



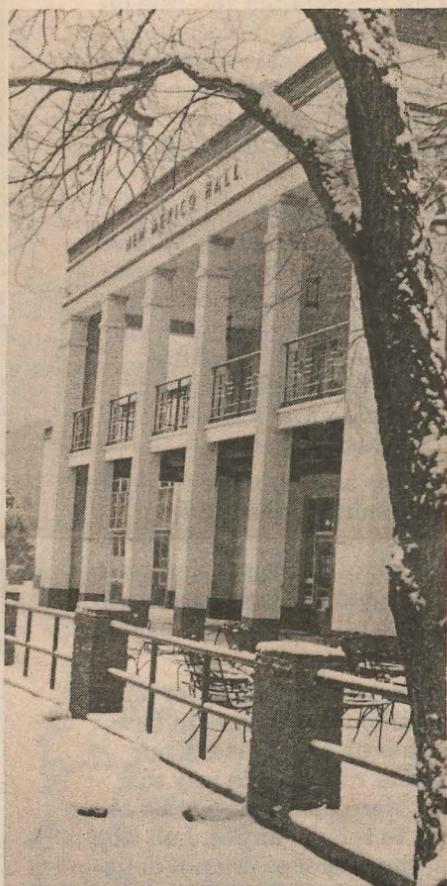
Baptist Press affirmed by SBC panel

by Jim Newton

After almost three hours of testimony and discussion the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee concluded two Baptist Press news stories last September "when taken together" gave a balanced presentation of the news.

The final vote was taken with almost no discussion, although the stories had stirred heated debate in two preliminary meetings.

The stories were released Sept. 17 and 18, 1984. The first article reported that a seminary student, J. Stafford



A blanket of snow covered the grounds at Glorieta Baptist Conference Center providing a picturesque setting for conferences. A variety of conferences are offered year-round at the center which is owned and operated by the Sunday School Board.

Durham, had filed a "formal complaint" with the Federal Communications Commission alleging Houston judge Paul Pressler had secretly tape recorded a telephone conversation "in violation of his civil rights." The second story gave Pressler's response to the charges.

The Executive Committee said it was "untimely" and "unfortunate" the first story appeared separately without an appropriate rebuttal from Pressler.

The committee also expressed support for the Baptist Press staff for "their strong commitment to timely, accurate and well balanced news reporting," reaffirmed "its longstanding policy of openness in its deliberations and actions" and "its support for a responsible and free press as an essential element for an informed Southern Baptist constituency."

The committee also was told a "Baptist Press operating policy" is being formulated by the Executive Committee staff.

While the recommendations were adopted by the 69-member committee virtually without comment, two preliminary meetings featured heated debate.

The chairman of the public relations workgroup, Jimmy Jackson of Huntsville, Ala., ruled during the workgroup's meeting Feb. 18 that discussion on the matter would be limited only to the procedure in handling the two stories, not whether anyone was right or wrong; and that only members of the workgroup would be allowed to discuss the matter.

Pressler, who brought into the room a suitcase full of printed materials, objected strongly to the ruling which prevented him from presenting five hours of testimony he said he had prepared.

In interviews after the meeting Pressler complained the ruling was grossly unfair. "I don't know why these people are suppressing the truth. I had 35 grievances against Baptist Press I wanted to present but they wouldn't let me speak."

On the second day of the meeting the administrative and convention arrangements subcommittee voted 15-6 to allow a full and complete discussion of the issue, including testimony by any who wanted to speak. Pressler, a leader in the movement some claim is trying to gain control of the SBC, is a member of the subcommittee.

Frank Ingraham, a Nashville attorney and chairman of the subcommittee, ruled the committee would allow Pressler and Fields 45 minutes each to present their arguments.

Pressler passed out a seven-point, 65-page stack of documents detailing his complaints against Baptist Press.

In his written presentation Pressler admitted tape recording the telephone conversation with Durham on Sept. 1 but denied he had done anything unethical or illegal.

Pressler listed 35 objections to the story, including a charge Durham, in his complaint, had given "a bogus citation to the FCC code which has no relevance to the matters involved." He suggested someone must have advised and manipulated Durham to contact the FCC.

In response to Pressler's charges, Fields made a brief statement and passed out copies of the related Baptist Press articles. He said Baptist Press carried 1118 stories last year and only 22 of those stories (1.9 percent) could be considered "negative stories" about controversial issues to which someone might object. Of the 1118 stories

carried, Baptist Press received complaints only about three articles, including the Pressler complaint, according to Fields.

Much of Baptist Press' response to Pressler's charges was devoted to a presentation by Southern Baptist Press Association president Bobby S. Terry, editor of Word and Way, newsjournal of the Missouri Baptist Convention, who summarized a six-page "Report of Special Inquiry" commissioned and paid for by the press association.

The six-page report was prepared by journalism professors John Merrill of Louisiana State University, Clifford Christians of the University of Illinois and John DeMott of Memphis State University. All three are members of the ethics subcommittee of the Association for Education in Journalism's committee on professional freedom and responsibility.

The journalism professors said they found no "evidence of ill will toward Pressler" and no evidence the BP staff was "motivated by unprofessional intentions to damage the reputations of the principals involved."

Pressler was not satisfied with their study, however, saying in an interview afterwards it was done by "hired guns" who were "paid" to say what they did.

After the hearing, Pressler said he was pleased the committee had heard his complaint and that his side of the story had been told.

Fields observed the Executive Committee members and staff had talked themselves together on the proper role of Baptist Press. "It is highly significant that the committee voted to reaffirm its support for a responsible and free press as an essential element for an informed Southern Baptist constituency," he said. (BP)

A call for peace and nominees

by Jerry Hopkins

The work of the committee on boards and agencies has come under increasing scrutiny by various individuals and elements within our convention. Controversy has erupted around the selection of some candidates in other state conventions and even within our own state at times. Questions have been raised as to who is qualified to serve in regards to experience, prominence and Cooperative Program giving. At times there has seemed to be, perhaps actually was, little of the spirit of Christ in political maneuvering and manipulation. Some have been concerned about "prayer-filled (in opposed to 'smoke-filled') rooms" decisions and supposed behind-the-scenes deals. Of course, it is easy to deny such things ever take place—that men in the Lord's work make ecclesiastical "political" deals, but it happens.

Such controversy does little to encourage our work. In fact, if the local church is any barometer of stormy weather, it is that controversy causes decline in giving, witnessing, cooperative work and total enthusiasm for the cause of Christ. What we do not need at this hour, when Bold Mission Thrust and Planned Growth in Giving is upon us, is more argument and controversy. We have had enough! Let us make peace.

James Hawkins and I have been

charged in these tension-filled times with nominating persons to serve in strategic and important positions on boards of Southern Seminary, the Sunday School Board and the Annuity Board. We are making a general call to Kentucky Baptists to submit potential nominees to us. You can send names to either James Hawkins, Box 36463, Louisville, KY 40233, (502) 635-6388 or 896-2729; or Jerry Hopkins, Reidland Baptist Church, Rte. 13, Box 220, Paducah, KY 42001, (502) 898-6243 or 898-7932. This must be done immediately. We want to have our work concluded well in advance of the March 1985 meeting of the committee in Nashville.

We will seriously consider each person and prayerfully make the decision which we must make. As our state executive secretary, Bill Marshall, stated in his article last year in Western Recorder, there are many talented and qualified persons in the Kentucky Baptist Convention to serve in these positions. When you have only five positions (those known at this time) to fill, the task becomes quite difficult. Obviously not everyone can serve. Pray for us as we work through this task.

We want to assure you that we are not operating on any "political agenda" or "crony" basis in making these selections. It is our settled conviction that in the Lord's work there is no place

for "you scratch my back and I'll scratch yours" politics. Neither should there be the idea that prominence, wealth, position, education or power guarantees that one is better qualified than another in serving. That is not in the spirit of Christ or the goal of his kingdom.

The work of this important committee should be carried on in the state of openness, giving an opportunity for broad participation in the process of nomination. So we have written the associational moderators, directors of missions and others in the convention, seeking potential nominees and suggestions. We have met with state leaders and others whose work is related to these boards seeking information, suggestions and ideas. This is our pledge of openness and fairness. It is our small contribution to achieving peace in these turbulent times in the great work to which God has called us. It is our opportunity to call for the spirit of love, acceptance and forgiveness to prevail that we might demonstrate to the world that we really do love one another and that we are not enemies. Much that has been said and publicized about our beloved work, and leadership, is not in the spirit of gracious Christian statesmanship. Let us rise above the factional rhetoric, political manipulation and call to arms, joining hands in real love and cooperation.

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Jack D. Sanford

A good decision

The Executive Committee of the SBC met in Nashville last week to consider several items, among them the charges made against Baptist Press by Judge Paul Pressler.

The original charges Pressler made were articulated at the September 1984 meeting of the Executive Committee. Those charges were that Baptist Press had been unfair to Pressler in the reporting of a news story. The story described the action of Stafford Durham, a Stamping Ground, Ky. pastor who charged that Pressler tape recorded a conversation between them without Durham's knowledge. Durham filed a complaint with the Federal Communications Commission, charging violation of his civil rights by Pressler.

Baptist Press printed the story Monday, Sept. 17, 1984, titled "Student Files Complaint Against Texan Pressler." The next day, Sept. 18, 1984, Baptist Press printed Pressler's rebuttal in a story titled, "Pressler Gives Answer to Student Complaint."

Pressler charged Baptist Press with unfair reporting since the stories were not printed at the same time. In fact, the first story was picked up by Baptist and Reflector, the Tennessee Baptist paper, and was available to Executive Committee members Tuesday morning and to the subscribers of Baptist and Reflector before the second story was available to anyone.

A workgroup of the Executive Committee heard the charges last September and decided to study the matter and report its findings at the February 1985 meeting of the Executive Committee. That workgroup did meet and passed on to the full administrative and convention arrangements subcommittee its conclusions. The subcommittee concurred in the findings of the workgroup and made the following recommendation to the full Executive Committee, which accepted the recommendation:

"The public relations workgroup and the administrative and convention arrangements subcommittee have considered the Baptist Press news stories (mentioned above) and have concluded that taken together the two articles gave a balanced presentation of the news. However, because the Sept. 17 article appeared separately and without an appropriate rebuttal from Mr. Pressler, said article must be deemed as an unfortunate and untimely procedure for reporting of the incident . . ."

The recommendation went on to declare support for the principals, Harold Bennett, executive secretary-treasurer; W. C. Fields, director of public relations; and Dan Martin, news editor of Baptist Press, "in their commitment to timely, accurate and well-balanced news reporting . . ." The recommendation further declared the subcommittee's support for "openness in its deliberations and actions" and a reaffirmation of "its support for a responsible and free press as an essential element for an informed Southern Baptist constituency."

