



## Five receive appointments at Louisville hospitals

Tommy Smith, president of Louisville Baptist Hospitals, has announced the following management changes at Baptist Hospital East and Baptist Hospital Highlands, both in Louisville:

• **Bernard Tamme**, formerly vice president of operations at Baptist Hospital Highlands, has been named executive vice president, with responsi-

bility for operations at both hospitals.

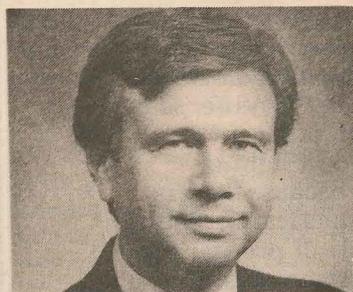
• **Paula Fields**, formerly vice president of nursing at Baptist Hospital Highlands, and **Mrs. Sue Stout**, formerly vice president of nursing at Baptist Hospital East, have become the top administrative vice presidents at the respective hospitals, with responsibilities for most clinical departments,

including nursing.

• **David Irigoyen**, who was administrative assistant at Baptist Hospital Highlands, has been promoted to assistant vice president of the facility. In his new capacity Irigoyen is responsible for allied and support services at the hospital.

• **Larry Cobb** is joining Baptist

Hospitals in Louisville as senior vice president, formerly a senior vice president at Central Baptist Hospital, Lexington. Cobb is responsible for construction and renovation projects, internal risk management and joint ventures with the hospitals' medical staff.



Tamme



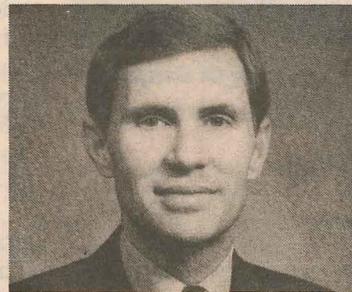
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## Three WR state correspondents win W. C. Fields literary honors

by James H. Cox, Associate Editor

A duo who combed the Kenyan countryside, youth workers using 4-H projects to help children reach their potentials and a midstate ranch where disabled young men cope with life on their own have become prize-winning subjects of Western Recorder articles. Each was declared a winning entry by a panel of recognized communications leaders in an annual writing competition among the Baptist paper's state correspondents.

The Wilmer C. Fields Incentive Writing Awards, established in 1984, signifies excellence in writing. It honors the public relations secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Fields, 64, has been assistant to the executive secretary of the SBC Executive Committee, Nashville, since 1959. Earlier, he was editor of Baptist Record, weekly news publication of the Mississippi Baptist Convention.

Entries in the annual competition are based on 10 criteria. A staff committee recommends to the judges writing done by state correspondents which, on a

point system, has reached a certain level of achievement. The judges then select three winners.

Judges this year were Louisvillians Michael Dudit, director of communications, and Wesley M. (Pat) Pattillo Jr., vice president of development, both of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary; and Gregory L. Hancock, director, Division of Communications, Kentucky Baptist Convention, Middletown.

The first place entry selected by the judges was written by Mrs. W. T. Stegall of Salem.

She related the absorbing story of Harold Greenfield, director of missions in Caldwell-Lyon Association, and Keith Rogers, pastor of First Baptist Church, Loyall, who traipsed across Kenya sharing the Good News a year ago. Her account, "Pastor, associational leader find needs, beauty in African country," was published in Western Recorder last July 23.

As first place winner, she received a check for \$75 from Western Recorder.

Second place went to Mrs. D. Robert Petersen of Webster.

Her prize-winning article, "Tending his sheep with blue ribbon commitment," published last Nov. 26, depicted life on the campus of Glendale Baptist Children's Home. Here, three adult leaders have employed 4-H projects to "teach the children skills and attitudes which will follow them throughout their lives." Said Mrs. Petersen: "It is heartwarming to know these three shepherds are diligently tending his flock with such blue-ribbon love."

Her award, as second place winner, is \$50.

Mrs. Charles M. Darland of Independence, is the writing competition's third place winner.

Her entry was "Quest Farm: Helping handicapped men grow toward independence," published Feb. 11 of this year. It highlighted the ministry of a Baptist couple who purchased a 26-acre plot near Georgetown to teach and train the mentally handicapped. Their belief was that family-centered farm care can be an alternative to traditional institutions and group homes.

The third place prize is \$25.

## Moore offers peace proposal, with mixed reactions resulting

by Dan Martin

Reaction has been mixed to a four-point peace proposal by Southern Baptist Convention first vice president Winfred Moore.

The plan urges increased participation by small churches by allowing no more than two persons from the same church to serve on convention boards, asks that nominations be sought from four state convention officials before making convention appointments, calls for persons nominated to be from churches with a history of support for Southern Baptist Cooperative Program efforts and requests an official parliamentary and proper identification when messengers register at the annual meeting.

It is widely speculated Moore will be the moderate conservative candidate for president of the SBC, but the pastor of First Baptist Church, Amarillo, Tex., has not indicated if he will allow himself to be nominated at the annual meeting June 10-12 in Atlanta.

