

'Here's Hope' into high gear with evangelism meet



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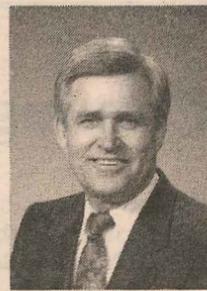
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by James H. Cox, Associate Editor

"Here's Hope. Jesus cares for you," theme of Southern Baptists' 1990 simultaneous crusades, will also be the theme of Kentucky Baptists' state evangelism conference this year.

The five-session event is set Feb. 26-27 at Walnut Street Baptist Church, Louisville.

"We want to send people home (from the evangelism conference) charged up to do all they can to reach a great harvest of souls," said William D. Jagers, Middletown, director of the KBC Evangelism Department. "With the momentum we hope to build, many great things are going to be accomplished in this spring's revivals."

The "Here's Hope" simultaneous crusades are calendared nationally during the period Mar. 18-Apr. 29. Each church has been encouraged to adopt one week during that time frame for its own local meeting. The revivals are being jointly promoted by the SBC Home Mission Board and the evangelism departments of Baptist state conventions.

There will be five sessions of the Kentucky evangelism conference: Monday, Feb. 26, at 2 and 7 p.m., and Tuesday, Feb. 27, at 9 a.m., 2 and 7 p.m.

Eight men will deliver major addresses: **David F. D'Amico**, Billy Graham professor of evangelism and director of the Billy Graham Center for World Evangelism, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville; **Darrell L. Gilyard**, pastor, Harmony Baptist Church, Plano, Tex.; **Junior Hill**, Hartselle, Ala. vocational evangelist and first vice president of the Southern

Baptist Convention; **Larry McSwain**, dean of the School of Theology, Southern Seminary; **Lavold O. Robertson**, director of evangelism, Utah-Idaho Southern Baptist Convention, Sandy, Utah; **Darrell W. Robinson**, vice president for evangelism, Home Mission Board, Atlanta, Ga.; **Charles L. Roesel**, pastor, First Baptist Church, Leesburg, Fla.; and **Ralph Smith**, pastor, Hyde Park Baptist Church, Austin, Tex.

TRADITIONALLY CHARACTERIZED BY MANY LONGTIME ADHERENTS as a "nonstop preaching marathon," the 1990 Kentucky evangelism conference will include more short talks and testimonies than in previous years. At the same time, several groups and individuals will interject a variety of evangelistic music between speaking roles.

Congregational song leader for the meeting will be Bill Keith, minister of music at First Baptist Church, West Palm Beach, Fla. He and his wife Anna will be featured singers at every session.

Other musicians announced by Jagers include Roger Cowen, former minister of music at Hurstbourne Baptist Church, Louisville; Andy Clifton, minister of music, Shively Baptist Church, Louisville; the Kentucky Baptist Chorale; Phil and Terri Bradley, church planters, Villa Hills (Ky.) Mission; and Silent Touch, a Louisville choir of the hearing impaired. Mel Crosson, organist and outreach minister at Glasgow (Ky.) Baptist Church, will be at the organ. Bill Probus, of Cynthia, Harrison County attorney, will be at the piano.

Others on the evangelism conference agenda: Jagers; Billy Compton, associate director, and Eugene I. Enlow, "Here's Hope" coordinator, KBC Evangelism Department, Middletown; Charles Stewart, pastor, Rose Hill Missionary Baptist Church, Ashland; Tam Banfield, homemaker and factory employe, Cynthiana; Lincoln Bingham, superintendent of missions, General Association of Baptists in Kentucky, Louisville, and cooperative ministries consultant, Kentucky Baptist Convention, Middletown; Pedro Sayago, pastor, Hispanic Baptist Mission, Lexington; and Bobby Forshee, of Franklin, superintendent of water works and pastor, Cornerstone Baptist Mission.

D'Amico will speak Tuesday afternoon on "Hope in the Cities." He joined the Southern Seminary faculty last year as Billy Graham professor of evangelism and director of the Billy Graham Center for World Evangelism.

A native of La Plata, Argentina, D'Amico holds degrees from Hardin-Simmons University, Abilene, Tex., and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Ft. Worth, Tex. He pastored Hispanic congregations in Texas several years before returning to Southwestern as assistant professor of church history.

He was director of the international ministry of Houston's South Main Baptist Church, 1976-85, and executive director of Metropolitan New York (N. Y.) Baptist Association, 1985-89.

Gilyard, who will speak Monday night on "My Hope" and Tuesday afternoon on "Hope for All," is founder as well as pastor of Harmony Baptist Church, Plano, Tex. He earlier served on church staffs in Garland, Tex. and Norman, Okla.

Gilyard earned a bachelor's degree at Criswell Center for Biblical Studies, Dallas, Tex., and a master's at Liberty University.

Hill, 53, will address the state evangelism crowd twice: Tuesday morning on "Hope through Personal Witnessing" and Tuesday night on "Blessed Eternal Hope."

The Harselle, Ala. native and evangelist graduated from Samford University, Birmingham, Ala., and New Orleans (La.) Baptist Theological Seminary. He held Alabama and Mississippi pastorates 11 years, entering evangelism in 1967. He has conducted more than 1200 revivals in the U. S. and several foreign nations.

McSwain, 49, will speak Monday afternoon on "Hope in a Changing Society."

He has been dean of Southern Seminary's School of Theology one year. Before that he held pastorates in Oklahoma and Indiana and since 1968 has held a half dozen other positions with the seminary and the University of Louisville.

McSwain was born in Pond Creek, Okla., and educated at Oklahoma State University, Stillwater; Southwestern and Southern seminaries.

Robertson, 63, is scheduled to speak Tuesday afternoon on "Sharing Hope in Utah-Idaho."

