

Hundreds were on hand in Nashville Sept. 16 for formal dedication of the \$8 million SBC Building. Seven Southern Baptist entities are housed in the structure.

Ceremonies mark official opening of new SBC Building

by Jack D. Sanford, Editor

The new Southern Baptist Building in Nashville was dedicated in ceremonies Sept. 16.

The ceremony of worship and dedication was held in the building's auditorium. The climax came with placing of historic documents in a time capsule which was buried in the plaza facing Commerce Street in front of the building.

Frank Ingraham, a Nashville attorney and member of the Executive Committee, presided over the plaza portion of the program. As the contents of the box were placed in the time capsule, Ingraham said it was a "joy to be a link in God's ongoing kingdom."

The program, presided over by David Maddox of Fullerton, Cal., chairman of the Executive Committee, included brief statements from executives representing various SBC agencies. These included Foy Valentine, Christian Life Commission; Hollis N. Johnson, Southern Baptist Foundation; Harold C. Bennett, executive secretary-treasurer and Reginald M. McDonough, associate executive secretary, Executive Committee; Lynn E. May Jr., executive director, Historical Commission; A. R. Fagan, executive director, Stewardship

Commission; Raymond M. Rigdon, executive director, Seminary External Education Division; and Arthur Walker Jr., executive director, Education Commission.

The SBC Building, with a construction cost of \$8 million, is a seven-story structure containing 170,000 square feet of space. Housed in the building are offices of the SBC Executive Committee and seven other SBC entities.

Executive Committee okays West Virginia as state convention

The Executive Committee of the SBC approved a recommendation that the West Virginia Convention of Southern Baptists be certified for full membership in the SBC.

Certification of the West Virginia Convention means the convention will now be eligible for full representation on all SBC committees, boards, commissions, standing and special committees. It is expected that the 1986 SBC meeting in Atlanta will accept the recommendation and admit West Virginia as a fully participating member of the SBC.

The first action to implement full membership was election of Ron Dillion and Fred Morgan as members of the committee on boards, subject to acceptance of West Virginia at the Atlanta meeting.

In other action the Executive Committee—

- Approved a \$10 million loan for the Radio and Television Commission and also approved a \$10 million capital campaign over the next five years.

- Declined to approve several SBC referrals concerning changes in bylaws and the constitution which would have limited membership on boards and committees to one person from each participating church.

- Declined to set Cooperative Program contributions as the basis of eligibility for membership on boards and committees.

- Declined to set a minimum age for messengers.

- Declined to eliminate resolutions at SBC meetings.

- Declined to approve a disclosure of Cooperative Program and baptism ratio for officers, and

- Declined to approve appointment of the Committee on Committees and Committee on Boards by a committee made up of the officers of the SBC.

- Continued to study the divestiture of investments related to South Africa held by Southern Baptist Convention agencies.

A REPORT Southern Baptist Convention Peace Committee to the Executive Committee, Southern Baptist Convention

September 18, 1985

The Southern Baptist Convention Peace Committee will have its second meeting Oct. 8-9, 1985, at the SBC Building in Nashville, having had the first meeting Aug. 5-6, in Nashville. The next three committee meetings are scheduled as follows: Dec. 10-11, 1985 in Atlanta; Jan. 21-22, 1986 in Dallas; and Feb. 25-26, 1986 in Nashville.

Additional meetings of the committee will be announced later, and according to progress.

Seventeen of the 22 committee members were present for the first meeting, and 18 are scheduled to attend the second. Attendance for the subsequent three meetings promises to be almost 100 percent. Effort was made to set the second meeting to allow those absent from the first meeting to attend. Committee members are to be commended for the arrangements they have made in their personal commitments to be available for committee assignments. Needless to say, coordinating the schedules of 22 people, like those who comprise the Peace Committee, is a challenge in itself.

Though the Peace Committee is not oblivious to the difficult and delicate matters with which we must deal, we believe there is reason for optimism about our task. There are specific reasons for that optimism, which, admittedly prevails in varying degrees.

The spirit of the committee members was a source of encouragement during our first meeting and has been since. Despite the sharp differences between us, there is a conviction God will bless the honest attempts to face the facts of our controversy. By our October meeting each committee member is to have submitted a 250-word statement, identifying the theological issues which beset our denomination.

Though a great deal of time, of necessity, was devoted to committee organization in our first meeting, an equal amount of time was devoted to prayer and the essential establishment of a relationship among the members. Prayer is not an item before our agenda, it is the priority item on our agenda.

These 22 committee members obviously represent constituencies as the committee is, in fact, the convention-in-miniature. In the opinion of the chairman, however, though the committee members represent constituencies they will not serve constituencies. We must function as individuals as the Lord gives us conviction and conscience to do so. The committee must become of an entity itself, offering to the convention our findings and recommendations, leaving the final conclusions to the convention family we serve.

The committee's readiness to deal with matters of substance is reflected in their decision to first address the theological issues which trouble us. This agreement on an early agenda is a cause for optimism. I might add, this is not to ignore the structural, political and parliamentary matters which have been brought to our attention.

One has to be encouraged by the many reports of intercessory prayer, all across our convention, for the Peace Committee. There are numerous letters sent to the committee each week pledging the prayer support of churches, prayer groups, pastor's conferences and individuals. A group of lay persons in Roanoke, Va., meets every Tuesday at six in the morning to pray for each of the Peace Committee members by name. The committee is an object of prayer in our own family daily prayer periods, as I am sure it is in yours. It is unthinkable that a member of the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee or anyone related to convention leadership would not pray daily for the work of the Peace Committee and the healing of our denomination. Admitted, the Peace Committee is just beginning to deal with some of the matters of controversy among us, nonetheless, we can see some beneficial outgrowths of our convention's present situation:

1. This is one of the most prayed-for periods in Southern Baptist Convention life.
2. The desire to be informed about Southern Baptist life is at the highest level in years.
3. Fewer Southern Baptists are inclined to take the convention, its past and future, and the price of both, for granted.
4. We are recognizing anew the worth of our fellowship and the importance of our spirit.
5. It is more obvious than perhaps in years, if we are to serve Southern Baptists, we must listen to all Southern Baptists.

My requests of the Executive Committee are five in number:

1. Pray daily for the Peace Committee and grow not weary in doing it.
2. Encourage others to pray, believing God can accomplish what otherwise, could not.
3. Communicate your concerns and suggestions directly to the committee.
4. Respect the request of the convention to lower the profile and restrain unnecessary rhetoric regarding the controversies among us.
5. Turn a deaf ear to the cynics, skeptics, pessimists and defeatists.

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Legal challenge faced

The SBC Executive Committee heard the attorney for Mr. and Mrs. Robert Crowder declare the Crowders' intention to go to court against the SBC if their grievances were not redressed by the Executive Committee. The Crowders spelled out just how that was to be done, namely by declaring the election of the Committee on Committees in the Dallas convention was illegal and asking the Executive Committee to appoint another committee.

In addressing the Crowders' complaint, the Executive Committee released the following statement after a client/attorney closed session:

"Whatever mistakes might have occurred in Dallas with reference to interpretation of bylaws is history. To seek to redo or undo an action of the Southern Baptist Convention will accomplish no positive good.

"The Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention instructs its legal counsel, James P. Guenther, that the Executive Committee affirms these actions of the 1985 Southern Baptist Convention.

"That the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention take under advisement the presentation of attorney Emmet J. Bondurant for Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Crowder, Birmingham, Ala., particularly regarding the bylaws of the Southern Baptist Convention and the interpretation of same, and

"That we refer the matter of bylaw interpretation to the bylaws workgroup of the administrative and convention arrangements subcommittee of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention for further consideration and that the bylaws workgroup report back to the Executive Committee."

The next move is up to Mr. and Mrs. Crowder and only time will tell if the SBC finds itself in court, trying to defend actions taken in Dallas last June which angered many more people than the Crowders.

The Peace Committee has been asked to look into the matter of the SBC parliamentarian in an effort to provide more accurate rules interpretation for the presiding officer at future SBC meetings. Since the rulings of the parliamentarian in Dallas and the acceptance of those rulings by the president of the SBC, it seems a wise move to ask the Peace Committee to look at this matter.

It is hoped the Crowders have made their point and will now back off and let the Peace Committee do its work. Little good can come from brothers taking brothers into court to settle a dispute which is past history. Such an event will only open the wounds more widely and set back any hope of immediate peace.

In its final statement on the Robert S. Crowders' grievance, the Executive Committee affirmed, "The Executive Committee hopes Mr. and Mrs. Crowder will confine the advancement of their position solely

within the confines of the SBC."

Perhaps this incident will awaken all of us to the destructive power inherent in disregard for the other person's point of view. Perhaps a sobering, cautious, caring spirit will emerge as a result of this possibility of a public washing of our dirty linen in a secular court of law.

New insurance opportunity

Darold H. Morgan, president of the Annuity Board, announced in Nashville last week a new open enrollment period in the Annuity Board's insurance program for every person serving a Southern Baptist church.

The open enrollment period means that all employees, healthy and unhealthy, may now have hospital insurance coverage. Many hundreds of Southern Baptist church employees have been turned down for coverage in the past, but now will be accepted regardless of their health.

Morgan said, "Applicants who enter the program with medical problems will not be covered for their preexisting conditions for 24 months. If they do not receive treatment for these conditions during the first 12 months, coverage will begin at that point. However, all ailments occurring after admission into the medical plan will be covered."

The open enrollment period begins Oct. 1 and concludes Nov. 30. That means you have two months to make application. Enrollment packets are expected to be in the mail to most church staff members during October. If you do not receive a packet you may call the Annuity Board's toll free number, 1-800-262-0511.

This is one more step the Annuity Board has taken to insure the best treatment of all our people. We send Darold Morgan and the staff of the Annuity Board a word of thanks for caring enough to see that something concrete is done to help those among us in need.

It is now up to us to see that we are covered by medical insurance. We have no real reason to be out in the cold since the opportunity created by this open enrollment period makes coverage available to every person at work in a Baptist church.

There is even good news for persons now in the program but with restrictions on coverage. During the open enrollment period even those restrictions will be removed and full coverage will be available to all Southern Baptist church employees who work as much as 20 hours per week.

Kentucky's state Annuity Board representative is Don Spencer. Call him in Middletown for any help you may need in getting yourself fully covered by this generous offer from one of the agencies supported by your Cooperative Program offerings.

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

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Profiles from my old Kentucky home

JOHN VERNON HARKEY

John Vernon Harkey has always had a fascination with fire trucks, the "what do you want to be when you grow up" dream of boys.

He grew up to be a pastor, working in his first full time church in Verona.

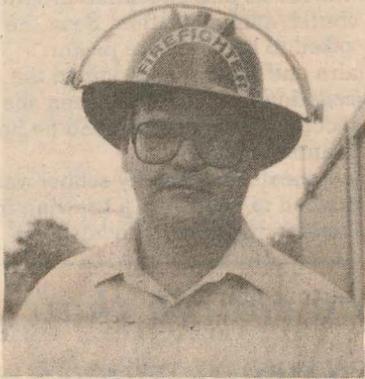
But when he saw ministry opportunities he couldn't do in a church, he joined the Verona Volunteer Fire Department.

"There are no civic clubs in Verona to join," Harkey notes. "I did this not only to do something for the community, but also to minister."

As a volunteer firefighter, he says he can comfort those grieving because of a fire or automobile accident, as well as influence other members of the fire department.

On one of his first runs, he spoke with a man who had lost many of his possessions in a trailer fire.

"It gave me an opportunity to be



there and minister," the pastor of New Bethel Baptist Church, Ten Mile Association, says.

The man hadn't been to church in more than 15 years, Harkey adds. But because of his influence, the man made a profession of faith some months later.

"That confirmed for me there would be other opportunities."

The great majority of firefighters and life squad members attend New Bethel Baptist Church, says Eddie Coyle, the fire chief.

"We're not allowed to have fires on Sunday mornings; we would lose 10 to 15 people out of the worship service," Coyle states jokingly.

Harkey is at the fire station most Thursday nights for training or work. He claims it is important to have no special privileges in the eyes of his fellow firefighters.

"It's just like going visiting," Harkey rationalizes. "I'm developing closer friendships with these guys."

It was his buddies' idea for him to be chaplain—both for them and for those who might be at the other end of a run.

"Whenever we go out there's a good possibility someone may be hurt or even killed," Harkey states.

Pulling on the rubber boots and heavy jacket in record time before jumping on the siren-screaming trucks pulls a thrilling nerve in Harkey.

MAUREEN WALKER BRITENBURG

Maureen Walker Britenburg finds it difficult to read her Sunday school lesson even with thick glasses over contact lenses.

But up until she began having trouble with her eyes, "I'd never been in a Sunday school class, except when I was a child," she smiles.

That's because she's been teaching—juniors, intermediates, adult women—for as long as she can remember.

Not to mention GAs, RAs, Baptist Young People's Union, vacation Bible school and Training Union.

"I've worked it all, just name it," the 75-year-old member of Highland Hills Baptist Church, Northern Kentucky association, chuckles.

And she's influenced a lot of children along the way.

And their children.

And their children.

"Children that have grown and



have children and grandchildren of their own come and hug me," Mrs. Britenburg says.

Edith Tharp knows about that. Mrs. Britenburg taught her in the fourth grade at Dayton (Ky.) Elementary School.

When she grew older, Mrs. Tharp taught in Mrs. Britenburg's department in Sunday school. And her two children, now 32 and 25 years old, were taught by the veteran teacher.

Now Mrs. Tharp's daughter teaches first and second graders in Sunday school at Highland Hills.

"She had so much confidence in you you didn't want to disappoint her," says Mrs. Tharp of her mentor. "She brought out the best in you."

She adds that when her son was a teenager he mentioned "Mrs. B" as one of the mature Christians he respected.

"She had always been an example to me," and it thrilled me he thought of her as an example, too," recalls Mrs. Tharp.

Mrs. Britenburg says there were times in her teaching career when a Baptist church wasn't nearby.

"So I went to a Methodist church. I found I can serve the Lord anywhere," she notes.

She's still active in missions organizations and with Newport's Baptist Convalescent Center, although her worsening vision limits her activities.

"I love my Lord," she summarizes. "And I want to serve him as long as I can."

THE BEIGHLES

What do parents do when their son, who is a successful veterinarian, announces he's going to Africa as a missionary?

They support him in every way they can.

