptist college.

Baptist youth can afford to attend a Baptist college because education obtained in a Christian context is more valuable to the young impressionable Christian student. Faculty and staff who are dedicated to the teachings of Christ will be more meaningful to the student who is living away from home and home church for the first time. Campbellsville College offers just such a Christian atmosphere in its classes.

Campbellsville College is also affordable because it offers a Christian atmosphere in its campus life. College campus structure that is based on Christian ethics is valuable to the young Christian student.

Baptist young people can afford to attend a Baptist college because there are many avenues of financial aid available. Some of the many ways a prospective college student can obtain financial help are scholarships, grants, church matching scholarships, Acteen scholarships, Royal Ambassador scholarships and work study. Campbellsville College offers all these opportunities, and work study is a vital part of the financial package. There are many people at Campbellsville College who are working their way through college.

Keith Johnson, director of financial aid, explains, "The students benefit by earning money to help pay for their education, and the college gains much needed extra workers. The students also gain valuable work experience."

The college employs 240 students under the work study program. At Campbellsville the work study payroll is

approximately \$300,000. Johnson estimates that approximately 300 students per year are involved in the program, including one-semester and summer workers.

In order to receive a work study position, a student must complete and file a Kentucky Financial Aid Form (KFAF) before Mar. 15. The information given on the KFAF must demonstrate a financial need.

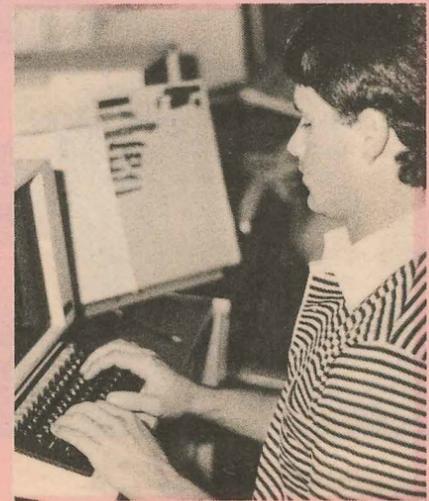
The college awards those students work study jobs on a first come-first served basis. Each work study student may earn up to \$1200 a year, working an average of 12 hours a week at minimum wage (\$3.35/hr.).

Johnson explained there is a wide variety of work study positions, including secretarial work, lab work in the science and computer departments, maintenance, cafeteria work and life-guarding.

A college education is expensive, but there are many ways to obtain financial help. If it is important that our young people are trained with the best teachers, teachers who are not only dedicated to the very best in the academic world but who are also dedicated to the very best in Christian commitment, then it is important to seek out the avenues that lead to the Christian college. Campbellsville College is always ready to help the potential student finance his college career.

There is some truth in the old cliché, "You get what you pay for," and in education the value of Christian education for the Christian young person cannot be measured.

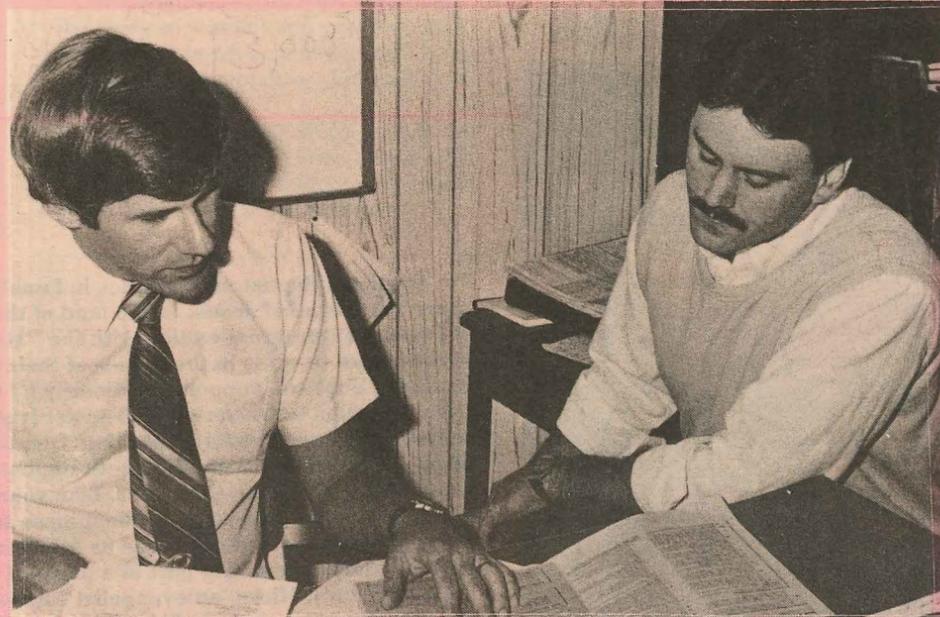
Campbellsville College does offer Christian education and Campbellsville College does offer opportunities to obtain financial help in securing that education.



Computers are valuable resources in today's society and work study students are offered the opportunity to work in the Computer Services Center as does Bryan Cook, a junior from Greensburg. (Photo by Chris Mueller)



Camille Bingham, a junior from Hodgenville, files some papers as part of her work study position as secretary to Drewry Meece, professor of education. (Photo by Chris Mueller)



Keith Johnson, left, financial aid director of Campbellsville College, discusses various papers that need to be completed with John Ely Smith, a junior from Mt. Juliet, Tenn. (Photo by Chris Mueller)



Pam Morris, a sophomore from Louisville, works in the cafeteria at Campbellsville College cleaning the food service area. (Photo by Chris Mueller)

christian education

Jill Bierwith named intern at Georgetown College

Jill Bierwith, a student at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, has been named campus ministry intern at Georgetown College for the 1984-85 school year.

Miss Bierwith is a native of South Carolina, and she is a graduate of Furman University, Greenville, S. C. She was a campus ministry intern at Campbellsville College last year.

Miss Bierwith will work part time during the fall semester. After her graduation in December, she will be a full time staff member for the remainder of the school year.

Cumberland receives faculty, curriculum grant

A \$250,000 challenge grant toward the creation of a \$500,000 permanent restricted endowment fund specifically for the liberal arts faculty and curriculum renewal has been awarded to Cumberland College by the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation of New York City.

"This is a cause for rejoicing at Cumberland College," said Cumberland president Jim Taylor. "For our hard working, dedicated and deserving faculty, this award is indeed a bonanza."

In order to obtain the \$250,000 in matching funds from the Mellon Foundation, Cumberland College must raise \$250,000 from other sources. All gifts

must be new, paid in gifts specifically for the Fund for Faculty and Curriculum Renewal, and only gifts of cash and securities at fair market value are eligible for the matching gifts. All gifts will be placed in a permanent endowment and the income will be used to strengthen and renew the curriculum in the arts and sciences.

Professors switch jobs for 1984-85 school year

Henri and Francois Odin of Lyon, France, have swapped teaching positions, houses and cars with Georgetown College's Robert Davis and his wife Mary, for the 1984-85 school year in a program cosponsored by the French Ministry of Education, the Fulbright Commission and the American Association of Teachers of French.

Davis, chairman of Georgetown's modern languages department since 1976, has assumed the duties of his French counterpart, Henri Odin, in a school located in a small village just outside Lyon. Each year 20 professors are picked to participate in the plan.

The Odin team has joined in teaching five French courses at Georgetown College. Henri Odin, solidly literate in the English language, spoke freely about the educational differences one encounters in France.

"It is very complex," he said. "Everybody in France attends school through the American junior high level. The last three years of high school are taken in what is called a lycee. At the conclusion of high school, students take



President and Mrs. Leon Simpson [1] welcome D. M. and Kay Aldridge "home" to Clear Creek Baptist School. Oct. 10 was declared D. M. Aldridge Day to celebrate missions. President of Clear Creek for 28 years, Aldridge has recently returned from a two-year tour as a volunteer missionary to Zambia, Africa. He served as pastor of International Baptist Church, taught in the seminary and led weekend extension classes. Aldridge became the part time missions director of Rockcastle Association this month.

an exam. Those who pass go on to a university which is subsidized by the government."

The French educational system results in clear differences in students and student life.

"There is very little social life at the lycee or university," he added. "Here in the states the atmosphere is much more relaxed where there is a balance between academics and social activi-

ties."

Relationships between students and professors are different, too. "In America the professor-student relationships are much more relaxed," Odin observed. "There is more willingness to interact."

"In France, school is a place where the professor goes to teach his classes and then leaves. The atmosphere there is much more formal."

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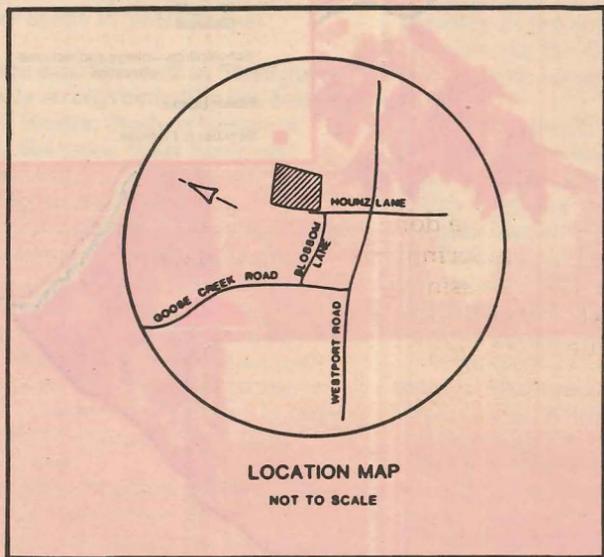
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President's Response to
Inaugural Address and Investiture

Monday, October 22, 1984

W. Morgan Patterson

Today we stand in continuity with generations past who have made their investment in this institution over 155 years — founders, faculty, trustees, students and their parents, administrators, pastors, church members, townspeople and neighbors, friends and supporters. We would be most ungracious and unthinking if their contributions to the cause of Christian education in this place were not acknowledged with profound gratitude. We build upon their efforts, their dedication, their sacrifices, their foundations and their visions. This event should not be completed without recognizing their role in what we do and say today.

Bernard of Chartres, writing in the 12th century, caught this point and expressed it eloquently as he observed that all of us are "like dwarfs seated on the shoulders of giants; we see more things than the ancients [did] and things more distant, but this is due neither to the sharpness of our own sight, nor to the greatness of our own minds, but because we are raised and borne aloft on that giant mass."

It is therefore fitting to speak of the significant role which various groups of persons have played in the life of Georgetown College: students with their enthusiasm, dedicated and gifted teachers, graduates and their many achievements, the loyalty of alumni and trustees, and the faithful support of Baptists in this state. There is a distinguished heritage to be remembered and celebrated.

So, Georgetown College takes understandable pride in the 38 college presidents it has produced, the Rhodes scholars who have studied here, the doctors and lawyers, the congressmen and legislators, the businessmen and entrepreneurs, the teachers and educators, the ministers and missionaries, and the countless others who have made their mark and left their imprint in the communities in which they have lived. For them all we give thanks to God as by his grace they have been used to improve the lot of their fellowman.

However, a look at the past and a recognition of its influence on what this school is now, should be balanced by a look ahead. Let us consider the future that beckons us, for it is here that you and I will live. The past is precious, but the future offers challenge, fulfillment, and the hope of still greater achievement. Although we cannot predict its precise configuration, it is incumbent on us to try to anticipate its possibilities and prepare for its opportunities.

For Georgetown College, a vision of the educational task for the remaining years of this century and beyond should include several goals and emphases.

First, there must be a continued commitment to academic excellence. This commitment to excellence involves students, faculty and staff — the entire college family. We wish to encourage students to become all that they are capable of becoming intellectually, to live up to their potential for learning, to strive for the best, and to be responsible stewards of the gifts God has given them. Faculty must motivate students to excel, must uphold high standards for them, and, above all, must stay on top of their own respective fields through their reading, research, writing, and dialogue with their peers here and elsewhere. Staff must be sympathetic with this goal and provide a support system which will make this college the best setting possible for learning and the attainment of excellence.