The Weinert, Tex. native was awarded a bachelors degree from Howard Payne University, Brownwood, Tex. He has also studied at Luther Rice Seminary, Jacksonville, Fla., and Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary, Mill Valley, Cal.

Robertson has been director of evangelism for the Utah-Idaho Southern Baptist Convention since 1982. He had earlier pastored churches in Texas, Idaho and Utah.

Robinson, 54, will speak on "Hope for America" Monday night and "Hope of the Gospel" Tuesday night.

The vice president for evangelism of the Home Mission Board, Atlanta, Robinson was born in Howard County, Tex. He earned degrees from Baylor University, Waco, Tex.; Southwestern and Luther Rice seminaries. He held a series of pastorates in Texas, Kansas and Alabama, leaving Mobile's Dauphin Way Baptist Church in 1989 to assume his present position.

Roesel, 53, speaks Monday night on "Hope for the Hurting" and Tuesday

morning on "Hope through Ministry."

He is pastor of First Baptist Church, Leesburg, Fla., but served two previous Florida pastorates. He was educated at Stetson University, DeLand, Fla., and Southern Seminary.

Smith is slated on the agenda for Monday afternoon speaking on "Demands for Hope"; Tuesday morning, "Hope through the Local Church"; and Tuesday night, "Steadfast Hope."

He has pastored Hyde Park Baptist Church, Austin, Tex., 29 years. The immediate past president of the SBC Pastor's Conference, Smith holds degrees from Ouachita University, Arkadelphia, Ark., and Southwestern Seminary.

AS AN ADDITIONAL FEATURE OF THE EVANGELISM CONFERENCE next month, 11 lunch meeting groups have been set. These will all be held Tuesday, Feb. 27 at Walnut Street Baptist Church and center on a specific topic.

A leader for "Growing an Evangelistic Church" had not been designated at press time. Others and leader(s):

"Large Church Evangelism" (1000 or more resident members)—Ralph Smith; "Ministry Evangelism"—Charles Roesel; "Vocational Evangelists"—Junior Hill; "Associational Evangelism" (DOEs and DOMs)—Darrell Robinson; "Youth Evangelism/Ministries"—Billy Compton; "Music Evangelism"—Bill and Anna Keith; "Bivocational Evangelists/Pastors"—Church Stewart; "Urban and Ethnic Evangelism"—David D'Amico; "Black and Urban Evangelism"—Lincoln Bingham and Darrell Gilyard; "Witnessing Women," Tam Banfield and Mary Lou Crutcher.

AGENDAS FOR THE TWO-DAY EVANGELISM CONFERENCE:

Monday, 2 p.m., "Need for Hope"—Jagers (presiding); Cowen; Kenneth Chafin (welcome); William W. Marshall (response/prayer); Stewart; Clifton; McSwain; Keiths; Smith.

Monday, 7 p.m., "The Living Hope"—Jagers (presiding); C. Benton Williams (prayer); Banfield; Kentucky Baptist Chorale; Roesel; Keiths; Robinson; Keiths; Gilyard; Willis W. Henson (benediction).

Tuesday, 9 a.m., "The Hope of Glory—Christ in You"—Compton (presiding); Keiths; Roesel; Bradleys; Smith; Joe Mobley (prayer); Keiths; Hill.

Tuesday, 2 p.m., "The Hope of Glory—Christ in You"—Enlow (presiding); Sayago; D'Amico; Bingham; Keiths; Robertson; Keiths; Gilyard.

Tuesday, 7 p.m., "Hope: Now and Hereafter"—Jagers (presiding); Forshee; Keiths; Smith; Silent Touch; Robinson; Keiths; Hill; Cowen.

There is no registration fee for the evangelism conference and the public is invited to all sessions.

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Coming to grips with reality

The recent news of a net loss in missionaries on the foreign field is not the happiest way to begin the decade of the 1990s. The Foreign Mission Board had sent out the warnings earlier that such a development might be the case; now we know that their warnings were real. That the heartbeat of Southern Baptist identity might be in retreat is sobering.

There will, no doubt, be many interpretations of this development—not the least of which will be a claim that this is where the controversy in the SBC has led. Fundamentalists will blame moderates, moderates will blame fundamentalists. The real truth is a good deal deeper than our recurrent bickering for control. The lack of resources available to our Foreign Mission Board is likely to be the real culprit. True, some possible candidates are cautious because of controversy, and other active missionaries are weary of the bickering. However, those called to mission service generally show a commitment that rises above momentary theological controversy. Southern Baptist disagreements come and go, but our mission force on the field stays in place and working for the salvation of the world. Many seasoned observers are wondering if the sheer number of resources has begun to take its toll. Missionaries in the field are more prudent in their requests for new personnel, administrative personnel are more cautious in their planning and the results are predictable.

The Foreign Mission Board has called a "solemn assembly" as part of its February meeting to call upon God to send laborers into the harvest. Certainly, we

look with favor and appreciation for any call upon God for his leadership and blessing. But let's deal with reality: the laborers are available, the organization is in place and the leadership under R. Keith Parks is capable. What we need from God is a stirring in the hearts of Southern Baptists to provide the money to get the job done. The "solemn assembly" would be better advised to direct its attention to the Cooperative Program commitment of all leadership of that board and every leader and pastor in our convention. We especially need God's guidance in communicating to younger and middle adults the role of cooperative missions. In church after church, the Cooperative Program gets little more than a yawn from these generations of people. Missionaries cannot be placed on the field without money. That's reality. God expects us to provide it and provide it now before the multiple doors of opportunity close on us.

If resources continue to decline, we can expect massive changes in our work. Administrative reorganization, the elimination of programs, as well as additional cut backs in personnel can be expected. But why wait for the situation to worsen? Rather than wallowing in political scapegoating, why not face up to the fact that the battle for truth is not in our educational institutions or in the administrative personnel of our agencies and boards, but in our churches and the hearts of our people. Leaders ought to set the example, preachers ought to preach and all of us ought to give.