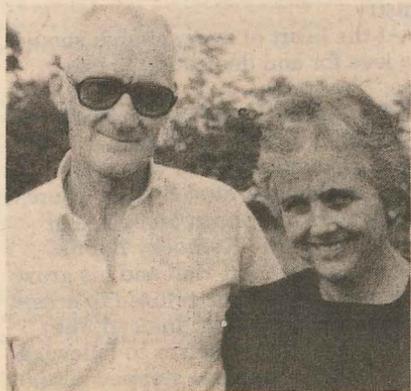
That means trekking to Kenya during the rainy season to pick up the pieces after Dale and Ann Beighle were forced to leave by Ethiopia's government.

It means moving out of their rambling farmhouse near Williams-town so Dale's wife and children could live there during the year they're on furlough.

At one time Ed and Aleada Beighle, members at Turner Ridge Baptist Church, Crittenden Association, tried to buy a trailer large enough for their son's family.

"But we finally said it's foolish for us to live in this big house and let them live in the trailer," Ed Beighle recalls.

In January, the older couple



moved into a modest trailer behind their house. They put in an extension phone and devised a system of signals for each household.

"It's worked out real well," smiles Beighle.

Besides, they're close by. So it's easier for them to get reacquainted with their four grandchildren.

The Beighles have learned to cope with long absences from their grandchildren, although it means missing birthdays and holidays.

They say they have from the time ten years ago when their son, with a successful veterinary clinic in Falmouth, was called to be a missionary.

"We felt he really knew what he was doing," Beighle said, making such a career change after practicing for five years.

They've been able to visit Dale and Ann in Africa from time to time, and that's helped too.

But the Beighles had no idea when their son and his family first left for Ethiopia they'd be seeing them again in little over a year. After 13 months, the missionary family was forced to leave.

Within several months, Dale and Ann were invited to Bophuthatswana near South Africa where they presently serve.

But they're home until after Christmas, and that's just fine with the Beighles, who don't mind mobile home life one bit.

GRATSIE WHITTON

It started with a bad headache. But when doctors finally diagnosed encephalitis, Gratsie Whitton had badly slurred speech and could only get around with a walker.

Whitton was suddenly retired, after working for General Motors almost 27 years. No longer could he play on church softball teams.

But when a few years later his pastor at Erlanger Baptist Church, Northern Kentucky Association, talked about beginning a ministry to shut-ins, Whitton knew it was something he could do.

He volunteered and for eight years he has made regular phone calls and intermittent visits to the older members of the church.

With therapy, he's able to walk with a cane and has only a trace of a speech impediment.

He says it's only right to use what God has given him in the phone ministry.

"I really enjoy it. I get a bless-



ing," he emphasized. "They just love for you to talk to them."

Along with deacons Russell Biddle and Jim Schmidt, Whitton calls those who no longer attend church regularly because of age and illness.

"We find out their needs, especially in wintertime," he explains.

Sometimes the senior citizens need an errand run or a ride to church. But must just want someone to talk to. They feel secure knowing someone will check on them regularly, he says.

Whitton is grateful. "I still have my right senses" when others in the 1975 sleeping sickness epidemic lost their lives. But he admits, "It's aggravating and hard to get around to do things."

Whitton found he had lost much of the coordination in his hands when he returned home from the hospital that fall. So the next year he made a pact with God.

On Christmas Day in 1976, he slowly began writing the New Testament on sheets of notebook paper, holding the top of the pen with his left hand to steady his right hand.

It took five years to complete the project. "I could tell the farther I got the better my writing looked," he smiled.

He and his wife, who is director of a day care center, say the ordeal has made them more sensitive to the hurts of others.

But it hasn't stopped Whitton in his resolve to minister where he can. "I'll never stop serving the Lord!" he declares.



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homes for children

Leading youth to Jesus

Bold Mission Thrust and Good News America are helping us focus on our main business, missions and evangelism. There are many things we can do to serve our Lord, but what can be more important than leading a person to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ? While there are many calls and pressures attempting to win people away from our Lord and witnessing for Jesus has become increasingly hard, the Holy Spirit still convicts of sin and he honors our witness. What a joy when a person trusts in Jesus and experiences salvation!

There are many methods of evangelism. There is mass evangelism, such as church revivals and city or countywide crusades. Such efforts reach many people for Christ. However, the one-to-one cultivation and witness remains most effective. For one person to witness effectively to another there needs to be trust and confidence. Often a person is won to Christ only after a long period of cultivation and friendship.

Your Baptist Homes for Children has a total commitment to serving youth. Many of the young people coming into our care have been moved from community to community, school to school, and church to church, if they have gone to church at all. Because of an unstable home life they have often lived with several different sets of adults. Such circumstances have made them skeptical of those in charge. Thus, they do not always trust adults.

When these teenagers come to live with us, we must begin where they are. Their physical needs are supplied with food, clothing, a safe place to live and medical attention. Christian child care workers show them genuine love and begin helping them see how to put the broken pieces of life together. Through Christ-like example, prayer and devotional times, regular church attendance, Bible study and personal witness, all without coercion, we have the joy of seeing many of these youth trust Jesus as savior.

Over the past 12 months 54 youth made professions of faith while in our care. We thank God for this opportunity to lead youth to Jesus. Please keep us in your prayers.

First, Lexington

A church in decline is reversing the trend

by Robin Oldham, *State Correspondent*

In recent years, many have marveled at the impressive revitalization of downtown Lexington with its newly constructed civic center, hotels, restaurants and office buildings. Characterized as a city on the move with dynamic young leadership paving the way for continued progress, Lexington is alive with seemingly unlimited potential in nearly every area of the city.

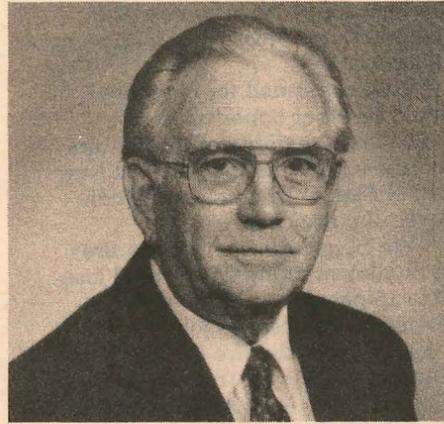
Located on the edge of this exciting renaissance is First Baptist Church which, until recently, appeared to be declining as rapidly as its neighborhood was progressing.

Faced with the growing problem of maintaining a 66-room building comprising an entire city block, the church saw many of its members move to suburban fellowships. The former church home of many of Lexington's most prominent families had seen its Sunday school die and its Sunday morning attendance dwindle to 25-30 persons.

During its darkest days, a former

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pioneer missionary of the Home Mission Board's Church Extension Division retired from a successful 13-year pastorate in Bernardsville, N. J. to move with his wife to her sister's home in Winchester, Ky. He was to become a



Bennett Hall

vital part of the rebirth of First Church, Lexington.

Bennett Hall had distinguished himself as a church builder and equipper in Southern Baptist life. The Georgia native felt called to the ministry at age 19 and pastored churches in Florida, Indiana, Tennessee, New Jersey and Kentucky.

While leading missions conferences in Kentucky in the late 1970s, Hall was reacquainted with a number of pastors and other denominational leaders in the state he had known through the years.

After moving to Winchester he was invited to preach in several churches. He was called to be interim pastor of First Baptist Church, Mt. Sterling, and later Howards Mill Baptist Church, Boone's Creek Association. While at Howards Mill, Hall was invited to speak at First Church, Lexington. Following that sermon June 6, 1982; he was asked to help the Lexington church with its considerable needs.

Years of decline had caused several major maintenance problems that required immediate attention. Assisted by a loan from Elkhorn Association, a

grant from the Eliza Broadus Offering, and gifts from church members, the roof was repaired, leaks were stopped, a wall along the church's West Main Street entrance was restored and a massive cleanup project begun. Area churches lent their support and progress became increasingly evident. Soon morale was rising as the church experienced new life.

Following initial improvements, the church's entire electrical system was reworked by church members Lyndon Richardson and Charlie Reese. These men plus Bill Harmon and others pitched in to build an attractive, modern kitchen and a much needed nursery to meet the needs of the growing number of young families now attending First Baptist.

Bud Fox, a college and seminary graduate enrolled at the University of Kentucky, joined the church to help with the music and education programs and church administration. Soon, he was asked to be associate pastor.

Claire and Larry Vance joined the congregation in 1982. Since then she has become music director and he has been named treasurer.

The nonexistent Sunday school was reorganized in 1983 and is growing in membership. Generous giving is en-

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abling the church to make significant strides in financial stewardship. Also in 1983 the church began broadcasting its Sunday morning service on a tape delayed basis over a 22-county area in central Kentucky.

Expressing his appreciation for the progress of First Church, Lexington, Harold Polk, executive director of Elkhorn Association, said, "It is good to see that great old church showing signs of life."

Hall firmly believes his wealth of experience helped provide the gifts he needed to accomplish his ministry in Lexington.

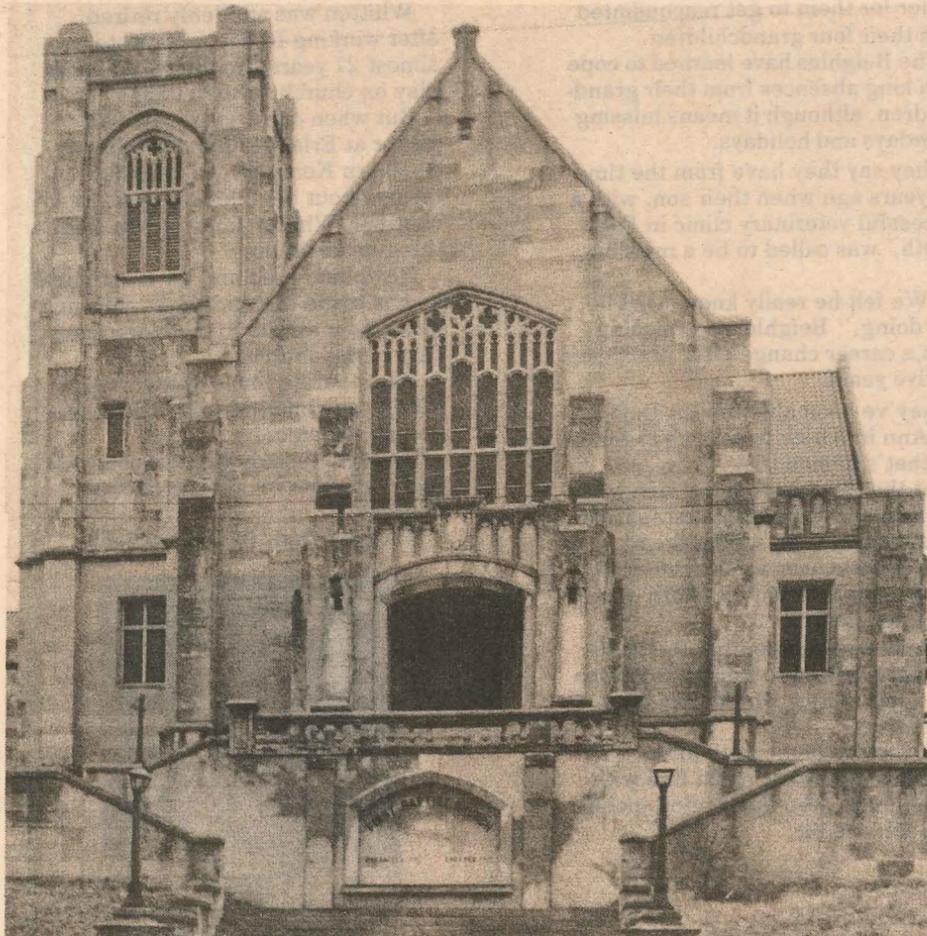
"Our church has the potential of being one of the leading ministries in this area," says the enthusiastic pastor. "We have a great history, strategic location and a growing awareness of our place of service."

"My deep desire is to help First Baptist become strong enough to be used by God in multiple forms of ministry."

"At the heart of every church should be a love for and dedication to missions," he states.

"The church that ceases to reach out is preaching its own funeral."

Though many skeptics would have scoffed at the idea First Baptist Church, Lexington, could return to a place of prominence in the Kentucky Baptist Convention, Bennett Hall and his growing congregation have refused to accept such negative thinking. Instead, they have dedicated themselves to following God's leading and have stepped out in faith to help the church become a shining light in the heart of the city.



Located in downtown Lexington, First Baptist Church has been described recently as "the old church with new life."

Housing request form, Southern Baptist Convention

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SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION
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- SHOULD MORE THAN ONE** (1) ROOM BE NEEDED, PLEASE USE A SECOND FORM.
- ALL** CONFIRMATIONS WILL BE SENT TO INDIVIDUAL INDICATED IN PART I.

Use of form

The form (at right) is similar to the one that has been used for the past six Southern Baptist Conventions. Those wishing to make hotel reservations for the Southern Baptist Convention through the Atlanta Housing Bureau must use this form. No phone reservations will be accepted by the Housing Bureau. If you do not wish to use the services of the Housing Bureau you may contact any hotel *not* listed on this form. (History indicates that all of the hotels listed by the Housing Bureau will fill from individual mailing Forms postmarked Oct. 1-2, 1985. Mail this Form Oct. 1!)

How to use this form

One form should be used for each room requested.

PART I—Accurately fill in the requested information. The confirmation will be mailed to the person whose name appears in Part I. This person must be one of the persons who will be occupying the room.

PART II—From the accompanying list, select five hotels of your choice. Place the names of the hotels on the lines in Part II in the order of your preference.

PART III—Fill in all information requested for the room you wish to reserve. If you need more than one room, use a second sheet. Photo copies of the form may be used.

How is the form processed?

When the Housing Request Forms are received by the Atlanta Convention and Visitors Bureau, they will be held until Oct. 14, 1985, to be sure that all the housing requests postmarked Oct. 1 have had time to arrive. The forms will then be opened by postmark date. **The time of day the forms are mailed is not important.**

NOTE: Housing requests postmarked prior to Oct. 1, 1985, will be processed after those postmarked Oct. 1, 2, or 3.

Detach the form and mail it to:

SBC Housing Bureau
233 Peachtree St. N.E., Suite 200
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PART I

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PART II

INSTRUCTIONS: Select FIVE Hotels/Motels of your choice

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PART III

INSTRUCTIONS: 1. SELECT TYPE ROOM DESIRED WITH ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE DATES.
2. **PRINT** OR **TYPE** NAMES OF **ALL** PERSONS OCCUPYING EACH ROOM.

Arrival Date _____ Departure Date _____

Arrival Time _____

Check type of room desired:

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_____ Twin (2 bd/2 pr)	_____ Other (specify) _____

Name of all persons occupying the room, including the individual in PART I (print last name first)

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Further information

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Additional forms are available from the KBC business office.

