

# 'I can find no peace' Annuity Board nominee admits

by Thomas E. Miller Jr.

In a dramatic reversal of prior reluctance, Paul W. Powell, 55, pastor of Green Acres Baptist Church, Tyler, Tex., accepted election as president of the Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.



Powell

Powell will join the Annuity Board staff in Dallas, Tex. as president elect Oct. 16 and become president Mar. 1,

1990, succeeding Darold H. Morgan, who is retiring after 18 years.

A five-year trustee of the Annuity Board, Powell was unanimously elected by fellow trustees July 25 after nomination by an eight-member search committee. As late as July 24 he had told the search committee he would not accept the post, but the committee secured his permission to let the full board vote on its recommendation.

Aug. 13 Powell told an applauding congregation at Green Acres he would remain as pastor and gave the same decision to the search committee.

The search committee met Aug. 21 to chart its future course. George H. Balen-

tine Jr., a South Carolina industrialist and chairman of the committee, said, "We had a session of prayer for God to give leadership. I felt like, then, something was going to happen."

Aug. 24 Powell called Balentine to say, "I can find no peace in the answer I gave you. If you still want me, I will come."

Balentine called each member of the search committee and each member talked personally with Powell during the next several days. Their response was unanimous and affirming of the original vote of the full board.

"I suppose," said Balentine, "some people find God's way an unusual way.

We didn't beg Paul. We didn't hound him. We prayed, listened, voted and then waited for God to make clear to Paul what he had made clear to us—Paul is the man to serve as president." The search committee considered 41 persons before settling on Powell to head the agency.

Powell said of his resolve to accept: "I feel a sense of compulsion. It's that simple." The pastor said neither he nor his wife, Cathy, had gained any peace with the earlier decision. Said Powell, "I simply had to admit that the committee recommendation and the board's decision was right. Now we're going to do the right thing and go forward."

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### Trustees pressure Southwestern's Dilday, threats suggest reprisals for 'speaking out'

by Scott Collins

The possibility of a called meeting to discuss "political activities" by Russell Dilday was considered by Dilday and trustee officers of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in a mid August meeting.

News reports in several newspapers—including the Richmond (Va.) Times Dispatch and the Nashville Banner indicated trustees may be targeting Dilday, president of the 4800-student school in Ft. Worth, Tex., for "censuring or muzzling" this fall.



Dilday

Dilday and trustee chairman Ken Lilly, a physician from Ft. Smith, Ark., issued a joint statement Aug. 28 saying the purpose of the Aug. 15 meeting was to "discuss questions regarding Baptists Committed (to the Southern Baptist Convention) and to seek clarification about an article written by Dilday for the May Southwestern News."

Lilly said the trustee officers dis-

cussed the possibility of a called meeting but decided not to do so.

The chairman, however, said he anticipates the issue to be raised when the full board meets Oct. 16-17. "I don't see at this point how it can be avoided" at the full board meeting, Lilly said.

"The issue is still hot and it will come up . . . I don't know the best way to deal with it, but I know the guys (trustees) are going to have their say."

Lilly explained the background of the meeting, noting: "The deal was that a number of trustees had written me. I got a bunch of letters requesting that we meet with Dr. Dilday and ask him to quit doing political things."

The focus of the letters, he said, was Dilday's speech in late May before a meeting of Baptists Committed, a moderate political organization.

While Dilday said he believes the source of complaints is an account of his speech in the Southern Baptist Advocate, a conservative-oriented newspaper, Lilly denied the Advocate report prompted the meeting.

"There was only one (trustee) who was influenced by the article," Lilly said. "The article was not the issue but rather Dr. Dilday's renewed political activity."

Dilday said his address, titled "De-

nomination Unity," at the Baptist Committed symposium was an attempt to call for Baptist unity and to pull together the fractured Southern Baptist Convention. He said it was not intended to be a political statement.

Dilday said he showed trustees the full text of the speech and "they seemed less concerned."

"I will accept any invitation I can to speak on Baptist unity, whether I'm addressing the left or the right," he added.

He continued: "I would be irresponsible if I didn't speak on convictional issues affecting the seminary and the convention. I don't intend to do anything to make the conflict in the convention worse. I haven't been a part of any political group on either side and I don't intend to be. I have spoken out in the past against the inappropriateness of political actions."

Lilly said, "My personal thinking is that he (Dilday) is going to have some troubled times if he doesn't quit speaking out."

In addition to Dilday and Lilly the Aug. 15 meeting was attended by Damon Shook, pastor of Champion Forest Baptist Church, Houston, vice chairman, and John McNaughton, a Ft. Worth rancher and businessman. (BP)



Wilkins



Dixon

### Rose Hill, Ashland, hosts Brotherhood in Oct. 5-6 meeting

by James H. Cox, Associate Editor

Ashland's Rose Hill Baptist Church will host the 1989 Kentucky Brotherhood Convention Oct. 5-6. Theme of this year's event is "Missions is Masculine."

Principal speakers on the agenda:

- Calvin Wilkins, partnership coordinator, Direct Missions Department, Kentucky Baptist Convention, Middletown, Thursday at 8:30 p.m.;
- Donald Greene, layman, Hickory, N. C., Friday at 3 p.m.;
- Bob Dixon, director, Texas Baptist Men, Baptist General Convention of Texas, Dallas, Friday at 8:30 p.m.

In addition, special music and a concert will be provided by Memphis, Tenn. husband-and-wife musical artists Jan and Bob Salley. Salley is an employe of the Brotherhood Commission.

The convention will be presided over by Owensboro auctioneer Mike Melloan, who completes a second one-year term as state Brotherhood president. He cannot be reelected. William E. Jones, Beaver Dam layman, is vice president of the state organization.

The convention opens at 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 5. Other sessions are at 9:15 a.m., 1:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 6, adjourning at 9 p.m. Friday.

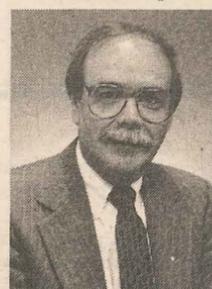
In addition to the general sessions, a series of nine small group sharing topics is scheduled Friday morning. Participants may select four from among Baptists Overseas, Builders, Disaster Relief, Human Needs, Lay Renewal, Lay Revival, Prayer Support, Royal Ambassadors/High School Baptist Young Men, Sports Missions.

A business session is scheduled Friday afternoon. Other highlights include an ice cream social Thursday evening and a dinner meal Friday. Tickets for the dinner, at \$3.50, are available in advance from the Brotherhood Department, Box 43433, Middletown, KY 40243.

### K. Maynard Head accepts Clear Creek vice presidency

by James H. Cox, Associate Editor

Middlesboro native K. Maynard Head became vice president of development at Clear Creek Baptist Bible College, Pineville, Sept. 1.



Head

Head had been assistant to the president for development and church relations at Cumberland College, Williamsburg, since 1982. Earlier, from 1973-82, he was director of public relations, alumni and development at Clear Creek.

A 1963 Clear Creek graduate, Head received the BS degree from Cumberland, MA from Vanderbilt University, Nashville, and is completing a disserta-

tion for the EdD in higher educational administration and development at Vanderbilt.

A member of the National Society for Fund Raising Executives, Head received certification from the Williamsburg (Va.) Development Institute. He is author of two books and numerous magazine articles and for many years wrote a newspaper column carried in many county weeklies called "Mountain Moments."

Head and his wife, Joyce, are parents of two grown sons.

Making the announcement of Head's selection, Clear Creek president Bill D. Whittaker declared Maynard Head's "love for Clear Creek, wide experience and excellent training will strengthen our unique work." Whittaker said Head would direct the school's efforts to secure funding and develop relationships with supporters throughout the nation.

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### The voice at the convocation

The worship service that was an academic convocation began with the electricity of Boyd Jones at the organ and a congregation on its feet singing "All Hail the Power of Jesus Name" with sufficient intensity to make hymn books vibrate in hand. The rituals of academic procession were being observed: faculty in robes striped with colors of specialty and attainment, medallion 'round the neck of the president, students in pews with books yet unread beside them like cats waiting at a threshold.

But the worship towered over the academic ritual with the prayer of Harold S. Songer, "... we stand here as equals, O God, before you." Anne Davis reading the scripture, from Galatians, sounding and looking like the skilled dean that she is. As she led in the reading, eyes and minds that knew-her-when saw not only a dean but a hard and successful ministry in a Baptist center in Lexington. In the middle of the prayer and again as scripture was read a voice was heard over and above the worship. The voice of a baby floated out above us—babbling and lyrical, not harsh or hard crying. The voice made the chapel instantly a familiar place, even a friendlier place, like a church on a Sunday morning. Was baby here because a seminary couple had last minute sitter problems, or by design?

They brought the book out, the Abstract of Principles, with 170 signatures in it, and nine scholars lined up to add their names to the pages. Each took old-fashioned quill in hand and signed their names: Dickson, Mims, Bailey, Escobar, Stiver, Bugg, D'Amico, Dever, Landon in the very same book as Manly, Broaddus and the rest. Their hands shook as they signed and the congregation grew so still that the scratching of the pen on paper could be heard. History was being made, men and women were joining a sacred company with a sacred pledge.

When the book was closed and put away, Roy Honeycutt preached from Gal. 4:21-5:1. The image of the Southern gentleman Christian minister of whom Broaddus et al would have approved, Honeycutt embodied the power and the

promise of the seminary. Tall, white-haired, soft voice, precise mind, clear vision—he put the choice of faith before us. "Who will you choose for your mother? Hagar or Sarai? Will you be the child of legalism or the child of faith?" The urgency in him spilled beyond pulpit and page and into the congregation; the soft voice was wrought in steel, the tall man was anchored in the resolution of faith. The preaching transformed the congregation from a student body into the people of God hearing and believing the message.

Again comes the sound of the baby, though now more distant. Mother or father had taken baby out into the foyer so as not to disrupt preacher or worshiper, but he or she could still be heard, having a wonderful time out there with many adult hugs and "Shhs!" aplenty. And over the sound of the preaching the voice of the baby rose, reminding us that all of this—the study, the preaching, the training, the buildings, the graduating—all of this was for that baby.

The baby in the foyer is the future—of Southern Seminary, of Southern Baptists and the larger world, too. Hundreds of students leaned in to hear president Honeycutt, scores of faculty and staff sat poised, guests gave him full attention. But for what? So that the Baptist understanding of faith in Christ and the freedom he always brings will be powerful for a generation just now being born, just now held in arms, just now ready to see spectacular October at the Beeches.

