



## Kentucky Baptists to emphasize 'people of vision' at state convention meeting in E'town Nov. 11-13

by James H. Cox, Associate Editor

Theme of the 149th annual meeting of the Kentucky Baptist Convention this fall is "A People with Vision."

The event is scheduled Nov. 11-13 at Severns Valley Baptist Church, Elizabethtown.

Don R. Mathis, pastor of Central Baptist Church, Corbin, will preside.

Principal speakers, in addition to Mathis who will give the president's address, include the convention sermon by William E. Crosby, pastor of Erlanger (Ky.) Baptist Church, messages by a Kenya Baptist Convention representative, a Christian education address by Leon Simpson, president of Clear Creek Baptist School, Pineville, and out-of-state speakers William Ira Long and Lloyd Elder.

Long, of Atlanta, is Georgia regional consultant for the Home Mission Board's Church Starting Department. Elder is president of the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville.

Darold H. Morgan, president of the Annuity Board, Dallas, Tex., will conduct 15-minute theme interpretations at the start of five of the seven convention sessions.

Music coordinator for the week will again be Eugene F. Quinn, director of the state convention's Church Music Department, Middletown.

Special music will be provided by a Kentucky Baptist instrumental ensemble, Kentucky Baptist Chorale, choirs of Corbin's Central and E'town's Severns Valley Baptist churches, the Campbellsville (Ky.) College Collegiate Choir,



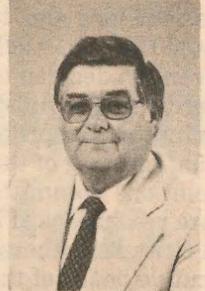
Mathis



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a Korean choir and the Clear Creek Baptist School Choir.

The election of president, always a highlight of the convention, is set for 3:10 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 11, with a runoff at 4:50 p.m. if necessary. Other business sessions are scheduled at 3:35 that afternoon, 10:15 a.m. and 3:55 p.m. Wednesday and 9:10 a.m. Thursday.

Every Kentucky Baptist agency and institution, along with 23 offices and departments of the KBC executive board, plus all standing and special committees of the convention will report to the convention at some point during the 2½-day meeting.

Recognition of Kenya volunteers, state, home and foreign missionaries will be given Tuesday evening in a session heavily emphasizing foreign missions. The Wednesday evening session will have a distinctly home missions flavor.

Other officers of the convention, in addition to Mathis, include John Searcy, Franklin layman, first vice president; Ray Cummins, pastor of Marion (Ky.) Baptist Church, second vice president;

Doris B. Yeiser, KBC archivist, Middletown, secretary pro tem; G. Allen West, assistant coordinator, Kentucky-Kenya partnership, KBC Direct Missions Department, Middletown, assistant secretary; and William W. Marshall, KBC executive secretary-treasurer, Middletown, in that same office.

A brief recognition of the service of Leo T. Crismon, convention secretary before his death earlier this year, is planned.

The convention's opening session is scheduled to begin with the call to order

at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 11. It will end at 11:30 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 13.

A large number of auxiliary meetings is scheduled to precede and meet simultaneously with the convention itself, starting Monday, Nov. 10.

This will be the eighth time in its 149 years' existence that the Kentucky Baptist Convention has met in Elizabethtown. It last met there in 1981 with Severns Valley Baptist Church. Bill D. Whittaker, pastor of First Baptist Church, Murray, presided.

## Texans push lay for involvement to deploy SBC's 'unsettling chill'

by Toby Druin

Describing themselves as "Mainstream Conservative Southern Baptists," four Texas Baptist laymen have called on laypersons across the SBC to "get involved — now" to end the controversy that has plagued the denomination the last seven years.

Speaking to a crowd estimated by host pastor James Carter at "700 to 800" at University Baptist Church, Ft. Worth, Sept. 11 the laymen, all deacons, urged a restoration of trust, integrity and unity among Southern Baptists. At the same time they called for an end to the fundamental-conservative publication *The Southern Baptist Advocate* and criticized "liberalism" they said exists in the footnotes of the *Criswell Study Bible*.

The four — John Baugh, president of Sysco Food Systems Inc., and member of Second Baptist Church, Houston; W. Dewey Presley, retired president of Interfirst Corp. and member of Park Cities Baptist Church, Dallas; Connally McKay, retired appeals court judge and member of Green Acres Baptist Church, Tyler; and Maston Courtney, attorney and member of First Baptist Church, Amarillo — said the Ft. Worth meeting was the first of several they plan across Texas.

The laymen, who said they were "just four out of hundreds" who could have spoken, said they represented no denominational agencies and were financing the meetings out of their own pockets because of "deep, heartfelt concern" for the convention.

The four charged that political maneuvering, a "spirit of McCarthyism," "Norrisism" and deceit have placed a "creeping, unsettling chill" over the denomination. They asked laymen to seek the dismantling of political frameworks so integrity could be restored. They are encouraging lay participation because pastors face reprisals

from the current denominational power structure, they said.

Presley said the paramount question today is "Will the Southern Baptist Convention split?"

"It is divided now and some are determined to reach absolute political control," he said. "The convention will be split end to end unless we free ourselves of these political tentacles and begin walking together in the freedom of Jesus Christ." (BP)

## Initial SBC ACTS meeting draws 32 affiliates from state

Jimmy R. Allen, president of the Southern Baptist Convention Radio and Television Commission, Ft. Worth, Tex., delivered the keynote address to the first assembly of Kentucky ACTS affiliates Sept. 12 in Middletown.

Allen urged affiliates and board

members to use opportunities opened by the American Christian Television System.

"The way we find the advantage as Christians and the way we find the advantage in our own lives is to get a God's eye view of life," Allen said. He stated the greatest enemies facing Christians involved in media ministry today are inertia, inattention and impatience.

