

## Moderates convene, ok new SS lessons, other causes

by Marv Knox

The Southern Baptist Alliance will offer "alternative" adult Sunday school lessons, beginning in January.

Plans for the new lessons were among a variety of actions approved by directors of the organization of Southern Baptist Convention moderates who met in Nashville Sept. 8-10.

Others included support for alternative theological education, women in ministry, ministers and seminary students who are seeking places of service, a fired foreign missionary and the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs.

The new Sunday school lessons will be carried as a four-page insert in SBC Today, the moderate monthly newspaper.

The project reflects moderate dissatisfaction with Sunday school lessons prepared by the Baptist Sunday School Board, said Welton Seal Jr., pastor from North Wilkesboro, N. C., and chairman of the SBA literature committee. Moderates perceive the board's lesson materials have accommodated the views of more conservative members of the convention as conservatives have gained a majority of board trustees.

The new lessons, to be written free of charge by moderate scholars, will cost the SBA about \$1500 per month, Seal said, noting the charge will include \$1,000 paid to SBC Today and about \$500 in editorial and clerical expenses.

"A full track of age-graded materials is not feasible at this time," Seal said, adding the lessons will be based on either the board's Life and Work or Convention Uniform series.

Turning to theological education, the SBA pledged to support the formation of a "house of Baptist studies" at Duke University, a Methodist school in Durham, N. C., and a divinity school at Wake Forest University, a Baptist school in Winston-Salem, N. C.

Moderate support for these avenues of "alternative theological education" stems from concern for ministerial training in the wake of conservative domination of SBC seminary boards, re-

ported Tom Graves, pastor from Charlotte, N. C., and chair of the SBA theological education committee.

The SBA board approved a number of actions in support of women ministers. It doubled its monthly contribution to the Southern Baptist Women in Ministry organization, increasing the gift to \$1200. It also voted to provide \$75 per week to Shalom Baptist Church, Louisville, to supplement the salary of a female associate pastor.

The board also voted to insist upon the use of inclusive language at SBA functions; encourage and create internships, preaching opportunities and speaking engagements for women ministers; develop a gender-neutral ordination certificate; and encourage the completion of a variety of materials, such as a book and brochures on women in the church and a book of women's sermons.

The suggestions were offered by the SBA's women in the church committee, chaired by Libby Bellinger, a chaplain from Waco, Tex.

The board also drafted a resolution of support for Michael E. Willett, a former Southern Baptist foreign missionary fired this summer for "doctrinal ambiguity" regarding his views of Jesus and the miracles.

Another resolution expressed support for the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs, a church-state/religious liberty organization composed of nine denominations, including the SBC.

The resolution criticized the SBC Public Affairs Committee, a standing committee through which the SBC is represented on the Baptist Joint Committee. It particularly cited the PAC's endorsement of a "political appointee," former Supreme Court nominee Robert H. Bork; its attempt "to lay claim to money" budgeted by the SBC for the Baptist Joint Committee through a merger proposal with the SBC Christian Life Commission; and its request for \$75,500 in Cooperative Program budget funds for the 1989-90 fiscal year.

The resolution expressed opposition to the \$75,500 budget request and noted SBA board members "petition and encourage the members of the (SBC) Executive Committee to deny any increase in the operating budget of the Public Affairs Committee." It also asked the Executive Committee to structure the Baptist Joint Committee's budget allocation "in a manner consistent with budget increases for other agencies of the Southern Baptist Convention."

In a related action, the board voted to contribute \$10,000 per year to the Baptist Joint Committee budget.

The SBA also allocated \$500 per month to the Baptist Peace Fellowship of North America and \$5000 per year to Habitat for Humanity, enough to build five homes in Third World countries.

It also ratified Neely's proposal to hire David E. Rogers, a Nashville business consultant, to "assist in the day-to-day operation" of the organization for six months at a cost of \$2000 per month, plus expenses.

As of Sept. 8, the SBA had 36,460 members, Neely said. That includes 2631 individual members and 55 member churches with a combined membership of 33,829. Members live in 38 states, he said. (BP)



Shoveling off on the start of something big at Southern Seminary's campus center groundbreaking ceremonies were these seminary friends and officials.

## Seminary breaks ground on \$15.9 million addition

by James H. Cox, Associate Editor

At ceremonies in Louisville last week attended by several hundred persons Southern Baptist Theological Seminary launched construction of a campus center complex which will take nearly two years to complete.

Seminary president Roy Lee Honeycutt presided Sept. 13 at brief groundbreaking ceremonies at the site of the new center. The location, on the north side of the school's central quadrangle, will enclose it on four sides. The quadrangle is bounded by Norton Hall to the east, Boyce Library to the south and Mullins Hall at the west.

When completed in late spring 1990 the \$15.9 million campus center complex will house comprehensive facilities for physical fitness and wellness. Included will be a gymnasium, natatorium, racquetball courts, exercise rooms, locker facilities and elevated running track. The complex will also include a chapel, student cafeteria, conference rooms, banquet and private dining rooms, administrative offices, medical clinic, book store, student commons area and post office.

Seminary officials announced that more than \$10 million in cash and pledges had been received as construction begins. Two campaigns, one among alumni, the other among the Louisville business and civic community, are ex-

pected to complete necessary funding.

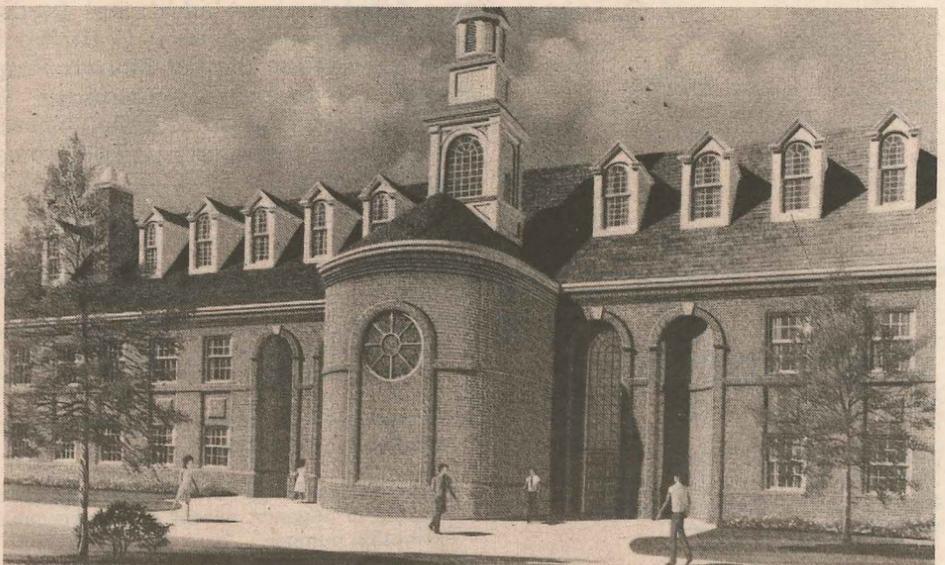
Participating in a brief liturgy for groundbreaking prior to turning spades of dirt with gold-plated shovels were these members of the seminary community: Honeycutt; Student Government Association president Rebecca Church; Page H. Kelley, professor of Old Testament interpretation; trustee chairman Alton Butler, of Pensacola, Fla.; G. Todd Wilson, president of the school's national alumni association; and general chairman of the school's "Commitment '90" campaign, Wayne Dehoney.

Honeycutt welcomed guests and introduced former president Duke K. McCall, who offered prayer. A brass quintet provided instrumental music for the outdoor occasion.

Earlier, at an indoor chapel ceremony, Raymond H. Bailey, professor of Christian preaching, gave a dramatic monolog as James P. Boyce. Boyce was the seminary's first president and founder.

The institution has been located in Louisville since 1877, having begun at Greenville, S. C. in 1859. It was moved from a downtown Louisville site to its present location on Lexington Road in the east end in 1926.

Among the five largest seminaries in the world, Southern currently numbers more than 3200 students in all programs. They represent 49 states, 28 nations and about 700 colleges and universities.



An architect's rendering of Southern Seminary's new campus center complex.

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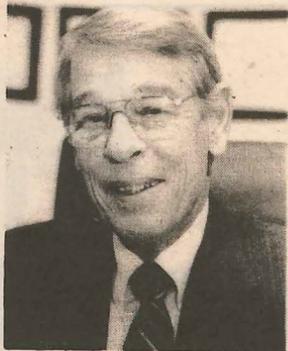
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# sanford's perspectives

## Good news at Southern Seminary



Jack D. Sanford

Much has been written both in the religious and secular press in recent days about Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville. Unfortunately the news has been mostly negative, with constant reports of strident attacks against the seminary administration and charges of heresy against the faculty.

This past week, however, some good news came from the institution which counts almost 3000 alumni living and serving the Lord in Kentucky. That good news is the launching of the school's largest building program since the campus moved to its present location in Louisville's Lexington Road area (see page 1).