Southern Seminary—her people, her students, her ministry—has kept the faith for our generations. She will keep it for the baby in the foyer as well. The benediction was punctuated with the baby's voice once more, as though praise of babes mingled with the praise of the skilled, just as Jesus promised. It was God's voice—through the baby, through the preaching, through the scripture, through the music, through our presence. He was there, at the convocation. His voice was heard.

*Richard W. Bridges*

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# baptist news briefs

## Cancer support series offered at Baptist East

The Baptist Hospital East oncology program in conjunction with the American Cancer Society will sponsor a seven-session "I Can Cope" educational cancer support program beginning Sept. 27. The sessions will be held successive Wednesdays from 3-4:30 p.m. in the ambulatory care classrooms at Baptist Hospital East, 4000 Kresge Way, St. Matthews. The program is free and open to the public but preregistration is required.

The "I Can Cope" program is designed to help cancer patients, their family members and friends gain insight into the disease. Healthcare professionals from Baptist Hospital East specializing in the care of the cancer patient, including a chaplain, dietitian, physical therapist, physician, oncology continuing care nurse and the oncology program manager, will present a different topic each week.

Registration and further information is available by calling the Baptist Hospital East information center at 897-8131.

## Baptist East completes ICU, CCU renovation

Expansion and renovation of the intensive and coronary care units at Baptist Hospital East is slated for completion Sept. 15. The project will increase the bed capacity from 11 to 15 in ICU and 10 to 14 in CCU.

The project, constructed in two phases, added a completely new 15-bed intensive care unit which opened Mar. 15, 1989. Throughout the second phase of construction all critical care patients were cared for on the new ICU while the former ICU/CCU was being renovated for CCU patients.

## Committee to consider rescinding RLC proposal

The Southern Baptist Executive Committee will be asked to rescind its proposal to create a Religious Liberty Commission when it convenes Sept. 18-20.

The Executive Committee proposed the commission last February "as an alternative to accomplish the program and funding" of the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs. The Baptist Joint Committee is a First Amendment/religious liberty watchdog organization based in Washington comprised of nine Baptist denominations.

Creation of a new Southern Baptist entity requires approval by messengers to two consecutive SBC annual sessions. The first vote was to have been taken last June in Las Vegas, Nev. But SBC president Jerry Vines asked the Executive Committee to "defer its recommen-

ation" to create the Religious Liberty Commission. Vines, pastor of First Baptist Church, Jacksonville, Fla., made his request in order to keep the focus of the annual meeting "on presenting Christ in Las Vegas," he explained.

Meeting in Las Vegas just prior to the SBC annual session the Executive Committee concurred. But now the Executive Committee will consider rescinding the entire proposal.

Charles W. Sullivan, immediate past chairman of the Executive Committee, advised that he plans to request the Executive Committee to adopt such a motion.

Sullivan, pastor of First Baptist Church, Lenior City, Tenn., declined to comment on why he plans to present the motion and on the content of a possible second motion, which would be directed to the program and budget subcommittee. (BP)

## Southeastern president diagnosed with tumor

Lewis A. Drummond, president of Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Wake Forest, N. C., is recovering well after doctors found cancer in his colon in August.

Doctors at Duke University Medical Center, Durham, N. C., believe the tumor is confined and has not spread, Fletcher added, noting Drummond has begun chemotherapy and radiation treatment and is responding well to his medication. A decision concerning whether to remove the tumor will be made later in the fall semester, Fletcher said. (BP)

## Southeastern hopes to avoid probation

The faculty and trustees of Southeastern Seminary, Wake Forest, N. C., will hold a joint workshop this fall, seeking to alleviate the school's accreditation woes.

Meanwhile, the faculty has called for a moratorium on selecting new teachers until the faculty-selection procedure is "modified to conform" to accreditation standards.

The proposals are included in documents filed this summer with the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, one of two accrediting agencies examining the school.

The other accrediting agency, the Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada, has asked Southeastern to "show cause . . . why it should not be placed on probation."

Controversy engulfed the seminary almost two years ago, when a new conservative majority took control of its trustee board, saying they intended to turn the school in a more conservative direction.

Subsequently, at least 18 faculty and administrators—including the president and faculty dean—have resigned or retired. Former president W. Randall Lolley and some others who left said they could not live with a new faculty-selection process, which they said ensured that only biblical inerrantists could be hired.

Enrolment has fallen about 43% from 1046 students in the fall of 1987 to perhaps 600 this fall. (BP)

## Acts gets faith lift as emphasis shifts

The ACTS television network has announced a major change in its programming format. ACTS, which had billed itself as a "faith and family network,"

vastly increased the amount of religious programming in a new schedule released in July.

Programs added to the ACTS schedule include: "Day of Discovery," "Heritage Today," "In Touch" and "First United Methodist Church of Houston." In addition the new schedule contains blocks of children's programs, contemporary and Southern gospel music as well as programs featuring Zola Levitt, Kay Arthur and Ben Haden.

## Spring Meadows home hosts first career day

Seventy-five young people attended Spring Meadows' "Career Day 1989," a first time event to make youth aware of job and educational opportunities. Held in late August the event attracted youth from five other group homes and one church youth group as well as Spring Meadows residents. Over 20 professionals and 15 college representatives offered career and educational information from booths set up in the home's dining room.

Among career professionals were WLKY TV meteorologist Wayne Hart and WHAS TV newscaster Melissa Forsythe. Other well-known Louisvilleans who attended included Wayne Perkey, WHAS radio personality and Dave Armstrong, candidate for Jefferson County judge.

Representatives from other career fields and schools included a dentist, an entertainer, a banker, a chef, a beautician, a computer technician, military personnel, a manager from Public Service Indiana (electric utilities), a trainer from General Electric and personnel from Western Kentucky University, Eastern Kentucky University, University of Louisville, Campbellsville (Ky.) College, Cumberland (Ky.) College and Lindsey Wilson (Ky.) College.

Spring Meadows activities director, Scott Shouse, developed plans for the event, basing his idea on a format found at many high school career fairs. In compiling a list of careers Shouse tried to include not only more familiar professions but also "careers you don't nor-

mally hear about." He began with a list of 10, and finally invited a total of 40 professionals in an effort to help youth realize the many types of careers from which to choose.

Shouse says he felt "the day was very beneficial and very much a success for a first time event . . . Hopefully (Career Day) will become an annual event (at Spring Meadows)."

## European nominated as BWA president

Knud Wumpelmann of Copenhagen, Denmark, currently European regional secretary of the Baptist World Alliance and general secretary of the European Baptist Federation, was nominated by the General Council of BWA to be its next president for the quinquennium, 1990-95, during the council's meetings in Zagreb, Yugoslavia, July 31-Aug. 5.

Wumpelmann's name will be placed for election before the 16th Congress of the BWA, which will meet in Seoul, Korea, Aug. 14-19, 1990. If elected Wumpelmann, who will retire from his present positions at the end of 1989, will succeed current president G. Noel Vose of Western Australia as head of this worldwide Baptist organization of 141 Baptist unions and conventions in 145 countries with a membership of over 35.5 million.

Robert C. Campbell, chair of the BWA officers search committee, who presented Wumpelmann's name to the council, said that the committee had conducted a wide search and received many recommendations. "We think we have been led of the Lord," he said.

Campbell told council members that the search for the president was, for the committee, "our most important responsibility and, frankly, our most difficult responsibility," but that they were unanimous in their decision.

In describing the committee's work, Campbell said that committee members wanted to be "as open and involved as possible." He said that their primary search areas were Europe, Africa and Latin America, "because they had waited the longest" for a president.

## Southern Seminary issues statement

(See *Southern Seminary*, p. 5.)

Southern Seminary is a Christian institution whose mission is to prepare men and women for leadership as Christian ministers. In fulfilling this mission, the seminary has a right and an obligation to expect certain standards from its students. We believe Southern Baptists and their churches who recommend persons for ministry education at Southern Seminary expect this of us.

Our guidelines for conduct clearly state that in this community certain specifically listed actions, including homosexual behavior or heterosexual misconduct, are unacceptable. Every student who enrolls at Southern Seminary receives a copy of the seminary's discipline policy which clearly identifies these expectations.

In the event a student chooses to violate these policies, the seminary pursues a clearly-defined disciplinary process. We believe these procedures, which include the availability of a three-stage appeals process involving faculty, administration and students, are thorough and fair. In every case, our goal is to find a resolution that best serves the welfare of

the student and the welfare of the seminary.

In this particular case a student has stated publicly that he plans to continue behavior that is clearly in conflict with the seminary's published standards for ethical conduct. In accordance with the school's disciplinary policy, the student was requested to withdraw from the seminary. Upon his refusal to do so the seminary withdrew the person's student status. That decision has in turn been upheld at each step of the appeals process.

The issue addressed in the seminary's disciplinary policy is that of the ethical standards of Christian ministers. We recognize that homosexuality is a sensitive and complicated issue for our society and for our churches. We affirm every effort on the part of the Christian community to minister compassionately and redemptively to gay persons and to families who are affected by this social issue.

Furthermore, while the seminary is not a church, the seminary community strives to be an effective model of such efforts.

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# christian education

## georgetown college

Ten new people have been named to the Georgetown (Ky.) College faculty for the 1989-90 academic year, according to college president W. Morgan Patterson.

Pamela Carroll, previous instructor in education at Auburn (Ala.) University, is assistant professor of education. She holds a EdD degree from Auburn (Ala.) University.

Todd Coke is instructor of English. Holding a MS degree from Austin Peay State University, Clarksville, Tenn., Coke is currently doing work on his PhD at Vanderbilt University, Nashville.

Named assistant professor of computer science is Bryan S. Crawley. Crawley, who previously worked in the Veterans' Administration Medical Center's research service, Lexington, holds a MS degree from the University of Kentucky, Lexington.

Joy H. Gwin assumes the position of assistant professor of home economics. She previously was with the Department of Vocational Education at the University of Kentucky and holds an EdD degree from UK.

Stephen King, former music instructor at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, and at Georgetown, is assistant professor of music. King currently is working on a DMA degree at Southern.

To be professor and chairman of the music department is H. M. Lewis, who previously was professor of music at Louisiana State University, Shreveport. Lewis holds a PhD from LSU.

Barbara Rafaill assumes the position of assistant professor of biology. She has a PhD from Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, and was interim assistant professor at Union College, Barbourville.