Richard W. Bridges

I am glad I am a Kentucky Baptist

I have just returned from the December meeting of the executive board of the Kentucky Baptist Convention. This is my second term on the board, having served previously in the mid 70s. There are 167 board members with high participation by the members.

William Marshall, executive secretary-treasurer, set the tone for the entire meeting by giving us a sense of ownership of the work at the Baptist building. There was nothing "under the table" and we were encouraged to ask any questions we wanted.

What a thrill it is to review again the mission of Kentucky Baptists. It is a mammoth task to oversee 23 properties within the state. All of us were encouraged to evaluate what our churches are doing and determine what we want them to be in 10 years. That will focus us on proper strategies in the foreseeable future. The convention staff has certainly planned in that way for our state work.

I was particularly impressed with the commitment of \$200,000 from the Kentucky Baptist Convention toward reaching the one million lost people in our state through the "Here's Hope: Jesus Cares for You" simultaneous revivals in 1990. That amount is second in terms of state support in our Southern Baptist Con-

vention.

I am glad I am a Kentucky Baptist because of the emphasis in evangelism and missions, including link-ups with Kenya, Brazil, Ohio, Utah-Idaho as well as interstate linkups.

I am glad I am a Kentucky Baptist because of our goal to establish 400 new churches or mission works and we are well on the way to meeting that goal with 286 already established.

I am glad I am a Kentucky Baptist because our state is second in the Southern Baptist Convention in total undesignated receipts going outside our borders for mission endeavors.

I am glad I am a Kentucky Baptist because I am confident there is not a single need that any one of our member churches has that cannot be addressed, upon request, by our convention staff.

Finally, I am glad I am a Kentucky Baptist pastor because I serve in a state that has not let the current controversy at the national level deter it from its mission/evangelism calling.

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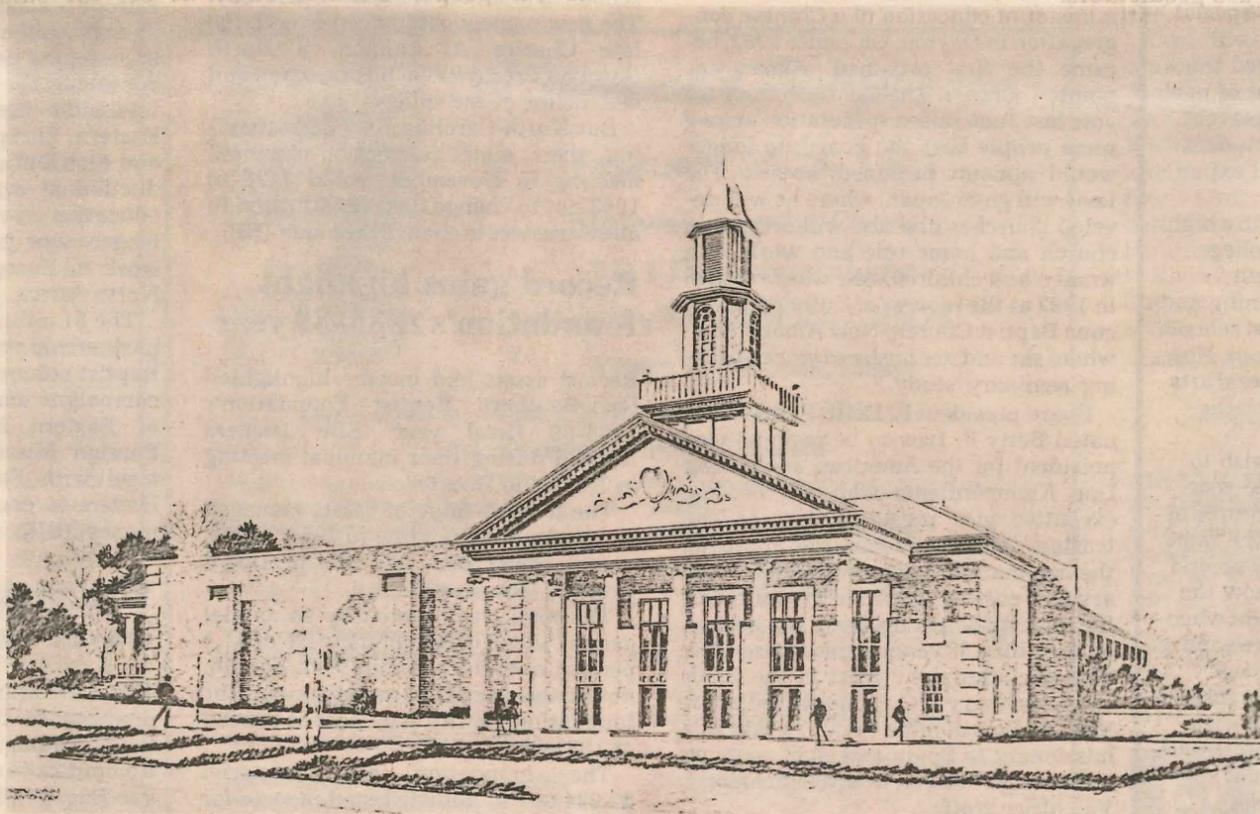
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A college education

"Now that you are a college is there still a place for an older person without a high school diploma who receives a call into the ministry?" questioned a Kentucky Baptist pastor. Yes, Clear Creek is still the place for that individual. In consideration of Clear Creek's special purpose, history and tradition, our accreditation association waived the requirement to limit enrolment of non high school graduates to five percent. We insisted we are open to any student regardless of prior educational experience.