Second, there must be a genuine appreciation for the traditions which have shaped us and a faithfulness to the founding impulses of this school. Georgetown College was founded by our Baptist forefathers to provide for the youth of the churches an opportunity for higher learning under Christian influences, and we have entered into covenant with them to continue that mission. We seek to do here in the area of education that which the churches individually are not equipped to do, namely, to offer to young men and women, through intensive and structured study, an opportunity to prepare themselves to serve their churches, their communities and their country. Georgetown College is thus committed to Christian principles and ideals.

Third, this vision of the future stresses the importance of preparing leaders for the next generation. I want to see this school continue to produce graduates who exercise an influence all out of proportion to their numbers — men and women who have the capacity and the will to define the issues, to propose creative solutions, to achieve needed changes, to address moral concerns, and to inspire and influence others for constructive ends. Our society and our world need people who can still blaze a trail and still walk in difficult places with courage, confidence and wisdom.

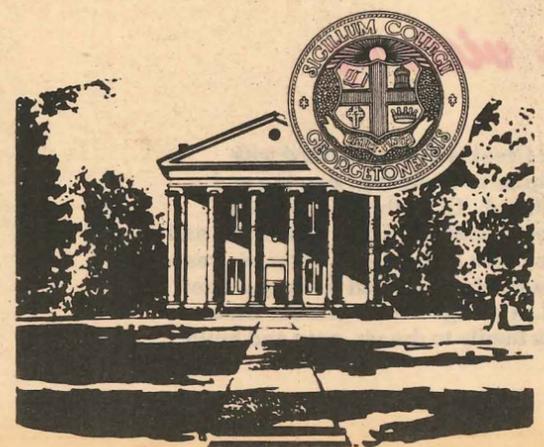
The role of leadership requires persons who possess the gifts, the energy, the resourcefulness, the determination and the

imagination to succeed. It is our hope and expectation that the motto of Georgetown College, "A Christian Climate for Achievement," will continue to describe this institution as it strives to prepare leaders who are guided by Christian principles.

Fourth, it is a vision of the educational task which endorses a broad base of studies in which the student is exposed to the range of ideas, literature, languages, leaders and epochal events of civilization, with an emphasis on the values of the Judeo-Christian heritage. Such study should enrich one's mind, lift one's spirit, and broaden one's sympathies for his fellowman and thereby contribute to genuine education. It should also have as its goals the betterment of the human condition, the conservation of limited resources provided by a loving God, and the freedom and dignity and worth of every person. These emphases, I believe, represent education at its best.

Needless to say, for such a vision of education to be realized there must be sufficient resources to get the job done, and that means adequate facilities, updated equipment, and a strong financial base. So, I call on all graduates and trustees, friends and supporters, all who have been touched by the ministry of this school, as well as those who wish to promote Christian education, to help us in this splendid task. With dedication and self-discipline and cooperation, great purposes can be reached. And is there any greater than to enlighten the mind and ennoble the spirit when it is done in the name of Jesus Christ?

I have often prayed, and I do so again here and now: "O God, give us a clear vision of the task to be done, the energy and gifts and determination to do it in a manner well pleasing to Thee, and the resourcefulness and enthusiasm to act upon the insights we have from Thee. And with these, provide grace, patience and love. In the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen."

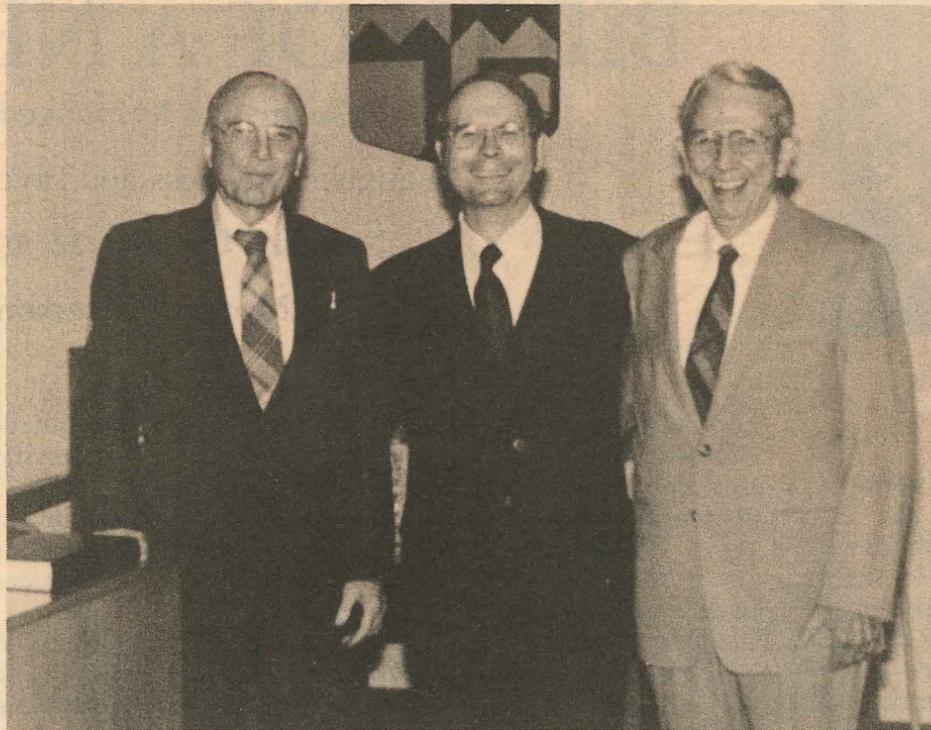


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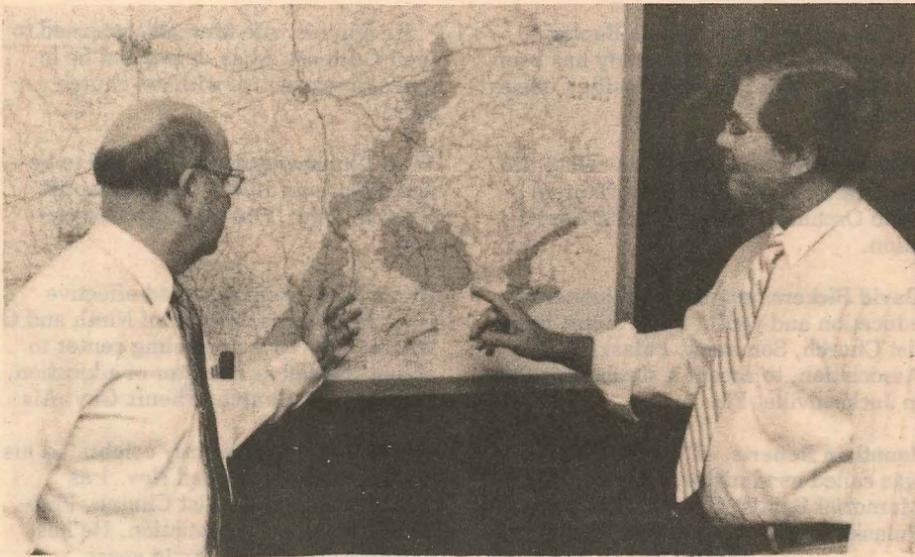
Clear Creek's history is filled with examples of dreaming, praying and building. L. C. Kelly dreamed of a school for training God's ministers, and Clear Creek is the result. Over the years needs would arise, and Kelly and later D. M. Aldridge would lead the Clear Creek family to dream, pray and build.



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President Leon Simpson [left]



Bill Jagers [l] and Bob Jones, director of the Kentucky Baptist Convention Direct Missions Department, discuss church planting strategy.

An interest in missions takes Jagers to KBC

by Patrick Cole, Staff Writer

After spending several years of his ministry struggling to help begin new churches, William D. (Bill) Jagers has an opportunity to see his dream grow.

Jagers, an associate in the Kentucky Baptist Convention's Direct Mission Department, will be assisting in the KBC's push for church expansion.

Yet the former Kentucky pastor, who assumed his position just two months ago, was reluctant to leave the pastorate for an administrative job.

"When they told me the nature of the work I wasn't interested," admitted Jagers. "But when I was informed there would be a major emphasis on new missions and new churches I immediately became interested."

Jagers' interest in new church development is rooted in his experience as a pastor in mountainous eastern Kentucky. He served two eastern Kentucky congregations, First Baptist Church, Jackson (1958-62) and Irene Cole Memorial Baptist Church, Prestonsburg (1962-77). Both churches were active in beginning mission churches.

Jagers believes it is essential for missions to become self-supporting as quickly as possible. "I felt that there ought to be indigenous leadership," he said. "I wanted them to develop and grow so that they would be on their own."

He noted it becomes taxing on the mother church and her staff if the missions do not develop leadership within their ranks. "There were some Sundays I preached six or seven times," he remembered.

"We started praying for pastoral leadership and out of those congregations several young men are pastoring," he said.

Although there are less than 500 Southern Baptist churches east of Interstate 75, Jagers thinks there is potential to swell that number. He said there is "enthusiasm" among pastors in that region about starting churches.

"A pastor has to be enthusiastic about the idea of starting missions," Jagers observed. "Most of the pastors I know (in eastern Kentucky) are interested."

"I've tried to analyze where that's come from," he continued. "I'm sure ultimately from the Lord. But those who have worked in the mountains (across the years) have had the concept of missions reaching into the hollows and making the gospel alive to people."

While a pastor in eastern Kentucky, Jagers was active in community life, particularly the local rescue squad. "It (his rescue squad experience) was an opportunity to care for people in their time of need."

He believes a pastor's ministry can be enhanced by his community involvement. "What one does in the community ought to be an outgrowth of what one does in the church," he shared. "I tried to do things I felt strongly about as a service to people."

Jagers' service to people was honored in 1977 when he was selected as "Man of the Year" by the Floyd County Chamber of Commerce.

He left eastern Kentucky in 1977 to become pastor of Cynthiana (Ky.) Baptist Church. While pastor of that church Jagers was elected president of the Kentucky Baptist Convention.

His other denominational service includes membership on the state executive board and the boards of Magoffin Baptist Institute, Clear Creek Baptist School and Western Recorder.

Although Jagers maintains it was the prospect of church expansion that interested him most in his job, he pointed out there are many missions programs his office coordinates. These programs include literacy work, interfaith witness, ministry to ethnic groups, ministry to the deaf and ministry to the inner city.

He noted there is a need to continue and build on the work that is started in these areas. He particularly mentioned the needs to minister to ethnic groups and the cities.

"I'd like to see our churches become aware of ethnic groups in our communities and that awareness would lead to action," he said, citing the increase in ethnic population in recent years.

Concerning the needs of the cities, Jagers believes there has to be a re-orientation to give attention to urban areas. "Most of us in Kentucky have been rural oriented," he said. "We've not given much thought to urban needs and that's where the people are."

What will Jagers miss most about the pastorate? "I will probably miss most of all the close and wonderful fellowship with Christian friends who have much in common in the fellowship of the local church," he shared. "I feel this is of the Lord and only what I discerned to be his leading could lead me away from the pastorate."

Dee Gilliland's northern path leads south to people of Kentucky

by Janis Whipple, Staff Writer

Soon after meeting her it's easy to believe that her "big interest in life is people." Delores "Dee" Gilliland welcomes everyone into her home and her office with a warm smile and an invitation to sign her guest book.

Within a few moments of conversation she is eager to introduce visitors to her office surroundings, including a Sioux pottery vase, artifacts from the Black Hills of South Dakota and paintings representing the states of North and South Dakota, Wyoming and Colorado. These articles help tell the story of Dee Gilliland's pilgrimage and remind her of the place where she began her work with Woman's Missionary Union.

Mrs. Gilliland is new to Kentucky and to Kentucky WMU. She began her work as the state's executive director Oct. 1 after working as marketing communication specialist for national WMU in Birmingham, Ala. 10 months. But her pilgrimage really began in the northern plains of the United States.

Mrs. Gilliland did not grow up in a Southern Baptist church, nor in a Christian home, although both her parents became Christians. But after she married husband Ray the couple became actively involved in a church of another denomination.