Jayne Sadlon is instructor of com-

munication arts. She holds a MA degree from the University of Kentucky where she was public relations assistant and workshop coordinator.

Ann Salomone is assistant professor of French. She previously worked as a principal investigator for the United States Department of Education, French Immersion Grant. She has a PhD from Ohio State University.

To be professor of mathematics is Martha Watson, who previously was mathematics professor at Western Kentucky University, Bowling Green. She holds a PhD from the University of Kentucky.

Garvel Kindrick, a 1981 graduate of Greenville (Ky.) High School, has been promoted to director of admissions at Georgetown College, according to Dave Forman, dean of admissions and financial aid.

Kindrick has been on the admissions staff since July 1985.

The Jacobs Family Foundation of San Diego, Cal. has pledged \$100,000 over the next five years for the renovation of Pawling Hall, according to Georgetown president W. Morgan Patterson.

Violet Jacobs, the foundation's benefactor, attended Georgetown College in 1937.

Churches across the nation are discovering the need for better communication and journalism skills, says Greg Hancock, director of the Kentucky Baptist Convention's Communications Division.

"Often I am asked, 'Can you help us with our news coverage? Is there a best way to get a church newsletter started? What's involved in getting our service broadcast? How can I find out what my church's image is in the community?'"

These questions and others will be addressed at a study, "Communicating the

Church," sponsored by the community education program at Georgetown College Monday evenings beginning Sept. 25 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. in the Gheens Room of Giddings Hall, continuing Oct. 2-30. Hancock, a church communications specialist, will instruct.

Preregistration is required by Sept. 15. The textbook, *Service America*, costs \$20. The study is a cooperative effort of the Kentucky Baptist Convention and Georgetown College.

For information: (502) 863-8024.

Elkhorn Association, Georgetown College and Central Baptist Hospital, Lexington are cooperating to bring Boyce Bible School courses to lay persons and pastors in central Kentucky.

W. Morgan Patterson, Georgetown president, is teaching a course in Baptist history Saturdays, Sept. 9-Nov. 4, 10 a.m.-noon in Porter Chapel of Cralle Student Center.

Paul Redditt, chairman of Georgetown Department of Religion, is teaching an indepth study of Corinthians with suggestions for expository preaching Saturdays, Sept. 9-Nov. 4, 8-10 a.m., in Porter Chapel.

For information: (606) 254-7747.

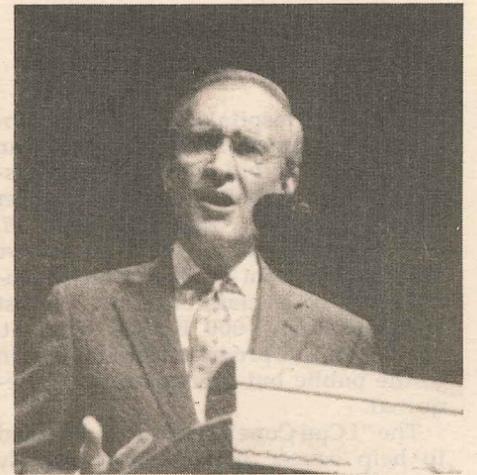
## southwestern seminary

To a world expecting the worst from Christian ministers, students at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Ft. Worth, Tex., have the privilege of becoming "God's pleasant surprise," the school's president said during the opening chapel service of the 1989-90 academic year.

With the fall of prominent pastors and crumbling of televangelism empires, Southwestern president Russell Dilday said the public is growing increasingly skeptical of Christian ministry.

Dilday said many pastors and church leaders are failing today because they are unprepared for the "illogical paradoxes" of the ministry such as glory and dishonor, evil report and good report, deception and truth, sorrow and rejoicing.

"The ministry . . . is not for persons who can only live with neat, compatible categories without contradiction or ambiguities," Dilday said. "They're there and those of us who follow Jesus Christ as Lord and master are going to have to



Dilday

face a ministry that is characterized uniquely by paradoxes."

Dilday also reminded students of Paul's warning about the "unfriendly environment of the ministry." Too many ministers fail because they are not prepared for the adversities and hardships they will inevitably face, he said.

But Dilday also shared Paul's secret of success in ministry—irresistible power. Purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, unfeigned or un hypocritical love, the Holy Spirit and the power of God are all equipment and qualities of character ministers need to fight the spiritual battles they will encounter, he said.

## oklahoma baptist

Oklahoma Baptist University has received a gift of about \$2.6 million from Ardmore businessman Paul Dickinson to provide endowment for the university's School of Business.

The board of trustees voted at its summer meeting to name the university's School of Business in honor of the 93-year-old businessman who within the past three years also has endowed academic chairs in the Joe L. Ingram School of Christian Service and in the School of Business. His contributions to OBU since the 1986-87 school year total almost \$3.4 million.

Dickinson's gift was established through the Baptist Foundation of Oklahoma and is the largest single gift for a Baptist cause received for administration by the foundation.

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## southeastern seminary

**R. Philip Roberts has been appointed associate professor of evangelism and church growth at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Wake Forest, N. C.**

Since 1985 Roberts has been pastor of International Baptist Church in Brussels, Belgium. Earlier he pastored churches in England, Germany and Kentucky. From 1982-85 he was assistant professor of evangelism at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville.

Roberts received the ThD degree from Free University, Amsterdam. He received the MDiv degree from Southern Seminary. His undergraduate degree is from Georgetown (Ky.) College.

Roberts will begin his teaching duties in January 1990.

## southern seminary

**An avowed homosexual has been required to withdraw as a student at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville.**

Kevin Kouba, 32, from Florissant, Mo., was forced to withdraw in mid July after a fellow student at the school charged that Kouba was involved in homosexual behavior.

Following a hearing involving both students, the dean of the School of Church Music and the vice president for student services, Kouba was instructed to withdraw from school.

Since then Kouba has appealed the decision before two disciplinary groups composed of students, faculty and administrators. Both times the appeal was denied.

Following the second appeal Aug. 23 Kouba told Louisville television and newspaper reporters he plans to pursue the final step in the seminary's appeals process and take his complaint to seminary president Roy L. Honeycutt.

Kouba has argued that the seminary's policy forbidding homosexual behavior is discriminatory and that his initial hearing was unfair. He claimed he was told in the hearing that he would not be "expelled" if he was truthful yet after confessing to the allegations he was required to "withdraw."

Students required to withdraw eventually may apply for readmission if they meet requirements established by the seminary. Expulsion, however, is irrevocable.

Seminary officials have declined to comment on details of the case, citing students' right to privacy. However a statement issued Aug. 30 by the seminary claimed the disciplinary policy is "thorough and fair."

Emphasizing the seminary's purpose of training Christian ministers, the statement maintained the school "has a right and an obligation to expect certain standards from its students. It said Southern Baptists and the churches who recommend students to the seminary "expect this of us."

The statement noted that every student receives a copy of the seminary's disciplinary policy which states that certain actions, including "homosexual behavior or heterosexual misconduct," are "unacceptable" in the seminary community.

"In this particular case," it said, "a student has stated publicly that he plans to continue behavior that is clearly in conflict" with seminary policy.

## oneida

**Six buildings will be dedicated at the 90th anniversary Oneida homecoming Oct. 7 at 3 p.m.**

A new multipurpose building containing a regulation gym floor for basketball and volleyball, seven classrooms and areas for weightlifting, table tennis and other recreational games will be named Larry and Linda Gritton Hall. The Grittons have worked at Oneida 17 years. Gritton has been athletic coach, French teacher and principal. Mrs. Gritton is coordinator of Oneida's middle school program.

Harold and Betty Holderman will be honored when a combination staff apartment/student workshop building is dedicated. The Holdermans worked at Oneida from 1959-72.

A staff apartment building housing eight single women staff will be named Maralea and Malcolm Arnett Hall. The sister and brother have been patrons of Oneida over 40 years.

Owen and Eppie Whitehouse Hall will be Oneida's new apartment building for single male staff. The Whitehouse couple first became familiar with Oneida's work while doing a week of volunteer work with a group from Ballardville (Ky.) Baptist Church. Mrs. Whitehouse died in July.

The fifth building to be dedicated will honor David Cooper Sr., Oneida's gardener who died in January at age 90 after beginning work at Oneida at age 80. The large building where he lived has been totally renovated and includes a five-room used clothing store called "Friendship House" and two staff apartments.

A new three-bedroom, two-bath house with basement for one Oneida staff family will also be dedicated. It is to be named Bill Cole House. Cole has averaged a week a month of volunteer work since 1980.

## campbellsville college

**Shirley Risen, accounting instructor at Campbellsville College since 1984, has been promoted to assistant professor of accounting, according to Robert S. Clark, vice president for academic affairs and dean of the college.**

Mrs. Risen, a certified public accountant, is a 1980 graduate of Campbells-ville, receiving a BS degree in business administration with an emphasis in accounting. She received a MS degree in accounting from the University of Kentucky in 1981.

Mrs. Risen is sponsor of Phi Beta Lambda, business club at Campbells-ville. She belongs to the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, Kentucky Society of Public Accountants and the Rotary Club.

She and her husband Bradley have one son, Ben.

**Bowling Green artist Marsha Heidbrink will display art work at Campbellsville College's Gosser Fine Arts Center Gallery Sept. 18-Oct. 6.**

A reception will be Sept. 18 from 7-9 p.m. at the gallery. The public is invited to both the exhibit and reception. Gallery hours are from 8 a.m.-noon and 1-4 p.m. Monday-Friday by appointment.

The exhibit will include monoprints, paintings on canvas and masonite collages on paper.



**Bill D. Whittaker  
President  
Clear Creek Baptist Bible College  
Pineville, KY 40977**

## clear creek chronicle

### H. C. Chiles endowment nears goal

The H. C. Chiles New Testament endowment has reached \$151,000 of our \$200,000 goal. Friends across Kentucky have gladly responded to this appeal to endow a New Testament professorship.

Belfry trustee Wallis Loftis gave \$98,000 in bank stock and commented, "I can't think of a better use of these funds because of my respect and appreciation of Dr. Chiles. Clear Creek will grow and needs endowment." Mrs. Lou Eastham of Cannonsburg church, Ashland, sent \$5000 with an encouragement for others to follow her example. "It is wonderful to know this money will go into permanent endowment and will be used to train workers until Jesus comes. I don't know of a better investment than teaching pastors, missionaries and other servants of God to carry the gospel." Three Forks Baptist Association sent a check and director of missions Phillip Rosenbaum wrote, "I do hope this will help somewhat in making the endowed chair fully funded. Dr. Chiles has been a blessing to so many throughout the state and is so dearly loved here." Louisville physician Theodore C. M. Forrest wrote, "Please use the enclosed gift for the H. C. Chiles fund. He is a grand man and a great Christian. I feel honored to have known him. I was raised in Murray."