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Any student who does not wish to pursue a degree takes the three year ministry preparation course required of all our students. They attend the same classes and in no way are they second class students. Most do not know the distinction until graduation night when some receive a bachelor's degree and others receive a diploma.

An academic support program assists students with academic deficiencies. Private tutors help improve English and reading skills or tutor individual subjects. Most older students possess a higher motivation and once they adjust to the pilgrimage of study want a GED and the degree.

Higher education in America was forged from Baptist concern for a trained ministry. Kentucky Baptists continue that heritage through three liberal arts colleges and one theological college. Members of our churches who are called to full time Christian ministry have two options for college education—liberal arts or Bible college.

1984 graduate Eddie Reynolds once thought he was "short changed" by attending Clear Creek. Now in seminary he expresses deep appreciation for practical ministry skills and a solid foundation in the Word. Evidently he gained one of the best lessons of a college education—a thirst to know more.



David and Patricia Chiu Lee board a bus with other new missionaries appointed Dec. 12. Mrs. Lee, who speaks five languages, became the first ordained woman appointed as a Southern Baptist foreign missionary since a Foreign Mission Board trustee subcommittee rejected an ordained woman missionary candidate last June.

FMB votes Europe aid, appoints ordained woman

Foreign Mission Board trustees voted \$1 million for evangelism in Eastern Europe, appointed 24 new missionaries and heard reports of strategies aimed at spreading the gospel in unevangelized areas of the world during their December meeting.

The 24 new missionaries include Patricia Chiu Lee and her husband David, both Chinese born in Taiwan. Mrs. Lee, minister of education of a Chinese congregation in Dayton, Oh., since 1982, became the first ordained woman appointed since a trustee subcommittee vote last June raised speculation among some people that the board no longer would appoint ordained women. The Lees will go to Japan, where he will develop churches and she will serve in a church and home role and work with women and children. She was ordained in 1982 at the request of Culbertson Avenue Baptist Church, New Albany, Ind., where she and her husband worked during seminary study.

Board president R. Keith Parks nominated Betty F. Law to be regional vice president for the Americas, succeeding Don Kammerdiener who will become executive vice president Jan. 1. The trustees' Americas committee approved the nomination. Law, a former missionary and current associate area director for Spanish South America, is a veteran of more than 33 years of mission service. That includes eight years in the 1950s as a missionary to Cuba under the Home Mission Board, more than 17 years as a missionary to Spain and eight years on the Foreign Mission Board's Richmond, Va., office staff.

Trustees also received a unanimous recommendation from their mission personnel committee that the board retain its long-established policy of not appointing divorced people. (BP)

Trustees elect five staff to Home Mission Board

Trustees of the Home Mission Board elected five people to the Atlanta staff during their December executive committee meeting.

Jim Newton, director of news and information services for the past 10 years, was named director of public relations effective Jan. 1. The Kingsville, Tex., native will succeed Kenneth Day, who is retiring following 29 years with the

board. President Larry Lewis said Newton's current post is to be suspended indefinitely.

Board members also elected Bobby Eklund of the Baptist General Convention of Texas Evangelism Division as director of the Church Evangelism Department. Eklund, who supervises work with urban associations in the state, was pastor of Texas churches from 1952-83 before joining the convention staff.

Marshall Chambers, director of evangelism for the Baptist Convention of Pennsylvania/South Jersey since 1985, was elected associate director in the Association Evangelism Department. The Nacogdoches, Tex. native has been pastor of churches in Missouri and youth director for a church in Louisiana. He joined the Pennsylvania/South Jersey convention in 1982.

C. Nelson Tilton, assistant director in the Metropolitan Missions Department, was elevated to associate director in the department.

Michael Bailey, national consultant for the board's Volunteer Department, was transferred to assistant director of the Property Department. Bailey has a special assignment in asbestos removal with some of the agency's 200 buildings it owns nationwide. (BP)

Trustees reverse decision; Wingate won't change

Wingate College will not change its name, trustees decided Dec. 7.

The name of the North Carolina Baptist school to Cannon-Wingate University. The new name would have honored the late Charles A. Cannon, a North Carolina Presbyterian businessman and benefactor of the college.

But North Carolina Baptists, attending their state convention's annual meeting in November, voted 3426 to 1063 not to change their constitution to allow trustees to change the name. (BP)

Record gains highlight foundation's 1988-89 year

Record assets and income highlighted the Southern Baptist Foundation's 1988-89 fiscal year, SBF trustees learned during their SBF meeting in Nashville Dec. 6.

The market value of assets managed by the foundation grew to \$95,892,090, a new record total, said SBF president Hollis E. Johnson III.

The total was boosted by an annual gain of \$28,076,440, an increase of 41.4 percent over the previous year, he said, noting the size of the growth equals the foundation's entire asset base at the end of 1981-82.

The foundation also managed \$2,224,004 in undistributed income for an asset total of \$98,116,092.

The foundation produced a record \$6,090,470 of income, Johnson reported. That amount is \$1,444,888 or 31.1 percent more than the income total for the previous year, he said. The income gain followed a 22.6 percent increase in 1987-88 and was 60.7 percent greater than the total for 1986-87.

Foundation trustees reelected their officers during the meeting. They are chairman Gorman J. Roberts, an investment banker and member of Crescent Hill Baptist Church, Louisville; vice chairman Clarence Edmonds, an accountant and member of Brentwood Baptist Church in suburban Nashville; and recording secretary Osta Underwood, an attorney and member of Belmont Heights Baptist Church, Nashville. (BP)

Accrediting agency places Southeastern on 'warning'

Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary—troubled by a two-year dispute between faculty and trustees and administration—has been placed on warning by one of its accrediting agencies.

The Southern Association of Colleges and Schools sanctioned the Wake Forest, N. C. seminary during the association's College Delegate Assembly Dec. 12 in Atlanta. The Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada also is studying Southeastern's accreditation and will consider its relationship with the seminary in January.