They found that the beliefs "didn't satisfy us," so they became Southern Baptists. This solidified a commitment Mrs. Gilliland had felt for a long time. "I had always had interest in missions and through involvement in WMU I began to develop a deep feeling and concern for missionaries and the lost of the world," she related.

Over the next few years, her love for missions led her to WMU leadership

positions in the northern plains states. When South Dakota divided into two associations, she became the first WMU president of the new association. In 1967, when Colorado broke off into its own convention, she became the first president of WMU for the Northern Plains Convention—four-and-a-half states' worth of travel. Then in 1977 Dee Gilliland was elected executive director of WMU for the Northern Plains Baptist Convention, which then consisted of North and South Dakota, where she worked until 1983.

"I had felt compelled to make a commitment to some kind of missions endeavor," she explained. "I had two kids—I didn't really understand. But as I became president and then executive director of WMU I realized that was it. The Lord got me interested in different phases of missions and gave me the background."

The year 1983 brought "radical change" for the Gillilands. "Birmingham (national WMU office) began to talk with me about a position with them in May and in June Ray announced his retirement from the telephone company. We had never lived in the South, we were facing retirement, a new area, a new climate," Mrs. Gilliland reflected. They were also leaving two married sons and two grandchildren behind in Rapid City.

"With a lot of prayer and decision we felt strongly it (the move to Birmingham) was of the Lord, so we left behind a house we had designed and moved south, expecting to stay in Birmingham forever," she said.

But within 10 months the Gillilands faced another career decision when the Kentucky Baptist Convention approached her about taking over the leadership of WMU upon Katherine Akridge's retirement in September 1984.

"At first, I wouldn't even talk to them," Mrs. Gilliland laughed. "But then the Lord got into it and things changed. After prayer, Ray and I came to the decision it was the right thing to do."

So in September the couple packed up all their belongings for the second time in a year and put down stakes in Louisville.

"It's a beautiful state and the people are wonderful," Mrs. Gilliland smiled. "The challenges and opportunities are fantastic here. I'm looking forward to working with the people of this state, because I don't believe one person can do it all."

Mrs. Gilliland had to consider her husband when contemplating vocational moves. She acknowledges that the decisions they made together about her career were not the kind that everyone could make. "I appreciate it in him," she mused.

"He's (Ray) a strong believer in missions. We are both as Baptist as anyone can be in belief. We're Southern Baptists because of missions and the Co-operative Program," she explained.

"He believes in what I do and we've prayed through every decision together."

Mrs. Gilliland's smile brightened as she contemplated the work ahead of her in Kentucky. She would like to learn more about art, learn to play the piano, find time to write and perform more monologs on women in the scriptures. But right now she is excited about working with people.

"I'm an observer of people," she relayed. "I have an ability that I think is God-given to see potential in someone and then work with them to develop that potential, especially in those who don't see it in themselves."



Ray and Dee Gilliland enjoy a moment together in the backyard of their new Creekside home.

mountains to the mississippi



First Baptist Church, Pikeville, Pike Association, had "A Great Day In October" Oct. 7. Three hundred and seventy-five people turned out for a family picture in front of the church facility. After the picture the group circled the building, to pray for the new church year. The church emphasized Sunday school attendance, worship [500 attended worship] and giving. A general offering of over \$11,300 was given during the day. Glenn Mollette is pastor of the church.

personnel

Louis J. [Joey] Rosas III accepted the call as pastor of First Baptist Church, Fisherville, Long Run Association. He is a graduate of Union University, Jackson, Tenn., and Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, where he is currently a PhD student.

He goes to the church from Memphis, Tenn., where he pastored Fairlawn Baptist Church.

David Walker began duties as pastor of Williamstown Baptist Church, Crittenden Association. He is a 1979 graduate of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary with an MDiv degree.

Wayne Riggs resigned as pastor of Union Baptist Church, Bracken Association, Oct. 7. He has accepted the call to Southern Manor Baptist Church, Vanceburg, Bracken Association.

Jeff Swedenburg began duties Nov. 1 as minister of music and youth, Brooksville Baptist Church, Union Association. Swedenburg is a native of Alabama, a graduate of Samford University, Birmingham, and is currently a student at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville.

J. Kenneth Allaby is pastor at Brooksville.

Wayne E. Huff accepted the call to pastor Zion Baptist Church, Reynolds Station, Ohio County Association. He began his ministry there Oct. 8.

Jimmy Bunch is the new pastor of Newman Baptist Church, Owensboro, Daviess-McLean Association.

Houston Hall has accepted the call as minister of education and youth of First Baptist Church, Hodgenville, Severns Valley Association.

A. N. Lester began duties as interim pastor of Pollard Baptist Church, Ashland, Greenup Association.

Jim Abernathy resigned as pastor of Milton Baptist Church, Sulphur Fork Association. He goes to Crestwood Baptist Church as associate pastor.

Ken Norris resigned the pastorate of Harrods Creek Baptist Church, Crestwood, Sulphur Fork Association, to accept the pastorate of First Baptist Church, Vacluse, S. C.

Jack Lee resigned effective Oct. 21 as pastor of Providence Baptist Church,

Campbellsburg, Sulphur Fork Association.

Mike Tate, minister of education, DeHaven Memorial Baptist Church, LaGrange, Sulphur Fork Association, resigned his position effective Oct. 21.

Eddie Gilley accepted the call as minister of youth, Crestwood Baptist Church, Sulphur Fork Association. He is a student at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Barry Cavin began duties as minister of music, DeHaven Memorial Baptist Church, LaGrange, Sulphur Fork Association.

Thomas Spencer accepted the position of youth director for High Point Baptist Church, Mayfield, Graves County Association.

L. D. Kennedy, associate professor of English and journalism at Campbellsville College, accepted the call to be interim pastor of Meadowview Baptist Church, Campbellsville, Taylor Association.

Kennedy holds his BA degree from Union University, his BDiv and MDiv degrees from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, and his MA from Memphis State University.



John Wilkes, a military chaplain at Ft. Campbell, and his wife Shelly recently attended chaplain's orientation meetings in Atlanta, Ga., sponsored by the Home Mission Board's chaplaincy division and a commissioning service hosted by First Baptist Church, Cartersville, Ga. The orientation meetings familiarized the chaplains with the board's most current information and support available for their ministries. The Wilkeses are among some 1700 Southern Baptist military and civilian chaplains endorsed by the Southern Baptist Convention and serving throughout the world.

The pastor of Mt. Gilboa Baptist Church for 12 years, Kennedy has been on the faculty of Campbellsville College since 1965.

William Brown accepted the call to the pastorate of Liberty Baptist Church, Crab Orchard, Pulaski County Association.

David Bickers resigned as minister of education and youth, High Street Baptist Church, Somerset, Pulaski County Association, to accept a similar position in Jacksonville, Fla.

Jonathan Roberts, of Wayne County, was called as minister of music, Duke Memorial Baptist Church, Somerset, Pulaski County Association.

Jeff Combs is now youth director at Immanuel Baptist Church, Somerset, Pulaski County Association. He is part of the Clear Creek Baptist School interim program.

Billy Compton was recognized for 18 years of work with Kentucky Baptist churches with a service at Living Hope Baptist Church, Bowling Green, Warren Association.

Charles Hardcastle, mayor of Bowling Green, proclaimed it "Billy Compton Day," presenting a plaque to Compton.

Compton was commissioned a Kentucky Colonel by Gov. Martha Layne Collins, represented at the service by state representative Billy Ray Smith, a former member of Living Hope Baptist Church.

Other participants in the service included Compton's family, high school and college teachers and friends from former pastorates.

Compton has been pastor of Living Hope since August 1980.

Jerry Cowan has accepted the position of interim minister of education for Central Baptist Church, Winchester, Boone's Creek Association.

John Wade Sr., pastor of Greenland Baptist Church, Corbin, Mt. Zion Association, retired after 38 years of work in Southern Baptist churches.

During his five and a half years at Greenland, Wade saw 658 members added to the church and the church's indebtedness erased.

He and his wife Marcella returned to their Gulfport, Miss. home and he intends to stay active with his church there.

W. O. Spencer accepted the call to be interim pastor of Mt. Carmel Baptist Church, Utica, Ohio County Association.

Gloria Armstrong resigned effective Dec. 28, 1984 as director of Ninth and O Baptist Church's counseling center to accept the call as minister of education, First Baptist Church, Phenix City, Ala.

Phillip Ball, who recently celebrated his 82nd birthday, resigned Nov. 1 as pastor of Bethel Baptist Church, Pine Knot, McCreary Association. He has pastored the church for 16 years.

Steve Kinman, a member of Crittenden Baptist Church, Crittenden Association, was elected as state Pioneer president for 1984-85 at the Brotherhood Convention Oct. 4-6 at Green Acres Baptist Church, Louisville. He has successfully completed 155 hours of work and ministry to receive the Royal Ambassador Service Award.

Gregory Hancock, pastor of Latonia Baptist Church, Covington, Northern Kentucky Association, and a director of Western Recorder, has written the article "What the Southern Baptist Convention Means to Me" in the current issue of Baptist Program.

Carl Loy, pastor of Mt. Vernon Baptist Church, Jamestown, Russell County Association, was honored with an autograph party and reception at Columbia's public library Aug. 17. The occasion recognized the publication of his book, *They Followed the Christ*.

Monte Castle is the new pastor of Fourth Avenue Church for the Deaf, Louisville, Long Run Association.

Bill Ramsey accepted the call to pastor New Cut Road Baptist Church, Louisville, Long Run Association.

Scott Sterling was called to the pastorate of West Side/Portland Baptist Church, Louisville, Long Run Association.

Daniel Lee Williams began his ministry as pastor of Lake Dreamland Baptist Church, Louisville, Long Run Association.

David Houben began duties Nov. 1 as director of youth at First Baptist Church, Cold Spring, Northern Kentucky Association.

Joseph R. Garr will be honored for 19 years as pastor of Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church, Covington, Northern Kentucky Association with a banquet Nov. 17.

ordinations

Mike King was ordained to the ministry Nov. 11 by Melbourne Heights Baptist Church, Louisville, Long Run Association. He leaves his position with the Church Training Department, Kentucky Baptist Convention, to pastor a church in Virginia.

John Brandon is pastor of Melbourne Heights.

Gerald Whitaker and D. M. Miller Jr. were ordained as deacons of Hartford Baptist Church, Ohio County Association Sept. 16.

Bill Curtis was ordained Sept. 16 to the deaconate by Pleasant Hill Baptist Church, Fordsville, Ohio County Association.

Charles H. Roberts was ordained as a deacon of West Point Baptist Church, Salem Association Oct. 28. Nick Kobek is pastor.

Joy Crutchfield Hager was ordained to the ministry Oct. 28 by her home church, First Baptist Church, Raleigh, N. C. Her husband Wayne Hager gave the ordination sermon and John Lewis, pastor of the church, gave the charge to the candidate.

Mrs. Hager is program director of Wayside Christian Mission's Family and Women's Shelter, Louisville.

Stan Fields, Marge Nichols, Jim Ruby and Lee Williams were ordained as deacons by Fern Creek Baptist Church, Louisville, Long Run Association.

Mark Hopper is pastor of Fern Creek.

Bruce McBrayer, pastor of Oak Grove Baptist Church, Dunville, Russell County Association, was ordained to the ministry Oct. 21.

Gary Greer was ordained as a deacon Sept. 30 by Eubank Baptist Church, Pulaski County Association.

Albert McKinney is pastor.

Douglas Leach, pastor of Clover Bottom Baptist Church, Versailles, Elkhorn Association, was ordained to the ministry Oct. 21 by Hopewell Baptist Church, Harrodsburg, Mercer Association.

Earl Hacker is pastor of Hopewell.

Ted Hall was ordained to the deaconate by Stamping Ground Baptist Church, Elkhorn Association, Nov. 4.

James R. Fuller is pastor of Stamping Ground.