Hotel rates

Hotel	Single	Double
American Hotel	\$62.00	\$72.00
Atlanta Hilton & Towers hotel	\$74-110	\$92-128
Atlanta Marriott Downtown	\$59	\$72
Atlanta Marriott Marquis	\$83	\$93
Atlantan Hotel	\$38	\$44
Best Western Midtown Plaza	\$46	\$56
Downtowner Motor Inn	\$47	\$57
Hyatt Regency Atlanta	\$77	\$92
Lanier Plaza Hotel	\$47	\$47
*Westin Peachtree Plaza Hotel	\$73	\$73

*NOTE: Westin Peachtree Plaza Hotel is the headquarters hotel. All Convention Sessions will be held at the Georgia World Congress Center.

John Wallace still blazing trails after 36 years in Lexington pulpit

by Glenn Mollette, State Correspondent

Old western movies are seldom seen on television these days, unless it's a late night rerun or a Sunday afternoon filler for the absence of any pro football game.

I remember well as a kid growing up the rough and tough gunslinger who seemed to be fearless of any situation because of the six shooters that dangled on each side of his waist. He would face any rascal; rescue the damsel in distress; or save a town from being thwarted by a gang of outlaws. No matter what the circumstances he had the inward nerves and guts to face hazards, hardships and hectic situations.

John Wallace of Lexington denies having any direct descent from any of those television heroes of the past. However, his nickname "Ol' Gunslinger" was not applied to him by any accident.

"Brooks Faulkner of the Sunday School Board tagged me with that title several years ago," acknowledged Wallace with a twinkle in his eyes.

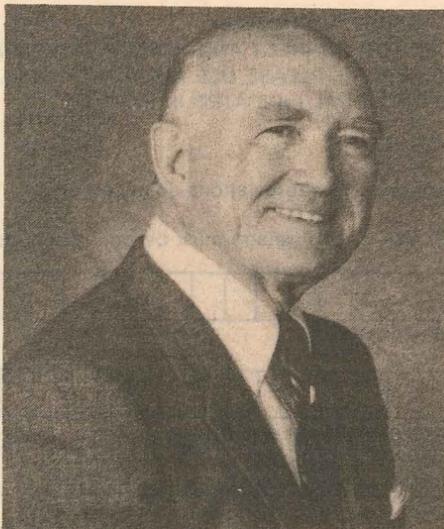
Wallace, pastor of Parkway Baptist Church, Lexington, has had an interesting and colorful 36 years of ministry at the church.

"I didn't plan to come here," reflected Wallace. "I certainly did not plan to stay 36 years. After my first interview my wife and I were traveling back to Oklahoma where I was pastoring. I told her, 'That will be the last church I'll go to!' I didn't mean it the way I said it. Four months later they called and God led us in this direction."

The church in 1949 was an inner city congregation named Felix Memorial Baptist Church. "Everything was bad and down when I came here," remembered Wallace. "Someone had tried to burn the building twice. The fire chief, extremely concerned about the arsonist's previous attacks, came and warned me one day: 'Don't you try burning this church down.' I replied, 'I came here to set the church on fire but not this way.' I eventually led him to Christ and baptized him," rejoiced Wallace.

The church had gone for 29 years without any kind of evangelistic campaign. Additions had been few and the Sunday school was dying. "We began to have some good revival meetings," remembered Wallace. "We graded our Sunday school, unified our budget, drew up a church constitution and began rotating deacons without a major crisis."

During the '50s the church thrived, baptizing over 100 a couple of years and surpassing 400 in Sunday school. During this period the church purchased 13 acres of land on North



John Wallace

Broadway. It became the first congregation in Lexington to relocate to a suburban neighborhood. In 1964 it moved into the beautiful contemporary structure highly visible from I-75 today.

"We experienced one of our crises during that relocation period," observed Wallace. "The trouble did not come from the older members but from the young adults. They wanted to move too fast. They were like kids who got a bicycle for Christmas and had to get out on the ice and ride it. The serious strife and conflict lasted for about two years. Yet, all along we continued to advance toward moving."

Wallace was also the first pastor in Lexington to own his home. "We lived in the church parsonage for 18 years. We wanted our own home and even bought a lot to build on. However, nobody would tell me I ought to do it."

It was a conflicting time again in the life of Parkway as several wanted the pastor to live in a parsonage, and therefore fought the privilege Wallace desired. Yet, after much discussion, planning and implementing the church decided it would be the best for the pastor. Some money for the down payment was given to Wallace and a housing allowance was begun.

"Building our own house was the best thing we ever did," exclaimed Wallace. "It's the best for my family's self image and security."

"I'll never forget the Sunday afternoon open house we had. A banker, a lawyer and a prominent professional man attended. They were members at Calvary Baptist Church. One commented, 'This is great and a grand idea for our pastor.' That's how Franklin Owen got his first house," Wallace recalled.

The third major crisis Wallace remembers was the termination of a

church staff member. "We suffered through that experience," he recalled.

Thirty-six years is a long tenure through smooth sailing let alone intervals of crises. Yet Wallace's ministry today is one of satisfaction and accomplishment. He observed, "The success syndrome of society believes success is going up. But I've about come to the right perspective on that. I've had some good offers but when they came our church was in disarray and I felt I could not leave. Yet there were days when I would have taken a job at a chicken ranch in west Texas."

Wallace noted several qualities and characteristics he attributes to a long tenure. "I learned some qualities from a young executive who belonged to First Baptist Church, Dallas. I was visiting him one day and he told me, 'Some things are trying to run Dr. Criswell off, but they're not going to and I'll tell you why. On Sunday he feeds our souls. We don't always agree but he loves us. And he is accessible.'"

Besides remembering the impressions of this young Dallas executive, Wallace's own philosophy is: "Don't run easily. Don't flee your problems. This doesn't mean you don't periodically back down or change your position. Most of the accomplishments I feel good about did not go through the first or second time. Accomplishments often mean trying again."

Wallace also believes, "Everything that goes wrong isn't always the people's fault. You can't blame them for everything."

Reflecting on his book, *Control In Conflict*, published by Broadman Press, he added, "A person has to learn from his mistakes. A whole lot of my book was just gathering up the lemon juices of my life and turning lemon aid out of it."

At the young age of 65 Wallace looks more like the age of 50 and has no immediate plans for retirement. His weekly hobbies include weight lifting, racketball and trampolining.

Wallace concluded with a chuckle, "I am very proud of the fact that at age 65 I can do do everything I did at 64."



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Discipling 'Timothys'

Many years ago when I was trying to learn to be a disciple of our Lord, I 'discovered' II Timothy 2:2, where Paul instructed young Timothy, "The things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men who shall be able to teach others also."

I was thrilled to think of the chains of discipleship I saw in that verse. Paul was Jesus' disciple, Timothy was Paul's disciple, 'faithful men were Timothy's disciples and they 'taught others also.' The chain has continued from New Testament times down to the present.

When I was a young preacher I was privileged to have a 'Paul' who helped this young 'Timothy' over many rough spots as I struggled to learn of God's Word and God's love. I will always appreciate and love Rev. Joe Sneed of Amarillo, Texas, for all God used him to do in my life. To a certain extent, all that I am or ever hope to be from God, I owe to him (by the way, he is still healthy and greatly used of God in discipling men for the Lord).

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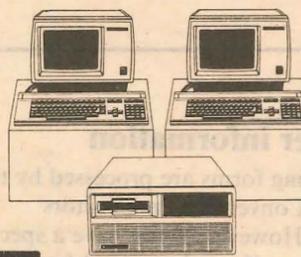
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KBC Cooperative Program Report

The following report is for the period Sept. 1, 1984 through Aug. 31, 1985. A comparison of Cooperative Program receipts from the previous year is being reported to provide additional information. The first column of figures contains the 1984 Cooperative Program gifts; the second column contains the 1985 Cooperative Program gifts; and the third column contains other financial donations given in 1985 through the KBC Accounting Services Department. If you have any question, please call the KBC Accounting Services Department, (502) 245-4101, extension 228.

Church Name	'84 CP	'85 CP	Other	Church Name	'84 CP	'85 CP	Other
ALLEN ASSOCIATION							
Bays Fork	3,660	2,639	710	Hawesville	28,622	30,998	10,437
Bethel	29	—	145	Lewisport	32,284	31,525	8,589
Bethlehem	—	—	200	Mt Eden	2,295	2,419	179
Big Spring	54	—	—	Newton Springs	429	140	119
Dover	50	—	190	Old Panther Creek	10,982	1,780	1,780
Hanging Fork	—	—	548	Patesville	555	—	—
Harmony	—	91	1,088	Pellville	21,309	24,302	3,984
Holland	874	854	150	Roseville	26	—	23
Hopewell	—	—	128	Union	3,992	3,552	763
Liberty	2,842	2,916	924	West Point	320	1,812	614
Mt. Gilead	—	—	—	TOTAL	108,655	114,945	34,724
New Bethel	—	—	93	BLOOD RIVER ASSOCIATION			
New Hope	1,032	1,698	548	Altona	9,191	10,364	5,804
New Middle Fork	100	—	784	Bethel	11,705	12,691	4,073
New Salem	—	—	100	Bethlehem	751	1,264	211
Rough Creek	322	—	150	Blood River	1,381	1,479	731
Scottsville	30,726	34,237	5,883	Briensburg	48,976	52,360	6,722
Trammel Fork	188	62	—	Calvary	32,606	24,994	5,032
White Plains	1,329	1,249	218	Cherry Corner	156	144	350
TOTAL	41,155	43,750	11,862	Coldwater	—	—	293
ANDERSON ASSOCIATION							
Altona	3,380	3,783	1,684	Dexter	2,048	2,553	520
Ballard	1,391	2,110	374	Elm Grove	14,395	16,797	3,828
Fellowship	540	592	442	Ferguson Springs	100	400	332
Friendship	—	—	212	Murray First	81,929	95,081	39,617
Glensboro	1,080	3,227	840	1st Benton Missionary	22,385	12,487	5,326
Goshen	548	477	199	Flint	7,446	7,445	2,790
Hanging Creek 1st	44,413	49,426	7,383	Benton First	31,511	34,641	5,445
Mt Pleasant	1,657	1,736	410	Gilbertsville First	7,513	7,481	1,233
Pleasant Grove	—	—	—	Grace	8,013	8,440	3,167
Sand Spring	31,348	17,732	6,704	Hamlet	4,397	4,685	290
Tyrone	1,124	1,201	506	Hardin	3,722	5,499	1,308
Van Buren	25	—	203	Hazel	16,819	20,544	3,051
TOTAL	85,509	80,287	18,962	Kirksey	5,526	3,552	1,443
BELL COUNTY ASSOCIATION							
Arjay	—	—	—	Lakeview	2,968	3,256	335
Bennetts Fork	180	180	—	Ledbetter	709	885	808
Bethlehem	944	—	300	Lighthouse	45	30	—
Binghamtown	2,116	1,688	—	Memorial	21,315	20,242	2,989
Blue Ridge	—	—	—	New Bethel	2,179	2,760	10,120
Callaway	1,114	1,347	1,264	New Harmony	19,492	20,046	660
Antioch	—	—	—	New Providence	—	143	52
Clear Fork	—	—	—	New Mt Carmel	2,293	2,366	2,373
Dunlap	216	150	—	New Zion Missionary	4,856	5,603	1,306
East Cumberland Ave.	6,242	8,887	3,504	Walnut Street	3,278	568	—
East Jellico	1,581	2,006	1,914	Hill Top	855	1,606	434
East Pineville	—	—	—	Olive	12,390	10,357	1,493
Ferndale Southern	291	414	190	Owens Chapel	1,219	2,011	430
Pineville First	15,516	24,670	19,795	Plain Gospel	30	—	—
First Blackmont	100	300	60	Pleasant Hope	—	—	—
Fonde	—	—	100	Poplar Springs	3,777	4,607	2,496
Fuson Chapel	—	—	—	Pleasant Valley	660	550	50
Garmeda	314	120	—	Salem	10,864	10,779	1,186
Harmony	—	—	—	Scotts Grove	2,047	3,107	1,483
Pine Grove	—	—	—	Sharpe	3,831	3,207	1,213
Chenoa	542	488	40	Sinking Spring	1,316	1,310	2,913
Hensley Chapel	—	—	—	South Marshall	240	240	206
Hosman	2,696	2,794	378	Spring Creek	1,000	1,000	605
Insull	—	—	100	Sugar Creek	800	800	329
Jenson	—	—	88	Union Ridge	1,853	2,185	562
Kettle Island	—	—	38	Vanzora	4,251	4,523	379
Meldrun	—	—	—	West Side	2,367	2,342	3,561
Mill Creek	—	—	—	West Fork	14,141	15,408	5,635
Millers Chapel	—	—	—	Zions Cause	6,027	7,719	1,398
Moss Chapel	—	—	—	Northside	5,187	5,448	580
Mt Mary	298	270	184	TOTAL	463,173	478,254	140,319
New Vine	—	—	—	BOONEVILLE ASSOCIATION			
Newtown	54	110	—	Big Creek	1,643	2,324	1,109
North Side	200	100	400	Booneville First	2,381	2,591	1,770
Oakdale	—	—	—	Crane Creek	255	314	50
Old Cannon Creek	—	—	—	Frarrard	340	546	282
Old Salem 1	—	—	—	Gray Fork	—	—	—
Old Salem 2	—	—	—	Horse Creek	39,524	42,189	12,385
Old Straight Creek	—	—	50	Hopewell	—	—	—
Old Yellow Creek	18,298	7,945	5,316	Island Creek	5,024	3,251	6,084
Pathfork	600	758	83	Lerose	179	235	25
Pleasant Grove Missionary	—	—	—	Lily Grove	210	100	200
Red Oak	—	—	—	Lytellton	200	4,732	1,728
Richardson Chapel	—	—	—	Macedonia	3,010	4,014	1,832
Riverside	3,612	3,036	1,410	Manchester	12,578	15,494	9,105
Riverview	651	1,006	2,000	Muddy Gap	—	—	—
Southside	1,788	1,755	930	New Home	72	—	125
Mt. Hebron	271	311	36	New Prospect	1,441	1,384	448
Stoney Fork	872	783	—	New Zion	251	296	284
Tracy Branch	—	—	—	Oneida	3,600	3,015	2,753
Vurglesville	412	218	58	Pleasant Point	420	450	737
Varrilla	—	—	150	Pleasant Run	4,050	3,684	1,651
Wasiotto	325	325	2,065	Second Black Water	864	857	42
West Cumberland Ave	1,123	1,430	213	Vincent	—	—	43
West Pineville	1,923	2,812	400	White Hall	60	—	—
TOTAL	62,291	64,001	40,982	Zion	136	1,331	550
BETHEL ASSOCIATION							
Adairville	15,193	14,438	14,417	TOTAL	76,245	86,816	41,211
Auburn	16,092	21,068	2,616	BRACKEN ASSOCIATION			
Calvary	7,585	7,262	3,920	Aberdeen	5,017	5,218	2,531
Dripping Springs	6,496	5,127	1,773	Augusta First	207	373	33
Elkton	14,706	16,486	11,374	Calvary	413	300	96
Russellville First	58,150	52,379	14,033	Central	11,061	12,662	5,999
Forest Grove	2,897	3,559	893	Dover	—	—	162
Grace Southern	548	2,356	175	Ewing	1,200	1,395	1,080
Guthrie	8,689	6,660	1,608	Carlisle First	9,551	11,427	2,957
Keysburg	2,079	2m261	100	Morehead First	5,456	5,705	5,564
Mt Gilead	3,720	4,842	2,610	Flemingsburg	5,828	4,980	969
Mt Zion	777	759	856	Foxport	1,127	200	416
New Union	11,052	9,706	4,885	Germantown	1,510	1,403	3,060
Post Oak	16,684	17,554	5,418	Heslington	—	—	1,909
Russellville Second	17,595	22,136	6,177	Lewisburg	1,799	1,871	746
Sharon Grove	3,297	3,444	731	Locust Grove	982	983	719
Spring Valley	839	1,278	171	Mays Lick	850	1,650	4,070
Tiny Town	752	1,066	378	Maysville First	2,758	3,243	2,687
Trenton	10,880	11,571	3,113	Mt Olivet	2,890	2,551	1,233
Walnut Grove	9,442	11,331	3,658	Mt Pisgah	80	94	150
Whippoorwill	4,327	3,863	695	Oak Ridge	523	277	42
Southern Heights	9,012	9,237	2,161	Union	565	404	386
Woodlawn	4,039	3,602	4,028	Owingsville	3,693	3,891	1,259
TOTAL	224,859	230,496	85,798	Plainview	1,286	715	126
BLACKFORD ASSOCIATION							
Blackford	10,577	12,149	4,848	Vanceburg First	5,105	6,312	1,035
Central	864	1,079	—	Sharpsburg	520	540	475
Chestnut Grove	3,246	2,965	2,311	Slatey Point	—	—	—
Dawson Memorial	620	500	159	Stone Lick	150	—	221
First	1,529	1,717	912	Washington	—	85	—
Friendship	—	—	—	TOTAL	62,579	66,891	38,050