The man regarded as the fundamental conservative choice, Adrian Rogers, pastor of Bellevue Baptist Church of Memphis, Tenn., told Baptist Press he could "say amen" to Moore's plan. "I basically think his plan is a very fine plan." He added he sought and received nominations from state leadership in the nominations he made during his presidency of the SBC (1979-80).

Rogers said he would add a fifth item to the plan "which would be to nudge us back to our historic belief in a conservative view of the Word of God. I believe that the new theological diversity in the SBC is at the root of much of our problems."

SBC president Charles Stanley of Atlanta commented on Moore's reference to inclusion of small churches: "My appointments for these past two years have included numerous people from small churches. I have tried to appoint people from churches where no other member was serving."

Stanley said seeking nominations from state leaders "would be the beginning of hierarchical government which is against all of our traditional polity. Such a plan would not promote peace but even greater division among us."

James Slatton, pastor of River Road Baptist Church in Richmond, Va., and a moderate conservative leader, said Moore's statement "is something new that has not been done before. That would give us a way toward working together and gets us away from having a king and his court."

Peace Committee member Cecil Sherman said he believes Moore's peace plan is "a gentle step in the right direction. The big problem is that it doesn't make the president do it. It just creates a pool (of nominees) and he can do anything he wants, even ignore it."

"The problem is that it doesn't deal with purging," said Sherman, pastor of Broadway Baptist Church, Ft. Worth, Tex.

"The problem with purging is that it sets brother against brother. The 'fundamentalists' do not cast the Christian movement against the world, the flesh and the devil. The fundamentalist movement sets Christians against others who say they are Christians. Until the late 1970s, Southern Baptists were pitching their ministry at the world—at what conservatives called lost people and moderates called people in need. Now, we are pitched against each other, and will continue to be."

Two denominational leaders—R. Keith Parks, president of the Foreign Mission Board and William G. Tanner, president of the Home Mission Board—also commented on the proposal.

Parks said: "My concern is that Southern Baptists get back to our basic biblical purpose of having our part in sharing Christ with the whole world, including our own nation. This proposal would help us do that. It would depoliticize the election of the president. It would move us back to a more Baptist, grass-roots representation on our boards."

Tanner said the plan "is a step in the right direction. His proposed process for the suggestion of names for appointment to SBC committees puts the emphasis where it should be: on the elected officers of the SBC working with the elected leaders of the state conventions who know the people in their own states best."

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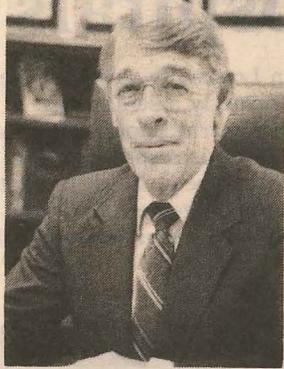
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# sanford's perspectives

## The good guys win one



Jack D. Sanford

Announcement was made last week that Southland Corporation, operators of 7-Eleven stores nationwide, will no longer sell Playboy, Penthouse and Forum magazines in their stores.

This is a serious blow to Playboy magazine since industry statistics indicate Southland Corporation accounted for about 20 percent of the total sales of Playboy through the 7-Eleven chain.

The person responsible for what may be a victory of morals over money is Don Wildmon, director of the National Federation for Decency, a Tupelo, Miss. based organization which Wildmon created while he was a Methodist pastor in Mississippi. He has fought pornography with various degrees of success and this time he seems to have won a significant victory.

It is nice to see the good guys win one. This does not happen often in our culture, but it can be done. The pressure put on the Southland Corporation by letters, boycotts and public protests designed by Wildmon brought about the change of corporate policy which should benefit all communities where 7-Eleven stores operate.

The removal of pornographic magazines from family-oriented, neighborhood convenience stores

is not a blow against free speech, but a proper way to clean up the places where children and youth are frequent customers. So-called adult books are still available in most cities in America and Southland Corporation has not crippled the peddlers of pornography, only shifted their area of influence.

A note of appreciation to John Thompson, chairman of the board, Southland Corporation, 2828 N. Haskell, Dallas, Tex., would be in order if you are happy the good guys finally won one. Wildmon, Tupelo, Miss., would also like to know someone out there appreciates the hard work he has done to lift the quality of American life, so a note to this man would also be in order.

Southland Corporation reacted in light of pressure from an irate public, not because there is a moral conscience in corporate America. Corporate America operates on the principle of profits, and that is not all bad. However, if America is to be a place where decency and Christian morality have force in the community, it will be so only as people like you send a word of protest to the corporations which sponsor, support or sell such stuff as pornographic magazines.

## The Word of God across the world

We Americans find it hard to believe that the scriptures we have so readily available to us are a scarce, precious commodity in other nations of the world

However, the latest report from the American Bible Society (ABS) indicates millions of people in the world are without a Bible or Bible portion in their native language. The report goes on to say the task of providing Bibles is more difficult every year because of rising costs and increasing political harassment of those who would send the Bible to certain nations of the world.