Max Hester, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, Irvine, Boone's Creek Association, was ordained to the ministry by Clifton Baptist Church, Louisville, Long Run Association.

Robert O. Williams is pastor of Clifton.

Bob Templeton was ordained as a deacon Oct. 21 by First Baptist Church, Ashland, Greenup Association.

Bill Messer is pastor of First Baptist Church, Ashland.

R. W. Brown, Thomas Dooley, Doug Droz and Robert Johnston were ordained to the office of deacon Oct. 14 by Immanuel Baptist Church, Frankfort, Franklin Association.

Malcolm G. Lunceford is pastor of Immanuel.

Larry Black was ordained Sept. 30 as a deacon of First Baptist Church, London, Laurel River Association.

Alan Justice, Warren Skidmore and Don Tufano were ordained to the deaconate by Howard's Mill Baptist Church, Mt. Sterling, Boone's Creek Association.

deaths

Mark Moran, 32, pastor of Sparksville Baptist Church, Russell County Association, died Sept. 29 in Bowling Green following a short illness.

Moran, a resident of Greensburg, was also an employe of Aluminum Fabricators, Greensburg. He is survived by his parents, three brothers, two nephews and a niece.



Carl E. Bates [r], senior professor in pastoral ministry at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, congratulates Elkhorn Association executive director Harold G. Polk [l] as the association begins a year-long celebration of its bicentennial. Looking on [l-r] are new moderator Ted Sisk Jr., KBC executive secretary-treasurer William W. Marshall and retiring moderator James E. Heard. Bates addressed the association in annual meeting in October.

Jack McCarty, 59, choir director at Horse Creek Baptist Church, Manchester, and music director for Booneville Association, died in Manchester Oct. 20.

Funeral and burial was in Manchester, Oct. 23. His wife and two daughters survive.

revivals

Monroe Baptist Church, Tompkinsville, Monroe Association, held revival services Oct. 15-22 with Dillard Hagan as evangelist. Four professions of faith were made.

Carline Spears is pastor of Monroe.

Bethlehem Baptist Church, Louisville, Long Run Association, had revival services Oct. 28-Nov. 4 led by Henry Linginfelter and Dick Barrett. The revival resulted in 58 professions of faith, 15 additions by letter of statement and 143 decisions for rededication.

Ralph W. Hodge is pastor.

Concord Baptist Church, Hartford, Ohio County Association, held a fall revival Sept. 9-15. Geoffrey Laceyfield was guest evangelist. Results included eight rededications and one profession of faith.

Fellowship Baptist Church, South Shore, Greenup Association, held revival services Oct. 7-10 with evangelist John P. S. Humphrey. Results included 25 professions of faith and 21 rededications.

The mission of Ashland's Rose Hill Baptist Church has been in existence three months. Gary Southard, associate pastor of Rose Hill, led the music for the revival.

Charles Stewart is pastor of Rose Hill.

Rock Bridge Baptist Church, Tompkinsville, Monroe Association, held revival services Oct. 14-21. Three professions of faith and three additions for baptism were made during the week. Billy Neal David was evangelist.

Clyde England Jr. is pastor of Rock Bridge.

Gamaliel Baptist Church, Monroe Association, had a week of revival Oct. 8-14 with evangelist Terry Geren. They report five professions of faith, seven

additions for baptism and one addition by letter.

Jerry Anderson is pastor of Gamaliel.

Liberty Baptist Church, Scottsville, Allen Association, held revival services Oct. 7-15, reporting one profession of faith and one addition for baptism. Ralph Garmon was evangelist for the week.

Farrell Isenburg is pastor of Liberty.

Pleasant Hill Baptist Church, Somerset, Pulaski County Association, had a lay revival led by 15 members of Calvary Baptist Church, Franklin, Simpson Association.

C. E. Jacobs is pastor of Pleasant Hill.

Calvary Baptist Church, Franklin, Simpson Association, held revival services Sept. 30-Oct. 3. Frank Dorris was evangelist. Five persons, ages 13-43, made professions of faith during the revival.

Wilbur Powell is pastor of Calvary.

congregations

Willow Grove Baptist Church, Danville, South District Association, had its homecoming Oct. 7, beginning a week-end revival. Two professions of faith were made along with several rededications. Guest speaker was Ray Roberts, formerly of Danville, who started a church at Willow Grove in 1947.

The church also reinstated all missions organizations.

Jerry Browning is pastor of Willow Grove.

Oakland Baptist Church, Warren Association, held a dedication service Oct. 21 for its new educational complex. Frank Dorris, director of missions, Warren Association, preached the dedicatory sermon.

Greg Wallace is pastor of Oakland.

Calvary Baptist Church, London, Laurel River Association, reported 10 professions of faith, one addition by letter and record offerings for one month. Sunday school average attendance was 240.

Seymour Wattenbarger is pastor of Calvary.

Union Baptist Church, Northern Kentucky Association, subscribed \$198,000 through cash gifts and three-year com-

mitments during its 13-week Together We Build program. The church plans to construct a new sanctuary and additional classrooms and offices.

David S. Carter is pastor of Union.

Goshen Baptist Church, Sulphur Fork Association, dedicated its new building Oct. 28. Robert Jones was dedication speaker.

Sam and Lynda Williams are pastors of Goshen.

Georgetown Baptist Church, Elkhorn Association, honored Leroy "Buddy" and Jean Albright for 25 years as career missionaries under the Foreign Mission Board during a service Oct. 22.

The Albrights also honored the church at the same time for having been a part of their support for 25 years. They have served in Zimbabwe, Malawi and Zambia and are now in Mexico.

The Albrights were appointed to Zimbabwe (then Rhodesia) in 1959. Georgetown Baptist Church, where they had both been members since 1951, decided to support the couple with \$2000 a year designated to the Foreign Mission Board for the Albrights.

The 25-year relationship between the Albrights and Georgetown Baptist Church was celebrated with a special service, a presentation to the Albrights and a gift given in their honor to the new WMU building in Birmingham, Ala.

Richard Allison is pastor of Georgetown.

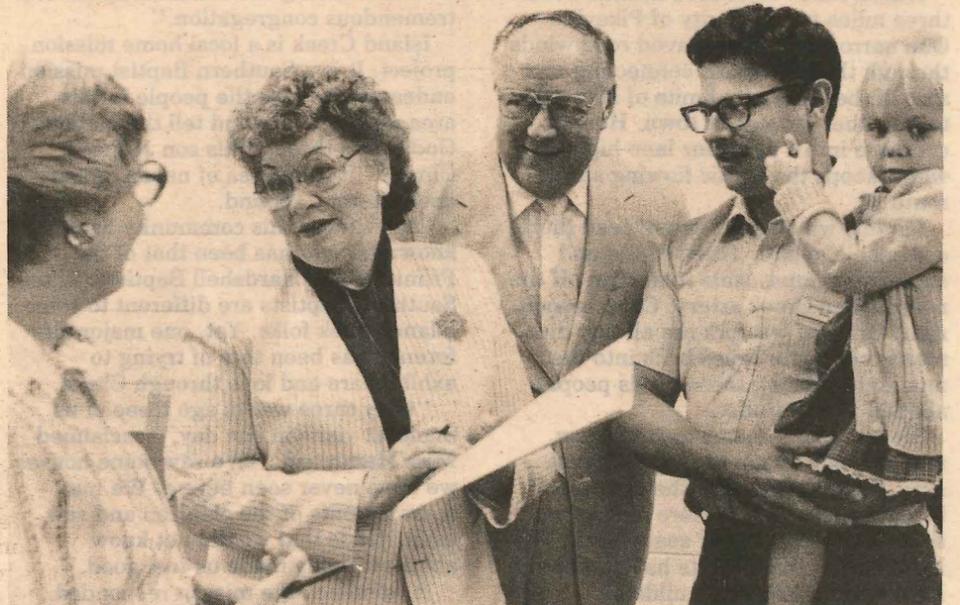
missions

Temple Baptist Church, Owensboro, Daviess-McLean Association, raised \$330 for school supplies and personal items for children at Glen Dale Children's Home. The money was raised through the church's annual bike-a-thon, a 16-mile ride which had 23 participants this year.

Bike-a-thon director is Ray Westfield.

Mike Crain is pastor of Temple.

Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Turner, missionaries to Zambia, have completed furlough and returned to the field (address: Box 50599, Lusaka, Zambia). They are natives of Harlan. She is the former Fran Howard. They were appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1976.



Kathryn Akridge [second from left], former Woman's Missionary Union director for Kentucky, and her husband Bill talk with Southern Baptist missionaries Carmela [l] and Richard [r] Bartels and their daughter, Chandra, during the first ever furloughing missionary Cooperative Program conference in September at Ridgecrest [N. C.] Baptist Conference Center.

Pike County's Island Creek

Into all the hollows

by Glenn Mollette,
State Correspondent

Where do mission opportunities exist? This question was recently asked by a Sunday school teacher who already knew the answer. Her answer was "everywhere."

We often think of missions as being some place else. A remote section of the world or across the country always seem like a more fertile mission field. However, the folks who work at the Island Creek mission in Pike County believe missions begins on the home turf.

Island Creek is an area located about three miles from the city of Pikeville. One narrow stretch of paved road winds through the mountains connecting one side of the outer city limits of Pikeville to the other far side of town. Here it connects into a new four lane highway which keeps the traffic flowing along route 23.

On this winding stretch of road there are people galore. Three rough and sometimes impassable roads run off the main Island Creek artery. Coon branch, right fork and left fork are all tiny dirt roads that go for miles back into the mountains. Along these roads people abound in multitudes.

No one really seems to know how many people live in the Island Creek area. Some estimate in the neighborhood of 4000. This is more people than some Kentucky county seats have. Most of the county seats have Southern Baptist churches with buildings, budgets, programs and an active membership. These are some things the Island Creek mission does not have.

Pat Hammond is the mission coordinator for First Baptist Church, Pikeville, the sponsoring church of the mis-



Some of the children of Island Creek for whom the mission is reaching out.

sion. Miss Hammond states, "We have many needs but our eight workers have qualities that money cannot buy—commitment, enthusiasm and joy in their work."

The mission which meets in a trailer stationed in a community park ministers to 30-40 children each week who come for Sunday school. Mike Goff and Bill Staggs provide transportation for many of the children who live up and down the hollers in vans provided by First Baptist Church, Pikeville. "Our mission has grown. We began with as few as 10 and have had as many as 44 in attendance," remarked Miss Hammond.

Growth means filling space. "This is our biggest problem," remarked Miss Hammond. "We desperately need a larger meeting place."

Mike Goff, whose heart goes out to the people of Island Creek, believes there is "a tremendous need for a Southern Baptist church" in this area of Pike County. The people are here. "If we had a facility we could easily have a tremendous congregation."

Island Creek is a local home mission project. It is a Southern Baptist mission endeavor "to love the people in this area of the county and tell them about God's love through his son Jesus Christ." It is an area of needs. Poverty and illiteracy abound.

The witness this community has known forever has been that of the Primitive and Hardshell Baptists. Thus, Southern Baptists are different to some Island Creek folks. Yet, one major difference has been that of trying to exhibit care and love through Christ.

"Only three weeks ago three of us made 42 visits in one day," exclaimed Miss Hammond. "We saw some houses we have never seen before. We met some parents of the children and saw some needs that we did not know about. It really made us feel good."

A worker at the mission responded, "No one can visit the Island Creek field and view the needs, meet the people and observe the mission work that is happening without having the feeling God is doing something special out there."

"...but for them also
which shall believe on me
through their word..."



CHRIST'S PRAYER - GOD'S ANSWER OUR RESPONSIBILITY

Allen and Monroe say 'goodbye'

The road of life

by Sherry Hall,
State Correspondent

"As one road ends, so another begins."

The words of A. B. Colvin, executive associate at the Kentucky Baptist Convention, brought tears to the eyes of members of Allen and Monroe associations. The meeting room of Barren River Lodge was filled with friends and pastors who gathered to pay tribute to Carline Spears, director of missions for these associations for 15 years.