Under Southern Association guidelines, Southeastern will retain its accreditation during the time it is on warning. However, the action means the association refuses to reaffirm the seminary's accreditation until the deficiencies are corrected. (BP)

FMB tags \$1 million to reach East Europe

Sensing "extraordinary opportunities in Eastern Europe," the Foreign Mission Board has appropriated \$1 million to advance the gospel there.

"The funds are immediately available," Carl Johnson, vice president for finance, told board trustees in a special meeting two days prior to their Dec. 13 vote approving the allocation. The \$1 million will help Baptists in Eastern Europe evangelize their nations and strengthen their churches during a time of sweeping political change across the continent.

Possible uses of the \$1 million in Eastern Europe include the purchase and distribution of Bibles and the production of evangelistic and Christian education materials, said Isam Ballenger, vice president for the board's work in Europe, the Middle East and North Africa.

The \$1 million also could help launch partnership projects in which Southern Baptist volunteers assist in evangelistic campaigns undertaken by the Baptists of Eastern Europe, Ballenger said. Foreign Mission Board officials will meet with Eastern European Baptist leaders to decide the best uses of the money. (BP)

Vice pres for business leaves Exec Committee

Tim A. Hedquist, 48, has resigned as vice president for business and finance of the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee to accept a position at Bellevue Baptist Church, Memphis, Tenn.

Hedquist has been on the staff of the Executive Committee since 1977. In addition to responsibilities for business and finance he also has been manager of the annual meeting of the SBC.

At Bellevue, where former SBC president Adrian Rogers is pastor, Hedquist will be assistant pastor, staff administration, a position established to oversee the growing responsibilities of administration and support ministries of the nearly 19,000-member congregation.

Prior to joining the Executive Committee Hedquist was minister of education at First Baptist Church, Nashville. Previously he held staff positions at First Baptist Church, Lenoir City, Tenn.; Travis Avenue Baptist Church, Ft. Worth, Tex.; Hyde Park Baptist Church, Austin, Tex.; and Stadium Drive Baptist Church, Ft. Worth. (BP)



Hannah

In 1984 the board of directors of Baptist Hospitals Incorporated established Baptist Hospitals Foundation. James L. Hannah was asked to be chairman. He has criss crossed the state many times in giving birth to the Foundation through its bylaws, selection of board members and establishment of goals. It is an honor to have Jim share with us his thoughts about the Foundation.

I consider it a privilege to serve on a voluntary basis as part of the Baptist Hospitals Foundation.

To do so allows me to be a part of the extended ministry of our Lord and Savior Jesus the Christ. His ministry was divided into teaching, preaching and healing; hence those who serve in the delivery of health care are a part of that healing ministry.

Monies or properties donated to the Foundation provide a ministry that either would not be provided because of the lack of hospital financial resources or because routine patient care and treatment of common health problems are assigned a higher priority.

For years the Baptist Hospitals system of Kentucky has fulfilled the challenge and commitment to the delivery of quality health care in a Christian environment.

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Competition in the health care field is as intense as it has ever been, and we need to redouble our efforts to ensure that our Christian hospitals continue on a sound basis.

Each of us have financial obligations which at times restrict us from participation in worthwhile ministries. However, as obligations in other areas are fulfilled we hope that you will consider entering into a partnership with Christ by becoming a "Friend of the Foundation" in our healing ministry.

Every consideration given to this stewardship opportunity will be sincerely appreciated as we continue to serve in his love.

Any questions or comments concerning this article, Baptist Hospitals Inc. or Baptist Hospitals Foundation should be directed to Charles W. Cox Jr., vice president of Baptist Hospitals Foundation, BHI Corporate Complex, 4007 Kresge Way, Louisville, KY 40207 (502) 896-5000.

Sanctity of human life: 'in the image of God'

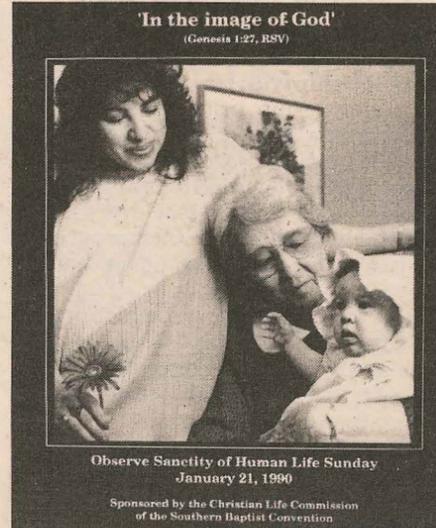
Few biblical phrases emphasize more strongly the holiness of human life and challenge more directly the practice of abortion in America than "in the image of God." Appearing in the first chapter of Genesis, it founds the origin of the doctrine of human nature, points Godward and manward and speaks about a timeless truth.

The highest point of the divine drama of creation was the formation of human life. All of creation was good. But the creation of human life represented the crowning glory of God's creation: "So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them" (Gen. 1:27). God then looked upon what had been done, saw that "it was very good" and rested (Gen. 1:31).

With the divine image stamped on human beings came a special blessing and an important assignment. Human beings were given the task of caring for God's garden. God said, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth" (Gen. 1:28, RSV).

Human beings are created "in the image of God." Although the fall mars the divine stamp in human beings, it fails to erase it. We still have bestowed upon us a unique dignity and have bequeathed to us dominion over creation.

How does the biblical phrase "in the image of God" impact with the issue of



the sanctity of human life?

First "in the image of God" means that we are to reverence human life. We are to acknowledge that human life has sacred value because of God's action. The divine image was given, neither earned nor based upon human evaluations. As such, human life is a sacred gift to be treasured with a sense of awe.

