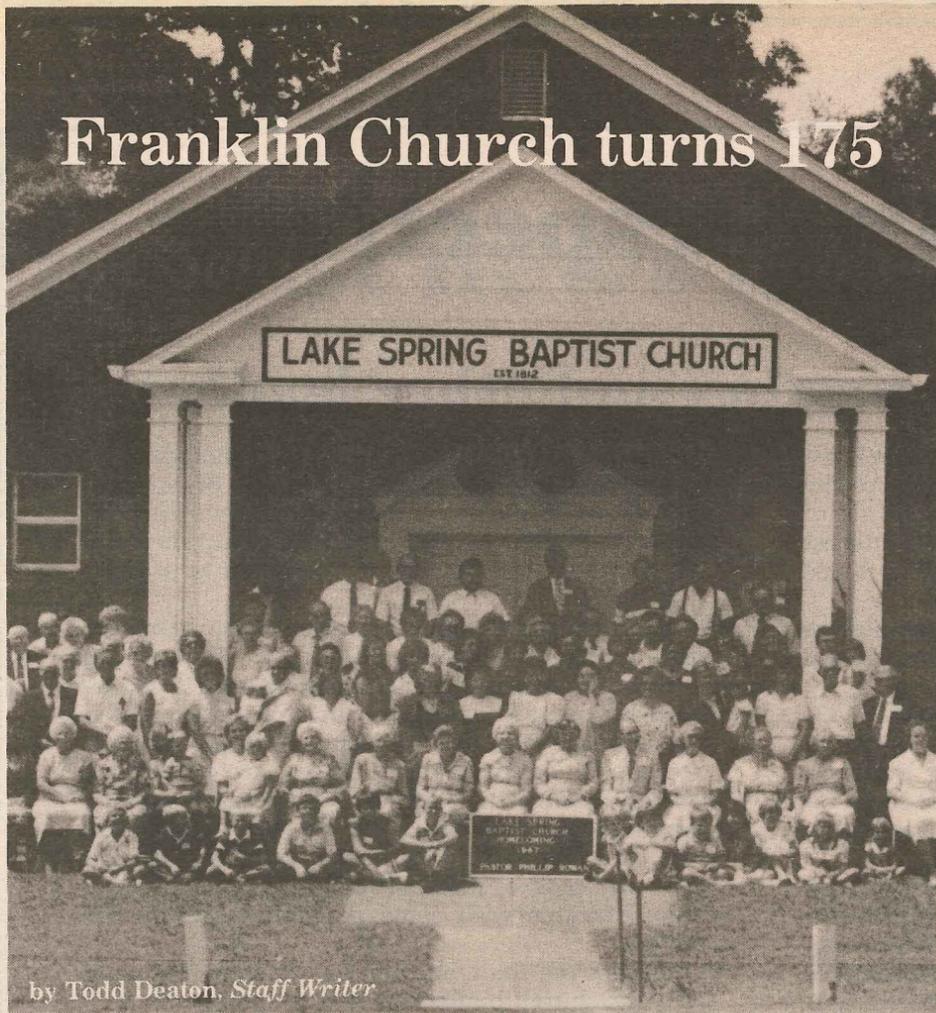


Franklin Church turns 175



by Todd Deaton, Staff Writer

Lake Spring Baptist Church has every reason to be proud of its heritage. The church has been a fountain of faith in the Franklin community for 175 years, making it the oldest congregation in Simpson Association.

Yet, Lake Spring's homecoming was not marked by elders reminiscing bygone years. Instead, families and friends of the 170-member church gathered Aug. 9 to look forward.

Thomas L. Lewis, director of missions for West Union Association, exhorted the congregation to focus on heaven.

"Heaven is a place promised by the same God who created this world," Lewis said. "It is a perfect place for imperfect, but prepared people."

"A homecoming in west Kentucky is something to behold, but it's not even a glimpse of the homecoming that is going to be when the trumpet sounds," claimed the Franklin native who led the church in constructing its educational building during his pastorate, 1954-1957.

Lake Spring constituted as a church in 1812, 25 years prior to the creation of the Kentucky Baptist Convention. Then, it was affiliated with Red River Association, comprised of both Kentucky and Tennessee Baptist churches.

The congregation remained in the association until 1829 when it joined Bethel Association. And, when Simpson Association was organized in 1900, Lake Spring became a member.

The church's historical records were destroyed in 1851 when the home of the

clerk, Samuel Borthick, burned. Hence, no minutes exist from 1812 to 1851. The records from 1851 to 1896 are also missing.

However, older members recollect the church built a log house on the land of Robert Martin where it worshiped until 1859. That year, the members decided to build another place of worship and moved a few hundred yards south to its present site.

Lake Spring voted Dec. 2, 1956 to build a new sanctuary attached to the educational wing constructed during Lewis' tenure. Dedication services were held Nov. 3, 1957.

KBC president A. B. Colvin challenged the members to recommit themselves to sharing the gospel. He recalled an incident from his youth when he left his garden chores early to go swimming. "The whole time I kept wishing my Dad wouldn't come home and find out."

"But next time, I stayed and hoed two extra rows. I couldn't wait until he came home," he said.

The difference was what I was doing while my father was away," he acknowledged. "The second time I was ready for his coming."

"God preserved us 175 years for a purpose: sharing the gospel with our community," Phillip D. Rowan, 37, pastor of Lake Spring and senior at Western Kentucky University, reminded the church. "I pray that 175 years from now Lake Spring will still be here, carrying out that purpose."

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Newport Baptists celebrate 175 years Aug. 9

by Jack Sanford, Editor

Under the theme, "Shining in the Glory of God," members and friends of First Baptist Church, Newport, gathered Sunday, Aug. 9, to celebrate the 175th anniversary of the church.

On Aug. 8, 1812, seven people gathered in the little 19-year-old village of Newport to organize a Baptist church for the frontier town on the banks of the Licking River. That small beginning was noted and thanksgiving made to God for the spirit of those first men and women who established what is today a thriving church.

Sunday's 175th anniversary celebra-

tion was marked by a special letter of congratulation from President Ronald Reagan as well as a note of praise from Kentucky Governor Martha Layne Collins. A special proclamation making Aug. 9, 1987, "First Baptist Church Day," was ordered by the Board of Commissioners of Newport and presented to the church by Newport Mayor Steve Getz.

Current pastor, Norman Willie, conducted the morning worship service and recognized former staff members William Crawford and Normand Burgess. He called attention to several persons who have gone out from the church to serve as pastors and missionaries. He was himself presented a certificate making him a Kentucky Colonel. The presentation was made on behalf of Kentucky

Governor Collins and was presented by co-chairpersons of the anniversary committee, Ruthe Worthington and Barbara Gateley.

Wendell Rone, retired pastor from Owensboro and a former pastor of the Newport church (1945-47), spoke of the grace of God which had not only brought the church into being, but had preserved and nurtured it throughout its history.

Dudley Pomeroy, recently retired from the staff of Clear Creek Baptist Bible College and himself a former pastor of the Newport church (1955-65), also brought a message. Pomeroy spoke of the need for the church to care for the physical and spiritual needs of the community.

Former pastors E. Keevil Judy (1952-55), retired from the pastorate of First Baptist Church, Henderson, and Raymond Bailey (1974-78), professor of Christian preaching at Southern Seminary, spoke at the services in the afternoon following dinner on the grounds

provided by the congregation of the church.

Hal Poe, associate in the Evangelism Department of the Kentucky Baptist Convention, represented KBC executive secretary-treasurer William Marshall who is in Kenya as part of the KBC Kentucky-Kenya mission project. Poe congratulated the church on its faithfulness to the vision of its founders and expressed appreciation for the spirit of cooperation the church demonstrates in the life of the convention.

Randall Jones, director of missions for the Northern Kentucky Association, brought greetings from the association and commended the church for its work in the local area.

Historical items depicting the church's past were on display along with a video tape of the year-long celebration of the 175th anniversary activities.

In the 1986 Book of Reports, First Baptist Church of Newport reported 1213 members.

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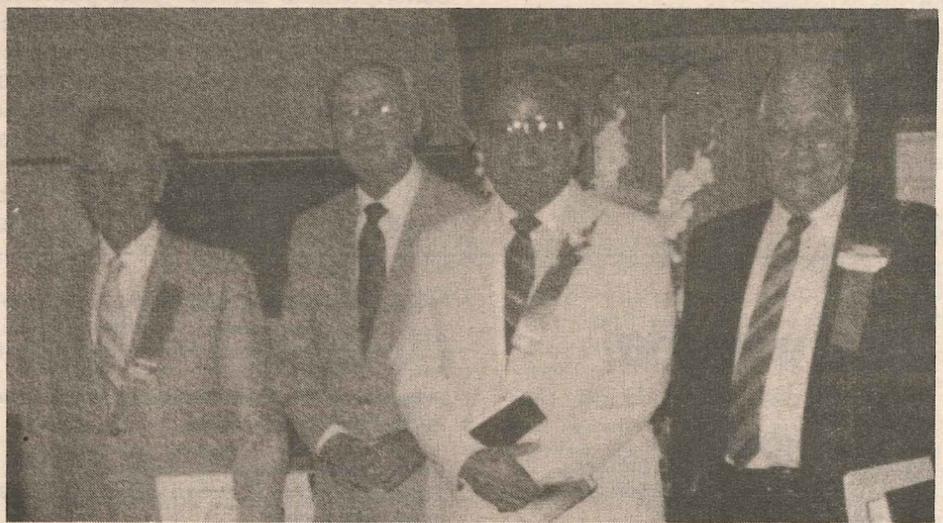
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	Month	YTD 11 Months
July 87	1,429,696	14,616,187
July 86	1,593,294	13,653,637
\$ Change	-163,598	962,550
% Change	-10.3	7.0
Budget	1,300,050	14,300,550
\$ (Under)/Over	129,646	315,637
%(Under)/Over	10.0	2.2

September - July Gifts

Year	Over/(Under) Budget to Date	% Increase Over Previous Year
1986-87	315,637	2.2
1985-86	-646,913	-4.5
1984-85	-372,985	-2.8
1983-84	-303,013	-2.4
1982-83	616,595	5.7
1981-82	1,174,395	12.4
1980-81	1,378,127	16.7



Pastor Norman Willie with former pastors (l to r) Dudley Pomeroy, E. Keevil Judy, Willie and Wendell Rone.