I went to this meeting with some apprehension about the outcome of this matter. However, my faith has been strengthened in the Baptist process and I believe this

was an event which received fair treatment in an atmosphere of Christian concern for the welfare of all parties involved.

Judge Pressler, in the second day of discussion, was given 45 minutes to present his point of view. Baptist Press was given the same amount of time. Neither party was allowed to present any information in the first day of meetings and this caused some concern because that left the workgroup open to charges of a whitewash. But workgroup chairman Jimmy Jackson from Huntsville, Ala. was correct in ruling the workgroup did not have authority to do more than view the charges and rule on their fairness. However, the second day of discussion before the entire subcommittee was as close to an open meeting as it is possible to have. Frank Ingraham from Nashville, subcommittee chairman, declared the purpose of the meeting was to hear all evidence and explore the entire matter.

The subcommittee did hear both parties and recognized that it would have been better journalism to have released both stories at the same time. Yet the circumstances at the time prevented this, and the subcommittee did not believe Baptist Press had acted in a vindictive way toward Judge Pressler. They called the action of Baptist Press "an unfortunate and untimely procedure for reporting of the incident." That is a mild rebuke and all this incident merited.

The atmosphere not only of the subcommittee meeting but of the entire Executive Committee meeting was charged with a deep sense of the need for repentance and forgiveness on the part of all of us. Many times the meetings were called to prayer, and the final session on Tuesday evening concluded with all present in prayer for the hand of God on the convention.

I have confidence that better days are ahead for us. We certainly have not solved all our problems. In fact we have hardly begun to discuss or acknowledge our problems. However, the fair and responsible way the charges against Baptist Press were handled seemed to me a signal that we are ready to rebuke any and all who make mistakes, even though the mistakes are not deliberate. Nothing else would reflect a healing spirit, and more of this kind of action is necessary if we are to find peace in the SBC.

Of course there is the possibility that all people present were not satisfied with the outcome of this particular incident. That is how it is among us, and that is how it will be until the Lord comes to take us home. However the fact that all parties are not satisfied with a decision is no reason to pout and stubbornly insist upon having things your way. That is childish and beneath persons who claim to know the Christ and follow him.

I ask you to join me and hundreds of thousands of our Baptist people in prayer for an outpouring of love and forgiveness in our Baptist life. Nothing else will see us to peace. I have hope for the future if we will call on the Lord and follow the light he gives. I think that it is what happened in Nashville last week and it was refreshing to me as a sign of what is possible when we walk in light.

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Giving the tithe: only scratching the surface?

If Southern Baptists put their money where their mouths are, biblical injunctions about tithing may be merely starting points for some.

by James H. Cox, Associate Editor

Literally hundreds (perhaps thousands) of Baptists across the commonwealth who presumably give the tithe faithfully and willingly in their own churches are signing up all over the state to give even beyond the tithe. Some, in fact, say they will increase their giving for a sustained period to as much as 20 or 25 percent of income or more.

They made their commitments at the first of 21 Planned Growth in Giving seminars this spring sponsored by the Kentucky Baptist Convention. This initial session was held Feb. 11-12 at Severns Valley Baptist Church, Elizabethtown.

The 21 events are all two-day intensive training and commitment sessions exposing pastors and laymen to Southern Baptists' new Planned Growth in Giving program. The pastor and one layman from each church cooperating with the Kentucky Baptist Convention have been invited to attend, with the convention picking up the tab for meals and lodging expenses.

It's a ground floor level opportunity for the grass roots to become totally immersed in a program Southern Baptists adopted at their 1983 convention in Pittsburgh, Pa., and about which we will hear for years to come.

Essentially, Planned Growth in Giving is "a call for a keeping of commitment on the part of every Southern Baptist," according to Jesse Stricker, director of the convention's Stewardship and Promotion Department. He cautioned that it is "not a budget program—but more than that." He said it involves "every avenue of stewardship" in an individual's life.

A. B. Colvin, executive associate for communication of the KBC, acknowledged that the attempt would be made to reach "the last person" in every church in Kentucky.

A tangible expression of the success of Planned Growth in Giving will be to see dollars and cents placed in the offering plates of Southern Baptist congregations rise sharply during the 15-year PGG emphasis, 1985-2000. The objective here is to provide the mone-

tary resources required to meet Bold Mission Thrust goals.

Bold Mission Thrust was adopted in 1976 at the Norfolk, Va. meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention. It is a plan to reach every man, woman, youth and child in the world at least once with the gospel of Jesus Christ by the end of the present century.

In the seminar at Elizabethtown Stricker pointed out that research among Baptist givers has shown that the level of giving today is typical of where it was 30 years ago—that the average Southern Baptist gives no more than two percent of his income to his church.

He affirmed that 80 percent of the budget of the average Southern Baptist congregation is supplied by 20 percent of the membership. Another 30 percent of the congregation underwrites the remaining 20 percent of the budget.

"This means," Stricker allowed, "there's 50 percent of our membership that contributes virtually nothing at all."

Stricker went on to say that 36,000 Southern Baptist churches presently receive \$3 billion annually now. Of this amount, \$300 million is sent to support mission enterprises of Southern Baptists around the world.

One of the goals of Planned Growth in Giving, he continued, is to increase offering plate receipts by the year 2000 to \$20 billion. It is hoped that \$2.5 billion of that will be sent through the Cooperative Program to missions enterprises at that time.

"If we get our average giving up from two percent to only three percent we'll reach these goals in 15 years," Stricker declared.

To do it, each of the 36,000 Southern Baptist congregations will be asked to make a 15-step 15-year increase in Cooperative Program giving. While some churches will not be able to do as much as others, an across the board average of 7.5 percent is hoped for by 2000. Theoretically, this asks a typical church to add one-half of one percent of its budget to Cooperative Program giving each year for the 15-year span.

Stricker further elaborated that, in the third year after Southern Baptists adopted the Cooperative Program in 1925, giving to it by churches averaged 11.2 percent among all congregations. That percentage fell to 10.5 percent in the 60s. Today it is under nine percent per church.

Among the goals of the Bold Mission Thrust time span is to increase the number of Southern Baptist churches, missions and preaching points from 36,000 to 50,000. Another is to restructure the Cooperative Program so 75 percent goes to the Foreign and Home Mission boards combined, up from a present 69.9 percent. (Almost 50 percent goes to the Foreign Mission Board now, the remainder to the Home Mission Board.)

To do this, and not reduce the level of giving to the other SBC agencies, Stricker intoned, will require significantly altered patterns of giving to the Cooperative Program.

Assisting Stricker and Colvin in leading the Elizabethtown seminar were Eugene Reynolds, Russellville, director of missions, Bethel and Logan associations; Don Mathis, pastor, Central Baptist Church, Corbin; and James L. Austin, vice president, Cooperative Program promotion, SBC Stewardship Commission, Nashville.

In addition, videotaped presentations by various SBC denominational leaders interpreted Planned Growth in Giving to seminar participants. The group was



Kentucky program leaders at the first of 21 Planned Growth in Giving seminars set the agenda [l-r]: Jesse Stricker and A. B. Colvin, Middletown; Don Mathis, Corbin; and Eugene Reynolds, Russellville.

also welcomed by William W. Marshall, KBC executive secretary-treasurer, in a three-minute video introduction.

In a presentation on reaching the homeland for Christ, Reynolds observed that there are now between 130 and 160 million unchurched Americans. Emphasizing the difference Planned Growth in Giving could make, he said our nation is now the "sixth largest mission field in the world."

Austin spoke of compelling gospel needs around the globe.

Colvin did the same with emphasis on meeting needs in Kentucky.

In an inspirational address later in the day Reynolds surmised, "God needs more of us to become all we can be to do what we can where we are."

He concluded asking, "Who knows but what God has placed us in the

kingdom for such a time as this?"

Mathis addressed the more than 50 seminar participants several times, also.

He called for doing something "different and adventurous" for God.

"When we give our offering, we are giving of ourselves," he noted. A Christian is either "a saint" or "an ain't," he went on. "Giving forces us to focus our attention on somebody other than ourselves."

Each of the program leaders in Elizabethtown shared a personal testimony on his own thoughts about stewardship at some point during the two-day event. Each one announced publicly what he had committed himself to do in increasing his own level of giving during the Planned Growth in Giving 15-year emphasis.

"It's not bragging," Colvin stated. "The only one it really makes any difference to is God, and that's the only one I have to please. It's a commitment between me and him, and he knows my heart."

Colvin, who recently announced his retirement for the summer of 1985, said he and his wife had agreed that, even if one of them is not living in 15 years, the other will "attempt to go on and keep the commitment we have made together" to increase their giving level until 2000.

All other program participants reported similar experiences in their testimonies of personal increased giving projections.

The pastors and laymen attending were given step-by-step suggestions for returning to their churches and implementing Planned Growth in Giving plans within the calendar framework of their own congregations.

"I don't know if it's theologically sound to ask a person who's giving nothing to give one percent of his income or not," said Colvin. "I don't know if it's theologically sound to ask the average Southern Baptist who's giving two percent to increase his giving by a percent or not," he went on.

"But I do know that, practically speaking, it makes a lot of sense to do it," he urged.

He reminded participants that, realistically speaking, many Southern Baptists simply are not going to reach their potential in contributions. "Any increase is better than nothing," he declared.

Stricker recalled the 10 short words of a speaker at the Kansas City, Mo. meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention in 1977: "If it is to be, it is up to me."

Planned Growth in Giving, he said, can help Southern Baptists make the dream reality.

FUTURE PLANNED GROWTH IN GIVING SEMINARS

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Mar. 11-12 Corinth Baptist Church, London
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Mar. 18-19 First Baptist Church, Princeton
Mar. 18-19 First Baptist Church, Russellville
Mar. 25-26 Cedarmore Baptist Assembly, Bagdad
Mar. 25-26 Glasgow Baptist Church
Mar. 29-30 Third Baptist Church, Owensboro
April 15-16 First Baptist Church, Hazard
Apr. 15-16 Immanuel Baptist Church, Lexington
Apr. 19-20 First Baptist Church, Morehead
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Apr. 22-23 Beacon Hill Baptist Church, Somerset
Apr. 26-27 First Baptist Church, Madisonville
Apr. 29-30 Lone Oak Baptist Church, Paducah
May 17-18 First Baptist Church, Richmond
May 20-21 Campbellsville Baptist Church
May 20-21 Florence Baptist Church
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Ye are of more value

My wife and I enjoy nature! One of our special joys is watching the wild birds, God's tiny poultry. All though the winter we have a bird feeder located where we can watch the birds feeding. It is so interesting to see the many kinds of birds that utilize the feed, and we have also noticed the varying types and characteristics of the different kinds.

Birds seem to sense when a heavy snow is going to fall and will begin to feed more heavily before the snow arrives. If it is raining in the morning and the birds are feeding in the rain, it probably will rain all day. However, if the birds are not feeding in the rain, the rain will soon cease. These seem to be general characteristics. But in many ways different birds are very different.