Television is becoming the most powerful tool in the world and ACTS can become a tool to fight creeping passivity, he declared.

Allen closed his address with a challenge to "take seriously the open door of opportunity available through ACTS."

Deborah Little, ACTS promotion director; Jerry Jones, president of Jubal Productions; Michael Wright, regional ACTS consultant; and W. Mark Snowden, Kentucky Media Department director, led seminars and coordinated events for the meeting, the first of its kind in the SBC.

Jones dealt with specific, practical ways to improve television ministry in the local church. Miss Little provided conferees with inexpensive, effective ways of promoting ACTS locally. Wright gave suggestions for making local ACTS work for the community. Snowden coordinated the statewide meeting for more than 30 registered attendees representing 16 ACTS boards across the state. (KBC)

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## Paige Patterson denies 'liberalism'

Paige Patterson, managing editor of the *Criswell Study Bible*, denied that a footnote in the *Criswell Study Bible* is an example of liberalism.

Patterson responded to criticism of the footnote sounded by Texas Baptist laymen John Baugh, W. Dewey Presley, Connally McKay and Maston Courtney. "The note raises a question about the nature of what kind of blood it was, exactly what the author meant by that, but it does not deny the occurrence of an actual miracle," Patterson said.

"However," he said, "the note certainly could have been clearer and could have been written in such a way as to dispel anybody's idea that an actual miracle of great significance did not in fact occur."

He said "quite a number of corrections" are planned for subsequent publication of the study Bible and expressed his gratitude "for anybody who helps us out," regardless of their intentions.

He added he hopes John Baugh will apply the same standards "by which he is judging our work to that of Roy Lee Honeycutt of Louisville and the Broadman Bible Commentary and others." (BP)

# sanford's perspectives



Jack D. Sanford

## No more resolutions

It had to happen some time and now it has become reality. Hats off to the Alaska Baptist Convention for doing what many other Baptist bodies should have done long ago. In the annual meeting at First Baptist Church, Anchorage, the Alaska Baptist Convention decided to eliminate resolutions from the order of business of the annual meeting.

In light of the problems in other states and in the annual meeting of the SBC, Alaska Baptists felt the Resolutions Committee was unnecessary. In the future resolutions of appreciation to host churches, host cities and others will be presented by the executive board of the convention thus eliminating long, often meaningless time-wasting debates and arguments.

This seems to be a smart move since resolutions have no force with Baptists outside the convention because of our local church autonomy, carry no weight with members of the body itself because they are not binding and they are almost always a source of controversy and misunderstanding. On top of that, most resolutions are forgotten before the meeting is over only to be repeated next year and the year after that, *ad infinitum*. The classic example of this truth is the number of resolutions on pornography passed by succeeding meetings of the SBC.

In the past resolutions at the SBC have covered

almost everything. As far as the public good is concerned nothing seems to have changed very much because of resolutions passed at the convention. Take the pornography resolutions as an example. SBC resolutions, as far as I know, have not diminished the flow of smut one iota. Note however what the National Federation of Decency has done to Southland Corporation through the threat of boycott. Southland has removed several offensive magazines from company stores and there has been no resolution from the NFD, only action in the economic arena.

A frequent source of irritation and embarrassment is the request from secular newspapers for copies of the resolutions adopted at Baptist conventions. They seldom ask for reports from the mission boards, or expenditures for education and evangelism, or the number of volunteers for church-related vocations, or figures which tell how well we are winning lost people. They want to know about resolutions because they know this is where the heat is likely to be found for a juicy story which often makes us look ridiculous.

So congratulations to the Alaska Baptist Convention for taking a smart step toward eliminating one possible source of strident debate and long-winded discussion of meaningless resolutions.

## Religious liberty conference scheduled

The Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs (BJCPA) under the direction of James Dunn has scheduled a religious liberty conference in Washington, D. C. Oct. 6-8.

Program personalities include such outstanding religious-political figures as Mark Hatfield, John H. Buchanan, Harold E. Stassen, Barbara Jordon and Bill Moyers. Each of these people has had long and distinguished service on the public scene in America and should have something significant to say about what may be the most pressing constitutional question before the American public.

With the pressure now being exerted to breach the wall of separation between church and state, informed Baptists are absolutely essential if the great principles of our faith are maintained. Surely this conference will offer the kind of inspiration and information all of us need to stem the tide of erosion now washing against the great Baptist distinctive of church-state separation.

More information is available from the BJCPA, 200 Maryland Avenue, N.E., Washington, DC 20002.

## The high cost of missions

I was surprised when I read how much it costs to operate the SBC Home Mission Board for one minute. Perhaps the one minute cost will be a shock to you as well, for it is \$128 a minute. That translates into \$7685 per hour, \$1,294,699 per week, \$5,610,363 per month, \$67,324,356 per year.

Of course that huge figure supports 3723 missions personnel in all 50 states, American Samoa, Puerto Rico, American Virgin Islands and Canada.

Several shivers come over me when I consider the awesome mission work we carry on through this agency. First I shudder to think the HMB directors may be at odds with each other and the program of ministry will suffer. Are these men and women so polarized they cannot clasp hands and work together for the glory of God? Will the directors continue to gather into camps opposed to each other?

Second, I am concerned about who we will call to

head this agency which has such a mandate to win our land to the Lord. Will the new leader be a person with the heart of Christ for suffering humanity? Will the new leader be a person who has a narrow view of Christian tolerance? Will the new leader be a person who is open to new methods of ministry, new strategies for winning diverse sections of our nation, or will the new leader be traditional, unimaginative, uptight about differences among people?