Jack D. Sanford

sanford's perspectives

A challenge to pastors and other leaders

Here is a challenge to every Baptist pastor in Kentucky and every lay leader in the churches of the KBC: Put Western Recorder into the hands of every member of your church and watch interest and participation in your church grow by leaps and bounds.

It is a matter of fact that informed people are better workers, stronger boosters and more loyal than persons who are poorly informed.

Western Recorder informs Baptists what is happening in the state, the nation and the world, at least what is happening among fellow Baptists. We contend this information is essential to an informed membership in our churches and is profitable for the churches.

We make every effort to report the news without bias, without bitterness, without coloring it to suit our own point of view. Some of what is happening in Baptist life is negative. We are not responsible for this negativism, but we are responsible to Kentucky Baptists to report all the news, both the good and the bad.

The challenge given here is to test us. We believe we do a good job sharing the news. We make every

attempt to be fair and honest, even though some readers complain we are bigoted and prejudiced. We do not think this is true, however we are constantly examining our positions and our methods to eliminate the reasons for complaints in news reporting.

Editorials are something else. These represent the opinion of one person, the editor. His opinions are subject to criticism, to rejection, even to acceptance. They are opinions, not news, not created by someone else, not the responsibility of anyone except the editor. And all editors are open game for all marksmen . . . there is no "closed season" on editors and all of us who do this work accept that as a fact of life. Don't deny your congregation the vital food of information simply because you may disagree with some position taken by the editor.

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Baptist Forum reminder

The rules for Baptist Forum, open to all Kentucky Baptists as a vehicle for expression of personal opinion, clearly state: "Writer's signature, address, phone number and church affiliation required" before any letter will be published.

This policy eliminates anonymous letters but it also eliminates some important thoughts. For instance, this past week a letter came to Baptist Forum without any signature except "A Concerned Baptist."

The "Concerned Baptist" raised some important matters, discussed them intelligently and had something significant to say to other Baptists.

However, because no name was attached we could not use the letter. All the writer had to do was sign a name and request the signature be withheld from publication. We would have done that and thus shared some good ideas with Kentucky Baptists.

All this is to say, if you want to be heard in Baptist Forum, follow the rules. If you do not want others to know who you are, then request your name not be used. We will honor your request but we will also know the letters we publish are not written by some cowardly crank who is afraid to be identified.

The books close Aug. 31 for fiscal 1986-87

Contributions from the churches through the Cooperative Program are the lifeline of missions, education and church planting among Southern Baptists.

Kentucky Baptists have done extremely well in the fiscal year 1986-87. Our gifts through the Cooperative Program are just slightly ahead of budgeted needs and the end of the fiscal year is only three weeks away. Aug. 31 closes the books on 1986-87.

If your church wants its record to reflect total contributions for the year you must have your check in the business office of the KBC not later than Sept. 1, but your letter must be postmarked Aug. 31 or before. Any contributions received after Sept. 1 or postmarked after Aug. 31 will be credited to the 1987-88 fiscal year and cannot be credited to your current giving record.

A flurry of giving often characterizes the final weeks of the fiscal year as churches "catch up"

on Cooperative Program giving or make extra contributions. Now is the time for your church to take a second look at what you have done this year to support the vast missionary program of your fellow Baptists. If you are behind you still have three weeks to complete your 1986-87 participation in the Kentucky Baptist lifeline to the world.

If Cooperative Program receipts in August are equal to the fixed monthly budget requirement (\$1,300,050) the budget will be met in fiscal 86-87 for the first time in three years. No SBC or KBC allocations will have to be reduced.

Let us rejoice together because of the good spirit among us and the dedication of our people to the work of world evangelization. God has given us a great opportunity and we are moving forward in unity and fellowship. Praise the Lord for the blessings of cooperative work among Kentucky Baptists.

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baptist news in brief

HMB directors set doctrinal guides

Policies governing the employment of elected staff members and missionaries were established during the July 29 meeting of the Home Mission Board.

In the resolution directors "instruct our administration to review the theological positions of our present professional staff and appointed missionaries to assure their theological stance is in harmony with and not in any way contrary to the Baptist Faith and Message statement."

The directors also "instruct our administration to assure that in the future we only employ professional staff and appoint missionaries whose theological positions 'clearly reflect the dominant convictions and beliefs held by Southern Baptists at large' as illustrated in the findings section of the Peace Committee report."

Larry Lewis, newly elected HMB president, declared, "I believe it behooves each and every agency and institution of our convention to cooperate fully with the Peace Committee and with our convention in its efforts to restore harmony to our denomination. We must stand ready and willing to do everything within our power to implement

CLC head named to anti-pornography panel

N. Larry Baker, executive director of the Southern Baptist Christian Life Commission, has been named to the executive committee of the Religious Alliance Against Pornography.

The alliance is a coalition of U. S. religious leaders. The group's purpose is to oppose hard-core and child pornography, which are not protected by the U. S. Constitution.

Baker was recommended to the alliance by SBC president Adrian Rogers, who formerly was on the organization's executive committee. Rogers and other members of the alliance met with President Reagan last year to express the group's concerns about pornography. (BP)

these simple recommendations. Let us lead the way in assuring our constituency that we intend to do everything within our ability to comply with each and every recommendation."

He said each new employee or person up for appointment will be asked the four questions from the Peace Committee: direct creation, the miracles, the historical narratives and the stated authorship of books of the Bible. (BP)

Cox to help enlist Brotherhood support

Larry Cox, an agricultural evangelist in Burkina Faso, West Africa since 1980, has been named associate director for the National Fellowship of Baptist Men.



Cox will assist in the development of NFBM affiliations, which are the main components of a national effort by the SBC Brotherhood Commission to organize Baptist men for mission service through their vocational skills and interests.

Cox felt he was being called to service with NFBM after his work while on furlough with the Brotherhood Department of the Mississippi Baptist Convention. As a missionary-in-residence during 1984-85, Cox organized the Mississippi Baptist Agricultural Mission Fellowship. His work caught the attention of Ed Bullock, executive director of NFBM.

Before his appointment as a missionary to Burkina Faso, Cox was a religious education promoter for the Foreign Mission Board in Abidjan, Ivory Coast.

He also has been a summer missionary and a minister of education and youth in churches in Mississippi and Kentucky. He is a graduate of Mississippi College, Southern Baptist Seminary and Mississippi State University.



Anthony B. Carson (r) and Linda S. Principe (l), newly elected Home Mission Board directors, receive an orientation during their first board meeting from Larry Lewis (c), president of the HMB. Carson is pastor of Emmanuel Baptist Church, Jenkins. Mrs. Principe is a member of First Baptist, Brandenburg. They attended their first meeting of the Home Mission Board of directors in Atlanta in July since election to the board by the Southern Baptist Convention in June.

Kenya missionary tested as 10,000 fed

Except in the presence of Jesus, food for 300 has not proven to stretch too well in a crowd of 10,000.

At least that is what Southern Baptist missionary Ralph Bethea thought as he gazed into a crowd, knowing he had enough "mandazi," a type of bread Kenyans like, to feed only the number of new believers for whom he had prepared.

Bethea and Kenyan pastors planned the meeting in the Likoni area of Mombasa, Kenya, to follow up in training new believers who had emerged from a recent evangelistic outreach.

They prepared for 300 people. When 10,000 showed up, they went ahead with their plans, using the gospel of Mark to help the people understand what it means to be a disciple of Jesus.

But part of the day was scheduled as a time to share a small amount of mandazi. They had enough for 300 people. As Bethea puzzled over what to do, a pastor stood and told how Jesus fed 5000 people with a handful of food. Then the pastors handed out the mandazi and watched as people in attendance tore

their mandazi and shared with neighbors. Some had brought their own food and they opened that and shared.

Lack of bread was not the only difficulty that tested the group's faith. At about 3 p.m. the electricity failed. Bethea and the pastors prayed for a way to make themselves heard by the crowd. Then a car came by and someone in it lent them a portable loudspeaker. Since it was small leaders had to speak in one direction, then another and then another, repeating what was said each time. But it worked and the crowd was able to hear. (BP)

'Be not weary' leaders of missions tell WMU

The top leaders of the two Southern Baptist mission boards praised the work of Southern Baptist Woman's Missionary Union and challenged WMU members to not grow weary in the cause of missions.