An example of the difficulty is seen in the report concerning the work of the ABS in the Philippines, a sprawling archipelago of 7107 islands where 135 languages and dialects are spoken. Yet during 1985

the ABS provided more than 10 million scriptures for use by natives in the Philippines.

Another example of the work ahead for the ABS is the plan to establish a printing press in the People's Republic of China for the production of hundreds of thousands of Bibles and New Testaments. The project is estimated to cost more than \$6.5 million, all of which must come from friends.

Last year Southern Baptists gave nearly \$300,000 to the ABS for its worldwide work of Bible production and distribution. This is a cooperative effort which can bring pride to all of us and one which we will want to continue for years to come. We do love the Bible and must see that we do all we can to provide the written word of God to all the peoples of the world.

## Legislation needs Baptist reaction

There is now a bill before the House of Representatives (H. R. 3838) which would seriously cripple the retirement plans of thousands of people who work in the non-profit sector of American life. This includes all workers in Southern Baptist churches, institutions and agencies.

Briefly stated, the proposed legislation would tax church pension boards just as life insurance companies are presently taxed. This would include the Annuity Board of the SBC, and call for the board to set aside funds for tax purposes, not for the retirement benefit of its contributors.

The proposed legislation would also effectively close IRAs to persons who contribute to church retirement income account programs. Workers in for-profit organizations would still be able to contribute to retirement accounts and IRAs, but church-related employees would lose this privilege.

There are other, more complex features of this bill, but this is enough to show you how important

it is that the voice of the religious community be heard on this issue.

Write your congressman and state your belief that the proposed changes to 403(b) are unfair. State that "adding a penalty tax, withdrawal restrictions and reducing contribution limits discriminate against me as a non-profit employee." Ask your congressman to please protect your retirement future and oppose changes to 403(b).

This matter, like the case of pornographic magazines, will yield to pressure from people, but only if the people speak their mind. I call on all Kentucky Baptists to speak a word now in support of the ministers, staff members and denominational workers whose retirement future could be weakened if Congress passes the bill now before it. Letters to members of the House of Representatives and members of the Senate are in order and must be sent now, for the time is short.

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## homes for children

### How do you count?

A child learns to count with one, two, three. When a small child is asked to give his or her age, first the fingers go up, like three or four, and then the number is announced. In school we learn to count in larger numbers. We also learn how to multiply, divide, add and subtract.

I want to ask you to think with me about how you count. Perhaps I should ask not how you count, but what you count as important.

Let me share some of my thoughts about priorities in our work with children. I have been giving consideration to what counts or how we count in this ministry. There are so many things that have to be done in order to care for dependent/neglected children. What do you count first? We have to have buildings (cottages) where the children can have a safe place to live. The buildings have to have lights, water and heat. Then of course food is required to feed the children. And don't forget, in our complicated society transportation is necessary, and we cannot afford to be without insurance. All of the above means expense.

But how important are these things? What really counts in a ministry to children? While I know facilities and programs are important, they must be secondary.

I believe what really counts are the children. They are created in the image of God and each one is unique and important. No matter what problems have plagued and scarred their lives they are precious to the Heavenly Father. Children are our future! Through them we reach beyond this time and touch generations yet to come.

When I count, it is the children that are most important and next to them in importance are houseparents and staff who guide their lives and point them to Jesus. I thank God that when so many of you count, you count children to be of primary importance and support this work with your prayers and finances.

A good example of how Kentucky Baptists count is revealed in the fact that the 1985 Thanksgiving Offering was the largest in our history. The total reached \$637,384.73 toward the \$700,000 goal.

# mountains to the mississippi

## personnel

**James E. Shaw** (see photo) resigned as pastor at Zion's Cause Baptist Church, Benton, Blood River Association, to accept the pastorate of South Elkhorn Baptist Church, Lexington, Elkhorn Association.

Shaw is a native of Paducah and a graduate of Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Ft. Worth, Tex. He begins his new ministry May 1.

**Mrs. Charles Crawford** (see photo) was honored by Central Baptist Church, Paris, for 20 years' service as church secretary. The church gave her a gold bracelet, a chain with 20 gold beads and a flower arrangement.

Drew Martin is pastor at Central.

**Garry Thomas** has been called as pastor of Lafayette Baptist Church, Christian County Association.

**Bobby Barnes** accepted the call as pastor at Crittenden Baptist Church, Crittenden Association. He had been pastor of Rosedale Baptist Church, Covington, Northern Kentucky Association. He began his new duties Mar. 2.

**T. Tommy Tucker** resigned as pastor at Olivet Baptist Church, Paducah, West Union Association, to become pastor at Horse Cave Baptist Church, Liberty Association.

**Blloyd Robertson** has been called as interim pastor at Meadowview Baptist Church, Taylor County Association.

**J. V. Mullen** accepted the call as pastor at Pitman Valley Baptist Church, Taylor County Association.

Mullen is a native of central Kentucky and has held pastorates in Taylor County, South Central and Russell Creek associations. He has also done pioneer work in Ohio.

**Norman Blankenship** has been called as minister of music at Beaver Lick Baptist Church, Northern Kentucky Association.