The Kentucky cardinal is very beautiful but bossy and will peck and fight others away from the feeder. The doves come in pairs, are rather plain, feed on the ground and appear to be gentle and timid. Blackbirds come in flocks to force others away and strut quite pompously. The little wren comes to the feeder nervously flitting and jittery, hardly able to eat for fear of an enemy. Sparrows, many varieties, are meek and lowly creatures. Although not very colorful, they industriously scratch for a morsel and cheep their cheerful cheep. The black capped chickadee is optimistic no matter how bad the weather. These tiny fluff balls are busy, joyful and industrious. Woodpeckers with sharp beaks can drill like a jackhammer. Other birds give them plenty of room. The blue jay comes in to the feeder like a dive bomber and all birds scatter. The blue jay has such beautiful colors, but thinks only of himself and sometimes is cruel to other birds by robbing their nests of eggs or young.

In our ministry to children there are many different personality traits and individual characteristics. This is true of houseparents and all staff. We each must do our tasks in the context of our own personality. In working with children we seek to modify their behavior into acceptable patterns, but we do it through their own personality. We attempt to bend their wills without breaking their spirits. All that we do is based on the greatest personality of all, Jesus Christ, who calls us to follow him.



Tyler



St. Clair

Campbellsville names faculty, staff members

Wade M. Tyler has been named instructor of social work at Campbellsville College. He goes from the Glen Dale Baptist Home for Children where he was administrator of social services from 1979-84. From 1977-79 he was director of weekday programing, Jefferson Street Baptist Chapel, Louisville.

Tyler is a member of the National Association of Social Workers (NASW). He is a board member of the Kentucky Chapter of NASW and chairperson of the Lincoln Trail Regional Unit. He is also a member of the Academy of Certified Social Workers and the Southern Baptist Social Services Association.

Tyler received a bachelor of science degree from Louisiana State University in 1975. He has received a master of divinity from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, and a master of science in social work from the Raymond A. Kent School of Social Work, University of Louisville.

Jeff St. Clair, a native of Cedarville, Oh., has been named food service director at Campbellsville College.

He is employed by Pioneer College Caterers of Nashville, Tenn. He has also served as the assistant food service director for Cedarville College in Ohio and for Houghton College in New York, and food services director for Los Angeles Baptist College in New York. He is a member of the National Association of College and University Food Services.

St. Clair is a 1975 graduate of Cedarville College with a degree in speech.

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Russell Springs artist shows work at exhibit

A Russell Springs artist has an exhibit at Campbellsville College's Gosser Fine Arts Center through Mar. 15. Ruth Ann Antle is showing watercolor, pastel and acrylic pieces of art work with themes of floral and fruit.

"My perception is that art is a personal rearrangement of reality," said Mrs. Antle. "It is the language of feelings expressed through color and form."

Mrs. Antle has a bachelor of fine arts degree from Western Kentucky University, received in 1981, and will receive her master of arts from Western in May.

Lay evangelism theme marks March congress

"The Layperson in Evangelism" is the theme of the third annual Congress on Evangelism, Mar. 28-30 at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

This year's program is aimed at lay church leaders as well as pastors and church staff, according to congress organizer Lewis Drummond, Billy Graham professor of evangelism at Southern Seminary. Along with teaching "how-to's" of lay evangelism, the conference will offer help in teaching lay evangelism in the local church.

"There is no more urgent need in our churches than mobilizing and equipping our membership for evangelism," Drummond urges. "This congress offers the pastor a place to bring his key church leadership and start that process of renewal in his own church, or for a layperson to come and start that in his or her own life."

Program personalities include Sir Cyril Black, former member of Parliament and former president of the Baptist Union of Great Britain in addition to his career as a businessman; Owen Cooper, a businessman from Yazoo City, Miss., and former president of the Southern Baptist Convention; Ann Graham Lotz, daughter of Billy Graham and leader of one of the largest women's Bible study groups in the

nation; Ira Craft, a Columbia, S. C., businessman and director of the Day Foundation; and Fred Roach, Dallas businessman.

Congress registration is \$15 per person or \$25 for a couple, with a \$7.50 student registration available. The program begins Thursday, Mar. 28 at 3 p.m. and concludes at noon, Saturday, Mar. 30.

For additional information or to register, contact Ross Brummett, director of continuing education, Southern Seminary, 2825 Lexington Rd., Louisville, KY 40280, or call 1-800-626-5525; in Kentucky, call 502-897-4814.

Youth Ministry Lab planned for SWBTS

Church youth workers facing hindrances in their ministry will receive help to break through those barriers during a Youth Ministry Lab at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary Apr. 12-14.

"Youth Ministry Breakin' Thru . . ." is the theme of the three-day conference for church staff members, students and others interested in youth ministry. Topics of the more than 15 sessions range from "Ministry on the High School Campus" to "Ministry with Parents."

The Youth Ministry Lab began in 1968 to train summer youth workers but has grown to encompass all aspects of youth ministry.

Cost for the lab is \$25 per person or \$35 per couple. After Mar. 22 the price is \$30 per person or \$40 per couple. Participants are responsible for their own housing and meals.

For more information or registration, write Youth Ministry Lab, Southwestern Seminary, P. O. Box 22328, Ft. Worth, TX 76122 or call (817) 923-1921.

State churches will host Southern Seminary Days

Churches in Christian County Association, in the Hopkinsville area, and Green Valley Association, in the Henderson area, will hear sermons by guest preachers from Southern Baptist Theo-

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Southern Seminary Day is scheduled Feb. 24 in Christian County Association and Mar. 3 in Green Valley Association.

Southern Seminary Days is a program begun in 1973 by Franklin Owen, then executive secretary-treasurer, Kentucky Baptist Convention. It is designed to enable seminary students without regular preaching assignments to preach in churches in a Baptist association on a designated Sunday.

Churches scheduled to take part in the Christian County Association Seminary Day are Calvary Memorial, Sinking Fork, Casky, Edgewood, First, Locust Grove, West Mount Zoar, Pleasant Hill, Trinity and Hillcrest, all in Hopkinsville; Olivet and First Baptist, Oak Grove; Little River, Herndon; Bethel and New Palestine, Crofton; Macedonia, Cadiz; Bainbridge Grove, Princeton; and Pembroke Baptist Church, Pembroke.

Churches scheduled to take part in the Green Valley Association Seminary Day are Audubon, Bellfield, Cash Creek, Eastview and Immanuel, all of Henderson; Advance, Baskett; First, Sebree; Robards; and Poole.

March conference slated on marriage enrichment

A Friday evening/Saturday morning conference on marriage enrichment at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary is open to pastors and church staff members in Long Run Baptist Association. "The Care and Feeding of Christian Marriage," Mar. 1-2, is sponsored by the seminary's Gheens Center for Christian Family Ministry.

According to Michael Hester, director of Gheens Center and associate professor of Christian family ministry, the conference will be aimed in two direc-

tions. It will seek to lead married and engaged students, those not engaged but interested in marriage, and other conference participants in a couples' enrichment experience, he said. It will also aim to teach those attending how to lead similar experiences in their places of ministry.

Leaders for the conference will include Ken and Kathy Jordan, Michael and Peggy Hester, Otis and Deigie Andrews, John and Donna Edgar, Ron and Judy King and Wade and Jodi Rowatt. All the couples are experienced marriage enrichment events leaders.

Campbellsville to hold art scholarship contest

A competition for a \$1600 art scholarship will be held at Campbellsville College, Saturday, Apr. 13. The winning student will receive \$200 scholarship monies per semester for four years of art study at the school.

Competing students must have an academic standing of 3.0 in his/her high school work and maintain that average in college work, if chosen for this scholarship. In addition, the student must present a portfolio of his/her work to the Campbellsville College art faculty on the day of the competition.

Each competing student is to select 12 examples of his/her artwork for the competition. The pieces selected should show ambition in idea, execution, style and technical skill. They should include a minimum of three pieces of three-dimensional work, four black and white pieces, and four color pieces showing a variety of themes and subject matter.

All applications must be received no later than Apr. 6. Questions concerning this competition should be directed to Linda Cundiff or Tommy Clark, (502) 465-8158, ext. 267 or 268.

Clear Creek names McCall academic dean



The McCalls

Louis McCall has been named academic dean and registrar of Clear Creek Baptist School, Pineville. He has served the school as director of in-service training since 1980.

McCall received his master of theology from Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary in 1955, and his doctorate of education from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in 1973.

"From the beginning of our marriage we had our eyes set on being foreign missionaries," stated the McCalls. They spent 20 years in Thailand and Guam, where McCall was professor of religious education in Bangkok and director at the Seminary Extension Center in Guam.

Following his foreign service, McCall taught at Boyce Bible Institute, Louisville, prior to working at Clear Creek.

Raised in Inman, S. C., McCall is a Navy veteran of World War II.

Kentuckians win awards at Southern Seminary

Gary Wayne Conner of Winchester and Woody J. Morrison of Berea have been named recipients of the Clyde T. Francisco preaching scholarship at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Conner, a communications arts major

at Georgetown College, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Linville Conner. He is pastor at Mt. Olive Baptist Church.

Morrison is a religion major at Berea College. He is the son of Woodrow J. and Betty L. Morrison and lists Berea Baptist Church as his home church.

Both Conner and Morrison plan to attend Southern Seminary this fall.

Georgetown offers 10 scholarships for women

The Woman's Association of Georgetown College will make available 10 scholarships for women interested in attending the school during 1985-86. The \$300 scholarships will be awarded on the basis of financial need, academic standing and recommendations from the applicant's minister and an official from her high school or college.

Scholarship winners are eligible for renewal of this award in succeeding years. Applicants may be entering freshmen or upperclassmen. The deadline for completed applications is Apr. 1, 1985.

More information and application forms may be obtained by contacting Dr. Ruth Heizer, Department of Philosophy, Georgetown College, Georgetown, KY 40324.

Kentucky alumni rep attends SWBTS meeting

Allen F. Harrod of Bellevue, Ky. joined 35 other presidents of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary's state alumni groups for a workshop Feb. 7-8 in Ft. Worth, Tex.

Harrod visited the campus to learn how to maintain alumni contact and plan for the state's fall alumni gathering.

The presidents voted to double financial support of the seminary from graduates and former students. A goal of \$5 million from at least 16 percent of Southwestern's former students was set for Upward 90, Southwestern's development plan for 1985 through 1990.

The new goal would double both dollar amount given and percentage of participation for Upward 90 over Vision/85, the seminary's recently completed development emphasis.

"What we commit ourselves to is not a price tag," said national alumni association president Ralph Langley. Rather, he noted the need to show that alumni "are grateful for those who have sacrificed" to make Southwestern's education available to all the called.