BRACKEN ASSOCIATION				West Grove	619	619	—
Aberdeen	5,017	5,218	2,531	West Mt Zoar	820	720	829
Augusta First	207	373	33	West Union	—	181	—
Calvary	413	300	96	TOTAL	302,097	329,720	84,888
Central	11,061	12,662	5,999	CRITTENDEN ASSOCIATION			
Dover	—	—	162	Bethel	829	1,004	211
Ewing	1,200	1,395	1,080	Corinth	1,266	1,305	479
Carlisle First	9,551	11,427	2,957	Crittenden	7,577	7,200	4,882
Morehead First	5,456	5,705	5,564	Demossville	—	—	57
Flemingsburg	5,828	4,980	969	Dry Ridge	13,408	10,217	5,382
Foxport	1,127	200	416	Gardnersville	3,230	3,351	1,045
Germantown	1,510	1,403	3,060	Grassy Run	1,151	1,192	1,070
Heslington	—	—	1,909	Gum Lick	602	615	274
Lewisburg	1,799	1,871	746	Knoxville	4,140	5,286	2,351
Locust Grove	982	983	719	Marcusville	3,980	3,069	185
Mays Lick	850	1,650	4,070	Marcus Crooked Creek	—	—	—
Maysville First	2,758	3,243	2,687	Mason	2,056	2,874	367
Mt Olivet	2,890	2,551	1,233	Mt Carmel	3,869	3,164	2,060
Mt Pisgah	80	94	150	New Friendship	375	369	218
Oak Ridge	523	277	42	Oak Ridge	—	105	717
Union	565	404	386	Pleasant Green	1,515	1,663	49
Owingsville	3,693	3,891	1,259	Pleasant Ridge	1,986	2,121	1,236
Plainview	1,286	715	126	Riverview	4,200	—	548
Vanceburg First	5,105	6,312	1,035	Sherman	4,187	4,620	2,045
Sharpsburg	520	540	475	Short Creek	1,921	1,936	956
Slatey Point							

Immanuel	100,489	120,982	64,810
Lawrenceburg Community	—	—	70
Living Word	—	30	25
Long Lick	4,499	3,983	410
Lyle Road	480	480	—
Main Street	—	—	203
Midway	6,354	4,424	1,749
Millersburg	860	645	80
Millville	5,604	8,287	2,496
Mt Freedom	5,445	6,577	2,765
Mt Pleasant	6,276	6,577	3,481
Mt Vernon	2,129	2,182	551
New Hope	1,967	1,713	892
Nicholasville	3,000	9,750	11,717
Parkway	13,936	20,873	9,289
Revelation	—	—	—
Revocation	3,846	4,376	945
Porter Memorial	104,004	100,263	17,910
Riverview	—	—	—
Rosemont	30,374	34,544	14,113
Royal Springs	841	231	—
Russell Cave	6,648	7,665	2,520
Sadieville	—	—	25
Seventh Street	854	745	—
Silas	467	385	718
South Elkhorn	28,932	27,762	8,560
Southern Heights	10,345	11,105	4,452
Southside	1,843	2,377	—
Spears Mills	1,175	1,256	644
Springdale	—	—	—
Stamping Ground	4,581	5,503	3,625
Stonewall	—	—	50
Tatesbrook	1,350	831	1,060
Trinity	2,750	4,250	4,778
Versailles	41,163	44,751	14,446
White Sulphur	493	430	—
Woodhill	—	—	—
Woodland Avenue	300	50	1,376
TOTAL	827,187	890,564	336,057

ENTERPRISE ASSOCIATION			
Allen First	2,650	3,000	871
Topmost	45	172	140
Benedict	1,023	1,065	—
Brushy Fork	—	424	—
Garrett	151	294	35
Fitzpatrick	6,168	3,689	—
Home Branch Mission	36	—	—
Inez First	16,960	18,265	8,388
Prestonsburg First	10,261	12,802	4,064
Ivyton	180	—	—
Jacks Creek	197	—	—
Pine Grove	567	1,358	146
Lancer	842	85	597
Licking River	1,600	1,251	1,048
Martin First	2,865	2,336	724
Maytown First	1,200	1,350	—
McDowell First	2,432	2,569	809
Paintsville First	14,400	14,700	9,501
Salyersville First	—	200	592
Warfield	3,754	2,893	2,260
West Van Lear	505	558	1,001
Wheelwright First	—	150	—
TOTAL	65,843	67,168	30,180

FRANKLIN ASSOCIATION			
Faith	2,130	2,207	1,435
Immanuel	53,006	49,045	3,909
Bellepoint	5,455	6,975	2,123
Bethel	2,067	4,558	1,637
Buck Run	9,593	9,970	3,886
Calvary	4,036	5,299	1,149
Camp Pleasant	—	—	—
Cedar Grove	1,053	545	1,677
First Corinthian	—	40	—
Crestwood	25,434	26,475	4,140
East Frankfort	5,428	6,927	1,930
Evergreen	7,247	9,827	2,468
Frankfort First	18,336	28,445	16,497
Forks of Elkhorn	4,114	4,308	1,009
Farmdale	338	1,000	771
Hillcrest	7,766	7,521	2,300
Lebanon	1,192	1,342	1,195
Memorial	23,990	11,000	3,380
Mt Carmel	265	—	50
Mt Vernon	—	—	—
North Benson	2,774	3,870	1,133
North Fork	10,418	9,113	1,918
North Frankfort	830	1,734	520
Pleasant Ridge	2,169	2,081	1,005
Providence	10,120	12,656	5,073
St John	3,853	4,280	463
Swallowfield	832	654	401
Thornhill	15,399	17,282	1,262
Trinity	300	300	—
Westview	1,776	1,453	107
TOTAL	219,933	228,915	61,449

FREEDOM ASSOCIATION			
Albany	13,000	12,000	3,336
Branhans Grove	240	305	436
Burkesville	6,518	6,394	2,213
Cave Springs	2,036	2,471	756
Central Grove	1,026	1,211	299
Fairland	—	—	—
Grace Union	—	—	—
Green Grove Missionary	121	—	57
New Sulphur	—	—	—
Pikeview	100	80	206
Stony Point	—	—	340
TOTAL	23,042	22,462	7,645

FULTON ASSOCIATION			
Craych	1,201	1,200	1,495
Crutchfield	2,671	3,079	795
Davids Chapel	567	220	727
East Hickman	1,040	940	1,120
Fulton First	25,672	26,467	14,123
Hickman First	5,087	4,139	1,063
Liberty	2,130	2,458	1,191
Mt Carmel	240	240	635
Poplar Grove	175	1,425	200
Riceville	600	600	943
Scasafaras Ridge	1,366	1,323	302
West (Hickman)	12,678	11,009	10,062
TOTAL	53,448	53,103	32,710

GASPER RIVER ASSOCIATION			
Aberdeen	2,753	2,960	2,895
Barnetts Lick	1,401	1,418	50
Bethel	323	444	125
Big Muddy	—	1,000	1,410
Brooklyn	348	199	107
Carve Rock	494	384	—
Chapel Union	100	100	100
Huntsville	—	—	2,700
Monticello	1,551	1,544	2,787
Morgantown First	14,756	15,823	6,288
Mt Liberty	120	145	75
Mt Olivet	1,185	1,327	441
Mt Vernon	899	1,370	480
New Harmony	424	663	137
New Liberty	989	1,383	78
New Midway	100	—	36
Pleasant Grove	240	240	104
Quality	1,039	1,355	103
Richland	2,559	2,457	914
Rochester	1,545	820	1,653
Rock Spring	—	—	—
Salem	880	800	595
Sandy Creek	2,656	2,596	1,808
Union	1,152	1,178	197
Woodbury	—	—	—
TOTAL	35,523	38,212	35,184

GOSHEN ASSOCIATION			
Grandview	—	—	—
Hanging Rock	—	388	408
Broadway	—	—	—
Hopewell	—	—	—

Little Flock	—	—	255
Meeting Creek	—	—	25
Millwood	110	106	717
Pilgrim	500	—	42
Pleasant View	—	—	160
Sulphur Wells	—	—	—
TOTAL	610	494	1,608

GRAVES COUNTY ASSOCIATION			
Baltimore	240	240	100
Fairview Missionary	—	4	—
Bell City	656	740	388
Bethany	982	1,146	591
Chapel Hill	—	—	—
Clarks River	5,142	6,526	3,128
Cuba	18,527	16,353	3,795
Dublin	—	—	—
Enon	1,100	1,700	933
Farmington	6,041	6,150	3,863
Fellowship	117	—	—
Mayfield First	72,752	73,736	23,518
Emmanuel	496	468	823
Hardmoney	1,400	744	1,145
Hickory	3,640	3,687	7,952
High Point	37,564	36,012	9,862
Liberty	9,843	9,327	3,990
Little Bethel	—	—	803
Little Obion	—	—	100
Lynnville	200	—	—
Melber	830	850	3,173
Millers Chapel	—	—	—
Mt Haven	549	578	84
Mt Pisgah	454	874	—
Mt Olivet	825	1,573	1,526
New Concord	700	400	103
New Home	904	864	448
New Hope	—	—	669
New Liberty	643	452	246
Northside	632	676	17,657
Oak Grove	240	240	216
Pilot Oak	2,072	2,351	455
Pleasant Grove	600	810	338
Pryorsburg	569	1,122	526
Sand Hill	958	903	199
Sedalia	8,737	7,950	4,862
Sharon	6,457	7,993	2,061
South First Street	—	10	45
Trace Creek	906	999	233
Viola	335	358	84
Water Valley	2,943	2,660	273
West Broadway	72	684	409
Wingo	7,929	7,605	3,567
TOTAL	196,066	196,751	98,277

GRAYSON COUNTY ASSOCIATION			
Big Clifty	500	—	—
Caneyville	108	75	—
Clarkson	9,595	9,708	1,623
Clarkson	4,248	4,219	925
Leitchfield First	54,951	55,883	10,768
Holly	605	780	846
Liberty	2,249	1,884	1,048
Little Clifty	7,567	7,317	2,679
New Hope	210	210	224
Pleasant Run	321	80	—
Shrewsbury	1,049	872	80
TOTAL	81,406	81,031	18,196

GREEN VALLEY ASSOCIATION			
Advance	3,123	3,217	948
Airline	17,390	20,866	928
Audubon	6,410	9,261	2,358
Belfield	8,615	7,238	4,289
Bethel	3,315	4,210	529
Cairo Missionary	202	1,319	182
Calvary Missionary	5,992	5,180	5,587
Cash Creek	7,793	8,927	2,436
Cherry Hill	575	817	468
Corydon Missionary	1,368	1,128	3,501
Dupey	208	110	178
Eastview	1,960	200	25
Finley	5,039	5,290	1,054
Henderson First	41,735	41,178	11,820
Geneva	2,136	1,824	30
Greater Norris Chapel	—	—	—
New Hope	1,276	705	—
Hyland	15,716	18,959	9,542
Immanuel	16,168	20,170	10,450
Lawndale	2,402	1,809	508
Mt Pleasant	2,981	3,874	803
Poole	4,841	5,259	2,461
Rangers Landing	830	985	675
Robards	5,333	5,377	3,527
Sebree First	24,509	24,509	6,291
Spottsville Missionary	4,282	5,383	1,143
Watson Lane	1,180	1,540	500
Zion	22,888	22,775	2,652
TOTAL	207,905	222,124	72,893

