



## Stanley splits controversial post three ways; includes GOP activist

by Dan Martin

Three parliamentarians, two of them former officers of the Southern Baptist Convention and the third a certified professional parliamentarian, have been named for the 1986 annual meeting of the SBC June 10-12 in Atlanta.

SBC president Charles F. Stanley, pastor of Atlanta's First Baptist Church, announced the appointments Apr. 8, naming James T. Draper Jr., pastor of First Baptist Church, Euless, Tex., president of the SBC 1982-84; John Sullivan, pastor of Broadmoor Baptist Church, Shreveport, La., SBC first vice president 1982-84; and C. Barry McCarty, of Elizabeth City, N. C., a certified professional parliamentarian and ordained Church of Christ minister.

The issue of a parliamentarian became controversial during the 1985 annual meeting in Dallas when Stanley, acting on the advice of parliamentarian Wayne Allen, pastor of Briarcliff Baptist Church, Memphis, Tenn., ruled out of order an effort to amend the nominations of the SBC committee on committees.

The ruling has resulted in twin lawsuits in federal and state court in Georgia and in a recommendation from the SBC Executive Committee that bylaw 16, which deals with the nominations process, be changed to specifically allow one-by-one challenges from the floor, while prohibiting the introduction of an alternate slate of nominees.

Stanley said he appointed Draper because "I feel he did a fantastic job presiding at the annual meeting in the past." He noted Sullivan "ran against me" for president of the convention in 1984, and, as chairman of the SBC Executive Committee's bylaws work-group "is probably as knowledgeable about the constitution and bylaws of the convention as anyone I know."

The president said he received a list of certified parliamentarians from the American Institute of Parliamentarians and selected McCarty from the list.

McCarty, a former vice president of the American Institute of Parliamentarians,

is a professor of public speaking and debate at Roanoke Bible College, Elizabeth City, N. C. He is a graduate of Roanoke Bible College, Abilene (Tex.) Christian University, and holds a doctorate in rhetoric and argumentation from the University of Pittsburgh.

He conducts seminars on convention parliamentary procedure for state and local governmental bodies, professional associations and political action groups, and is a lecturer in a practicum on parliamentary law each summer at Marshall-Wythe School of Law of the College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, Va.

McCarty also is active in North Carolina politics and is one of two North Carolina members on the national Republican Party committee on permanent organization. He was 1984 chairman of the North Carolina Republican Convention and a delegate to the 1984 national GOP convention in Dallas. He is active in Republican campaigns for congressional and senatorial candidates.

McCarty also has been a "spokesman and lobbyist for state and national Right-To-Life groups."

McCarty, currently minister of the Jarvisburg, N. C., Church of Christ, has been at churches in Georgia, Pennsylvania, North Carolina and Virginia and has preached more than 100 revivals and Christian conferences throughout the United States and Canada.

Stanley described McCarty's credentials as "impeccable" and said the fact McCarty is not a Southern Baptist "will not be a problem. He assured me he will be fully aware of the SBC constitution and bylaws by the time the convention meets in Atlanta."

## New work

# A Kentucky emphasis for the 80s

by Gregory L. Hancock

With 80 percent of Kentucky's Southern Baptist churches participating in some form of "Good News America, God Loves You" revival emphasis this month, personal witnessing and evangelism control the center stage of denominational life. Bill Jagers and others in the Direct Missions Department of the Kentucky Baptist Convention, however, have their vision focused beyond April. Their hearts are set on the continuation of revival spirit and an upswing in baptisms through at least the close of the decade.

Jagers is heavily involved in "Good News America," preaching revivals at Frenchburg, Perryville and Latonia between now and the end of the month. But his primary theme is "Mission Kentucky," a long range plan that projects at least 400 new churches and mission stations throughout the state by 1990.

"The statistics will surprise you," Jagers advised. "People generally think Kentucky is over-populated with churches, but between 1970 and 1984 our ratio of churches to people dropped from one per 1400 to one per 1670."

"What's more," Jagers said, "our research reveals we need new church starts in some areas we've always considered to be well covered. Some of

## SBTS trustees state belief in faculty again

by Michael Duduit

After investigating concerns raised by the Peace Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention, the board of trustees of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary commended the seminary faculty as teaching and writing in accordance with the seminary's statement of faith.

Meeting in annual session Apr. 7-9 the trustee action came in adoption of a unanimous report by the 11-member trustee academic personnel committee, concluding that "the faculty members cited in the concerns have both taught and written in accordance with and not contrary to the Abstract of Principles."

The Abstract of Principles is the 1858 statement of faith which is included in the seminary charter and is signed by all faculty at Southern Seminary. It is the oldest statement of faith written for any Southern Baptist institution.

While maintaining the Abstract of Principles as the governing statement of faith for Southern Seminary, the trustees joined the seminary faculty in affirming the 1963 Baptist Faith and Message Statement and requested that it be used in the recommendation of faculty to teach at Southern Seminary. In a unanimously-adopted 1984 declaration the seminary faculty stated, "We further support and commend with other Southern Baptists the 1963 'Baptist Faith and Message,' specifically its statement on the Bible."

In one of its final actions the trustees adopted a resolution of thanksgiving in which they expressed appreciation to seminary president Roy L. Honeycutt, theology dean G. Willis Bennett and

faculty members about whom concerns were expressed by the Peace Committee for the way in which they "took seriously their need to respond cooperatively and openly to the concerns."

In other actions, the trustees:

- Designated the chapel in the proposed Campus Center Complex as the Badgett Dillard Memorial Chapel, honoring the 33-year service of the seminary's executive vice president who died Mar. 29. They also announced establishment of a memorial fund for this purpose and invited contributions of persons wishing to honor the veteran administrator.

- Heard Honeycutt's president's report, in which he announced major gifts totaling more than \$3 million in the first quarter of 1986, and reported a dramatic rise in spring enrollment, including a 20 percent jump in entering students at the master's level.

- Adopted an operating budget of \$13,226,805 for the 1986-87 fiscal year, and a \$650,000 capital needs budget.

- Elected three new members to the board of directors of the Southern Seminary Foundation: Charles Barnes, Louisville; Weldon Cole, Stamford, Conn.; Mrs. Judy Rose, London, Ky.

- Elected new officers: Perry F. Webb, pastor, First Baptist Church, Baton Rouge, La., chairman; Emil Williams, pastor, First Baptist Church, Jonesboro, Ark., first vice chairman; George Steincross, pastor, Second Baptist Church, Liberty, Mo., second vice chairman; Fred Pfannenschmidt, president, Gibson-Pfannenschmidt Realtors, Louisville, secretary.

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our strongest churches and best denominational work exists in Pike, Floyd, Warren and Fayette counties, but a study by the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention reveals a need for more congregational opportunities in those very spots."

When Bill Marshall became executive secretary-treasurer for the Kentucky Baptist Convention three years ago, he offered the staff at the Baptist Building six objectives he saw as critical in continuing an effective Baptist ministry in Kentucky. One of those objectives was "to increase, at a more rapid pace, the development of Baptist missions and churches in Kentucky."

Marshall reminded his colleagues most congregations tend to peak in their evangelistic effectiveness within 10 years of their charter. He contended that even in areas where baptisms were up and churches were growing, the need for "second churches" may still be found. The "second church" concept may be defined as one where a primary congregation ministers to a singular or limited socio-economic group. Additional socio-economic strata could be reached by a "second church" with a different ministerial emphasis.

Ethnic congregations could compose another major chunk of the Mission Kentucky market. Already there are Korean, Chinese, Hispanic, Haitian,

Laotian, Cambodian, Thai, Vietnamese, Romanian, Ethiopian, Iranian, Philippine and Deaf fellowships and Bible study groups meeting in the state. Jagers feels language ministries will represent as much as 10 percent of the 400 new works projected.

Directors of missions and other interested parties from throughout Kentucky gathered at the Baptist Building in Middletown Mar. 19 to mark the Mission Kentucky debut. Bill Marshall addressed the group to explain what he called the "Why" and the "Why Now" behind Mission Kentucky.

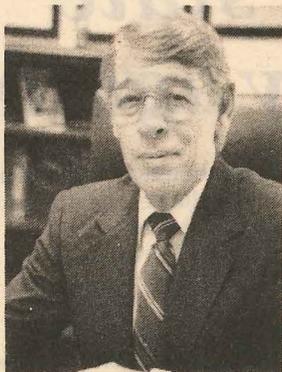
"There are at least one million and some would say one million, six hundred thousand people in the state of Kentucky who are either lost or unchurched," he said. "That's one out of every three people and that's 'Why' Mission Kentucky."

"Why now?" he went on. "Because of three things: the time is right, the resources are available and the people are willing."

Marshall quoted David Barrett in closing: "Southern Baptists are the only body of Christians in the world today who seem to be serious about winning the world to Christ."

Mission Kentucky will prove the quote true or false.

# sanford's perspectives



Jack D. Sanford

## New churches are essential

One essential aspect of Baptist church life we seem to have put on the back shelf is starting new churches.

A recent conference in Houston decried that failure of Southern Baptists to start new churches. The thrust of the conference was to stimulate renewed interest in establishing new churches, a matter which once characterized Southern Baptist life, but which now seems low on our priority list.

It was pointed out that churches reach a plateau at about 10 years of age and stagnate from that point onward, living mostly to sustain the existing organization with little noticeable growth. Notice was taken that about 80 percent of all Southern Baptist churches are not growing at all.

It was never my privilege to help start a new church, so I really do not know much about how it should be done. However, I did serve two Kentucky congregations which had started new churches just before I became pastor and I do know what it did for the sponsoring congregations.

The testimony of those two congregations should be reason enough for any church to "look on the fields" and begin to plan a new church start.