Last month Dr. Chiles started his ninth year of teaching at Clear Creek. This semester he has classes in Mark, Ephesians and II Corinthians. His 1973 Oldsmobile has 210,000 miles and he continues to travel for preaching assignments. Oct. 3 he will take the minutes of Blood River Association where he was first elected clerk in 1968.

Dr. Chiles has never missed a class because of illness and enjoys the students. "I just want to help the boys as long as I can."

The \$200,000 endowment will be permanently invested with the Kentucky Baptist Foundation and annual interest will provide support for a New Testament professor to continue the kind of teaching we have received from Dr. Chiles.

Sept. 29 Murray First Baptist will host a victory dinner when we hope to announce the \$200,000 goal has been reached. Will you help us? Your gift affirms God's word, honors a distinguished Kentucky Baptist and strengthens Clear Creek's future.

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## 1100 engage in convocation at Ridgecrest as associations are declared 'equal partners' in missions

by Jim Newton

Associational directors of missions affirmed their increasing role in helping Southern Baptist agencies shape global missions strategy during a national convocation on the Baptist association.

The six-day convocation at Ridgecrest (N. C.) Baptist Conference Center attracted 1137 participants, including 633 associational directors of missions. It was the fourth such convocation sponsored by the SBC Home Mission Board in 16 years.

In a summary statement affirmed by standing vote, participants expressed commitment to a full and equal partnership in missions involving all state conventions, all SBC agencies and the 1207 Baptist associations in the SBC.

Participants also approved five recommendations as part of a "Message to Southern Baptists."

The directors urged that associations make prayer a priority, increase involvement of laity in leadership, educate Baptists about tithing and mission support, initiate the planning of mission strategy with state conventions and SBC agencies and encourage networking of churches and associations in joint mission endeavors.

Throughout the meeting participants



Kentucky directors of missions participating in a national convocation on the Baptist association at Ridgecrest (N. C.) Baptist Conference Center Aug. 26-31 pose on the steps of Pritchell Hall. (Paul Obregon photos)

grappled with such issues as coping with future shock, threats to the denomination's Cooperative Program support of world missions, increasing urbanization of America and the world, diversity within the denomination, increasing importance of the association in a society where decentralization is a major trend and their own emerging role as global mission strategists.

Like a gold thread woven into the convocation tapestry, almost every major presentation stressed the role of the association as an equal partner in missions.

Carl Duck, director of missions for Nashville Baptist Association and a former president of the national fellowship of associational directors of missions, called for partnership in missions involving individual Southern Baptists, the local church, the Baptist association,

the 37 Baptist state conventions and all national Southern Baptist Convention agencies.

SBC Foreign Mission Board executive vice president Bill O'Brien urged the directors of missions to see themselves as global mission strategists. "The association must see itself in a global mosaic, one of interdependence and partnering, for the last frontier for world evangelization lies in collaboration," he said.

He added that Baptists must be willing to cooperate with other "Great Commission Christians" in global evangelization, noting that "Southern Baptists can never do it alone."

O'Brien stressed that associations must find a way to help reach with the gospel the 530 "people groups" around the world who have never heard the name of Jesus Christ. Those groups represent two billion of the world's five billion population.

Coping with future shock may be one of the most difficult issues associational directors of missions face in the next decade, said Larry Rose, associate director of the SBC Home Mission Board's Metropolitan Missions Department.

Rose identified six trends he felt would create the greatest stress. The trends included globalization, technological domination of education and employment, a new rural lifestyle, urbanization, shifts in age structure of the population, immigration and migration.

"We live in a global community," Rose said. "What happens in Tokyo has impact on Wall Street and Main Street. Isolation and nationalism are not major issues of the future. How we shall live, work and survive are the major issues of the future."

Home Mission Board president Larry Lewis said Baptists will never be able to reach America for Christ unless they learn to cooperate with each other more effectively, despite diversity. "Cooperation is not an option, it is an imperative," Lewis said.

To help associations in rural areas of the nation Lewis announced the launching of a new "Town and Country Thrust" that will provide assistance in strategy planning to the 900 associations in rural settings.

In an address that prompted a standing ovation, Bill Pinson of Dallas, Tex. expressed the need to strengthen the partnership between associations and the national and state conventions by stressing appreciation based on mutual respect and trust, cooperation and liberation.

"We are not to be competitors but cooperators in helping the churches advance our Lord's work," he declared. "If we allow turfdom, selfish interests and pride to prevail we will be fragmented and ineffective in our service to the Lord," said Pinson, executive director of the Baptist General Convention of Texas.

Both Pinson and Lloyd Elder, president of the Baptist Sunday School Board, warned that the denomination's Cooperative Program system of financial support is being threatened by direct fund raising efforts among the churches.

Elder urged Baptists to return to their heritage of missions support and to the purpose on which the Southern Baptist Convention was founded. "Our Southern Baptist roots are firmly embedded in a missions past," he said. "You and I must be good bridges to our mission future."

Warning that Baptists seem to have lost motivation for missions, Elder said Baptists must "jump-start the dead battery of Bold Mission Thrust and provide our missions future with a missing dimension. We may call this missing dimension motivation, or dedication, or power, but it must be of God."

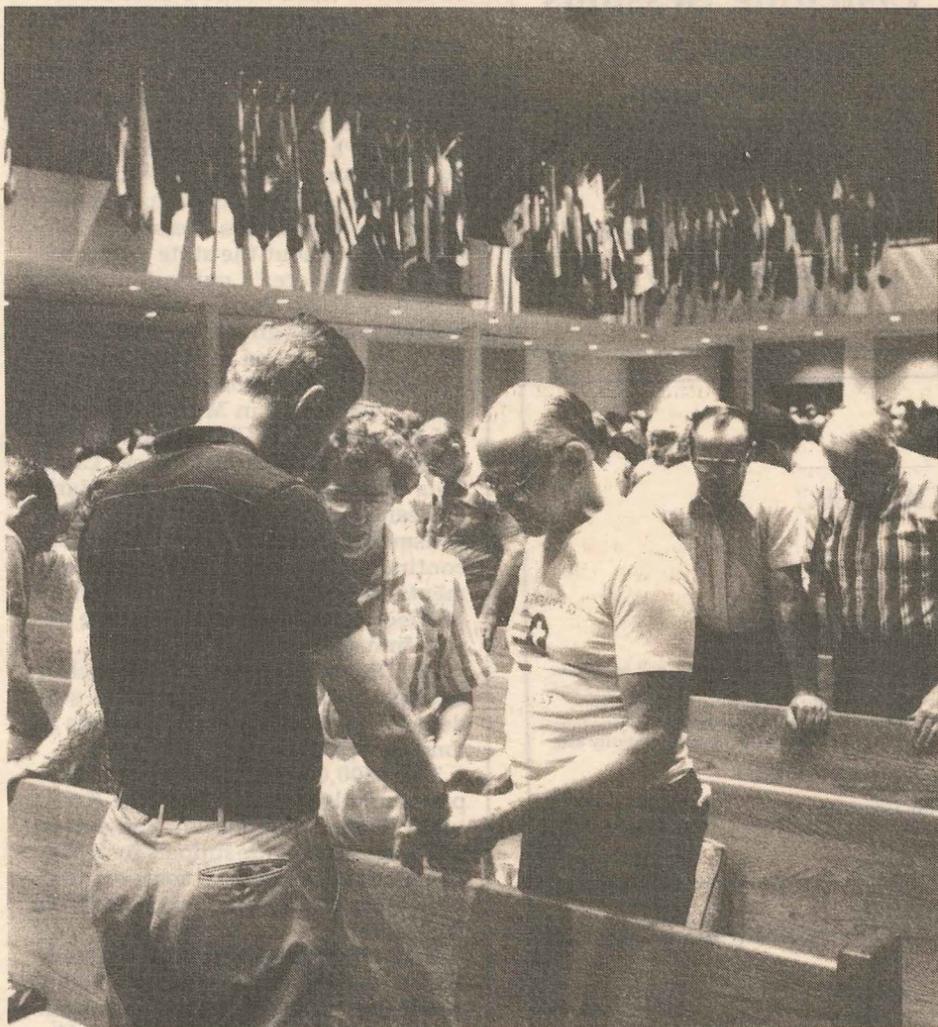
D. L. Lowrie, executive director of the Tennessee Baptist Convention, appealed for missions leaders to recommit themselves to intercessory prayer for missions. Lowrie spoke five times to the convocation, leading daily Bible studies providing spiritual foundations for the conference.

The convocation closed with a sermon by Joel Gregory, pastor of Travis Avenue Baptist Church, Ft. Worth, Tex., who warned missions leaders they are involved in spiritual warfare with a secular world. The only way to win the war is by using spiritual weapons, he said.

"We will not change the world because we are sharper thinkers, harder fighters or bigger spenders," he declared. Instead, Christians must use the weapons of purity, understanding, patience, kindness, sinless lives, truthful speech and depend on divine power through the Holy Spirit, he said.

The convocation, sponsored by the Associational Missions Division of the Home Mission Board, was a followup to similar meetings held in 1963, 1974 and 1981.

Also contributing to this story were Karen Benson, Joe Westbury and Mark Wingfield.



During the national convocation on the Baptist association, directors drafted a five-point resolution giving top priority to prayer in the life of the association. They engaged in prayer in Spilman Auditorium at Ridgecrest.

# Kentucky missionaries react to SBC turmoil

by James H. Cox, Associate Editor

While many Kentucky missions leaders believe the controversy swirling among Southern Baptists has hit local associations, they are united in thinking associations can play a part in healing the rift.

Five missions leaders from the commonwealth attending a national convocation on the Baptist association Aug. 26-31 at Ridgecrest, N. C. further agreed that associations have a responsibility to be healers in the decade-long power struggle.

Kentucky Baptist Convention mountain missions director F. Ross Figart Jr. of Winchester observed that the best place for healing and reconciliation to take place is "with those you're closest to."

"If you can't reconcile with the immediate family, how can you do it with the larger family?" asked Figart.

But regretfully, he further observed that those who are "most involved" in the controversy are often "least involved" in the life of the association. That makes reconciling "most difficult," Figart allowed.