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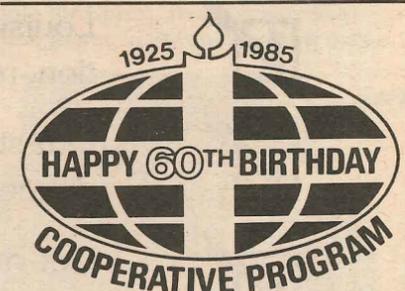
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Three Kentucky couples appointed by FMB

Three Kentucky couples were among 41 people named missionaries by the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board Feb. 12 at Hatcher Memorial Baptist Church, Richmond, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby R. Blevins will work as missionary associates in the Windward Islands, where he will be a general evangelist and she will be a church and home worker. He is assistant to the president and professor of missions at Clear Creek Baptist School, Pineville, and pastor of Laurel River Baptist Church, London.

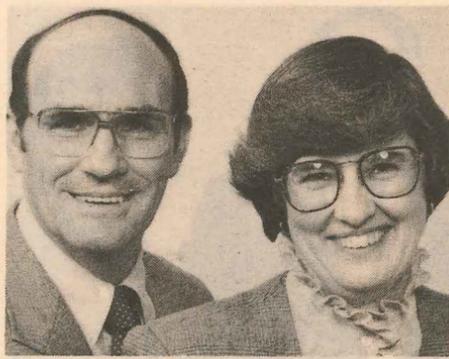
Born in Raysal, W. Va., Blevins is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Blevins of Bidwell, Oh. He grew up in Paynesville, W. Va. He considers Bidwell his home town and Laurel River his home church.

He received the BS degree from Cumberland College, Williamsburg, and the MRE degree from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville.

His previous pastorates include Summit Baptist Church and Jersey Baptist Chapel, both in Pataskal, Oh., and he has been a Foreign Mission Board volunteer in southwest Africa.

Born and reared in Paynesville, W. Va., Mrs. Blevins, the former Oakie Vance, is the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. David D. Vance. She, like her husband, considers Bidwell her home town and Laurel River her home church.

She attended Clear Creek Baptist School, Cumberland College, Southern



The Blevinses

Seminary and Watterson College, Louisville. She served with her husband as a volunteer in southwest Africa. She is public affairs coordinator at Clear Creek Baptist School.

Mr. and Mrs. H. David Coppedge will work in Uruguay, where he will be a general evangelist and she will be a church and home worker. He is pastor of First Baptist Church, Delta, Mo.

Born in Miami, Fla., Coppedge is the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Coppedge of Miami Springs, Fla. He grew up in Miami Springs and considers Miami Springs his home town and Miami Springs Baptist Church his home church.

He received the BA degree from Cumberland College, Williamsburg, and the MDiv degree from Southern Seminary.

He has been pastor of First Baptist Church, Pine Knot; Franklinton Baptist



The Coppedges

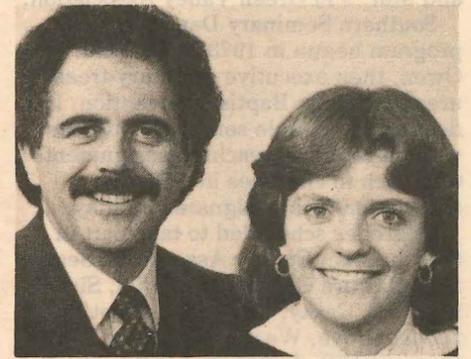
Church, Franklinton; Long Ridge Baptist Church, Long Ridge; Naranja Park Baptist Church, Miami, Fla.; and Bethany Baptist Church, Godfrey, Ill.

Born in Trosper, Mrs. Coppedge, the former Sonya Alford, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jason B. Alford of Artemus. She considers New Liberty Baptist Church, Artemus, her home church.

She received the BS degree from Cumberland College and has taught elementary school for several years.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Keith Reynolds Jr. will work in Honduras, where he will be a music consultant and she will be a church and home worker. He is minister of music and youth at Brushy Creek Baptist Church, Taylors, S. C.

He received the BS degree from Carson-Newman College, Jefferson City, Tenn., and the MCM degree from Southern Seminary.



The Reynoldses

He has been minister of music and youth at Thornhill Baptist Church, Frankfort; director of Christian activities at Tabernacle Baptist Church, Union, S. C.; and minister of music and youth at Southside Baptist Church, Louisville.

Born in Atlanta, Ga., Mrs. Reynolds, the former Kathie Hawkins, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Perry E. Hawkins of Charlotte, N. C. She considers Charlotte her home town and Brushy Creek Baptist Church her home church.

She attended Carson-Newman College. She has worked as a secretary and accounting clerk for the Kentucky Baptist Convention. More recently she was a secretary for a Greenville, S. C., insurance company.

The three couples will go to Rockville, Va., in April for an eight-week orientation before leaving for the field.



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Strader's new ministry crosses the Bluegrass

by Janis Whipple, Staff Writer

Things were going well at Beacon Hill Baptist Church, Somerset. Doug Strader, 44, had been pastor since July 1977 and the church was growing rapidly. But in response to the call of God to a different ministry vocation, Strader left Beacon Hill's growing opportunities to direct the Church Training/Special Ministries Department, Kentucky Baptist Convention.

Why would a man who pastored churches for 25 years leave a growing church to begin work with a statewide denominational program?

Strader answers simply, "When this position was offered to me, I began to pray and ask the Lord's guidance. I had been told working on a state level would give me the opportunity to serve people all over the state. That was a factor in making the decision."

But above all, Strader emphasizes, "I definitely feel the Lord led me in this direction."

"It was scary to think about giving up a local pastorate, giving up that support group," admits Strader, but the challenges existing in his new ministry with the Kentucky Baptist Convention have proved exciting and motivating.

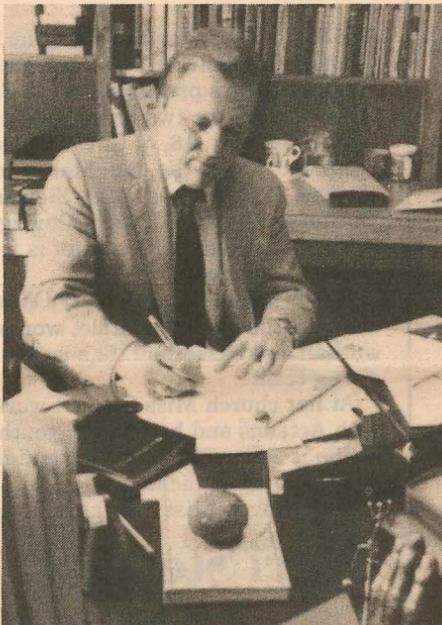
Since beginning work with the Kentucky Baptist Convention Dec. 1, 1984, Strader sees two basic challenges in the job. His immediate challenge is in learning the inner workings of the Church Training/Special Ministries Department. Strader's responsibilities as director include the Church Training programs for the state and Special Ministries, which includes church recreation and human needs, especially hunger relief programs.

Strader's long range challenge as director of Church Training for Kentucky is in revitalizing the program across the state. "I've become more

convinced in preparing for this job that Church Training has some of the best material available for the church and it should be used in the churches," he stresses.

"Church Training offers us the opportunity to train our people for the task of living the disciplined life," Strader contends. "I believe that somehow we must motivate our people to be better equipped to take the gospel to all the world by the end of this century. Church Training can and must play a big part in this endeavor."

Right now only 47 percent of all Kentucky Baptist churches have a Church Training program, below the national SBC average of 55 percent. But Strader is encouraged because of steady increases in Church Training enrolment



Doug Strader began directing the Kentucky Baptist Convention's Church Training/Special Ministries Department Dec. 1.

over the last several years.

"People remember the old days in Church Training," Strader states. But he believes the Church Training Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board is offering exciting materials for churches now. Available materials include the Dynamic Doctrine Series, Baptist doctrine emphasis and equipping center modules for use in Church Training.

This emphasis on church polity and Baptist history, beliefs, practices and ethics is important, according to Strader. "The people in the churches need to know where we are and how we got here."

Other Church Training materials which Strader recommends emphasize discipleship. Along with the widely used Survival Kit for New Christians, Strader speaks of "two exciting programs—MasterLife and MasterBuilder for adults and DiscipleYouth and DiscipleYouth II for youth."

"From what I hear," Strader remarks, "it (the MasterLife, DiscipleYouth plan) is one of the greatest things churches are doing as far as making disciples and getting people involved in ministry in their church."

Revitalizing Church Training programs across Kentucky through the use of such materials is the immediate goal of the Church Training Department. "Our goals are to increase the total Church Training enrolment in Kentucky and the number of churches involved," explains Strader.

Plans to reach these goals are beginning with New Start Consultations. These consultations introduce churches to the materials and benefits of a Church Training program.

"We meet with those who are interested by appointment, encouraging them in a strictly open-ended meeting," says Strader.

He emphasizes that the department is glad to set up a consultation in any area of the state where the director of missions or Church Training director feels it would be helpful.

In a consultation, Strader meets with the director of missions, the local pastor and a layperson or persons from the interested church. He encourages pastors

and church leaders to begin a Church Training program where there is none. The Kentucky Baptist Convention Church Training/Special Ministries Department offers \$75 in free literature to any church in the state which begins a new Church Training program.

The goal through New Start Consultations is to begin 150 new Church Training programs in Kentucky by 1990. The department hopes to involve 31 new programs this year.

Consultations have already begun and Strader is optimistic. "The first interviews were a good, positive experience," he relates. "We met with three or four churches and I really feel at least two or three of these will begin an ongoing Church Training program as a result."

In addition to Church Training responsibilities Strader directs Special Ministries for the state, which includes the state's church recreation program and programs in the area of human needs, primarily hunger. Kentucky Baptists will be drawing up their own program to help relieve some of the problems of world hunger.

To assist Strader in all the department's responsibilities, an associate in the department will be hired. According to Strader, the process is in the preliminary stages and hopefully will be completed by late spring, upon approval of the Kentucky Baptist Convention's administrative committee.

Reflecting on nearly three months in denominational work, Strader feels his experience as a pastor has benefited his job as a statewide program director. His years of experience as a member of the Kentucky Baptist executive board also helped. "It enhanced my stepping in, knowing the work of the Kentucky Baptist Convention and knowing the pastors and staff around Kentucky," he reflects.

Strader has challenging goals before him but he also has a commitment to the tasks ahead.

"I'm excited to be on mission with Kentucky Baptists," he concludes. "I'm looking forward to my relationship with people across the state. It's an exciting time to be working in these areas."

Now the dream of a full time pastorate is reality

by Bob C. Hardison, State Correspondent

Recently, a dream came true for Ellis Payne and Cairo Missionary Baptist Church, Green Valley Association. For 13 years Payne has longed to become a full time pastor. For 23 years the church has had a goal of having a full time pastor. On Feb. 1 their dreams

became a reality.