President Roy Honeycutt, the trustees of the seminary and the administration are to be commended for the courage, the vision and the determination to proceed with such a massive building program in light of the constant harassment the seminary has received in recent years. It is a mark of the seminary's dedication not only to quality theological education but also a mark of commitment by the seminary to carry out the Great Commission of the risen Christ even in difficult days.

The fact that nearly three-fourths of the money needed for construction is already in hand and the remainder virtually assured is evidence of the confidence many Southern Baptists have in the oldest of our six seminaries. Alumni have rallied to support the drive for funds, interested Christian lay men and lay women have responded to appeals for funds and the Louisville and Kentucky community both are expected to put the drive for funds over the top quickly.

To build for the future is in keeping with the best in our Baptist tradition and the example of Southern Seminary in building for the future is what the seminary has always done best. The seminary has always set the pace for Southern Baptists.

We join thousands of faithful Southern Baptists in a salute to the family of Southern Baptist Seminary for the bold venture of faith this new project symbolizes. We pray God's blessing on the project and look forward to the day the new facility will be dedicated as an instrument for training young men and women for the ministry of the the Word of God.

## Time is running out

In exactly seven weeks we will go to the polls to vote our conviction about one of the most controversial issues to face Kentuckians in many years. That issue is the amendment of our state constitution to allow a lottery in our state.

If Baptists and other Christians are to be successful in opposition to lottery legislation we must be busy now while there is yet time. About the most important thing we can do at this stage of the game is be sure we are registered to vote and that our friends are registered as well. **The last day to register before the November election is October 11, so time is of the essence.**

In addition to being registered every Baptist must be aware of some of the important aspects of this matter. For instance the amendment proposed for approval by Kentucky voters simply says, "Shall Section 226 of the Constitution be amended to provide that the General Assembly may establish a Kentucky state lottery; may establish a state lottery to be conducted in cooperation with other states; and that any lottery so established shall be operated by or on behalf of the Commonwealth of Kentucky?" That is the amendment we are asked to support. What exactly does it say, or rather, what does it not say?

For one thing this amendment says nothing about increased funding for education. In fact the amendment says nothing about money. It says nothing about a bonus for Vietnam veterans. It says nothing about additional funds for senior citizens programs. As Billy C. Hurt pointed out to members of First Baptist Church, Frankfort, as it stands, the proposed amendment "means that once a lottery is approved, the General Assembly can spend the money any way they please." Is that what we want?

The lottery commission appointed by Governor

Wilkinson has not made any public pronouncements about how the mechanism of a lottery would be set up. They have not been open to public meetings where citizens could ask questions. In fact the entire proceedings before the election have been behind closed doors and not much information has been made available to the general public, except of course, the constant propaganda to support the greatness of a state lottery.

Get yourself registered. See that friends are registered. Provide transportation to the polls for those who have no other way of getting there. Provide baby sitting in the church house for those who need this service. Do anything you can to help people become aware of how much we all stand to lose if the lottery becomes part of our life in Kentucky.

The gamblers and those who support state-sponsored gambling are betting Kentucky voters will knuckle under and approve a lottery with little or no information about how it will be organized or operated. They also believe we are stupid enough to adopt such legislation because we believe the tooth fairy will plant a winning ticket under our pillow and make all our dreams come true.

The absence of information from those in charge is just one more indication of how some people hold common voters in contempt. We do not know very much about the realities of life so we will vote for a pipe dream in the hope we will become millionaires.

The lottery is bad business and must be defeated. With the strength of numbers we have as Kentucky Baptists, plus the impetus available from other Christians, we could defeat this movement with little strain if we were serious enough in our concern for moral purity and Christian ethics in our state.

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# Housing request form, SBC June 13-15, 1989 Las Vegas, Nevada

## Housing for annual meeting

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(Area Code)	(PHONE NUMBER)

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**PART II INSTRUCTIONS:** Select SIX Hotels/Motels of your choice.

**FIRST CHOICE** \_\_\_\_\_

**SECOND CHOICE** \_\_\_\_\_

**THIRD CHOICE** \_\_\_\_\_

**FOURTH CHOICE** \_\_\_\_\_

**FIFTH CHOICE** \_\_\_\_\_

**SIXTH CHOICE** \_\_\_\_\_

**PART III INSTRUCTIONS:**

1. SELECT TYPE ROOM DESIRED WITH ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE DATES.

2. PRINT OR TYPE NAMES OF ALL PERSONS OCCUPYING EACH ROOM.

Arrival Date \_\_\_\_\_ Departure Date \_\_\_\_\_

Check type of room desired:

\_\_\_\_\_ Single (1 bd/1 pr)                      \_\_\_\_\_ Triple (2 bd/3 pr)

\_\_\_\_\_ Double (1 bd/2 pr)                      \_\_\_\_\_ Quad (2 bd/4 pr)

\_\_\_\_\_ Twin (2 bd/2 pr)                      \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

Name of all persons occupying the room, including the individual in PART I

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## Further information

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Four Queens	3.0 miles	32.00	one night
Holiday Inn	1.3 miles	55.00	one night
La Mirage	1.5 miles	45.00	one night
Landmark	750 feet	60.00	one night
Las Vegas Hilton	287 feet	115.00	
Las Vegas Inn	1.8 miles	40.00	one night
Mini Price Motel	1.8 miles	40.00	one night
Riviera	.7 mile	52.00	one night
Royal Las Vegas	.6 mile	54.00	two nights
Sahara	.9 mile	70.00	one night
Union Plaza	3.1 miles	75.00	two nights

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# "I'm required to be faithful": a dentist's mission

by Marc C. Whitt

Since 1965, William Snowden of Winchester, Kentucky has epitomized the meaning of the hymn, "Wherever He Leads I'll Go," by giving his heart, his life and his all to world-wide missions. A dentist for over 31 years and a 1953 graduate of Georgetown College, Snowden has been led to share Christ's living word with many people. From the mid 1960s to the present, he has visited the mission fields of Brazil, Haiti, Dominica, Zimbabwe, Ghana and Kenya taking advantage of every spiritual opportunity.

Today, Snowden feels a new calling. A calling which enables him to reach out to the poor, the uneducated and the hopeless. The mild-natured dentist has dedicated every other Thursday morning since January to providing free dental services to the working poor of Winchester and Clark County. While doing this, he also takes time to share with them his love for Christ.

"When Jesus Christ came into my life I believed he wanted to use my talents and my practice," Snowden remarked. "The Lord has blessed me. I feel that I owe this service to him, not as an obligation, but because people need help and this is a way I can thank him for his many blessings. They get lost in the cracks. I want to help them."

On a particular Thursday morning in August, Snowden meticulously works with a patient. She agonizes with pain she has experienced for many days in her gums. The nerves are inflamed and are sensitive to the touch.



William Snowden

As he gently operates to alleviate her problem, Snowden consoles the woman with his sense of humor and kind demeanor.

"Most of the people I serve are uneducated, unappreciative people. The majority of them are scared when they

come in," said Snowden. "The people who come here are not on welfare. They are a very proud group of individuals. They simply can't afford dental service," Snowden added.

Is this Kentucky dentist excited about the prospects for his free dental clinic? One can easily detect his enthusiasm and anticipation to reach out to the needy. His eyes sparkle as he tells of his goal to serve between 25 to 30 people at each free clinic he offers. His office staff also joins with him in his zeal.

An active member of Central Baptist Church in Winchester, Snowden does not hesitate to share his love and devotion for people.

Snowden readily admits he is a product of those many people who have influenced his life as a Christian and as a person. He first gives credit to his wife, Peggy.

Snowden thoughtfully recalls his marriage. "The one great spiritual turnaround in my life was when I married Peggy. She has seen me through the good times and the bad."

Snowden also recognizes C. R. Daley, one-time editor of the Western Recorder and a past religion professor at Georgetown College.

"I first met him (Daley) as a student at Georgetown. He had a tremendous spiritual influence on my life. Often

times he would share with me his deep religious concerns and he, in turn, would sit down and listen to mine. The college and he helped me to become a major part of who I am."

Perhaps more than any other time in his practice, Snowden envisions his dental profession as a ministry in a mission field. Before patients leave his clinic, Snowden has shared something of himself and his relationship of Christ with them.

"The clinic has been a tremendous witness to these very poor people. I want my patients to achieve a spiritual awareness that God can change and heal broken lives. People may wonder why I provide this free service to the poor. I simply say, 'I'm required to be faithful.'"

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# baptist news in brief

## State ministers' wives convene Oct. 28-29

Juanita Denton, director of educational services for Family Associates, Lafayette, Ind., will lead wives of Kentucky Baptist pastors and church staff members at a KBC ministers' wives retreat. The event is set for Oct. 28-29 at Cedarmore Baptist Assembly near Bagdad.

Theme interpreter Harolyn Sharpe, is dramatist and educator of *Images*, Shelbyville, Kentucky.

Early bird sessions begin at 3:30 p.m. Oct. 28 and feature "Sharing Creativity/Getting Ready for Christmas" and "Developing Spritual Dimensions."