Randall Jones, of Newport, director of missions in Northern Kentucky Association, echoed Figart's sentiments. He called the associations "front lines" where pastors, church staff and laypeople "know and trust" each other.

The denominational conflict has hit Pulaski Baptist Association in at least two ways, according to associational missionary David D. Aker of Somerset.

First, some pastors have become "expressive" in meetings, trying to persuade one another "a little bit."

Second, Aker, says he is now receiving requests to deliver materials in a way the denomination previously did. He indicated a part of the "drip down" from budgetary restraints has been that certain boards and agencies are asking directors of missions to deliver printed pieces to churches and individuals.

Harold Greenfield, Princeton, director of missions in Caldwell-Lyon Association, concurred. While "we can still disagree" in Caldwell-Lyon, and "love one another and work together," he noted that fellowship has been disrupted in some associations.

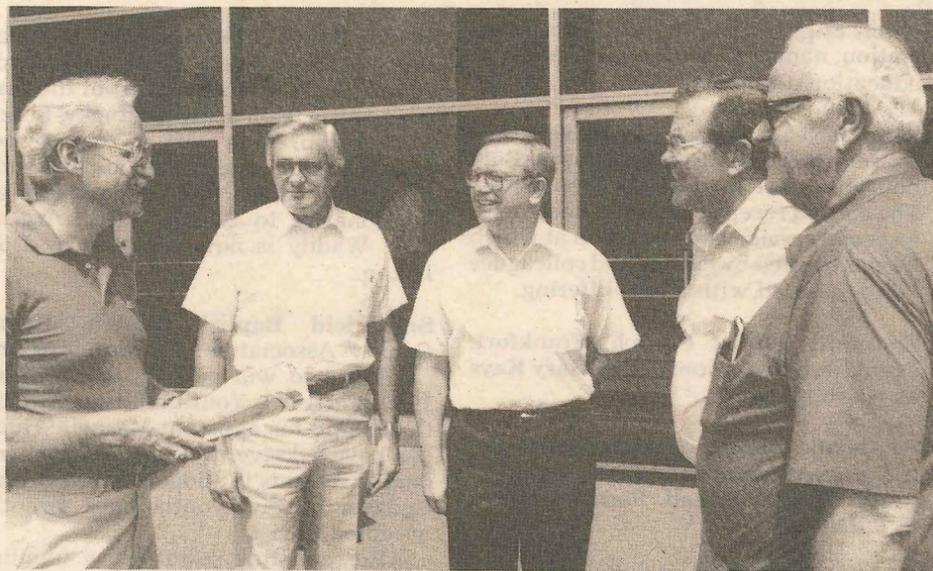
State director of the Direct Missions Department Robert C. Jones, of Middletown, is not yet convinced the conflict has reached the associations "full force."

Randall Jones, unrelated to Robert Jones, said he had talked with many directors of missions about the controversy. Some reported they had not been touched by it while others admitted it had "ripped their associations apart." In those, Jones exclaimed, "people are not speaking to one another."

Figart alluded to some associations he had visited as mountain missions director where "every vote" was divided "along the issues."

"It's tremendously divisive," said he, "not to rightness or wrongness, but that issues are decided by who's for and against and who proposes each vote." He called it "as alien to the Christian spirit as anything" and said it "impedes the whole local program."

Aker said he sometimes has to deal with the controversy "head-on" in Pulaski Association. "We don't allow the associational platform and personnel to be used by either side," he declared. Asked how he avoided that, he



Taking a break while at Ridgecrest during a national convocation on the Baptist association Aug. 26-31 were (l-r) associational directors of missions Harold Greenfield, Caldwell-Lyon; David D. Aker, Somerset; Randall Jones, Northern Kentucky; Robert C. Jones, director of the KBC's Direct Missions Department; and F. Ross Figart Jr., KBC mountain missions director.

answered, "Sometimes confrontively. Sometimes we have to say to pastors, 'This is divisive.' Sometimes we do it through parliamentary procedures."

Greenfield, of Caldwell-Lyon, summarized for the group: "The association cannot create reconciliation but can provide vehicles for reconciliation. We have to keep in mind at all times that people are more important than programs, and we must keep people uppermost in our minds."

Turning to another topic, the five Kentucky missions leaders were asked to delineate the role of the associations in Southern Baptist Convention life.

Said state director Robert Jones: The association exists to "enable churches to work together to do things they couldn't do separately." He further called it "a fellowship of churches on mission in their settings."

Jones observed that the "original intent" of the associations was fellowship, and that purpose "is still there." Noting that the first association was formed in 1707-138 years before the founding of the Southern Baptist Convention—it was "truly a grass roots movement growing out of a need on the part of people."

Today, said Jones, the association has become an organization where people work together in missions, training and other opportunities, but fellowship is still important.

Northern Kentucky's Randall Jones sees the association's role as a "minister" to churches' needs while promoting that fellowship, then doing cooperatively "what no one church can do by itself." He called it an "Acts 1:8 concept" that isn't limited to Jerusalem but "simultaneous in global vision."

The association is a "natural outgrowth of the whole (larger) body of Christ," according to Figart. "If it's proper for Christians to be involved in the body at all," the mountain missions director allowed, "the association becomes the next logical expression of that involvement (after the church)."

Caldwell-Lyon's Greenfield emphasized the fellowship priority. He also acknowledged the association is "home base" for missions. He believes it has a role as a "doctrine interpreter," as liaison between churches and the SBC and provides leadership training for

most churches.

Finally, Aker, in Pulaski, believes the association relates to strategy planning for "new work and growth." He also sees it as a "communicator" for the denomination.

"Ultimately," responded Aker, "we are to serve the local church and be a resourcer."

The Kentuckians were asked what had impressed them during the national convocation on the association.

Aker said he was "excited," particularly after hearing the Home Mission Board desired to make the association a "full partner" in Southern Baptist missions.

He was particularly challenged by some revealing statistics shared with conference participants on significantly higher numbers of future older citizens. "Pulaski is becoming a haven for many retired people," he allowed. "This will open even greater opportunities for us."

Robert Jones felt a forum created to allow directors of missions to respond and offer input to the denomination is "a good thing."

Greenfield, who attended two previous national convocations on the association (the last held in 1981), expressed a tinge of disappointment. Noting that things this year were "so serious," he recalled there were many "exciting, thought-provoking ideas" at earlier meetings.

For Figart, an address by Texan Bill Pinson on the place of the state convention in the partnership was the "highlight of my week" at Ridgecrest. He called a statistical presentation on future trends in America "the best I've ever seen on that subject."

Quoting program personality Esther Burroughs, of the Home Mission Board staff in Atlanta, Ga., Randall Jones said I feel just like her when she said, "Lord, I'm suffering from information overload." But he also allowed he was "very positive and upbeat" about the conference. "I have a renewed zeal," said Jones. "I want to serve and use what I've learned."

On a final subject, respondents were asked to outline current associational and personal goals.

Randall Jones noted five priorities in Northern Kentucky: evangelism, new

work, strengthening existing churches, Christian social ministries, administration. The association began a five-year plan in 1987 in pursuit of these challenges. While three new missions have been established and Church Training and Sunday school enrolment in the churches is up, he notes "we've made little headway" in Christian social ministries. A hoped-for staffer to be paid in part by the Home Mission Board was deleted and that work left undone.

Administratively, the association has seen completion of a new wing at its convalescent center, an associational building was occupied, a new newsletter begun and new equipment purchased. Two things plague Jones—evangelism and Christian social ministries. He is counting on "Here's Hope, Jesus Cares for You" simultaneous crusades in 1990 to "get us on track" evangelistically.

Personally, Jones hopes to develop a ministry to pastors. "So many are hurting emotionally, financially and spiritually," said Jones. "Not all want a friend, but some do and I want to be that friend."

State director Robert Jones acknowledged he is "vitaly interested" in knowing what the 78 Baptist associations in Kentucky need and want. "My job," said he, "is to help them achieve their goals."

A perceived need for "better planning" is an objective of mountain missionary Figart. "Too many churches and associations bumble along with no idea where they're going nor how," he confirmed.

"I want to help strengthen the partnership concept. We have too many 'lone rangers' in both small and large churches." Figart said there is a "new breed" of pastors who have "no sense of cooperation which Baptists traditionally have had." He hopes to offer better channels of communication, including give and take sharing with state leaders and directors of missions.

Aker outlined Pulaski Association's Bold Mission Thrust goals, including "12 More by '94," to launch 12 new churches between 1978-94. (So far, six have been started.) Between Oct. 1, 1989 and Sept. 30, 1990 the association hopes to gain 10 more people per week per church in Sunday school attendance as its "contribution to the 10/90 emphasis." With 62 churches and two preaching points, this would mean an increase of 640 in Bible study.

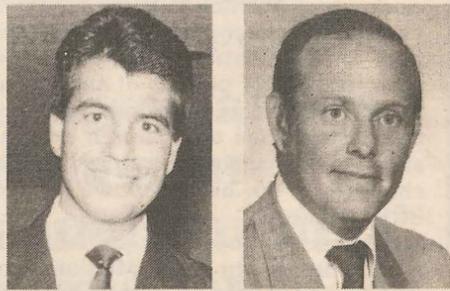
Personally, Aker would also like to contribute to a more efficient pastoral ministry to pastors and staff members. He plans a renewed emphasis on Seminary Extension and continuing education experiences. He will facilitate building new associational offices and wants to develop an active ongoing prayer ministry.

Concluding the discussion, Caldwell-Lyon's Greenfield announced a "good response" from churches for "Here's Hope" participation. He also related extensive plans to send as many as 48 volunteers to Brazil during the three-year state Baptist partnership there. In 1991 a world mission conference is scheduled in the association and a two-county crusade the following year. Taking a 10-year look down the road, he hopes to plant seeds now for an associational family life center to be built before the turn of the century.

Personally, said Greenfield, he wants to do more Bible study, to develop a day by day prayer list and to go to Brazil as a part of the partnership.

# mountains to the mississippi

## personnel



Johnson

Todd

**Brad Johnson** left Springfield Baptist Church, Central Association. He moves to Living Hope Baptist Church, Warren Association.

**Alan C. Todd** resigned as pastor of Slaughters Baptist Church, Little Bethel Association. He moves to First Baptist Church, Pittsford, N. Y.

Pleasant Hill Baptist Church, South District Association, called **Frank Merrill** as pastor. Merrill is a graduate of Campbellsville (Ky.) College and Southeastern Seminary, Wake Forest, N. C. He plans to pursue a doctorate at Southern Seminary, Louisville, this fall.