**Floyd Hale** accepted the call as pastor at Fairview Missionary Baptist Church, South Union Association. He had been pastor of Buffalo Baptist Church, Mt. Zion Association.

**J. R. Bullock** became interim pastor of Buffalo Baptist Church, Mt. Zion Association.

**Larry Mulberry** resigned as pastor at Lovelaceville Baptist Church, West Union Association, to accept the pastorate of Greenland Baptist Church, Mt. Zion Association.

**Paul Swafford** was called as pastor of High Cliff Baptist Church, South Union Association.

## Good News revivals

**White Sulphur Baptist Church**, Georgetown, Elkhorn Association, 4 professions of faith; 28 rededications; 5 additions by letter; Walter Price, evangelist. Don Carroll, pastor, also preached at three of the revival services.

**Immanuel Baptist Temple**, Henderson, Green Valley Association, 1 profession of faith; 4 rededications; 5 additions by



Shaw



Mrs. Crawford

letter; Jack D. Sanford, Western Recorder editor, evangelist; Dennis R. Plank, pastor.

**Poplar Spring Baptist Church**, Murray, Blood River Association, 11 professions of faith; 34 rededications; 2 additions by letter; L. C. Gray, pastor of Parrish Avenue Baptist Church, Owensboro, evangelist; Chester P. Culver, pastor.

**Henderson Memorial Baptist Church**, Hopkinsville, Christian County Association; 11 professions of faith; 21 rededications and other decisions; Don Short, Kuttawa, evangelist; Roy W. Field, pastor.

**Cumberland College**, Williamsburg, had 25 professions of faith during a campus revival Mar. 24-27. There were also 25 who rededicated their lives and four who accepted the call of full time Christian service. Don R. Mathis, president of the Kentucky Baptist Convention and pastor of Central Baptist Church, Corbin, was evangelist.

## congregations

**First Baptist Church**, Pikeville, Pike Association, had 421 in Sunday school and 670 in morning worship Easter Sunday Mar. 30. This is the highest attendance at the church in over 20 years.

Glenn Mollette is pastor.

**First Baptist Church**, Prestonsburg, Enterprise Association, held a "farewell service" for its old sanctuary which is about to be razed.

The structure, which was the church's auditorium from 1947-72, is being torn down to make room for a new educational building. In recent years the old sanctuary has been a multipurpose building.

Ira McMillan, pastor of the church from 1953-62, spoke at the service. There was also reminiscing by church members.

Steve Hopkins is pastor at First, Prestonsburg.

**West Corbin Baptist Church**, Mt. Zion Association, honored Graden and Catherine Sears with a celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary and 50th year of ministry.

A multimedia presentation depicting the life and ministry of the couple was shown.

Sears has pastored churches in Whitley, Laurel, Knox and Harlan counties. His first pastorate was Level Green Baptist Church, Corbin.

He attended Clear Creek Baptist School and has been a bivocational pastor all his career.

**Immanuel Baptist Church**, Lexington, is hosting the first of a series of Christian performances sponsored by Immanuel Christian Artist Series Inc., a recently formed nonprofit group dedicated to presenting Christian concerts.

The May 9 program features Dick Anthony and Bill Pearce, The Melody Four Quartet and The Sixteen Singing Men. The concert begins at 7:30 p.m.

**Calvary Baptist Church**, Emerson, N. D., is looking for its former members.

Calvary, a military church serving the 15,000 men and women of Grand Forks Air Force Base, will celebrate its 25th anniversary later this year. The church requests assistance in getting the current addresses of those who were once members but have been transferred to another military base.

## missions

**Mr. and Mrs. Jerry R. Robinson**, missionaries to the Ivory Coast, have arrived in the states for furlough (2030 Hyman Pl., New Orleans, LA 70114).

He is a native of Owensboro. She is the former Carol Johnson of New Orleans, La. They were appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1985.

**Mr. and Mrs. W. Lawrence Baker**, missionaries to Peru, have arrived on the field for the first time since reappointment in December (Apartado 810, Trujillo, Peru). They are natives of Kentucky.

He was born in Ft. Campbell and she is the former Lou Anne Pool of Hopkinsville. They were appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1978, resigned in 1982 and were reappointed in 1985.



**Central Baptist Church, Corbin**, burned a \$514,000 note Apr. 6 on its education/Christian life building. Pastor Don R. Mathis (second from left) is pictured with platform guests. The note, which was less than three years old, was retired 12 years ahead of schedule.



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# clear creek comment

Small churches are blessed

This spring our Southern Baptist churches have held simultaneous revivals across America. During the month of April we have tried to say, "Good News America—God Loves You!"

Through our revival emphasis I have become impressed again about the importance of our small churches. I am convinced that God loves a small church, that he blesses small churches and that more people are reached, won, taught, disciplined and called in a small church than we will ever know.

More than 22,000 churches in our Southern Baptist Convention (60 percent) are officially designated as small churches (less than 300 membership or less than 150 enrolled in Sunday school).