## 28 Kentucky ministers tee-off during golf meet

Twenty-eight ministers participated in the Kentucky Ministers Golf Meet Aug. 22-23 at the Campbellsville Country Club.

Jerry Carter, pastor of Stanley Baptist Church, in Daviess-McLean Association, was first place winner of flight "A," as well as overall winner with low total score. Larry Pursiful, activities director at Carlisle Avenue Baptist Church, Long Run Association, was a close runnerup. Both were presented trophies and prizes.

Seven other ministers won their respective flights and were presented trophies. Terry Lester, London; Rick Case, Owensboro; Carlos Compton, Greensburg; C. Wyman Copass, Louisville, E. D. Helton, Hopkinsville; Richard DeBell, Morning View.

Riding carts were provided by Tom Gupton, layman at Loyall Avenue Baptist Church, Campbellsville. Overnight accommodations were provided by Campbellsville College.

Next year's meet will be held Aug. 21-22 at the Campbellsville Country Club. All ministers are invited. Reservations may be made now by mailing a \$35 registration fee to C. Wyman Copass, 1238 Durrett Ln., Louisville, KY 40213.

Banquet/opening session time is 5:30. Conference topics include "Managing Material Resources," "Coping With Life's Losses," "Parenting in the 'Fishbowl,'" "Understanding Your Mission," "Making Role Stress Work For You" and "Decorating on a Shoestring," as well as repeats of early bird sessions.

Participants are encouraged to dress casually and bring creative ideas or items to share at a Friday night fellow-

ship, western Kentucky fare.

The retreat is jointly sponsored by Kentucky Woman's Missionary Union and the Minister/Church Support Division, Kentucky Baptist Convention.

Mail registration fee (\$15.00) or total fee (\$35), along with roommate preference (2 or 3 per room) and early bird conference choice to: Cedarmore Baptist Assembly, Box 37, Bagdad, KY 40003.

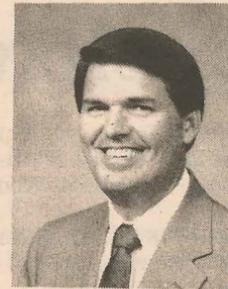
## Chaplain begins at Western Hospital

Jean Carter assumed the position of Associate Chaplain at Western Baptist Hospital Sept. 19. Chaplain Carter comes to Western Baptist Hospital from the Carraway Methodist Medical Center, Birmingham, Ala., where she has been a resident in the Pastoral Marriage and Family Counseling Program.

She is a native of Maryland and holds a BS degree from Towson State University, Towson, Md., and a Master of Divinity from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky. She received additional training and residency in Pastoral Care from Central State Hospital, Institute of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, Norton Kosair (Children's Hospital) both of Louisville, Ky., and the Baptist Medical Center and the Samaritan Center of Jacksonville, Fla.

Chaplain Carter will have hospital

wide responsibilities but will have a focused ministry to Oncology patients and the Coping With Cancer Club support group. Western Baptist Hospital has maintained a full time Pastoral Care Program since opening in 1953.



**Bill Whittaker**  
President  
Clear Creek Baptist Bible School  
Pineville, KY 40977

# clear creek chronicle

## Matthew & the president

On a recent Saturday I walked from our house to the campus post office. The crisp morning air held the first hint of fall.

The return trip took me through the Bear Trail student housing area. Children played in the yard and woods. Matthew greeted me; inquired about my adjustment and introduced his friend Kyle. In a moment another boy came out. Matthew, with childish awe, quickly exclaimed, "Nathan, this is the president!" I asked the trio to guide me home and scare away the bears. Fourth grader Matthew led the way. "Put on your walking shoes and I'll take you on some good trails. I know all about these woods. Someday I'll show you my fort."

On the walk home, I learned Matthew was one of the five Garrick children. Their father David is a third year student. The family moved to Clear Creek from Kansas City, Mo. At our house the boys were treated with cookies and played with our dog. They soon discovered our trampoline and jumped while I cut shrubs. Matthew kept insisting, "Mr. President! Mr. President I want to see you on here." I finally gave in to his pleadings and demonstrated my "agility" at trampoline jumping.

Clear Creek is a family school. More than 110 children are on campus for the 1988-89 school year. We need our 700 acres with that many children! Here a child can throw rocks in the creek or let the current run over her toes. Squirrels frolic in the trees and crickets play a nightly concert. The entire family participates at the Family Life Center in swimming, basketball, volleyball, ceramics and the game room. During the winter intramural sports fight cabin fever and build fellowship. Campus spiritual growth groups include Girls Auxiliary, Royal Ambassadors and Young Disciples. The Children's Center provides quality care for preschoolers whose parents attend class and work. The school clinic meets family needs through a registered nurse and physicians who come on a regular basis.

The Clear Creek family is growing and requires resources. The convention-authorized "Miracle in the Mountains" capital funds campaign will help supply these needs. Several cottages need a third bedroom. The Family Life Center must be paid for and funds now going for interest can be channeled into teaching resources. Have you or your church become a part of "Miracle in the Mountains?" The Clear Creek family needs your help.

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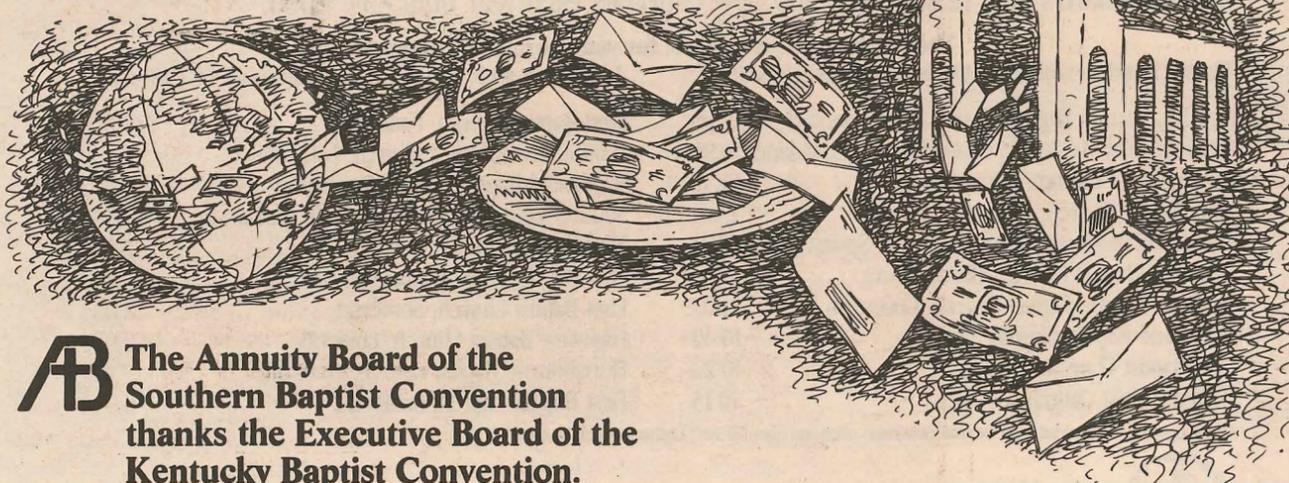
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# christian education

## Campbellsville College enrolment up 14 percent

Campbellsville College's fall enrolment is up 14 percent over last year's, according to Campbellsville president Ken Winters.

A peak enrolment of 748 is the highest number of students attending the college in recent history, said Winters.

Winters also said enrolment could increase even more with new bi-term academic programs being introduced.

Several categories of students is up, Winters said, including those of freshmen and transfers. The number of transfer students from other colleges is up 18.5 percent.

New students, including freshmen,

transfers, part time students and special students, are up 18.4 percent. Special students are up about 24 percent, Winters said. Special students are nontraditional students who are taking advantage of the college's reduced tuition for one or two classes.

Winters attributes the increase in enrolment to "aggressive work on the part of Phil Hanna, director of admissions, and his staff."

Winters said that the introduction of varsity football has also contributed to the increased enrolment and "will continue to do so as we have greater participation on the part of our alumni."

Another positive increase has been the continuation of the special reduced tuition program, Winters said. This program allows nontraditional students to take one or two classes at a reduced rate to allow them to become familiar with the college before taking classes full time.

Winters said he is "pleased and very excited" with the large enrolment at Campbellsville College. "As we continue to meet the needs of students, both traditional and nontraditional, we expect enrolment to continue on the upward trend," he said.

"We at Campbellsville College are

thrilled to meet the challenges associated with a growing student body."

Campbellsville College, affiliated with the Kentucky Baptist Convention, offers 25 academic majors and 26 minor programs. The college, founded in 1906, is a private, four-year college in central Kentucky.

He also said the college has received a lot of media attention recently (with the selection of a new president), and he believes this has increased the visibility of the school, making people more interested in Campbellsville College. He also said there is more regard for higher education preparation.

### Georgetown welcomes new faculty members

Margaret Hohman, Joan Kitterman and Richard K. Clements have joined the faculty of Georgetown College, according to Joe O. Lewis, vice president for academic affairs and dean of the college.

