

Bill Rogers to retire April 30 from KBC duty

by James H. Cox, Associate Editor

William H. Rogers, director of the Kentucky Baptist Convention executive board's Minister-Church Support Division, has announced plans to step down from that post Apr. 30, 1990.

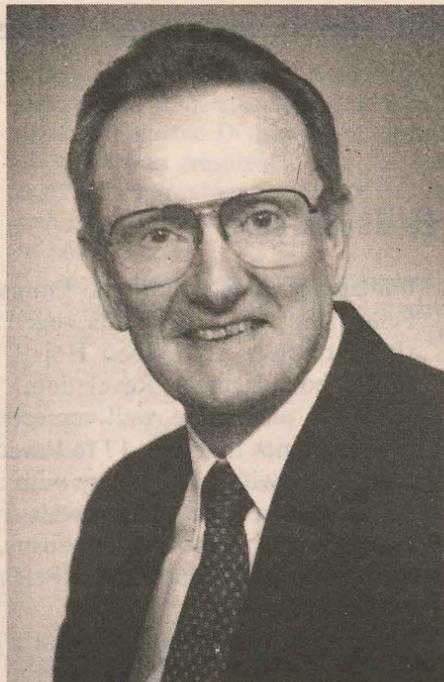
Rogers, who will turn 67 next Apr. 10, has been in that capacity since 1984. Earlier, he was director of interracial work (1971-73) for the KBC and director of the KBC's Christian Life Relations Department (1973-84). He had left the pastorate of Louisville's Melbourne Heights Baptist Church to join the convention staff.

The Russellville, Ky. native is a graduate of Western Kentucky University, Bowling Green. He holds bachelor's and masters' of divinity degrees from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, and has done considerable graduate work.

An officer in the U. S. Army from 1944-46, Rogers left to enter a career in construction. But three years later, responding to the call to preach, he accepted the pastorate of Salem Baptist Church in Butler County. In 1951 he moved to Glen Lily Baptist Church in Warren County. Three years later, he became pastor of Eastwood Baptist Church, Bowling Green, the church he served until he went to Melbourne Heights in 1961.

Married to the former Martha McPherson of Russellville, Rogers is the father of two sons and two daughters.

He has been active in denominational



Bill Rogers

and fraternal groups, including supervising doctor of ministry students at Southern Seminary since 1973.

Rogers stated that his KBC work with black Baptists of Kentucky and his association with the Home Mission Board for 18 years has been particularly rewarding.

"I have a deep appreciation for my Kentucky Baptist heritage," he said. "I will continue to be supportive of the institutions, people and programs of the convention. Within the limits of energy and opportunity I intend to continue to minister wherever my services are needed."

Parking hassles may be relieved by shuttle buses at state meeting

Parking near Farnham Dudgeon Civic Center, Frankfort, is expected to be at a premium when the Kentucky Baptist Convention meets there Nov. 14-16. As noted earlier in Western Recorder, spaces are limited and those that exist are usually occupied during the day by cars of state government employees.

To better accommodate messengers and visitors to the annual meeting, Franklin Baptist Association's local steering committee has made arrangements for three satellite parking areas.

Shuttle buses will operate between the parking areas and the civic center on a regular schedule, according to Earl S. Bell, committee chairman and pastor of Frankfort's Calvary Baptist Church.

The parking locations are on the northeast side of town at Crestwood Baptist Church; on the southwest side of town in the J. C. Penny auxiliary parking lot; and at the Ramada Inn, centrally located. The shuttle will operate from about 8:30 a.m. daily through the close of afternoon sessions. It will not operate at night as available downtown parking space is expected to significantly increase after work hours.

A brochure including the shuttle schedule, motel, parking and restaurant locations is available from the KBC executive office in limited quantities. Telephone (502) 245-4101 for copies.

"Real Evangelism" dwells on lost souls, call, liberals at Louisville Conference

by James H. Cox, Associate Editor

Declaring there is an "unpardonable sin," former Southern Baptist Convention president Bailey Smith told a Louisville audience last week, "If you sin against the Holy Spirit, it will not be forgiven in this world or in the world to come."

Smith delivered opening and closing addresses at a "Real Evangelism" conference Nov. 1-3 at Highview Baptist Church, Louisville, sponsored by Smith's Atlanta, Ga. evangelism organization. More than 1000 persons attended each evening. Daytime sessions were also held.

"If you don't get saved tonight," Smith went on, "God doesn't owe you another chance."

"If you go to hell, you ought to. You've had people praying for you. You've had untold chances to repent. If you burn in the lake of fire, you deserve to burn in that lake of fire," he conceded.

Taking a swipe at Christians who disagree with his methodology, Smith declared, "Nobody in hell tonight is glad they went to a liberal church."

"Liberalism is a big fat joke," he admonished. "You can't be a liberal—you either believe it (the word of God) or you don't. You either preach Jesus, the real Jesus, or you don't preach him at all."

Introducing Smith on opening night and the conference agenda to follow, Highview pastor William L. Hancock said the "Real Evangelism" meetings are the "kinds of things we need in our churches today and in our Southern Baptist Convention."

He cited Smith and Southern Baptist pastors Adrian Rogers, Charles Stanley and Jimmy Draper as men worthy of following. He claimed Smith preaches to more people "than any other Southern Baptist evangelist." He also said that for every \$48 given



Bailey Smith

to Smith last year, "somebody was baptized."

The "Real Evangelism" conference included a dozen speakers delivering major addresses during a three-day preaching marathon. The preaching was punctuated by gospel singing groups and soloists.

Almost all of the speakers could be clearly labeled active ultraconservatives. Several have been prominently involved in attempts to bring change within the Southern Baptist Convention and certain state Baptist conventions over the last decade. Among them: Nelson Price, pastor, Roswell Street Baptist Church, Marietta, Ga.; Junior Hill, Hartselle, Ala. evangelist and SBC first vice president; Lewis Drummond, president, Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Wake Forest, N. C.; and Fred Wolfe, pastor, Cottage Hill Baptist Church, Mobile, Ala.

The most widely known name appearing on the Highview agenda was undoubtedly not a Southern Baptist at all, Independent Baptist minister Jerry Falwell, of Lynchburg, Va., had a great deal to say about Southern Baptists' troubles.

His single message had an obvious dual theme: convicting ministers of their call and reprimanding Southern Baptists who had renounced a fundamentalist theology.

"The moment God saved you he called you to go forth and bear fruit," Falwell declared. "I wonder if God couldn't raise up one man here tonight and from him revival could sweep across America?"