If there ever was a need for prayer among Southern Baptists that time is now and the subject is the new head of the Home Mission Board. God has declared he will hear and answer whenever his people call upon him. Let us claim that promise and lift up our brothers and sisters at the Home Mission Board as we call upon the Lord to send us his person for the great task before us. The cost is too great for anything less.

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# Housing request form, SBC

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Under our present Convention housing policy, approximately 4000 rooms are held by the Convention to be used by the city run Housing Bureau. These rooms are for individuals and may only be secured by the use of a form like the one to the right on this page.

It is important to remember that the hotels listed on this form will not take care of all those who attend the Convention, or possibly even all of those who fill out this form. The 4000-room total is an attempt to strike a balance between the two views of how the housing should be handled.

## How is the form processed?

When the Housing Request Forms are received by the St. Louis Convention and Visitors Commission, they will be held until after Oct. 12, 1986, to be sure that all the housing requests postmarked Oct. 1 have had time to arrive. The forms will then be opened by postmark date. The time of day the forms are mailed is not important. All forms will be treated individually, even if multiple forms are sent in the same envelope. Duplicate forms will not be processed.

## When to mail the form

Housing Request Forms postmarked prior to Oct. 1, 1986, will be processed by the Housing Bureau after those postmarked Oct. 1-2, 1986. History indicates that all the hotels listed on this form will be filled by individuals mailing forms postmarked Oct. 1-2, 1986.

After these rooms are filled, there is no guarantee that the Housing Bureau will be able to secure additional rooms.

Forms postmarked after Oct. 6, 1986, will not be processed by the Housing Bureau. **Mail forms Oct. 1, 1986.**

## How to use the form

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#### PART III

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

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

## Further information

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Radisson	63.00	68.00
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NOTE: Adam's Mark is the Convention hotel. Convention sessions will be held at the Cervantes Convention Center. Woman's Missionary Union will be headquartered and meet at the Clarion Hotel.



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## homes for children

### Disney visits Spring Meadows

Everyone has heard of Disneyland in California and Disney World in Florida. In fact, thousands have visited one or both of these places for an enjoyable experience. But do you know where Disney, Ky. is located? Unless you live in southeastern Kentucky you probably are not aware that such a place even exists.

Indeed there is a Disney, Ky. Disney is nestled in the beautiful Cumberland Mountains of eastern Kentucky. It is located just east of Evarts, which is just east of Harlan and is only a stone's throw from the Virginia border. Now that you know where Disney is located I want to tell you about Locust Grove Missionary Baptist Church at Disney, Upper Cumberland Association.

The Locust Grove Baptist Church had its beginning 101 years ago. Situated in a small community it has never boasted a large membership. However, this church has been about the Lord's work in that community and beyond for many years. On Aug. 23, 1986, the pastor, Paul E. White, and several members of Locust Grove visited our Spring Meadows Children's Home at Middletown. That is some trip! It is at least 200 miles from Disney to Middletown.

Chris Jones, one of the church members who made that 400 mile round trip in one day, wrote to tell me about their experience. I want to share part of her letter with you.

She wrote: "We were in complete shock at the beautiful campus and the friendliness of the staff and children. This was our first trip (to Spring Meadows) even though we've supported the Thanksgiving offering for over 40 years. Our WMU had collected box-loads of tooth paste, soap, towels, wash cloths, school supplies, etc. which we brought with us.

"Mrs. Jackson saw to it that we felt completely at ease and at home. (Mrs. Jackson has worked in many capacities on the Spring Meadows staff for many years.) We were able to visit Moss Cottage and talk with several young ladies who reside there.

"It is our prayer that Kentucky Baptist Homes for Children will always be there for our neglected, abused and disturbed children. We truly enjoyed our trip. How nice in Christ, Chris Jones."

How nice to have visitors like these to come, and what a blessing for them to see what their gifts are doing for children. Locust Grove will have no problem promoting the Thanksgiving offering this year.

# baptist news in brief

## University, convention to reconsider alliance

Wake Forest University and the North Carolina Baptist State Convention will sever formal ties and establish a new "fraternal" relationship, pending final approval by North Carolina convention messengers meeting Nov. 10-12 in Greensboro.

The proposed new relationship is the result of several years of study, debate and discussion on how best to relate the 152-year old university, founded by the Baptist State Convention, and the 1.1-million-member state convention.

The fraternal relationship would give the school control over electing all of its trustees, without requiring convention approval. The state convention would no longer provide any regular funding for the institution although individual Baptist churches could send designated gifts for Wake Forest through the convention's business office.

In 1985 the Baptist State Convention, through a special provision in its unified budget, the Cooperative Program, sent \$500,000 to Wake Forest. The university's budget is about \$160 million.

In November 1985 Wake Forest trustees declared their intent to elect all of their trustees, Baptists and non-Baptists, without convention approval.

Convention leaders expressed strong disapproval of the unilateral action of Wake Forest.

The most recent proposal — calling for a fraternal relationship minus any formal or legal ties between university and convention — will go to the full state convention in November. (BP)

## ACTS program saves life of Texas woman

With tears in his eyes, Jimmy R. Allen introduced Stephanie to trustees of the Radio and Television Commission during their September meeting.

In a soft voice Stephanie told trustees of her encounter with God through ACTS.

She had been working with severely and profoundly retarded children and was off work because of an injured back. "I wasn't working and my work was my life, so I just thought, 'There's no reason to live.'

"I had pills in my hand and decided I would turn on TV and watch music or something," she said, explaining in Ft.

Worth, Tex. the computerized cable system usually comes on Channel 6, the weather channel.

"But this time it came on ACTS (Channel 47). They were showing 'The Word of Life' with Joel Gregory preaching and he was talking about suicide and how your life is worth something. It really touched me. I took those pills and flushed them all. I must have cried for hours," Stephanie said.