Payne, 40, has been a bivocational pastor for 13 years since attending Clear Creek Baptist School, Pineville. For 20 years he has worked as an auto parts counter salesman. During his pastorate at Cairo for over five years he has traveled 100 miles round trip five

days a week to Princeton, Ind. to his secular job.

Cairo Missionary Baptist Church is eight miles southwest of Henderson. Earl Street, now Eastview Baptist, in Henderson sponsored Cairo as a mission. Under the leadership of pastor John L. Hollowell, 37 members organized the church Nov. 25, 1962. The church has renovated the old Cairo Elementary School into a serviceable and attractive facility for its meetings.

The congregation, averaging 45 in Sunday school and 60 in worship service, has recently started a Brotherhood. Payne said, "The people had the idea they were small and couldn't do anything." He has tried to help them see they don't have to be a big church (number wise) to accomplish things.

They have reached some people and seen some saved. The church has paid off its debt and provided a module home for the pastor's family. Even though the church is small it is big in spirit. It gives seven percent of its budget to the Cooperative Program and three percent to Green Valley Baptist Association.

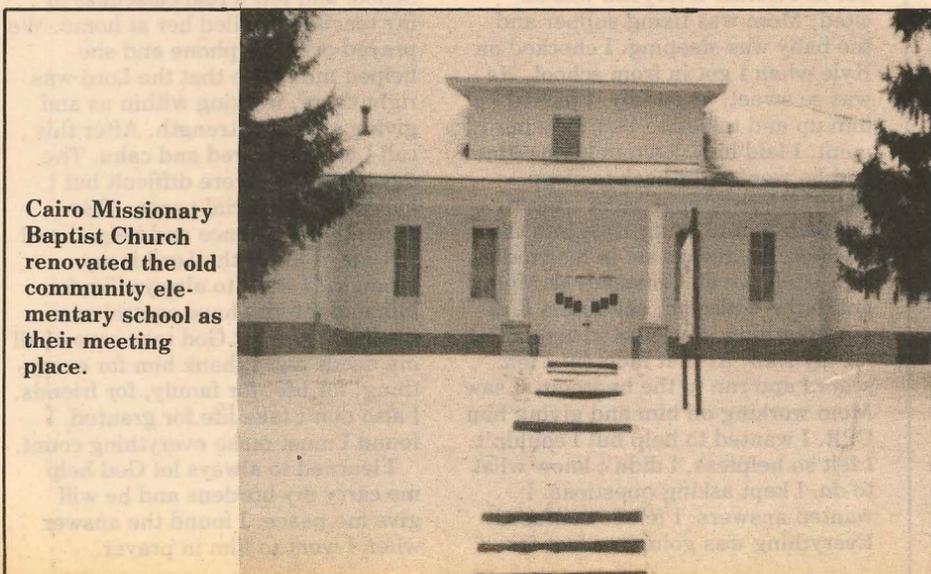
Payne thinks the key to further progress is, "If you feel the Lord lead

you to do something and you know God is in it, you should go ahead and do it."

In this rural community of 350 he wants to lead his church to reach more people for Christ. In the future the church hopes to purchase a new organ.



Ellis Payne has pastored Cairo Missionary Baptist Church for almost six years as a bivocational pastor. Feb. 1, he became the church's first full time pastor.



Cairo Missionary Baptist Church renovated the old community elementary school as their meeting place.

baptist news in brief

Edward Alton Mitchell, Ohio Valley DOM, dies

Edward Alton Mitchell, director of missions for Ohio Valley Association, died Friday, Feb. 15. He was 53.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, Feb. 17, at First Baptist Church, Sturgis. He was buried at Oak Grove Baptist Church, Cadiz.

Mitchell had been director of missions in Ohio Valley Association since 1968. Prior to becoming director of missions, Mitchell had pastored Bethlehem Baptist Church and Cerulean Baptist Church, both in Little River Association, and Sullivan Baptist Church, Ohio Valley Association.



Mitchell

SBC panel opposes Vatican rep, tax penalty

In separate actions the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee endorsed a legal brief opposing President Reagan's appointment last year of an ambassador to the Vatican and voiced opposition to a feature in Reagan's tax reform package which would reduce tax deductions for charitable contributions.

In objecting to Reagan's proposal to eliminate income tax deductions for contributions to charity below two percent of a taxpayer's adjusted gross income the Executive Committee declared its rejection of what it called "the characterization of tax deductibility of gifts to churches as the equivalent of government subsidy."

Acknowledging what it described as "the fiscal urgency which the national deficit creates for the United States Congress," the committee nevertheless asked lawmakers to follow "the wisdom of the years" in considering changes in tax policy "which will hinder churches from doing their work."

The Executive Committee approved without discussion endorsement of a friend-of-the-court brief at the U. S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania filed by the Washington-based Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs.

That brief, filed in support of a law-

suit brought by Americans United for Separation of Church and State and several major religious denominations, challenged Reagan's appointment of William A. Wilson as ambassador to the Vatican. The move followed congressional action sought by the White House removing a 1867 ban on diplomatic relations with the Holy See. (BP)

African nations get rain; keep praying, Parks urges

Reports of rain in two African countries offer evidence God is beginning to answer the prayers of Southern Baptists and other Christians, R. Keith Parks told the Foreign Mission Board.

Missionaries in Zimbabwe, one of some 30 African countries hard hit by drought, say they've had the best rain in 13 years, the board's president reported. Rain also has increased in south Africa. "We take that as the beginning of an answer to the prayers being offered," Parks said. He urged board members and all Southern Baptists to continue to pray "that God will pour out his rain on that drought-stricken continent."

In other major actions, Parks set forth strategic priorities for the board in the next three years and board members pledged their personal support for the denomination's Planned Growth in Giving stewardship emphasis. The board president laid special stress on the number one objective to "implement cooperative approaches to world evangelization with interested Baptist bodies."

As other priorities, Parks listed: — Consider more effective ways to be involved in lands where normal mission activity is prohibited or restricted.

— Establish percentage ranges for the board's four major budget divisions: missionary support, overseas operating, overseas capital and home office.

— Integrate the increased involvement of state convention partnerships overseas and other Southern Baptist volunteers to enhance a unified and indigenous mission effort. (BP)

MWBTS president calls for 'biblical faith' position

A Southern Baptist seminary president says "biblical faith" is the alternative to the current theological controversy among Southern Baptists.

During a chapel service at Midwest-

ern Baptist Theological Seminary, president Milton Ferguson told students, faculty and staff that many Southern Baptists believe they must choose between two theological extremes—radical liberalism and dogmatic fundamentalism. Ferguson suggested an alternative position he called "biblical faith."

"The alternative is letting God be God and make himself known. It is becoming more concerned with what God did do than with the question of what God could do and should do. It means being humble enough to be on the receiving end of God's revelation in Jesus Christ," he explained.

Radical theological liberalism, an emphasis arising in the 19th century, ruled out the supernatural and the miraculous. It denied the need or the

possibility of revelation from beyond human history, according to Ferguson. "Liberalism says we can only believe what our human reason can discover in nature and in history," he explained.

In addition, Ferguson said, "We reject the rationalistic claims of dogmatic fundamentalism," which is one of 20th century reaction to liberalism. This kind of fundamentalism, in emphasizing the supernatural "unconsciously makes God subject to human reason by prescribing in advance what God must be and how he must act in his self-revelation and redemptive activity," Ferguson explained.

Both theological viewpoints fail to affirm an adequate biblical faith, he pointed out. Both "depend primarily on human reason for their final authority and security." (BP)

Youth writing competition

Honorable mention

The winners of Western Recorder's first annual Youth Writing Competition were announced recently and the winning essays presented in the Feb. 5 issue. In addition to the five winners, two honorable mentions were awarded.

Kari Stewart, 16, of Covington was an honorable mention recipient. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Stewart of Covington. Miss Stewart is a member of Decoursey Baptist Church, Covington, Northern Kentucky Association, where her father is music director. Her pastor is Gene Livingood.

She is a student at Calvary Christian School where she is active in the varsity chorale, works in the lunchroom, and plays volleyball, softball and basketball. She is also a member of the school's swimming and diving team.

At her church Miss Stewart works with Mission Friends and is involved with Acteens and her church youth group.

She is a hospital volunteer and plans to enter college to pursue a career in either law or medicine.

Following is Miss Stewart's honorable mention essay:

Kari Stewart

Going to the Lord in prayer

My family is very special to me. I am the oldest of five children. Since I am the oldest, at times, I feel very close to my sisters and brothers. This closeness that I have has helped me to grow, to care and to love. On Jan. 25, 1980, I learned a new value of life and a new dimension of love. This was the day that the Lord chose to take my little brother, Kyle Glenn Stewart, home to be with him. Kyle was 10 weeks old when he became a victim of the Sudden Infant Death Syndrome.

It was my great-grandmother's birthday and we were going to call her in Florida. Everyone was excited, Mom was fixing supper and the baby was sleeping. I checked on Kyle when I got in from school. He was so sweet, so cuddly. I picked him up and talked to him for a moment. I laid him down in his bassinet and he went right back to sleep. Right before supper Mom went to the bedroom to bring Kyle into the kitchen. He always sat in his cradle seat while we ate. Instead, as Mom got to the bedroom, she found Kyle not breathing. She started screaming for my Dad. At that moment I felt scared and ran to the bedroom. I saw Mom working on him and giving him CPR. I wanted to help but I couldn't. I felt so helpless. I didn't know what to do. I kept asking questions. I wanted answers. I felt so confused. Everything was going too fast for

me. I didn't know what was happening. It was all like a nightmare to me.

The hardest part for me that evening was when Mom and Dad left with the life squad to take Kyle to the hospital. Friends stayed at the house with the rest of us. I felt so alone and needed to talk to someone. I had been a Christian almost a year. I was having a hard time accepting the death of my baby brother. I prayed. I asked God for an answer because I didn't understand death. It all seemed so final.