"If you have been called to preach," he went on, "you have been called from your mother's womb. You can't get away from preaching. If God has called you, latch on to it and be willing to die for it."

Falwell observed that there were possibly some present who had spent their whole lives running from God's call. "But," he warned, "all leaves and furloughs are canceled. God has called you to duty. I want to challenge you to stand up for this book (the Bible), no matter what they say about you."

Intertwining that theme with the other, he asked, "Do you know what a fundamentalist is? It's one who believes in the fundamentals of the book."

Falwell urged his audience not to be "one of these moderates—a pussyfooter."

"It is unreal what some of you Southern Baptist leaders have gone through to bring this great movement to where it is," Falwell told his listeners. "I believe the Bailey Smiths and Jimmy Drapers and Charles Stanleys and Judge (Paul) Presslers and Paige Pattersons are out front and everybody else is somewhere behind."

He indicted "liberal preachers" for taking God's money but not doing "the will of God."

In conclusion, he offered thanks for every Southern Baptist school and seminary, adding, "May the day come when every teacher, every administrator, every staff member, every janitor believes in an inerrant Bible."

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What's in a name?

You know the line, "A rose by any other name would smell as sweet," that classic definition of the significance of a name. That may be true of roses, but try telling any mother that her son or daughter would be the same person but with a different name. Names *are* important, and the names of our churches are right significant. The roll call of Kentucky Baptist churches reveals a virtual album of heritage and geography and value. I had a look at them the other day. Here's what I found:

The most popular name in Kentucky Baptist church life is First Baptist Church—there are 158 of them, make that 159 with the addition a few weeks ago of the First Southern Baptist Church of Greater Louisville (Shively Heights for the uninformed). In contrast, we've only got 16 Second Baptist churches and just two Third Baptist churches. No Fourths, Fifths, etc. Being First is evidently important.

And we Baptists have got the points of the compass covered. There are 30 churches with East in their names, 27 with West, 29 with South, 20 with North and 13 Central Baptist churches. The sinners might as well give up; they're surrounded!

Baptists like the word New in combination with other names, as well. There are 104 New somethings or other. For every New I guess you think there's an Old. Not so, since only 13 churches are named Old something Baptist Church. I don't know what happened to the 91 others.

We also like to name our churches after trees or groves of trees. We count 33 Oak Groves, Oakdales, Oaklawns, etc.; 15 Cedars and 15 Beeches, 14 Poplars, 13 Pines, seven Walnuts and at least one Chestnut, Evergreen, Elm, Hickory, Maple, Willow and Sassafras. In all, 112 churches bear a connection to trees—113 if you count Thorn Hill.

Kentucky has its share of hills and ridges and mountains so you'll not be surprised to know there are 84 Mt. something Baptist churches. Most popular is Mt. Zion (11), Mt. Pleasant (8), Mt. Pisgah (7), Mt. Carmel (6), Mt. Vernon (6), Mt. Olive (6), Mt. Olive (5), Mt. Gilead (4), Mt. Moriah (4) and Araret, Calvary, Eden, Elmira, Gilboa, Haven, Hebron, Roberts, Salem, Union and Washington thrown in.

Churches also tend to be pleasant places, as reflected in Pleasant Grove (15), Pleasant Hill (10), Pleasant View (9), Pleasant Ridge (7), Pleasant Run (5), Pleasant Valley (4), Pleasant Point (2), Pleasant Green (2) and Pleasant Hope and Pleasant Memorial.

We haven't overlooked the key words of our faith. We have 28 Calvary Baptist churches, 18 Liberty Baptist churches, 17 Friendships, 16 Unions, 13 Faiths, 13 Hopewells, 13

Immanuels (along with nine Emmanuel), 12 Graces, eight Fellowships, eight Concords, seven Victorys, seven Trinitys, six Harmonys, five Good Hopes, two Cornerstones, one Heavenbound and one Revelation.

Bible places are well represented. Bethlehem Baptist Church comes first with 17 followed by Bethel with 16, then Macedonia with 11, Bethany with nine, Corinth with eight, Antioch with seven, Salem with five and Athens, Bagdad, Berea, Eden, Ebenezer, Ephesus, Galilee, Gethsemene, Goshen, Gilead, Joppa, Jordan, Palestine and Pisgah thrown in for good measure.

Familiar names abound: there's Brooklyn Baptist, Cadiz Baptist, Cairo Baptist, Dallasburg, Dublin, Egypt, Holland, Heidelberg, Knoxville, Manchester, Mexico, Mississippi, Monterey, Monticello, Moscow, Ottawa, Sacramento, Sparta, Swiss Colony, Utica, Versailles, Warsaw, Waco and Yorktown Baptist Church. And all of them right here in Kentucky!

We've got church names that reflect stewardship: Cash Creek and Hardmoney (is there any other kind?). And Bacon Creek over by Corbin. Baptists are obviously known for baptism by immersion: you can go over to the Mercer Association and attend Dry Branch Baptist Church in the morning and Deep Creek at night; you can find Water Valley Baptist in western Kentucky and Coldwater Baptist Church in Farmington. One day I'd like to attend a baptismal service at Tidal Wave Baptist Church, near Corbin!

Some names don't fit any category. Take Clospint Baptist Church, or Fruit Hill Baptist, or Dwarf Baptist or Himyar Baptist, or King Bee Baptist, or Letterbox Baptist or Stone Coal Baptist. Two churches I hope I get the chance to visit someday are Sunshine Baptist Church and Quality Baptist Church. The people there must be wonderful!

All of these churches have a history, a people, a place of ministry. No matter the name on the door, every church in the Kentucky Baptist Convention proclaims "the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father" (Phil. 2:9-11, NIV). The Kentucky Baptist family gathers from all these churches next week in Frankfort. What a heritage, what a family of believers, what a saviour!

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southern seminary

A national conference for pastors and leaders of small churches will be held Nov. 9-11 at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville.

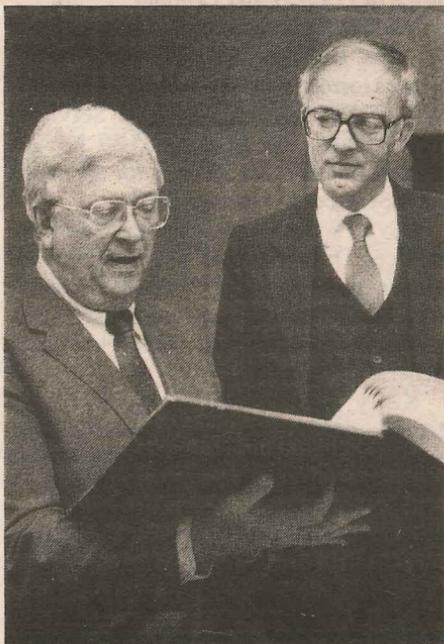
"The Small Church with a Bright Future" is theme of the conference sponsored by the seminary's Dehoney Center for the Study of the Local Church and the Home Mission Board. The conference is for leaders of churches with fewer than 250 members.