Recently I was with pastor Eugene Vaughn and Spottsville Baptist Church (near Henderson) in revival. He is a fine pastor, has a wonderful help-mate, Mary Jo, and leads an outstanding group of dedicated Christians there. Everybody is somebody at Spottsville and they have warm, caring evangelistic services. Communication is easy and natural and the people support missions.

Clear Creek Baptist School is committed to train God's ministers and send them out—to large churches or small. Many of the churches to which our graduates go are not huge and the salary is just adequate. Others are bivocational earning part of their living in secular jobs in order to minister for Christ. So, let us honor God's small churches—they are important to him!

"It is just a small country church,/ With a small congregation/But you can rest assured/When you go there./You will hear the plan of salvation./God has blessed us/With a very fine pastor,/That continually preaches the word./An assistant that works with the young folks./None better have you ever heard./But that is by no means/the end of the list./We have a retired pastor/In our midst—/Who is ready and willing/To do his share./As he graciously did/In yesteryear./Our minister of music/Has a heavenly voice./While listening to him./There's cause to rejoice./If you want to receive a blessing./Come worship with us sometime./Join in with us as we humbly sing./Bless Be the Tie that Binds."—Mrs. Lucille Baxter

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# fourth estate

Call them blessed

South Carolina Baptist editor John Roberts tells of a trip he took back in the 60s. Some sailors, bound for home from Vietnam, were on the plane with him. As they landed at their destination, throngs of relatives and friends greeted the returning young men.

A man bearing the lines of hard work stepped from the crowd and approached one of the sailors, a tall, thin boy, hardly twenty, who shook his hand gravely, greeting him as 'Pop.'

Then, looking beyond his dad, the youth's eyes searched the crowd until he distinguished a shy little woman a foot shorter than he working her way toward him. He dropped his bag and swept her into his arms with but a single word which obviously carried more meaning than the most extensive vocabulary—'Mom!'

Roberts said it was a display of one of life's most vital forces. Sons and husbands and fathers go out to transact the world's business and to fight its wars. "But the source of stability, the anchor of love to which each clings consists of the two women in his life, his mother and the mother of his children."

When a group of 600 college students was asked a few years ago to write the most beautiful word in the English language, 422 of them wrote "Mother."

William Thackeray once said, "Mother is the name for God in the lips and hearts of little children."

Abraham Lincoln, speaking of his own mother, declared that "all that I am or hope to be I owe to my angel mother."

In one of his sermons, the Southern Baptist pulpiteer C. Roy Angell observed that it was "more than probable mothers have guided far more children into the kingdom than have all the sermons in the world."

There's a lovely little lady, now in her eighties, in Atlanta, Ga., who is worthy of the accolades we bestow upon mothers. This God-fearing mother of mine has constantly personified life's highest qualities which have offered strength to me in the storms of time.

Prov. 31:28 tells us that a mother's children "rise up and call her blessed." I know I do. I trust you do the same. Thank God, most of us can praise these dear saints who have so generously influenced our lives and made this world a far better place for humanity to live.

Thank you, God, for these devoted keepers of the faith!

# The Sunday School Charity Fund



(Mother's Day, May 11 is designated by the Kentucky Baptist Convention as the Special Offering Day.)

## WEBSTER'S definition of charity is:

1. In Christianity, the love of God for man or of man for his fellow men.
2. An act of good will or affection.
3. The feeling of good will; benevolence.
4. The quality of being kind or lenient in judging others.
5. A giving of money or other help to those in need.
6. An institution, organization or fund for giving help to those in need.

## What is YOUR definition of charity?

Do you recognize your definition of charity?

### Comments

- I am going to help!
- I'll think about it!
- I am going to help!
- I'll send a check!
- I am going to get involved!
- I will contribute!

### Actions

- But I don't.
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# oneida journal

## No bangles or Bibles

We plan to begin construction in June of a vocational classroom building. It will be a two-storey concrete building. The concrete is split-faced and resembles stone on the outside wall.

The building will include a large shop to teach carpentry; a vegetable preparation area with walk-in freezers; rooms for storing rakes, hoes and other work program tools; space for computerized drafting and teaching crafts; two restrooms; and a multi-purpose classroom where agriculture and driver's education will be taught.

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While 60 percent of Oneida's graduates go on to college or other higher training, 40 percent do not. That average of 60 percent is rather consistent over many years.

We have a tremendous college-prep program. But now, we feel it is time to

devote more time, attention and resources to better prepare those who are not college bound. This will be done on our own campus, not in taking students to a nearby vocational school.

We already have qualified staff to teach in each of the above named areas. With a little reorganization and additional space and equipment we can have a very effective vocational training program, each complementing the other.

Our own men will build the building and our boys will learn while doing.

The building will meet all construction, fire and plumbing codes, but we will build it at a fraction of normal cost. We have added several million dollars worth of new buildings and staff housing in the past 10 years and have saved thousands of dollars in our building.

It has been years, for example, since we have had to pay a plumber or an electrician a dime. Christian men, licensed in these professions, have donated their time and labor.

We have not had a "campaign" in 60 years to build a building. We appoint no campaign chairman, or area chairmen. We have no dinners, no posters or banners. We promise no bangles, Bibles or memorial plaques to prospective donors. Anyone who gives does it to the glory of God basically of their own volition.