GREENUP ASSOCIATION			
Ashland	300	300	704
Barratts Creek	811	598	1,260
Beimont Missionary	1,461	1,673	220
Blackburn Avenue	2,447	2,538	21
Burnaugh	4,053	4,164	2,456
Cannonsburg First	8,281	7,411	3,296
Oakland Avenue	34,000	31,900	18,061
Central	3,659	4,494	2,555
Chadwicks Creek	1,445	1,012	449
Cherryville	783	693	1,157
Crane Creek Missionary	2,209	1,939	625
Danleyton	1,370	1,595	447
Denton	—	—	—
Elizabeth Jarrell	—	90	500
Emily Northup	—	—	75
Emmanuel	—	—	—
Everman Creek Missionary	528	325	745
Fairview	4,397	7,297	2,594
Faith	469	544	—
Ashland First	92,066	66,587	16,646
First	10,477	12,644	3,248
Greenup First	3,695	4,287	4,761
Louisa First	11,241	13,758	8,714
Olive Hill First	5,603	7,021	3,188
Raceland First	2,099	2,119	3,143
Sandy Hook First	1,084	1,163	152
South Shore First	3,504	3,528	2,036
Worthington First	3,646	4,912	3,068
Wurtland Missionary	1,312	1,315	608
Flatwoods First	7,999	8,891	4,670
Garrison First	—	12	108
Grace	776	1,776	922
Hyland Heights	2,058	1,907	2,337
Kenwood Missionary	—	—	1,297
Kirk Memorial	231	228	24
Liberty Missionary	2,087	2,650	801
Lloyd First	3,204	3,699	568
New Hope	—	—	—
Pollard	4,618	785	100
Richardson Missionary	1,294	1,263	431
Riverview	1,055	1,427	130
Rose Hill Missionary	16,390	12,922	1,582
Rush	—	—	—
Russell First	11,551	11,771	3,456
Ashland Second	3,238	3,061	6,192
Summitt	5,839	5,617	346
Wayside	—	—	709
Unity	39,591	40,481	30,772
Wildwood	5,910	7,381	4,984
Willard	529	588	200
Wilson Creek	180	180	80
Wolf Creek	1,494	1,748	221
TOTAL	308,998	290,316	140,685

HENRY COUNTY ASSOCIATION			
Bethlehem	13,126	12,836	1,602
Campbellsburg	7,324	21,347	4,802
Franklinton	2,277	936	3,581
Eminence	10,138	10,199	2,936

Bicknell	—	—	500
Lake Dreamland	1,820	1,378	497
Hillcrest	2,266	3,072	871
Lees Lane	7,761	9,377	5,089
Little Flock	21,174	21,310	7,242
Long Run	1,270	1,728	169
Lyndon	45,664	47,548	11,770
Lynn Acres	14,642	10,677	1,966
Memory Lane	—	—	18
Manly Memorial	226	105	272
Maple Grove	12,826	14,008	7,844
Melbourne Heights	25,056	29,435	14,299
Meadow Hill	7,307	9,087	1,158
Midlane Park	2,207	2,804	2,113
Minors Lane	3,135	2,980	323
Morningside	1,518	604	583
Mt Hermon	—	—	—
Mount Elmira	531	530	200
North 42nd Street	—	348	—
New Hope	—	—	—
New Salem	6,408	4,647	1,521
Ninth & O	24,000	24,000	13,130
Oak Grove	—	—	420
Oakdale	394	204	152
Okolona	1,650	1,950	584
Ormsby Heights	8,912	8,832	9,305
Parkland	10,225	11,623	5,864
Parkwood	6,141	5,141	1,552
Penile	3,594	3,874	658
Pleasant Grove	4,887	5,068	1,057
Plum Creek	6,964	7,699	1,482
Poplar Level	2,785	2,932	1,634
Portland Avenue	2,651	2,460	104
Ralph Avenue	37,558	37,174	11,160
Ridgeview	261	413	—
Ridgewood	1,805	5,200	2,090
Riverside	300	80	70
Rockford Lane	11,850	12,206	5,420
Rutledge Road	7,663	7,198	963
Stites Station	206	—	—
Shively	50,239	56,086	6,072
Shively Heights	18,005	16,877	2,469
New Cut Road	673	670	—
South Jefferson	21,117	23,751	5,410
Yorktown	1,300	736	354
Southside	15,669	16,087	5,875
St Matthews	32,500	35,140	25,882
Summitt Hills	2,187	2,245	799
Sunnyside	1,909	2,815	1,527
Third Avenue	3,866	5,024	4,095
Thixton Lane	929	1,013	627
Valley Station	23,014	22,903	7,106
Valley View	59,345	64,525	8,227
Van Buren	1,820	1,668	1,050
Victory Memorial	11,448	11,928	7,584
Vine Street	700	600	745
Walnut Street	61,112	49,033	26,595
West Broadway	9,541	9,350	8,643
New Life	214	200	—
West End	—	200	203
West Side Portland	198	200	326
Westport Road	45,011	47,094	5,820
Woodland	7,621	7,463	4,897
TOTAL	—	1,410,137	1,519,995

LYNN ASSOCIATION			
Aetna Grove	16	—	—
Aetna Union	8,057	7,623	3,989
Bethel	—	—	75
Bollino Springs	2,742	3,199	469
Bonniville	781	841	6,685
Falling Springs	—	—	—
Friendship 1	71	—	108
Friendship 2	966	687	59
Hiawatha Missionary	—	—	—
Knoxes Creek	2,173	1,402	246
Leitchfield Crossing	1,535	2,609	1,019
Lincoln Memorial	—	—	260
Lucas Grove	2,819	2,983	1,353
Mt Moriah	5,057	5,542	2,093
Mt Olivet	—	50	145
Mt Pisgah	360	419	278
Mt Tabor	3,046	3,056	1,574
Munfordville	16,060	18,075	4,551
Oak Hill	3,284	3,496	1,001
Pike View	457	338	90
South Fork	9,539	10,928	4,424
Three Forks Bacon Creek	1,251	1,200	1,393
Upton	10,106	9,966	2,988
TOTAL	68,329	72,420	32,805

LYNN CAMP ASSOCIATION			
Calvary	7,811	8,984	934
Candle Ridge	206	—	261
Horse Creek	666	642	50
Indian Creek	706	596	800
Keck	353	364	194
Liberty Missionary	314	59	431
Grays	4,982	4,106	3,850
Lynn Camp	5,587	5,666	1,493
Merrimac Missionary	—	—	—
Mt Ararat	—	—	256
Mt Olivet	412	370	50
New Bethel	1,546	1,260	1,859
North Corbin Missionary	1,393	1,000	1,785
Paint Hill	—	—	—
Piney Grove	3,632	5,393	2,339
Pleasant Ridge	420	420	—
Poplar Grove	2,167	1,911	1,594
Sunrise	—	—	—
TOTAL	30,200	30,774	15,899

MCCREARY ASSOCIATION			
Whitley City First	7,865	5,902	869
Bethel	638	715	370
Pine Knot First	1,314	371	538
Greenwood Missionary	—	—	100
Hilltop	243	157	—
Jasper Bend Missionary	—	20	25
Marshes Siding First	676	398	127
Neeleys Creek	1,227	1,129	—
Stearns First	21,993	19,992	7,626
Walkers Chapel	989	962	540
TOTAL	34,947	29,648	17,415

MERCER ASSOCIATION			
Benton	5,192	5,471	1,272
Bethel	16,031	17,548	6,658
Bruners Chapel	33,849	34,564	11,326
Buena Vista	181	316	191
Burgin	47,831	58,267	8,872
Calvary	4,765	4,238	1,791
Cornishville	1,850	1,650	899
Deep Creek	4,032	3,726	5,975
Eller Memorial	6,516	9,904	1,205
Fellowship	4,116	4,757	1,091
Harrodsburg	98,313	106,224	22,748
Hopewell	8,819	8,788	11,566
Kirkwood	7,098	7,910	1,920
Dry Branch	—	—	73
Pioneer	3,007	1,618	1,296
Salvisa	13,347	13,386	4,614
Shakertown	600	710	523
Shawnee Run	3,734	3,693	2,806
TOTAL	259,298	282,776	84,833

MIDDLEFORK ASSOCIATION			
Big Rock Bottom	—	—	—
Gays Creek	—	—	50
Mt Paran	—	—	—
TOTAL	—	—	50

MONROE ASSOCIATION			
Akersville	477	490	377
Fountain Run First	921	1,113	744
Gamaliel	5,682	5,714	1,897
Indian Creek	2,980	2,726	874
Mill Creek	1,214	1,773	103
Monroe	322	550	318
Oak Grove	129	427	1,030

Peters Creek	86	95	756
Pleasant Hill	—	—	253
Rock Bridge	429	299	176
Temple Hill	9,617	9,465	6,302
Tompkinsville First	6,187	6,021	2,741
TOTAL	28,046	28,676	15,574

MOUNT ZION ASSOCIATION			
Antioch	97	—	80
Bacon Creek	1,688	3,010	748
Bethlehem	183	168	707
Buffalo	—	—	200
Cedar Gap	—	—	—
Central	79,239	90,418	17,418
Chapel Grove	795	762	180
Twentieth Street	1,207	1,344	25
Corinth Missionary	—	—	232
Corn Creek	—	—	—
Faber	261	95	320
Faith	644	999	83
Corbin First	27,702	38,079	12,236
Williamsburg First	26,687	35,173	12,004
Fiat Creek	—	—	50
Frankfort	50	—	50
Rosedale	91	251	168
Goldbug	4,507	4,468	953
Good Hope	5,353	4,824	6,607
Greenland	—	—	304
Highland Park	—	100	—
Hopewell	—	—	—
Indian Gap	—	—	26
Level Green	288	—	26
Main Street	16,688	17,873	4,633
Meadow Creek	—	—	200
Meadow Grove	40	—	—
Mt Pisgah	—	—	200
New Mount Zion	—	—	300
Oak Grove	437	1,372	195
Park Hill	2,441	3,712	1,450
Pleasant Grove	753	963	182
Rockhold First	76	67	—
Sandstone	117	708	—
Southside	1,221	348	865
Tidal Wave	—	—	323
Watson	—	91	100
West Corbin	7,822	8,787	4,889
White Oak Mission	105	733	90
Wofford	853	474	580
Woodbine	762	740	400
TOTAL	180,117	215,570	66,757

MUHLBERG ASSOCIATION			
Beech Creek	1,735	2,238	303
Beechmont	4,995	6,506	3,977
Bethlehem	11,692	15,549	3,685
Browder	2,170	3,022	253
Calvary	6,395	6,934	1,142
Carter Creek	785	780	1,191
Cedar Grove	1,100	1,200	1,318
Central City First	52,822	59,702	9,760
Cherry Hill	5,967	6,778	1,182
Cave Springs	915	1,740	1,142
Drakesboro First	9,923	10,966	2,671
Dunmor	6,051	5,998	3,675
East Union	10,079	11,974	2,771
Ebenezer	5,225	6,434	328
Greenville First	57,193	69,683	14,238
Forest Grove	750	825	22
Forest Oak	2,197	1,935	—
Friendship	7,794	5,251	2,746
Graham	4,449	4,784	1,233
Hazel Creek	6,035	7,209	1,946
Macedonia	796	851	35
Martwick	4,438	4,724	440
Mercer	1,693	2,006	—
Mt Pisgah	53,003	42,824	14,895
Nelson Creek	6,458	10,205	3,691
New Cypress	11,285	9,973	3,879
New Harmony	6,884	9,189	1,713
New Hebron	2,214	3,704	210
New Hope	1,256	1,419	272
New Prospect	—	5	—
Oak Grove	3,107	2,804	913
New Paradise	5,328	7,448	281
Penrod	2,734	2,833	1,974
Pleasant Hill	280	200	30
Powderly	1,755	1,752	650
Riverside	435	341	—
Roland Memorial	13,321	13,516	1,779
Greenville Second	40,286	49,588	9,255
South Carrollton	1,401	1,555	164
Temple	5,609	7,598	1,864
Unity	1,460	1,418	243
Vernal Grove	1,859	2,354	490
Woodland	16,086	22,905	2,523
Woodson	2,664	2,965	1,147
TOTAL	382,643	431,703	100,046

NELSON ASSOCIATION			
Bardstown	23,085	22,644	7,491
Bardstown Junction	598	920	169
Beech Grove	638	483	138
Belmont	233	29	491
Bethany	3,630	3,577	486
Bloomfield	14,136	17,051	5,370
Bullitt Lick	19,368	24,505	1,974
Calvary	—	—	—
First Cedar Creek	8,416	6,492	2,082
Cedar Grove	11,102	7,934	1,323
Chaplin	16,198	15,825	1,737
Hobbs	20	25	75
Chaplin Fork	2,131	1,258	1,536
Clermont	70	685	—
Coxs Creek	6,416	6,553	1,935
Lebanon Junction First	8,350	14,948	2,490
Mount Washington First	33,833	36,833	18,680
Shepherdsville First	19,427	24,200	6,369
Immanuel	1,163	1,261	411
Little Union	4,471	3,802	2,162
Mill Creek	5,188	853	1,539
Mount Carmel	5,623	5,608	1,855
Mount Eden	58	100	—
Mount Moriah	2,863	2,806	809
New Haven First	599	446	633
New Salem	14,729	15,425	1,868
Pleasant Grove	15,495	17,113	11,106
River View	7,061	6,255	2,488
Rolling Fork	2,692	1,594	671
Shepherdsville	1,880	1,495	486
Trinity	816	849	410
Victory	3,300	3,000	1,400
Vine Hill	804	1,010	740
Wakefield	797	929	445
Wicklind	2,491	2,331	1,362
TOTAL	237,696	248,854	80,902

NORTHERN KENTUCKY ASSOCIATION			
Amity	1,434	1,481	97
Ashland Avenue	13,912	14,573	4,222
Beaver Lick	—	—	7,631
Belleview	5,175	4,819	378
Beechgrove	—	492	96
Big Bone	2,044	2,038	1,010
Crestview Hills	2,509	5,261	—
Bullittsburg	3,832	4,377	11,115
Burlington	42,551	45,082	8,843
Oakland Avenue	1,120	—	—
Crescent Springs	20,454	15,450	2,376
Decoursey	4,505	5,002	1,933
East Bend	378	445	302
East Dayton	434	240	277
Elsmere	4,410	6,672	2,126
Erlanger	52,059	54,440	20,393
Fairlane	6,184	4,240	1,206

ROCKCASTLE ASSOCIATION

Bridle Ridge	—	—	—
Clear Creek	5,781	7,012	1,539
Conway	—	120	450
Fairview	1,285	871	3,080
Flt Vernon First	8,800	10,561	6,898
Flat Rock	180	180	50
Freedom	3,683	3,554	2,534
Livingston	—	—	100
Macedonia	—	—	—
Maretburg	1,336	1,757	938
Mt Pleasant	2,536	1,825	730
Mount Zion	377	413	—
Northside	4,718	3,290	617
Ottawa	3,122	3,415	1,083
First Pine Hill	181	223	782
Pleasant Run	30	30	100
Poplar Grove	1,597	1,682	242
Round Stone	—	—	474
Sand Hill	—	—	—
Scaffold Cane	1,372	1,036	150
Valley	—	—	367
TOTAL	35,002	36,176	20,214