Conference leaders include G. Willis Bennett, provost and professor of church and community, Southern Seminary; Carl S. Dudley, professor of church and community at McCormick Theological Seminary, Chicago; Gary Farley, associate director of the Home Mission Board's Rural-Urban Missions Department; Andrew Lester, professor of psychology of religion, Southern Seminary; and Ernest White, Gaines S. Dobbins professor of church administration and leadership, Southern Seminary, and director of the Dehoney Center.

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southwestern seminary

Trustees of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Ft. Worth, Tex., elected an executive vice president and approved a plan allowing the school to



proceed with construction of a new music library. Scotty Gray, professor of church music and associate dean of the School of Church Music's Academic Division, was elected executive vice president. Gray, 55, has taught at Southwestern since 1966. He is a graduate of the seminary, holding MCM and DMA degrees.

The recommendation of seminary president Russell Dilday to elect Gray included a change in the school's bylaws eliminating the position of vice president for planning and research and replacing it with an executive vice president.

Gray, who currently is heading Southwestern's self-study accreditation program, will assume his duties Jan. 1. Trustees also approved a recommendation allowing an anonymous donor to set up a \$1 million trust that will provide an interest-only loan to the seminary. Income from the trust also could be donated to defray the interest cost. The money will be used to construct the Kathryn Sullivan Bowld Music Library. According to terms of the agreement, the loan will be forgiven at the donor's death.

Construction of the library is the first of a three-phase \$5 million project for the School of Church Music. The other phases include renovation of Cowden Hall, which houses the school, and expansion of music education facilities

cumberland college

Cumberland College, Williamsburg, has employed Sam McGill to direct the video services department and the newly acquired Williamsburg TV-3 studio.

McGill will be in charge of the production of the college's video tape services and video programs and will oversee the operations of the cable television station. He comes to Cumberland from Jim Early and Associates advertising agency, Knoxville, Tenn. He has also been production manager with Knoxville's WBIR Channel 10 television.

Cumberland College recently purchased Williamsburg cable TV-3 and plans to continue to use the station to telecast programs of local interest. According to McGill, the goal of TV-3 will be to develop programs for the good of the Williamsburg and the Whitley County community.

samford university

Fisher Humphreys has been named a professor of divinity at Beeson Divinity School, Samford University, Birmingham, Ala.

Humphreys, theology professor at New Orleans (La.) Baptist Theological Seminary since 1970, will join the Samford

faculty in January. He will teach systematic theology.

georgetown college

Richie Sharp, a Georgetown College junior from Louisville, and Chris Wade, a junior from Columbus, Oh., will direct Image and Manna, two music groups sponsored by the institution's Baptist Student Union.

The ensembles make frequent mission stops throughout Kentucky and the region, according to Jack Birdwhistell, campus minister.

"These groups help promote the development of good Christian stewardship," said Birdwhistell. "The students involved with Image and Manna, as well as with our other BSU programs, are indicative of the fine quality we have at Georgetown."

Martha J. Simpson has been appointed director of financial aid at Georgetown College. Mrs. Simpson, who has been the institution's director of planned giving since December 1986, replaces Connie Williams who will work in financial aid at the University of Cincinnati.

A native of Newport, Mrs. Simpson has been on Georgetown's staff since 1970. She is the mother of four children: Samuel J. Simpson, Lebanon; Cindy Mudd, Birmingham, Ala.; Kitty Simpson, Georgetown; and Kimberly Simpson, Trenton, N. J.

Mrs. Simpson began her duties Oct. 16.



Tell it like it is

Volunteers are usually the first people you see when you enter a Baptist hospital. They direct you to the correct room; they deliver your newspaper; they ask you what you want for breakfast, lunch and dinner; they console you during times of bereavement; and they're usually the last people you see as you leave the hospital. Our guest author this month is Mrs. Jet Owens. Mrs. Owens and her late husband, Frank, have contributed many of their resources through the years to the betterment of the Baptist Hospital Highlands and Baptist Hospital East. They represent literally thousands of volunteers who have helped in our hospitals through the years. We appreciate so much the work all our volunteers do, and are excited that Mrs. Owens has taken time out of her busy schedule to share her thoughts with you about Baptist Hospitals, Inc. and Baptist Hospitals Foundation.

Indeed, Kentucky Baptists should be proud of our network of hospitals throughout the state. Our people need to realize how important the Baptist Hospitals Foundation is.

If we would start by sending donations in memory of or in honor of, to larger gifts from those who are able, and who want to see us carrying on the healing, teaching and preaching mission of Kentucky Baptists. What we invest in today will pay off for years to come.

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clear creek chronicle

The Fuller Brush man

John Moore moved to Clear Creek in 1970 from Evansville, Ind. Unlike most of our students he was able to continue with his employer. Students, faculty and staff knew him as the Fuller Brush man. Moore's varied experience in sales gave encouragement for their move. "I felt I would have no problems selling in the mountains and in June 1970 I began door to door sales within a 50 mile radius of Pineville and soon established regular customers. The experience helped my ministry, especially to know the mountain people."

Midway through his first year the Moores moved to a church in Mummie, 70 miles from campus. Jackson County and some of Owsley and Clay counties were added to his sales route. Sales, commuting, study and pastoral assignments left little time for other activities. Six thirty in the evening was Moore's usual time to end customer calls and after a cup of coffee he would head home or to school. One evening after working in Harlan he hurried back to campus without a coffee break. An exam faced him the next morning. Tired and sleepy he fell asleep at the wheel. "When I awoke it felt as if someone held my arm. I was on the road perfectly. I thank God my guardian angel was working that night."

On-going contact with customers provided witness opportunities. When customers became aware he was a student at Clear Creek they commented, "I knew you were a Christian because you were different." In evangelism class professor Lewis Lynch asked Moore for a class demonstration. "Soul winning is like sales, if you do not close you will not get results." Moore reflected on his Clear Creek days, "I'm grateful to God I was able to sit under the teaching of Dr. Denham, professor Fitts and other great professors. President Aldridge and the Clear Creek staff were all the greatest." He returned in 1977 for the fourth year study. Moore has worked with Fuller Brush Company over 30 years and it has been a helpful supplement to his ministry income. He now pastors Booneville First Baptist and Vincent Baptist and assists the Kentucky Baptist Convention as Owsley County missionary.