The first congregation I served with a new church start under its belt was Oaklawn in Paducah. This congregation started the Reidland Baptist Church by lettering out some of the most faithful, loyal, dedicated members they had. The result was a thriving new church in a growing section of the city. The mother church did not slow down, but experienced growth itself.

Today, more than 30 years later, each church is strong and sending the message of the Lord out into the world with vigor.

The second congregation I served with a new church start under its belt was Florence Baptist Church. This congregation was bursting at the seams whenever I came on the scene in 1963. Just a short time before my arrival they had started the Greenview Baptist Church, and if there was a slow

down in the Florence growth or activity it was not detected by anyone who knew the situation. On the contrary, the Florence church had to build new facilities to house its own people, even though the Greenview church was reaching people in the community as well and had received many faithful members from the Florence congregation.

Florence also sent good workers to start the Greenview work, and yet the mother congregation flourished and is today one of the strong churches in the Kentucky Baptist Convention.

According to Bill Jagers, associate in the Direct Missions Department of the KBC, Kentucky had a net gain in churches in the decade from 1970-80 of only 10 churches. The goal for new churches, missions and preaching points between now and 1990 is 400 units. Last year in Kentucky there were 17 new churches, four new ethnic groups and two new missions. Not a very impressive record for the strongest evangelical denomination in our state.

With the population of Kentucky increasing year by year, it is imperative we develop a strategy for starting new work. The place to begin is in the minds of the leaders of our churches and the multitudes who are willing to make the sacrifice always necessary for new church development. And there is sacrifice in terms of money, people, time and effort.

The church growth conference in Houston pointed out that Baptists have lost touch with grassroots people, opting to serve upper mobile groups in higher socio-economic categories. These grassroots people have thus turned to other groups for spiritual direction leaving we Baptists to congregate among ourselves. This loss must be stopped or we will be less than God expects us to be. The multitudes are common people, and as it was said of Jesus, "The common people heard him gladly," so must it be said of us or we will wither on the vine.

## Our chance is now

We have not made the kind of preparation which has characterized us these past few months for a long time. We have not spent as much time in concentrated prayer about an event as we have spent these past few months. We have not invested so much money in advertising, promotion and hand-outs as we have these past few months. All of it to prepare for the Good News, America revivals.

That preparation is now over and the revivals are under way. What will it bring to our Baptist people and to the other people of Kentucky?

All of us pray for many souls to be saved and many new members added to our churches. That is one of the main reasons for revival among Baptists, and that has been the center of much prayer. We want to see the lost saved and the church strengthened with new members.

We also pray the revivals will revive the spirit of tolerance and brotherhood among Baptists across the land. Never before have we been so separated

from each other and never before have we had such a grand opportunity to bridge that gap. We could do in these revivals what the Peace Committee could not do in many years if we really wanted it to happen.

With national advertising, saturated local promotion and high hope across America for renewal, now is our chance to make an impact on America that will change the face of our nation.

If we fritter away this opportunity because we gave less than our best to this spiritual effort, then we deserve just what we will get. And that may be the chastisement of the Lord for lethargy and indifference at a crucial time in world history.

If your church is in revival this month, give your best effort and be assured millions of others are doing the same thing. Together we can make a difference in this world. But it takes all of us walking to the beat of the same drum, in step with Christ and watching closely so that our life measures up to his high standards.

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

# baptist news in brief

## Brotherhood Commission names materials editor

Jim Burton has been named editor of Baptist Men's materials for the Brotherhood Commission.

Prior to his employment at the Brotherhood Commission, Burton was a staff photographer on newspapers in Topeka, Kan., Owensboro, Ky. and Jackson, Tenn.

He has earned a BA degree in photojournalism and a BS in business administration from Western Kentucky University, Bowling Green. He also earned the MDiv in communication arts degree from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Ft. Worth, Tex. (BP)

## Baptist peace gathering to hear Joseph Roberts

Joseph Roberts, pastor of Atlanta's Ebenezer Baptist Church, will be the keynote speaker at the annual Baptist Peacemaker/Baptist Peace Fellowship gathering to be held prior to the Southern Baptist Convention in Atlanta June 10-12.

Ebenezer Baptist Church is acting as host for the program, which will include a tour of the Martin Luther King Jr. Center for Nonviolent Social Change and a closing luncheon.

This year's gathering is the third such meeting. It was originated by the volunteer staff of the Baptist Peacemaker, a Louisville-based quarterly journal founded in 1980 by members of Deer Park Baptist Church, along with some faculty and students at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

The Baptist Peace Fellowship is a two-year-old organization that links Baptists of various conventions who are concerned about justice and peace issues. The group joined as co-sponsor of the event in 1985.

The Baptist Peacemaker/Baptist Peace Fellowship program begins at 10 a.m., Monday, June 9 and will close with lunch. Tickets are \$5 and are available from Baptist Peace Fellowship, 222 E. Lake Dr., Decatur, GA 30030 (404) 377-8423.

## Church-starting can halt SBC membership decline

With their rising affluence, Southern Baptists have written off working class America to charismatic denominations and stand in danger of declining if they don't rediscover their grassroots population base, participants at a conference on starting churches were told.

"We have lost folks from Southern Baptist life because we could not speak to them in their language because of our increasing social status," Jack Redford, director of the Church Extension Division of the Home Mission Board, told the conference.

Acknowledging most Southern Baptist churches level off in membership at 10 years of age and 90 percent of the churches are not growing at all, Redford called for a national thrust in church-starting.

There are enough ministers to begin new work with more than 15,000 pastors who are inactive for a variety of reasons and 2500 annual graduates from Baptist colleges and seminaries. "I can't believe God would call this many people to service and there not be an

avenue of ministry for them," he said.

It was reported the number of churches of all denominations in the United States declined between 1900-1986, falling from one for every 370 residents to one for every 833.

America is not the "Christian nation" most people think it is, said Harry Fowler, a consultant in church growth. He cited statistics that show North Carolina is 53 percent unchurched while West Virginia is 80 percent unchurched. Texas alone has seven million non-Christians. (BP)

## Federal court rejects case against Reagan

A federal appellate court has rejected arguments that President Reagan violated the U. S. Constitution by sending an ambassador to the Vatican two years ago.

A three-judge panel of the Third Circuit Court of Appeals of Philadelphia threw out a challenge to Reagan's action, ruling that Americans United for Separation of Church and State—along with 20 religious bodies and 83 individuals—had no legal standing to bring the lawsuit. Even if they had been granted standing, the court ruled further, their arguments would have failed since the president alone has the power to appoint ambassadors.

Americans United executive director Robert Maddox said his organization will appeal the decision.

"It is clear the appellate court did not understand the full implications of our constitutional objections to the diplomatic exchange," Maddox said. "We have a popular president and a popular pope. But that must not obscure the fact our nation is governed by the Constitution. The president has no authority under the constitution to set up a formal relationship with a church."

The appellate panel rejected that argument, holding the issue was not U. S. diplomatic relations with a church, but with another sovereign state. "The state of the City of the Vatican is a territorial sovereignty, however small its size and population," the court stated. "The head of the Roman Catholic Church controls the government of that sovereign territory. No other religious organization that is a plaintiff, or in which individual plaintiffs are members, is similarly situated." (BP)

## Citizens' group monitors religious intolerance

Use of religious intolerance in political campaigns is the target of a new national project sponsored by People for the American Way, a 200,000-member nonpartisan citizens' organization. The effort monitors and publicly reports campaign practices ranging from appeals to religious bigotry to claims of God's endorsement of certain political candidates or positions.

Former U. S. Rep. Barbara Jordan, a Southern Baptist from Texas, said a "disturbing new form of religious bigotry" has entered American politics. "There are those who claim God's endorsement to seek public office," she said. "They question—or disparage—the religious faith and personal morality of their opponents."

John Buchanan, also a Southern Baptist and former U. S. Congressman, said religious people and religious

values belong in the public arena. He added however, religious people have a "special responsibility to guard against religious intolerance." Buchanan argued a person's legislative and political stances should not be turned into "tests of religious faith."

People for the American Way has developed guidelines for discussion of religious issues in political campaigns. The statement states that candidates: should not claim to be best qualified because of religious affiliation; should not claim God endorses their views on political and legislative matters; should not question their opponents' religious faith on the basis of stands on political or legislative issues; should not claim God endorses their aspirations for public office; and should disavow support that violates these guidelines. (BP)

## SBC pastors encouraged by early PGG reports

Renewed spiritual and financial vitality highlight earliest reports from churches participating in Planned Growth in Giving.

PGG is designed to raise annual receipts of SBC churches from \$3 billion to \$20 billion by the end of the century.

Cecil Ray, national director of PGG, stated, "It is a spiritual journey." He said Southern Baptists who seriously consider whether they should increase their church gifts find they examine their entire spiritual commitment in the process.

Several pastors have testified to the good effects upon the church whenever PGG is attempted.

Doug Boucher, pastor of First Southern Baptist Church, Buena Park, Cal., insisted "the greatest impact of the program was not the 28.31 percent increase that was pledged. Rather it was the spiritual commitment that was made by several in the congregation."

Alton Fannin, pastor of First Baptist Church, Okmulgee, Okla., stated, "A new spirit of unity and vision has become very evident. A new sense of healthy pride has returned for what Southern Baptists are doing. People look more at the Lord's will as opposed to the dollar weight."

Rodney W. McGlothlin, pastor of First Baptist Church, Lawton, Okla., said, "We live in a day when Baptists are debating what the minimum requirements are for being a Baptist. Our only avenue out of this deadly tendency is to focus on maximum sacrifice to meet the needs of a lost world." (BP)

## Redford leaves HMB for DOM post in Texas

R. Jack Redford, director of the Church Extension Division of the Home Mission Board, has been named director of missions for Cisco Baptist Association in Texas, effective July 1.