Miss Hohman, an instructor of education, has a master's degree in education from Georgetown College and a bachelor's degree in music education from Mary Washington College in Fredericksburg, Va. She has also completed additional work in educational administration at Eastern Kentucky University.

Miss Kitterman is an assistant professor of education in Georgetown's graduate program. She has earned a doctorate, a master's and a bachelor's degree from Ball State University in Indiana.

Clements, an instructor of biological sciences, holds a master's degree in botany from the University of Tennessee in Knoxville and a bachelor's degree in biology from Tennessee Technological University in Cookeville.

All three instructors were formally introduced to the Georgetown faculty at a recent faculty workshop conducted on campus.

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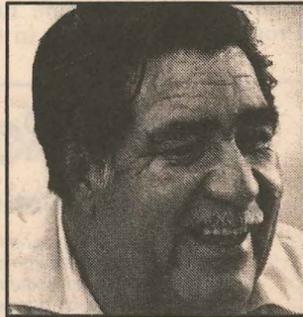
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## homes for children

### A fresh start

September is a month which to me always implies a fresh start. Part of it is the conditioning from school where either I or the children in care are starting a new school year.

For Kentucky Baptist Homes for Children, like other Kentucky Baptist Convention ministries, it is the start of a new fiscal year. We are in the process of closing the books on the past year and evaluating how things went.

For me it is a time of fresh ideas about programs. I am preparing to attend the annual meeting of the National Association of Homes for Children. I enjoy the opportunity for fellowship with colleagues in child care from across the country, and I look forward to the challenge of workshops and convention speakers. Like everyone else, I need opportunities to hear the latest ideas in the field and share with friends about successes and failures. I will come back charged up and ready to tackle the tasks at hand.

For the child care staff, the fall brings a time to take a breather from the rigors of summer. Most of us cannot appreciate the difficult task which they face. Caring for a cottage full of children for the entire summer is no small task, and they are now enjoying the break they have each day. It will not last long because there are so many tasks to prepare for in the fall.

For our development staff and others, September is a busy time of attending associational meetings and preparing for the Thanksgiving Offering. The associational meetings provide us a time to touch base with friends all over the state and share about our work. It is exciting to hear about what God is doing across Kentucky.

For the children a fresh start is so important. If they are new to our program, they are hoping that this will finally be the place they can make it, for so many of them have known little but failure in their young lives. For those who have been with us a while, it presents a time to focus on new goals and to improve over their performance of the previous school year. For so many of our children, school is a difficult challenge.

All of us need times to start and end a period of our lives. We thank God for the experiences of last year and ask him to be with us for the challenges of the new.



In July 1988 a sculpture was installed on the building of FBC, Ludlow, Ky. Pictured above (r) is Mr. James Jett of Crestview Hills, Ky., who contracted with Stan Thomson (l) a sculptor from Milford, Ohio, to have the logo fabricated from stainless steel. Mr. Jett then presented the sculpture to the church in memory of his father, Raymond Jett, who was a deacon and a very active member of the church.

### congregations

**Dry Ridge Baptist Church**, Crittenden Association, will observe homecoming day Oct. 9 with a fellowship dinner at noon and note burning service at 1:30 p.m. Willie E. Ailstock is pastor. All friends and former pastors are invited.

D. E. and Ruth Jones celebrated their golden wedding anniversary Sept. 18 with a reception in the fellowship hall of **South Jefferson Baptist Church**, Long Run Association. Jones was pastor of South Jefferson 30 years.

**First Baptist Church, Central City**, Muhlenberg Association, observed its 110th anniversary with three worship services Aug. 28.

Resulting from revival services held by W. P. Bennett and D. K. L. Maddox, First Baptist, Central City, began with 15 members. From these early beginnings the church has grown steadily in number and expansion. Reports show 2073 baptisms and 1347 members since 1878.

Several church members have entered the ministry or the foreign mission field and two churches have developed as a result of the church's mission efforts. First Baptist, Central City, gives 22% of its budget receipts to the Cooperative Program. Wilson L. Lofland is pastor.

**Horse Cave Baptist Church**, Liberty Association, celebrated its 120th anniversary Sunday, Aug. 7 with special services. The church organized Aug. 11, 1868 with 33 members. The congregation originally met in Union Church which was shared by the Methodists, Presbyterians, Campbellites, Baptists and a Masonic Lodge.

Five former pastors returned for the celebration: J. D. Herndon (1942-48); Leon Larimore (1951-57); J. W. Vetter

(1957-61); Harold W. Barnes (1968-78); and R. Tommy Tucker (1978-86). Current pastor of Horse Cave is Russell Lievers.

**Clifton Baptist Church**, Long Run Association, observed a pastor appreciation/homecoming day Aug. 14 in honor of retiring pastor Robert O. Williams. Williams retires after 25 years at Clifton. The congregation held a "This is Your Life" program at a potluck dinner following the service.

**Woodlawn Baptist Church**, Central Baptist Association, celebrated its 30th anniversary Aug. 28. Former pastors Richard Shields and W. A. Clutts returned for services. Former minister of music, Brian Voelker also returned for the celebration.

**Buckner Baptist Church**, Sulphur Fork Association, celebrated its 30th anniversary Sept. 18. Former pastor James Bland preached for the morning service. Charles Mitchell was the mission pastor and Ira Perkins was the first pastor.

**Eastwood Baptist Church**, Bowling Green Association, celebrated its 35th anniversary and officially dedicated its new sanctuary the week of Sept. 11-18. Celebrations of various relationships were planned each day of the week. Pastor of Eastwood is Jim Haskell.

**Aberdeen Missionary Baptist Church**, Gasper River Association, voted to send \$500 to the Baptist Mission of Kenya, for the purpose of erecting a church building in Murinya, Meru District, Kenya. Pastor William L. Cook and his wife, Mary, have traveled to Kenya as volunteer missionaries on two occasions.

Aug. 27-28, 1988 **First Baptist Church, Earlington**, Little Bethel Association, celebrated its 100th anniversary. Former pastors Jerry Barron, Jack Palmer, Roy Lamberth, Hughlan Richey, Archie Allison, Gilbert Waud and George Park were recognized and brought greetings. Kentucky Baptist Convention executive secretary-treasurer William W. Marshall was featured speaker at the morning service Aug. 28. Wendell H. Rone presented historical highlights of the church and pastor Guy Gordon presided over the services.

**First Baptist Church, Smithland**, Ohio River Association, announced special services Sept. 11, 1988 to celebrate the church's 100th anniversary. Morning worship, dinner on the grounds and an afternoon service were planned for the observance.

### ordinations

**Olin Hopper** was ordained as minister and **Junior Shepherd** and **Tommy Popplewell** were ordained as deacons by Indian Hill Baptist Church, Elkhorn Association. Hopper is the new pastor.

First Baptist Church, Prestonsburg, ordained H. C. "Huck" Francis, Robin Childers and Rick Hall as ministers. Pastor of First Baptist is Stephen Hopkins.

**Cynthia Marie Snider** was ordained by Faith Baptist Church, Elkhorn Association, May 22. She received her MDiv, from Southern Seminary and is youth and social minister at Faith Baptist Church.

### personnel

First Baptist Church, Prestonsburg, Enterprise Association, called **Thomas Foy** as minister of music and youth. Foy goes to Prestonsburg from Southaven, Miss. Steven Dale Hopkins is pastor.

**Roger Davis** was called as pastor by Dione Baptist Church, Upper Cumberland Association.

First Baptist Church, Mayfield, Graves County Association, accepted the resignation of pastor **Roger D. Willmore**. He will return to his native Alabama to pastor Southside Baptist Church, Gadsden.

**Bill Moore** has been called as pastor by Britians Creek Baptist Church, Upper Cumberland Association.

Welfare Baptist Church, Russell County Association, called **David Reynolds** as pastor.

Mt. Olivet Baptist Church, Graves County Association, accepted the resignation of pastor **Richard Frees**. He will continue teaching at Mid-Continent Baptist College, Mayfield.

**Ron Montgomery** accepted the call of Mt. Olive Baptist Church, Boones Creek Association, as pastor.

Red Bud Baptist Church, Upper Cumberland Association, called **Delbert Jones Jr.** as pastor.

**Gilbert Larimore** accepted the call of Clear Fork Baptist Church, Russell County Association, as pastor.

**Frank Benton** resigned as pastor of Clark's River Baptist Church, Graves County Association. Benton will attend Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth, Tex.

Greasy Creek Baptist Church, North Concord Association, accepted the resignation of pastor **Ronald Hoskins** and called **Terry Cox** as pastor.

**Sherman Britton** has been called as minister of music by Farmdale Baptist Church, Long Run Association. C. Wyman Copass is pastor.

Hiseville Baptist Church, Liberty Association called **Frederick "Fred" Ball** to serve as pastor. Ball goes to the Kentucky pastorate from Freedom Baptist Church, North Vernon, Ind.

**Seymour Wattenbarger** has resigned as pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, Laurel River Association.