Words of gratitude, love and praise were accorded to Brother and Mrs. Spears by Jerry Anderson, pastor of Gamaliel Baptist Church, Monroe Association. Ralph Garmon read the 23rd and 24th Psalm and "My Tribute" was sung by Ken Goforth. Colvin praised Spears for his years of service and for the growth of both associations during his tenure.

Brother and Mrs. Spears were presented a plaque of appreciation and a bound volume of letters "of love and

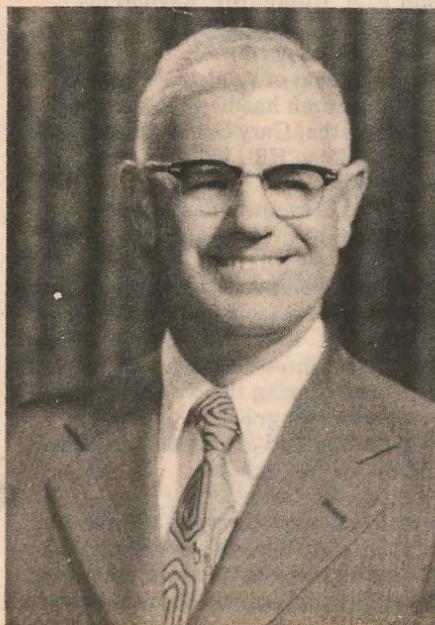
gratitude" from members of the two associations by Tommy Brown, moderator of Allen Association. As a grand finale, a gift wrapped package containing a check for \$5,562.75 was presented to the Spears.

Carline Spears gave 15 years of his life in service to God and the seeds he planted have multiplied. Under his encouragement, music ministry, Brotherhood, offerings and Cooperative Program giving have increased dramatically.

Spears states he has seen "many ups and downs" in Baptist work in the past 15 years, but that "all things have passed" and "controversies stabilize" and "Baptist work goes on." In the future, Spears hopes to see more cooperation among his Baptist brethren so God's work may be accomplished "without delay."

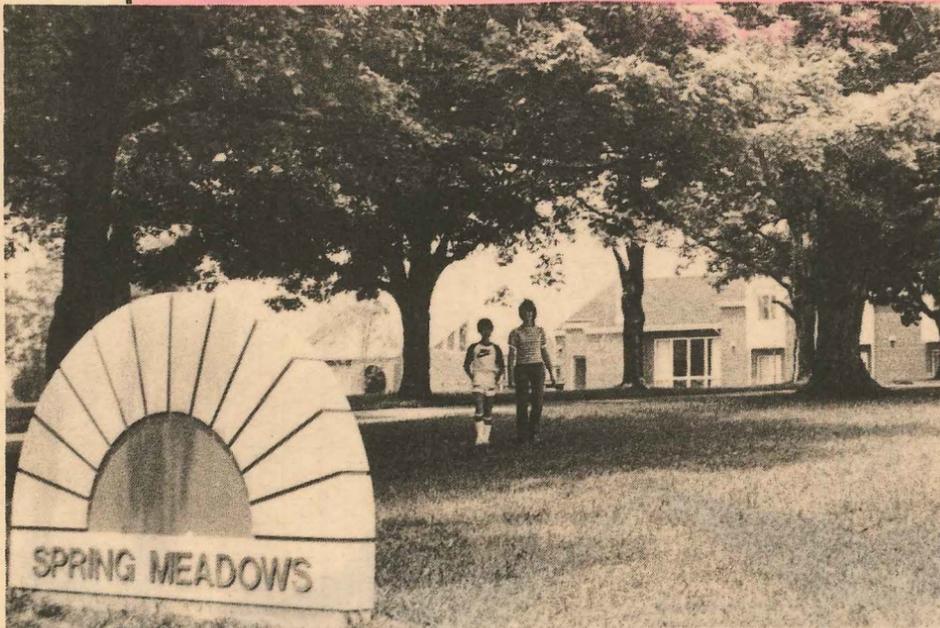
While this road ends for Carline Spears, another has begun. He has received a call from Monroe Baptist Church, Monroe Association, to become full time pastor.

Tommy Brown [l], moderator of Allen Association, presents Mr. and Mrs. Carline Spears with a plaque of appreciation after 15 years' service in Allen and Monroe associations.

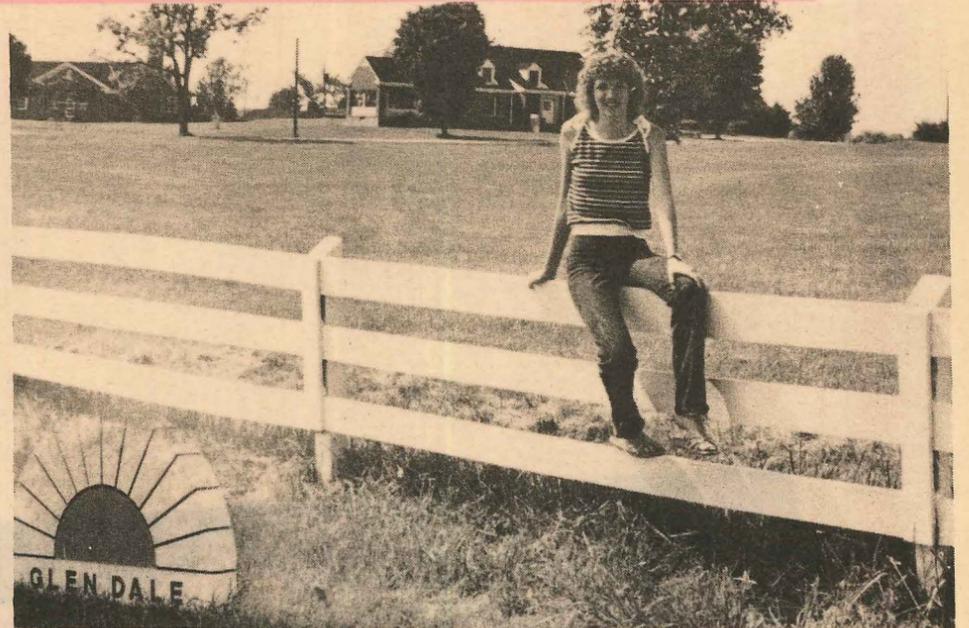


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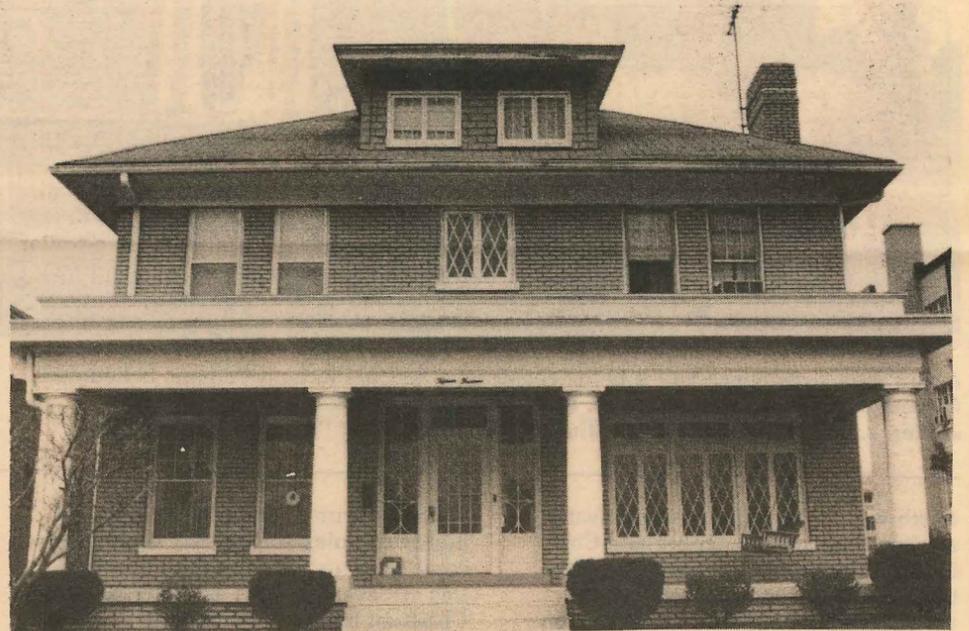
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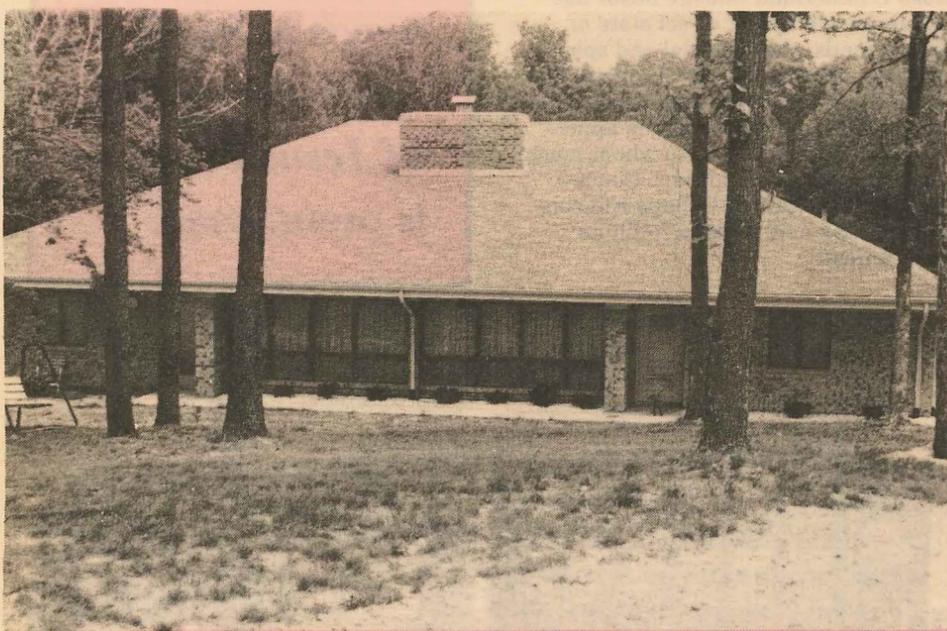
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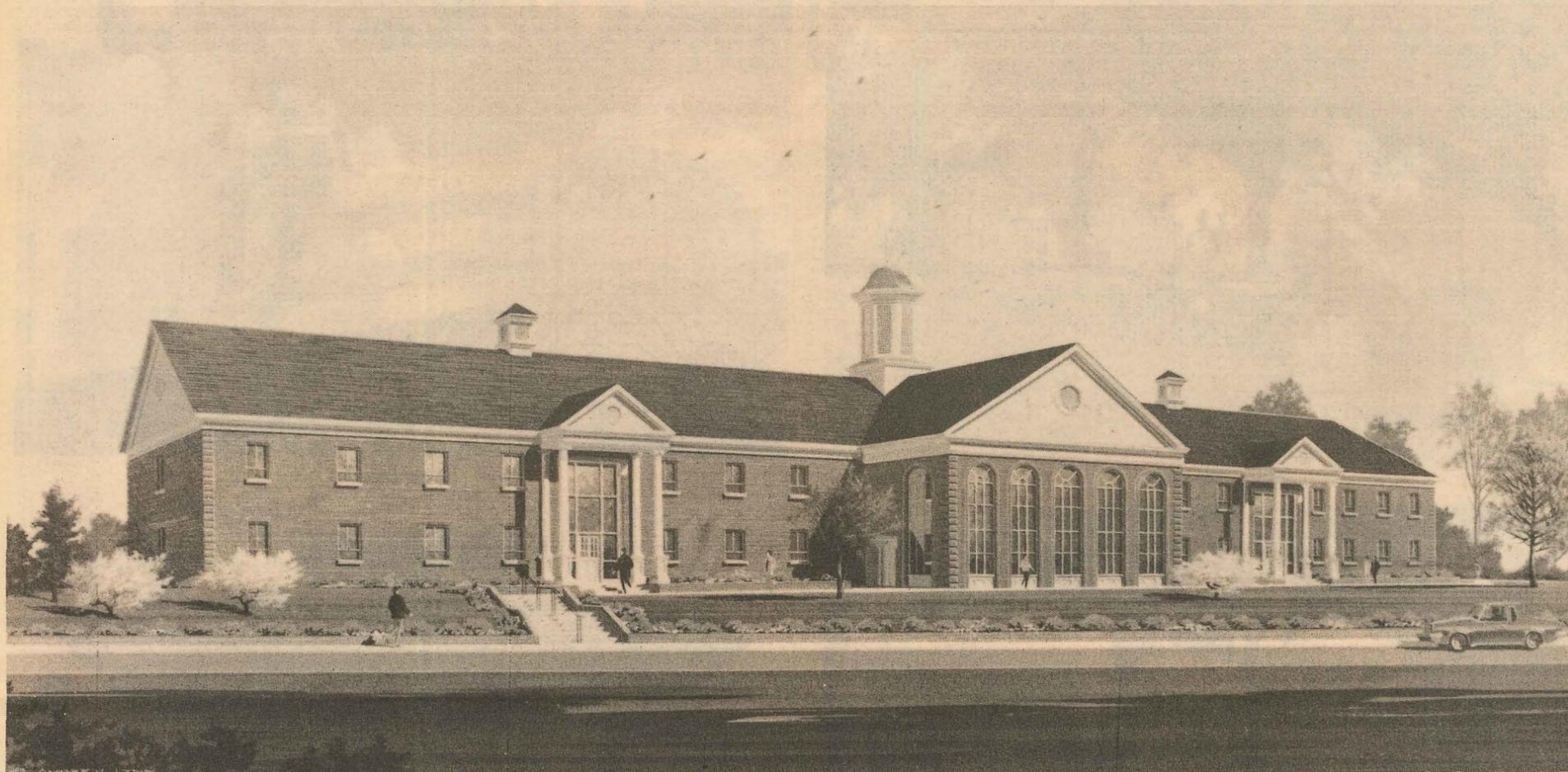
Kentucky Baptist Homes for Children