RUSSELL COUNTY ASSOCIATION

Clear Springs	120	120	919
Clearfork	1,200	1,300	1,354
First Bapt Mission	—	—	—
Fairview	3,125	3,101	1,058
Friendship	528	828	635
Indian Hill	50	—	—
Jamestown First	4,875	4,979	1,351
Liberty	2,498	2,258	978
Mount Olive Missionary	1,008	1,209	781
Mount Vernon	1,202	1,230	650
Pleasant Hill	85	107	35
Pleasant View	60	140	20
Poplar Grove	2,235	2,392	712
Providence	—	63	46
Russell Springs First	9,487	9,705	7,828
Sano	581	736	1,104
Welfare	528	360	956
Windsor First	592	367	175
TOTAL	28,179	28,900	18,607

RUSSELL CREEK ASSOCIATION

Bethany	379	862	221
Beech Grove	4,948	4,723	1,742
Bethlehem	2,133	2,488	—
Big Creek	—	—	—
Brush Creek	200	200	39
Cane Valley	546	468	373
Charity	357	608	151
Columbia	10,875	5,450	5,380
Dunbar Hill	282	108	20
East Fork	—	—	—
Fry	183	200	81
Gradyville	—	—	—
Greasy Creek	5,973	5,900	1,546
Greensburg	21,072	22,064	6,897
Harrods Fork	99	107	35
Leatherwood	100	—	125
Macedonia	1,758	2,219	30
Mount Gilead	1,349	1,754	468
New Hope	—	—	36
New Salem	2,196	1,975	932
Pierces Chapel	120	120	503
Pink Ridge	—	—	—
Pleasant Ridge	795	1,719	806
Pleasant Valley	126	279	24
Plum Point	1,096	1,277	221
Prices Creek	—	—	—
Red Lick	—	—	—
Russell Creek	—	—	200
South Greensburg	3,448	3,902	2,167
Society Hill	—	—	—
Sparksville	165	180	50
Sulphur Springs	—	—	—
Summersville	6,457	7,836	1,664
Russell Heights	558	249	305
Trammel Creek	6,535	6,543	2,436
Wells Chapel	—	—	—
TOTAL	71,759	71,238	26,459

SALEM ASSOCIATION

Big Spring	151	169	101
Blue River Island	15	—	15
Buck Grove	22,218	21,169	6,599
Cold Spring	1,678	2,233	498
Ekron	4,673	5,083	2,025
Guston	6,000	8,054	203
Hill Grove	2,287	2,841	912
Muldrough	6,507	7,537	2,864
New Brandenburg	1,554	1,597	891
New Highland	913	874	338
New Salem	3,531	4,097	2,597
Payneville	2,607	3,105	957
Brandenburg First	11,939	16,623	13,810
Irrington	3,570	4,325	2,299
Raymond	5,301	4,713	1,467
Rock Haven Community	3,311	3,886	2,196
Salem	2,812	2,554	9,968
West Point	1,954	1,583	507
Wolf Creek	1,314	1,252	88
TOTAL	82,343	91,702	48,380

SEVERNS VALLEY ASSOCIATION

Barren Run	3,177	3,351	5,649
Blue Ball	1,182	1,557	1,591
Buffalo	19,853	19,908	4,282
Calvary	16	28	230
Cecilia	14,202	17,613	5,131
East View	134	330	419
Hodgenville First	34,250	24,132	24,631
Franklin Crossroads	22,044	21,295	2,743
Gilead	16,968	15,539	3,108
Immanuel	22,084	24,585	6,007
1st Korean	2,810	2,810	650
Locust Grove	2,662	2,503	1,188
Koinonia	225	59	60
Magnolia	20,824	21,902	3,791
Middle Creek	3,513	3,444	3,055
Mill Creek	20,628	16,373	8,112
Mount Zion	6,877	8,180	4,249
New Hope	—	10	88
Nolynn	1,752	1,812	2,148
Ovesen Heights	3,761	4,478	1,554
Pleasant Grove	4,280	4,822	1,673
Red Hill	1,427	1,520	309
East Rhudes Creek	2,126	1,880	1,531
Rineyville	4,457	5,649	1,693
Round Top	2,972	3,918	729
Severns Valley	196,732	245,950	73,534
Sonora First	15,642	16,771	4,426
Stephensburg First	—	—	—
Stithon	28,258	31,499	4,450
Central Avenue	5,496	3,964	2,352
Tunnel Hill	12,669	5,028	—
Valley Creek	5,741	6,511	3,996
Valley View	7,660	9,471	1,597
Vertrees	529	693	165
Vine Grove	9,741	9,525	4,262
White Mills	1,890	1,725	1,450
Youngers Creek	9,143	10,688	4,455
TOTAL	505,541	549,636	184,021

SHELBY COUNTY ASSOCIATION

Bagdad	11,524	14,254	1,604
Beechridge	4,550	5,225	1,920
Bethlehem	53	365	795
Buffalo Lick	3,215	3,059	1,227
Burks Branch	5,050	5,235	1,939
Christiansburg	1,619	1,606	2,087
Clayville	9,554	9,180	2,419
Cropper	3,434	3,584	260
Dover	2,552	2,395	1,976
Elmberg	422	385	675
Finchville	4,841	4,687	5,006
Shelbyville First	63,486	86,545	34,351
Grafenburg	14,457	14,691	2,603
Hempridge	4,254	4,415	2,859
Highland	10,871	10,024	2,323
Indian Fork	2,601	1,986	526
Little Mount	484	1,083	1,721
Mount Moriah	4,824	3,152	3,365
Mount Vernon	2,774	3,398	1,957

Mount Pleasant	1,500	1,500	752
New Life	710	573	393
Pigeon Fork	2,800	2,960	2,365
Salem	8,125	9,878	7,411
Simpsonville	10,746	11,419	2,034
Waddy	1,400	1,430	2,584
TOTAL	175,824	203,137	79,607

SIMPSON ASSOCIATION

Barbe	—	—	3,898
Black Jack	901	393	874
Cedar Grove	1,934	2,171	67
Franklin First	57,244	56,561	18,570
Lake Spring	4,012	3,779	2,242
Middleton	8,389	6,597	2,435
New Hope	3,460	4,119	1,527
Providence	3,128	5,407	3,746
Shady Grove	750	450	90
Sulphur Spring	14,309	15,411	3,651
Calvary	12,370	14,316	3,591
TOTAL	106,501	109,208	40,697

SOUTH DISTRICT ASSOCIATION

Beech Fork	615	593	45
Beech Grove	4,239	3,428	1,622
Forks of Dix River	8,462	7,466	1,693
Calvary	23,626	23,437	10,260
Doctors Fork	5,673	5,604	1,631
Bryantville First	—	37	—
Friendsville First	29,699	44,178	20,299
Friendship	87	—	130
Gravesman	16,840	18,799	4,566
Gravel Switch	913	725	201
Hedgeville	1,654	1,630	290
Hyattsville	5,999	6,677	1,434
Immanuel	2,297	2,730	1,469
Junction City First	12,477	15,493	1,174
Lancaster	31,413	30,786	8,852
Lexington Avenue	46,912	47,089	15,630
Mitchellsburg	1,011	1,128	1,092
Mount Freeman	902	1,004	466
North Rolling Fork	2,099	2,011	690
Parksville	2,693	2,616	635
Perryville	17,851	16,240	5,235
Pleasant Hill	2,109	2,238	197
Pleasant Run	68	11	—
Salt River	720	720	1,180
Southern Avenue	683	719	—
Willow Grove	6,130	5,585	1,223
TOTAL	225,242	240,955	80,221

SOUTH UNION ASSOCIATION

Big Cane Creek	215	25	101
Clay Hill	50	50	50
Crouches Creek	—	—	—
Fairview	197	218	—
Gum Fork	—	—	—
High Cliff	120	103	92
Kentucky Hill	440	480	—
Jellico Creek	544	681	—
Mount Ash	—	143	—
North End	—	—	—
Oswego	521	601	1,915
Patterson Creek	—	131	—
Piney Grove	390	431	141
Pleasant Hill	1,831	1,447	163
Pleasant View	670	636	278
Red Bird	548	585	75
Ryans Creek	—	—	—
Sulphur Springs United	50	556	360
Tanberry Hollow	3,080	2,384	772
Wolf Creek	441	390	—
Youngs Creek	9,100	9,045	3,947
TOTAL	139,503	138,937	81,927

SULPHUR FORK ASSOCIATION

Antioch	1,321	973	668
Ballardsville	17,414	20,374	45,566
Bedford	6,378	3,229	1,701
Buckner	5,658	6,436	1,522
Corn Creek	1,713	1,549	378
Covington	1,028	525	18
Crestwood	22,949	25,761	8,560
DeHaven Memorial	45,047	42,153	8,236
Eighteen Mile	456	385	271
Goshen	3,585	5,343	695
Harrods Creek	4,522	2,875	861
LaGrange Heights	—	300	—
Liberty	1,179	992	180
Milton	4,637	4,511	2,366
Pleasant View	232	396	198
Poplar Ridge	400	—	250
Providence	2,246	2,352	70
Sligo	8,608	8,947	1,695
Union Grove	390	446	470
Westport	11,734	11,384	3,216
TOTAL	139,503	138,937	81,927

TATES CREEK ASSOCIATION

Berea	18,659	21,072	6,689
Bethel	2,908	2,549	1,059
Bethlehem	550	550	175
Blue Lick	272	310	41
Broadway	1,921	1,814	1,614
Calvary	483	630	70
Clarksville	—	—	71
Emmanuel	3,481	3,539	1,970
Unity	943	1,787	2,099
Richmond First	43,563	48,414	17,956
Freedom	230	200	1,189
Galilee	—	—	100
Gilberts Creek	1,066	476	67
Gilead	181	180	—
Good Hope	1,630	1,981	1,487
Harris Memorial	144	102	83
Hays Fork	3,196	3,291	2,635
Kirksville	8,849	8,780	4,195
Knob Lick	79	64	—
Liberty Avenue	2,089	2,099	1,325
Liberty	611	120	88
Linden Street	—	—	—
Middletown	2,207	2,347	453
Mount Tabor	3,950	4,522	1,567
Paytontown	1,558	1,336	490
Pilot Knob	540	540	—
Red House	9,558	10,321	3,429
Rosedale	7,854	8,766	2,513
Silver Creek	3,427	4,744	1,471
Tates Creek	3,497	4,274	1,507
Union City	5,100	5,061	860
Valley View	304	236	45
Viney Fork	1,414	1,404	112
Waco	12,117	13,606	4,758
Wallaceton	1,309	1,070	107
Westside	4,792	4,730	58
White Lick	1,966	2,208	490
TOTAL	150,460	163,241	60,784

TAYLOR COUNTY ASSOCIATION

Campbellsville	118,156	118,939	25,814
Acton	1,183	1,732	1,162
Elkhorn	19,830	11,736	1,536
Fairview	648	627	115
Friendship	4,726	4,005	2,463
Good Hope	15,433	17,155	10,989
Green River Memorial	8,437	8,800	4,823
Liberty	2,929	2,869	1,028
Meadowview	1,521	1,435	1,462
Mount Gilboa	13,290	12,119	5,443
Palestine	16,585	20,352	5,330
Pitman Valley	344	108	10
Pleasant Hill	32		

baptist news in brief

Senate easily deflects Helms school prayer bill

The U. S. Senate has decisively rejected so-called "court-stripping" legislation which would have forbidden federal courts—including the U. S. Supreme Court—from reviewing state laws authorizing prayer in public schools. Following a brief debate Sept. 10 the Senate voted 62-36 to table a bill introduced by Sen. Jesse Helms, R-N. C., designed to overturn Supreme Court decisions banning state-sponsored prayer and Bible reading in the nation's schools.

During the debate, Helms argued the nation's founders wrote the Establishment Clause of the First Amendment ("Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion") only "to prohibit the establishment of a national church" and sought "to leave the remaining issues of church-state relations strictly with the states."

Opposition to Helms' bill came from senators all along the ideological spectrum, and included veteran conservative Barry Goldwater, R-Ariz., who told Helms during the debate he was "surprised" the North Carolinian would write the measure.

More liberal senators also spoke against the bill, including Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass., who labeled it "an attack on our basic freedoms," "an insult to the Supreme Court" and "an affront to the Constitution." He said

further, "What is at stake is the preservation of the rule of law, the foundation on which all our other liberties rest."

Among those who favored the bill was Sen. Jeremiah Denton, R-Ala., who said the legislation was needed "to curb a wayward judicial branch" and to "restore vitality to the notion that the elected representatives of the people, not judicial appointees, have the right and responsibility to interpret the Constitution in a reasonable and just manner." (BP)

Honeycutt claims Bible as key to morality

In a world of crumbling moral values, Christians must turn to God and holy scripture for guidance and authority in moral decision making, a Southern Baptist seminary president said.

Roy L. Honeycutt, president of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, delivered the keynote address at the two-day annual meeting of the Christian Life Commission.

Honeycutt urged Southern Baptists to affirm the authority of scripture "not as a legal code" for moral behavior but as "a dynamic living experience with God." That experience, he added, "is a relationship that focuses on wholeness."

The Bible, he pointed out, is "the inspired witness to the authority of God. The Bible is not an end in itself but points beyond itself to God. Ulti-

mately, our moral imperative is grounded in the authority of God whose revelation is recorded in the Bible." (BP)

Business plan approved by RTVC trustee board

Southern Baptist Radio and Television Commission trustees approved a three-year business plan including goals for significant development activities, radio and television programming and households to be reached by the ACTS television network.

Fred Roach of Dallas presented the three-year plan on behalf of the trustee Finance Committee. "The plan is practical and realistic, but it needs a total team effort to make it achievable," said Roach. "The team includes us as trustees, the Commission management and staff, the SBC Executive Committee, our many constituents and supporters and our financing institutions."

In a report to trustees RTVC president Jimmy R. Allen said the ACTS task force goal of three-and-a-half million households by the end of the current fiscal year can be achieved by Oct. 1 when systems representing nearly 300,000 subscribers are scheduled to come on line. These systems

include Nashville and Brentwood, Tenn. and St. Petersburg, Fla. With the addition of these systems, ACTS is confirmed via cable and low power television for accessing more than 3,500,000 households in 31 states.

The RTVC 1985-86 budget calls for cash operating revenues of more than \$10 million with funds expected to come primarily from the SBC Cooperative Program, RTVC development efforts, church satellite service fees, advertising messages on the ACTS network and the syndication of some ACTS programs.

Whereas a net cash operating deficit of over \$900,000 is projected for the current fiscal year, a net cash income of \$1,800,000 is planned for 1985-86. Commission trustees and management officials said such results are common for organizations starting up new television efforts such as the ACTS network. (BP)

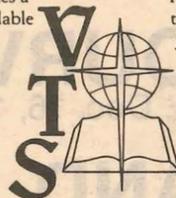


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baptist news in brief

Fire hits Kenyan church; Baptists provide supplies

A Kenyan Baptist church used Southern Baptist relief funds to aid 400 people left homeless by a fire that swept the Mathari Valley slum area of Nairobi in late August.