In other words we don't spend a large sum of money raising money. We use what money comes for the building itself. Many times we have started work, totally on faith, without a dime in the building fund.

A father of one of our students recently heard of our plans to build. His son first came to us five years ago. He has sent \$4000. Doing the construction ourselves, acting as our own contractor, it will probably take about \$100,000 to build the building and equip it. That isn't very much money compared to the current cost of buildings. Yet it is a fortune when you don't have it!

You can have a part in another miracle at Oneida. Give what you can as God moves and has blessed.

The widow's "mite," the little boy's two fish and five biscuits, given in love and with faith, are stances of miracles in the hands of a God who knows every heart.

You can be sure that **whatever** you give will be used in such a way that the return will be several times the face value.

Come visit us this beautiful spring and see with your own eyes what God is doing here.



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# sunday school lessons

## LESSONS FOR MAY 4, 1986

### Life and Work Series

### In our families

**Colossians 3:18-21** Paul exhorts Christian wives and husbands to accept their family responsibilities and obligations for the sake of Christ, the Lord of the home. God's will is that the wife be in the submission to her husband, who has the responsibility of leadership, support, protection and loving care. The husband shall give himself in self-sacrificing love for the well-being of his wife. Blessed is the husband who, instead of being dictatorial and domineering, proves himself to be a kind, loving and devoted companion.

Children are the pride and joy of their loving parents to whom the Lord has entrusted their spiritual nurture. Children are to obey their parents promptly and cheerfully. Parents should not make unreasonable demands of their children, or administer chastisement to them in anger, when discipline becomes necessary.

**Titus 2:1-6** Paul admonished Titus to be faithful in proclaiming sound doctrine to his listeners, many of whom had been subjected to false teachings and had been living in gross immorality and debauchery. Paul exhorted Titus to urge the older women to exemplify the highest type of behavior. He specifically ruled out such things as gossip, slander and alcoholic beverages. Older women were responsible for teaching younger

women to be discreet, chaste and devoted to their husbands and their children. Titus was told to teach the young men to exercise self-control and self-discipline.

In all these matters Titus was to be a pattern for others. Likewise, every minister is to be an example for the flock the overseer. Holy Spirit made him the overseer. Consistent living and sound teaching are vital to his usefulness and success in the ministry.

### International Series

## The Holy Spirit in Jesus' ministry

**Luke 4:14-15** As soon as Christ heard the Father refer to him as his beloved son and speak words of approval of his baptism at the hands of John the Baptist, the spirit led him into the wilderness to be tempted by Satan. At the end of 40 days and nights of fasting, Christ was tempted by Satan in the realms of the appetite, ambition and adventure. In his triumph Christ used absolute dependence upon God accompanied by faith and obedience.

Christ made a preaching tour in Galilee and returned to Nazareth with a longing to make known the way of life to his own townspeople. He resorted to the synagogue on the Sabbath to join in public worship, as had been his lifelong custom. Church-going on the Lord's day should be the custom of all who claim to be followers of Christ.

**Matthew 12:22-28** Christ cast out a demon from a man who could neither see nor speak. It was a public transaction all could see, and many wondered if Christ were the messiah.

Certain Pharisees, who had been pursuing Christ with hostile intent and obstructing his work in every way possible, sought to break this miracle's force by attributing its origin to Beelzebub, the prince of demons. Thus they charged Christ with collusion with Satan.

In all the catalog of sins which people can commit, there is only one that makes forgiveness and salvation impossible. Blasphemy against the Holy Spirit, which is the unpardonable sin, is knowingly, deliberately, willfully and maliciously ascribing to Satan the work which is magnificently wrought by the Holy Spirit. Blasphemy is a sin of the tongue, committed against knowledge or light by an unregenerate person only.



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# on mission together

## Big hearts and mountain roads

Four miles beyond Belfry, and about two miles from the West Virginia border in Pike County is the small community of Forest Hills.

Even with the greatly improved road system, it still takes an hour to drive the 30 miles or so from Pikeville.

The size and diversity of our state is enhanced by a "straight through" drive from **Fulton** in the west to **Majestic** in the east. With a strong tail wind, no rest stops and an oversized gas tank, one might make the drive in nine hours! Kentucky is a lot of state!

A relatively good road leads from Highway 119 the two miles "up the hollow" to First Baptist Church, Forest Hills. The pastor, Joe Stephenson, was standing on the steps at 10:55 a.m. when I pulled up. I had made a wrong turn in Pikeville (I blamed it on the construc-

tion mess in the town), and perhaps set a course record from Pikeville to Belfry—at least a record for us "Blue Grass" types.

Forest Hills may be typical of many eastern Kentucky churches: **small in size but large of heart.**

Perhaps 45 persons worshiped that Cooperative Program Sunday. A few seemed a little surprised that their "cooperating" dollar did so much in world missions.

One might not expect a small church like Forest Hills to do much more than survive. On the contrary, this small church has "mothered" two churches already and is ministering through a Sunday school mission at Slater's Branch.