R. Keith Parks, president of the Foreign Mission Board, and Larry L. Lewis, president of the Home Mission Board, spoke during the annual WMU week July 26-31 at Glorieta (N. M.) Baptist Conference Center. Both paid tribute to the organization, which is about to celebrate its 100th anniversary.

"Of the people I know, the women of Woman's Missionary Union are more kingdom citizens than any other group with whom I work," Parks said.

While others in the denomination have become sidetracked with the years-long controversy that has plagued the Southern Baptist Convention, WMU has "kept your eyes on Jesus," Parks said, and has "continued to see the invisible."

Lewis challenged the women not to be ashamed of the gospel, as many within the denomination appear to be.

"I believe in the authority, authenticity and reliability of the Bible. The message of this gospel is powerful—more powerful than any army or any bomb concocted in our laboratories."



Five persons from Kentucky were among 81 writers and potential writers attending the annual Writers Workshop at the Baptist Sunday School Board. Talking together here are (seated) Beth Wyatt, London; Virginia Baker, First Church, Corbin; (standing) Robert Coons, Pleasant Ridge Church, Utica; Mary Ann Johnson, Spring Creek Church, Almo; and Al Griffin, Southern Heights Church, Lexington.

Annuity Board projects 25 percent 'Plan A' hike

Southern Baptist retirees who receive pension payments from the Formula Benefit Plan, commonly referred to as Plan A, are in line for a 25 percent increase in benefits beginning Jan. 1, 1988.

Trustees of the Annuity Board approved the increase July 28 in Oklahoma City and sent the recommendation on to state Baptist conventions, all of which must approve it.

Retirees affected will see the increase in their January checks, issued at the end of the month. Non-retired members with accumulated benefits in Plan A will see an increase in projected benefits in the first member benefit statement based on 1988 accumulations or in retirement benefits, whichever comes first. Plan A will close to additional contributions Dec. 31. (BP)

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Richmond president quits abruptly

Samuel A. Banks, first non-Baptist president of the University of Richmond, resigned abruptly July 30, citing health problems.

The surprise announcement followed a closed door meeting of the Baptist-affiliated university's board of trustees.

In a written statement university rector Joseph A. Jennings said: "Banks discovered recently that his physical condition would not warrant his continued tenure as president . . . and upon advice of his physician, he has requested permission to retire. Recurring heart disease . . . would limit his energy and time available for the presidency."

Banks, 59, suffered a heart attack nine years ago, but apparently has been in good health until recently.

Georgetown receives \$50,000 grant

Georgetown College is beneficiary of a \$50,000 scholarship provided by Great Financial Federal, with home offices in Louisville, honoring the firm's long time commitment to private higher education extending back more than 25 years.

The scholarship was presented to Georgetown's president, W. Morgan Patterson, by Roscoe I. Kerr, chief executive officer of Great Financial Federal, a 1947 Georgetown alumnus.

An ordained Methodist minister, Banks was president of Dickinson College, Carlisle, Pa., until his election as UR's sixth president in July 1986. He was second office last December and was to have been installed Oct. 23. (BP)

Campbellsville dean named to state council

Robert S. Clark, vice president for academics and professor of social sciences at Campbellsville College, was appointed to the Kentucky Council on Teacher Education and Certification.

The appointment was made by Alice McDonald, superintendent of public instruction for the state of Kentucky. His term ends in 1991.

Clark will be one of three persons representing the Kentucky independent colleges engaged in teacher education.

He has been vice president for academics at Campbellsville College since 1976. From 1966-76 he was associate professor of social sciences at the college.

A native of Shelbyville, Clark holds a BA degree from Georgetown (Ky.) College, MA from Middle Tennessee State University and MDiv from Southern Seminary. He holds an EdD from Peabody College of Vanderbilt University in Tennessee.



Clear Creek Baptist Bible College dedicated the 22,000 square foot Thomas Pomeroy and Jean Asher Pomeroy Family Life Center Aug. 4.

Cumberland starts General Studies degree

In order to assist more students who do not want to follow a traditional undergraduate program, Cumberland College has implemented a General Studies degree program, according to Cumberland's president James H. Taylor.

"The General Studies program will allow the student to choose three areas of study from among the 28 offered. This way, a student may choose three areas of study that are of particular interest or that are especially complementary," Taylor said.

"The program's flexibility allows the individual student to tailor a program to specifically meet his or her own needs, interests and requirements."

To earn a General Studies degree, a student must complete 49 hours of required general education courses, at least 16 hours of electives from across the curriculum, and must complete three minor areas of study (at least 21 hours in each area for a total of 63 hours) chosen from among the 28 fields offered.

Other requirements include at least 36 hours of the required 128 hours must be taken at the upper division level. Also,

a grade of "C" or better must be earned in all courses applied to the three principal areas of study. At least 30 semester hours of the last 36 hours of the General Studies program must be taken in residence.

A student who already holds a baccalaureate degree and who wants to earn a general studies degree must earn at least 24 semester hours not previously applied to the initial baccalaureate degree.

Students interested in the General Studies program should be aware this program may not meet the specific requirements of graduate or professional schools and the program does not lead to teacher certification.

New building dedicated at Clear Creek

Leon Simpson, president of Clear Creek Baptist Bible College, presided over the dedication and grand opening ceremonies of the Dudley Thomas Pomeroy and Jean Asher Pomeroy Family Life Center and Conference Center Aug. 4.

The 22,000 square foot building honors Dudley Pomeroy and his wife Jean, who have served in ministry at Clear Creek 10 years. Pomeroy has served more than 37 years in churches in Kentucky, Ohio, South Carolina and Georgia.

The new facility will provide conference rooms, a gymnasium, weight room, ceramics center, general recreation area and a swimming pool for the campus population of nearly 600 people.

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SBTS names institute for pioneer

Southern Baptist Theological Seminary has named its National Institute for Research and Training in Church Social Work in honor of Southern Baptist Christian social ministries pioneer Paul Adkins of Atlanta.

The institute, founded in 1984, is administered through the Carver School of Church Social Work at the Louisville seminary.

Adkins, the first director of the Home Mission Board's Christian Social Ministries Department, accepted the honor during the board's 75th anniversary of Baptist centers during a celebration held at the seminary. The first Baptist center was founded in Louisville in 1912 by Maud Reynolds McClure, then principal at the Woman's Missionary Union Training School, forerunner of Carver School.

The three-day celebration was attended by 250 home missionaries from the department.

Adkins, a native of Dundee, Ky., and a 20-year employe of the board, was named director of the Missions Ministries Division in January. Under his leadership the Christian Social Ministries program has grown into two departments with 340 missionaries while maintaining an emphasis on the local

church reaching its community through witness and ministry. Two national programs, disaster relief and domestic hunger, also were developed under Adkins' direction.

The institute undergirds the seminary's social work program by providing research and writing groups, a visiting scholar program and national conferences, as well as course work.

Campbellsville to host elderhostel Oct. 11-17

Campbellsville College will host its first elderhostel, a learning experience for persons 60 years old or older, Oct. 11-17 on the campus.

Three courses will be offered: early history of Baptists in Kentucky, regional crafts and an introduction to computers.

The program is for persons 60 years of age with their spouses. Courses are not for credit, nor are there grades, examinations or required homework, except for intensive studies.

Further information is available from Sylvia Morris, (502) 465-8158, ext. 222.

College educator steps down, not out



It all began in a one-room school in Magoffin County. Now, after 53 years in Southern Baptist ministry with 28 of those years as an English professor at Campbellsville College, L. M. Hamilton has stepped down.

"My dedication to the Lord and his work began before I was born, thanks to God-fearing parents," said Hamilton. "The first book they bought when they were married was a Bible. My mother taught me Bible verses and hymns and did all she could to lead me in the way of the Lord."

Hamilton was converted at the age of 12 and was baptized in First Baptist Church, Salyersville. The pastor at that time was R. E. Booker.

Hamilton was licensed to preach Sept. 9, 1936 and was ordained Apr. 10, 1938. He then became pastor of Sherman Baptist Church in Grant County where he was also married.

He remained in Grant County and pastored several other churches including: Grassy Run, Oak Ridge and Clark's Creek Baptist. From there he pastored Sand Run Baptist Church, Burlington; Mt. Vernon, Waddy; Macedonia, Jonesville; Gano Avenue, Georgetown; Friendship, Campbellsville; and Trammell Creek, Green County.

He retired as pastor of Acton Baptist

Church, Taylor County, Jan. 1.

Hamilton received his BA degree in English and his MA degree from Georgetown College. He also completed graduate work at Southern Seminary, University of Kentucky and Western Kentucky University.

In 1959, he went to Campbellsville as an instructor of English. Upon his retirement, more than 8000 students had entered his class room.

"I love people," said Hamilton. "I have never met a student or church member I didn't love."

A former student expressed his feelings for Hamilton in a recent letter: "You gave me insight when it was needed, you encouraged me when it was appropriate and discouraged me when I seemed to be on the wrong road."

Hamilton attributes his success not only to his parents, but to his wife, Mildred Woodruff Hamilton of Georgetown.

The Hamiltons have four children and seven grandchildren. His children are Suetta Faye Williamson, Georgetown; Jerry Thomas Hamilton, Elizabethtown; Jane Hope Goff, Campbellsville; and Joy Ruth Hale, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Hamilton's retirement plans have been postponed temporarily because of a disabling heart attack he suffered Aug. 28, 1986.