Fairmount Baptist Church, Long Run Association, called **Woody Brewer** as pastor.



# christian education

## Billy Graham to speak at Drummond's gala

Evangelist Billy Graham will be guest speaker for the inauguration ceremonies of Lewis A. Drummond, new president of Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary.

The inauguration ceremony will be held in Binkley Chapel on Oct. 11, 1988 beginning at 10:30 a.m. Drummond assumed the duties of presidency on April 1. He is the fourth president of the 37-year-old school.

In accepting the invitation to speak, Graham said "I am delighted to be a part of the inauguration of Drummond. He is a dear friend and long-time colleague in the work of the Lord. To be asked to be part of this historic occasion and to be on the campus of Southeastern Seminary is an honor indeed. Knowing Drummond as I do, I am confident that the future and destiny of the seminary is in good and caring hands."

Prior to coming to Southeastern, Drummond worked with the Billy Graham Center of Evangelism at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky. He served as the administrative director since 1981 and as the Billy Graham Professor of Evangelism since 1973.

## Magician/yo-yo champ to perform at banquet

Bunny Martin, world champion yo-yo artist and Christian magician, will perform at Campbellsville College's homecoming alumni banquet Nov. 4 at 7 p.m. in Powell Athletic Center.

Martin is director of the prison ministry of the Bill Glass Evangelistic Association, Dallas, Tex.

Tickets for the banquet are \$7.50, reservations are required and must be made before Oct. 28 to the Alumni and Church Relations office, Box 503, Campbellsville College, 200 West College St., Campbellsville, KY 42718.

Marton won his designation as Yo-Yo World Champion in competition against 500 contestants in Toronto, Canada.

He is also a juggler, singer-guitarist and humorist and has appeared on college campuses, before civic clubs, corporations and Chamber of Commerce.

## Southern alumni meeting at Kentucky Convention

The annual meeting of alumni and friends of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Owensboro has been set for 12 noon, Nov. 16. Executive Inn, located at One Executive Blvd., is the site for the meeting.

The featured speaker will be John Watts who is Donald L. Williams Professor of Old Testament Interpretation. Watts holds a BA degree from Mississippi College; a ThM degree from New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary; a PhD from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary; and has done post-doctoral study at the University of Zurich. He has published material on various Old Testament books and topics. Watts has taught at the Baptist Seminary in Ruschlikon, Switzerland and Fuller Theological Seminary, Cal. He is married and has four children.

Tickets and information may be obtained from Steve Shoemaker, state alumni president, 2418 Broadmeade Rd., Louisville, KY, 40205.



New Kentucky students at CCBBS (first row, l-r): Johnny Collett, Lonnie Brooks, Charles Evans, Dan Stallard, Carl Allen McCray, Wayne Whaley; (standing, l-r): Jeffery Slone, David Evans, Pauline Evans, Burney Manning, Gayle Manning, Joel Rackley, Teresa Rackley, David Foley, Yevanna Foley, James Poynter, James Whaley, Randy McPheron, Lisa McPheron, Daniel Warner, Marcia Meade.

## Cumberland adds 7 faculty members

Seven new members have been added to the Cumberland College faculty according to college president Jim Taylor.

David Anthony Asbach has been hired as an instructor of physical education and will serve as an assistant athletic trainer. Certified by the National Athletic Trainers Association, Asbach holds a BS from Northwest Missouri State University and a master's degree from Drake University.

Deborah Lynn Atkinson will serve as an instructor in Cumberland's Learning Skills Center. She has earned both her BA and MA from Cumberland.

Virginia Campbell Goodlett is the college's new instructor in art history. Having earned her bachelor of arts degree from Harvard-Radcliffe, she holds an MA and PhD from the Institute of Fine Arts, New York University.

Lolan Redden, Jr. will serve as acting chair of the Mathematical Sciences Department and as assistant professor. He has earned a BS from the Baptist College of Charleston and an MS from Eastern Kentucky University.

James Edward Simpson, assistant professor and coordinator of military science, received his BA from Virginia Military Institute.

Tan Chin Teck has been hired as an instructor of business administration. He holds a BS from Cumberland and an MBA from Tennessee Technological University.

Jo Anne Wagner is an instructor of physical education and head athletic trainer. Certified by the National Athletic Trainers Association, she has a BS from Marietta College and an MS from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

## "Art faculty collects" to exhibit

An exhibition featuring the private collections of Georgetown College's art faculty will be displayed at the college art gallery, Sept. 25-Oct. 12 from 12:30-4:30 p.m. Mon., Wed. and Fri.

A reception honoring the exhibit will be conducted Sun., Sept. 25,

from 3-5 p.m. in the gallery.

Works by Groomes, Barlach, Kollwitz, Duchamp, Hunterwasser and others will be featured from the collections of Jim McCormick and Bob Williams, professors of art at Georgetown. In addition, some Indian and African artifacts will be shown.

## Southwestern offers chaplaincy concentration

More prisons, hospitals and businesses may be opening their doors to chaplains now that Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary is offering a new master of divinity degree concentration.

For the first time, the Ft. Worth, Tex., school is offering a chaplaincy concentration for students who will minister in institutional settings. The degree consists of eight hours of chaplaincy core courses and six hours of chaplaincy electives in addition to the basic 78 theology core hours.

Bill Donovan, director of institutional and business chaplaincy for the Home Mission Board, said Southwestern's new concentration will help meet a growing demand for chaplains.

"In the past, there has been no prep-

aration for chaplains except in the hospital setting," Donovan said. "This prepares students for a variety of chaplaincy ministries."

Donovan said the program also will set standards for expectations among institutions that will employ chaplains.

"Once institutions become aware of a specialized seminary program that trains students for chaplaincy, they will begin to expect more," Donovan said. "The degree program will enhance the professional image of chaplains."

Nearly 2000 chaplains endorsed by the Chaplain's Committee of Southern Baptists serve the military, business places, health-care and counseling centers, correctional institutions and youth facilities.

## Campbellsville College schedules preview day

Campbellsville College invites students to "look us over" at the annual Fall Preview Day Saturday, Oct. 1.

"Fall Preview Day will be packed full of activities that will be enjoyable, enlightening and informative," said Phil Hanna, director of admissions.

"This is an exciting time of the year at Campbellsville College, and you are invited to be a part of this excitement," he said.

Fall Preview Day allows students to meet with faculty members, tour the campus, learn about financial aid, have scholarship interviews and music auditions.

Musical entertainment will be provided during the day by the Campbellsville College Jazz Band and other vocal groups.

Free lunch will be provided, and those visiting the campus that day will be given a free pass to the Campbellsville College vs. Hanover College football game at 1:30 p.m.

Hanna said those attending Fall Preview Day MUST make reservations so the admissions staff will be expecting you. Those wanting to spend Friday night on campus before the activities start Saturday at 9:30 a.m. EDT.

For more information, call the admissions office collect at (502) 465-8158, extension 6219.

## Cumberland announces music opportunity days

The Cumberland College Music Department has announced the 1988-89 Music Opportunity Day schedule. The first Music Opportunity Day is set for Saturday, Sept. 24, beginning at 10 a.m. in the McGaw Music Building on the Cumberland College campus.

Music Opportunity Days are designed to give high school seniors and other students planning to attend Cumberland the opportunity to audition for music scholarships.

Incoming students with musical talent are encouraged to contact the music department to arrange the audition during one of the Music Opportunity Days.

Other dates for these music scholarship auditions are Oct. 29, Nov. 12, and Dec. 10, 1988 and Jan. 28, Feb. 18, Mar. 4, Apr. 1, and June 17, 1989.

To register for Music Opportunity Day or to receive more information telephone (606) 549-2200, ext. 4332, or write to: Music Department, Cumberland College, Williamsburg, Kentucky 40769.

The chaplaincy concentration was created in response to a study conducted by a 1984 task force, steered by Bob Brackney, Southwestern associate professor of social work. Findings:

—The need for chaplains to better understand correctional institution settings.

—The need for chaplains to have received a divine "call."

—The need for new chaplains to know how to develop religious programs within secular institutions.

—The need for chaplains to know how to deal with conflicting authority structures.

Chaplaincy concentration courses prepare students to deal with these areas, Brackney said. (BP)

# Reidland couple takes discipleship 'seriously'

by Pauline Stegall  
State Correspondent

Committees, deaconship, Sunday school, Woman's Missionary Union, foreign missions—these things spell *discipleship*, something that Lee and Pat Malloy, Reidland Baptist Church, West Union Association, take seriously.

Long time business people, formerly owners of Malloy Marine Service in Paducah, the couple is now into real estate.

"When we sold our former business, I felt the Lord was giving us time to be more active in Southern Baptist affairs and missions. So, we tried to respond as the Lord led," Malloy reflected.

Malloy, a trustee of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Ft. Worth, Tex., is the only Kentuckian on the 34-member board. He travels to Texas twice a year.

"Attending a meeting is an uplifting experience," he asserted. "They have chapel and outstanding speakers. It's something like a revival!"