Redford, who will retire after 26 years with the board, will return to the west Texas association where he was reared.

Redford has been pastor of churches in Texas, Arkansas and Colorado, and was a chaplain in the U. S. Army six years. In 1960 he began his career with the HMB as an area missionary to southeastern Indiana, associate secretary of the HMB's Department of Pioneer Missions and director of the agency's church extension efforts. (BP)

## China native named to BSSB position

Peter Chung-Hong Kung, a national consultant on language/ethnic missions for the Home Mission Board, has been named supervisor of the Special Ministries Department's language section at the Baptist Sunday School Board. He is the first Asian named to a leadership position in any SBC agency.

Kung has been a missionary of the HMB in the Language Missions Division since 1975. Since 1979 he has been a consultant for the HMB working with the BSSB. Previously he was a catalytic missionary associate to Chinese in Illinois, pastor of the First Chinese Southern Baptist Church, San Diego, Cal., and pastor of the Chinese mission at First Baptist Church, Dallas, Tex.

Kung, a native of China, holds degrees from Hong Kong Baptist College and Hong Kong Baptist Seminary. He attended Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Ft. Worth, Tex. and is pursuing a DMin degree at Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary, Mill Valley, Cal. (BP)

## Lottie Moon offering may miss 1985 goal

Southern Baptists may fall as much as \$3.6 million short of the \$70 million goal they set for their 1985 Lottie Moon Christmas offering for foreign missions.

The projected shortfall reported by Foreign Mission Board officials could be the biggest since 1982, when the offering fell almost \$4 million short.

The annual Lottie Moon offering supports a hefty portion of the work of more than 3600 Southern Baptist foreign missionaries worldwide. The 1985 goal of \$70 million already has been budgeted to finance 43 percent of the Foreign Mission Board's \$162 million budget for 1986.

The size of the shortfall projection, based on a poll of selected state Baptist conventions came as a surprise to the Foreign Mission Board. "It was unexpected, to say the least," said Carl Johnson, vice president for finance. "There are several states that show actual decreases in giving. I don't have an answer why."

The 1981 Lottie Moon offering was the last to exceed its goal. Southern Baptists have surpassed their annual goal only three times since 1975 but the target amount has nearly tripled in the same period. (BP)

## Health Data Network building new offices

Health Data Network, a division of Baptist Hospitals Inc., initiated construction of a \$2 million health care data processing facility at a groundbreaking ceremony Apr. 3 in the Louisville suburb of St. Matthews.

When completed, the 60,000 square foot three-story structure will be headquarters for approximately 75 employees now working in Health Data Network's two Louisville offices. The new building will also house a \$3 million central computer system. Construction is expected to be completed in December.

The third floor of the building will be the first permanent location for the corporate headquarters of Baptist Hospitals Inc.

# After tragedy strikes farm Davies-McLean churches unite to rebuild barn

by Betty Anderson,  
State Correspondent

Following a tragedy in the Buck Creek area, several churches in Davies-McLean Association joined together for a barn raising.

High winds roared through McLean County Mar. 10, killing Harold Thurman as he and his son, Kelly, tried to anchor the roof of the hay barn on their dairy farm.

*The Thurman dairy has been the site each spring in recent years for tours by McLean County schoolchildren.*

Early in the morning, Mar. 12, while some men were milking the cows, the strong winds returned and leveled the milk barn. But Kelly Thurman and the others were unharmed.

Neighbors and members of the Future Farmers of America from McLean County High School transported the farm's 66 cows to two area dairies. That afternoon a crowd gathered to attend Thurman's funeral in Livermore.



Members of Buckcreek, Livermore and Panther Creek Baptist churches joined together Mar. 22 to help Kelly Thurman rebuild his hay barn after high winds had ripped through the area.

About 100 people were present for the barn raising Mar. 22. Help was there from Buck Creek Baptist Church and Livermore Baptist Church, where the Thurmans had attended, and from

Panther Creek Baptist Church, Owensboro, where Kelly Thurman is music director.

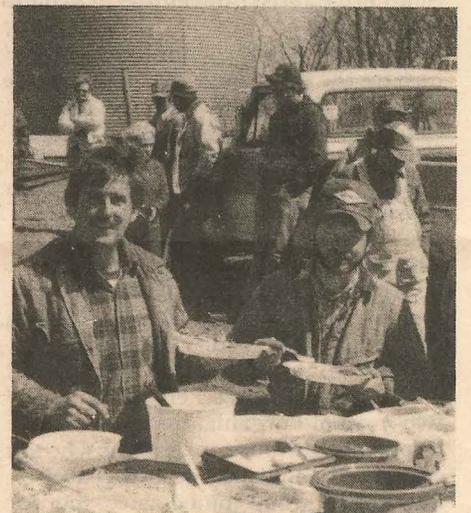
Fiberglass sides and a new roof were placed on the existing foundation of the milk barn. Those who could not get on the roof handed up the materials and rebuilt a wall on the site of the hay barn, preparing it for the erection of a new building.

The men stopped work at noon to eat a potluck lunch served on wagons in Kelly Thurman's backyard. Before the meal Ron Wells, pastor of Buck Creek, and Timothy Bell, pastor of Panther Creek, spoke to the group.

Reading from Matt. 24 about the two men working in the fields, Bell spoke of "rebuilding in a spiritual sense, as we rebuild physically."

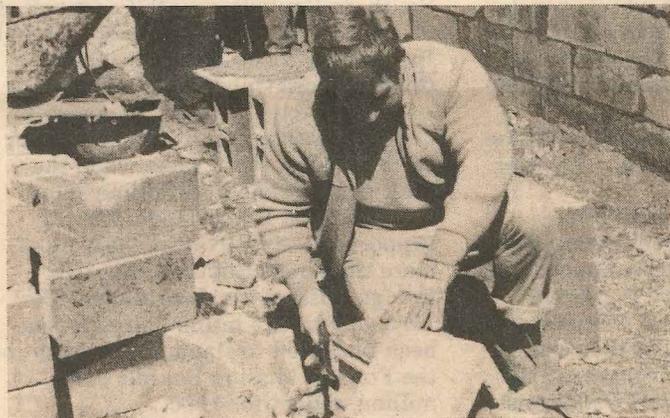
Wells conveyed thanks from Harold Thurman's widow Joy for the kindness of friends and neighbors whom she likened to "God's Army." He reminded the group, "Christ will come at any time, or he may call you to come at any time."

By 6:30 that evening the barn was



Men stopped work at noon to eat a dinner in Kelly Thurman's backyard.

finished. The Thurmans hope to resume milking soon. Their dairy has been the site each spring in recent years for tours by McLean County schoolchildren.



Timothy Bell, pastor of Panther Creek Baptist Church, readies a block for rebuilding a wall of the Thurman's hay barn.

## Greenup Association 16 library workers launch TACMO

Sixteen Church Media Library workers in Greenup Association attended their first TACMO meeting Apr. 5, 1986. TACMO is The Associational Church Media Library Organization.

The event was sponsored by Hyland Heights Baptist Church, where Rodney Hale, Greenup's TACMO director, is pastor.

At this point most stories like this usually end. But, of the 16 present, half were from churches with no libraries.

Hale has taken his TACMO training, which he received in October at the Associational Officers Briefing, very seriously. He has helped seven churches start media libraries.

After welcoming the group Hale challenged participation, saying, "This group (TACMO) will be good for training and sharing ideas. If our libraries become strong, they will touch every area of our churches."

At the meeting the librarians learned the basics of administration and promotion from KBC Media Department director, Mark Snowden. His assistant Lonnie McNorrill, taught an

optional course on audiovisuals and Baptist Telecommunication Network.

After lunch the group viewed "Witnessing Media," a videotape explaining media as a ministry. Alice Arnett of Louisville, current Kentucky Baptist Media Library Association president, moderated a discussion.

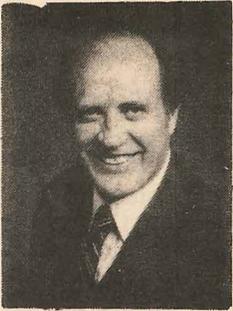
Any Kentucky Baptist association may begin a TACMO. Just contact the Media Department at the Kentucky Baptist Building, Middletown.

*TACMO will be good for training and sharing ideas. If our own libraries become strong, they will touch every area of our churches.*

Director of missions, Charles Young, was encouraged by the meeting. "With all the free help available and our newly formed TACMO, churches in Greenup should each have a library to help education support."

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## homes for children

### Investments—profits

For several months investment specialists and stockbrokers have talked about the bull market as the Dow Jones average has steadily climbed. Some have sold for handsome profits while others have watched the value of their stocks increase.

Kentucky Baptist Homes for Children provides a remarkable return for those who invest in this significant ministry to children. However, the return is not in money profits, but in positive victory in the lives of young people.

This spring, 11 young people living at Glen Dale will graduate from high school and leave for college, vocational training, the work force or military service. Glen Dale has invested 50 years in the lives of these precious youth. To demonstrate the return on your investments, I share one example.

This young man, age 18, has lived at Glen Dale over three years. Like many who live at Baptist Homes, he comes from a broken home where he was experiencing difficulties in relationships. Before coming to us, he was hostile and acted out his anger toward those he perceived as interfering with his life. At Glen Dale he began making favorable progress in relationships and school work.

With support from his mother, he was released prematurely, vowing never to return to Glen Dale. After six months, a very distraught young man called and requested permission to return to campus.