Hamilton hopes to write his memoirs and "see a little more of Kentucky and hear from all my students."

"I would also like to visit all my former churches," Hamilton said.

Hamilton has published a book, *The Princeliest Preacher*, as well as some poetry and essays. He was named outstanding educator in 1971 in Taylor County and was elected most popular professor by Campbellsville students in 1970, 1971 and 1972.

Hamilton said his commitment has been to serve God as faithfully as he could and endeavor to become a more effective teacher and pastor. "I have had a part in gathering some souls for the Lord. I'm not through yet."



Six former residents of Spring Meadows Baptist Children's Home were greeted by Eldred M. Taylor, executive director of Kentucky Baptist Homes for Children at a Campbellsville dinner recently. Shown prior to the dinner are (l to r) Taylor; Sue Fightmaster Parrott, Campbellsville; Betty Jo Fightmaster Cox, Belleville, Ill.; Becki Fightmaster Schroll, Dayton, Oh.; Edna Mae Allen, Lebanon; Jim McGinnis, Middletown; Henry Wayne, Leitchfield.

Georgian to head SBTS Continuing Ed

Robert Shippey of Warner Robbins, Ga., has been named director of continuing education for Southern Seminary, Louisville.

Shippey succeeds Ross Brummett, who will join the faculty of Carson-Newman College, Jackson City, Tenn.

Shippey, a doctor of philosophy candidate at the seminary, holds the AA degree from Macon (Ga.) Junior College, the BA degree from Furman University, Greenville, S. C., and the MDiv and ThM from Southern Seminary. For the past three years he has been chaplain of the Eastern Star Home of Kentucky.

Georgetown exceeds \$5 million base goal

Georgetown College has topped its base goal of \$5 million in phase two of the school's Decade of Progress campaign, J. Richard Carlton, vice president for development, says.

Total pledged/given during the first two years of the campaign phase is \$5,150,015.

Georgetown oversubscribed a slightly smaller phase one campaign conducted during the first five years of this decade.



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Wesley Roberts, left, president of the Kentucky Music Teachers Association and a member of the faculty of Campbellsville College, presented a certificate of appreciation to Mrs. Bruce V. Hartsell, convention host coordinator. Mrs. Hartsell is a member of Shepherdsville Chapel. Her husband was a pastor in Shepherdsville for 40 years before his death in 1985. Looking on is president-elect of Music Teachers National Association, Richard Morris of the University of Cincinnati.

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homes for children

Using your power

What power do you have in your hand? We do not all have the same kind of power or the same amount of power, but we have power.

I have been thinking about the different kinds of power people have and how they use their power. There is the power of position, influence, persuasion, wealth, mind and body. All of these powers are evident in people we know and they may be used to do evil and hurt others. Think with me about your power and how you are using it.

The Bible says, "Withhold not good from them to whom it is due, when it is in the power of thine hand to do it" (Prov. 3:27). I am grateful so many people across Kentucky are using their power to do good for children. Baptist men's groups are giving of their knowledge and strength to help repair buildings on our Children's Homes campuses. Others help provide food and many give of their material means to help pay the bills.

Throughout this year we are in a campaign to raise \$3 million for endowment. This campaign requires the enlistment of lay men and women in all parts of the state to serve in our voluntary organization.

It is a great encouragement to find so many people who have a deep concern for children and are willing to use their powers to make this campaign a success. Literally hundreds of lay people—busy people—are giving leadership powers to this campaign. In addition to the powers of leadership, influence and encouragement they are also giving of their possessions.

I believe it is in the power of Kentucky Baptists to provide who are certainly due our help. Some out of the power of material things can give large gifts. Many out of their modest amount of material things can give a worthy gift. With all the gifts of many friends of children the goal will be reached for the sake of children and the glory of God.

Have you thought about how you are using your power? Use it for children—they are due our help. It is in our power to help, let's do it!

Teacher introduces children to learning

by Suzanne Darland
State Correspondent

This Sunday Mildred Rogers will gather her supplies and do something she has been doing for 52 years at Mill Creek Baptist Church—teach Sunday school to young children.

"There have been very few times I've sat in an adult Sunday school class," noted Mrs. Rogers, 71.

She has also taught vacation Bible school each year since the 1940s when her church began holding it. She received special recognition at the Radcliff church's recent Bible school commencement.

"When they announced there was a special person on their Bible school faculty, it did not even dawn on me that they were talking about me," she explained. "I just didn't realize it had been that long."

Mrs. Rogers says she wishes she had kept a record of all the children she has come in contact with over the years. Mill Creek is near Ft. Knox and many have been part of military families who stay for only a few years.

"I feel like our church sends out military missionaries," she noted, adding she looked on the bright side of so many painful leavings.

But, many families have stayed and made themselves a part of the 500-member church . . . like the two little girls that comprised Mrs. Rogers' first Sunday school class in 1935, a year after she was married. Both still attend Mill Creek.

"We had cards with a picture on the front and a Bible story on the back," Mrs. Rogers recalled. "That was all the material we had then."

Through the years in Sunday school and Bible school, she's taught children from first through fifth grades. She taught older children in Church Training for awhile, but she said she prefers younger groups.

Mrs. Rogers is pleased she has taught the children of some of her pupils and is looking forward to teaching their grandchildren.

The feeling seems to be mutual. "She always was one of my favorite teachers," said Carolyn Jones, whose



Longtime teacher Mildred Rogers looks over the shoulder of Sarah Murray as they puzzle over a Sunday school question together.

two daughters were also students of Mrs. Rogers.

"When my kids were old enough to go to school I knew they'd enjoy it. And they did."

Shelby Fey has a son in Mrs. Rogers' class. "I remember her saying she had never seen a bad boy, just a mischievous one," Mrs. Fey related. "I don't think she has changed things. There are still important things to learn and she teaches them."

On a recent Sunday morning six third graders sat around a table with their teacher. "What did we say with the difference between the synagogue and the temple?" Mrs. Rogers asked.

Hands shot up. "There's only one temple, and the synagogue is another name for church," one child answered.

As heads were bowed for prayer that "the homes of these children would be affected by their attending Sunday school," Mrs. Rogers paused. "You can keep your gum," she told an offending student, "but don't pop it."

Mrs. Rogers thinks children know more than they used to and are more sophisticated. She thinks that is a by-

product of television and does not think it's good so much of her students' lives revolve around the black box.

"They'll start talking about a show and get off the lesson or they'll want to hurry and go watch a show," she noted.

But she thinks she is a better teacher now.

"It's easier to get close to them now that I'm older," she said chuckling. "I can be a grandma."

She tries to listen and love without being shocked at the children who confide in her about separated parents or family problems. Like one girl who announced recently she had attended her parents' wedding.

And it thrills her when she guides a child toward a salvation experience.

"One girl came to me after class and said, 'I love Jesus. I would like to be saved,'" Mrs. Rogers recalled. "We talked and within a year she had accepted Christ."

But she takes no credit. "What I have done is for God's glory," she stated. "There's no praise for me."

She began teaching shortly after she married in 1934 and notes she was a charter member of the church's nursery committee.

"When they organized the nursery, I was the first to work," she explained.

Two of her now-adult children live in Louisville, another lives nearby and attends Mill Creek. Her husband died seven years ago.

Mrs. Rogers sometimes has bouts of arthritis in her wrists and back, but has no thoughts of retiring from teaching.

"As long as the Lord can use me, he is going to give me strength and the ability to go on," she mused. "I don't have any excuse to quit."

Kentucky DOM sets Church Training mark

Ray Redden is the type of man who might be found standing outside a dreary factory in the 1920s organizing a labor union for workers who could better their lives with proper leadership.

He's determined, dedicated and enthusiastic. And he's very good at getting people to join his special cause.

The director of missions of Red River Association in mid-east Kentucky and pastor of Campton (Ky.) Baptist Church has adopted the task of church training leaders in the eight church, six county association he oversees.

"We feel like what this association needs more than anything else is church training and the training you receive from it," Redden said during the Church Training leadership conference at Ridgecrest (N. C.) Baptist Conference Center. "Every church needs church training to grow and flourish."

Redden brought with him 51 people—about eight from each church—an "astounding" number, considering the size of the association and the total of 122 who attended from Kentucky, said Jim Clontz, associate Church Training di-

rector for the Kentucky Baptist Convention.

"He brought about 40 percent of those attending from Kentucky," Clontz said. "And his association is one of the smallest of the 79 in the state."

Redden is intent on increasing the number of people he brings to Ridgecrest each year. "Last year we brought 27, and we made reservations this year for 50 people. Next year we're working on bringing 100—50 to Church Training week and 50 to Sunday school."

Redden's determination lies ultimately in building churches and reaching non-Christians, he said. "We also want to grow the Christians we have."

His dedication is evident in the quarterly all organizations of the church (music, Church Training, Sunday school) gather "to share anything new," according to Clontz.

"Redden is really an innovative, go-getter," Clontz said. "We need more like him if we want to reach our Bold Mission Thrust goal."

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ordinations

Marvin Helton was ordained to the ministry May 31 by Arthur Ridge Baptist Church, Laurel River Association.