The following Sunday she went to Travis Avenue Baptist Church in Ft. Worth where Gregory is pastor. She made a profession of faith in Jesus Christ as her personal savior and was baptized. (BP)

## Southland helps fund pro-lottery campaign

Southland Corporation, which earlier this year won praise from religious groups for its decision to pull Playboy and Penthouse magazines from the shelves of its 7-Eleven stores, may now be pushing its luck with those same groups by supporting lottery campaigns in two southern states.

Jim Willett, assistant manager for media relations, verified campaign disclosure statements which show Southland has channeled \$100,000 into Florida's EXCEL — "Excellence Campaign: An Education Lottery." The EXCEL political action committee has spearheaded a successful drive to put a lottery referendum on the November ballot.

Leaders of the coalition Texans for the Lottery declined to release information about contributions but Bill Fisher, legislative adviser for Southland, said the company had contributed "about \$40,000 to this point."

In Florida, contributions from Southland and Circle K, another convenience store chain, provided more than 30 percent of EXCEL's budget. Lottery-related businesses, led by G-Tech of Providence, R. I., and Scientific Games of Atlanta accounted for more than half of EXCEL's income.

Florida is considered a critical state by strategists on both sides of the lottery issue since it would offer the gambling industry a foothold in the south which stubbornly has resisted the lottery push.

Willett acknowledged Southland's 7-Eleven stores stand to profit as potential ticket outlets if a lottery is approved. He said 7-Eleven stores already serve as ticket outlets in 17 of the 23 states, plus the District of Columbia, which now have state-run lotteries. (BP)

## Baptist circus star injured in rescue

An Indonesian circus star who became a Christian through the work of Southern Baptist missionaries was bitten as he rescued a fellow performer from the jaws of a breakaway tiger.

The star, Iwan, single-handedly subdued a tiger who was about to put the head of a dwarf clown into his mouth. During the rescue the tiger's fangs sliced through Iwan's left thigh.

"Please pray that I will still be able to serve the Lord," Iwan told Southern Baptist missionary William "Mac" McElrath of Murray, Ky., from a hospital bed two days after the incident. Iwan is star of the high wire and flying trapeze.

Iwan, 21, became known to many Southern Baptists through the 30-minute color film, "Oriental Circus," and the 1982 Foreign Mission Study, "Church in the Big Top," telling the story about a Christian fellowship of traveling circus performers.

A majority of the Oriental Circus troupe are professing Christians who hold Sunday morning worship under the big top. When there is no Baptist pastor, deacon or missionary available to help them, Iwan often leads the service. (BP)

## Walkers raise funds to combat hunger

The annual Hunger Walk, sponsored by Louisville United Against Hunger, has been scheduled for Sunday, Oct. 12. The walk will begin and end at the main entrance of the University of Louisville's Belknap Campus.

Registration for the walk will begin at 1 p.m. in front of the administration building at the 3rd Street entrance to U. of L. The 10 kilometer (6.2 miles) walk will be from 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Walkers are asked to get pledges and bring that information to the walk. Pledge cards will be available at the walk or may be obtained from Kentuckiana Interfaith Community (458-4076).

Half the funds raised will stay in the community to be used by Dare to Care, Inc., Louisville's emergency food program.

The other funds will go to an agriculture project for Indian widows in Guatemala. (KBC)

## Bush coordinates promotion of BMT

Ellis M. Bush has been named Southern Baptists' Bold Mission Thrust promotion coordinator. Bush has been executive director-treasurer of the Baptist Convention of Pennsylvania-South Jersey since 1978. He will assume his new post Nov. 10.

Bold Mission Thrust is Southern Baptists' campaign to present the gospel to every person on earth by the year 2000. The program is being implemented through a variety of projects. Current emphases are to make converts, develop the faith of Christians and start churches.

Bush is to be the "denominational entrepreneur" needed to make the campaign work, said Reginald M. McDonough, executive vice president of the convention's Executive Committee and Bold Mission Thrust planning coordinator, with whom Bush will work.

Bush will work with state convention and denominational agency staff members to develop a coordinated promotion plan. He also will be the chief interpreter of that plan to state convention and agency groups.

Both SBC agencies and state conventions will benefit from Bush's work, said William R. O'Brien, executive vice

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president of the Foreign Mission Board. "This opens a more effective flow of communication between agencies and states," O'Brien explained. "It allows us to be affected by the input of the states while at the same time it gives the states more ownership of the program." (BP)

### Foreign Board adds St. Martin to list

The Foreign Mission Board has transferred a missionary couple to a new mission field, St. Martin. The action brings to 107 the number of countries and geographical entities where Southern Baptist missionaries work.

Missionaries Bill and Elba Womack have moved to the Caribbean island to start Baptist churches.

St. Martin, located about 150 miles east of Puerto Rico, has a population of 30,000 people. The Womacks will begin work among primarily English-speaking people in the southern area.

The Womacks, both of Fredericktown, Mo., formerly worked in Antigua and Barbados. He was president and a professor at Barbados Baptist College from 1973 until this year. (BP)

### Home Board elects staff, missionaries

The executive committee of the Baptist Home Mission Board elected a new associate vice president, a new assistant director in the Special Mission Ministries Department and appointed 35 missionaries during its September meeting.

Margrette Stevenson, director of the board's personnel division for the past four years, was promoted to a new position as associate vice president in the

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**Honoring Deaconship**, by P. E. Bouroughs, is a book I would like to give to Deacons, when I am involved in Sunday School Revivals. If you have a copy, and would like to have it passed on, send it to me at Box 871, Pineville, Ky. 40977, Carl D. Hunter. I thank you, and so will the deacons who receive it.