He has been on the board's student affairs and public affairs committees and is currently chairman of the business affairs committee.

"When we have a need on campus, it is amazing to see how God fills it. Needs are presented and usually filled," Malloy marveled. "Problems are never too difficult. The answer comes quickly because of prayer and effort."

Previously, Malloy sat on the Kentucky Baptist Convention credentials committee.

Active in their home church, the Malloys have made three 17 or 18 day trips to foreign countries under the auspices of the Foreign Mission Board. Traveling

in groups that have ranged from eight to 40 in number, they have been to England, Japan and Uruguay.

In Lowstoft, England the group members visited door to door, inviting people to come to church—preaching and testimony services, even Christian concerts. "We tried to encourage people to come into the building so they would become comfortable in a church situation," Malloy recalled. "There were some doors slammed in our faces, but we were permitted to go into the schools."

Nine tenths of the British people belong to the Church of England, he advised, but many attend only two or three times during their lifetime, usually on

special occasions. The Salvation Army is the "Army Church."

It is about as important as the Southern Baptist Convention is in America.

"We did not have one Church of England pastor attend our services," he added.

Sunday school at Lowstoft is only for youngsters up to age 13.

"We were asked to provide a service for a maximum security prison one Sunday. Usually 10 to 12 attended, but because we were Americans, they were more interested and we had 38 persons come to our service."

Malloy said, "People you worked with in foreign churches are amazed to hear lay people. They are more curious to

hear the gospel. That's why it has a greater impact. Many people said, 'Tell me why you came here and why I should listen to what you have to say about Christ.'"

There is prayer meeting every morning at 6:00 in Majiko, Japan, but there is no evening service. Few men attend church; they think it is "women's work." All evangelistic churches work together.

When the missions group arrived in Japan, the Japanese Christians explained their need for a church building. The lay team stopped where they were and prayed. The next year the Japanese Christians got their church building.

South America was the most receptive continent of all. In Lepaz, Uruguay the resident missionary had the only car. People walked several miles to church. Sunday school was held in the morning; the evening was reserved for worship services.

"Missionaries are thrilled about partnership evangelism," Mrs. Malloy stated. "It increases their opportunity to witness. No one is disappointed in these ventures and it is an excellent way to get more lay people involved. It gives them a chance to see what the Cooperative Program is doing."

After returning from a missions trip, the Malloys are always willing to talk to church groups.

"We have learned to be more tolerant, too," Mrs. Malloy explained.

Many Japanese Christians saw the team depart. They joined hands and sang.

The Malloys keep in touch with fellow workers. The couple is anxious to experience more areas of discipleship.

"Perhaps home missions will be our next venture," Malloy reflected.



Lee and Pat Malloy pose with two Sunday school pupils in LePaz, Uruguay.

## baptist forum

### CLC nominees must be narrow

The search for a new executive director for the SBC Christian Life Commission has been narrowed to three candidates. The announcement should have said, three "narrow" candidates.

Joe Atchison, chairman of the search committee, announced persons being considered must be male, should oppose abortion and favor capital punishment. The new executive should have a "clear personal testimony, a call to ministry and an active devotional life." Atchison said the candidate must be "an avowed inerrantist." He added all 11 nominees considered are "inerrantists and have good, strong positions on . . . abortion, women in ministry and capital punishment."

While I doubt most Southern Baptists vary much in their views about abortion, the statements related to a creedal statement on biblical inerrancy and women in ministry appear unsettled and should not be seen as the main qualifications for office holders in an almost evenly divided convention.

By requiring the new director to favor capital punishment, this committee has made the most heartbreaking announcement yet to come from this 10-year controversy.

Which statement in the Baptist Faith and Message instructed this committee to make such an outrageous requirement? Which "inerrant version" of the Bible led these men to conclude our Christian leaders must be "for capital

punishment?"

The search committee stands in danger of aborting the love and grace of our Lord who come to give life, not take it away. These committee members need to be reminded that final judgment will be based on whether we visited those who are in prison. What a pity some of us want to visit death on them.

I pray we will choose a leader who believes in life.

Don Mantoath  
Morehead

### What are moderates to do?

If moderates had any hope of accommodation with fundamentalists in the SBC, W. A. Criswell made it clear he would brook no such nonsense. To say the SBC will never split is like the ostrich with his head in the sand. Moderates must decide soon if they are going to "bite the bullet" or forever accept their place in the convention as nonentity participants.

I do not think any association such as the Christian Alliance [*sic*] will have a lasting effect on the makeup of the convention. To say "we moderates can take it," as I have heard expressed, sounds brave but fails to take into account the depth of the problem the Church could find itself in five to 10 years from now.

In this war of attrition, time is on the side of the fundamentalists, not the moderates. Fundamentalists probably could not adequately fund all the pro-

grams carried on by the SBC as they now exist. However, money is not the overriding issue for the Church. Its soul is.

Children of moderates living in the South, growing up in Southern Baptist churches, and in particular in metropolitan areas, are not going to remain in a Church that preaches peace but cannot find peace within itself.

If the Church continues on its downward course moderates will not have to face the issue of a split in the Church as there will be nothing left to split. Split may be a dirty word for Southern Baptists, but it may well be the salvation of the true Southern Baptist Church.

Elmer Sanford  
Louisville

**Editor's note:** Mr. Sanford is not related to the editor and we have printed his use of the word church just as he sent it to us.

### Who has the right of moral judgment?

It seems Christians are not to take a stand on moral issues. Professor Paul D. Simmons even questions the ability of lay people to think for themselves. He said, "Another major issue at stake is whether ordinary (emphasis mine) believers can be trusted to decide the merits of the movie." Since when have seminary professors been assigned the task of interpretation of moral convictions for the body of Christ?

Isn't it a paradox the people crying for academic freedom are denying the rights of others to make moral judgments on moral issues?

Michael Willett said Jesus took on the limits of human existence and then stated he may have limited his ability to perform miracles, unless "there is some potential of human existence Jesus tapped into, without violating his humanity."

Roy Edgemon said "little difference is found in the ethical views and behaviors of those who go to church and those who don't. Edgemon declared churches are "guilty of lowering the standards of Christianity by not teaching biblical doctrines and Baptist heritage. We are no longer weighing our values by the word of God, but by trends in society. . . ."

The laity has a great responsibility of the stewardship of the word. We hear about rights but do we talk about opportunities, responsibilities and obligations?

Paul Saalwaechter  
Owensboro

*Letters for baptist forum: maximum length, 300 words. Longer letters will be edited for space or returned for revision. Writer's signature, address, phone number and church affiliation required. No form letters will be printed. Letters must deal with issues and not make personal attacks.*



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## oneida

### "Ain't got time to die"

David Cooper has just celebrated his 90th birthday.

He came to serve at Oneida as a volunteer, in his 80th year. He arrived on his wedding anniversary, his beloved wife having died some years before.

Mr. Cooper worked from dawn to dark for 9½ years on our campus. He cultivated thousands of beautiful flowers.

One summer some years ago it did not rain for weeks. But Mr. Cooper did not lose a flower. Stooped with age, but vigorous, he carried water a bucketful at a time to water beds all over the campus. He dug every bed with his own hands, a shovelful at a time.

Every day until his last year of service with us he spent hours grinding garbage. Our campus community of nearly 700 souls generates tons of garbage per week. It was not a job we gave him. He saw something that needed to be done he felt he could do. He proceeded to do it.

After eating his evening meal he would go back to work! Salvagable articles of clothing he had found in the garbage that day would go into the wash. While the washing and drying process was taking place, Mr. Cooper would stay busy with needle and thread sewing on buttons or mending holes in the wash previously done. Regularly, he would come with clothes mended to give to some needy boy or girl. Over the years he recycled hundreds of towels and wash cloths.

If he wasn't busy washing or sewing at night, he was busy flattening pop cans, hundreds a night, he had gathered up in the garbage. Every so many weeks

he hauled them to Lexington and would bring back several hundred dollars for the Student Aid Fund.

After he was with us several years, I bought him a battery powered golf cart to ride around in. He was everywhere hauling his rake, his hoe, his seeds and fertilizer. Often one would see him with garbage bags full of clothing or pop cans on his way to the apartment.

Everytime the church door opened, Mr. Cooper was there wearing his best suit and tie. He always sat very near the front. He heard very little except when you spoke very close to his ear. Yet he never used that as an excuse not to be at public worship. He let everyone know by his presence that he was on God's side. Often he would have several small children with him as he drove his golf cart to church.

When he wasn't busy working, he was busy reading his hundreds of beautiful books. He was also a prolific letter writer carrying on a wide correspondence. He remembered many birthdays, anniversaries, Christmas with cards and notes.

He also worked in vacation Bible school with the small children. He delighted in helping make the Kool-Aid and pouring it for each thirsty mouth.

So this remarkable man ministered among us from his 80th year until just a few months ago when he felt poorly.

In recent months he has been confined to a wheel chair in a beautiful nursing home in Lexington.