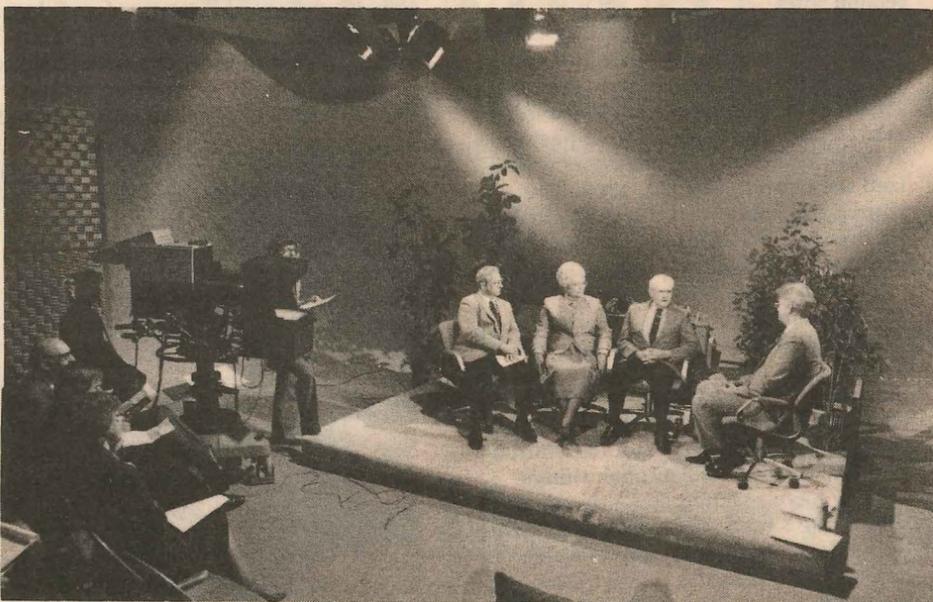
My thoughts turned to my school teacher. I go to Calvary Christian School and felt a real closeness to my teacher. I called her at home. We prayed over the phone and she helped me to see that the Lord was right there, working within us and giving all of us strength. After this call I felt reassured and calm. The days following were difficult but I had found a special peace. This made the difference and helped me!

Today I know the Lord is my strength! I want to always live for him and let him have control over my life. I now let God take care of all my needs and I thank him for everything; for life, for family, for friends. I also don't take life for granted. I found I must make everything count.

I learned to always let God help me carry my burdens and he will give me peace. I found the answer when I went to him in prayer.



Miss Stewart



"Who Cares?" was the theme of the second Home Missions teleconference, broadcast live from Birmingham via Baptist Telecommunications Network. Jay Durham [far right], Home Mission Board, served as moderator and discussed home missions with guests and telephone callers. SBC agency heads on the program included [l-r] HMB president William Tanner, WMU, SBC executive director Carolyn Weatherford, and Brotherhood president James Smith.

viewpoint

Baby Fae:

Moral concerns in Christian perspective

by Paul D. Simmons,
Professor of Christian Ethics
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A dramatic instance of human love and sympathy took place following the birth of Baby Fae, born three weeks prematurely in Barstow, Cal., Oct. 14, 1984. She was born with hypoplastic left-heart syndrome—a seriously underdeveloped heart—which is a fatal disorder. From Barstow, Baby Fae was transferred to the outstanding pediatric cardiology unit at Loma Linda's Seventh-Day Adventist medical center. After consultation, the child, barely breathing, was taken home to die.

Two days later, however, the hospital called the distraught mother and proposed a baboon heart transplant. The mother accepted, thinking she "had to do anything possible to try to save her baby's life." On Oct. 26, 1984, Baby Fae was given the heart of a seven-month-old female baboon. She made remarkable progress for the next two weeks.

She is now a chapter in "celebrity medicine." Her death 21 days after the transplant surgery came as both a surprise and a shock, surprise because the hospital's progress reports remained so optimistic and shock because expectations for continued life and recovery had been so elevated.

Just two hours before her death doctors declared she "was hanging in there." The truth was that Fae was experiencing kidney failure which had been known for days. The anti-rejection drugs resulted in kidney damage and ultimately in heart arrest.

Baby Fae made history. Her brief life established a record, she lived 21 days with a simian heart, the longest on record. Some doctors have called the operation a "success," believing medical science had been served in significant ways.

However, not everyone is convinced the operation was morally justified. Would it have been more loving to allow Fae to die naturally? Serious objections have been posed that merit thoughtful and careful consideration.

Some objected because an animal heart was used in a human child. Such cross-speciation constituted "ghoulish tinkering" in the minds of those who accept the notion of human biological uniqueness.

Defenders of animal rights are also being heard. Should the life of a healthy baboon be sacrificed to try to save a defective newborn human, especially when the child likely will live only a few days or weeks at most? Protestors at the Loma Linda clinic raised an important question as to whether animals should be regarded simply as a source of supply for scarce human organs.

Objections based on hereditary considerations. Some argued that infants born dying probably ought not be kept alive by extraordinary efforts because of genetic consequences. The more

medicine keeps people with genetic deformity or disease alive, the more these genes spread in the human species. The defective heart problem of Baby Fae is thus kept alive for generations, creating a need for many future heart transplants to the offspring of one who was otherwise destined to die by natural causes.

The most common objections were based on the admittedly experimental nature of the operation, which makes all claims about concern for the patient suspect as the main motive for the procedure. The pressure to publish, the prestige and attention given medical break-throughs, the place in history of medical "firsts," the notoriety of media attention and the prospect of research money or personal fortune all play a part in decisions regarding exotic medical procedures.

Personal ambition on the part of the researcher may be difficult to separate from the concern for patient therapy. The patient may become a means to an end rather than the object of care and concern in experimental procedures. The self-interest of the researcher may be served rather than the needs of the patient.

Three requirements must be met for experimental surgery to be ethical: (1) the scientific background must be sufficient to provide reasonable grounds to believe the patient will benefit substantially; (2) no alternative procedures must be available which have a better chance for success and patient benefit; and (3) the patient must give informed consent. These criteria seem not to have been clearly followed.

Research data. There was little research evidence to suggest Fae might be able to live a reasonably normal life with an animal heart. Article five of the Nuremberg code of medical ethics declares, "no experimentation should be conducted where there is a priori reason to believe that death or disabling injury will occur." Saying that Baby Fae would celebrate "more than one birthday" was overly optimistic if not misleading. It amounted to a hoping against hope. No baby monkeys had been used for inter-species transplants and the longest any animal had survived after a transplant in Dr. Bailey's research was 165 days. The research data gave no reason to believe Baby Fae would live to be 12 or 13 years of age as some hoped. "We have no right," said one physician, "to put a child through such a procedure that promises little life expectancy."

The fact that no effort was made to procure a donor human heart poses a serious ethical question. The purpose of this procedure was to see if animal replacements could be provided for defective hearts in infant humans. As one editorial put it bluntly: that was the point of the research!

If so, the moral basis of the operation is suspect. A human heart would be more compatible genetically with the growth and longevity processes of an infant girl. The animal heart, even if it were not rejected, could certainly not be expected to carry Baby Fae past the normal life expectancy of a baboon. So,

Baby Fae would be in for not one but a series of heart transplant procedures to carry her into mid-life. That seems hardly to have Baby Fae's interest uppermost in mind.

Objection from informed consent. Was the mother given sufficient information to give informed consent? Before "volunteering" an infant, a parent needs all the information possible as to alternatives, expected outcomes, side effects, risks, etc. The circumstances surrounding Baby Fae made this a major concern. What information was given the mother? What appeal was made? making history? a medical first? media attention? Or, more nobly, was she led to believe her child might recover and lead a reasonably normal life? Or was the appeal to aid future defective newborns?

The fact that the hospital refused to release the consent form signed by Fae's mother fuels the suspicion that she was not told all she should have been. Did she know of other alternatives, such as the use of a human heart or the Norwood surgical procedure for such heart problems? If not, the moral basis of the consent is undermined.

Baby Fae underwent hours of pain and medical procedures. Respirators, injections, surgery, stitches, arrhythmias and uremia all became her lot. Death came only after her body began to reject the foreign heart. Large doses of the anti-rejection drug Cyclosporin-A were given which severely damaged her kidneys. Even when the heart stopped, she was given dialysis and closed-heart massage. The very drugs given to try to save her seemed to have been lethal.

In short, what was called therapy for Baby Fae may have been closer to torture, an experiment that resulted only in prolonging her dying. Christians know that death has its rightful place in God's scheme of life. Allowing Fae to die peacefully and naturally may have been far more loving.

Some writers concluded that Baby Fae was used as a means to an end. "She was donated, alive, to science," said Ellen Goodman. It was not her interests but the interests of future children and the advancement of medical knowledge through research that were most clearly served. An important moral principle was violated (do no harm to the patient) in the name of scientific advancement.

When people are treated as means to an end an absolute moral imperative is broken, as Kant so rightly saw. Research that does not value the patient as the primary object of care does not serve the cause of moral progress.

Christians know the difference in genuine love for the patient and the language of love that manipulates a person for selfish gain. At best, the Baby Fae operation was morally murky; at worst, it was a violation of the demands of love for this patient. Without objecting absolutely to any animal-human heart transplants, Christians and others will certainly press the researcher to provide clearer answers to the substantive moral issues raised in this case before similar experiments are allowed to follow.



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clear creek comment

Knowing the truth

Luke, Paul's physician friend, wrote our third gospel under the inspiration of the spirit of God. He addressed it to Theophilus and stated as his purpose in writing, "That thou mightest know the certainty of those things wherein thou hast been instructed" (Luke 1:4).

A visitor to Clear Creek recently remarked, "These students seem to have a deep knowledge of God. It seems to me this assurance is the key to the success Clear Creek graduates enjoy." This is certainly true. Our faculty, staff and students have all met the Lord and "know the certainty" of God's love and promises.

I believe God wants his people to be confident and assured. Someone has said true prosperity is the result of well placed confidence in God, in our fellow man and in ourselves. Our world needs to be changed and history teaches us it is changed by men with confidence in the Lord and in themselves. We can become what the Lord wants us to be and what we believe we can be. God wants us to "know the exact truth" (New American Standard Bible) and to "know the full truth" (Good News Bible) concerning our faith and thereby to become confident Christians.

Christians need the assurance Paul had when he wrote "I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day" (1 Tim. 1:20). We need to hear suffering Job when he confidently affirmed, "I know that my redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth" (Job 19:25).

It fortifies my soul to know that, though I perish, truth is so: That, howso'er I stray and range, Whate'er I do, Thou dost not change. I steadier step when I recall that, if I slip, Thou dost not fall.

Arthur H. Clough

Our annual Bible study is in Psalms. One of my favorite passages is Ps. 27:1-3. Read this passage and you will see that what the psalmist found is what we as Christians need today. We must know that God's truth is truth, wrestle with God, like Jacob, until we are sure of the truth and then make an impact on the world preaching the good news of the one who said, "I am the truth"!



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oneida journal

A narrow escape

Several of my staff, a group of guests and I recently had a narrow escape from serious injury or death.

I was working in my office unaware of the drama taking place outside in bitter cold, zero degree weather. In my office two prospective students and their families were watching "For Time and Eternity," a color movie on our Oneida work.

Looking through the window in front of my desk I can look eastward up the road to the top of Mt. Moriah, our campus hill. It is a fairly steep grade. Had I been looking through my window at that moment, I would have seen one of our two large garbage compactor trucks laboring up the hill.

Just as the truck reached the top, the hydraulic brake line broke. The truck kicked out of gear and began to roll backwards directly toward my office. Gathering speed, approximately 12,000 pounds of truck and compacted garbage was headed toward us. Had this amount of weight, with the momentum it had gathered, struck our building, the results almost surely would have been very grim.