CUMBERLAND COLLEGE

Restoration,

renovation,

innovation



A new men's residence hall is being constructed at Cumberland College. Scheduled for completion later this semester, the new dormitory will house over 100 men students. Cumberland president Jim Taylor emphasizes, "Because Cumberland

College never has and never will accept direct state or federal funds, the financial and spiritual support of Kentucky Baptists, the Kentucky Baptist Convention and other friends has been crucial and is appreciated."

Restoration, renovation and innovation are key concepts at Cumberland College and like our other Kentucky Baptist colleges no one needs to blush when the name of Jesus Christ is mentioned on this campus.

In keeping with its founding mission of providing a quality Christian education for mountain students, Cumberland has always been sensitive to the changing needs of its constituencies, primarily those coming to us from the mountain region. Seeking to meet their needs has always provided both challenges and opportunities.

Conquering challenges and fulfilling opportunities has built a solid tradition for this Kentucky Baptist college.

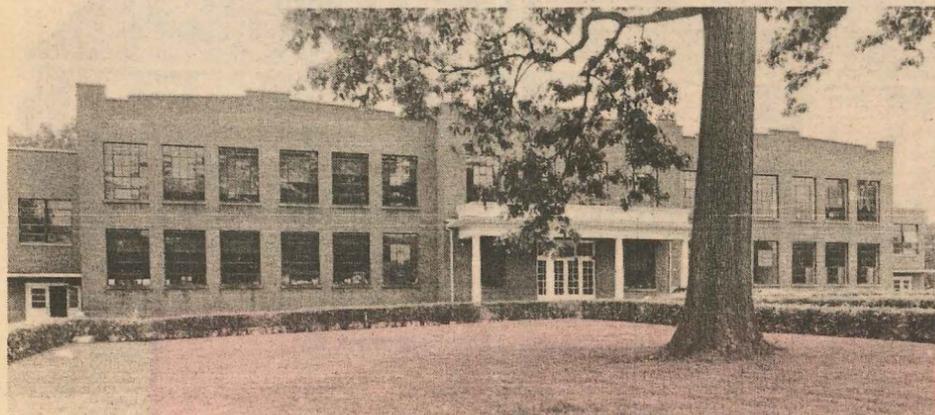
Today, with a rapidly changing and highly complex society, the challenges come more quickly and the opportunities are even greater. To fulfill its vital Christian mission, Cumberland College must adapt even more quickly and be even more alert to opportunities.

Since 1980 Cumberland College has intensified its efforts to fulfill its commitment. This effort is, perhaps, best seen in the physical changes on the campus. Many buildings have been renovated or restored. The campus has been, and is being landscaped and beautified, and a new men's dormitory which will provide housing for over 100 men students, is almost completed.

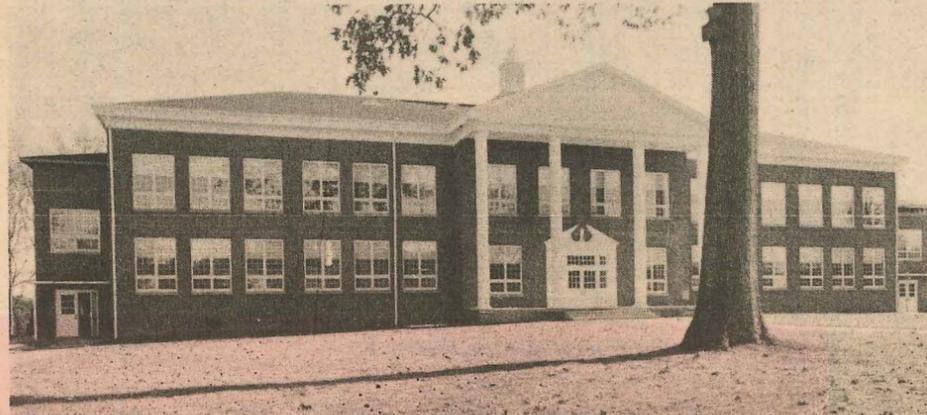
Jim Taylor, Cumberland's president,

emphasized, "At Cumberland we want to provide the best possible facilities for our deserving students. However, traditionally we do not begin any building projects until we have the money with which to pay for these projects. Because Cumberland College never has and never will accept direct state or federal funds, the financial and spiritual support of Kentucky Baptists, the Kentucky Baptist Convention and other friends has been crucial and is appreciated. We believe "... to whom much is given, much is required." Consequently, Cumberland College will continue to seek new ways to fulfill its commitment.

"At Cumberland College no one needs to blush when the name of Jesus Christ is mentioned."



Before and after. Cumberland College recently completed renovation of the former Williamsburg City School property. The photo at left shows the building before renovation and the photo at right shows the building after it was modified to blend into the antebellum style of architecture prevalent on the campus. According to



Cumberland president Jim Taylor, the renovation is not only part of the college's beautification plan but will also make Cumberland more efficient and productive as it continues providing a quality Christian education for its deserving students.

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Champions all!

All of our top cross country runners are Christians. Our best four boys professed Christ after coming to OBI. Each is a baptized member of our local church. The next three boys were Christians before they came to us, as were our best two girls.

That is the most important thing I can tell you about each of these young people.

Our boys have won the regional cross country championship for the second year in a row. Also our girls were again third in the regional run.

Our cross country team won every regular season competition, won the Three Rivers Conference tournament, and the important Paintsville Invitational involving 10 schools most of which are larger than Oneida.

Oneida's boys team ranked sixth in state tournament competition. Our number one runner in every race this year was Mike McMonigal of Louisville. He has been with us all his high school years. He is one of those young people that has steadily matured and stuck with it. About 5'7" he also runs track, is on the swimming and diving teams, and helps supervise our computer lab in the evenings when not involved athletically. It was a joy to see him recently make his profession of faith.

Number 2 this year is John Muse. Coming in the eighth grade from Pulaski County, John is now a junior.

He has run track several years and is also on the varsity basketball team this year.

Number 3 man is 6'6" junior Howard Broyles of Hamilton, Oh. This is his first year to run cross country and his second year to play basketball. One of Howard's maternal grandfathers was a black poet of some note in the early 19th century.

Number 4 on our varsity high school team is eighth grader James Muse, brother of John. This is James' fourth year also, having been accepted into our "Special Help" program when he was only a fifth grader. He came to us smoking four packs of cigarettes a day. We got him out of that bad habit in about six months. He has grown much since and is now a fine runner. He also plays on the middle school and freshman basketball teams, and runs varsity track each spring.

Number 5 is David Pack of Whitesburg. Already a Christian when he came to us he has grown much here in commitment. People must be disciplined as well as won. He is an enthusiastic attendant at the bedtime devotions held nightly at our church. Before he came to us David had been a "dropout" for a semester. He is one of our many students receiving full financial aid and is very deserving of that investment.

Number 6 man is Jim Forget of Detroit. This is his third year here but his first year to run cross country. A senior, he is a Christian gentleman who has lived his faith each day since he came. Such a student means so much in the quiet influence of his daily example. He is nearly a straight "A" student. He sings in the choir and plays in the band. He is on the yearbook staff and active in drama. He has been on the fencing teams and track teams the past two years and will be again this year.

Number 7 man is Paul Arnett who came to us five years ago in the sixth grade from Bethel, Oh. He has been running varsity cross country since the seventh grade. He plays varsity baseball each spring and also plays basketball.

Our standout girl runner is eighth grader Stella Hunt of Lexington. Arriving a month after the season began she moved to the front in each race.

Our number 2 girl is Alma Chambers whose father is a minister of music in Franklin, Oh. Her two older brothers were here for six years. Paul was our top runner for three years and is now at Cumberland and Mike, last year's salutatorian, is now on full scholarship at Murray State. Champions all!



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sunday school lessons

LESSONS FOR NOV. 18, 1984

International Series

When the Lord returns

1 Thessalonians 5:1-23 Paul taught the Thessalonians that Christ's return was a future event of absolute certainty. He informed them he was looking forward to Christ's coming which would be personal, visible, sudden and unexpected. The exact time of his coming was an uncertainty. Paul emphasized that his readers should be prepared for the return of Christ regardless of the time when he might appear. While awaiting their Lord's return, Christians were and are expected to do what they can to encourage and strengthen others.

Paul was anxious for Christ's return to serve as a challenge to preparedness, as an incentive to watchfulness, to holiness and to sacrificial service for Christ, and as a source of great comfort when sorrow comes.

Paul admonished believers to appreciate their leaders, hold them in high esteem, maintain proper attitudes toward them, pray for them and cooperate with them in the Lord's work. To prevent them from conforming to the ways of the world, Paul challenged believers to test things according to true Christian standards and to do right in every instance.

In spite of floggings, fetters and friendlessness, Paul rejoiced in the Lord. Even though we, like Paul,

cannot rejoice in ourselves or in our circumstances, we can and should rejoice in the Lord, whose grace and power never change.

Prayer increases our joy and usefulness. We should be thankful for what God has done for us and through us. We are to be thankful in the midnight darkness as well as in the bright sunshine. Let us be thankful for our material, physical and spiritual blessings. Among the latter are the savior, the scriptures, the churches and the assurance of a home in heaven.

Life and Work Series

Christ's commission

Acts 1:8 Christ commissioned Christians to witness for him by their words, ways and works. One cannot witness for Christ effectively unless he is endued with the power of the Holy Spirit. This mission of witnessing for Christ under the leadership of the Holy Spirit is to begin at home and extend to the people in all lands.

Acts 5:42 Because of their personal gratitude to Christ for what he had done for them and their love for the souls of people, early Christians were constrained to tell all whom they were able to contact that Christ was willing and able to save all who would believe on him.

Acts 8:4 When the enemies of Christ and his followers launched fierce attacks against the early Christians and sought to exterminate them, they were widely dispersed, but they faithfully kept on preaching the word and joyfully witnessing to the unsaved.