Bobby J. Touchton was ordained by Ardmore Baptist Church, Winston-Salem, N. C., July 19. Touchton is currently a student at Southern Seminary, where he is pursuing a MDiv degree. He serves as minister of youth and education at Chapel Park Baptist Church, Louisville, Long Run Association.

personnel



Montgomery



Mueller

Robert D. Montgomery accepted the pastorate of Hurstbourne Baptist Church, Louisville, Long Run Association.

Montgomery has been pastor of Park Street Baptist Church, Columbia, S. C. since 1982. A native of San Francisco, Cal., he has pastored two churches in Texas. He holds a BA degree from the University of Texas, MA degree from the University of Northern Colorado and MDiv and DDiv degrees from Southwestern Seminary.

Eutri Hammett, director of missions for Lynn Association, retired after 9½ years. He had previously been DOM in Russell County.

Chris Mueller has been called as pastor of Yuma Baptist Church, Taylor Association. His first Sunday was July 19.

Mueller and his wife Sarah are from Graham. He is a graduate of Campbellsville College and teaches history at Taylor County High School. Before attending Campbellsville, Mueller attended Boyce Bible School, Louisville.

James Wedding is the new pastor of Mt. Carmel Baptist Church, Ohio County Association.

Wedding has been pastor of Black Mountain Baptist Church and Wallins Baptist Church, both in Upper Cumberland Association; and Curdsville Baptist Church, Daviess-McLean Association.

Howell Easterling resigned as minister of education from Fern Creek Baptist Church, Louisville, Long Run Association, to accept a similar position at Parkview Baptist Church, Monroe, La., July 5.

Easterling is a native of Clanton, Ala. He served Fern Creek while pursuing his MDiv and MACE degrees at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville.

Vester Moreland is the new pastor at Broadway Baptist Church, Graves County Association.

Roy Young is the new pastor at Youngs Creek, South Union Association. He has been pastor of churches at Patterson Creek and Red Bird in the same association.

Rodney Lynch has been called as minister of youth at Dallasburg Baptist Church, Wheatley, Owen County Association. He goes to Dallasburg from Parkville Baptist Church, South District Association, where he was minister of youth.

Glendon Brewer resigned the pastorate of Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Irvine Association.

Gordon Brown resigned as director of missions, Bell Association.

Tommy Presley resigned as pastor of Williams Memorial Baptist Church, Boone's Creek Association.

Wallace Smith has accepted the call to pastor Mt. Haven Baptist Church, Graves County Association.

Clyde Shackelford has been called to the pastorate of Long Branch Baptist Church, Laurel River Association.

Hurla Phillips was called as pastor of Concord Baptist Church, North Concord Association.

Melissa Stache has joined the staff of First Baptist Church, Frankfort, Franklin Association, as minister of youth and children. She is a graduate of Campbellsville College and Southern Seminary. Billy Hurt is pastor of Frankfort.

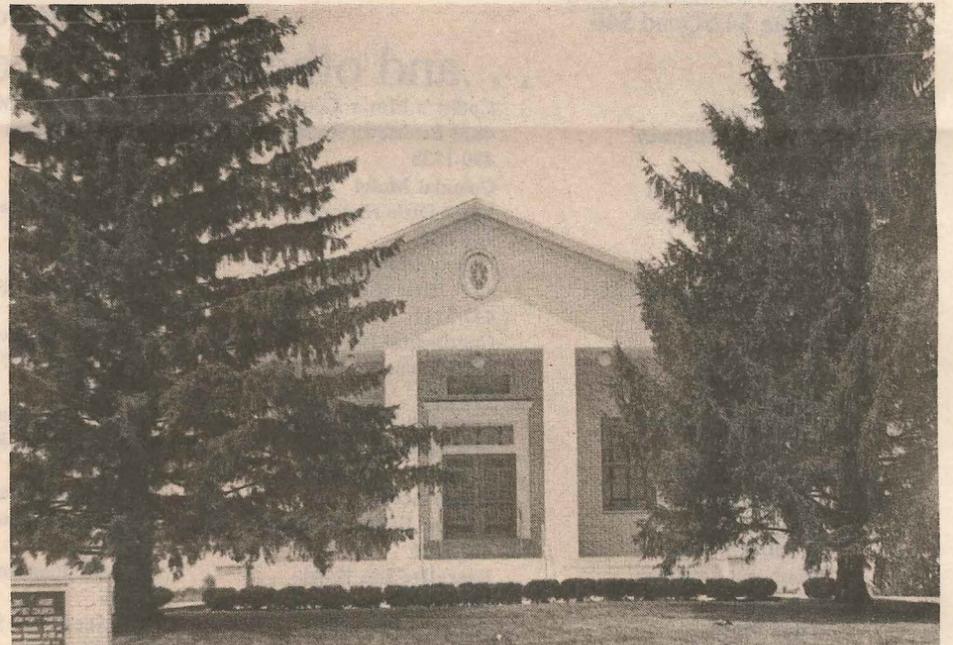
Pike Association called **Carl Dean Boyd** to be director of missions.

Mike Hayes resigned as pastor of Ottawa Baptist Church, Rockcastle Association.

congregations

Long Ridge Baptist Church, Owenton, Owen County Association, held a rededication day July 27. More than 100 people gathered to celebrate the completion of bricking the church building.

Eugene Enlow spoke during the morning and afternoon services, encouraging the church to rededicate the building and themselves to furthering the kingdom of God. Enlow is the son of I. E. Enlow, pastor when the present church was built in 1924. He is pastor at Beechmont Baptist Church, Louisville, and his wife Culley is church accompanist.



Long Ridge Baptist Church, Owenton, celebrated the completion of bricking the church building July 27.

Rededication day stirred many memories for those who had been at the church's dedication June 24, 1924. Activities were conducted similarly on the two days with dinner on the grounds. The 1924 dedication was held after members built a new church sanctuary of stucco. The rededication in 1987 was upon completion of a project to resurface the entire church building with white brick. Carved wooden doors were also installed in memory of former outstanding church members.

Don Pratt is pastor of the 167-year-old church.

deaths

David Louis Elliott died May 20 in Western Baptist Hospital, Paducah.

Elliott spent his life in public and Christian education and in the Baptist ministry. He served Kentucky Baptists in many capacities, especially as a pastor in the western part of the state. His last pastorate before retirement was at Salem Baptist Church, Christian County.

After retirement he was pastor of Antioch Baptist Church, Carlisle County, and was mayor of Blandville in Ballard County. As mayor, Elliott made a strong and enduring contribution to the town. His efforts resulted in the establishment of a fire department for the community, a task for which the community has honored his memory.

A better door



James H. Cox
Associate Editor

fourth estate

I was serving in an administrative capacity on the staff of a small Baptist college in another state. Times were lean for private schools, and that had a debilitating effect on paychecks, too. Our third child had just been born as the economy worsened.

Seeing more slip away every month than was coming in, I had a talk with the school's president. He was sympathetic, but was committed to strict budgetary measures to keep the college operating in the black. I told him I might have to take a second job to meet our basic obligations. "You do what you have to do," he suggested.

A short while later, I was employed on weekends in an all night market. While it was helping us get by, that's all

we were doing. In time, we got behind again. We prayed for a solution.

Unexpectedly, I was invited to consider an opportunity to create and manage a public relations program for a Baptist state convention's very large hospital ministry. It was located in the city where my aging parents resided. I would have the resources to produce the program I felt was required. The remuneration offered was enough to care for our current needs and those anticipated for some time. Was this God's answer?

My wife, while quite willing to go, felt the decision must be mine. With her support, I went outside on a late summer evening and sat down among the trees at the far edge of our yard. For over two hours I talked with God. I reviewed the pluses and the few minuses about that opportunity.

When I returned to the house I told my wife I could not accept. Startled, she asked why. "I can't tell you that," I replied. "I only know I can't find peace in my heart about it."

*God closed a door today. And...
Like a thwarted child,
I kicked against it in anger,
Not knowing that he had quietly
Opened a better door behind me.*

Muriel F. Blackwell

I didn't know, nor could I have known, why I was refusing when I called the hospital administrator the following morning. But four mornings later, it all became perfectly clear.

My phone rang that Aug. 11. C. R. Daley, Western Recorder editor, was at the other end of the line. Could I possibly consider coming as his associate? Even as he spoke, I was saying to myself, "I think I know why now, Lord."

That was 12 years ago. The same week I complete a dozen years here I finish 28 years in denominational communications—first with an SBC board, then with a college and now a state journal. What a joy when we know we've been precisely where God would have us in his plan! I know who holds the future, and I know who holds my hand.

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baptist forum

The tyranny of the majority

Thank you for printing the full text of the report of the Peace Committee. This gives every Southern Baptist the opportunity to interpret the report as he sees it and I see it not as a "peace" report but as a demand by the victorious fundamentalists for the unconditional surrender of the SBC and all its agencies by the moderates.

The report is entirely consistent with this sentence from an Apr. 29, 1986 letter from Adrian Rogers to me: "I don't believe anyone who refuses to believe the history of the first 11 chapters of the Bible should lead on the Southern Baptist Convention committees or boards."

Shortly after the convention I read in Baptist Forum a letter which stated it was no more than right that the professors in our seminaries be required to teach what a majority of Baptists believe. This is what the founding fathers of this country recognized as the "tyranny of the majority."

My answer to Rogers and his followers is that if they are going to systematically exclude almost half of the denomination from positions of leadership in the SBC, then they must assume the responsibility for financing it. I'm designating my contributions for local purposes only.