Missouri Baptists affirm CP, BJCPA

Missouri Baptists launched a multiyear emphasis on the Cooperative Program, Southern Baptists' unified budget plan, during their 155th annual meeting in St. Louis Oct. 23-25. Messengers also adopted a resolution supporting the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs and a layman was elected president for only the third time in convention history.

A statewide task force presented a communications plan that was the culmination of a two-year study. The plan is designed to "educate Missouri Baptists about the cooperative way of supporting missions," task force chairman John Gilbert, pastor of First Baptist Church, Poplar Bluff, told convention messengers.

Messengers adopted with no discussion and few dissenting votes a resolution affirming Southern Baptist Convention involvement in the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs, a Washington-based religious liberty organization comprised of nine denominations.

In one of the closest presidential elections in recent convention history, St. Louis layman W. Lee Beaver was elected president by five votes in a run-off with Richard Wakefield. Wakefield, pastor of First Baptist Church, Camdenton, later was elected first vice president. A member of Edmundson Road Baptist Church in St. Louis,

Beaver previously had been second vice president of the convention. He also was a trustee of Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Wake Forest, N. C., including a term as board chairman. He is retired chief financial officer of Sachs Electric, a St. Louis-based corporation. (BP)

Baptist East offers codependent group

The Center for Behavioral Health Chemical and Codependency Recovery Program at Baptist Hospital East, Louisville, is offering a free Codependency Anonymous (CoDA) 12-step support group for individual whose lives have been disrupted by addiction to relationships, people, or substances—based on the 12-step treatment used by Alcoholics Anonymous.

The group will meet weekly on Thursday from 4:30-5:30 p.m. in the specialities classroom on the first floor of the behavioral health and rehabilitation wing at Baptist East.

Further information about this free support group is available by calling the Center for Behavioral Health hotline at 897-8138.

Belmont College gets two million dollar gifts

Belmont College, Nashville, has received two \$1 million gifts for its Massey Business Center.

Barbara Massey Clark of Nashville made a personal commitment to the center's building campaign and Joe Massey of Atlanta announced an identical contribution on behalf of the Massey Charitable Trust.

Belmont's Jack C. Massey Graduate School of Business and Massey Business Center are named for the entrepreneur and Baptist layman, Mrs. Clark's father and Joe Massey's uncle.

The latest contributions push total gifts and pledges for the Massey Business Center to slightly more than \$7 million. The Massey School drive is part of a \$20 million campaign to raise funds for the entire college. (BP)



Jones



Scarce



Wright



Hall

BHI adds information services staff members

Baptist Hospitals Information Services has recently added a number of staff to help support the implementation of the allegra information system, which will service its hospitals in Louisville, Lexington, Paducah and Corbin.

Joining BHIS as implementation director is C. Michael Jones. He was previously manager of consulting with the Louisville office of Coopers and Lybrand.

William A. Scarce rejoins the Customer Services Division of BHIS as its director. He was formerly manager of customer support of Key Communications Services, New Albany, Ind. From 1985-87 he was director of customer services for the Computer Services Division of BHI.

David Wright also joins the Customer Services Department as customer service representative for Western Baptist Hospital in Paducah, where he is based. Most recently Wright was senior field engineer for Data General Corporation.

Kelly Starner Hall joins BHIS as documentation and training specialist. She was previously with American Commercial Lines Inc., Jeffersonville, Ind.

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Baptist Fellowship Center celebrates 75th anniversary

Nov. 16 black and white Baptists in the Louisville area will honor a landmark in biracial support and cooperation as they celebrate the 75th anniversary of the Baptist Fellowship Center.

The celebration service, planned for the annual joint Thanksgiving service of Central District and Long Run Baptist Associations, will be held at Zion Baptist Church, Louisville, at 7:30 p.m. Thurman Coleman, pastor of First Baptist Church Jeffersontown, will be featured speaker. A ladies' trio from Walnut Street Baptist Church, Louisville, and the choir from Zion Baptist Church will provide music.

Shepherdsville's Eagle Heights breaks ground on initial facility

by Greg Hodnett
Special Correspondent

Eagle Heights Baptist Church, Nelson Baptist Association, broke ground Oct. 29 for a 3300-square-foot building to be completed by March 1990. The all day celebration drew over 70 worshipers to the future site of the \$106,000 worship and education facility to be located in Shepherdsville on Hwy. 44E.

Eagle Heights currently meets in the lower level of the dental office of member Larry Williams. It began meeting there when a group of about 35 members of Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, Nelson Association, struck out on their own. They constituted as a Baptist church Dec. 7, 1986.

In 1988 Eagle Heights, under the leadership of pastor Michael Smith, and Pleasant Grove, led by pastor Mark Ross, shared in a reconciliation service. Smith said "the service began the process of healing some of the hurts" associated with Eagle Heights' split from the Pleasant Grove church. Eventually Eagle Heights became interested in establishing a more permanent presence in the community.

The church elected a building committee Jan. 8, 1989 chaired by Jim Grimes. This led to an Aug. 27 vote to purchase property. The Kentucky Baptist Convention responded to Eagle Heights' request for financial aid and the church enlisted J. C. Taliaferro Builders Inc. of Louisville to prepare blueprints and manage the building project.

Fred Halbrooks, director of missions, Nelson Association, noted, "One of the reasons the Kentucky Baptist Convention was so willing to offer a grant of \$7500 for land and a low interest construction loan of \$75,000 is Kentucky Baptists' commitment to establishing 400 new churches and preaching points by the end of 1990."

Smith credits much of the progress in the growth of Eagle Heights to Halbrooks as well as denominational leaders Bill Jagers, Chip Miller, Bob Jones and Ken Forman.

Forman, associate director of the KBC's Direct Missions Department, Middletown, said he was "very impressed with the spirit and vision" of Eagle Heights.

Groundbreaking ceremonies drew over 30 members from Pleasant Grove Baptist Church. "We came to express our

Additional highlights of the evening will be recognition of those who have provided volunteer service to the center through the years and a special offering aimed at meeting the goal of \$15,000 to replace the center's roof.

Church members from both associations as well as the public are invited.

LDR room construction begun at Baptist East

Phase one of a new addition to Baptist Hospital East, Louisville, containing eight labor/delivery/recovery rooms is slated for completion in January 1990, according to Susan Stout, vice president.