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**Church Furnishings For Sale:** 25 padded pews (light oak), pulpit, chairs, communion table, choir courtesy rail, 4 small hanging cylinder lights with larger matching pulpit light, and matching attendance record boards. First Baptist Church, Box 967, Ceredo, WV 25507-0967. (304) 453-2092.

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board's services section, effective Oct. 1. The new position was created by board action in August.

Stevenson has been a member of the board staff 11 years. Prior to election as director of the personnel division in 1982 she was director of the business services division and director of payroll and employee benefits.

In other actions, the executive committee elected Carl Savell, director of the board's Interfaith Witness Department, to a new position as national consultant for interfaith witness.

In other personnel matters, the board appointed 15 new missionaries, eight missionary associates, and 12 church planter apprentices and approved financial aid to 79 mission pastors, language pastors, and other field personnel in cooperation with state Baptist conventions. (BP)

### Trustees approve plans for ACTS

Revamped plans to raise funds for the ACTS network through development programs and a revised approach to syndication have been approved by the trustees of the Radio and Television Commission.

During their September meeting trustees heard plans to de-emphasize capital campaigns in favor of fundraising dinners and direct mail efforts and to shift the emphasis of syndication effort from attempting to sell programs already produced for ACTS to producing two versions of the country music show "Country Crossroads" — one for

sale to television stations and the other to be shown on ACTS — and packaging "classic movies" for sale to TV stations.

RTVC president Jimmy R. Allen told Baptist Press the revamping was necessary because previous efforts did not produce enough revenue and costs were "unacceptably high."

"We are trying to build a development plan which is workable for us," he said. He emphasized ACTS will keep its promise not to solicit money from viewers with on-air pleas, but will depend on the fundraising and syndication efforts to provide funds above the nearly \$5 million per year provided by the SBC's unified program of support, the Cooperative Program.

Allen told trustees: "We are learning as we go, dropping some things and picking up some other things. That is part of the process. We are in a creative process where we know we will have to 'blue sky' some, try some things. We will have some things that won't work until we find the things that will work." (BP)

### Missionaries robbed, beaten in Nigeria

Southern Baptist missionaries Urban and Loretta Green were tied, beaten and robbed recently in their home in Owerri, Nigeria, a Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board official reported.

The Greens, both from Tulsa, Okla., were not hospitalized, said John Mills, the board's director for West Africa. Robbery is uncommon in smaller cities like Owerri but is on the rise in larger cities in Nigeria, Mills noted. (BP)



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## clear creek comment

### God's grace

The longer I live the more I know how much I need God's grace. John Bradford watched some criminals being led away to execution in the 16th century and said, "There but for the grace of God goes John Bradford." Jay Kesler compared his former tendencies toward pharisaism and perfectionism with his progress in grace: "I'm more aware of my need of grace. I'm afraid that I once wanted to arrive at the gate of heaven with no need of it because of my personal piety and perfection. I've given up on that. To be involved means failure, misunderstanding and sin as well as victories and accomplishment. Grace is not the enemy but a friend for which I am grateful."

In 2 Corinthians Paul expresses three aspects of grace. First, God's grace is the basis for our salvation. "For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, that ye through his poverty might be rich" (2 Cor. 8:9). GRACE is 'God's Riches At Christ's Expense.' The songwriter said, "I am not worthy . . . but Jesus left heaven to die in my place. What glory, what love and what grace."

God's grace is also the foundation for Christian living. Paul states, "God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work" (2 Cor. 9:8). His supply matches our demand. He gives more grace when the need is greater. There is always grace to help in time of need.

Finally, God's grace strengthens us in times of great affliction. He has proven over and over that "My grace is sufficient for thee; for my strength is made perfect in weakness" (2 Cor. 12:9). No infirmity, no tragedy, no temptation can come our way which is stronger than God's grace and mercy.

*"One by one He took them from me, / All the things I valued most, / Until I was empty-handed; / Every glittering toy was lost. / And I walked earth's highways, / Grieving, / In my rage and poverty. / Till I heard His voice inviting, / Lift your empty hands to Me! / So I held my hands toward heaven, / And he filled them with a store / Of His own transcendent riches, / Till they could contain no more. / And at last I comprehended / With my stupid mind and dull, / That God could now pour His riches / Into hands already full!"*

Martha S. Nicholson

## Observe World Hunger Day in your church October 12, 1986



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## oneida journal

### "Enthralling reading, grim reality"

The 1985 Pulitzer Prize winner for investigative reporting, Jeffrey Marx of the Lexington Herald-Leader writes: "*Mountain Rising* opens the door for a view of an important but little known slice of Kentucky life . . . Stark photography, grim in its realism . . . Obviously the result of much research . . . Interesting reading."

Former Kentucky governor Bert Combs writes: "*Mountain Rising* is the absorbing story of how a semi-illiterate mountain feudist who came to be known as 'Burns of the Mountains' established and maintained a boarding school at the turn of the century in the mountains of eastern Kentucky.

"Burns believed he was divinely inspired. His ability to keep his school alive by private donations, against overwhelming odds, contributed to the local legend that he had supernatural powers. His ability to mesmerize audiences across the country and cause tight fist businessmen to send money to his school makes for enthralling reading.

"Pictures depicting conditions under which Kentucky mountaineers lived at the turn of the century add grim reality to the Burns drama."

Printed in Oneida's own print shop, *Mountain Rising* will be on sale for the public beginning Homecoming Day, Oct. 4th at Oneida. Orders will also be filled by mail.

Written by Darrell C. Richardson of Memphis, most of the original research was done 35 years ago. Of 90 pictures used, many were published for the first time and were made nearly 80 years ago.

The 440-page book is an inspirational story of love and faith. Included is the most detailed account of the Baker-Howard feud ever published. Accounts of logging operations at the turn of the 20th century and rafting adventures as logs were taken down the Kentucky River add excitement to the story.