One hundred and twenty-eight Oneida choir and band members and some of our staff traveled to the nursing home to help him celebrate his 90th birthday which was Labor Day. The band played four numbers and then accompanied the choir in "My Old Kentucky Home." Then the choir sang "Fairest Lord Jesus," "The Old Rugged Cross," "Just a Little While" and "Ain't Got Time to Die." Joining the choir in singing "Happy Birthday" were many other residents of the nursing home and many members of his family: six children, 19 grandchildren, 31 great-grandchildren, 4 great-greats, 3 brothers and sisters and 25 in-laws.

Mr. Cooper acknowledged it all, raising both hands in a group blessing, then our science teacher, Jim Mallard, prayed. Each student and adult kissed or hugged him or shook his hands.

You may want to write this great servant of Jesus. His address is: David Cooper, Meadowbrook Health Care Center No. 59, 2020 Cambridge Drive, Lexington, KY 40504.



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## sunday school lessons

LESSONS FOR SEPT. 18, 1988

Life and work series

### Understanding the Bible passages

**II Cor. 8:1-9** Probably Paul had been reluctant to take money from the Macedonians because they were so poor, but they begged him to receive their contributions for the needy at Jerusalem. By nature they were as selfish as other people, but their disposition to give freely of their limited means was created by the Holy Spirit and was evidence of God's grace operating in them.

This remarkable expression of love stemmed from the fact they were yielded Christians who "first gave themselves to the Lord." When people truly give themselves to the Lord, it is not hard for them to dedicate their substance to him. Love cannot exist without giving. The measure of the Christian's love for his Lord is seen in his giving; therefore, it should be cheerful and generous.

**II Cor. 9:6-8** In teaching the Corinthian Christians how they should support the Lord's work Paul reminded them they were like a farmer sowing seed. If he sowed much he rightfully expected to reap much in return. How should Christians give of their means to the Lord and his work?

**They should give generously.**

If Christians want an abundant har-

vest of spiritual blessings from their stewardship, they must sow bountifully.

**They should give purposefully.**

None is excluded from the privilege of giving. Whatever the Christian may have, whether the amount be small or large, he holds it as a trust from God. In his support of the Lord's work, a Christian should be purposeful in giving, always doing so with an eye single to God's glory.

**They should give cheerfully.**

Gifts of Christians should always be presented with the full and hearty consent of their wills and never as a matter of duty or in a grudging manner. "God loveth a cheerful giver." Unfortunately many Christians have never experienced the real joy of giving to the Lord.

International series

### Job takes his case to God

**Job 29:1-6** After Job's counselors were reduced to silence, the bewildered servant of God recalled his better and earlier days when he was in his young adulthood. Job had lived in the presence of God who daily watched over him. Job had enjoyed intimate fellowship with God, along with the companionship of his 10 children. His material prosperity was at its peak. Conscious of those earlier days when God watched over him, Job sighed, "Oh that I were as in months past when God preserved me."

In his anguish over the loss of his children, Job thought God had deserted him. He yearned for a renewal of the awareness of God's presence, protection and preservation.

**Job 30:19-26** The cumulative effects of his losses—his children, property and health—must have been devastating to Job. Thinking God had forsaken him, Job longed for death. Nevertheless, he refused to curse God as Satan had predicted he would do.

Job was subjected to indignities by those who formerly honored him. He was called upon to endure indescribable agony. He grieved deeply because God had not responded to his pleas.

Job reached the point where he thought it would have been better had he died at birth than to have lived and endured so much suffering and grief.

As Job continued to appeal to God, he was grieved deeply because God did not promptly grant his expressed desire. Until Job was brought to the point of helplessness, it appeared he was on the verge of being destroyed by his great afflictions.



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## on mission together

### Don't forget the hungry!

I must admit that a source of pride for me is that I can stand before any Kentucky Baptist congregation and correctly declare that every penny given for world hunger through the Foreign Mission Board is used for that purpose alone. Southern Baptists are among the few, if not the only group, who can make that claim.

Further, there is a way by which every Baptist can know just how that money is spent. **Focus**, a publication of the Foreign Mission Board, tells much of the story.

For example, in the most recent issue, the following reflect something of the first three months of this year's operation:

- About \$2.8 million was released by the Foreign Mission Board for disaster and hunger relief.

- Those funds supported 59 projects in 27 nations.

- Much of it went to eastern and southern Africa, where starvation from drought and war has threatened millions of lives.

Projects included:

- \$194,529 to the Windward Islands for a major clean water project in the village of Overland, St. Vincent.

About 400 people live within the village limits, but the water system serves a much larger area. Inadequate clean water has caused a high incidence of worm infestation, scabies, skin infections and other complications.

- \$229,200 in Mali to help in vocational training.

This will help people break out of the poverty cycle and gain steady income. It includes ministries such as secretarial training, nutrition, cooking and health care.

- \$1,060,700 in Ethiopia for drought-stricken victims.

In the Menz-Gishe and Awraja re-

gions of Ethiopia, Southern Baptists will feed 240,000 hungry people who scarcely had time to recover from the serious drought of 1984-85 before more crop failures hit.

John R. Cheyne, the FMB's director for Human Needs, revealed several shocking facts in the same issue:

- An estimated 40 million abandoned children live in the streets of Latin American alone.

- While the per capita income of the U. S. is expected to rise from \$7066 in 1975 to \$14,212 by the year 2000, the per capita income in Bangladesh, now devastated by the worst flooding in memory, will move from only \$111 to \$120 (that's per year!).

- Disaster claims the lives of 15 people in developing countries to every one in the developed world.

If you'd like to stay updated with issues of **Focus**, write: Marty Croll, Box 6767, Richmond, VA 23230.

And remember World Hunger Sunday, October 9.

# Stanton leaves biker life for Christian service

Ask Gary Stanton if he believes in angels, and he will tell you that he does. He believes in both kinds—God's angels and Hell's Angels.

For many years, Stanton rode with and dealt drugs to the California motorcycle gang, Hell's Angels. Although he was never a member of the gang, he was deeply involved with the bikers and considered them "brothers."

Today, Stanton's life is very different from that of his past. After a family member presented a Christian witness to him, he became involved in Bible study. He was disciplined by a caring Southern Baptist pastor and dedicated his life to Christian ministry.

In the past year, his testimony has impacted the lives of alcoholics, drug addicts, street people and prison inmates.

Recently, Stanton enrolled as a student at Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Kansas City, Mo. He is working to earn the associate of religious education degree, which will give him the theological training he needs to answer questions from a tough congregation. He believes God has called him to be a minister to prisoners and drug and alcohol abusers.

"I can talk to these people," he said, "because I used to be one of them."

Stanton was born to a divorced mother who raised him and his brother in "the projects"—a slum area of Utica, N. Y.

He remembers his mother occasionally encouraging him to attend church with friends, but she would not take him and never attended herself.

He became a rebellious teenager and had serious arguments with his mother, "screaming and yelling" at her. He ran away from home at age 14 and was soon enveloped in a life of crime.

When he was 16, he was arrested for stealing cars and was sentenced to three years in prison as a "wayward minor"—an uncontrollable child.

The New York prison made him tough, "hard core," he said. In those three years, he spent 18 months in solitary confinement for fighting guards and other inmates and "for just fighting the system."

Stanton was released from prison when he was 19 and soon entered the Army. His military service lasted only a little over a year, however, when he was medically discharged for deteriorating vision.

"Being the kind of person I am, whenever I do something, I dive in with both feet," Stanton shared. "So, when it came to drugs, I had to be the big king, the big hero. I was going to be the big wheel in the drug scene, and I pushed myself to the top. I was doing drugs and dealing drugs—at the top of the list, you know? I had a lot of strong connections.

"As I got further into the drug scene, I started hanging out with more and more rough characters," he continued. "Before I knew it, I was into the motorcycle scene."

He developed strong friendships with leaders of gangs like Hell's Angels, Bandidos and Outlaws. However, Stanton emphasized the fact that he never actually joined any of the motorcycle gangs he came into contact with.

"I rode with them, I sold drugs to them, I gave drugs to them, I helped them whenever I could because they were like brothers to me—but I never joined them," he said.

Shaking his head, he said, "That wasn't for me. Some of them begged me

to join their clubs, but my response was, 'If I join, then I'd have to whomp you and take control. I'd rather be your friend than your enemy. So let's just be friends, and I'll ride around with you and help you do your drug deals, but I won't be your gang member.'"

"I had professed my faith in Christ when I was 13, and from that moment on God was with me. Whether I realized it or not, God wouldn't allow me to become a Hell's Angel—because, in a sense, I was already his angel!"