After lunch, Joe drove me around and up several hollows, where \$100,000 homes and trailers sit side by side.

Off of 119, there are scores of roads leading up some hollow. It is not unusual to count more than 50 homes before each road ends.

When nearly three years ago, Mountian Mission director Ross Figart and I made a journey into the mountains, the possibility of a new, concerted effort in starting churches in Kentucky excited us. Since then, "Mission Kentucky" has been born, one of the goals of which is to start 400 new churches and/or preaching points by 1990.

By mid afternoon I said good-bye to Joe and headed toward home. A few miles down the road, I passed Meta Baptist Church. Pastor Charles Turner tells me that since January, their average Sunday school attendance has jumped from 124 to 200. Still in their two-week Good News America revival they have already had 34 professions of faith.

I tuned in to a mountain preacher between Pikeville and Campton. I knew he was reaching people I will never reach. And I was glad Kentucky Baptists are going to reach more people than ever before in eastern Kentucky.

# baptist news in brief

## FMB elects chairman, reaffirms seminary policy

By a vote of 38-32, the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board elected Robert E. Smith of Weslaco, Tex., as its new chairman Apr. 11.

Smith, retired director of missions for the Rio Grande Valley Baptist Association, edged out C. Mark Corts, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church in Winston-Salem, N. C. Both are veteran members of the 83-member board, which supervises the work of more than 3700 missionaries in 106 countries.

It was the closest the board has come to a division resulting from the theological controversy which has gripped the Southern Baptist Convention in recent years. Corts, while a strong supporter of missions and the SBC Cooperative Program, was viewed by some board members as representing fundamental-conservative viewpoints. Smith would be viewed by most as falling within moderate conservative ranks.

At the same meeting, members of the board's Human Resources Committee rejected a bid to appoint graduates of Mid-America Seminary directly without their having to do a year's study at one of the six seminaries sponsored by the SBC.

In a report to the full board, the committee reaffirmed the board's long-standing policy requiring that, for career missionary assignments where a seminary degree is necessary, "the degree must be from an SBC seminary or an accredited seminary plus one year of study (26 semester hours) at an SBC seminary." The board has said through statements it believes its missionaries, supported by Southern Baptists, need the strong identification with the denomination and its goals which attendance at an SBC seminary helps provide.

Mid-America is located in Memphis, Tenn., and supported directly by that city's 16,000-member Bellevue Baptist Church and other churches which accuse the Southern Baptist seminaries of becoming too liberal in their theology. Bellevue's pastor, Adrian Rogers, has announced he is willing to be nominated as SBC president at the 1986 annual meeting in Atlanta. (BP)

## Southland removes porno from 7-Eleven shelves

The head of Southern Baptists' moral concerns agency hopes Southland Corp., the giant parent company of 7-Eleven stores, will be "only the first of many" convenience store chains and other businesses to pull pornographic magazines from the sales racks.

The Dallas-based company announced Apr. 10 it will discontinue sales of Playboy, Penthouse and Forum magazines at its 4500 stores and will encourage independent owners of another 3600 7-Eleven franchises to follow suit.

In announcing its decision, Southland denied it was bowing to pressure from anti-pornography groups such as the Moral Majority (now Liberty Foundation) and the National Federation of Decency which have been pressing for removal of the magazines from the stores. In many communities, 7-Eleven stores have been the targets of picket lines organized by local churches.

In a prepared statement, Southland

president Jere Thompson said the company's decision was based on concern about the links between pornography and crime. He said Southland has closely monitored hearings conducted by the U. S. Attorney General's Commission on Pornography. "The testimony before that commission indicates a growing public awareness and concern over a possible connection between adult magazines and crime, violence and child abuse," Thompson said.

At the initial hearing last year in Washington, Christian Life Commission staff member Harry N. Hollis Jr. included in his testimony the resolution against pornography adopted by the 1985 Southern Baptist Convention in Dallas. He called attention to the "consensus of concern" among Baptists about pornography and obscenity, noting that Christians "oppose pornography not because it deals with sex but because it exploits and degrades sex." (BP)

## Bold Mission Thrust sees 10-year growth boost

Bold Mission Thrust, 10 years later, has become far more than a slogan, leaders of Southern Baptists' foreign missions effort report.

Messengers to the 1976 SBC annual meeting in Norfolk, Va., took on a challenge: "Every person in the world shall have the opportunity to hear the gospel of Christ in the next 25 years." During the past 10 years, Bold Mission Thrust has become a key theme in Sunday school literature and other dimensions of Southern Baptist life.

The 1976 convention, in launching Bold Missions Thrust, also adopted a range of long term foreign missions goals, such as a career missionary force of 5000 in 125 countries. In the areas of missionary force and countries, the growth rates are ahead of the pace necessary to reach the goals by the turn of the century. And the growth rate toward 10,000 long- and short-term volunteers each year is ahead of initial projections.

However, in four key areas of overseas work—baptisms; churches; the total number of churches, chapels and preaching points; and membership—the growth rates to date have fallen short of Bold Mission Thrust dreams.