Maintenance man Joe Scott stayed behind the wheel of the truck. In the rear view mirror, he caught sight of the one ancient tree standing in front of my office window and desperately steered for the tree. Fortunately the tree, with its extensive root system, held where almost certainly brick and concrete block would have not.

The truck came to a jolting stop at the tree only a few feet from where I was seated. Scott was uninjured.

The truck was severely damaged and the tree may not survive its grievous hurt. The truck is a 15-year-old model and certain parts are not made for it anymore. This presented something of a crisis as 600 students and staff generate a lot of garbage in a 24-hour period. We have no garbage pickup service. The nearest suitable dump is a 30-mile roundtrip for us. If we did not have a compacting-type truck, we would have to make two of these 30-mile round trips daily. With the compactors, we have to go only once weekly at a great savings in time, effort and gasoline.

Maintenance supervisor Neil Pauline, in his efficient way, set to work. He located a Louisville firm, Boone & Boone. Hugh Boone, though previously unacquainted with our work, heard our plight. He donated a unit to help repair our truck that could have cost us up to \$6000. Colt Industries of Tennessee were also contacted. They donated a special type of carburetor cam needed. Repairs are being made. Thank God for these strangers who, in our time of need, came through when sometimes friends do not.

All is well that ends well.

But such an experience makes one think. Our lives hang by a thread at any moment, waking or sleeping. Death can overtake us in a second, even under the most peaceful seeming of circumstances. Any day, each day, can be our last and one day will be.

I am so thankful I made preparation long, long ago as a child at Oneida. Lyn Claybrook, our then pastor, and W. K. Wood, visiting evangelist, preached that Thursday school morning at our daily chapel hour.

Praise God for his watchcare in so many life-threatening situations since.

I have lived through and survived a 45-day cholera epidemic in the Turkoman tribal area of Iran where I was serving in 1965, and a devastating earthquake in the same area three years later in which many of my dear local friends died. Shortly thereafter, a deranged Moslem fanatic attempted to kill me one noontime near the courtyard of Kavous school, as I was leaving from a morning of teaching.

On a speaking trip in 1971, my plane had to make an emergency landing on a foam covered runway, and in 1976 I survived a serious van wreck near Oneida with only minor injuries, vehicle totaled.

Since the cholera epidemic 20 years ago, I have considered each and every day of life a bonus gift from God.



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sunday school lessons

LESSONS FOR MAR. 3, 1985

Life and Work Series

Grateful response

John 12:1-3 When the time for the crucifixion of our Lord was approaching he went to Bethany to spend a night in the home of his friends Martha, Mary and Lazarus. That evening a feast was given in Christ's honor in the house of "Simon the leper". Among those present were Christ, the apostles, Martha, Mary and Lazarus.

Realizing that her Lord was about to be taken from them, Mary thought this was perhaps her last chance to express her great love for Christ. While he was reclining at the table Mary proceeded to pay her grateful homage by breaking the seal of an alabaster box of precious ointment and with its contents anointed his feet and wiped them with her hair, as an act of adoration and devotion. She wanted to express her grateful love to Christ because of what he had done for her and her family, the crowning act of which had been the restoration of Lazarus to life.

John 12:4-6 Self-appointed, discourteous, rude, impudent and greedy critics, led by Judas, branded Mary's spontaneous express of love and appreciation as an act of reckless extravagance and fanatic devotion. The criticism of Mary's gracious and generous expression of her love for Christ on the part of Judas was not due to his concern for the poor, but he saw in the cost of the ointment a sum which would have made his pilfering more lucrative

had that amount been placed in the money box over which he had the oversight or supervision.

John 12:7-8 With genuine appreciation for Mary's sacrificial act of gratitude to her Lord, Christ told her critics and detractors to "let her alone." Her opportunity to express her special gratitude to Christ would soon be passed, and she did not want that to happen. Christ quickly came to Mary's rescue with an expression of deepest appreciation and the highest possible praise for what she had done.

International Series

New life relationships

John 13:1-5 On their way to the upper room the disciples engaged in a dispute as to "which of them should be accounted the greatest" in the kingdom. Full of jealousy, resentment and anger, the disciples entered the room and seated themselves like a group of sulking boys, longing for self-glorification.

In that country where sandals were worn and where the feet naturally became dirty, it was customary for servants to remove the sandals and to wash the feet of their masters and of the guests who entered their homes. The disciples did not have a slave to render this menial service and neither of them would condescend to wash the feet of the rest.

Christ quietly arose from the table, laid aside his outer garments, picked up a towel, tied it about his waist, took a basin, filled it with water and began to wash the feet of the disciples and to wipe them with the towel. When they beheld Christ's condescension, they knew they should exercise a similar humility in their treatment of one another.

John 13:6-8 Peter was the only disciple to protest what Christ was doing. He declared, "Thou shalt never wash my feet," whereupon Christ replied, "If I wash thee not, thou hast no part with me." Realizing he needed a cleansing such as Christ alone could give, Peter said, "Lord, not my feet only, but also my hands and my head," as he yielded himself to the Lord.

John 13:12-17 Christ explained the event which had just taken place. He taught them that a servant is not greater than his Lord and the one sent is not greater than the sender. The real test of greatness is the ability and willingness to stoop and serve.



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on mission together

The Kentucky-Hawaii connection: Part I

Since 1962, the executive secretaries of the Baptist state conventions across our nation have met annually the week prior to the SBC Executive Committee meeting.

For most of those years the state Baptist editors have conducted a parallel meeting at the same location. This year both groups met in Honolulu, Hawaii, hosted by the Hawaiian Baptist Convention and the Home Mission Board.

There was something unusual and special about this meeting; something even more special than the balmy 75 degree weather of Hawaii's "winter."

Our 50th state, Hawaii is a study in contrasts with Kentucky.

While Kentucky claims the highest proportion of "native" Kentuckians living in our state, Hawaii has the lowest.

Hawaii has an almost constant tem-

perature year-round; Kentucky's temperatures range almost the entire length of the thermometer!

Though "Christianization" of the islanders occurred in the 1800's, it is now estimated that only 10 percent of the population of Hawaii is Christian. Most statistics suggest that over 65 percent of Kentucky's population is Christian.

Kentucky population studies reveal that about 90 percent of Kentucky's people are "anglo"—that is, white with European roots. Hawaii's population consists mostly of Americans with Asian roots—Japanese, Chinese, Korean, Philippine and Samoan. Buddhism is the predominant religion.

While Kentucky mountains still host some "moonshiners," Hawaii's hills are dangerously active with marijuana growers.

The 42 churches in the Hawaii Baptist Convention within six associations seem few, indeed, when compared to the Kentucky Baptist Convention's 2228 churches and 79 associations.

But what they lack in numerical strength, they compensate with commitment and determination.

Kentucky's "connection" with Hawaii is Dr. Dan Kong. The first native Hawaiian to pastor a Baptist church there is now the convention's executive secretary. A graduate of Georgetown College, Dan was a classmate of Dr. Don Chatham, now a medical doctor in Shelbyville, Ky. and a member of First Baptist. Not surprisingly, Dr. Chatham has served for years as a trustee for the Hawaii Baptist Academy, an institution that has for years planted seed among Honolulu's population . . . seed that is beginning to sprout.

From 1970 to 1980 only eight new churches were started in Hawaii. In the first 10 months of 1984 alone Hawaii Baptists have started 12 new churches and baptisms have increased by 39 percent over 1983.

The Kentucky-Hawaii connection is bearing fruit.

Annie Armstrong offering reaches out to U. S.

Louisville's Lincoln Bingham leads racial cooperation ministry

Louisville has become a crossroad where north and south as well as black and white come together. Lincoln Bingham, a Home Mission Board missionary serving in Louisville, has watched the city's west end community change from a predominantly white to a predominantly black area.

This transition is causing Bingham to universalize his definition for the Cooperative Program to "blacks and whites working together for the cause of Jesus Christ."

Bingham explains, "My philosophy is that Christians are the light of the world and the salt of the earth. We need to take God very seriously. We must try to demonstrate to all people that Jesus has made a difference in our lives."

Appointed by the HMB's Black Church Relations Department, Bingham serves as a cooperative ministry consultant for the Kentucky Baptist Convention. He also serves as superintendent of missions for the General Association, one of 16 black Baptist associations in Kentucky.

As a cooperative ministry consultant, Bingham helps interested students at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, find internships that aid in building relationships between black and white churches.

Recently, he arranged for a white student to work for the American Baptist Newspaper, a news journal for black Baptists in Kentucky. He also arranged for a black student to serve as pastor of a black mission church sponsored by First Baptist Church, Tompkinsville. Another white student under Bingham's supervision at Southern Seminary is conducting vacation Bible schools, leading backyard Bible clubs and helping with literacy missions for blacks in Pulaski County.

One of Bingham's primary duties is consulting with churches in transition in the Louisville area. He helps black churches negotiate for buildings presently owned by white congregations and assists white churches who are seeking to relocate.

Bingham constantly strives to find ways to help black Baptist churches and white Baptist churches cooperate in home mission efforts.

In 1984 he planned the joint Thanksgiving celebration for two local Baptist associations. Bingham explains, "The white churches of Long Run Association joined the black churches of Central District Association for a Thanksgiving worship service. It was a great success. More than 2000 people attended."

However, Bingham is not stopping there. He has already set a new goal. "This year I hope the Woman's Mis-



Lincoln Bingham preaches gospel of reconciliation

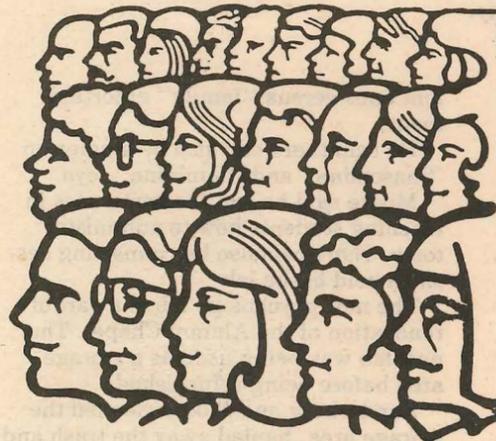
sionary Unions of the 16 white associations and the 16 black associations will cooperate in a joint missions project."

West End Baptist Church, Louisville, where Bingham is pastor, is a mission-minded church. Bingham is proud of his church's ministry to LaGrange Reformatory, Kentucky's only maximum security prison. "West End is active and effective in reaching out to

people in city and county jails," he says.

West End Baptist Church also participates in the Meals-on-Wheels program, delivering meals to more than 16,000 people per week.

Lincoln Bingham is one of more than 3700 missionaries serving throughout the United States who are appointed by the Home Mission Board and supported by the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering.



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 . . . WHO CARES!

Week of Prayer for Home Missions
 March 3-10, 1985

Annie Armstrong Easter Offering Goal:
 \$30,000,000

WHO CARES?