The life of the writer, Darrell Richardson, has been as full of adventure and variety as many of the characters he has written about.

He has written a number of books, some under pseudonyms, during the years of his ministry as a pastor of several Kentucky churches, as a denominational worker and an Army chaplain. Along the way he has earned five masters degrees and a doctorate.

One of his earliest books, *Max Brand: The Man and His Work* was a 1952 bestseller. Richardson has written or edited many Royal Ambassador and Brotherhood materials for Southern Baptists.

We printed 3000 copies in this first edition. It took 12-1/2 pounds of ink and 2-1/2 tons of paper. Several of the pictures are in color. The book is printed on high quality paper and is bound with canvaslike material impregnated with a plastic substance for longer wear.

The book itself begins in November, 1886 and ends in 1934. There is a synopsis of the work of Oneida Baptist Institute for the past fifty years with 43 present-day pictures. I have written a summary of the "why" of our work today.

Also on sale Oct. 4th or available for mailing on that date will be a second edition of *Dawn Comes to the Mountains*. The new edition will be **hard-bound**. First published in 1981, it has been out of print for four years.

Edited by Sam Thomas of Louisville, this second edition of 5000 volumes presents a profound and comprehensive pictorial record of mountain conditions and customs at the turn of the century. The book is the size of an album and includes 130 classic pictures on the campus and in the hollows around Oneida between 1906-1916.

*Dawn and Mountain Rising* cost \$15 per book. Kentucky residents must add 75¢ sales tax per book. Shipping and handling cost \$2 per book. Send a check or money order to: Oneida Baptist Institute, Oneida, KY 40972.



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## sunday school lessons

Lessons for September 28, 1986  
New International Lesson

### Making of a covenant

**Exodus 19:1-6** Three months after the Israelites left Egypt they arrived at that awe inspiring mountain Sinai. God assured Moses he had great blessings in store for Israel provided they would obey him. God charged Moses to inform the people if they were disobedient they would not have any right to expect his blessings. Compliance with God's will constituted the basis upon which they might become the recipients of his blessings.

God commanded Moses to remind the people of his coming to them in their slavery, swiftly delivering them and bringing them into a covenant with him. His covenant with them was both a pledge to sustain and protect them, and a challenge to be faithful to him. God reminded them they were obligated to exercise a redemptive ministry in the world, out of appreciation to him who had done so much for them. Without hesitation the people cheerfully pledged themselves to do what God commanded them.

**Exodus 24:3-8** Through Moses God gave to them the ten commandments declaring the principles by which the people were to be governed. God also conveyed to the people the laws by which their conduct was to be regulated.

When Moses called upon the people to decide whether they were willing to submit to God's directions, the people unanimously agreed to the terms proposed and without any reservation pledged themselves to do all God commanded. They did not attempt to deny their obligation to God but they were not aware of their inability to do what they intended.

Moses erected an altar and surrounded it with twelve pillars which represented the twelve tribes of Israel. Young men placed sacrificial offerings on the altar. Moses took half the blood of animals sacrificed and sprinkled it on the altar, and the other half of blood from the animals sacrificed he sprinkled on the people, evidently signifying their participation in the covenant.

Life and Work Series

### Prayer of Thanksgiving

**Psalm 103:1-5** With thanksgiving to God for his countless mercies, the psalmist expressed his boundless praise for what he had received. Among the blessings enumerated is forgiveness of sins, the greatest need of every sinner. Life's greatest blessing, the forgiveness of sins, was procured by Christ on the cross, is proclaimed in the gospel, received by faith and experienced and appreciated by the believer.

**1 Corinthians 1:4-9** Having established the church in the celebrated, cosmopolitan, and corrupt city of Corinth, Paul maintained a special interest in and a singular love for it.

Factions arose within the church membership and caused a serious breach in the fellowship. Selfish individuals demonstrated their unlikeness to Christ and did untold damage to the work of Christ.

Paul made an urgent and touching plea to the members of this church in the name of the one through whom they had received grace and peace, Christ, appealing to them to be united in their thinking, believing and speaking.

**1 Timothy 1:12-14** Paul was deeply grateful to Christ for his salvation. He never failed to marvel at God's emancipating grace which had saved him, for his employing grace which called him into the ministry, and for his enabling grace which equipped him for a great work for the Lord in spite of his previous sins. He did his best to convince others similar mercy and blessing would be extended to them provided they would believe in Christ and yield themselves to doing his will.



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## on mission together

### A hug to remember

The rehearsal was the night before. Tonight was the real thing. As the chimes of the organ struck six, a beautiful young woman and I poised for that unforgettable stroll down the center aisle. Soon I was standing between our oldest daughter, Sharon, and Steve, her fiancée.

Her uncle, David Gardner asked: "Who giveth this woman to be wedded to this man?" "Her mother and I," I responded before moving around to assume the minister's role of performing the ceremony.

Together we had prepared this wedding and it was carefully written on the

pages I inserted in my old ceremony book. Everyone in our family knew that if I strayed far from the text, I was in trouble. Sentimental old poop!

I dared not look at the lovely matron of honor, Alice, my wife. Only with glances could I look at Sharon, so I concentrated on Steve.

Twice I nearly broke before I pronounced the blessing, and the benediction signaled the recessional. Suddenly it was all over — in an instant — except for one, very special moment.

Following the reception, I had volunteered to drive them away to their destination for the evening before their honeymoon departure next day.

Arriving soon at the apartment they had been preparing for several weeks, I got out to help transfer some luggage from our car to theirs. We then stood facing each other.

I hugged Steve first and kiddingly said, "You'll understand if I hug her longer!"