The LDR expansion, which began in

mid July, is a two-phase project that will extend the second floor over the hospital's main entrance. The second phase, which will begin when the first phase is finished and take several months to complete, will involve total renovation of the existing labor and delivery space.

"By early spring we expect to have an entirely new area for delivering mothers," said Miss Stout. "They will continue to receive the same excellent care that Baptist East is known for, but in homier, more comfortable atmosphere where loved ones can be in the room with them during the birth."



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homes for children

Dreaming and doing

We had house guests from Texas this past weekend. Brian Cochran, Jason's best little friend, and his parents came to visit. Jason and Brian had a great time together and SuEllen and I enjoyed catching up on the lives of Henry and Marilyn.

Cochran is now fulfilling his life long ambition to be a pilot. He flew during the Vietnam war and a couple of years ago he left a successful accounting career to do what he really wanted to do. It has been a struggle for the whole family for there have been times of separation and income sacrifice. He is still doing some accounting and putting in long hours each week, but he has a dream and he is actually doing it.

Mrs. Cochran is also following a dream. She is an accomplished pianist and has recently made a decision to follow a call to use her music more in God's work. She has just released a tape and is scheduled for a number of concerts next year, including the Baptist World Alliance in Korea.

As I talked with them I was amazed at their faith and at their ability to actually put their dreams into reality. They have tremendous faith in their own abilities but even more they have security in their faith in God. They know he will always be with them even when following their dreams may lead to some rocky shores at times.

One of the challenges we face in working with our children is to give them, one, confidence in their own abilities and, two, security that God will always be with them. Not all of our youth have equal abilities, just as none of the rest of us are equally blessed with talents. However, our job is to help each youth strive to reach his or her potential and to equip him or her the best we possibly can to fulfill dreams.

The second part, security in the knowledge God will be with them, is something which the youth can learn only through a personal acceptance of Christ and the witness of people in their lives who have that assurance.

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More about the flood

During the flood Oct. 17, our fourth and worst of the year, I was with our staff helping move equipment until about 11:30 a.m. The single most important area that had to be evacuated was our central student workshop with its thousands of dollars of lawnmowers, weed eaters, electric saws and tools of every description. Also we had to move athletic equipment, concessions, etc. from the concession building on the athletic field which flooded to a depth of over four feet.

Dean "Bud" Underwood and son Harold, who is our auto mechanics and welding teacher, were on a much needed vacation in the Smokey Mountains when they heard the newscasts that Clay County was flooded. A quick phone call to our campus to confirm the situation and they were on their way in 10 minutes.

I had time to go through the morning mail which had gotten in ahead of the flood waters. Then 18 folks arrived from Severns Valley Baptist Church, Elizabeth-

town.

We unloaded some used clothing the church group had brought and I directed them on to our dining room for lunch. The bus driver and I took their bus a few hundred feet back up the road as the flood waters were about to inundate the entrance to our campus. After lunch I took the group on our usual campus tour, flood or no flood.

Several hours later I led the Elizabethtown group around the mountain, through Homer D. Allen's yard (a 1934 graduate) and back to the highway and their bus. By this time the highway was under several feet of water in front of our campus. It reminded me of our last flood, June 16, when I did the same thing with a large group from Louisville's Ninth and O Baptist Church.

From the time they left until midnight, with an hour off to eat supper and watch the news, I returned accumulated phone calls during all the excitement. Most of them had to do with new students applying to come to Oneida for the start of our second academic quarter the following week.

I was not alone. Guidance counselor Myrtle Webb Cooke worked the same hours, as she had been for days, preparing the end-of-quarter academic reports to be mailed for over 500 students to their parents. Valedictorian of our 1960 class, she is in her sixth year of devoted full time service having done much periodic volunteer service prior to that. She is totally dedicated to Christ and the Oneida work. Also bookkeeper Jerry Pierce in his first year of service with us was hard at work having spent the entire morning helping move equipment out of the flood water's path.

For several hours earlier in the evening Bryon Perrine, his wife, daughter and mother, visiting from Minnesota, worked for hours in the library helping prepare a mailing. There is much to do even in so called "vacation" time.

The Perrine family came to us earlier this year. Perrine is one of our two assistant principals. He does teacher observation and evaluation of classroom performance, coordinates the ongoing graduate study of various staff members and teaches our German class. Mrs. Perrine has a MA in math and is an excellent teacher.



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LESSONS FOR NOV. 12, 1989

Life and work series

Beginning where you are

II Kings 5:1-3 Next to king Benhadad, Naaman was the most prominent man in Syria. As the deliverer of his country, Naaman enjoyed the confidence, esteem and favors of his monarch who lavished upon him great honors and rich gifts. He was also the idol of his army and the pride of his countrymen. He was an exemplary husband, a useful public servant and a courageous general.

Although Naaman had many things a person might desire he was the victim of a terrible disease—leprosy, which kept him from life's greatest enjoyments.

When his wife's servant discovered Naaman was a leper she immediately thought of Elisha in Samaria and his wondrous works of healing. To her mistress she spoke of Elisha. Convinced there was a possibility of healing, Naaman's wife conveyed this message to her husband.

II Kings 5:8-10 Naaman expected the prophet would heal him by a solemn word, touch or act. Instead of going out to meet Naaman, in recognition of his rank Elisha merely sent a humble messenger to him, saying, "Go and wash in Jordan seven times and thy flesh shall come again unto thee and thou shalt be clean."

II Kings 5:14-16 Naaman considered

it far beneath his dignity to wash in the despised Jordan River, but his tactful servant gently persuaded him to test the prophet's words. At the bank of the Jordan, he laid aside his armor, took off his outer garment, stepped down into the river and dipped himself seven times.

When Naaman came up out of the water his leprosy, pride and anger were gone. He immediately and happily returned to Elisha to express his personal appreciation, to acknowledge the supremacy of Jehovah and his resolution to worship him; to offer gifts as a token of his gratitude and to seek additional instruction.

Internation series

Provision for the redeemed

Revelation 7:1-4 In his vision John saw four angels standing at the four corners of the earth to hold back the four winds lest they break forth in destructive power before the appointed time. These angels represented providential delay in the execution of judgment. Another angel ascended from the east bringing the seal of the living God and commanded the other angels not to permit the winds over which they had control to injure the earth, the sea or the trees until the seal was placed upon the foreheads of the servants of God.

Revelation 7:9-10 Two significant things are noted about this group, namely, their great number coming from all nations and races in the world.