E. Gaines Davis Jr.
Frankfort

Concerned about news coverage

Just last week we learned of the death three months ago of Mrs. J. D. Hughey, longtime missionary in Europe and widow of J. D. Hughey, the former area secretary for the Foreign Mission Board and former president of the Baptist seminary at Ruschlikon, Switzerland.

My concern relates to the lack of news concerning Mrs. Hughey's death. Although I had been in personal correspondence with her through February, and thus knew of her serious illness, we could not get any news of her death and saw nothing regarding it either in Baptist Press releases or the publications from the FMB.

Although I am aware of a "new breed" has taken control of our SBC agencies and commissions, I would have thought there were enough "old-timers" left to express appreciation for the many years of service rendered by Mrs. Hughey and other former missionaries.

Joseph Estes, pastor
Beechwood Baptist Church
Louisville

Bashing WMU is not good

I read with interest the news about Bailey Smith's address at the Conference of Southern Baptist Evangelists. He urged evangelists not to compromise their message of repentance and implied that takes courage. That is well stated, but . . .

Who could dream he would have the "courage" to denounce the Woman's Missionary Union as a threat to pastors preaching repentance? The WMU is one of the most effective evangelistic organizations around, and I suspect its long-term, in depth work with people furthers the kingdom at least as much as short-term engagements of evangelists. This does not knock evangelists but points out an evangelist has no call to criticize WMU.

He also denounces "chicken preachers" and "weenie men" as not taking the "unmitigated word of God" seriously. I

suppose he is technically correct in his "criticism" (some prefer stronger words), but something is missing here.

The "unmitigated word of God" includes three things Bailey Smith had apparently left out. The first is that Jesus, while occasionally criticizing religious leaders, did his name-calling to their face which really does take courage.

The second is the principle of speaking the truth in love. Love is always building and lifting but denouncing persons or groups in front of others builds or lifts no one. (Note: I am critiquing a man's "teaching" that is in the public record. I am not making blanket denunciations of whole groups of fellow believers.)

The third is like unto the second. The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. Bashing WMU and assorted "weenies" is more like sounding brass and tinkling cymbals.

Larry Riedinger
Louisville

Does Las Vegas want Baptists?

Southern Baptists have again aroused an adverse criticism which will spread across our nation over an objection to having the Southern Baptist Convention meet in Las Vegas in 1989.

Would Jesus have gone there? Would Paul have gone there?

Are Southern Baptists sure Las Vegas wants them to come there after all the notorious publicity and bad image of Christianity they created in the past three years over bickering, arguing, politics and unChristian things that went on in the convention? This was televised on all the major networks.

I had hoped after the 1987 convention the Baptists would focus attention on spreading the gospel and being soul-winners and have love for everybody.

Could it be our Lord directed some of our dedicated Christian Baptists to move that the convention be held in Las Vegas in 1989?

Willena Tolbert
Louisville

Las Vegas is no place for the SBC

Using the facade of evangelism to justify the 1989 convention in Las Vegas would be laughable were it not for the tragic consequences that will result from our foolish folly.

I spent my adult life as a professional gambler and lived nearly six years in one of the major Las Vegas casino-hotels. During those years I became intimately associated with the gambling

hierarchy of Las Vegas whose sole purpose is to enslave our nation by spreading the gambling cancer through lotteries, casinos and race tracks into every state.

The seduction of the SBC will prove to be their greatest victory. The publicity and propaganda value of our presence in those "satanic synagogues" will be beyond estimation. The secular press will make a mockery of our denomination around the world. Southern Baptist evangelism will be dealt a deadly blow as a lost world turns a deaf ear to a church whose testimony and integrity have been compromised by "an appearance of evil."

I cannot believe Southern Baptists, saved by the blood of Christ, are actually going to expose wives and children to those cesspools of sin, sleep and eat at the devil's table and contribute in excess of \$10 million to the casino coffers.

I was saved in a Las Vegas casino in 1985 and have spent the majority of my evangelistic efforts over the past two years witnessing and testifying to my former associates who still walk in that world of evil darkness. Please hear me when I say Christians who have not been expressly called and equipped by God to be in those casinos will certainly suffer grave consequences as a result of their actions.

Rick Hamil
Louisville

In honor of Eddie Iglehart

I read with sadness the death notice of

Eddie Iglehart, a Camp RABRO counselor at Cedarmore. I was one of the 12,000 Royal Ambassadors whom Eddie taught "how to build campfires, tie knots, cook, camp and hike."

To this day Eddie stands out in my boyhood as a giant for Christ. I remember his patience and gentleness as he worked with rambunctious, even obnoxious, kids like me. In his own quiet way Eddie encouraged us not only to learn the ways of nature, but the way of the master.

During the years 1982-84, I had the privilege of serving as pastor of the Bagdad Baptist Church, located just a few miles from Cedarmore. One day I ran into Eddie in Bagdad. He not only remembered me but knew a great deal about my job, family, etc. Eddie never stopped caring for his RAs despite the passage of time.

Eddie Iglehart is not only a credit to Southern Baptists, but the kingdom of God. I thank God for his ministry and for the privilege of knowing him.

David M. Hughes
Elkin, N.C.

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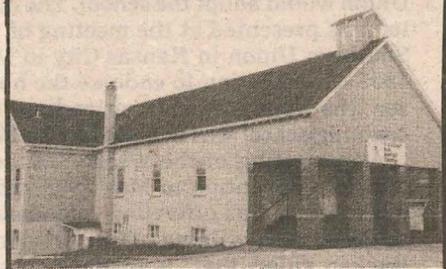
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On top of Black Mountain

Through the year many of our girls are very active in the Oneida "huddle" of the national Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA). One of the highlights of the year is attending FCA camp at the Blue Ridge Assembly on top of Black Mountain, N. C., 30 miles from Asheville.

Of course going to camp costs money, something most of our girls do not have. So they work to raise the money to go. This year many bake sales were held and sports buttons were made and sold. Also they sold carnations for Valentine's Day. Their biggest fund raiser was selling candy.

Ten of our girls got to go this year, the most ever from Oneida. They were chaperoned by three sponsors.

It was the second camp for senior Karen, president of the Oneida "huddle." Involved in cross country, swimming, softball and track, Karen also was the valedictorian of our 1987 class, voted "Miss Oneida" and recipient of Oneida's highest honor, the Evans medal.

This was Cheryl's fourth national camp. A student since sixth grade at OBI, Cheryl was involved in volleyball, basketball and softball and was vice-president of FCA. She received the Davis Cup, Oneida's second highest honor by vote of the faculty on her graduation day.

We had two Bonnies on the trip, one a junior and the other a sophomore, the first time for either to go to camp. Both were involved in basketball, softball and volleyball.

Laura, a junior, plays basketball and softball. Debbie, with us since eighth grade, has played volleyball, basketball and softball and this was her second camp.

Linda came to us in the seventh grade and is now ready for her junior year. Active in three letter sports each year, this was her first year at camp.

Holly went to camp her eighth grade year and this was her second year, having been in three sports. She's a top student in her class.

Then we had two girls named Angie. It was the first camp for both. One was our top eighth grader who was also top student in her class in both sixth and seventh grades. She was in three sports and her older teammate, a freshman, participated in two sports.

Margaret Adkins, sponsor of the Oneida "huddle" is the head coach of Oneida's volleyball, girls basketball and softball teams. She has also taught full-time and is presently a work supervisor.

Judy Lawson is the mother of one of our finest girls and has recently joined our staff as assistant dean of Baker Hall, dorm for our younger boys.

Laura Underwood was active in FCA her four years at Oneida. She has now completed one year of college where she plays on the varsity basketball and volleyball squads. Salutatorian of our 1986 class, this was Laura's fourth camp.

One can be a top student as well as a superior athlete as many of our girls prove. Also, they are pretty as well.

Our girls were assigned to different huddle groups so they could make and fellowship with many new friends. Their days began at 6:30 a.m. and lights out at 11 p.m. During those hours they had morning aerobics, quiet time, breakfast, morning assembly, athletic competitions, Bible study, lunch, afternoon assembly, huddle discussion and another Bible study.

There were varying inspirational speakers at each assembly. There was tremendous singing at each service. When the words "attitude check" were shouted, back came a resounding "Praise the Lord!"

The entire week was a mountaintop experience, literally and spiritually. They left homeward knowing that life has its share of valleys, but more determined to "press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called" (Phil. 3:14).



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Life and Work Series

Spiritual discipline

1 Tim. 4:6-16 A New Testament church is responsible for the proclamation of the gospel of Christ, the instruction of unbelievers as to how to be saved, the baptism of those whom Christ saves, and the teaching to the saved the way in which they should live.

Paul warned Timothy some religious instructors would substitute the wisdom of men for the word of God, and then urged him to reject teachings which were not in keeping with God's.

1 Timothy 4:6-11 Paul recognized the secret of success consisted of proper training and faithful observance of the rules of life. Self-denial and perseverance are needful to excel and win. Physical exercise is a good thing in preserving health and increasing strength, but it is beneficial in this life only.

Godliness brings the greatest, richest and fullest blessings to a Christian. From a physical, mental and spiritual standpoint, a clean mind, a pure heart, a clear conscience and a godly life are profitable.