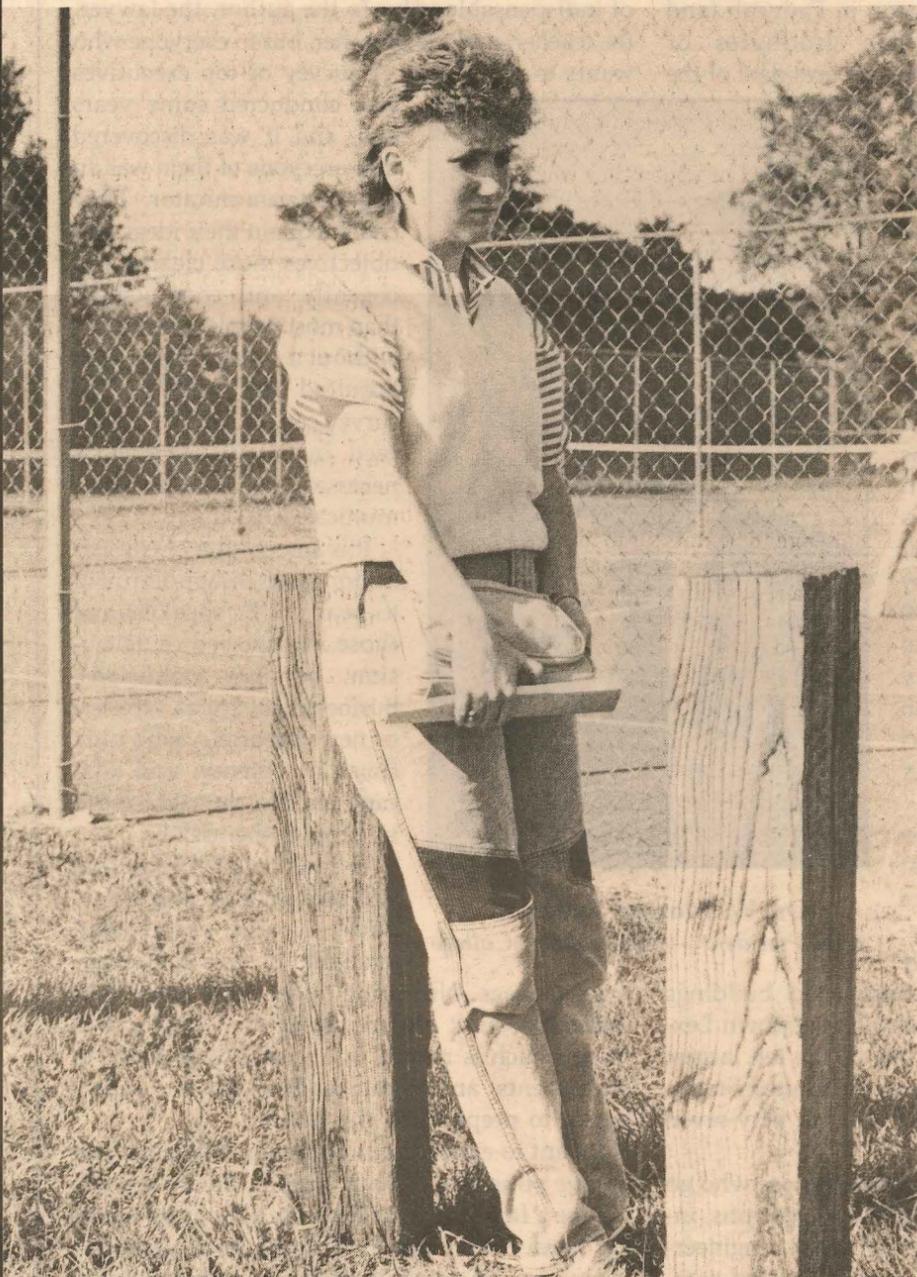
Then, moving toward her, I whispered: "Well Thumper, this is it." As I took her in my arms I could say nothing else. There simply were no other words. It was a hug we had never hugged before.

In those few moments, something eternal flowed between us that we both felt and understood. We had hugged a thousand times in these 23 years of life together. But that hug, on that Saturday night of Sept. 6, 1986, is the one I shall likely remember most.

In the meantime, reality is beginning to set in. When I called her at work this past week, following the honeymoon, the voice on the other end beamed: "Sharon Clifton's office." "Sharon who, I thought?"

*O Lord, thank you for the joy you have given Sharon and Steve, and help this fragile father grow older gracefully as we wander through another of life's passages.*

**DESIGNER CLOTHES,  
A date for the homecoming game,  
or the latest video are  
not on the top of  
Susan's priority list...**



**Most of all she  
wants a home...**

*Hear the cries  
of our children*



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# What I'd Like You To Know About 157 Year Old Georgetown College

Convocation address on September 2, 1986  
by President W. Morgan Patterson

**I** congratulate you on choosing to do your studies at Georgetown College, whether you have just arrived or you've been here for two or three years. Whether you have yet discovered it, you have a lot going for you here. I hope you will be wise enough, motivated enough, and self-disciplined enough to take advantage of what is offered here. When you finish Georgetown College the world will be open to you, and you can have an edge in the job market or in graduate school.

Let me tell you why I say this.

Georgetown College has a rich heritage of educational excellence blended with an emphasis on Christian values. This small, independent, liberal arts college has found the right formula to produce responsible citizens and mature adults, but also to produce achievers and go-getters and leaders. Our graduates are men and women who are prepared to make their mark in the world and to make a difference in the communities where they settle. The evidence for this claim is abundant and impressive. Georgetown College graduates exercise an influence in Kentucky which is all out of proportion to their numbers.

For example, more than half of our graduates go into education of one kind or another: elementary, secondary, college, public education, and religious education. This school has produced thirty-nine college and university presidents, seven of whom are serving at present.