Acts 9:31 As Christ's witnesses continued to be faithful, a lull in the persecution occurred, during which period the Christians were strengthened, the ministry of the early church extended to Judea, Galilee and Samaria, and numerous individuals were saved.

Acts 10:34-35 Peter entered the house of Cornelius and told those awaiting that God had revealed to him that he should not call any person common or unclean.

Acts 13:48 When the gospel was proclaimed to Jews and Gentiles on the same terms, the Jews rejected it but many Gentiles believed and were saved.

Acts 16:10; 28:30-31 When one door to service was closed to Paul, the Lord opened another. While chained to a soldier, Paul spoke with freedom and enjoyed a glorious ministry. Even though chained, he was not silenced.



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on mission together

An autumn feast

There is probably no more frustrating experience for a wife and mother who, after spending hours of loving preparation on the favorite meal of her family, to have the family gather at the table and, because of other commitments, gobble down the food and hurriedly vacate the table. I can remember times like that, returning to kiss her goodbye and noticing her face as she and dad sat alone at the table. Though I never saw one, I suspect there must have been a tear or two she managed to hide from us. Years later, I think I still too often scramble through life, never sitting long enough at life's table to taste the

fullness of a day that could have been more lovely had I not crowded so much into it.

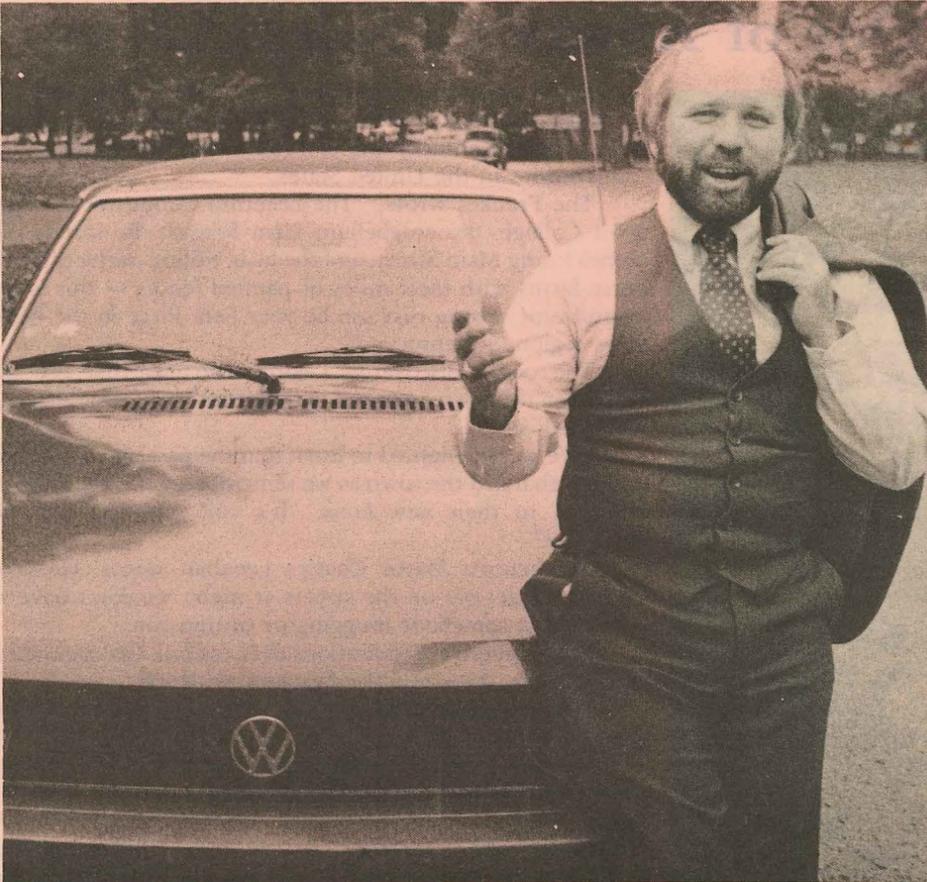
One afternoon in October, following four straight days of rain and fog, I discovered, moving from one meeting to another, a bountiful table of autumn colors. This time of year our beloved state is transformed into a feast of colors to be tasted and savored. It was on one of those rare occasions when I had planned enough time to enjoy the travel between two destinations. I selected the longest rather than the shortest route—back roads, four-number roads—and with every curve a new exhibition of Kentucky in its most majestic color. An abundance of rain had provided for this year's portrait of autumn a rich, color base of green. As I wound upward in central Kentucky's rolling hills, I discovered a small graveyard, on the one side of which was a panorama of several valleys; on the

other, a small woods.

Pulling into the rarely used entrance, I got out. A noisy crow complained in the distance as I meandered toward an ancient oak and stood beneath it, delighting in the feast of color across the valleys. And not a car passed! Later, as I turned to go, I looked into the woods and remembered again the familiar but haunting words of Robert Frost: "The woods are lovely dark and deep, but I have promises to keep, and miles to go before I sleep—and miles to go before I sleep."

And there beneath the tree, I asked his help once again, for a steadier pace. Like many others, I have an endless struggle for balance.

As I drove on toward my destination, with "miles to go" and "promises to keep," I knew from within that I had been an honored guest at an autumn feast, and I had been refreshed for the journey.



Joe Palmer tells about his vacation car troubles this summer and how he was able to lead the mechanic to accept Christ. Palmer is SBC programs support coordinator in the Church Recreation Department at the Baptist Sunday School Board.

Sudden vacation stop gives couple fresh start

Summer vacations many times are marred with unpleasant memories of car trouble, but for Joe Palmer and his family the summer's trouble resulted in new friends and a new Christian.

Palmer, SBC programs support coordinator for the Sunday School Board's Church Recreation Department, planned to leave Glorieta, N. M., and spend two weeks camping with his family in the western United States, ending his trip with an engagement in northern California.

Two days on the road after leaving Glorieta, the Palmers found themselves stranded in Rock Spring, Wyo. The transmission on their Volkswagen Dasher would go no further.

Since it was Sunday, no car repair businesses were open in the town of 19,000. So Monday morning Palmer took his car to Automotive Specialty where he met Larry Olguin the owner. During the next four days while parts were being shipped from Denver, Colo., the Palmer and Olguin families became friends.

"I spent most of my time at the

shop," explained Palmer. "Larry would get under the car on a dolly and so would I. If he needed a wrench I would hand him one."

During the five days in Rock Spring the two men discussed many topics. "A lot of times our conversations would turn to God and church," he said. "Larry wanted to know what I thought because I was a minister."

With the car finally repaired, the Palmers headed toward the Grand Tetons and points west Thursday evening. However, they left Rock Spring with an invitation to spend the night with the Olguins on their return trip.

Two weeks later the Palmers were back in Rock Spring. "It was like a homecoming," said Palmer.

That night Palmer and Larry and Carol Olguin stayed up talking. Before retiring for the evening, Larry accepted Christ and Carol rededicated her life.

"What started out as a very negative experience (car trouble), turned out to be a very positive one," said Palmer. "It was worth the price of the transmission."

Father donates kidney for transplant

Considers sacrificial giving integral part of lifestyle

Chester Russell is a man with an attitude of giving and, for him, donating a kidney to save the life of his son, Phil, was not an unusual act. Even though Phil's body rejected the donated kidney two months later, Russell said he would do it again if he had the chance to help his son have a better life free from a dialysis machine.

Russell, 64, editor of the Home Bible Study Guide, a publication of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board, didn't stop to think about whether he would give the kidney when doctors said his son needed a transplant.

"Others in the same circumstance would do the same thing. It's no different from a mother staying up all night with a sick child," Russell said.

Phil, a professor of sensory biophysics at Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill., was diagnosed a diabetic when he was four, Russell explained. The disease had been controlled by diet and medication. But, at 31, Phil began to experience kidney failure last January. Although dialysis for 40 minutes, four times a day was an immediate solution, doctors recommended a kidney transplant.

Russell said he was motivated to donate his kidney to help his son through "the giving love of God. Some people look at me as a hero. I don't have a halo and this didn't give me one," Russell insisted.

Donating a kidney is not an unusual instance in Russell's life because giving is an integral part of his lifestyle, explained Rhoda Royce, Russell's daughter, also an employe of the board. "He has often given things most people would not be willing to give," she said. "To me he is a hero, but this is not the only reason."

Phil returned to much of his normal

routine at Northwestern University after the early August transplant operation and indications gave hope that his body was accepting the kidney. But in early October, Phil returned to the hospital and learned his body was slowly rejecting the kidney.

"I'm glad I had the chance to try to help Phil," Russell said after learning the transplant was not working. "This doesn't change things at all. It was an opportunity for me to try to free Phil

from the dialysis treatments. We were hopeful it would work but we knew it was risky business we were dealing with when we started. We weren't surprised but we were disappointed," Russell said.

Phil will return to regular dialysis treatments. While another transplant is not impossible, it is less likely that Phil's body would accept a transplant from someone not closely related, Russell explained. Phil's mother and

sister were tested earlier and found not compatible for the transplant.

Russell's matter-of-fact attitude about the donation grows out of his giving lifestyle, Phil said. "When you give in little things, the big things don't seem so heroic," he added.

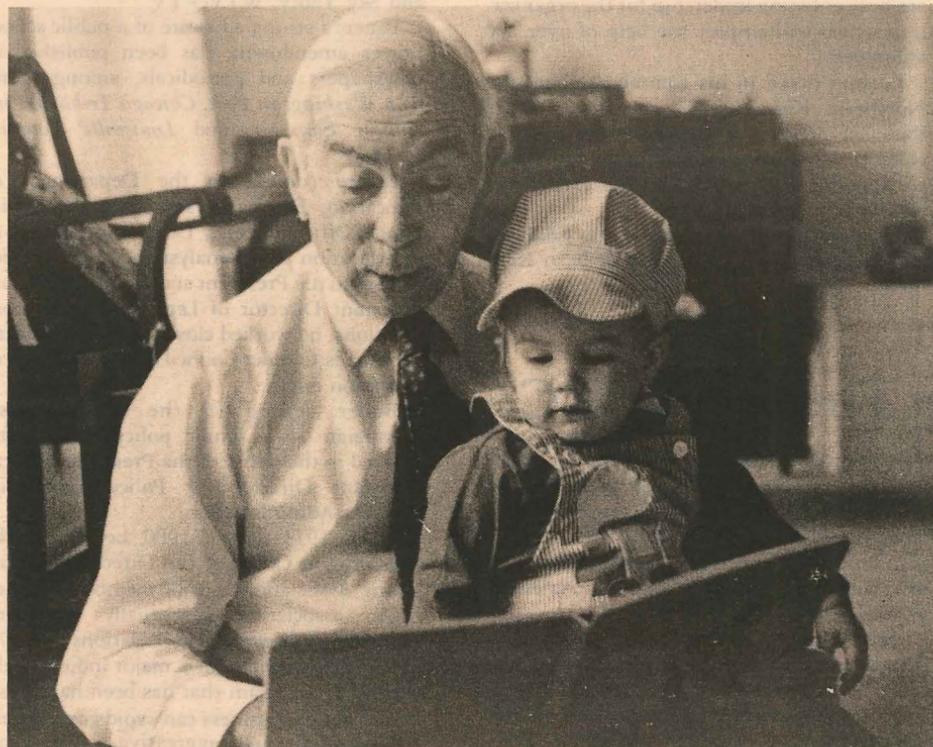
Doctors counseled Russell to insure he was mentally prepared for the operation. "The doctors insisted that I think about it, but my mind was made up from the beginning," Russell said. Russell likens the kidney donation to giving blood. "I've donated blood since I was 22," he said.

An early experience with donating blood may have aided in his willingness for an organ donation, he pointed out. While a student at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, the Baptist Hospital in Louisville, Ky., asked Russell to give blood for an emergency case even though he had donated two weeks earlier.

"When I got there, I found the patient was the wife of a fellow student who needed blood while having a baby. They couldn't find anyone else with the blood type to match," he said. "God gave me that unique opportunity. I've had a great delight in that," he said. "That experience would lead me again to do the same thing."