When he returned, he accepted responsibility for his problems and began to make steady progress in dealing with them. Now, for the profits or pay-off. He has made a strong Christian commitment, is vice president of his graduating class, is one of the editors of the school yearbook and a leader among his peers. He plays varsity basketball, sings in the school chorus, has a 95 percent grade point average and recently scored 24 on the ACT national college entrance exam. Furthermore, he sings with the Homeland Singers, works part time on campus and has been offered several college scholarships, including two from our Kentucky Baptist colleges. He often expresses appreciation for what Kentucky Baptist Homes for Children means to him.

I am glad to get this kind of return on investments, aren't you?

# christian education

## Southwestern Seminary set \$18 million budget

Trustees of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Ft. Worth, Tex., adopted an \$18.3 million budget, elected three faculty members and approved forms for certifying current students' involvement in local churches.

Among the three faculty additions which were approved, Bob R. Ellis was named instructor in Old Testament. He comes from Hardin-Simmons University. Ellis holds degrees from Hardin-Simmons and Southwestern and is a candidate for Southwestern's Ph.D.

R. Allen Lott was named instructor in music history. He is now research assistant at the City University of New York where he is a candidate for the Ph.D. He also holds degrees from Trinity University, San Antonio, Tex., and City University of New York.

Lynda Poston-Smith was elected assistant professor in voice. She has been an instructor in voice at Southwestern since 1982. Poston-Smith holds two degrees from the Manhattan School of Music, New York City. (BP)

## Southern Seminary given \$1 million from estates

Two donors who died recently in Florida and Missouri have provided more than \$1 million for the work of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville.

Mrs. Irene Hale Skinner of Tampa, Fla. made a bequest of \$821,677 to Southern Seminary, along with gifts to Southwestern Baptist Seminary, Ft. Worth, Tex.; Baptist Bible Institute, Graceville, Fla.; Clear Creek Baptist School, Pineville, Ky.; and South Florida Baptist Hospital.

Her estate, including gifts to these agencies and her family and friends, totaled \$2.7 million. An additional amount from her late husband's estate, valued at several million dollars, has yet to be distributed.

Judge A. P. Stone Jr. of Springfield, Mo. created a testamentary trust which will provide more than \$250,000 to enlarge a half-million-dollar endowment he previously established. The A. P. Stone Fund, named in memory of his father, an 1895 graduate of Southern Seminary, is used for student aid, with a preference for those preparing for foreign missions.

## BSSB leader encourages doctrinal preaching

A call for doctrinal preaching was issued by Joe Stacker in an address to students at Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary.

Stacker, director of the church administration department at the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board, said there had been a serious lack of doctrinal preaching over the past 25 years, which prompted his urging today's preachers to consider the need.

"Doctrinal preaching is vital to evangelism, discipleship, growth and fellowship as the people of God," Stacker told the students.

"Without doctrinal preaching, people will not be saved, and saved people will not grow," Stacker continued. "And without doctrinal preaching we are denying the commandment of Christ to go baptize and teach what he commanded us.

"Clarity is the key to good doctrinal

preaching," Stacker said. "Get away from the lectures of the classroom or the academic sounds of theological textbooks.

"Listen to the people, hear their needs and wants, then preach the faith with illumination," he exhorted. "Some doctrinal sermons I have heard use language that only a seminary graduate could comprehend."

## Seminary professor urges childlike thinking

What do you tell little Julie when she asks if Grandma, who was buried yesterday, is going to heaven to be with the pet hamster, Gerald, who was buried last week?

Although children are quite imaginative, they view the world in a very literal way, said Bill Hendricks, a seminary professor and speaker at Regional Childlife conference held in Jackson, Miss., Mar. 13-15.

"When little ones hear something, they take it at a much more traumatic level than it is meant," said Hendricks, professor of Christian theology at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky.

"That's why children become so wide-eyed and resistant when someone asks them if they want to give their heart to Jesus," he said.

Hendricks, who spoke on children and theology, said it is hard to separate cultural myths, such as Santa Claus or the tooth fairy, from the abstractness of God. "If children are going to live in the real world, they need to know the myths of childhood."

However, Hendricks said, children need to be helped to understand that "stories about Jesus' earthly ministry are different from cultural myths because stories about Jesus actually happened."

## \$5.9 million budget approved at Southeastern

Trustees of Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Wake Forest, N. C., adopted a \$5,932,744 budget for 1986-87 and forwarded to the Southern Baptist Convention Peace Committee president W. Randall Lolley's response to a recent visit to the seminary by a subcommittee of the Peace Committee.

The new budget is a five percent increase over the current budget. A portion of the increase will be for faculty and staff salaries and for operation of the Ledford Student Center.

The trustees established three endowment funds: the Jack Arlen Holt Memorial for Student Aid; the Sadako Kawano Memorial for International Students; and the Rachael L. Armour Fund for Financial Aid.

## Baptist Foundation awards 103 scholarships

The Kentucky Baptist Foundation awarded 103 scholarships during the 1985-86 school year.

Students attending Campbellsville College, Cumberland College, Georgetown College and Southern Baptist Theological Seminary were recipients of the scholarships.

Those wishing information concerning the foundation's scholarship program should contact the financial aid office at their school.

## Seminarians warned of satanic strategy

Other than salvation, the most valuable revelation to any Christian is knowledge of how the enemy operates and how to take advantage of authority in Christ, evangelist Jack Taylor told a student forum group at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville.

Where is the warfare? Taylor asked members of the Student Evangelical Forum. "Many are convinced it is in the Southern Baptist Convention," he alleged but argued rather that prayer is where the war against the devil is, and added, "The closer to the end the more fierce the warfare."

Warning students that they are walking out into a "demon-infested" atmosphere, Taylor admonished his audience to be aware of the wiles of the devil and of their authority over him in Christ.

Taylor cautioned students the devil operates by "doubt, deceit, false teachings," and doubt of the word of God. He added the devil attacks at the highest level by convincing people he does not exist.

Taylor urged student to "hold up the blood of Christ" as a weapon against the devil. The blood of Christ, he said, "has satisfied the violated holiness of God" and has taken away every reason for you and me to be alienated from God.

## Students urged to affirm Christian heritage

More than 1600 participants in the 41st annual National Baptist Student Union retreat were urged to affirm their Christian heritage.

"Our heritage begins in a new birth with the gift of God," Harold T. Branch, pastor of St. John Baptist Church, Corpus Christi, Tex., said in a keynote address. "We have no future without the new birth, and God's challenge is that we live in the example of Christ."

The four-day retreat at Memphis, Tenn., was sponsored by student ministries of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board, and addressed the theme, "Our Christian Heritage: God's Challenge—Our Future."

During the Sunday morning worship service 65 students made professions of faith and 42 made commitments to full time Christian service. Total registration was 1614 from 142 campuses and 10 churches.

For only the second time in more than 15 years a woman has been elected National Baptist Student Union president. Nancy Jones, a junior from Howard University in Washington was elected this year.

## Dehoney Award begun at Southern Seminary

Wayne Dehoney, former pastor of Walnut Street Baptist Church, Louisville, and former chairman of the board of trustees at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, has established a travel award to recognize the "most promising preacher" in each year's graduating class at Southern Seminary.

Named in honor of the donor's wife, the Lealice Dehoney Award will consist of an all-expense paid study trip to Israel for the winning student and spouse, to be taken in January during Dehoney's popular BibleLand travel program for pastors and laypersons.

Selection for the award will be conducted by a faculty/staff committee, and will be from among those students with a vocational commitment to the preaching ministry of a local church, a record of exceptional ministry as a pastor prior to graduation and either current service or a call to serve as pastor of a church after graduation.

### R. Frank Denton joins SWBTS staff

R. Frank Denton has been named associate director of development at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Ft. Worth, Tex., effective June 1.

Denton has been executive director/treasurer of the Missouri Baptist Foundation since 1979.

At Southwestern, Denton will be responsible for coordinating development activities in Houston and southeastern Texas. He is one of three associate directors assisting James Denton, a graduate of development.

Denton is a graduate of Baylor University and Southwestern. (BP)

### Furman student honored by Time magazine

Marylee James, a Furman University student who started her college career 25 years after she graduated from high school, has been selected by Time magazine as one of the country's 20

most outstanding college students.

Miss James, a member of Pendleton Street Baptist Church, Greenville, S. C., was selected as one of the magazine's College Achievement Award winners. The competition was open to students from any accredited four-year college and Miss James was selected from 100 finalists.

Miss James, a political science/sociology major at Furman, works full time as a nurse at Piedmont Dialysis Center. Last year she was one of 105 college sophomores from across the country to receive a four-year Truman Scholarship.

She is a Charles A. Dana Teaching Fellow at Furman, a Baptist school in Greenville. After receiving a fellowship for foreign study, she was an assistant during a study tour of the Mid-East and Africa earlier this year. Her father, the late John C. Massey, was a Baptist minister. (BP)

### Southeastern professor dies of heart failure

John Edward Steely, professor of historical theology at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Wake Forest, N. C., since 1956, died Mar. 28 of heart failure.

Steely, 63, was a native of Almyra, Ark.

He received an undergraduate degree in 1944 and an honorary doctorate in 1982 from Ouachita Baptist University, Arkadelphia, Ark. He earned graduate

degrees from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville.

Steely had been pastor of five churches in Arkansas and Illinois. From 1948-56 he was head of the department of Bible and religious education at Southern Baptist College, Walnut Ridge, Ark.

He is survived by his wife, Donna, and two children, Deborah of Raleigh, N. C., and John Allen of Winston-Salem, N. C. (BP)

### Georgetown explores tyranny of preaching

"The Joyful Tyranny of Preaching" will be the theme of Georgetown College's 10th Baptist Pastors Fellowship scheduled for Apr. 17.