Members of Mathari Valley Baptist Church gave a blanket and four bags of corn, the staple food in Kenya, to each victim, said Laura Lee Stewart, missionary press representative for Kenya. Tom Jones, Southern Baptist missionary, assisted pastor Patrick Kimani and church members.

This is the third time Southern Baptists have worked with the Mathari Valley church to help slum residents in the wake of a fire. Southern Baptists provided \$5000 to buy blankets for about 1500 fire victims after a 1984 fire and \$5000 to provide food and blankets after a fire in 1983.

The Mathari Valley church grew out of worship services at a clinic built 15 years ago by Southern Baptist missionaries using wood from their packing crates. Impressed by the clinic and Baptist relief efforts local Christians lent their support to the church's request to the government for a building plot and 3.5 acres recently was allotted for the church building. (BP)

South African seminary prof urges Christian reply

Speaking to a church-state relations class at Southern Baptist Theological

Seminary, Louisville, John N. Jonsson, W. O. Carver professor of missions and world religions, pointed to the omission of blacks from the decision making process as the planting of the seeds of violence in South Africa.

Jonsson, a citizen of South Africa, emphasized that South African violence must be dealt with in its immediate context of the frustration of people who have been the victims of "Big Brother" decision making and "philanthropic paternalism in which they were viewed as dependent children at the mercy of white decision making."

Some of the causes of violence in South Africa he listed include conflicts of interests, urbanization and overcrowding, frustration and deprivation, structural injustices within legal systems, unwillingness of leaders to give up power and politico-ideological conflict.

Effective change, Jonsson argued, will have to come within the political structures themselves, allowing blacks to be included within the governmental process at the highest levels of decision making.

HMB names committee to study ordination

A nine-member committee has been appointed to develop guidelines concerning ordination of missionaries for the Baptist Home Mission Board.

Travis Wiginton, pastor of Bethel Baptist Church, Norman, Okla., and the board's chairman, announced appointment of the committee which meets for

the first time Oct. 8. Last month, the full board voted to ask its chairman to appoint the committee, but membership of the group was not announced at that time.

Wiginton said in appointing the committee he sought to maintain balance both in geographical representation and "in other ways."

Appointed to the committee were Johnny Jackson, pastor of Forest Highlands Baptist Church, Little Rock, Ark.; Robert Latham, pastor of Northside Baptist Church, Indianapolis, Ind.; Lawanna McIver, a television personality and homemaker from Dallas; T. L. McSwain, pastor of Hurstbourne Baptist Church, Louisville; Marvin Prude, retired president of Sunnyland Refining Co., Birmingham, Ala.; M. O. Owens Jr., pastor of an English-speaking Baptist church in Belgium and former pastor from Gastonia, N. C.; Austin Tucker, pastor of Shreve City Baptist Church, Shreveport, La.; Lula D. Walker, housewife and local church Woman's Missionary Union director from Beaverton, Ore.; and Wiginton, chairman.

Directors of the board approved a \$35,000 allocation to the Colorado Baptist General Convention to assist with financial difficulties. The allocation implemented an earlier decision to change the ratio of cooperative work from 78 to 88 percent funding by the Home Mission Board, and to 12 percent funding by the Colorado convention.

In his report to board members, HMB president William G. Tanner said receipts from the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for Home Missions had

reached \$25.9 million by Sept. 10, an increase of 8.38 percent compared to receipts for the same period last year. Tanner cited projections indicating the board will probably receive about \$27 million through the offering this year, about \$3 million short of the \$30 million goal.

In other actions, the HMB executive committee appointed 16 persons as new missionaries, 13 as missionary associates, 16 as church planter apprentices, and approved financial assistance to 67 mission pastors. (BP)

Bailey Smith to begin evangelistic ministry

Bailey E. Smith, former SBC president (1980-82) and pastor of First Southern Baptist Church, Del City, Okla., since 1973, announced his resignation Sept. 15. It will be effective Sept. 29.

Smith, 46, is entering full time evangelism. Two years ago Smith and John McKay, former singer from the James Robison Evangelistic Team, formed an evangelistic association. At that time rumors spread across the Southern Baptist Convention that Smith was about to resign to enter full time evangelism.

Del City First Southern staff members put the rumor down saying Smith formed the association and asked the church to limit him to 12 Sunday-through-Wednesday revivals a year to help "put the quietus" on requests for Smith to lead crusades. Smith later reduced the number of meetings to eight per year.

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Prayer Convocations will be led by Harry Hunter, State GNA Prayer Coordinator

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During a city wide crusade in Tulsa, Okla., Smith and McKay's Real Evangelism team received a love offering of \$34,594, which Tulsa Association director of missions Garnet Cole described as a record.

Two years ago, Smith was said to be receiving as many as 200 requests a day asking him to speak in a revival, a crusade or a special event.

The Smiths will remain in Del City for "some months" and after that their location is uncertain.

Del City First Southern is in the midst of a relocation project and has a 7700-seat auditorium under construction on an 80-acre site just west of Tinker Air Force Base. The \$13 million structure is on schedule and will be ready for occupancy next Easter Sunday. (BP)

Corrections

In the Aug. 27 issue of Western Recorder it was erroneously reported that Dannie Nelson had been called as pastor of Greensburg Baptist Church, Russell Creek Association.

Nelson actually became pastor of Mt. Gilead Baptist Church, Greensburg, Russell Creek Association. George Price is pastor of Greensburg.

In the Sept. 17 issue it was wrongly reported that Dexter Reynolds was called as pastor of Flat Creek Baptist Church, Mt. Zion Association.

Reynolds is a former pastor of Flat Creek. Jess Alford is the present pastor.

Union University gets two \$1 million gifts

Union University, Jackson, Tenn., has received two \$1 million gifts from anonymous donors, according to Robert E. Craig, president. Both gifts will be used for endowment, primarily for scholarships.

The Baptist college's first \$1 million gift in the school's 160-year history was pledged last year. The donor issued a challenge for his gift to be matched this year. The second \$1 million donation was a response to that challenge.

"I have a deep abiding faith and belief in the sanctity of Union University and all that it stands for—Christianity at its finest and a dedication to helping others find Christ," the first \$1 million philanthropist stated in a letter to the college.

The second \$1 million donor, who pledged his contribution earlier this month to be paid on Jan. 1, said, "I am very impressed with what the leaders of Union University have done and I hope that this gift will help great things to continue . . . for the glory of God." (BP)

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Cynicism and skepticism are not theological postures belonging to any one doctrinal persuasion. Cynical moderates and skeptical conservatives make strange bedfellows. Cynics and skeptics are seldom responsible for progress except as they fire the determination in those committed to accomplish what others deem futile.

Perhaps we would do well to remember the experience of Job whose companions were geared for such skepticism and cynicism they almost broke the back of a man of astounding faith. It was Elihu, with youthful tenacity, who called Job back to the realism of God's power to sustain and restore. Then, out of the whirlwind of his unbelievable circumstances, Job rediscovered the adequacy of a mighty God, and the last state of a once-shattered man became better than the first.

Out of the whirlwind of our recent experiences we too can find the adequacy of a mighty God and the last state of Southern Baptists can be better than the first.

Respectfully submitted,
Charles G. Fuller, Chairman
The Southern Baptist Convention
Peace Committee



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Ad interim

Albert McClellan splendidly captures the inner workings of our denomination in *The Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention 1917-1984*. He traces the need for an ad interim body to act between annual sessions.

My first encounter with the Executive Committee came about a week after I was employed in public relations at the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, in September 1959. At that time, the Executive Committee occupied the third floor of the board's main facility at 127 Ninth Ave., N. When its elected body met in Nashville, it convened in the board's first floor chapel.

I was given a part in a skit on communications to be presented to the Executive Committee that first week. Another character was to carry on stage a live kitten in a paper sack. Imagine our consternation when the kitten spied a mouse, lunged forward and literally let the cat out of the bag! That decimated the intent of the skit as all of us chased the borrowed feline, but failed to catch it. The Executive Committee, meanwhile, was in stitches.

All was not lost, however. The board reaped tremendous mileage when the Nashville Banner sent over a photographer 40 days later as the kitten resurfaced from a backstage rat hole and was captured by a custodian. The cat's owner was ecstatic, the BSSB administration seemed overjoyed with the publicity and we had provided a good laugh for the Executive Committee.

The committee would later, at least indirectly, contribute to my selection of a life's partner. In the early 60s it established a closed circuit teletype network for the transmission of messages between Baptist offices. My bride-to-be and I "discovered" each other on it across a thousand miles.

The Executive Committee moved to the new octagonal SBC Building at 460 James Robertson Pky. in 1963. I sat through many a session there as a visitor and a reporter. A multitude of concerns from individual Baptists was respectfully considered there. Each one was acted upon and returned to the next annual convention. In 1979 I observed the mantle of leadership as it passed from Porter Routh to Harold Bennett. I saw ground broken for the newest SBC Building at 901 Commerce St. in September 1983, and that building occupied earlier this year.

A strong Executive Committee is "indispensable," a SBC Committee of Seven led by C. R. Daley observed a decade ago. As one peripherally on the scene, I agree. As one who has known most of its employees over a quarter century, I agree. The Executive Committee is a body uniquely Southern Baptist, and does us proud in how it conducts God's business for his people.



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oneida journal

Neither rich nor famous

Forty years ago this afternoon, Sept. 14, funeral services were conducted on our campus for Oneida founder James Anderson Burns.

In the summer of 1899 "Burns of the Mountains" made himself stonemason's tools and went to work chiseling stone with his own hands for the foundation of our school. At early twilight one morning, silent and alone with God, he laid the cornerstone of the first building. He planed lumber with his hands and slept in the shavings under the workbench.

Other strong hands eventually joined in. Henry Hensley, a local citizen, gave him the first 50 dollars, to buy nails and windows. Emerson Hough, noted author in the earlier years of this century, in an article for *The American Magazine*, called that contribution "the greatest donation ever made in America." Before the end of the year the first building was completed, and on the first day of the 20th century the door of Oneida Baptist Institute was opened.

That open door was, and has ever since been, the door of Christian enlightenment and a better way for literally thousands of young people. There have been difficulties, but the door has never been closed.

The school continues to grow, in physical resources, in breadth of program, in numbers ministered to, and those helping to support the work. This growth in friendship and goodwill

among alumni and friends far and wide is beyond measure or price.

At the time of our founder's death, there were five major buildings. Today there are 18 major buildings and housing for scores of staff. All but three of these buildings have been built in the past 17 years. They are insured for over eight million dollars. There are over 2000 acres of farm and timber lands. There is endowment of slightly over one million dollars and the need for 10 times that much.

There are nearly 100 staff members and enrolment fluctuates from 470-500.

The curriculum of the school is the most comprehensive ever. Graduates meet all state requirements as well as having a year of Bible study, two years of a foreign language (four differing languages are taught), and computer literacy. We have advanced placement classes where "top" students are doing university level work, and "special help" classes for those needing intensive remedial help. We have a strong drafting department handling up to 48 students daily, 20 per hour learning art, over 50 a day getting in an hour of piano practice with a teacher, over 100 involved in the choir and nearly an equal number involved in the band.

We have 15 differing varsity athletic teams that have won many invitational, district, regional, and seven state championships in recent years. Our drama program has won five regional championships the past seven years.

Students do some form of manual labor about 11 hours per week. Most all teaching and coaching staff, as well as dorm parents, live in campus housing and work many more hours daily than is the norm.

Still we have daily worship of God, and the love of Jesus is proclaimed as has been done since that opening day.

But every step forward, though taken with complete trust, has been accomplished only through struggle and sacrifice. There never has been an easy year, and never should be. One has but to know the history of Oneida to understand that faith and prayer are the most powerful forces within human reach. Day after day, on down to this day in 1985, God's care, expressed through his people, has kept the work of Oneida going and growing.

James Anderson Burns did not care that Oneida ever be rich or famous. He DID want it to be a place where young people, with the help and inspiration of Christian teachers and friends, might find the Lord, preparing to live and work in his kingdom.



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sunday school lessons

LESSONS FOR SEPT. 29, 1985

Life and Work Series

Healing relationships

2 Corinthians 12:19-21 Upon learning some of the members of the church in Corinth had experienced broken relationships in their fellowship, the apostle decided he would do everything within his power to heal them. He dedicated himself to the task of restoring unity of fellowship within the church. Out of his heart of love for them, Paul made an earnest plea to the Corinthian Christians to correct the wrongs within their fellowship and to restore the harmonious and fruitful relationship which they had enjoyed previously, prior to his forthcoming visit to Corinth. Their conduct had been very destructive in its effects, but he was genuinely interested in repairing the damage which they had wrought.

Paul was fearful that when he arrived in Corinth the Christians would not be living in peace and harmony, but would be engaged in debating, envying, backbiting, and whispering accusations and innuendoes, and through these sinful practices of theirs Christ would be dishonored and the progress of his work would be impeded. Paul let them know that he did not have any intention of ignoring their sinful ways or remaining silent about them when he arrived.

2 Corinthians 13:5-10 Paul reminded his readers that instead of testing him to see whether he was a true or a false

apostle, they should examine themselves to see if they were actually "in the faith" or truly Christians. Since they were anxious for him to verify his claims, why should they not be invited to examine, test and prove themselves?

Self-examination is one of the essentials of Christian living. It is the duty of every Christian and requires much diligence in the performance of it. Many are fond of testing others when it is far more needful for them to test themselves.

International Series

How body of Christ lives

Ephesians 4:17-19 Prior to their experience of salvation, the people were in a state of alienation from God, spiritual ignorance and hopelessness. Emptiness characterized their lives. When Christ saved them they experienced a visible, admirable, thorough and permanent change. No longer did they continue in spiritual ignorance and moral depravity.

Ephesians 4:20-32 God's children are obligated to put off the ways and habits of their former lives. Paul listed a number of carnal things which God's children should eliminate from their lives:

1. Put away lying (verse 25). There is no place for a spoken or acted falsehood in the life of any Christian.

2. Put away anger (verse 26). Christians are commanded to refrain from cherishing anger and allowing it to smolder in them.

3. Put away stealing (verse 28a). If one has previously indulged in this sin, he must not do it again.

4. Put away corrupt speech (verse 29). God's children must refrain from vulgarity, profanity and foul language of every sort.

5. Put away all that grieves the Holy Spirit (verse 30).

By their unholy imaginations, impure thoughts, wrong attitudes, sinful words and disobedient deeds, God's children cause the Holy Spirit deep sorrow.