This multitude will be standing before the throne and before the lamb in token of and in service to him who sitteth upon the throne. Their struggles will be over, the conflict will have ended and the victory will have been won. While the multitudes will be standing and shouting their gratitude and praise, the angels surrounding the throne will be prostrating themselves in the adoration and worship of God.

Revelation 7:13-17 Where will this mighty host of people come from? They will be the ones who have been saved and brought out of the great tribulation. They will have been cleansed by the blood of the lamb which is the way all men must be saved in every dispensation. God will be their great comforter and they will be serving him continually.



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on mission together

Iuka

Not far downstream from Lake Barkley Dam a seldom used road runs down to the Cumberland River.

Several houses face that road and river, none looking nearly so tired as the old general store. About 15 years ago it gave up its last vestige of life when the post office was moved out. From the looks of the store, it never got over it.

When the Iuka Baptist was constituted 75 years ago the community of Iuka was alive and energetic, its general store accommodating local and river boat traffic. A ferry crossed there.

About a mile west of the old store, Iuka Baptist Church stands just as it did when it was first built.

Alice and I shared worship with them

Oct. 29, an engagement pastor Max Anderson had made with me almost three years before.

Forty-eight persons attended Sunday school that morning with several more coming in for the worship service.

A bivocational church, Max Anderson drives 80 miles round trip each day to work in Mayfield where he has been employed 14 years.

He and I had almost half an hour to fellowship before the service. His graciousness was transparent; he loves "his people" and, I could tell later, they love and appreciate him and Mrs. Anderson.

Entering the sanctuary, I was immediately taken with the interior—the walls and ceiling are varnished, one-inch, tongue and groove heartpine boards. I had never seen one like it; I wondered if it might be unique among all our churches.

Leading the congregational music is perhaps the longest tenured "music leader" in our state. Mr. Hugh McMillan,

except for a three and one-half year absence in Mississippi, has been Iuka's music minister for over 55 years. At lunch he would help us learn more about Iuka.

They gave me 40 minutes to preach and I took it all, to Alice's chagrin. But the folks stayed with me and when it was over, made me feel like a long lost friend.

One by one they shared greetings with me at the door. No wonder Max loves these folks so much!

Waiting to become the last to leave, church treasurer J. R. Robertson handed me a check for \$500. It was a love offering from the church to be sent to aid the victims of the recent California earthquake.

Driving down toward the river, enroute to lunch, we again passed by the general store. There is a gentle sadness about buildings once alive now dead.

The old town of Iuka is but a relic of the past. However, Iuka Baptist Church is still very much alive!

Homes for Children nurtures motivation

by Beth W. Prassel

"It bothers you at night when you're trying to go to sleep and you're staring up at the ceiling and you think, 'I don't have a home.'"

Andy Johannis left his home in New York at age 15. Since then he has lived in several foster homes and shelters in Florida and Kentucky. He has attended six different high schools. But Johannis hasn't let his situation prevent him from striving for a successful life.

"When you're homeless, that's not the end of your life. You can go on. There is something out there for you."

Johannis is a 19-year-old University of Kentucky student under continuing care of Kentucky Baptist Homes for Children.

Because of his success and determination, Johannis was asked to speak at the Homeless Children Education Coordinators Conference, held at the Galt House East in Louisville earlier this month.

"It's very hard to keep up your education when you're moving around," he said. He admonished those in the group to notice youth who are in similar situations and reminded them that "teachers, principals, superintendents, anyone who has anything to do with the kids in school can make a great difference."

Although providing material needs for youth is important, Johannis felt that showing them love and understanding is more important.

"Look around you and see if there's any way you can help out a homeless child . . . give your hand out to anyone who's in a situation like this . . . Once you find the problem, you can begin to solve it."

Johannis' problem began at home.

"I was having problems with my mom," says Johannis. "We decided I would move to Florida. (I knew some people there.) Then we wouldn't be at each other's throats."

Johannis lived with a man and his wife in Florida until marital problems arose. The husband moved out and Andy was forced to leave. "I had to hang out by myself for awhile," he says.

Later, Johannis located the man and he accepted Johannis into his home. Eventually, Johannis moved with him to Louisville.

One weekend, Johannis says he stayed with a friend instead of going home. When he returned home, his "father" was angry because he had expected Johannis to work around the house that weekend. He forced Johannis to leave.

Johannis then went to a friend's home. The parents had adopted Johannis' friend and offered to become Johannis' foster parents. The boy's social worker, however, "decided that I should not stay there, that I was taking up too much attention from their son."

Johannis went to the Home of the Innocents in Louisville and to one other foster home in Louisville's east end before he went to the Elizabethtown temporary shelter (now a long term therapy unit), Kentucky Baptist Homes for Children.

"When you're homeless . . . you have to get a break . . . that one chance in a life...."

Johannis feels he got his break at the Elizabethtown shelter, a facility which, at

the time, provided care only on a temporary basis. The maximum length of stay was usually 30 days. But Johannis, with special permission, stayed much longer.

"That was the first case of a permanent residence there at the shelter," he says.

After he had been at the shelter three or four months Andy went to Spring Meadows Children's Home in Middletown. But Johannis says he "wouldn't take to authority. They decided it would be best for me to leave."

Dwight Moore, director of the shelter at the time and KBHC metro-Louisville coordinator, took Andy back into the shelter, "not to start the program again but just to give me somewhere to stay."

Moore decided to try to get an exception within the regular shelter program for Johannis to stay until graduation. The exception was approved and Johannis was able to finish high school while living at the shelter.

Johannis says the shelter house parents encouraged his schoolwork, helped him buy his first car and helped him make arrangements to go to college.

While at the shelter, Johannis also restored communication with his mother as a result of making the school honor roll one semester. He remembers that his mother "was always on my case. She used to get mad if I made below a B."

Although he had not talked with his mother for three years, Johannis wrote her a letter and sent a copy of his grades. Johannis says he wrote, "You think that I'm a hoodlum and I run the streets, that I'm not doing well. But if you look at this, you can see that I really can make it."

Johannis' mother wrote back. She told him she did not think he was a bad person at all. "She said she was proud of me and that she hoped I'd write back. And that's when we broke down and started talking to each other again."

Johannis says his relationship with his mother is better than it has ever been. They continue to write and talk on the phone often.

He hasn't seen his mother in four years. But she is planning to visit Johannis this Christmas.

When houseparents allowed Johannis to get a job in the community, he went to work for a painter. Johannis enjoyed his work and eventually went into business on



Johannis

his own.