Tim. 4:12-13 Paul did not want his protegee to be overcome with an inferiority complex on account of his youth. Wanting Timothy to live above reproach, both for his character, conversation, conduct, companionships and convictions, Paul urged him to conduct himself in a manner that merited the respect and admiration of those who

observed his life.

1 Tim. 4:14-16 Timothy was urged not to neglect the gift which God had bestowed upon him. He was admonished to be very careful as to what he taught. Sound doctrine is exceedingly important, but it must be substantiated by correct teaching on the part of the one teaching if it is to accomplish that which God intends. If God's servants exemplify true godliness in their own lives, they find it profitable in that they enjoy the respect of others and are able to wield a wholesome spiritual influence over those to whom they minister.

International Series

Marks of transformed life

Romans 12:1-5 Paul made a very strong and urgent appeal for the Christians in Rome to "present their bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God," which, he added, was a reasonable service. This kind of dedication is reasonable in view of what Christ has done for us, and what he wants to do in and through us. God wants his children separated from the world because the character of this age is selfish, and the end of this age is destruction. The divine call, then, is for nonconformity to the world and for surrender to the transforming grace of God.

God has distributed gifts to individuals in different measure. Therefore, it is a mark of humility and wisdom to evaluate ourselves correctly. Whatever our gifts may be, they are to be used for the glory of God and for the benefit of others.

Romans 12:9-21 Christians should be characterized by unfeigned and fervent love. Anything that savors of insincerity or hypocrisy is despicable in God's sight and to us. "Abhor that which is evil," is an appeal for a conscience on the subject of sin. We must cling tenaciously to that which is good and right.

A true Christian will manifest a number of exemplary values: humility, faithfulness, earnestness, diligence, joyfulness and devotion. The children of God must love one another just as those who are related by ties of blood.

In this life Christians meet rebuffs, unpleasant circumstances and unkind criticism. The natural tendency is to meet blow with blow. But Christ's way is to meet blow with forgiveness and kindness. If we are going to follow Christ, we must learn to forgive and to love those who injure us.



Fields

Glimpses of our heritage

WMU Training School

by Carl Fields

In 1895 the Woman's Missionary Union Auxiliary of Texas sent a resolution to

the Southern Union Executive Committee of the Women's Missionary Union, Southern Baptist Convention, proposing the establishment of a Baptist Missionary Training School for young women. The executive committee voted that there were already two such schools (not Baptist) and that another such school was not needed.

In 1902 the Southern Union's executive committee voted not to have a training school at Louisville or at "any place at the present time."

The same year, the board of trustees of the Louisville Baptist Seminary opened the doors of the seminary to women preparing for Christian work. The Central Committee of Kentucky WMU approved the action. They also approved all efforts to furnish a home needed by the school.

In the fall of 1904 four young women arrived in Louisville for the purpose of attending classes at the seminary. They rented a room from a seminary couple.

Soon Louisville women became interested in the girls and found a two-story house on South Fourth Street near the seminary located at Fifth and Broadway. On Thanksgiving Day 1904 the home was opened and the four students moved in.

From the beginning, Louisville women had hoped that the Southern Union would adopt the school. The matter was presented at the meeting of the Southern Union in Kansas City in May 1905. A resolution to endorse the home for the young women attending the training school was defeated by 25-22.

At a meeting of the WMU, Southern Baptist Convention in May 1906, when a resolution was offered in reference to establishing a training school, president Barker ruled that, according to the constitution, a new work could not be started without previous notice, except by a unanimous vote by the body.

Accordingly, in 1907, Kentucky WMU corresponding secretary Miss Lamb was

instructed to send notice that an amendment to the constitution would be offered at the annual meeting.

The delegates to the annual meeting in May 1907 voted to take over the training school in Louisville. An offering of about \$10,000 was made for the purchase of a building for the school.

A suitable building was found on East Broadway, six blocks from the seminary. The purchase price was \$23,000 and when the owner learned of the purpose to be served by the purchase he made a gift of \$2,500. The Southern Baptist Convention contributed \$4,000 toward the cost of the building. The Sunday School Board gave \$20,500 to pay for the training school building.

On Oct. 2, 1907 J. M. Frost, secretary of the Sunday School Board, presented the check at the formal opening of the school. In his speech he said, "This school is one of the mightiest agencies in God's world for the coming of his kingdom."

Kaneubbe personifies ministry to Indians

When messengers to the SBC annual meeting in St. Louis elected Victor Kaneubbe as vice president, they got anything but a "typical" Southern Baptist... He is an Oklahoma-born Choctaw Indian who has a very unique style of ministry.

by Trennis Henderson

Donning his Indian headdress and buckskin shirt, Victor Kaneubbe doesn't look much like the "typical" Southern Baptist Convention vice president.

But then, typical isn't a very apt description for any aspect of Kaneubbe's life and ministry.

A 66-year-old retired missionary pastor, Kaneubbe became the first American Indian elected to conventionwide office when he was chosen SBC vice president in St. Louis this summer.

The Oklahoma-born Choctaw Indian was camp missionary for two Missouri Baptist Royal Ambassador camps at Windermere Baptist Assembly.

Privately acknowledging, "I'd rather wear my regular clothes," particularly in sweltering mid-Missouri heat, Kaneubbe nodded toward a group of campers and added, "I wear the regalia because they like it, and it identifies me with Indians."

Being identified with Indians is a way of life for Kaneubbe. Reared in the Creek Nation capital of Okmulgee, Okla., he became a Christian at age 15 in high school. While a student at Oklahoma Baptist University in Shawnee, he was on the staff of three Baptist churches, and was a Home Mission Board student missionary for Indian work at First Baptist Church, Oklahoma City.

Those early experiences helped Kaneubbe realize "how far behind" most Indian congregations were in terms of trained leaders, organized programs and available resources.

Upon graduation from college, Kaneubbe became a home missionary among the Indians. "The first three places I served, I started new work," he recalled. "Today you'd call (me) a church planter."

Before retiring the first of this year, Kaneubbe spent 37 years as a home missionary, serving primarily in Oklahoma, New Mexico and Arizona. He also found time to be on the staff of Kirkwood Baptist Church, St. Louis, in the mid-1950s and also did Indian mission work in Kansas and Mississippi.

The United States is home to an estimated 1.5 million Indians from more

than 400 tribes, so Kaneubbe has never lacked a place to minister. He has spent more than 15 challenging years ministering through interpreters to Navajo Indians in New Mexico.

Kaneubbe views his recent election as SBC second vice president as an additional opportunity for ministry. When he agreed to be nominated for the office, Kaneubbe said he and other ethnic leaders "felt like Southern Baptists would elect an Indian to the position." As the first American Indian elected second vice president, he joins a growing list of ethnics who have held that office in the past 25 years, including a Black, a Hispanic and a Korean.

Kaneubbe said he hopes such recognition will "encourage ethnics to participate more" in the life of the convention. "The more ethnics participate," he elaborated, "the more they'll be given an opportunity to serve."

Even before being elected to his SBC office, Kaneubbe was recognized for his work among American Indians. In 1985 he was elected to the inaugural two terms as chairman of the National Native American Southern Baptist Fellowship. He was reelected to the post this year.

Among the priorities of the fellowship, Kaneubbe explained, are prayers for 400 Indians to be called to preach the gospel full time "and to stay with it no matter how discouraging it gets." Indian leaders also are praying for 1200 bivocational Indian pastors and 4000 trained lay leaders.

Other priorities are to baptize 15,000 Indians—equal to one-fourth of Indian Baptist churches' current membership—and to start 450 new Indian congregations by the year 2000.

"I feel great about what is happening among Indian churches and missions and what the possibilities are. Our

people are accepting the challenge," he said.

As a convention officer, Kaneubbe's concerns go beyond Indian ministries, however. During speaking engagements in the coming year, he will point to the needs of the convention as a whole.

Stressing the need for Southern Baptist outreach and evangelism, Kaneubbe said questions must be raised about SBC churches recording less than 400,000 baptisms annually "when we ought to have a million."

Insisting biblical stewardship also must become a convention priority, he added, "If we're going to do more, we've got to give more."

Kaneubbe's personal commitment to evangelism and stewardship is reflected in the records of First Indian Baptist Church, Phoenix, Ariz., where he was pastor for more than 10 years prior to retirement.

During those years, the church membership grew from 45 to 225. During the same time, the congregation's Cooperative Program budget giving grew from five percent to 18 percent of its own budget, making it the largest

giving church per capita in metropolitan Phoenix.

Even in retirement, Kaneubbe anticipates remaining active in mission efforts. He said personal goals include starting at least two new Indian congregations in the Phoenix area—one to reach Indian college students and another aimed toward area Navajos.

During his two weeks at Windermere, Kaneubbe shared his enthusiasm for missions with 156 boys attending camp.

"I hope they understand more about Indians" as a result of their camp experience, Kaneubbe said. "I also hope they understand the need for missions and the possibility of committing themselves to missions."

Kaneubbe's goals include starting a church to reach Indian students and another aimed at reaching the Navajos.

Japanese choir performs at Glorieta

by Charles Willis

The Glee Handbell Choir of Meiji-Gakuin, the oldest Christian school in Japan, paid a visit to Glorieta Baptist Conference Center and captivated the more than 2800 Southern Baptist church musicians with their disciplined handbell ringing technique.

Begun in 1978, the choir first toured the United States in 1981, and since that time has been described by the American Guild of English Handbell Ringers as the best handbell choir in the world.