Second "in the image of God" means that we are to respect all human life. Stage of development, mental ability, skin pigmentation and physical beauty should not determine how we see other human beings. We are to respect and protect all human life as sacred.

We protect human life when we seek

to stop the killing of unborn children in their mother's womb. We preserve human life when we support local church ministries aimed at helping people make life-affirming rather than life-denying decisions about human preborn life. We prevent the taking of human life when we work to alleviate those economic and social forces which pressure some into aborting their babies.

We promote human life when we witness for Christian values related to human sexuality and marriage.

This Sanctity of Human Life Sunday carefully consider ways in which God's declaration of humanity as "in the image of God" should challenge your attitudes and behaviors. Seek God's guidance in finding ways to witness and to act for life.

Preregistration set for PraiSing II in Nashville

Preregistration for PraiSing II, a four-day worship and praise celebration Mar. 11-14, 1991 in Nashville, opens Feb. 1, 1990.

Sponsored by the Baptist Sunday School Board's Church Music Department, the event marks the department's 50th anniversary, the board's 100th anniversary and the release of *The Baptist Hymnal*.

A similar celebration in Nashville launched *The Baptist Hymnal* 1975 edition.

Cost for the week is \$50 including all concerts and celebration services. Nightly tickets, available only at the door, are \$15 for Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Cost for Thursday night's celebration is \$20. Preregistrants will receive information on hotel accommodations and directions along with a registration confirmation. Checks, payable to Baptist Sunday School Board, should be sent to Box 24001, Nashville, TN 37203.

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LESSONS FOR JAN. 7, 1990

Life and work series

The call to serve

Mark 1:16-18 As Christ walked by the Sea of Galilee he saw two pairs of brothers, one of whom was fishing and the other was mending nets. To Simon and Andrew, who were fishing, he said: "Come ye after me," which was not a call to salvation but to service. Without hesitation these men gave up their gainful employment, severed home ties and went with Christ, believing that he was able and willing to supply all of their needs.

Mark 3:14-15 Christ's choice of the twelve was one in which he assumed all responsibility for what he did. He chose

them because they already had some powers which he needed and because they were capable of appropriating the power which he intended to supply.

Mark 6:7-13 Having previously called the twelve to discipleship and to intimate fellowship with him, Christ called them to apostleship, instructed them as to what they should do and how they were to do it, and sent them forth to put into practice what he had taught them. They were told to cast aside every weight that might impede their progress on the way, to provide nothing for their journey.

Christ warned them that their efforts to testify for him by word or by life would meet with persecution from a hostile world. However, that would not be more than he had suffered.

Like the Lord Jesus, the apostles had the task of urging their hearers to repent of their sins. While thus busily engaged in a sincere effort to win people to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ, the apostles did not neglect to minister to those who were suffering physically.

International series

Jesus reveals himself through scripture

John 5:30 Jesus Christ did not come into the world to do his own will, but to live in complete submission to the Father. Earnest prayer was closely related to all of the great events of his life—his baptism, his temptation, his transfiguration, his agony in the garden and his crucifixion. Above all else he wanted to do God's will and to make known the will of God to all.

John 5:31-32 Christ was affirming the scripture by mentioning that a second

witness was required (Deut. 19:15). Despite this testimony the Jews refused to accept the messiahship of Christ, for their beliefs consisted of a mixture of truth and error.

John 5:33-35 Inasmuch as John the Baptist was promised in the Old Testament and predicted by the Holy Spirit and prepared by him for ministry even before his birth, Christ commended John the Baptist for telling the truth about him. God had spoken in his Son, as well as through other supplemental witnesses, so the people would not have any justifiable reason for neglecting to place their implicit trust in him, but still there were those who would not accept him as the Savior.

John 5:36-38 The remarkable things that Jesus was doing, such as performing various miracles, proved that the Father had sent him. It was not surprising some of Christ's hearers did not appreciate the testimony of God the Father about him, they did not believe he had been sent on a divine mission. Certainly no more credible witness to the identity of Jesus could have been called upon than God the Father.

John 5:39-47 While some of the listeners to Jesus were searching for eternal life in the scriptures, they thoughtlessly overlooked what the scriptures said about him and ignored the fact that he had provided salvation for them. So long as they were more concerned with winning the praises of men than they were in receiving God's approval, they would not believe on Jesus. Their attitude and behavior proved conclusively they did not have any love in their hearts for God or their fellowmen. The Son of God, knowing their need as sinners, was grieved at their abject refusal to "come to me, that ye might have life."



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homes for children

The 1980s

The decade of the 1980s has been a period of real change for this ministry. Based on the long range planning completed in the 1970s both of the major campuses took new shape in the 80s.

New cottages were built on both campuses in 1981 so that the children and staff have been able to enjoy modern up-to-date homes.

The ministry also underwent its most extensive expansion with the opening of new regionally based temporary shelters at Elizabethtown in 1982, Dixon in 1983 and Morehead in 1988. The Elizabethtown shelter has just this year been changed to a long term intensive care program and renamed the Baptist Youth Ranch.

Though we have had many youth go on to college it was not until 1987 that we staffed a continuing care program to work with those youth who graduate from our programs and go on to college.

The decade began with the ministry under the leadership of Bill Amos and has closed with me. However, the bulk of leadership during this time has come from Eldred Taylor. Under his able hands the program expanded to new service areas.

It is interesting to me to see God's leadership over the course of time. Under Amos plans for expansion were conceived and new cottages were planned. Eldred Taylor then led the ministry to carry out that expansion and also to increase the endowment of the work to insure that we can continue to meet needs.

In the past 18 months we have begun again the process of planning. Generally we are simply extending the plans drawn over a decade ago but looking beyond those parts already brought to fruition.

God brings different people to accomplish different purposes, but through it all he continues to lead.