"I made \$4000 last summer," he says. "I picked up the man's habits. And he never advertises. He lets his work speak for itself. [I decided] I painted well enough that if someone was pleased, hopefully they'd tell someone else and that would keep me going."

Although he doesn't have time to paint while in school, Johannis intends to continue painting in the summers.

While in school, Johannis works three days a week at Olan Mills Company in Elizabethtown. He lives in Rineyville and drives to Lexington on Tuesdays and Thursdays to attend classes all day.

Living at the shelter helped Johannis make definite plans for the future.

He studies real estate at University of Kentucky and explains that his mother, who

works in real estate, sparked his interest in the business. "We have plans to do business together when I get out of college," he says proudly.

Johannis also wants to go back to school for a degree in primary education. "I like little kids," he says. "If I can, I want to be a positive influence to a group of kids."

Why has Johannis been able to see beyond his homeless situation?

"After all the moving back and forth to different shelters, the [Elizabethtown] shelter was the turning point in my life. I had the chance to be trusted and was given an opportunity to work for my goals . . . I was given a simple, basic relationship: 'We'll trust you until you show us we can't. As much honesty and trust you let us give you, we'll give you more.'

"For me that was home."

Hobbs, 82, has lots of ink left

by Frank W. White

On the eve of his 82nd birthday, Herschel H. Hobbs, one of Southern Baptists' best known and most prolific writers, said he intends to continue writing as long as he can still push a pen.

Hobbs, who turned 82 Oct. 24, has written a quarterly Bible study commentary for the Life and Work adult Sunday school curriculum series, 21 years. He has completed manuscripts for the popular Bible study commentary for editions through December 1991. Hobbs and Baptist Sunday School Board editors intend for him to continue the series as long as he is able. "I see no reason why I can't keep on [writing the lesson helps.] indefinitely. My health is good. My mind is as clear as it has ever been. As far as I'm concerned, I'm not ready to stop writing them," he said.

Hobbs said the success of the lesson commentary is in his ability to transform the Bible study to a simple language with illustrations teachers can understand.

James L. Sullivan, retired Baptist Sunday School Board president who first contracted with Hobbs to write the materials said at an Oct. 20 reception honoring Hobbs that he is "one of the few men who has a proven mastery of both the Hebrew and Greek languages."

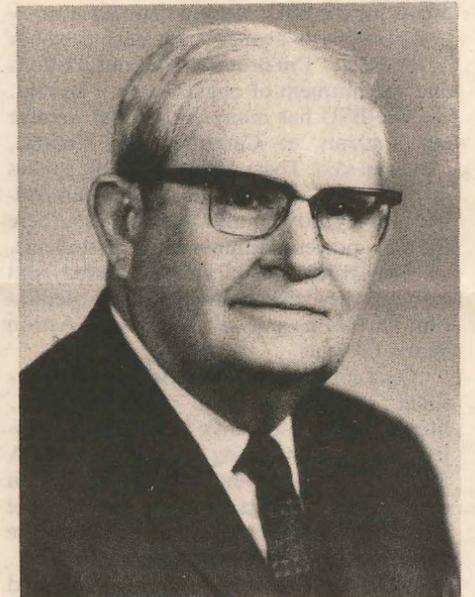
Hobbs explained: "It's not that I'm so smart that they can't find someone else to replace me. It's the way I provide a balance that apparently is successful."

He agreed to write the materials for the Baptist Sunday School Board after first providing similar materials for Sunday school teachers at First Baptist Church, Oklahoma City, where he was pastor.

"I said I would [write for the board] if they would promise to let me write it the way I wanted to," he said. "About the level I write is what the teachers want—a combination of the pastoral approach and the academic."

Hobbs said he relies on his Greek and Hebrew training, not because the teachers need to know Greek or Hebrew, but because it can be helpful to them in understanding the text.

He has spent more time writing the lesson commentaries than most books he



Hobbs

writes, he said. He has written 127 books in addition to the lesson helps. His books usually are written for pastors, and in those he assumes a certain level of background knowledge that can't be assumed with Sunday school teachers.

"I'm so careful to try to give a proper background to what we're studying and give what I think is a sound interpretation. If I mislead people in doctrine, with 100,000 teachers using it, I'm talking about between one and two million people that I'm affecting for good or bad depending on what I do," he said.

Hobbs maintains a discipline of writing one chapter each week to stay on schedule with the lesson commentaries in addition to his other writings and travel schedule.

"I write the lesson helps because I believe it is the most effective and beneficial thing I've ever written," he said. "I'm not reaching just pastors in the pulpit but the teachers, and through the teachers I reach far more people. This is a direct approach. I'm willing to pay the price. I enjoy doing it because of what I think I am accomplishing."

A Broadman book, "My Favorite Illustrations," will be released in April 1990, as a selection of original Hobbs anecdotes and quotations. (BP)

Campbellsville College's BSU is a vital part of campus life

By Donna Hill, student news writer

Campbellsville College's Baptist Student Union is a leader among Kentucky's colleges and universities.

Don Blaylock, student work department director for the Kentucky Baptist Convention, said, "Campbellsville College's Baptist Student Union leads BSUs in all colleges and universities in Kentucky with the number of summer missionaries (44) that have been appointed through the Kentucky Student Work Department over the past five years."

He also said that "Campbellsville College's BSU has cooperated in all respects to reach all the state-wide mission goals." He said he is very pleased with the College's BSU and the contributions it makes.

Dan Flanagan, campus minister at Campbellsville College, who is responsible for the BSU, said the College's BSU is "growing to outstanding heights." He said the BSU's purpose is to focus on communication of God's love and message on and off campus.

Flanagan said the College's enrollment is growing each year and, therefore, attendance grows for the BSU. He said there are a variety of programs available for each member of the BSU. "I'm proud of the contributions and commitment of our students," he said.