The conference, which begins at 9 a.m. in the Gheens Room of Gidding Hall, features John Gladstone, pastor of Yorkminister Park Baptist Church, Toronto, Canada.

Gladstone's lectures will focus on two major pastoral concerns: defining the pulpit task and developing the sermon. He will conclude the one-day conference with a sermon on "The Oliver Twist Spirit in Church."

A native of London, England, he is a graduate of Manchester Baptist College, Manchester University, England. Gladstone is author of three books: **The Valley of the Verdict, A Magnificent Faith** and **All Saints and All Sorts**.

### Stetson trustees select Lee as president-elect

Stetson University trustees named executive vice president H. Douglas Lee president-elect. He will succeed president Pope A. Duncan June 1, 1987, said Wendell N. Jarrard Jr., trustee chairman.

When Lee assumes the presidency Duncan will become chancellor of the university.

As chancellor Duncan will be a good will ambassador for Stetson, the oldest university in the state. Duncan, 65, will be only the second chancellor in university history. The first was J. Ollie Edmonds in 1967.

Lee earned BA degrees in English and divinity, a master of theology and a doctorate in religion. He studied at the University of Richmond and Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville.

From 1971-73 Lee taught ethics, politics and religion at Virginia Intermont College, where he also was director of educational development. From 1973-78 he was director of university relations at Wake Forest University. (BP)

### Georgetown honors professor's retirement

Georgetown College, alumni and community friends honored Dwight Linsay at a retirement dinner Apr. 11 in Cralle Student Center.



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Linsay, a veteran teacher of 38 years at Georgetown, will step down from full time duties this spring, after also being the school's principal liaison for its pre-med students for 16 years. The professor was recently recognized as Kentucky's Distinguished Teacher of Science last year by the Kentucky Academy of Science.

Nine of his proteges, now practicing medicine and dentistry, honored him that afternoon with a seminar on "Better Living through Biology...a Seminar on Achieving Wellness." Participants included Dwight Linsay, a Louisville allergist; Truman Mays, a Somerset physician/surgeon; Terrill Mays, a general practitioner in Elizabethtown; Kathy Rizenbergs Slaughter, a dentist in Paducah; and William Blevins of Red Lodge, Mont.

## NOBTS panel sets budget, elects three

Trustees of New Orleans (La.) Baptist Theological Seminary adopted a \$6.2 million budget for the fiscal year beginning Aug. 1. The new budget reflects a 3.62 percent increase over the current budget.

In other business trustees elected three new faculty members: Jeanine C. Bozeman, assistant professor of social work; R. Dennis Cole, assistant professor of biblical archaeology; and Stephen A. Skinner, assistant professor of voice.

Trustees promoted David W. Perkins to associate professor of New Testament and Greek and Carlton L. Winbery to professor of New Testament and Greek. (BP)

## Georgetown will grant three honorary degrees

Georgetown College will grant three honorary doctoral degrees at its annual commencement Saturday, May 10 at 10 a.m.

Receiving those degrees will be Ted Sisk, pastor of Immanuel Baptist Church, Lexington; Carolyn Weatherford, executive director, Woman's Missionary Union, SBC, Birmingham, Ala.; and Allan E. Inglis, orthopedic surgeon with the Hospital for Special Surgery, New York.

Inglis, a 1950 Georgetown College alumnus, will be awarded a doctor of laws degree.

In addition to his practice of surgery, he teaches orthopedic and cell biology and anatomy at Cornell University Medical College.

Inglis is author and/or co-author of 67 scholarly papers and professional articles. Among his inventions and developments are the artificial shoulder joint, the artificial wrist joint and the artificial ankle joint.

Miss Weatherford will be granted a doctor of divinity degree. Through her

work at WMU she leads approximately 1.2 million women, girls and preschoolers in mission support, education and action. Before this appointment she was executive secretary of the Florida WMU.

The native Mississippian is a regular contributor to denominational magazines and manuals and is the author of four books.

Ted Sisk, a Lexington pastor for 17 years, will be granted the honorary doctor of divinity degree. He received his undergraduate degree from Piedmont College, Demorest, Ga., and he earned the MDiv and DMin from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville.

He is a former president of the Kentucky and West Virginia Baptist conventions. Sisk has been a trustee at Alderson-Broadus, Philippi, W. Va., and Georgetown. He chaired the Georgetown Board from 1974-76.

He has been a member of the state Baptist executive boards in Kentucky, Georgia and West Virginia while he was a pastor in those states.

He is married to the former Ginny Dalton. They have four sons.

## Campbellsville College to present 'Annie'

The Broadway musical "Annie" will be presented Apr. 24-26 as Campbellsville College's spring production.

A Saturday matinee is Apr. 26 at 1 p.m. Other performances are at 8 p.m. nightly in the Alumni Chapel.

The cast is composed of a mixture of college students, faculty and their children and community members.

Two children, Melinda Spell and Stephanie Miller, both of Campbellsville, will play Annie two times each.

Russ Mobley, assistant professor of drama and speech, is directing the production.

Mark Bradley, assistant professor of music, is musical director. Sharon Gudgeon, a sophomore from Goshen, Oh., is assistant director. Peggy Hardy, of Campbellsville, is pianist.

Reservations are required and can be made by calling (502) 465-8158, ext. 266, from 1 to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

## Union's Craig goes to Marshall

East Texas Baptist University trustees have elected Robert E. (Jack) Craig as president of the 74-year-old Texas Baptist coeducational institution.

Craig, a 1950 graduate of the college, is the first layman and first alumnus elected to lead the school. He replaces Harvey D. Lewis, who has been acting president since last November.

Craig has been president of Union University, Jackson, Tenn., 19 years.

"Under his leadership there," said Charles McIlveene, search committee chairman, "a new campus was planned and built on a new site; the university's assets were increased by over \$13 million; student enrolment was increased by 95 percent; library holdings were increased by 60 percent; and he helped obtain new academic accreditation for Union University's National Schools of Music and National League of Nursing.

"Similar gains were noted while Craig served as president of Southwest Baptist College, in Bolivar, Mo.," McIlveene said. "Student enrolment increased from 370 students to 1178 during his presidency."

Craig will assume his new role some time in June of this year, said Wallace W. Watkins, trustee chairman.

## SBTS chapel services to focus on SBC heritage

Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, will observe Denominational Heritage Week Apr. 22-25.

Speakers for the week will be: Tuesday—Grady Cothen, retired president of the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville; Wednesday—Carolyn Weatherford, executive director of Woman's Missionary Union, auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention, Birmingham, Ala.; Thursday—Norman Cavendar, a Georgia layman and co-owner of C & C Farms, Claxton, Ga.; and Friday—William Lumpkin, retired pastor of Free Mason Baptist Church, Northfork, Va.

All services will begin at 10 a.m. in Alumni Chapel.



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# clear creek comment

## L. C. Kelly Club

While he was pastor of First Baptist Church, Pineville, L. C. Kelly discovered only four of 115 ordained Baptist preachers in the mountain area had a high school education. Keenly sensing the need for proper preaching of the gospel and seeing the forks of the Clear Creek, he was inspired to dream aloud: "Surely God must have made this beautiful spot for the moral and spiritual benefit of the mountain people."

In 1923 he persuaded Baptist laymen in Pineville and Middlesboro to back him in purchasing the Clear Creek Mountain Springs property, consisting of 450 acres of land and six cottages. In 1926, the first session of the preachers' school was held as a two week study for 12 students led by Kelly and one other teacher.

In 1986, Clear Creek has an enrolment of more than 200 students and a faculty of 31. The 1986 graduating class includes our 1200th graduate who joins our alumni who serve God in 46 states and several foreign countries. This proud achievement is the result of one man's vision to prepare God-called adults to better meet the needs of the local church and to proclaim the gospel with boldness throughout the world.

As part of the celebration of our 60th anniversary this year, we are forming an L. C. Kelly Club to honor the founder of our school. The purpose of the club will be to continue to pursue the goals and ideals set by Kelly.

Specifically, we will increase the L. C. Kelly Endowment Fund until we are able to endow L. C. Kelly Chair of Bible. We will publish Kelly's biography in August and will renovate Kelly Hall.

An L. C. Kelly Club dinner is planned for 5:30 p.m., Thursday, Apr. 24 in Kelly Hall. If you would like to attend the dinner to see (by slides) and hear (by tape) Kelly, to meet his family and learn more about how God used his life and ministry, please call me or Carvin Bryant immediately at (606) 337-3196.

Kelly's story is a story of vision, prayer and commitment to Christ. He left footsteps of faith for us to follow. All who are interested in preserving and promoting Kelly's vision are invited to join us at the L. C. Kelly Club dinner Apr. 24.

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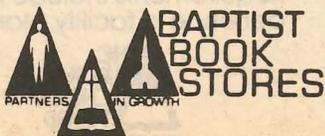
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You can go home again

Thomas Wolfe was wrong.

His most often quoted line, taken by many as gospel, is: "You can't go home again."

But I did.

And the second time was better than the first.

Writing in this column in 1984 I related an experience that happened on the coast of Kenya. I had gone with missionary Clay Coursey one Sunday morning to Scheme Baptist Church, about an hour's drive inland from the vacationer's paradise of Malindi.

The church was of small rectangular structure set back from the dirt road in a little settlement of homes. Its walls were mud, its roof was thatched with frunches, its floor dirt, its only furnishings a few wooden benches without backs and a crude lectern.

As I tried to sing "Are You Washed in the Blood?" in Swahili with those folks a strange thing happened. For the first time, as I looked into the beautiful black faces around me, I realized that—had not millions of Southern Baptists working together given to the Lottie Moon Christmas offering across the years—at least some of those souls I worshiped with that day would not have been there. For the first time in my life I was seeing the other end of the spectrum: where the offering was going, who was entrusted with it, who was benefiting from it. And I felt very good about all that I was seeing.