Our ministry may change its buildings and there are program changes, but the basic purpose never changes. That purpose is to reach out to hurting children in the name of Christ. Hopefully our changes only enable us to do a better job of helping the children and youth who so desperately need us.



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oneida journal

Oneida Christmas wonderland!

A beautiful snowfall always makes the Oneida campus in the center of four converging valleys surrounded by mountains look like a picture postcard. Kids and even adults like to build snowmen at such a time and slide down the front of the campus hill. Succeeding generations of Oneida students have known that thrill. I last tried that about five years ago and decided perhaps I'm

getting a little old for such fun!

Surrounded by young people all of the time, I still have much of the enthusiasm of the young. I get just as excited showing folks about the Oneida campus as I did 35 years ago as a high school boy. People have always excited me.

Christmas related events included our marching band receiving the second place trophy in the small band division of the Lexington Christmas parade.

Pastor and Mrs. Rackley and our church WMU hosted the annual Christmas dinner for our international students.

Our cooks outdid themselves for the annual dinner we host for the pastors and their wives of Booneville and Irvine Associations along with some deacons and wives. Many of our dorm girls had beautifully decorated the dining room complete with a Christmas tree.

The next day the church choir enjoyed a potluck dinner at the pastor's home after three morning services.

That afternoon many Oneida connected people helped present "The Messiah" before an appreciative county wide congregation that nearly filled the Manchester Baptist sanctuary. Oneida choir and band director Richard Burns directed. Alumnus Betty Jean Bowling played the piano and organ. Alumnus Judy Sizemore Rose sang soprano and two Oneida teachers were the chief mezzosoprano and tenor singers. Four other staff members also sang, as did five OBI students.

That evening our girls and boys Fellowship of Christian Athletes went Christmas caroling in the Oneida community after worship.

Monday night I accompanied the choir on their trip to Rupp Arena to sing with over 100 choirs and thousands of

others in the second annual Christmas carol sing-along. It was a beautiful evening, as was the following night's annual get together of our student farm crew hosted by farm manager Jack and Mrs. Tillman. Then more Christmas caroling after midweek Bible study.

Our drama group presented "The Homecoming" Friday and Saturday nights. That is the Christmas play that led to the very successful TV "Waltons" series. Thirty-seven of our girls and boys, directed by Debbie Winters, made for two hearttugging evenings.

Sunday evening our middle school choir did their usual good job with their yearly Christmas program directed by Tricia Schmittendorf. The 100 younger boys of Baker Hall and 157 girls had fun-filled parties in our two dining rooms after the evening service, and 190 older boys of Carnahan and Marvin-Wheeler Halls had their Christmas party the next night during the normal evening study hall time. Following that boys' party the choir decorated a large tree in the chapel.

While all these and other Christmas activities were taking place the normal school routines of classes, homework, basketball games, chess tournament, wrestling, swimming and diving meets, academic team competitions and final exams before Christmas break were taking place. Our girls' basketball team was runnerup in the Three Rivers Conference championship played at Alice Lloyd College and our boys' team won the conference championship for the third year in a row.

The very last event before every student and most staff left for the holidays was a worship service with our choir singing the cantata "Let The World Rejoice."

Australian professor visiting Southwestern gives accent to world evangelization

by Chip Alford

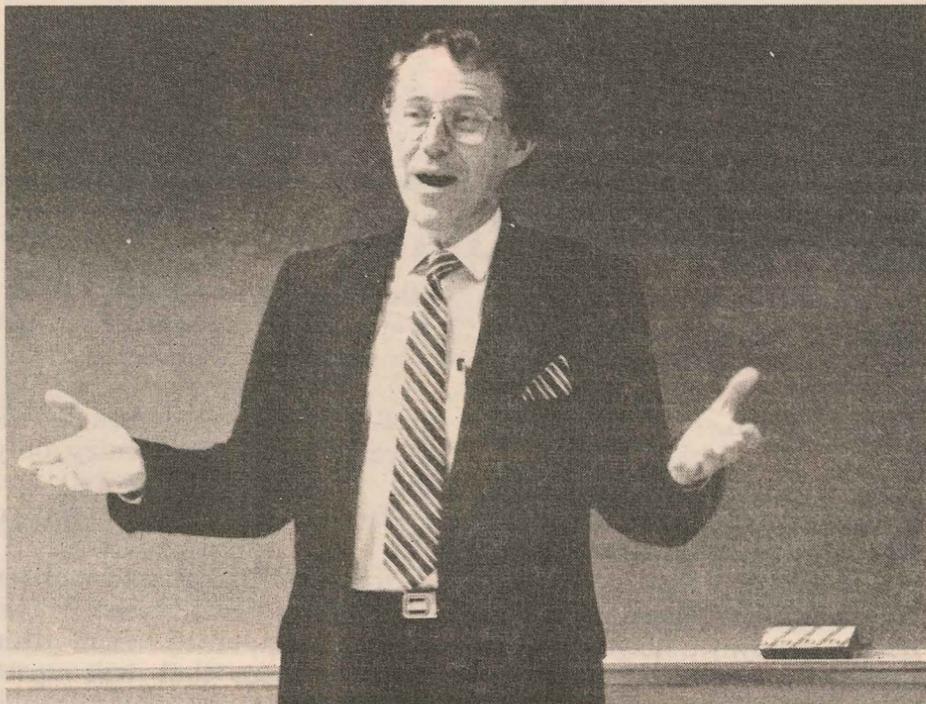
Tony Cupit's excitement about world evangelization is as easy to detect as his Australian accent.

Cupit, an Australian Baptist leader, is a national guest professor of missions at Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth, Tex., and will be involved in the heart of Baptist evangelism strategies during the next 10 years. He assumes the post of director of evangelism and education for the Baptist World Alliance following the organization's world congress next August in Seoul, South Korea.