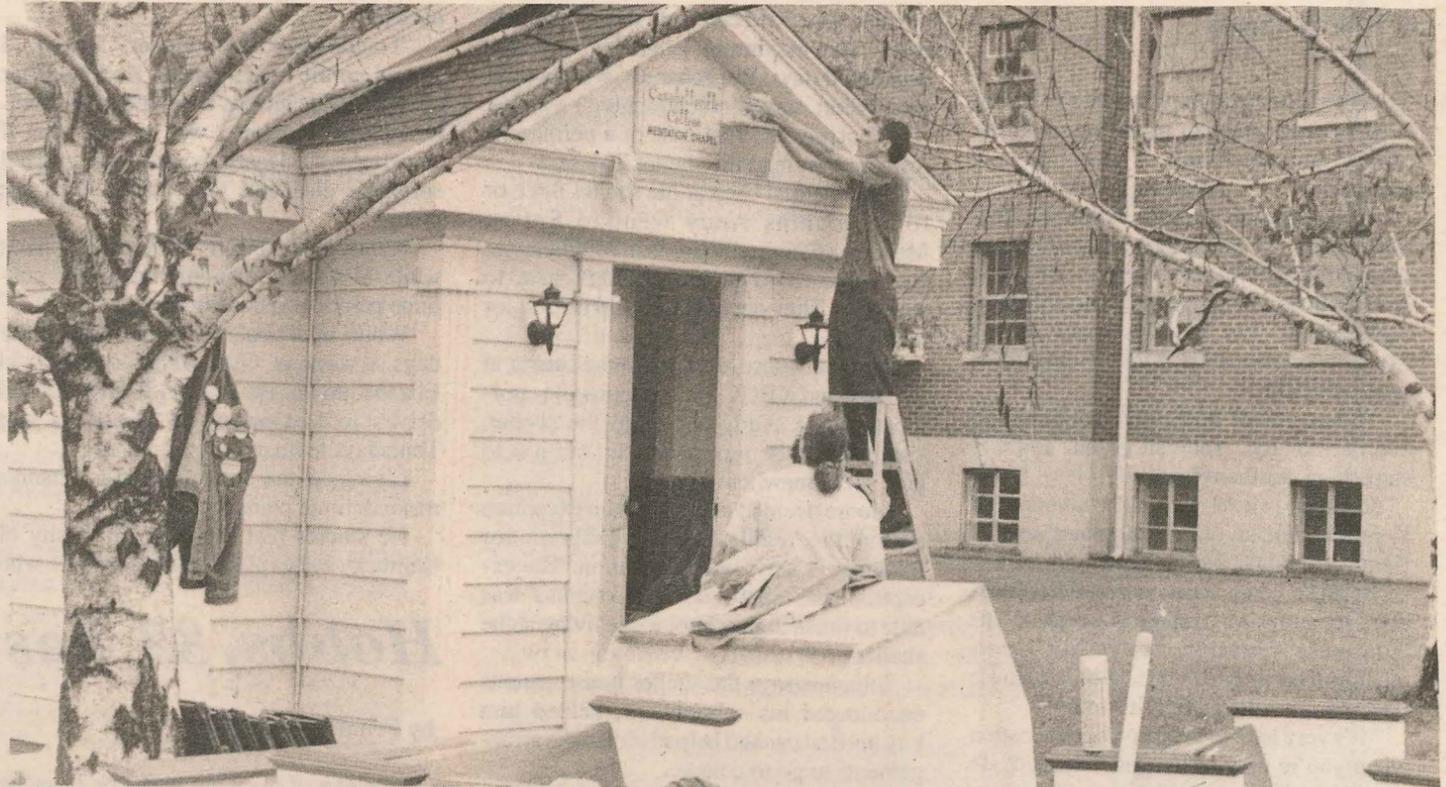
The BSU has many events that involve the students at Campbellsville College, Flanagan said. There are weekly Bible studies in the dorms with a once a week campus-wide Bible study for all students. Also, there is a daily prayer meeting open to all students.

The BSU has cleaned, painted and carpeted the Campbellsville College Meditation Chapel as one of its Mission Action Work Projects.

On a community level, the BSU has provided workers for local factory picnics. Members are also active in the Big A Project in the local housing projects. The Big A Project is a type of Backyard Bible Club in the housing projects in the Campbellsville area. It takes place on Saturdays with the students in the BSU working.

"The BSU is very community minded and is supported by the Campbellsville community," Flanagan said.

In last year's mission trips, BSU has gone to Mississippi and painted a Vietnamese church. They also held creative worship ser-



CHAD HIGGINS, a member of the Campbellsville College Baptist Student Union, cleans the College's Meditation Chapel. (Campbellsville College Photo by Chris Gray)

vices in other churches in the same area.

Two years ago, the BSU took a creative ministry team to five different churches in the Alabama and Florida areas. They also cleaned and painted an associational youth camp and poured sidewalks for the camp.

During the summer mission trips, several of the students have gone to many different places. Monica Flanagan, a sophomore from Russell Springs, went to Harlem, New York, and worked with the Hispanics in Vacation Bible Schools and in Backyard Bible Clubs.

Gretta Heady, a senior from Elizabethtown, has traveled the state of Kentucky as part of the New Sports Evangelism Team, Son Bound.

A year ago, Alan Watts, a 1988 graduate of Campbellsville College, served in Orlando, Fla., and went to day camps for underprivileged children.

Scott Rostance, a freshman from Odin, Ill., said that "BSU has helped me understand how fellow students can work together for God." He also said that the BSU is well organized and that more incoming students are getting involved.

Debbie Martin, a senior from Smiths Grove, is president of the Campbellsville College BSU. She said, "BSU gave me an identity, and it motivated me in my spiritual growth." She said she wanted to "strive to meet the BSU's goal of reaching people for Jesus Christ."

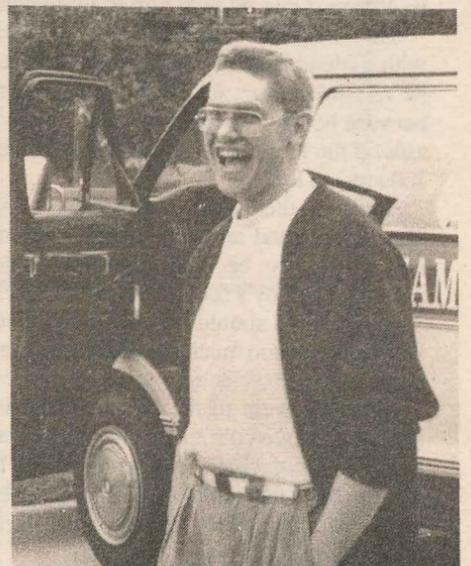
"I am grateful for the BSU which is very active and visible on campus," said Dr. Ken Winters, president of Campbellsville College. "The BSU reaches a large majority of our students with its many programs," he said.



DAWN SMITH, a freshman from Louisville, makes cotton candy as a BSU project. (Campbellsville College Photo by Dan Flanagan)



MEMBERS OF THE BAPTIST STUDENT UNION at Campbellsville College leave for the annual BSU Convention in Louisville.



TIM MORGAN, a junior from Florence, prepares to leave for the annual BSU convention in Louisville. (Campbellsville College Photo by Dan Flanagan)