6. Put away all unkindness (verse 31). Christians must overcome any deep-seated desire to injure others. **Ephesians 5:1-2** Inasmuch as God has been gracious and merciful enough to forgive Christians of their sins and to bring them into right relationship with him, they should care enough for others to go out of their way to help them with their problems. They should encourage them to overcome their sins.



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on mission together

Kentucky Baptists: slow, steady, dependable

Cooperative Program giving by Kentucky Baptist churches during the 1984-85 budget year:

- Reached a record level of \$14,274,997.
- Increased over last year by \$700,812 or 5.2 percent. The previous year's increase was \$682,507 or 5.3 percent.
- Failed by \$170,003 to meet the operating budget of \$14,445,000.
- Produced the lowest single month's gifts in September 1984 (\$746,129) since March 1980.
- Produced the highest back-to-back months in our history—July (\$1,456,256) and August (\$1,406,732) of

1985.

- Increased from an average of \$1,128,738 per month the first six (6) months to an average of \$1,250,428 per month the last six (6) months—an increase of \$121,690 per month.

- Increased in 812 churches; decreased in 1418 churches, the latter number up 104 from last year's 1314.

- Increased through the churches of 55 associations and decreased in 23 associations, compared to 16 the previous year.

- Would have achieved a total of \$14,952,741, or \$677,743 more if the 1418 churches which decreased had only held even with their last year's giving.

Some observations

- An unusually low first month, the impact of January-February church closings, further hampered by a sluggish economy were the major factors in not quite achieving the operating budget.

- The financial impact is minimal, absorbed proportionately by all recipients of CP funds. KBC guidelines and operating procedures eliminate "deficit" spending. We spend only what is received.

- Kentucky Baptists made a commendable attempt to "catch up" and almost did so.

- The stronger picture over the last six months of the fiscal year is basis for encouragement and optimism for this new budget year, which calls for \$1,300,000 monthly.

Conclusion:

Kentucky Baptists will likely continue to grow at a slow, steady pace as in the past. The potential for remarkable growth is in the hands and hearts of the churches.

The pastors, who lead our churches, will do more than any other individual to shape the future of Kentucky Baptist mission giving. That is an awesome responsibility!

Peace Committee

Lloyd Elder pledges support of BSSB while reconciliation is sought among Baptists

by Lloyd Elder
Baptist Sunday School
Board president

Just how shall the Sunday School Board respond to the action of the convention in Dallas to establish a "special committee"? By the providence of God and response of our Baptist people, this could be a year of reconciliation within our family! This is our hope, our prayer, our expectation.

You, as members of the committee, have a historic opportunity for Christian statesmanship. This board will join you and our great denomination in search for peace with purpose and principle. We will begin by this pledge of support and open response to all 10 points of the convention's peace action.

Special committee

Whether you become known as a "crisis," "reconciliation" or "peace" committee, the messengers in Dallas overwhelmingly authorized your work. I enthusiastically supported the formation of your committee. I pledge you my support as one Southern Baptist and as president of the Sunday School Board. We at the board are ready to resolve all issues in our controversy, accept historic diversities and get on with our trusting fellowship and worldwide mission.

From my own experience I have found our agencies, institutions and seminaries to be trustworthy servants of our Baptist people. At the same time, where there are instances that we have erred, we are ready for a fresh touch from our God and renewal among our people.

Controversy reconciliation

The board pledges to you our complete, open, encouraging cooperation, especially in relationship to our own work. Although you are not primarily an investigative group, I invite you to look at us carefully, ask us for any information you need as you seek to determine sources of controversy. (Could I respectfully request that you examine also the influences of non-Southern Baptist entities and publications against the work of our board?) Also, please focus your analysis on those concerns that are substantive and current, not those that are dated, resolved or routine. Expect us to do our work this year with confidence, freedom and excitement as we discharge the programs Southern Baptists have given us to do and move forward in our common challenge of Bold Mission Thrust. Should you find us to be trustworthy, please say this to Southern Baptists. Help us build trust among our people in the spirit of Phil. 4:8: "Whatever things are good . . . think on these things."

Theological guidelines

The board gladly accepts the 1963 statement of the "Baptist Faith and Message" as the basis of your committee work even as we continue to carry out our 17 programs of work under this



Lloyd Elder

trustee-endorsed statement. We will not turn aside to follow as doctrinal standards any private interpretation of individuals or special groups. We will continue to affirm that the vast majority of Southern Baptists are devout, Bible-believing Christians committed to practicing what we teach and preach.

Trusteeship

The convention has wisely charged your committee to work appropriately within the trusteeship and polity of our convention and that we should cooperate with the committee. We will do so happily, with the president and our trustee board chairman providing the channel of cooperation, reporting and responding.

Staff and funding

We know you must remain free to chart

your own course without any pressure, even implied. At the same time, should your committee request of the board research among Southern Baptists to validate its task, the board would provide this with highest priority through our research services department. Should the committee request, in order to control its expenses, the board would host one of your work meetings at Ridgecrest, Glorieta or Nashville. Just let us know how we can serve Southern Baptists by serving you.

Open sessions

The board would welcome review by the committee of any possible question concerning our service to Southern Baptists to be in open sessions, including public hearings, with the board's president and/or trustee chairman

present. We will not be defensive of our efforts, but we would want to participate as those most directly affected by the review process. Let us all be open before the Lord and one another.

Committee vacancies

I believe it could be helpful for you and the Executive Committee to publish in advance among Southern Baptists what process you would follow should vacancies need to be filled in your membership. This would help to maintain the integrity of the committee process throughout its task.

Final report

Let me urge the committee to make its final report and recommendation to the 1986 convention, if at all possible. Your work is so significant to our further progress as a denomination that we need to implement the results of your work as soon as you feel you have completed the task. I could hope that your report would be publicized in advance and become the first priority item of business for action Tuesday morning in Atlanta. Southern Baptists have no more acute and hopeful task throughout this year nor anticipated action in 1986 than the reconciling work of your committee.

Disciplined restraint

The board totally agrees with and will gladly comply with the urgent call to exercise restraint, to refrain from divisive actions and comments and to reflect Christian love. As we proceed to comply, we assume all individuals and publications will follow the same spirit toward this board and our other SBC agencies and institutions. It is my prayer that you will be effective listeners of one another and of your fellow Baptists. Bold Mission Thrust can and must flourish throughout this year. We must all affirm fervently the New Testament declaration, "Jesus is Lord." He is Lord of scripture, of doctrine, of evangelism, of missions, of unity, of the local church, of the denomination, of Baptist agencies and of each Baptist believer.

Committee membership

Twenty-two of you fellow Baptists will serve us on this committee; 22 of 14.3 million Baptists. You are a carefully negotiated selection of dedicated, knowledgeable and diverse members of our family. We will pray for you by name and as a group, cooperate with you as requested and expect great things from you. This is our pledge of support. You must not fail in this providential opportunity. "So then let us pursue the things which make for peace and the building up of one another" (Rom. 14:19). God-speed, you my brothers and sisters, on your mission of peace, with purpose and principle.

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—Lloyd Elder

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Clear Creek Baptist School faces challenge of change

This fall Clear Creek Baptist School begins its 60th year of service to God and Kentucky Baptists. Clear Creek is a living school and a school for life, but life demands growth and growth means change.

So, some things change.

From a three-week summer encampment for a dozen mountain preachers, Clear Creek has grown to become the only four-year Southern Baptist Bible college accredited by the American Association of Bible Colleges.

Over 200 students come from across the country, from Massachusetts to California, to be trained at Clear Creek Baptist School.

Although our graduates have been called to minister as far away as Texas and Korea, Kentucky is still the focal point of our service, and over 700 Clear Creek graduates proudly serve among Kentucky's 2200 churches.

These changes mean that our needs change. We have the challenge of building a family life center to enhance

the dimensions of our ministerial training. An Academic Support Program has been designed to prepare students with limited education for college-level work. We welcome the challenge of new faces with new responsibilities to our administration, faculty and staff.

And every autumn there is the challenge of new student families with academic, spiritual, and financial needs.

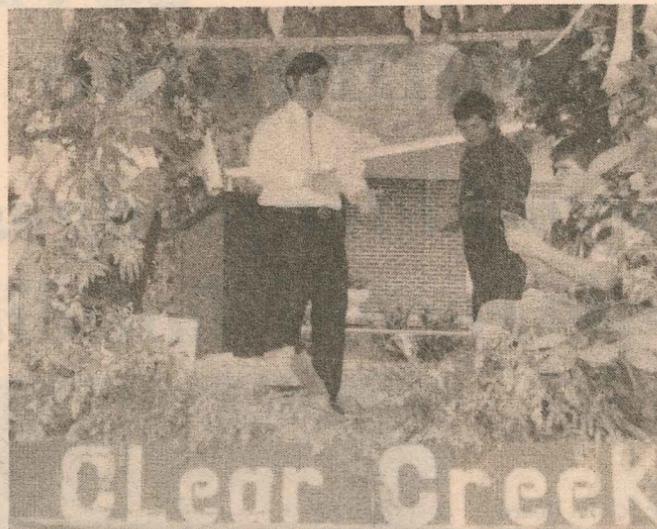
Presidents and professors change; families and facilities change.

But, some things never change.

There's the family atmosphere of Clear Creek, where we "rejoice with those who rejoice, and weep with those who weep." The sharing and caring fostered on campus reaches out into the local mountain communities. And this will never change.

There is Clear Creek's steadfast devotion to God's word and work and will. The purpose of Clear Creek Baptist School is dedication to training God-called servants for his work.

And this will never change.



Clear Creek's prize winning floating revival meeting was featured in the Kentucky Mountain Laurel Festival parade. The float was built by campus children and youth, under the direction of student Fred Cummings.

Personnel changes made at Clear Creek

Charles M. Rice, assistant to the president for public affairs at Clear Creek Baptist School, has assumed the duties of dean of student affairs and professor of evangelism.

Carvin Bryant comes to be assistant to the president for planned giving, and professor of homiletics. Frances Bryant will be assistant director of the Pre-School Center and teach piano.

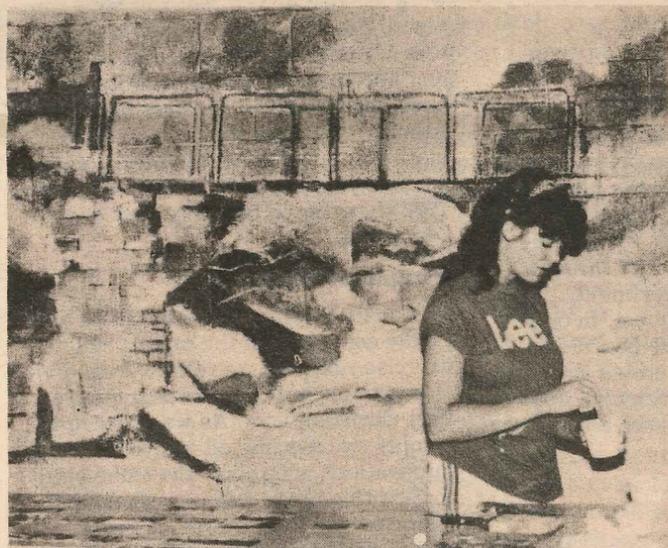
O. R. Rice joins the school as assistant to the president for development. He is formerly pastor of First Baptist Church, Jacksonville Beach, Fla., and a graduate of Southern Baptist Theo-

logical Seminary, Louisville.

Ben Baird, pastor of First Baptist Church, Hazard, and J. Bill Jones, pastor of First Baptist Church, London, will be adjunct professors of pastoral ministry.

Marilyn Simpson will operate the campus clinic as director of health services, assisted by Carolyn Mauney, R.N.

The library will be staffed by director of Library services Carolyn Brooks and assistant director Marge Cummings, and library assistant Geneva Rice.



Tammy Stephens of Covington spent two weeks painting a mural on the wall of Kelly Hall. The mural depicts a summer mountain scene including the Clear Creek springs, the swinging bridge and Kelly Hall.

Homecoming draws 250 CCBS supporters

"In search of Victory" I Chron. 29:11 was the theme for the annual alumni conference held Aug. 5-6 on the Clear Creek campus.

About 250 graduates and friends came to enjoy the praising, praying, and preaching. Keynote speaker was Tal Bonham, executive secretary of the Ohio Baptist Convention. He spoke on "Personal Victory," "The Joy of Vic-

tory" and "The Reward of Victory." Former professor J. S. Bell addressed the audience on "The Reality of Victory," and Jack Robertson, Clear Creek professor of doctrine, shared "The Secret of Victory."

Special music was performed by The Bill Dunsmore Family, Nancy Holloway and Cindy Cooke.

Volunteers help renovate Clear Creek

Scrubbing, painting and carpentry work may not be your ideal vacation, but it was a summer mission project sponsored by First Baptist Church, Murray to help Clear Creek prepare for the fall semester.

Pastor Greg Earwood encouraged Earl and Thelma Warford, Edna McFinney, Virginia Riggins, Mary Nell Shirley, and Perry Cavitt's desire to clean Kelly Hall, paint, build shelves and build two new rooms in the campus

clinic.

The church has always been deeply involved in supporting Clear Creek Baptist School's work. Clear Creek's distinguished professor of New Testament, H. C. Chiles, had been the pastor of First Baptist Murray. The associate pastor G. T. Moody is a Clear Creek trustee and organizes the annual Christmas turkey gift to campus families.

Alumni begin deaf ministry in Puerto Rico

Glenview Baptist Church, Ponce, Puerto Rico, had been praying for help to reach their deaf community. God answered their need by sending David Mitchell, his wife, Marsha and daughter LeiAnn to the island in July.

Mitchell went deaf while studying for the ministry at Clear Creek Baptist School. When he graduated in 1979, he wondered why God had chosen to end his preaching ministry. But, while he could no longer hear the world around him, he could still hear the voice of God

in his heart.

The Mitchells learned sign language to penetrate the silent, isolated world of the deaf, communicating the love of God on a very personal level. As their compassionate ministry grew, God continued to challenge them, and led the Mitchells to a new base—Glenview Baptist Church.

The Mitchells have established Bible studies for the deaf in Ponce, and have begun a visitation program to people who are hungry to receive the gospel.

Clear Creek's Holy Land tour set for February

Clear Creek's second annual Bible Conference in the Holy Land is scheduled for Feb. 16-25, 1986. This is a unique opportunity to see and study the land where Christ ministered. For information, write President Leon Simpson, Clear Creek Baptist School, Pineville, KY 40977.



There was a foundation celebration when construction crews poured the slab for the Family Life Center. The center will enhance the dimensions of Clear Creek's ministerial training.