Besides those who have filled the position of president of colleges and universities, hundreds of other graduates have served as county superintendents of education, principals, and in elective and appointive offices in public education.

If you are interested in law, let me assure you that Georgetown College can provide you with a splendid foundation to pursue your law degree as you are exposed here to the study of English and speech, history and psychology, religion and ethics, philosophy and sociology. Learn the principles of clear thinking and logical discourse, and sharpen your skills for effective speech and debate while you are at Georgetown. Those who can express themselves clearly, grammatically, enthusiastically, and persuasively have an unlimited future and can go right to the top of any field.

A well-known law school dean in Kentucky recently said to a mutual friend and graduate of Georgetown College, "There are three schools in Kentucky that produce minds that are of the quality and nature which we can make into successful attorneys-at-law. Georgetown is among these."

If you are headed into medicine or dentistry, you could not have come to a better school. Georgetown's reputation in the area of preparing men and women for medical/dental schools is impressive, indeed. Did you know that since 1967 (19 years) not a single Georgetown College graduate who went on to medical school has either

dropped out or flunked out? I doubt there is another school in Kentucky that can come close to that record. Our graduates are welcomed at medical schools all over the country, not just at the University of Kentucky and the University of Louisville, though most go to these schools because they are near home for our graduates who want to practice in Kentucky.

I think you would be interested in knowing that the current president of the Kentucky Medical Association is a Georgetown College graduate, Dr. Wally Montgomery, a surgeon in Paducah (and whose two daughters are graduates of Georgetown). The immediate past president of the KMA, Dr. Charles Smith of Louisville, is a Georgetown graduate. Dr. Paul Parks, the chairman of our Board of Trustees, is a past president of the KMA, and so is Dr. Clyde Sparks of Ashland.

In the area of business, Georgetown College has produced some remarkably capable people. Lina Lee Lidow, a 1970 graduate, has recently been written up in *Bazaar* and *Forbes* magazines as she opened the ninth of her Beverly Hills and New York boutiques. Her 7,000 square-foot store in Trump Tower in New York City recorded sales of \$11 million in 1985 and outpaced Gucci in the value of sales per square foot of store space.

Closer to home are the Webb brothers of Lexington. Don and Dudley Webb are both graduates of Georgetown. Together they have sponsored projects and constructed buildings which have changed the face of downtown Lexington. Their firm is now one of the ten largest development organizations in the United States, and they have projects underway in fifty-seven cities.

Similar things can be said about those who go into a variety of other fields and professions, including the ministry and social work, engineering and scientific research, pharmacy and computer operations, and on and on. There is no doubt that Georgetown College possesses many strengths, such as promising young men and women as students, a competent and caring faculty and staff, a commitment to Christian ideals, and a curriculum which emphasizes a liberal arts foundation for education.

The U.S. Department of Labor estimates that current college students will have an average of six jobs in the course of their working careers.

Specialized training will help them to get the first job more easily, but a liberal arts education, such as Georgetown's, will permit a mobility and a broad foundation for the work place. A recent study by the American Telephone and Telegraph Company found that liberal arts graduates were almost twice as likely to achieve management positions as holders of more specialized degrees.

A final point of great importance I want to make is the need to master the English language. The correct use of our "mother tongue" is not only of indispensable value to the author, the lawyer, the teacher, and the preacher, but to everyone who wants to get ahead. A survey of top executives

was conducted some years ago, and it was discovered that everyone of them was an expert communicator. They could explain their ideas and objectives more clearly and cogently and convincingly than most people. Even those without a college degree had acquired this ability. The survey concluded that to succeed in many fields it is necessary to learn to communicate effectively.

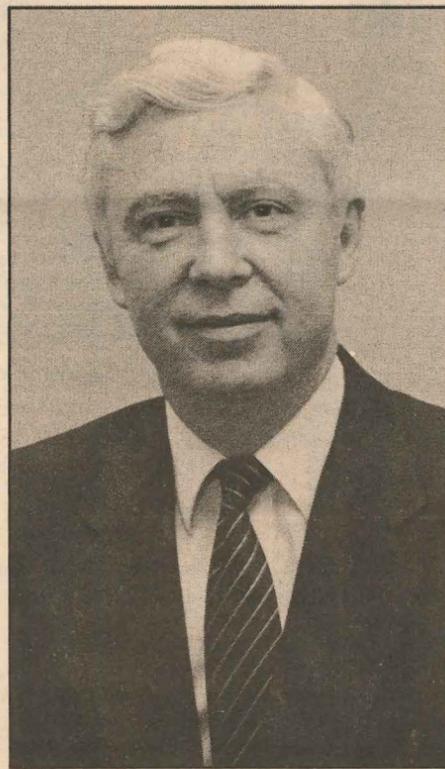
It is an occasion of consternation and disappointment to hear public speakers and those interviewed on television, be they politicians, businessmen, actors, athletes, or news reporters, who can't finish a sentence, and who can't choose the right word to express themselves.

In conclusion, I hope you will take pride in your school and in the education available to you at Georgetown College.

Not pride in an elitist sense that makes us think we are better than others. But pride which is rooted in a gratitude to God, to our parents, and to our teachers for the opportunity to prepare for the future.

I want to exhort you, urge you, challenge you to give your best to your studies. You're not doing me a favor or your teachers a favor by working hard. You're not even doing your parents a favor; you are doing yourself a favor because you will be increasing your chances to find a good job or to get into graduate school and to make a difference in the world. You will also derive a tremendous satisfaction from your sense of accomplishment.

If you want to excel on the playing field of life, start here and now at Georgetown College by doing your best each day.



Dr. W. Morgan Patterson  
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