**Roger James** is new pastor of Hopewell Baptist Church, West Kentucky Association.

Pleasant Green Baptist Church, Crittenden Association, called **John Carson** as pastor.

After leaving Doctors Fork Baptist Church, Boyle County Association, **Rufus M. "Rudy" Herrington** is now pastor of Mackville Baptist Church, Central Association.

**William Edward Nation** accepted the pastorate of Bethlehem Baptist Church, Shelby Association.

**Delbert Jones** left Red Bud Baptist Church, Upper Cumberland Association.

**Gregory Waltermire** now pastors Means Mission Baptist Church. Means Mission is in the Boones Creek area but is not a member of an association.

**Elvis Ford Egge** is no longer pastor of Black Lick Baptist Church, Breckinridge Association.

Goshen Baptist Church, Breckinridge Association, called **Rick Meade** as pastor.

**Gary Givan** accepted a call to pastor Walnut Grove Baptist Church, Breckinridge Association.

South Main Missionary Baptist Church, Wayne County Association, called **Robert Johnson** as pastor.

**Morris Traynor** is no longer pastor of Calvary Hill Baptist Church, Lincoln Association.

Decoursey Baptist Church, Northern Kentucky Association, ordained **Arnold Rider** as pastor.

**Earl Clark** is interim pastor of Sinking Creek Baptist Church, Laurel River Association.

Stonewall Baptist Church, Elkhorn Association, ordained **Sherwin Baker** as pastor.

**Billy Riley** accepted the pastorate of Cave Spring Baptist Church, Ohio River Association.

Alton Baptist Church, Anderson Association, named **Rick Fleenor** minister of education and music.

After 25 years as pastor **M. A. Reese** has retired from First Baptist Church, Barbourville, North Concord Association. The church recently honored Reese with a special service and reception at which he was roasted by friends and colleagues and presented with a love offering.

Thornhill Baptist Church, Frankfort, Franklin Association, called **Gary Keys** as youth minister.

Scottsville Baptist Church, Allen Association, announced the resignation of pastor **Lynn Paschall**. Paschall moves to Paris, Tenn.

Bethany Baptist Church, Pulaski Association, elected **Tommy Russell** as youth minister.

**Michael Bryant** is new pastor of Liberty Baptist Church, Pulaski Association.

Poplar Springs Baptist Church, Blood River Association, called **Dennis Norvell** as pastor.

**Royce Dukes** is new pastor of Salem Baptist Church, Blood River Association.

**Richie Slack** accepted pastorate of Calvary Baptist Church, Blood River Association.

**G. Wayne Bradley** has become the first full time minister of education and youth at Highland Hills Baptist Church, Northern Kentucky Association.

Hopewell Baptist Church, Daviess-McLean Association, called **Eugene Howard** as pastor.

**Graden Sears** is interim pastor of Patterson Creek Baptist Church, South Union Association.

Kentucky Hill Baptist Church, South Union Association, announced the resignation of pastor **Vernon Jones**.

**Jim McGee** resigned as minister of education at Central Baptist Church, Mt. Zion Association.

**Will T. Bowlin** is interim pastor of Alsile Baptist Church, South Union Association.

Chapel Grove Baptist Church, Mt. Zion Association, called **John Miles** as pastor. Miles formerly pastored Saxton Baptist Church, East Union Association.

Walnut Street Baptist Church, Long Run Association, announced the addition of a new staff member and the change of another's duties. **Stafford Durham** accepted the church's call to be an associate pastor. In this position Durham will direct work with young married and single adults. He will also preach for Sunday evening services. Durham is a graduate of the University of Kentucky, Lexington, and Southern Seminary, Louisville. He leaves Woodland Baptist Church, Long Run Association.

The church also announced that veteran minister of adults **Jim Cobban** is now minister of education. Ken Chafin is pastor.

## congregations

**Waddy Baptist Church**, Shelby Association, commissioned Ernie and Joyce Cloyd for their work as part of the first evangelism team in the Kentucky-Brazil partnership. As a part of the service, former pastor Dale Tucker and his family shared about their experiences as missionaries to Buenos Aires, Argentina. Waddy is now pastored by Don Dixon.

**Smithfield Baptist Church**, Henry County Association, has accepted the challenge to win persons to Christ in 1989 and 1990. Youth minister Ritchie Curtis and his assistant Mechelle Hudson have led several activities which included retreats to Ridgecrest, N. C. and Cedarmore. Five youths have recently accepted Christ.

After enlisting several new families through VBS the church began a two-week, home prayer program to prepare for revival. Wally Miller, associate director of the KBC Sunday School Department, Middletown, led the revival which saw several rededications and one profession of faith. Under the leadership of pastor Larry Wetherington, the church looks forward to the challenges ahead.

Sunday, Oct. 8, **Irvington Baptist Church**, Salem Association, will celebrate its 100th year of ministry. The event will include a message from a former pastor, music and dinner on the grounds. The church, now pastored by Gary Bunch, was organized Dec. 30, 1889.

Jack Pennington was guest speaker at a recent centennial celebration of **First Baptist Church, Middlesboro**. Bill Daniel is pastor.

## ordinations

Lola Missionary Baptist Church, Ohio River Association, ordained as deacon **Charles Beard**. Billy McDowell is pastor.

## revivals

**Salvisa Baptist Church**, Mercer Association, had several decisions during August revival services. Clyde Chiles of St. Louis, Mo. led the revival. Of 71 decisions, 19 were for baptism, three for transfer of membership, one for full time Christian ministry and 48 for rededication. The church is pastored by James Hensley.

## associations

Sept. 6 **Long Run Association** hosted Friendship International at Walnut Street Baptist Church. The event sought to unite immigrant and American women in relationships that could help break down social and cultural barriers.

**Irvine Association** is making progress toward collecting 1000 pairs of glasses to be sent to Jamaica. Individuals from the association will distribute the glasses to four churches during a November mission trip.



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# homes for children

## Asking for help

Asking for help is not that easy in our world today. This past Saturday as I drove to a luncheon in Madisonville I passed a stranded motorist with a HELP sign in the rear window. It was raining hard and there was a lot of traffic so I had to drive on into Madisonville before I could call the state police to report the need. With the rain my first inclination was to not call, for somebody else surely would help. I do not know what the nature of the problem was or if anyone else reported, but I know several others saw the sign and the request for help.

The next day as I drove to the Bellepoint Baptist Church in Frankfort I found myself needing help, though of a different kind. I had been told that the church was across from the civic center in Frankfort and indeed it was—across the Kentucky River. I drove around the civic center several times and up and down every street near the center and I could not find the church nor Kentucky Avenue on which it was located.

As my wife can tell you, I am not one to stop and ask directions, but finally I had to give in and ask two gentlemen out for a Sunday stroll. With their assistance the church was easy to find and I had a delightful time at Bellepoint.

I think both of these cases illustrate the difficulty many face today. When people do ask for help like the stranded motorist, the rest of us are so busy or too preoccupied to notice. We assume that providing help is the government's job or that is what the church is for or some social agency.

We have also instilled in people a strong sense of self-reliance which is great, but in our complicated world there often are many rivers separating people from their destination. When they feel uncomfortable asking for help, they may never be able to find where they are going.

Baptist Homes for Children exists to help children and families, but I realize every day that more help is needed than we are providing and that we have to make it easier for people to ask for help.

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## oneida journal

### The heart of a lion

I awakened this September Saturday to the sound of crashing cymbals and drum rolls, all part of a very spirited rendition of "The Stars and Stripes Forever" compliments of the Oneida marching band. They began playing at 6:30 a.m. after an all-night lockin in our gym.

At 9:25 a.m. our drummer boy and two other fine students appeared in my office with toast and syrup and orange juice to share with me their breakfast they were enjoying in the home economics room. Assistant principal Byron Perrine, with three graduate degrees, his wife Cheryl who has her masters in math and Kitty Stidham, our home economics teacher, had risen early to prepare breakfast for a famished band. It was so thoughtful of our band students to remember me.

The three students who carried my breakfast to me are each so fine. Yet one of them I considered my second highest risk student the year I accepted him. Barely tall enough to see over the steering wheel he had stolen several cars, I was informed, and each time had a load of other kids with him. It was a miracle they weren't all killed.

But there is hardly anything so good or bad that will keep us from ministering "to even the least of these," if they are mentally competent and physically fit enough to be away from home. So with prayer we received this one into our Oneida family. What a joy he has been! I've never regretted taking him even for a second. How the Lord has blessed our act of faith in this one made

in his image, in this one for whom he died!

Yes this boy has been a joy to work with. He is an outstanding drummer and has the heart of a lion. He was also our top wrestler last year. He won more first place medals than any other wrestler, all 90 lbs of him!

Our band has been hard at work for weeks in unusually hot weather. They returned one week before all the other students for a week of band camp. They are preparing for their performance at the annual Oneida homecoming Saturday, Oct. 7. It is going to be a rousing show. In the meantime their director, Richard Burns, will take them for performances in Somerset and London.

Also Shari Smith is very busy getting the flag corps ready to perform with the band. Both groups work very hard for several hours each evening after supper besides varying daytime practices.

Our cross country team had their first "run" yesterday and a victory it was on the Whitley County course defeating both Whitley County and Knox Central (Barbourville) teams. Six of the past nine years Oneida teams have won the regional championship and prospects seem bright for this season.

In recent years the regional tournament has been held at Paintsville, but this year it is to be at Oneida. J. L. Burns, who operates our school bulldozer, has already made some improvements on the Oneida course in preparation for the regional which will be the largest cross country competition ever hosted by Oneida.

On my way to the office this morning I found the academic team waiting for their coach Diana Pauline. With her arrival they were off by bus to Horse Cave to see Shakespeare's "Much Ado About Nothing." We have our largest academic and most enthusiastic team ever.

This afternoon coach Harold Underwood's soccer team has their first home meet against Covington Scott. We have a young team with only two who played extensively last year. They also have been hard at work and they have our soccer field looking the most beautiful I have ever seen it.

A large number of our Baptist Student Union students will be off this afternoon to roller skate.

Tonight the annual Oneida horse show will be held. This is a beautiful event sponsored by our volunteer fire department to raise operating funds for another year.