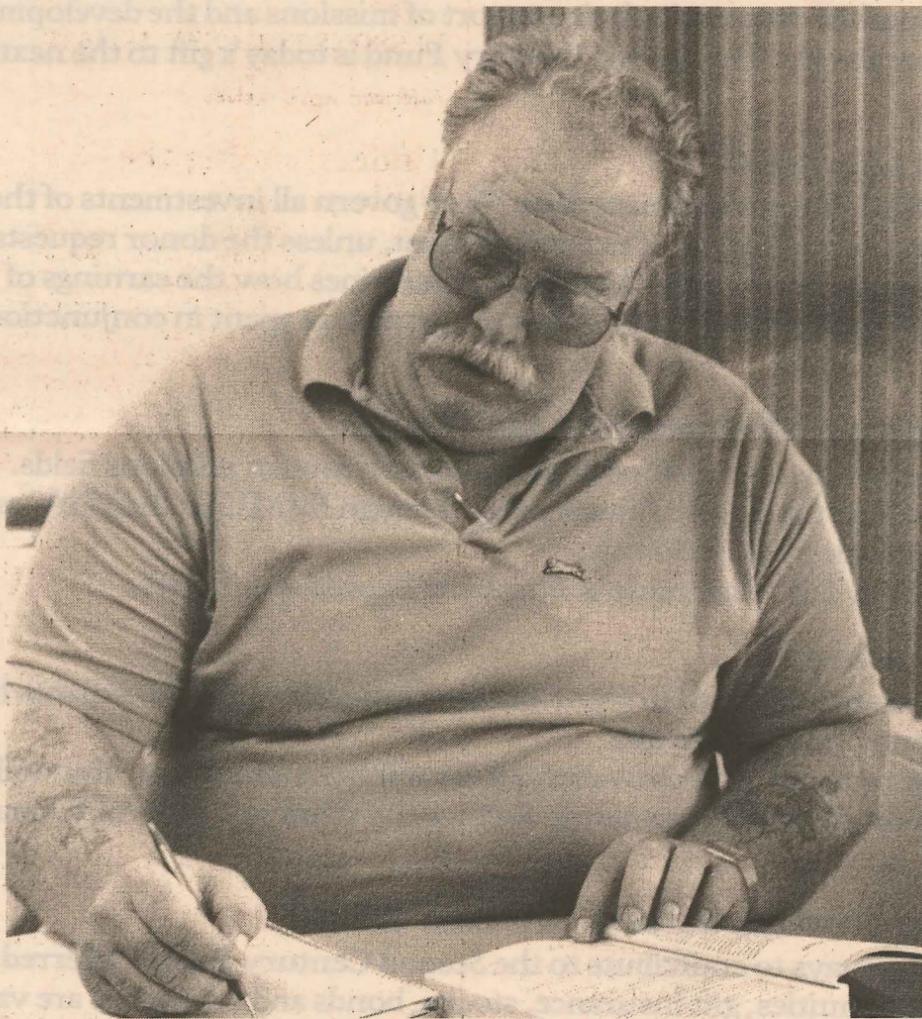
Stanton felt a need to get away, to be with family. So, one night, he went to visit a nephew he hadn't seen for several years. That visit changed his life.

His nephew was a Christian who sponsored a weekly Bible study in his home and attended a local Southern Baptist church.

of that!"

So, Stanton went back to his nephew's house for the next week's Bible study. He began to meet with the group regularly and started studying the Bible. Numerous times, members of the group invited Stanton to attend the Bible study's sponsoring church, Floyd Baptist Church, Rome, N. Y. But Stanton resisted, fearing he would not be accepted by churchgoers.

"Look at me," he said, gesturing to his arms, which are covered with tattoos. "I've got all these tattoos, and back then I had a long beard and hair down the middle of my back. I didn't feel like I'd be accepted at any church. I figured they'd take one look at me and . . ." he shook his head, letting the sentence trail off. "I just figured I'd feel bad and have to leave. So I didn't go."



**Gary Stanton prepares for a class on church administration at Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. He is a long way from his past as a drug dealer and friend to California motorcycle gangs.**

"I've been wild and crazy," Stanton said, "but I've never been rude. So when he invited me into his house and I saw that Bible study going on, I wasn't going to just turn around and leave."

He told his nephew to continue with the Bible study and he would wait in the kitchen for the group to finish. He walked to the kitchen, lit a cigarette and waited for the Bible study to end.

He waited, and waited and waited.

Out in the living room, the Bible study went into overtime. The leader kept talking.

In the kitchen, Stanton began to listen.

"That pastor was saying things that really struck home with me," Stanton recalled. "My life was such a mess. After the Bible study was over, the things I heard there kept going through my head. I figured, 'I need to find out some more

After a year of Bible study attendance, however, Stanton said he began to feel that God wanted him to go to church. The feeling became so strong, he decided to make some changes in his appearance.

"I cut my hair real nice and shaved my beard off and went to church," he said.

The other members of Stanton's Bible study group helped make him feel welcome by introducing him to the Floyd Church congregation. He quickly felt at ease and began attending regularly.

One month later, at the age of 38, Stanton rededicated his life to God.

"I really knew in my heart and soul what I was doing," he shared. "I sold myself out to God."

"I said, 'Okay, God, you've got me. You know I'm going to dive in with both feet. I'm a big guy, so I'm going to make

one heck of a splash! Take care of me, Lord.'"

Stanton smiled. "So, I dove in."

The pastor of Floyd Church, Mike Haley, took a special interest in disciplining Stanton.

Pastor Haley helped Stanton become involved in church programs which would develop his understanding of the Bible and teach him to share his faith in Christ with others. Stanton participated in MasterLife (an in-depth discipleship program) and worked on a number of church study courses.

Haley worked closely with Stanton for three years, becoming a spiritual mentor to the exbiker. Then he told Stanton it was time for him to disciple others.

"I fought that for quite a while," Stanton said. "For about a year, I kept saying, 'No, I'm not ready for that.'"

Then Stanton received a phone call from a pastor he had met at Ridgecrest (N. C.) Baptist Conference Center. The pastor, Steve Playl, wondered if Stanton would share his testimony with his congregation at Woodlawn Baptist Church, Bristol, Tenn., during revival services. He also asked Haley to serve as preacher for the revival.

Stanton and Haley accepted the invitation.

"While I was there, I was influential in helping to lead a man to the Lord," Stanton said. Recalling the emotionally stirring experience, he paused to take a deep breath. "This man was an alcoholic, and I helped get him into church and lead him to the Lord during the revival service.

"All of the sudden, I felt like God was saying to me, 'This is where I want you. This is the type of ministry I want you to do,'" Stanton shared.

After three months, he returned to New York and talked to pastor Haley about the kind of training he would need to be a minister to prisoners and addicts. Haley strongly encouraged him to enter seminary.

Stanton applied to two seminaries. While filling out application forms for the two institutions, he briefly considered withholding the truth about his background.

"I prayed about it and figured God wouldn't want me to lie about myself or hold back the punch lines just so I could get into seminary," Stanton acknowledged. "So I said, 'God, I'm going to tell them the truth and then I'll leave it up to you. If you want me to go to school, I know you'll open up the door and put me there.'"

Stanton received a letter of acceptance from Midwestern Seminary. He started classes Aug. 23.

In addition to concentrating on his studies, Stanton works 30 hours per week as a night supervisor at City Union Mission in downtown Kansas City.

"I get a lot of one-on-one experience with the transients, the alcoholics, the drug pushers and users, the guys who are on the streets," he said. "I've been there about three weeks and the Lord's blessed the ministry there over and over again. He's allowed me to preach and guys keep coming back to hear more, so I feel like it's making a difference."

Stanton believes the men at the rescue mission listen to him because he knows what they're going through.

"I think they respect me because I've been where they are now," he shared. "I can say, 'Look, guys, there's a better way! Let me tell you about it. It works!'"



**Woman's Missionary Union  
Auxiliary to Southern Baptist Convention**



**What is the Second Century Fund?**

The Second Century Fund is a permanent endowment for the development of women's work for missions around the world.

The fund was established in observance of WMU's centennial year, 1988. The endowment is a new way to strengthen women in their support of missions and the development of WMU-type organizations worldwide. The Second Century Fund is today's gift to the next century's women in missions.

**Who governs the fund?**

The WMU, SBC, Executive Board does. They govern all investments of the fund. All gifts will be invested and protected as part of the endowment, unless the donor requests otherwise. Only interest will be spent. The WMU Board also determines how the earnings of the fund will be applied to projects around the world. Often the grants are spent in conjunction with missionaries and their work.

**What are some possible uses of the fund?**

- Development of women's missions organizations in foreign missions fields.
- Development of Baptist women's leadership through WMU in the USA, especially in relationship to home missions work.
- Development of WMU leadership at Southern Baptist seminaries.

**Who can be a donor?**

Anyone. If you are interested in contributing a monetary gift to a worthwhile cause, consider the Second Century Fund an option.

Your gift, large or small, will open avenues for missions education. You will feel confident knowing that your gift will permanently further the work and goals of Woman's Missionary Union.

**What types of contributions can one make?**

There are many ways to contribute to the Second Century Fund. Deferred gifts (through a will, for example), gift annuities, gift insurance, stocks, bonds and properties are various options. Cash gifts may be made as memorials.

**How can one contribute?**

Contact the Second Century Fund Office of Woman's Missionary Union to find out how you can make a contribution:

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