Missionaries share needs for week of prayer

Concern for their work, personal crisis, lack of funds, health and safety are a few of the prayer needs of home missionaries.

This diversity of need is particularly reflected in some of the prayer requests being expressed for this year's Mar. 3-9 Week of Prayer for Home Missions.

Jerry Fleming, former preacher and chaplain, works as a storekeeper on an oil rig 40 miles off the New Orleans coast. He does this in order to share Christ with his fellow workers who live half their lives without benefit of clergy. Still, Fleming feels his work is only a "drop in the bucket," and prays for a full time chaplain to work with these men.

Pat Bailey is another missionary overwhelmed with the massiveness of her task. She serves as chaplain at Chicago's Cooke County Hospital, one of the largest public hospitals in the nation. She prays for a Mission Service Corp volunteer to assist in the multitude of responsibilities there.

At Herman Hospital in Houston, chaplain Nancy Ditch faces family strife, child abuse, accident and burn victims every day. This work is physically and emotionally exhausting. Hillside Baptist Center in Richmond, Va., is located in a community where many forms of violence can be found, including murders and shootings. Home missionary Jane Jackson is director of the center. Join her in prayer for more dedicated volunteers to help with the young people there.

Where is Annie going? HMB tells story in detail

The 1985 Annie Armstrong Easter offering goal, set for \$30 million, will be distributed in three major areas: missionaries and field ministries, special projects and advance in critical areas.

The largest allocation, \$20.5 million, supports missionaries and field ministries. These are ongoing and continuing ministries and contain eight areas: evangelism projects, church extension, Christian social ministries, language missions, interfaith witness, black church relations, chaplaincy ministries and associational missions.

Evangelism projects total \$1,687,000 and will support the work of evangelism directors in 37 state conventions, Iowa and Puerto Rico, and ministries aimed at evangelizing the lost people in the United States.

A total of \$4,360,000 will be received by church extension to support the work of nearly 1500 church starters, church

starter strategists, mission pastors and church planter apprentices.

Christian social ministries will receive \$3.09 million to support the work of more than 300 missionaries serving in Baptist centers, weekday ministries, youth and family services and literacy missions.

More than 1300 language missions personnel are supported through the Annie Armstrong Easter offering. The 1985 offering allocation provides \$6.6 million for this area, as language missionaries witness to, minister to and start new churches for 84 of the more than 200 different ethnic groups in America.

The \$370,000 allocated to the program of interfaith witness supports national consultants, three regional directors and department personnel as they lead conferences to acquaint Southern Baptists with other faiths and

to improve skills in interfaith witnessing.

The \$3,163,000 designated for associational missions will assist in the support of nearly 375 missions personnel. The division relates to 1200 associations and 900 directors of missions as the association assists churches and serves as the hub of Baptist witness in a community.

The second major distribution of the offering is \$3.5 million for 33 special short-term projects that are not part of the HMB's ongoing work. The 33 projects include funding of summer student missionaries, \$560,000, and US-2 missionaries, \$450,000.

The third major area allocates \$6 million for advance in critical areas. It includes \$2 million to increase missionary personnel; \$1 million to implement strategies for new mission work; and \$1.5 million to meet needs in large metropolitan areas.



Barbara Yates, a student at Campbellsville College, instructs Lew Moore, who has cerebral palsy, on how to crawl in the new psychology lab at Campbellsville College.

by Joan C. McKinney

Barbara Yates lies flat on her stomach on the floor and repeatedly pats her hand on the concrete.

She motions for the three-year-old boy on the Cookie Monster scooter pad to come closer. He looks at her, moves slightly, and Mrs. Yates' face breaks into a big smile. So does the little boy's.

Mrs. Yates is in the new psychology laboratory at Campbellsville College and is working with Lew Moore, son of Robert Moore, assistant professor of sociology at the college, and his wife Cherry, an artist.

Lew has cerebral palsy and Mrs. Yates is trying to help him learn to crawl by having him move around on the pad to teach him mobility. She works with him for an hour each visit.

Mrs. Yates is learning by experience in the new lab which has been created in the school's Alumni Chapel. The 1000-square foot lab features an area working space, and an observation area is planned with a two-way window so trained personnel will be able to observe what's going on in the other room.

The new lab will have many uses including enhancing instructional resources, providing a research facility for faculty and for community service.

Bobby Himes, chairman of the professional studies division of the college, which governs the lab, said there was a definite need for the lab.

Himes said classes are now being taught in the lab and it will be also used as a conference room for various meetings including those of the division.

"The main advantage of the lab for any project is that it permits unobstructed observation," explained Moore. "It also provides a facility for seminars and discussions."

Moore said the division is hoping to have videotape facilities to use with the lab's services.

Himes stated that the lab's use as a community resource will allow parents to have the use of personnel and facilities instead of going out of town for these special services.

Besides the special needs of his teaching, that aspect of the lab is a positive personal attraction for Moore.

He and his wife were having to make two trips a week to Lexington for therapy with Lew before the Camp-

bellsville College lab became available.

"Basically, Lew needs more attention than either his mom or I can give him," Moore explained. "We have to depend on others who can help."

Moore said the lab will be an area where persons involved with continuing education can receive instruction—whether it's in education, counseling, interviewing, teaching or providing various kinds of speech or physical therapy.

Mrs. Yates said she had had good therapy sessions in the lab. Mrs. Yates, who has three children, was doing the work with Lew as part of field work in a social welfare class for Carlos Anderson, assistant professor of social work.

Moore explained that Mrs. Yates was in role reversal because the Moores' child is her client now. She is in charge. And to Mrs. Yates, it is a learning experience that she enjoys.

"I get a lot out of it," she said while she was still working with Lew. "Especially the smiles. My nephew has cerebral palsy, and I've worked a lot with him. That's why I jumped on this project."

"I feel drawn to Lew. I don't know what I have to give, but I'll give what I can."

Mrs. Yates patiently does the same thing over and over with Lew. She moves the Cookie Monster over the floor and tries to get him to move himself.

"You forget the development of a child," Mrs. Yates said. Her children are 14, 12 and nine, and she said she forgot that her children went backwards first before they went forward while they were learning to crawl—just as Lew does.

Although she sometimes works over and over on a learning experience, she says it "takes a whole lot for me to get impatient."

She thinks one of the most important things to give a child is encouragement.

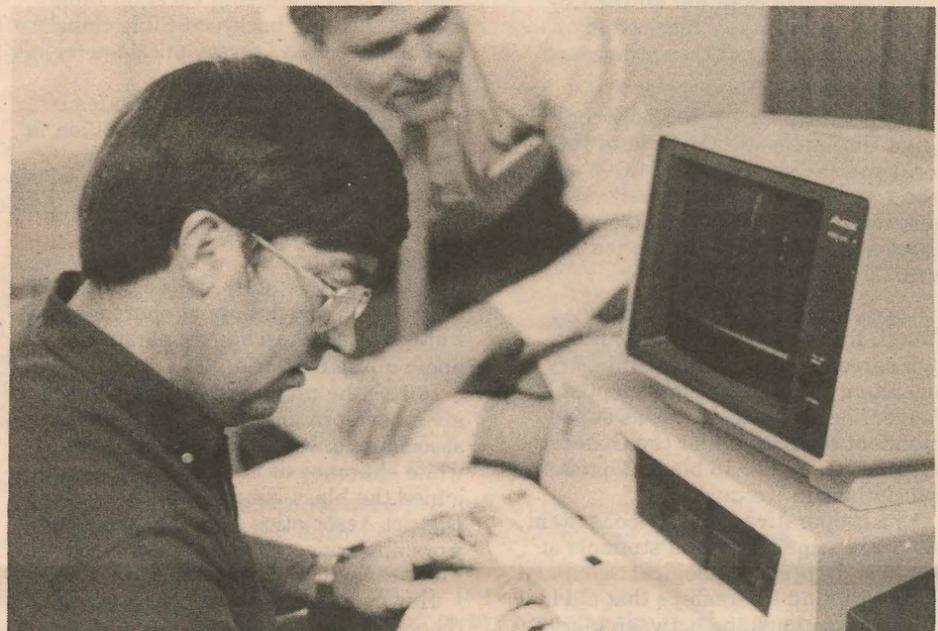
She said she is thinking of becoming a therapist when she graduates and possibly specializing in physical therapy.

Mrs. Yates is a junior and is now majoring in pre-professional nursing.

Craig Funderberg, assistant professor of psychology, has been working with equipping the lab. "We've bought first-class equipment," he said.

A computer statistics software package has just been purchased that will

New psych lab offers experiential learning, research facilities for Campbellsville College faculty and students



Gary Shockley uses the computer that is used by the psychology lab as he receives instruction from Robert Moore, assistant professor of sociology. Shockley pastors Fairview Baptist Church in Taylor County.

be used with the computer in the Social Research Center.

The Social Research Center is directed by a fee-for-service basis. The center makes available to the community the college's resources and faculty who can answer questions on various subjects.

The center can do research pertaining to marketing, opinion sampling, political polling, and evaluation.

Moore explained that the computer can help the professors prepare research materials such as questionnaires. The research includes the design of random assignment of treatment groups and other group statistical analysis.

"We're trying to make purchases for all the faculty to use," Funderberg said.

The professors are hoping to acquire purchases pertaining to blood pressure and biofeedback.

Funderberg said they hope to be able to teach people how to control their blood pressure, how to deal with migraine headaches and maybe how to live with chronic pain.

He cited they also might be able to do work with endurance and changes in the body's response to stress.

Funderberg noted the equipment purchases have been made slowly, when money is available, but good equipment is being bought.

Tom Caldwell, associate professor of psychology, said he will have uses for the lab in many ways, including in social psychology. He said there can be certain projects that will observe children's reactions to TV programs—vio-

lent ones versus "family" entertainment.

He said there can also be studies on "masculine" and "feminine" toys.

Moore said he can see some uses in teaching students how to administer tests. There can also be counseling sessions held in the lab.

The new psychology lab is a part of the renovation of the Alumni Chapel. The new lab was being used as a storage area before being refurbished.

Funderberg and Moore cleaned the storage area, hauled away the trash and cut holes for the window. They also took up flooring for the carpeting for the college maintenance staff to do such detailed work as lowering the ceiling and installing light fixtures and new window treatments.

Funderberg said all of the rooms within the social services area are now being used with the increased effectiveness of the psychology lab.

"We plan to make this one of the most pleasant environments on campus," said Himes. "The students are really pleased with the changes we've made. Improvements change everyone's attitudes."

Himes said that certain rooms have been refurbished, ceilings have been repaired, and rest rooms have been redone.

"I have a good staff who works together. We do it as a division."

Moore concluded, "The key thing is whether there is a shared vision, which we have. Sharing visions captures energy. We collectively coordinate ideas, and we have captured that shared vision."