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## sunday school lessons

### LESSONS FOR SEPT. 17, 1989

#### Life and work series

### Avoiding alcoholic beverages

**Proverbs 20:1** Liquor has been, is now and ever shall be a financial loss, a social blight and a political curse. Perhaps the most descriptive characteristic of the liquor business is deceitfulness. The liquor advertisements associate the sparkling products with festivities and social preferment, but none of them ever portray the seamy side—the unhappy home life, the ragged children and the brokenhearted relatives which they produce. In its trail are broken morals, hearts, lives and homes. It promises satisfaction and delight, but it degrades and destroys. Nobody ever used liquor without suffering from its effects.

**Proverbs 21:17** This verse announces the well-known fact that the consumption of intoxicants has been the cause of many being in poverty, but it has never caused any of its users to become rich. Wisdom dictates that one not imbibe strong drink and that one should avoid the companionship of the consumers of alcohol.

**Proverbs 23:19-21** The writer urges readers to exercise self-control and abstain from the use of strong drink. Imbibing intoxicants impairs the function of the brain, dulls the faculty of

reason, distorts the vision, embarrasses respectable people and grieves the heart of God.

**Proverbs 23:29-35** This passage portrays vividly and impressively the miseries which are attached to the life of a consumer of intoxicating beverages—intense pain, personal embarrassment, bitter remorse and wounds which might have been avoided. The use of intoxicants often causes people to be quick-tempered, quarrelsome and belligerent. Liquor robs the mind of the power to evaluate correctly moral questions, removes the sense of restraint and urges the gratification of evil desires. Wisdom calls for abstinence.

#### International series

### God promises to bless

**Ezekiel 34:17, 20-24** Through his prophet, Ezekiel, God declared again his great love for his people and promised to take care of them—search for them, locate them, deliver them out of the betrayal of the false shepherds, return them to their heritage and satisfy all of their real needs such as food, peace and safety. The true shepherd to whom these verses referred was none other than the Lord Jesus Christ whose coming would result in bringing glorious peace and great blessings to the people of the Lord. This incomparable shepherd would never neglect the sheep as the false shepherd did, but would feed them and provide for their daily needs. Moreover, he promised he would be a permanent shepherd.

**Ezekiel 34:25-28** God gave to his people a promise of the blessings which he purposed to bestow upon them. He promised to place over them a shepherd who would provide for them and protect them from danger and injury. He declared he was going to make a new covenant with them in which he would guarantee they would enjoy peace, protection and plenty regardless of where they might be. God promised that the trees would yield their fruit in abundance and he would supply all of their needs.

**Ezekiel 34:29-31** It is wonderful to know beyond a shadow of a doubt God will ever be the constant companion of his loving and obedient children. There is no joy known to man which equals that of the people who have him as their God and who share in the numerous rich manifestations of his marvelous goodness and matchless grace, God has ever been with his people.



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## on mission together

### A real barn burner

While on furlough from the Middle East in 1973 Alice and I purchased a small farm in Rockcastle County. The land was situated near cleftRock, a retreat center which was home to several of our close friends. We assumed then that we would retire in Kentucky.

Things changed and in 1976 we were asked to return to the Foreign Mission Board in Richmond, Va., where we had spent six prior years. By 1980 we assumed we'd retire in Virginia so we sold the Kentucky farm and purchased a small mountain farm in the foothills of the Blue Ridge, not quite two hours from Richmond.

Things changed again and by December 1982 we were making plans to return to Kentucky to serve among

Kentucky Baptists.

It appears again that we will retire here in my home state. However, looking at our nomadic past, and understanding the mobility required of those who are called to service in the church, I won't presume upon God by suggesting we are "permanent."

Twice or three times a year we spend a few days in an ancient mobile home attached to the cottage we rent to a young couple. We took a few days' vacation there recently, spending most of the time painting, papering and repairing the cottage. Not exactly what one would call a vacation but time that totally "disconnected" us from other realities. The "disconnection" was therapeutic.

Most of the land is mountain. A neighbor grazes 10 head of cattle on a dozen cleared acres in exchange for keeping the fences up and the bushes down. It's a good arrangement with no money exchanged.

On our place has stood a 19th century

log barn. Through time, a portion had fallen in and it had become dangerous. I noticed that several of the cows had been standing in the dangerous structure. With everything so green, I took the opportunity to do what I had been putting off for several years—I burned it.

Late the next afternoon, while I was up in the hills, it began to rain. As I made my way down across the pasture and toward the house the cattle were moving hastily toward the spot where the old building stood.

Taking off my boots, I yelled for Alice to look out the window. Most of the cows were standing motionless in the ashes of where the old barn stood.

Though the barn had been burned down, the cows acted as though the barn was still there. They could see that it wasn't, and surely they could feel the rain, but to them nothing had changed.

We had a good laugh about the dumb cows. And I think there is a lesson to be found there somewhere.

# Military chaplain wears different type of stripes

by Jim Burton

There was once a zebra named Herman who was a "trifle bit on the weird side." Though at first glance he had the appearance of being a full fledged, card-carrying member of the zebra family there was a tragic flaw in the life of this fabled character.

Instead of being black with white stripes Herman was white with black stripes. Though essentially packaged like the rest of the herd Herman somehow was different.

Bernie L. Calaway knows how Herman feels. He created the fable about Herman and has a few stripes of his own. Calaway is a U. S. Navy captain serving as command chaplain on Governor's Island, a Coast Guard installation which sits in New York Harbor in view of the Statue of Liberty and the Manhattan skyline.

Though raised, educated and ordained a Southern Baptist more than 22 years as a Navy chaplain makes him feel a little like a white zebra with black stripes.

"There are military chaplains on active duty and in the reserves at home and abroad," said Calaway. "Unfortunately I firmly believe it is not that well known in our convention.

"We feel sometimes like the forgotten minority because it is so atypical of what a Southern Baptist pastor or missionary does," added Calaway.

What Calaway and 1032 other South-

ern Baptist military chaplains do everyday around the world is minister to thousands of military personnel with a witness that often permeates the community or region the military serves.

Chaplains are endorsed by the Home Mission Board. They must be ordained, graduated from an accredited seminary and have several years of pastoral experience. Though their ties to the denomination are close military chaplains are employees of their branch of service.

Because Navy chaplains work the Marine Corps, Coast Guard and Merchant Marine Academy Calaway has served in several capacities.

"I consider myself lucky because I've had service in the Navy, submarine Navy, air Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard," he said. "They are all challenging and unique."

There have been no foxhole conversions in Calaway's military ministry. Yet chaplaincy has provided plenty of drama for this laidback Texan with a keen sense of humor.

Domestic disputes, personal injuries, child abuse and distraught middle-of-the-night responses—"some of them dangerous; all of them interesting," said Calaway.

With Navy personnel there are extended tours of duty that separate families. The stress often pushes family members and military personnel beyond their limit.

"There comes a point when some folks can't cope," said Calaway. "If they have no spiritual resources it is almost impos-



Bernie L. Calaway loads toys donated by Coast Guard families on Governor's Island into a van for delivery in Manhattan. Calaway is a Southern Baptist who has worked over 22 years as a military chaplain.

sible to cope."

Consequently Calaway sees the dark side of life without setting foot on a battlefield.

"I don't think I could go back into a local parish, community type pastorate and function . . . and be as excited as I am here because it would seem rather tame," said Calaway. "There's one thing you have to say about military service; it's never dull."

Part of Calaway's challenge is ministering in one place to a broad spectrum of people alongside chaplains of other denominations. Military chaplains call it pluralism and in the Navy the motto is "cooperation without compromise."

Said Calaway: "I consider myself a

Southern Baptist at heart and contend to be that. I'm happy to be that. But I'm also inclusive of all faiths.

"I have my personal convictions and I preach them without hindrance. There is no difference in my preaching and any Southern Baptist preacher you might encounter any Sunday," he added.

The only difference might be his uniform and wit. His book, *Forty-Four Fun Fables*, is evidence of a sense of humor that has given Calaway the edge for ministry in one of life's tough corners.

"If it's not fun why do it?" asked Calaway. "That goes for your job and life itself. It ought to be worthy and noble but your life should also be entertaining and fun."

# How much input should associations have?

by Mark Wingfield

Nearly three-fourths of associational directors of missions believe Southern Baptist mission boards should "solicit and abide by" recommendations of the association in some missionary appointments.

That finding was among the results of a survey conducted by Baptist Press during the National Convocation on the Baptist Association at Ridgecrest (N. C.) Baptist Conference Center in August. The convocation's 1137 participants included 633 associational directors of missions from across the nation.

A total of 171 directors of missions responded to the voluntary survey, which included four questions. Not all respondents answered all four questions.

The first two questions dealt with the relationship between associations and national SBC agencies.

A total of 70.3% responded positively to the question, "Should the home and foreign mission boards solicit and abide by recommendations of the association concerning appointment of missionaries who are members of churches in that association?"

Out of 155 responses, 53.5%, or 83 people, answered "in certain cases." Another 16.8%, or 26 people, answered "always."

Only 46 respondents, or 29.7%, said agencies should "never" solicit and abide by the recommendations of associations on missionary appointments.

But on a similar question stated in terms of polity, the directors of missions nearly reversed themselves. A total of 72% said associations should have little or no influence in the decision-making of national agencies.

To the question, "To what extent should Baptist associations influence the decisions of national SBC agencies?" 131 responses indicated:

- 18%, or 23 respondents, believe "associations and national agencies should operate with complete autonomy";

- 54%, or 71 respondents, believe "national agencies should take note of the opinions of associations but should make final decisions independently, based upon the opinion of the convention as a whole";

- 22%, or 29 respondents, said "national agencies should pay strict attention to the resolutions adopted by associations, especially in areas where the association has special knowledge and expertise";

- Only 6%, or eight respondents, said "national agencies should be required to follow the advice of local associations in certain cases."

The questions have a direct bearing on a recent controversial decision of a trustee committee of the Foreign Mission Board. After receiving critical letters from Oklahoma's Enon Baptist Association, the committee overruled the recommendation of FMB staff and declined to appoint Greg and Katrina Pennington as missionaries. The Penningtons both serve on a church staff in Enon association. Mrs. Pennington was

ordained to the ministry by that church despite protests from the association.

However Charles Chaney, vice president of the HMB's extension section, cautioned that the directors of missions could have responded to the survey with something different in mind.

"A lot of this is coming out of feeling rather than thought," Chaney said, explaining that associational directors of missions feel frustrated by a perceived lack of consideration from national agencies on many issues, especially programming.