An annual increase of about 10 percent was targeted in each case. But in baptisms, the annual growth rate has been 7 percent; churches 7.5 percent; churches plus chapels and preaching points, 6 percent; and overseas church membership, 8.4 percent.

Growth rates are above the 10-year period prior to Bold Mission Thrust, when baptisms increased at an average rate of 5.3 percent; churches, 5.6 percent; churches plus chapels and preaching points, 4.8 percent; and membership, 6.2 percent.

## Kentuckian elected computer group officer

Don Davis, lead systems analyst in the Baptist Sunday School Board's Systems Department, was elected president of the Southern Baptist Computer Users Association during its recent meeting in Dallas.

The 14-year-old organization

includes computer users from SBC agencies, state conventions and churches.

Other officers are Terry Bratton, Southwestern Seminary, program vice president; Fran Wayton, Eastside Baptist Church, Marietta, Ga., membership vice president; Pat Moore, Woman's Missionary Union, Birmingham, Ala., secretary; Jim Oliver, Buckner Baptist Benevolence, Dallas, treasurer; Norman Holcombe, Foreign Mission Board, newsletter editor; Mike Overcash, Baptist Sunday School Board and Jim Morrison, Walnut Street Baptist Church, Louisville, program committee. (BP)

## Hunter inaugurated after 2-year delay

When Jairy C. Hunter Jr. became president of Baptist College at Charleston in 1984, he delayed his inauguration because of something "more important."

Almost two years later, Hunter was inaugurated Apr. 18 as the South Carolina Baptist Convention-related institution's second president, after fears inaugural day might not even be necessary.

Problems plagued the Baptist school. In Nov. 1983 John A. Hamrick, the college's first president, retired after three of his top administrators were forced to resign. The college also had an indebtedness of more than \$14 million due to building projects, including the construction of a \$4 million chapel/auditorium.

The college set a goal to raise \$1 million in cash by May 31, 1985, a goal which was exceeded by \$100,000. Despite those efforts, Hunter is convinced Baptist College would have closed if not for a special meeting of the South Carolina Baptist Convention May 9, 1985. He recalls it became apparent the school would not survive unless South Carolina Baptists were willing to give total support.

Messengers approved a plan which would allow Baptist College to go directly to more than 1750 churches in the state to ask for budget help. Convention guidelines forbid its institutions from raising funds directly from the churches.

Apparently the plan is working. In 1983-84 the college had a deficit of \$850,000. This year, according to Hunter, the college expects a surplus of about \$100,000 in its \$9 million budget.

## Supreme Court to hear Seventh-Day Adventist

A Seventh-Day Adventist who was denied unemployment compensation benefits after being fired for refusing to work on her Sabbath will have her day in the nation's highest court.

Paula A. Hobbie, who worked for a Florida jeweler for more than two years before being baptized as an Adventist, has claimed she was denied the constitutionally-protected right to free exercise of religion when the state Department of Labor and Employment Security refused her request for unemployment benefits.

But the state has countered that it "refused to discriminate against other applicants for benefits by providing special treatment" to Hobbie.

After her initial request was denied, Hobbie exhausted all administrative

appeals and filed suit against the department in state court. But that panel affirmed the previous denials of benefits.

In a written appeal, Hobbie's attorneys asked the nation's highest court to review the lower rulings, arguing their client's right of free exercise and due process of law were denied.

Hobbie's case against Florida will be argued during the Supreme Courts's 1986-87 term that begins next October.

## Peace conference urges Christian support

As American bombers were enroute to the Apr. 14 attack on Libya, a speaker at a religious conference on peacemaking predicted small-scale wars, many of them backed by terrorists, may be more likely threats to global security than a full-scale nuclear war.

"We live in an era in which a big-unit war is not likely to occur," said foreign policy expert George Lopez of Earlham College in Richmond, Ind. "Instead we live in an era of small wars" including state-funded terrorism and mercenary-led conflicts.

In the face of such threats, "the issue isn't whether we can find a solution rooted in technology, but whether we have the commitment to move beyond a technological dependence to embrace a peaceful image of the future that will motivate us to work for peace," Lopez said.

Lopez and other speakers at the third biennial conference challenged America's religious community to find new ways to work for peace. About 270 people attended the two-day meeting sponsored by the Council on Peacemaking and Religion. Louisville's Crescent Hill Baptist Church hosted the conference.

## Midwestern trustees tap three for vice presidents

Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary's board of trustees elected three vice presidents during its semi-annual meeting Apr. 14-15.

Kenneth Edmondson, former vice president for development at Oklahoma Baptist University in Shawnee, Okla., unanimously was elected vice president for institutional advancement for Midwestern effective June 1. He will assume responsibility for development, concentrating on endowment and capital funding.

N. Larry Baker, professor of Christian ethics and academic dean, was named dean of the faculty and vice president for academic affairs. He was elected to the faculty in 1978 and named academic dean in 1982.

Sam T. Switzer, business manager since Apr. 1982, was elected vice president for business affairs beginning June 1. He will continue to be responsible for all duties assigned to him as business manager. Switzer came to the seminary in July 1981 as director of financial services.



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