The little congregation off from Malindi hasn't been far from my mind since. I went away saying, "If I ever have the chance to return to Kenya, I want to pay another visit to Malindi and visit those dear people again."

Earlier this year, that became reality. A flood of memories washed over me as I sat on one of those wooden benches and heard the gospel preached again in Swahili.

I was graciously introduced and asked to bring words of greeting from Kentucky Baptists. I told the people about the partnership between Baptists of their nation and our state.

When I had finished, Clay Coursey leaned over to tell me in English what the leader was saying to the congregation in Swahili.

He termed my visit "God's will," said my being there had blessed the people and asked God to guide me the rest of my journey.

But the real blessing was mine that day. I realized again how good God is, how omnipotent his power and presence, how great his love, how colorblind his heart.

Not go home again?

Thomas Wolfe obviously never saw Malindi.

# baptist forum

Support for Crowders

"Blame the victim" is an old game. It is played something like this: someone is robbed and when he or she reports it, he or she is told they not have been in that part of town at that hour. The idea is they are somehow responsible for what has happened to them.

This seems to be the game many Baptists are playing with the Crowders. These people have been deprived of something quite precious and fundamental to their understanding of what it means to be a Baptist and they are taking the only recourse left open to try to get the wrong made right. Their court suit has brought them a great deal of verbal abuse.

I cannot help wondering if some of those critical of the Crowders' suit against "Christian brothers and sisters" would practice what they preach if they felt they had been cheated in a business deal with another Christian or Baptist.

The Crowders have demonstrated great courage and personal sacrifice in seeking to have the wrong suffered by thousands of Southern Baptists corrected, or at least prevented from happening again. They are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses of bold Baptists who have taken strong stands when fundamental human and Christian rights were threatened. Those who perpetrated the wrong against the Crowders and others of us have made no effort to repent or reconcile.

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# Shoptalk

## The long pastorate

by George Munro

The average stay of a Baptist pastor is about two years. Yet our men are better trained and prepared today.

Why are pastorates short? First, there is a restlessness which pervades all areas of life.

Second, there are the twin matters of salary and ambition. It may seem



Munro

natural for a pastor to be enticed away to another church which can better provide for the needs of his family and offers him a wider circle of opportunity to minister.

But churches are not to be used as stepping stones in a quest for higher income and ego satisfaction.

There is frustration which comes after the "honeymoon" is over if things are not moving as had been expected.

Whatever the reasons, Baptist pastorates are lamentably brief. This is unsettling to the life of our denomination and robs pastors of the rich rewards of a longer pastorate.

How can longer pastorates be developed?

First, pulpit committees need to look for qualities which are the true criteria of called men of God and which meet the needs of their particular church. Sometimes pleasing appearance and personality are placed above sound theology and degrees above spiritual sensitivity.

Second, most men go into the ministry with high ideals coupled with great expectations. We would not want

it otherwise, but people must realize there are no perfect churches nor perfect pastors. People and pastors may be born again children of God, but they are imperfect people living in an imperfect world.

Third, happy is that minister who has learned to "lead from behind." No person is an expert in all fields, and there are few congregations which do not have men and women who can do many things better than the pastor. They are awaiting the challenge to serve. Many "burn outs" happen because the pastor carries too heavy a load, either from his sense of insecurity or the feeling he could do things better.

A church is a multi-gifted fellowship of God's children who need to grow in grace and usefulness by exercising those gifts God has given them.

As a longtime pastor, I say, "Know your limitations, both physically and otherwise, and be selective in the tasks you undertake."

It is difficult to look at oneself with objectivity. There are persons who, after a course or two in counseling, feel qualified to hand out advice to people who are in urgent need of expert assistance. The pastor must not try to do what he is not qualified to do, nor extend himself beyond the limits of his training, time and strength.

With church staff each individual should be encouraged to accept full responsibility in his/her field. While there must be good communication, the persons involved should be trusted and encouraged to develop their ministry.

One must avoid the "I'm always right because I'm pastor" kind of stance. Nor can the pastor afford to show offense when he is right and has been rebuffed.

While the pastor, by virtue of his gifts and calling, should be respected in his leadership role, respect is earned, not conferred.

To have a long pastorate the pastor must guard his prayer and study time. Many lesser tasks we feel compelled to perform rob us of the time required to fulfill the major things to which God has called us. The pastor has a certain amount of control in this area. There is no suggestion of adopting an arrogant spirit. A man will be treated as he allows himself to be.

First and foremost he is responsible to his Lord for use of his time, use of his gifts and his own personal spiritual growth. It is easy to fall into hand-to-mouth existence which will quickly impoverish his ministry.

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*George Munro, a native of New Zealand, served more than 20 years as pastor of Ft. Thomas (Ky.) Baptist Church. During the past year he has been interim director of missions in Northern Kentucky Association.*

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# oneida journal

## Just one more chance

Being a boarding school president must surely be one of the most demanding and draining jobs in all the world. One is responsible every minute of every hour, every day of the day, asleep or awake, on campus or a thousand miles away. What a responsibility.

"I am weak but thou art strong; Jesus keep me from all wrong."

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"I'll be satisfied as long as I walk, let me walk close to thee."

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"Thru' this world of toil and snares, if I falter Lord who cares?"

I'm beset on every hand. Every hour I must make decisions affecting the future of fellow human beings. Do we accept this one? Can we help that one? What is best? Should this one be expelled? Is that to be allowed back?

"Who with me my burden shares? None but thee, dear Lord, none but thee."

A staff member has proved unfaithful to our high calling. Oh, Lord, you had your Judas. What can be done? What must be done?

"Just a closer walk with thee, grant it, Jesus, is my plea."

Lord, the children have to be fed,

many must be clothed, all must be taught. Lord, we are caring for more children than all the nongovernmental supported programs in Kentucky put together. But Lord, we don't have the amount of money others do. Our people must work for far less than most.

Lord, we've got a lot of bills to pay. I'm not worrying about that too much. But some of the folks we owe are. Lord, you've always provided. I've got faith. But Lord, those people we owe aren't too much interested in our faith. They want their money.

"Daily walking close to thee, let it be, dear Lord, let it be."

Lord, what do I do with Timmy's appeal? He has written from a distant state. He wants to return to Oneida. You remember that prestigious military school he was in, Lord. He got expelled for drinking.

But Lord, somehow we failed. We had to expel him also. Or Lord, was it his failure? We took him back. And again, he had to go. Who failed? Does it matter?

We haven't heard from him for six months. Now a letter comes: "Dr. Moore, I've been thinking about you a lot lately. I've decided to write and get a few things off my mind.

"I started to school in August but shortly after I was forced to withdraw and begin working to help my parents with some financial difficulties with the IRS. Since then the family has seemed to get everything paid off. But I am still working.

"Recently, I have turned back to the Lord. I am trying to be a good Christian. However, I am still very weak. In society down here, it is very hard to be a strong Christian.

"I know I have disappointed you too much in the past to be forgiven. But I have changed since. I really have.

"I have got to come back, to work, to become a stronger Christian, to become a stronger person. Please consider, Dr. Moore, please."

Lord, must we take Timmy again? People will think I've lost my mind. Lord, he's had his chance.

It is 30 minutes after midnight. Tim's letter is before me. The phone rings. It is Timmy.

I muster my sternest tone. I don't see how can we do anything further. We've been let down so many times before.

"Please. Just one more chance." His voice breaks.

The master whispers, "Forgive...70 times 70...as I have loved you...show love."

Come on, Timmy. We'll be waiting.

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# sunday school lessons

LESSONS FOR APR. 20, 1986

Life and Work Series

## Focusing on Christ

**Colossians 3:1-4** Christ had taken the Colossian Christians from the downward pathway and placed them on the heavenly pathway. Reminded them of their new position. Paul stressed the kind of life they were under obligation to live. Paul reminded them that they had been raised with Christ. Consequently, their interests, desires, words and deeds should be different from what they were before they were saved. Paul urged those who had come into possession of eternal life to seek the qualities exemplified in the life of Christ. There are three good reasons why Christians should center their energies on doing the will of Christ: They are dead to sin but alive to God, their lives are hid with Christ in God and they have a hope of future blessedness.

**Colossians 3:5-9** Even though Christians possess heavenly citizenship, they will still have to contend with sin as long as they inhabit a body of flesh. Paul exhorts believers to fight a war against sin. Wrong attitudes, bad dispositions and evil practices are the enemies of Christian peace, power and progress. Among the works of the "old man" are the sins which grow out of the physical lusts—impurity of thought, word and deed. There are also sins which are the

result of egotism—resentment, temper, malice and foul or abusive language. **Colossians 3:10-11** Having been redeemed by the blood of Christ, saved by grace through faith, indwelt by the Holy Spirit and kept by the power of God, believers hold the same blessed position, whether Jew or Gentile, bondman or freeman. So far as the Christian's life is concerned, Christ is its source, sustenance, sphere, satisfaction and security.

International Series

## The Holy Spirit and Jesus' birth

**Luke 1:35-42** During the betrothal of Joseph and Mary, God sent the angel Gabriel to inform Mary she was the one whom he had chosen to conceive a child whose name would be "Jesus." Startled by the appearance of Gabriel and puzzled by his message, Mary inquired, "How shall this be, seeing I know not a man?" Gabriel assured her God had the ability to make possible Jesus' virgin birth, whereupon she promptly remarked: "Behold the handmaiden of the Lord; be it unto me according to thy word."

Mary went to visit her cousin Elizabeth who resided in the hill country of Judea. Elizabeth congratulated Mary for believing the promise of God and assured her that God's promise would be fulfilled.