Katsumi Kodama, director of the choir, first heard handbell music in 1977 while touring the U. S. with the school's boys choir.

"When I saw the bells I was so surprised! I was just like a child. The instruments were like toys. I watched for a long time, listening to the beautiful tones. The instruments looked golden. I decided I would like to take this instrument back for the Japanese people."

Kodama's report to the school's principal was so glowing that he was given immediate encouragement to secure handbells for the students.

"I waited three months for the shipment," he said, admitting with an embarrassed grin that he was "like a child waiting on a Christmas present."

When the handbells arrived, Kodama

had to face the reality that he didn't know how to play them. He bought text books, but they were printed in English. "I needed a dictionary," he laughed. "Every night I would study and then I would practice after school with the boys."

Albuquerque, N. M., was the choir's first stop on a 46-day tour that will take them to Colorado, Kansas, Ohio, Wisconsin, New York, New Jersey, Michigan, Oklahoma, Texas and Arizona, with a final stop in San Francisco.

Kodama's hope for the tour is for his students to meet his Christian friends and to learn of American culture, history and customs. Many of the tour stops include overnight stays with families.

"Some are businessmen, some farmers, some teachers—it's a good experience for them," he said. "The students are not so good at speaking English, but the American parents have very warm hearts."

Kodama said he doesn't just teach handbell techniques to his students. "I talk about the heart, about Jesus Christ."

In visiting churches and talking with church musicians, Kodama said he feels no cultural or language barrier.

"Our music is from the same God," he said.



Kazutaka Wagatsuma (l) and his fellow students of the Glee Handbell Choir demonstrate their highly disciplined ringing techniques during a concert at Church Music Leadership Conference at Glorieta Baptist Conference Center.

Georgetown College Senior Reflects on Undergrad Years

Counsel with the Peerage

by Valerie Stidam

Prologue, Counsel with the Peerage

This article, delivered at Georgetown College's 158th anniversary spring commencement by Valerie Stidam, captures some of her recollections of the valued four years at the School. The top honors graduate was selected to receive the President's Award and the Dean's Honor. She completed her undergraduate work with highest honors.

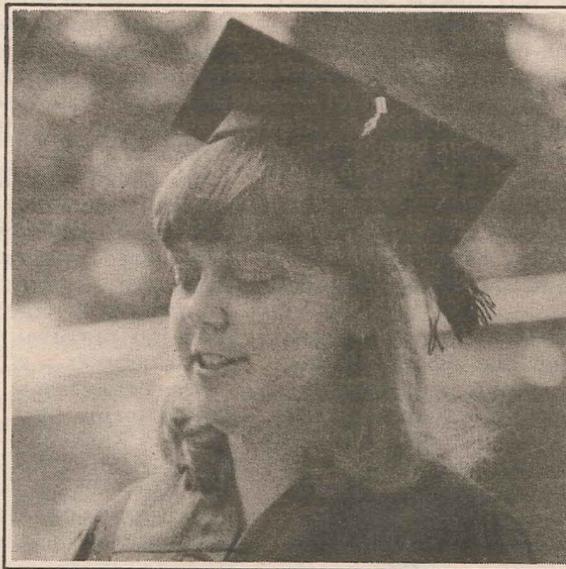
Ms. Stidam's senior colleagues voted to ask her to speak for them at commencement.

Fellow graduates, parents, family, faculty, administration, staff, alumni, and friends.

On behalf of the Georgetown College class of 1987, I'd like to welcome you. We are glad that you have taken the time to be with us and to share in these last few moments of our Georgetown College Experience. In many ways, it is a happy day for all of us; yet there are tinges of sadness. It is not necessarily easy to walk away from four years of one's life without being a bit nostalgic, a bit sad, and a bit uncertain.

Most of us receiving undergraduate degrees today came to Georgetown in 1983. We walked onto this campus as "preppies." A pink button-down, plaid pants, argyle socks, and penny loafers were *the* clothes to wear. Somehow, though, these past four years have worked a metamorphosis. We came as "Joe Prep's" and we leave as "Yuppies." Then, we listened to Michael Jackson and *Flashdance*, now there's Bon Jovi and Run DMC. We came thinking that at the end of four years we'd hit the big time, and now, we leave hoping we hit at least poverty level. We came thinking we already knew quite a lot, and we leave thinking we've a lot to learn.

Our education has come at us from all angles. We've been taught in the classrooms, in field work, in the labs, in the dorms, and in the world outside of Georgetown College. We've learned of *Purple Rain*, acid rain, the Reign of Terror, and the reign of King David. We've become familiar with new terms like Farm Aid, Band Aid, and AIDS. We've sung out the knowledge that "We Are the World," "Love Will Find a Way," "You Give Love a Bad Name," and "That's What Friends Are For." We've seen the destruction of the space-shuttle *Challenger* and the comeback of the miniskirt, the fall of Ferdinand Marcos and the rising scare of Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome, the initial push of Star Wars and the final episode of *Remington Steele*. Each of these has been a "Sign of the Times" for us.



Valerie Stidam

There are many people to whom we owe many thank-you's for our college years. Most obviously we need to thank our professors. They have pushed us, prodded us, cajoled us, and threatened to spray us down with WD-40 so that we might have an easier trip down the tubes. Yet each of them had shared at least part of their knowledge with us, and each graduate, in his or her own way, should be appreciative.

Walking around the halls of the buildings around us brings haunting echoes from the various classrooms where our professors tried to teach us. In Anderson, one might hear faint whispers of Margaret Greynolds giving an interpretive reading or Dr. Suzanne Peal lecturing about whether an account is debited or credited. Dr. Jim Heizer's lectures about the Soviet Union echo through Pawling Hall while the melodious sounds of the Georgetown College Chorale fill the Nunnally Music Building. In the Science Center, one can hear Dr. Seay's lectures come alive as he outlines how the railroad and yellow fever were related or Dr. Christine Leverenz's explanation of why there were 150 errors in a student's COBOL program. In the basement of Hill Chapel, Dr. Joe Lunsford's answers to theological issues bounce off every tile and wall, helping us to affirm why we believe what we believe. The reverberations from Dr. Chi's classes reveal worries about The Phillipines, South Africa, and detente.

We need to thank our professors not only for the knowledge they have helped us to obtain but also for the traditions they are perpetuating. Georgetown College has long been regarded as an institution of higher education where one can obtain an excellent liberal arts education. Since the days of the Rittenhouse Academy, professors at Georgetown have tried to instill the importance of scholarly endeavors, social interaction, and Christian love in their students. Many of the professors teaching at Georgetown today are Georgetown College alumni. There must be something special about this place that would make them want to come back and answer the questions of another generation of sometimes inquisitive, generally apathetic Georgetonians. One excellent example of this is Mr. Johnny Varner, a teacher of many of the classes I have taken. Mr. Varner learned from a brilliant lady and

former head of the Biology Department, Dr. Mary Wharton. Through Mr. Varner, I have learned of Dr. Wharton's appreciation for trees, wild flowers, and the history of the Bluegrass area. I have learned to see the complexity of the flowers we dismiss as weeds and the importance of seeing just how beautiful the world around us really is. But, Mr. Varner is just one example of how Georgetown College professors are continuing a tradition of a love for learning. It will be interesting to see if any of us in black robes today will journey back to teach yet another generation of Georgetonians.

A second group we need to thank is our friends. The support, love, and encouragement that we have given each other for four years is a truly precious occurrence. We probably didn't know too many of our classmates when we came to college. But, each year and each day, we meet new people, smile at a new face, say hello to someone we have not spoken to before. Many of the people seated around us are the best friends we'll ever have. The years we have spent together and the good and bad times we have shared have helped to nurture loves that *hopefully* will never end. Our circles of friends may include fellow students, faculty members, and house mothers. These unique bonds we share with these people should be maintained. It only costs \$.22 to mail a letter. That's a small price for the love of a friend.

I received a poem for graduation from one of my best friends. I'd like to share a few lines of it with you. It speaks of friendship and how a friend's love is a part of our lives.

Your friend is your needs answered.

He is your field which you sow with love and reap with thanksgiving.

And he is your board and your fireside,

For you come to him with your hunger and you seek him for peace.

When your friend speaks his mind, you fear not the "nay" in your own mind, nor do you withhold the "ay"

And when he is silent your heart ceases not to listen to his heart.

Let us say thank you to the friends we've made at college.

There is one more set of people we need to thank. These people are our parents or, maybe in some cases, a spouse. I know that I could not have survived four years of college without the love and support of my family. My parents have saved and sacrificed that I might be receiving a college diploma today, and I am sure that this is the case for many of us. They are seeing their dreams and aspirations for us fulfilled today. It should be with love and respect that we thank our parents and thus vocalize our gratitude for their love for us.

It seems like it was just yesterday that we walked onto this campus. And, today, we leave. In this graduation ceremony, we celebrate the remembrances of things past and the anticipation of things yet to come. We may be a bit nostalgic, a bit sad, and a bit uncertain, but as we move our tassels, we know we will move forward with life. We can rest assured that since we lived through four years of cafe food and co-curs we can survive the "real" world. And we can breathe a sigh of relief, knowing that the tassel was worth the hassle.



Pictured beneath the trees on Georgetown's Giddings Lawn are faculty and honored guests among the record 3,000 celebrants.