Also, the directors of missions could have been reacting to appointment of trustees more than appointment of missionaries, he said. The affirmation of Baptist polity but the desire for more input could reflect a frustration at "wondering who is in control" because of the denomination's current controversy.

In a space on the survey form for additional comments, some respondents explained they are tired of seeing individuals who do not participate in associational missions appointed trustees of SBC boards and agencies. "We have men and women named to boards who are not active in their associations and whose churches give very little to the Cooperative Program," one director of missions wrote.

Answers to another question on the survey indicate directors of missions do not favor associations having direct input in the selection of state convention board and committee members.

Out of 158 respondents, 64%, or 101

people, answered "no" to the question, "Should nominees for state convention boards and committees be determined by majority vote of associations, which would send the trustees as their representatives?"

The remaining 36%, or 57 respondents, answered "yes."

Although most state conventions currently do not receive direct input from associations on nomination of board members, some do. In Mississippi, for example, the state board is composed of one person from each county, nominated by the corresponding association. In Kentucky, each association nominates two candidates from which the state board selects one.

The survey also revealed a majority of associational directors of missions believe partnership missions projects have boosted giving to the Cooperative Program, the denomination's unified finance plan.

The question stated, "Do you think the increase in partnership mission endeavors between individual churches, associations and state conventions has helped or hurt national Cooperative Program giving?"

In reply, 64%, or 98 respondents, said partnerships have helped Cooperative Program giving; 27.5%, or 42 people, said partnerships have had no effect on giving; and 8.5%, or 13 people, said partnerships have hurt the offering.

Most partnership mission projects are financed with contributions independent of the Cooperative Program. (BP)

Grittons, Holdermans, Arnetts, Whitehouses, Coopers, Coles Honored

## Six Buildings To Be Dedicated At Oneida's 90th Anniversary Homecoming Saturday, October 7

Six buildings will be dedicated at the 90th Anniversary Oneida Homecoming, Saturday, October 7 at a 3:00 p.m. service featuring Hymn singing in Melvin Davidson Chapel.

A new 170 ft. by 72 ft. multipurpose building containing a regulation gym floor for basketball and volleyball; seven classrooms; areas for weightlifting, table tennis, and other recreational games will be named **LARRY AND LINDA GRITTON HALL**.

The Grittons are now in their 17th year of service at Oneida. Mr. Gritton has served as a coach longer than any other single person in Oneida history. He has been the head basketball coach since coming to Oneida in 1973, is also the cross-country coach, has been the athletic director for many years, as well as coaching various other sports as needed. Teacher of French for 17 years, he has also served as principal for the past four years. Mrs. Gritton is the coordinator of Oneida's Middle School program as well as teaching. Daughter Holly is a senior this year, Larry Jr. is a freshman, and Jeremy is a fifth grader in Oneida's school for staff children. The Grittons came to Oneida from Friendship Baptist Church 13 miles from Lawrenceburg.

**HAROLD AND BETTY HOLDERMAN** will be honored as a combination staff apartment building-student workshop building is dedicated. The workshops are on the first level, and the apartments on the second. The Holdermans served at Oneida for 12 years during the years 1959-1972. Mr. Holderman taught all those years and also served as principal seven years, 1965-1972. Mrs. Holderman was supervisor of the Student Center and served as an assistant dean of girls some of those years while also a very active wife and mother of three daughters. The Holdermans have been members of Gilead Baptist Church, Glendale, for the past 17 years.

A staff apartment building housing eight single women staff will be named **MARALEA AND MALCOLM ARNETT HALL**. This sister and brother have been patrons of Oneida for over 40 years in various ways. Miss Arnett taught English and was Oneida's librarian 1948-52. During this period, she also edited the *ONEIDA MOUNTAINEER* and again edited the school's paper as a volunteer 1969-72 traveling hundreds of miles roundtrip each month from her home in Henderson. In the meantime, she has retired after many years as librarian of Henderson Community College. An active church worker all of her life, as well as civic leader, Miss Arnett remains very busy. In the meantime she has authored several books. Mr. Arnett is a lifelong artist. He has shared his sister's lifetime love for Oneida. The Arnetts have been members of Immanuel Baptist Temple in Henderson for decades.

**OWEN AND EPPIE WHITEHOUSE HALL** will be the name for Oneida's new apartment building for single male staff. The Whitehouse couple first became familiar with Oneida's work while doing a week of volunteer service with a group from Ballardville Baptist Church. Mrs. Whitehouse died in July and her funeral service was held at the very hour that the Ballardville group was scheduled to leave for their annual week of Oneida volunteer work. Her son, Owen Jr. (Jeep), pastor Mark Waters, sister-in-law Mrs. Hobert Powell, and many others came on to work in very hot weather a few hours after the funeral. The church sent \$15,000 in memory of Mrs. Whitehouse to help in the construction of two fifty ft. silos to hold 256 tons of silage on the Oneida farm.

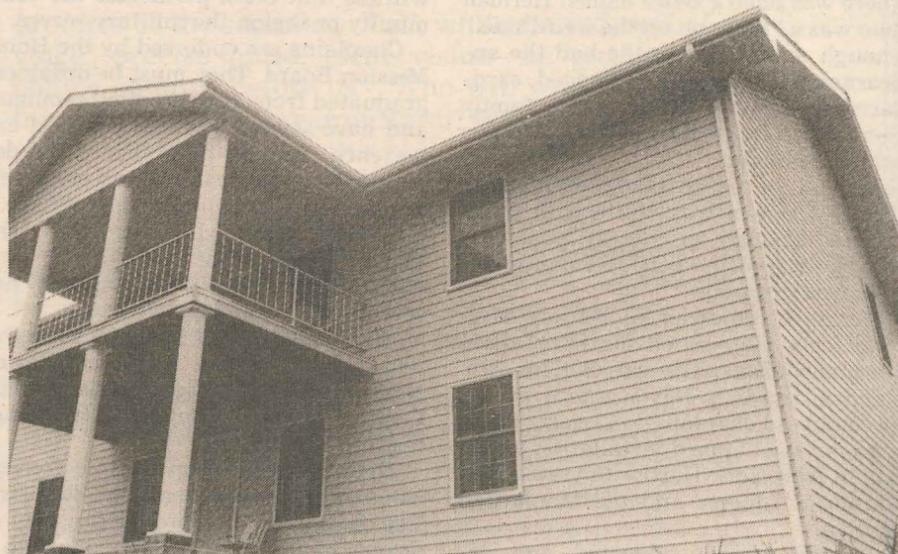
The fifth building to be dedicated will honor **DAVID COOPER SR.**, Oneida's beloved gardener who died in January at the age of 90 years, 4 months. He did manual labor for 9½ years, working approximately 12 hours daily, starting in his 80th year, long after most folks have retired, or are dead. The large building where he lived during those years of service, has been totally renovated including our five room used clothing store called "Friendship House" and several staff apartments. Much of the previously existing building was stripped back to the studs and carefully rebuilt to make a beautiful facility. New plumbing and wiring, a new heating and air-conditioning system, new carpet are among many improvements.

A new three bedroom, two bath, house with basement designed for an Oneida staff family will also be dedicated. It is to be named **BILL COLE HOUSE**. Mr. Cole has averaged a week a month of volunteer service since 1980. A member of Ballardville Baptist Church, he was part of their first volunteer group and has been an active part of Oneida on a monthly basis since. He first checks out and does necessary repairs each month to the chapel pews and the 48-year old seating located in the gym in Sparks Hall. He then proceeds to work wherever on the campus he is needed in general repair work. He can do most anything and does it all with a large smile. The value of what he has done for Oneida these past 9½ years could not be calculated.

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**Homecoming Play "Trapped By a Treacherous Twin" (an old time Melodrama), will be October 6, at 8:00 p.m. Homecoming activities on Saturday starts with a Cross Country Run and a Volleyball game at 10:00 a.m. Lunch will be at noon, a Soccer Game starts at 1:00 p.m., and the Hymn and Dedication service will begin at 3:00 p.m.**

### MARALEA AND MALCOLM ARNETT HALL



This beautiful two-story building has been built for eight single women staff members, many of whom serve without salary.

The building is located on the farm mountain south of Goose Creek, with a commanding view looking east and west as well as north back across the valley to the main school campus.

Four staff women live on each floor, each having a large bedroom, much closet space, and their individual private bathroom. The four then share a large 22'x16' living room, a large kitchen-dining area, and utility room on each floor.

Named for former Oneida teacher and librarian, Maralea Arnett, and her artist brother, Malcolm, the building provides much needed housing space.

Several hundred feet away, and higher on the mountain, is a similar building for eight single male staff. The two buildings are identical inside. The men's building differs from the ladies outside because of a split-level roof and longer, but more narrow outside porches.

The men's building is named for former work volunteers, Owen and Eppie Whitehouse Sr. Mrs. Whitehouse recently died.

Much housing for married couples with children has also been added in recent years. Some are individual family houses, others are apartments. Some are special built mobile homes. Housing has been added for slightly over 100 more staff members in the past 14 years as the enrollment has greatly increased and many new programs have been added requiring more specialized staff. Previously existing housing has been totally renovated.

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### Gritton Hall Under Construction

**GRITTON HALL**, new combination gym-classroom-activities building, will complement D. CHESTER SPARKS HEALTH BUILDING (gym portion built 1953-54, classroom portion finished 1965).

Located between JAMES A. BURNS HALL (girls dorm) and PRESTON AND RUBY BAKER HALL, (dorm for younger boys) the new building on Mulberry Street is 170 ft. long, 72 ft. wide.

The new facility will be used for all the school's physical education classes. Various levels of basketball practice, both boys and girls, will be held in the new second gym. Also varsity wrestling and volleyball practices and competitions will be held there.

Adjoining the gym area will be areas for weightlifting, table tennis, billiards, chess, checkers, and various other games. Oneida has over 500 students plus 100 staff living on campus.

The growing Oneida program and five-fold growth in on-campus enrollment since the present gym was finished in 1954, has made a second building necessary. The present facilities are used continuously from 6:30 a.m.-11:30 p.m. six months of each year. The addition of other sports has caused a tremendous scheduling problem over the years especially during the six months from the start of basketball practice in October until the tournaments in March. The other six months are very busy also.

The present gym will continue to be much used for practices and games, but the new building will allow twice as much to happen in a shorter span of time.

A very important part of the building will be seven large new classrooms to house the health related program that leads students to an interest in being nurses, doctors, etc. This area will include a mini-clinic. Also there will be a much larger area for Oneida's manual and computerized drafting classes.