**Luke 2:25-32** In compliance with the Mosaic law, Jesus was circumcised and a rite was performed before a priest acknowledging God's proprietary right in him. Forty-one days after his birth a purification ceremony for Mary took place in the Jerusalem temple.

As Mary and Joseph started to leave the temple, a stranger named Simeon approached them. This aged seer was Spirit-annointed, Spirit-enlightened and Spirit-led. The Holy Spirit enabled Simeon to recognize the babe as the messiah and praise God the father. For a long time Simeon had been waiting for the appearance of the messiah with the full assurance, which he had received from the Holy Spirit, that he would see the messiah before he departed this life.

Waiting for the fulfillment of the divine promise in the advent of the messiah had a wholesome effect upon Simeon's life. Likewise, waiting and watching for the return of Christ will have a salutary effect upon those who are children of God.



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# on mission together

## The child in us

Along with weekly Baptist state papers and the many SBC agency publications, a sizable number of church newsletters cross my desk.

Among those from Kentucky churches, Bob Browning of First

Baptist, Somerset, wrote recently:

"Amy Blair and I had another talk about tithing. It was our second heart to heart. Amy is my eight-year-old daughter. When she had her last birthday she collected \$13. She slept with it for two nights. That lets you know how important it was to her.

"I explained the meaning of the word tithe again. I also told her how her tithe would be used to meet the needs of many people, especially children. When I concluded, she informed me she was going to give all \$13 to the church. What a sales job I must have done!

"Then we got her tithing envelopes. 'Amy, how much do you want to put in your envelope?' I asked. 'Nothing,' she said. 'I have changed my mind. I want to keep it all. I won't have much left if I put in \$1.30.'

"Needless to say, another round of discussion started. In the end, she put her tithe in the envelope. Only God knows if she put it in the offering plate.

"I saw so much of myself and others

in Amy's conversation. We talk a good game, don't we? We have wonderful intentions. We know what is right and best. Deep down, we want to do it.

"But, when it comes to implementing our intentions, we falter. We talk ourselves out of doing what God lays upon our heart. I know I do, and do not believe I am alone.

"Maybe you have had some good intentions about stewardship. Do you need to make some changes? Ask God to forgive you, and to give you the ability to do what is right.

"I can hardly wait until Amy and I have our next talk about tithing. I'll be sure and let you know what I learn."

Though we may never hear the further episodes in this dialogue between Amy and her pastor father, we can be certain that the same dialogue between God and us will continue.

"Lord, it seems I keep on losing the battle to be unselfish. I win a few, then lose a bunch! Thank you for your reminders and your longsuffering love."

# Chang envisions a 'Christian' China

China will be sending Christian missionaries to Europe and the United States within 15 years, declared C. K. Chang.

That is both a prediction and a vision for Chang, a 77-year-old third-generation Baptist.

"The Bible says the time will come when 'your old men shall dream dreams and your young men shall dream visions,'" he explained. "I want to be the youngest old man in China. I have a vision of China being won for Christ."

Chang is professor of English at An Hui Normal University. During the Cultural Revolution, he twice was imprisoned and was separated from his family for 15 years because of his Christian beliefs.

As a visiting professor at Baylor University he visited Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Ft. Worth, Tex., where he told a missions class that at China's current rate the world's most populous country will be evangelized by the end of the century. Chinese then will "be sending missionaries not only to our own people but all around the world," he said.

News of Christian activity was limited during the 35 years of Communist suppression of Christian missionaries and other foreign influences. But the nation's door has swung open slowly in recent years. Outsiders expected to find a struggling church—if one had survived at all.

Instead, Chang estimates there are three million to five million Christians worshipping each week in 3500 reopened churches. Another 1000 churches soon will reopen, he said.

"And God only knows how many



C. K. Chang predicts China will send missionaries to the world

house churches there are," Chang said. "But there are likely another 10 million to 15 million Christians worshipping in them."

Yet these impressive numbers constitute a minority of more than one billion people in the nation. But Chang's vision isn't fazed by the numbers.

He gave two examples of what fuels this vision.

One is the dedication with which Chinese Christians work to spread the Christian message. Thousands of

Chinese—the majority highly educated and holding technical jobs—work double shifts and on state holidays to build up two to three months of consecutive off-days," he said.

"Instead of using their vacation to sightsee like most Americans," they move to wherever they can get intensive training in Bible, Chang said. These lay people then return to act as assistant pastors in churches.

The second example is of Chang's next door neighbor, the retired

president of An Hui Normal University and "a member of the Communist Party, an avowed atheist."

He came one day to ask Chang for a favor. "All my life I have hoped to have time to read the Holy Bible I have heard so much about," the neighbor said. "Now I have time. Could you get me a Bible?"

It took two weeks for Chang to get a Chinese Bible printed on newsprint. The retired university president paid \$6.75 for the 10-inch-thick book and asked Chang's help on parts he did not understand.

China will not allow foreign missionaries but is anxious for "foreign experts" to come and teach, Chang said. "They prefer Christians because Christians have proven to be good teachers."

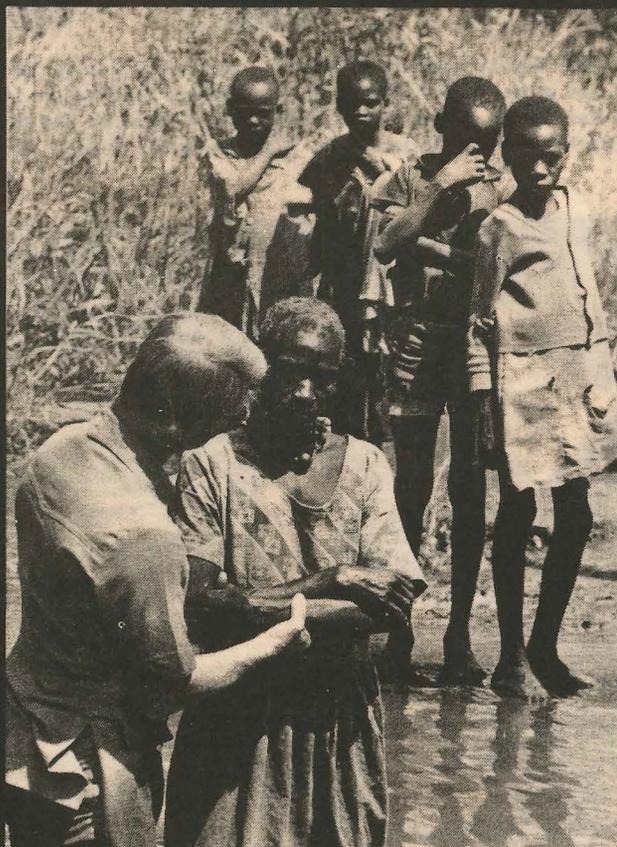
He hopes Baptist lay people will contact Southern Baptist's Cooperative Services International, Box 6767, Richmond, VA 23230, for information on applying to teach in China.

"You can share your faith while you are there—our constitution has been changed so there is no discrimination against Christians," Chang stressed.

He also hopes some of those volunteers will come to his university so he can retire. "Sixty-five is the normal retirement time but the president won't let me quit yet," Chang said. "He told me to bring back lots of volunteers to teach. Then maybe I could retire."

Naturally, Chang's retirement plans relate to his vision for China. He wants to get out of the classroom so he can preach full time. (BP)

## Show His Love....



## ...Cooperative Program Day

April 20, 1986

## CP expresses God's love

Jack Kling an intelligence agent in World War II, working in four languages, became quite an expert at digging up the unusual. He discovered that Christopher Columbus was not a lunatic as some have thought, nor a mercenary as others claim, but of all things, a missionary!

He discovered something that all the history books leave out...that Columbus was convicted of the momentary return of Jesus Christ. A large part of his trying to find the New World was so everyone in the world could hear the gospel.

One of the contemporaries of Columbus described him as "an apostle, an ambassador for God." Columbus even wrote a book, **The Book of Prophecies** in which he sets forth his conviction and call of God to discover the New World for the purpose of presenting the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Apr. 20, 1986 Southern Baptists will observe Cooperative Program Day, in celebration of their primary method of taking the gospel to the ends of the earth.

The Great Commission assignment grows larger every day. With a population of over 4.5 billion persons on planet earth Southern Baptists are being challenged to boldness in their mission thrust.

The whole world is the goal. While many are saying that the day of the missionary is over Southern Baptists are intensifying efforts to send and support thousands of additional missionaries before the turn of the

century.

Presently approximately 7500 Southern Baptist missionaries serve in 106 countries and all 50 states, putting the denomination ahead of projections for supporting 10,000 career missionaries by the year 2000.

As you participate in Cooperative Program Day, you can be there as you give financial support and fervent prayer.

One of the greatest things about working in the kingdom of God is the opportunity to be a part of something bigger than you are able to be alone. Such is your experience when you share yourself and your means with your church and your church gives through the Cooperative Program. Financial support is a demonstration of your love for Christ and his mission on earth reaching others.

Through prayer support you become partners with those who daily show his love through ministries around the globe. Karen Quimby, who serves in Spain, writes, "We have no doubts that the marvelous workings of God we have seen lately have been a direct result of the intercessory prayers of God's saints."

There are fewer missionaries in the world than millionaires in the United States, but wherever there is a Southern Baptist missionary, God's love is seen.

Dallas Holm performs

# Campbellsville College concert provides food for families



Dallas Holm

By Lisa Richerson  
Campbellsville College  
student news writer

"Projects like this are a good way to introduce young people to a college campus and a Christian atmosphere," said David Hyde, Campbellsville College Baptist Student Union president.