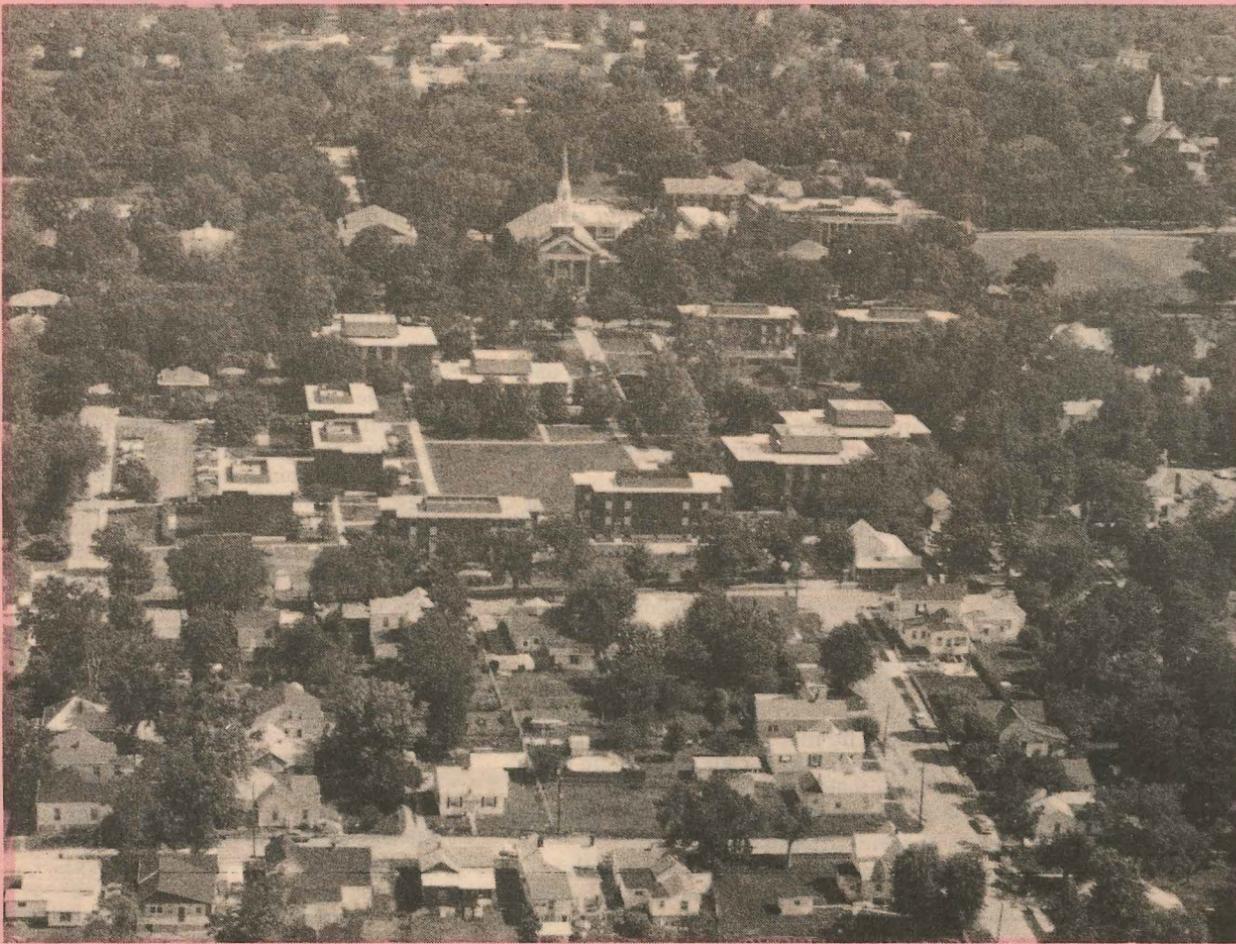
Russell truly considers his sacrificial giving to be routine, his daughter explained. "He is embarrassed at the attention it has created but he agrees to it (the publicity) because it might help others," she said.

Russell would like to persuade others to consider a regular blood donation program. And he encourages people to let relatives know of a willingness to be an organ donor. "They will be the ones who have to make the decision in case of a sudden death," he pointed out.



Chester Russell takes time to read a story to his grandson, Mark Royce. Sharing with his family is an important part of Russell's life. He recently donated a kidney to his son, Philip. Russell is editor of Home Bible Study Guide at the Baptist Sunday School Board.

Georgetown College Located in One of America's Safest Cities



Here is the Georgetown College campus nestled in the northeastern corner of 212 year old Georgetown. The up front "South Campus" is pictured at midpoint in the photo. Here is seen one of the Southern Baptist Convention's finest

housing quadrants. Just beyond the twelve dormitories is the School's Academic Commons featuring three of Baptist's oldest college buildings. The north campus provides housing for over 500 students in Anderson and Knight Halls.

David and Holly Franke of Connecticut have recently written a new book entitled, "Safe Places for the 80's" naming Georgetown, Kentucky one of 110 cities ranked as the safest communities in the United States.

The Frankes wrote, "The beautiful campus of Georgetown College, the antebellum farm houses, the stately old homes lining Main Street, and the lush, rolling pastures of the horse farms with their miles of painted fences — this is the magnificent setting that can be your Safe Place in the Blue-grass region of Kentucky."

The couple "discovered" Georgetown more than a decade ago, when the town was cited in their first book, "Safe Places," published in 1972.

"We were delighted to learn that the passage of a decade had not changed the town as we remembered it," the Frankes observed in their new book. "It's still safe and it's still unspoiled."

Georgetown Mayor Charles Lenahan agrees. He says, "When we get out on the streets at night, we don't have to worry about somebody mugging or cutting you."

In fact, there are indications that, overall, Georgetown is getting safer, if you use the Franke's yardstick.

Mayor Lenahan added, "We are very lucky to have Georgetown College here."

He feels that the College has a lot to do with Georgetown's safety. The city of 12,500 is also a church-orientated community.

Georgetown, located just a dozen miles north of Lexington and 17 miles from Frankfort, is enjoying its greatest growth since it was established in 1772, known initially as Lebanon. The name was later changed to honor America's first President, George Washington. The early fathers called it George's Town.

The original frontier settlement was established near Royal Spring which for almost all of the city's history has been the principal source of water.

Many observers believe the little city, with new major industry, will continue to grow well into the next decade.

Northern Kentucky Campaign Launched

A group of 33 business, civic and church leaders in Northern Kentucky's Kenton, Boone and Campbell counties have launched a \$300,000 campaign to assist Georgetown College in its \$6.5 million Decade of Progress Capital Campaign, it was announced by Richard Carlton, director of the effort.

It is the College's first major capital fund campaign in more than a decade. To date, the campaign has pushed well ahead of its basic \$4 million goal and is rolling toward the challenge \$6.5 million total.

According to Carlton, who has directed the campaign from its beginning, "We are less than a million dollars away from our challenge."

Carlton announced that Gordon Palmer, group executive of Litton Industrial Automation Systems and president of Litton Unit Handling Systems, has agreed to serve as chairman of the Decade of Progress Campaign in Northern Kentucky.

Palmer, a native of Flint, Michigan, graduated from high school there before a four year stint in the U.S. Air Force during the

Korean Conflict. He graduated from Georgia Tech in 1957 with a B.S. degree in Industrial Engineering.

He has been with Litton Unit Handling Systems since 1966. He joined Litton as manager of research and development with subsequent senior positions in sales, engineering, manufacturing and operations.

Palmer has been president of Litton's Unit Handling Systems for eleven years. He has been a Litton Corporate vice-president since 1982.

He and campaign director, Richard Carlton, are busy enlisting leadership for the organization which will employ the help of over 100 volunteers.

Carlton noted in his comments about the Northern Kentucky region that, "More than six percent of Georgetown's students come from the area. Interest in the College by residents of the community has existed for well over a century."

More than three percent of the College's alumni make their home in Northern Kentucky.

Georgetown Alumnus, Gary Bauer, Featured in Chapel Program

Georgetown College hosted a public forum featuring Dr. Gary L. Bauer, Deputy Under Secretary for Planning, Budget and Evaluation at the Department of Education in Washington, D.C., on Tuesday morning, October 2, 1984 at 11:00 a.m. in the John H. Hill Chapel.

Bauer's address was reviewed and commented upon by a panel of media news people from Lexington. Participants included: Bob Hale, WLEX-TV; Ken Kurtz, WKYT-TV; and Sky Yancy, WTVQ-TV.

Bauer, a strong advocate of a public school prayer amendment, has been published in newspapers and periodicals, among them, *The Washington Post*, *Chicago Tribune*, *Cincinnati Enquirer*, and *Louisville Courier-Journal*.

Before coming to the Department of Education, Dr. Bauer served in the White House Office of Policy Development, first as an education policy analyst and then as policy adviser to the President and, finally, as Deputy Assistant Director of Legal Policy. In those positions, he worked closely with the Human Resources Cabinet Council on a wide range of education issues.

Bauer served in the Reagan-Bush Campaign as a senior policy analyst and worked in the Office of the President-Elect as Assistant Director for Policy/Community Services Administration.

From 1973 to late 1980, he was in the Washington Office of the Direct Mail/Marketing Association, a 2,000 member company trade association, eventually becoming Director of Government Relations in 1976. He was responsible for a major industry self-regulatory program that has been hailed as a model of how business can avoid government regulation through aggressive self-policing. He also has served on task forces of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce and the National Association of Manufacturers, dealing with regulatory issues.

From 1971 to 1973, he was Director of Research at the Republican National Committee and worked on a variety of domestic issues, including education policy.

In 1968, he received his B.A. degree from Georgetown College in Georgetown, Kentucky, and a Juris Doctor from Georgetown Law School, Washington, D.C. in 1973.

College Dramatists Plan Big Year

Georgetown College's drama group, The Maskrafters, opened its 60th anniversary year with the hilarious 1936 American comedy, *You Can't Take It with You*, on Monday, October 22. Other performances were scheduled for October 23, 25, 26 and 27, according to George J. McGee, theatre director.

In February, the Maskrafters will offer two classic Chekhov one act plays "in-the-round" on the 11th, through the 16th.

Both of the Chekhov plays, *The Boor* and *The Proposal*, are international favorites. Drama director McGee observed, "Both of these dramas are guaranteed to leave you smiling."

An Elizabethan Evening, scheduled to run March 4th through 9th, will bring the college drama season at Georgetown College, to a spectacular end.

The March event will be set in the Cralle Student Center dining commons on the campus.

Drama director McGee says, "We will have a dinner menu based on an actual meal served to honor Queen Elizabeth's silver jubilee. There will be court dances, minstrels, actors, magicians, fools and drama in breathtaking costumes to highlight the "Castle Banquet."

The regular price for the three shows is \$18.50. Those subscribing early will enjoy a \$6.00 cut rate advantage of \$12.50 for the drama trilogy.

Another Scholarship Funded at G.C.

Sandy and Myra Suffoletta of Suff's Furniture and Oriental Rugs in Georgetown established the Suffoletta Scholarship Fund at Georgetown College last week, it was announced by President W. Morgan Patterson.

The \$1,000 scholarship, to be awarded annually, will be limited to outstanding graduates of Scott County High School.

Sandy Suffoletta, in making the announcement said, "Myra and I want to encourage more Scott County graduates to attend college and help give them an opportunity to guarantee their futures. We also feel that we are helping to support an exceptional faculty and staff at our Alma Mater, Georgetown College."

President Patterson, in response, said, "Speaking for Georgetown College, let me say, we are deeply honored by the expression of devotion from Sandy and Myra. This scholarship fund will figure significantly in the lives of Scott County High School's talented graduates attending the College."

The Suffolettas have asked that the scholarship be awarded without regard to sex, race, color or creed. They have asked that a selection committee be composed of the College's director of admissions and two Scott County High School counselors.

Sandy Suffoletta is a member of the Georgetown College Associates, a major support group now in its eighth year at the School.