"The project was a lot of work but the benefits were worth it. Just seeing the smiles on people's faces made it worth it," Hyde, a senior from Marietta, Ga., said.

"People were really thankful and excited about it. I would like to have the chance to do it again."

Hyde was one of about 150 Campbellsville College students who recently participated in a concert by Dallas Holm & Praise on the College's campus and who worked to provide food to needy families.

The concert brought in approximately 2,400 to 2,500 people from across Kentucky. Persons attending the concert were not charged an admission fee, but instead were asked to make a donation of \$2 and a can of food.

"Approximately 2,500 cans of food were collected," said Dan Flanagan, vice president for religious life and counseling at Campbellsville College.

About 16 families in the Taylor County area received food, Flanagan said. The BSU members were in charge of collecting the food and distributing it to families in need.

"We worked with Betty Smith from the Taylor County Ministerial Association and the Department for Social Services," Flanagan said.

"Without exception, all the families receiving the food were thankful and grateful," said Flanagan. "The size and age of the families varied, from young beginning families to the elderly, although all families came from the lower socio-economic class.

"This provided a good opportunity for students to minister to others by distributing the food. We will certainly do this type of thing again if the opportunity presents itself."

Flanagan explained that food that was not distributed will be utilized through the Taylor County Ministerial Association's food pantry, a service they have for the needy.

The policy of free concerts was adopted by Dallas Holm & Praise in January 1984. "It's not right for everyone, we realize, but a lot of things have changed both in Christian music and in our ministry, and we just had to re-evaluate.

"Free concerts will bring in a lot more unsaved young people, the ones we really want to reach," said Holm.

About 40 to 50 persons made decisions when the invitation was offered at the end of the concert at Campbellsville College.

In August 1984, the food drive was added to Dallas Holm & Praise concerts at the request of the director of a food pantry in Boise, Idaho. The result was a success.

Food drives are now being sponsored at all Dallas Holm & Praise concerts if requested by the sponsors.

"The Dallas Holm & Praise concert was very inspiring, more than entertaining," said Sylvia Morris, vice president for student development at Campbellsville College.

## 'I am glad the students had the opportunity to work in such a helping ministry.'

"The people in attendance ranged from the young to the old, a variety of ages. The message the group brings deals with all ages," she said.

"Holm is great to work with; he is humble not unapproachable. I think he is seen more as a minister, not an entertainer.

"The student response was very positive."

Pam Hardy, a Campbellsville College junior who attended the concert, said, "Campbellsville College was fortunate to have a group such as Dallas Holm & Praise.

"The concert added good spirit to the atmosphere of Campbellsville College."

"It was a great concert. The best part was the invitation at the end. The powerful message presented was for everybody," said Patrick Wilkerson, assistant director of admissions at the College.

Jimmy Rowland, campus minister intern from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, who was in charge of the counselors at the concert, said, "There seemed to be a good range of people at the concert. All ages enjoyed it. I think the group relates to everyone with their authenticity.

"The counselors were to hand out decision cards to those attending. We had 18 student counselors working at the concert. The cards were to be used for a first-time decision or for rededication."

Pam Riggs, assistant director of admissions, also attended the concert. "The message was down to earth and up front, and I appreciated that," she said.

Campbellsville College's Student Government Association was in charge of publicizing the concert, setting up the stage and overseeing parking accommodations.

Paul Fields, a junior from Brooksville, Ky., serves as vice president of SGA. "We mainly concentrated on the central Kentucky area," he said. "We were really happy with the response; we had several bus loads of people.

"Many of these were church groups. Students from Georgetown, Berea and Lindsey Wilson Colleges attended, as well as people from Hodgenville, Louisville and Owensboro," he said.

"I enjoyed the concert and was impressed with his (Holm's) ministry and his concept of ministry. I think the response was good and the way he gave his message convicted a lot of people. He really touched people and caused decisions to be made."

The SGA was also involved in selling Dallas Holm records, tapes, books and other items. They were also in charge of concessions.

All students working the concert were volunteers. One of these, Scarlett Catlett, a junior from Harrodsburg, said, "Well over \$1,000 worth of merchandise was sold. It was the biggest concert I have ever seen."

Other students volunteered to set up chairs and act as a loading crew. "There were around 100 volunteer student workers involved with the concert," she said.

Approximately \$400 was collected for the Kentucky Baptist Convention to use for summer missions. This was collected from a love offering during the concert.

Dallas Holm & Praise has won several music awards, and the group has had songs in national top airplay charts since they began a nationwide ministry. They are one of three groups in Christian music who has gold albums.

In 1978 and 1981 the group was named mixed group of the year. Holm was named "Male Vocalist of the Year" and "Songwriter of the Year" in 1978, 1980 and 1981.

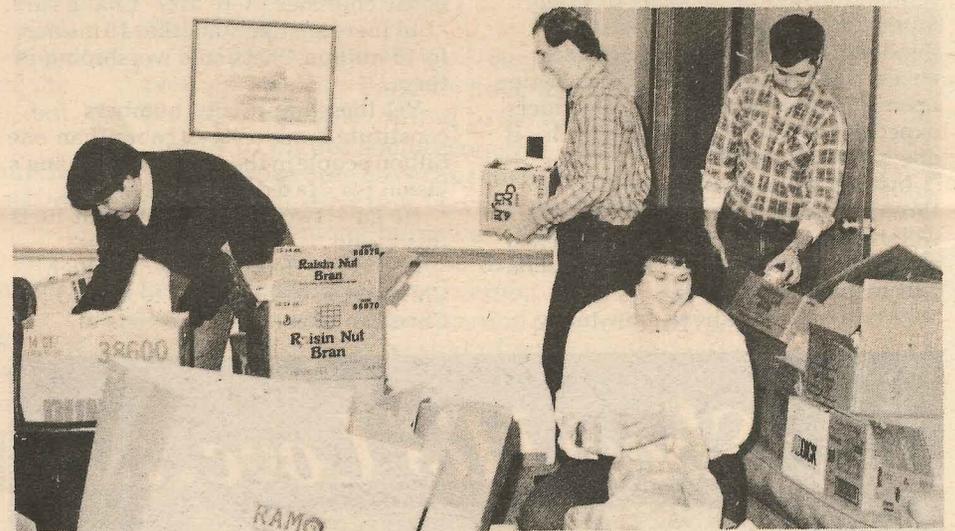
Their song "Rise Again" was named "Song of the Year" in 1978 and received the Associate Member's Award in 1980.

The group plays to audiences numbering well over a quarter of a million each year. One of their live albums was declared a gold album in 1984 by the Recording Industry Association of America.

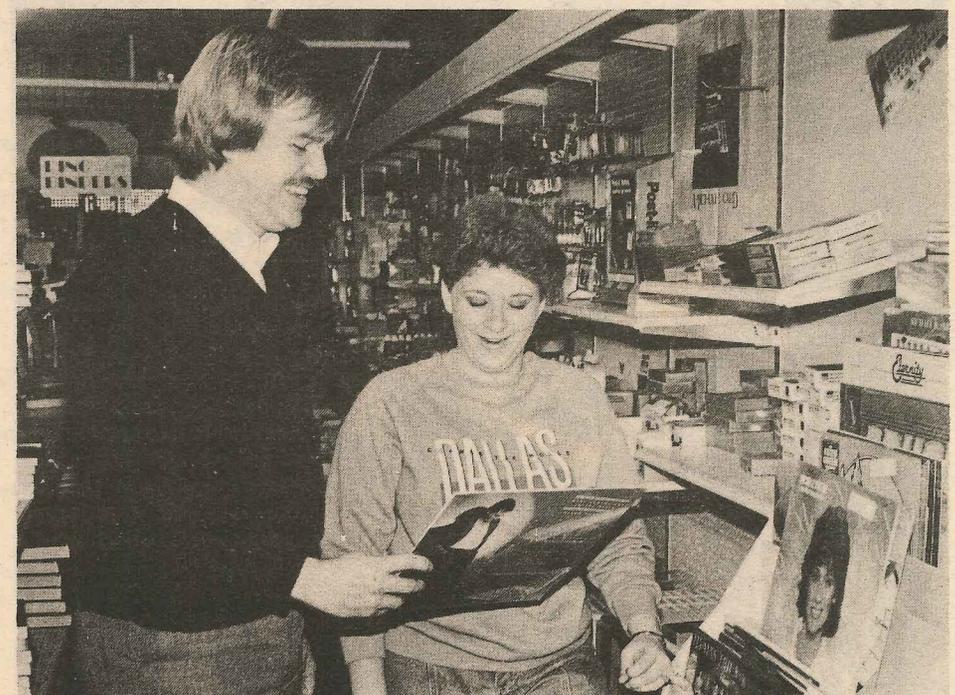
Holm said, "My goal is to be available for God to use consistently over a long period of time. I am not interested in making a big splash over a couple of years, but in making an impact for as long as God wants to use me."

"Many of the students (delivering food) couldn't believe the way people had to live," Flanagan said. "I am glad the students had the opportunity to work in such a helping ministry.

"It gave them a chance to share an aspect of God's love with those less fortunate. It gave them a chance to talk with and help these families through giving of their time."



MEMBERS OF THE Baptist Student Union at Campbellsville College distributed food which was collected at the Dallas Holm & Praise concert. Getting the food together were, from left, Paul Fields of Brooksville, Paul Jones of Paducah, Darylyn Phillips of Louisville and David Hyde of Marietta, Ga. [Campbellsville College Photo by Mary Mounce]



JIMMY ROWLAND, left, campus minister intern from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, and Scarlett Catlett, a junior from Harrodsburg, look at a Dallas Holm & Praise album in the Campbellsville College Bookstore. [Campbellsville College Photo by Joan C. McKinney]