"One missiologist has said the last decade of the century has sort of a motivation, a propulsion about it, so that initiatives taken in that last decade of the century spread their influence well into the next century," said Cupit. "And with the 1990s we're looking at the last decade of a millennium. Initiatives taken in this last decade could have an impact on world evangelization that we just can't even begin to imagine."

"One of my responsibilities will be to seek to encourage Baptist conventions, unions and churches around the world to see the year 2000 as a very significant date in terms of world evangelization," Cupit said. "Like Bold Mission Thrust of the Southern Baptist Convention, so in Australia we have 'Cross Over Australia,' an attempt to make sure every Australian has an opportunity to respond to the gospel in an authentic and meaningful way by the year 2000. I hope to bring that same motivation to Baptists around the world."

A native of Sydney, Australia's largest city, Cupit describes himself as a third generation Australian Baptist. He accepted Christ at age 14 at a Boy's Brigade (a Baptist Boy's Club) meeting



Tony Cupit

at Haberfield Baptist Church, Sydney. His first pastor was John Drakeford, distinguished professor of psychology and counseling emeritus at Southwestern.

During his collegiate training Cupit felt the call to overseas missions. In 1963 he married Margaret Norgate, whose parents were missionaries to China. Two years later the couple left for Papua, New Guinea as missionaries for the Australian Baptist Missionary Society. Cupit was a field linguist for seven years, teaching missionaries the language and translating the New Testa-

ment into the vernacular language of Kyaka Enga.

He returned to Australia in 1972 as the first overseas secretary of the Australian Baptist Missionary Society. Cupit assumed his current position, general superintendent of the Baptist Union of Victoria, in 1978. Victoria is the second largest of Australia's six states and contains the country's second largest city, Melbourne.

"Australian Baptists, along with New Zealand Baptists, send more missionaries to the foreign mission field per capita than any other country in the

world," Cupit said. Australian Baptists also give the most per capita for overseas aid through Baptist channels, he reported.

But success in home missions has been more difficult for Australians, Cupit said. "We've hidden behind the myth, which has some justification in fact, that Australians are the most secular people in the world, he stated. "And because of that belief we have tended not to proclaim our faith with the aggression that Southern Baptists proclaim it."

"We didn't come with pilgrim fathers. We don't have 'In God We Trust' on our coins," Cupit reminded.

But Australian Baptists are beginning to make their presence known at home, Cupit said, adding the Aussies' recent partnership with Texas Baptists provided them with a much needed shot in the arm.

"The partnership that we've had with Texas Baptists has been very significant, I think, in helping Australian Baptists to overcome their inhibitions about evangelism. We've learned that Australians are interested in the gospel more than we were perhaps prepared to concede. We are praying that Cross Over Australia and other evangelistic efforts will have a great impact on our country for Christ."

Cupit said he is enjoying his teaching stint at Southwestern, adding the seminary has had a very positive impact on his life.

"The thing that has impressed me most about Southwestern is the balance between academic integrity and evangelism and devotional life," he said. "I think it is marvelous to see men who are deeply steeped in academic research who are also preaching a very positive gospel of salvation."

Seminary student-chaplain ministers to AIDS patients

by Pam Alewine

Africa was on Kelly Broom's heart when she came to Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth, Tex., two years ago.

Miss Broom, a social work student from South Carolina, knew God had called her to a foreign mission field. But what she didn't know was the "foreign" field is in Ft. Worth, Tex.

Now, miles from Africa, Miss Broom works with AIDS (Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome) patients at John Peter Smith Hospital. "This is still a foreign mission field as far as many people are concerned," Miss Broom said.

Miss Broom became a volunteer chaplain last summer in the AIDS clinic at John Peter Smith. She visits the clinic once a week to talk with the AIDS patients and to "be a friend."

Although Miss Broom read extensively about AIDS, nothing prepared her for the emotions she has at the clinic.

"I felt a lot of emotions the first time I was there," she said. "I was excited about being there and I was afraid. But afterwards, I had an immense sense of grief. I just wanted to cry."

Miss Broom said part of the process of learning to minister to AIDS patients

was getting over what she called an "ignorant mindset" about the disease; she had to overcome the myths and fears.

"Some of [the patients] are just as afraid to come into the clinic as I am," she said.

But the newness and the foreign feeling soon wore off. Miss Broom discovered that the men and women in the clinic had basic needs such as friendship, love and acceptance.

"They're becoming my friends," she said. "I do a lot of listening and ask a lot of open ended questions. Most of the time they really want to talk."

Miss Broom said she witnesses at the clinic mostly through lifestyle evangelism. "It's the only thing that'll win them. A lot of them have been in churches all their lives and have seen how the church has rejected them. I knew I needed to go in there with a non-judgmental attitude."

The church is supposed to be a haven and a place where they're going to be able to heal and be loved and accepted," she said. "I feel like Christ would've been right in the midst of the AIDS problem. These are the unloved. I do pray that they would see Christ through me."



Kelly Broom

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Georgetown Has Three on Academic Team

Georgetown, Ky. —Georgetown College's Nancy Hulsmeyer has been named to the NAIA's second team All-American volleyball squad. The junior outside hitter from Louisville was a key part of the ninth-ranked Lady Tigers 36-6 record this season.

She was named to the honorable mention list last season.

Hulsmeyer was also named a National Scholar-Athlete by the NAIA along with teammates Chris and Trina Schimmoeller. Hulsmeyer is from Louisville and the Schimmoellers are from Versailles.

Georgetown is the only school in the nation with the three

representatives on the all-academic team, and of the 35 schools with athletes selected, only five had more than one player chosen.

"I'm really proud. I think it's a reflection on the type of program we try to maintain," said volleyball coach Donna Hawkins. "It's a good reflection on Georgetown College and the athletes as a whole."

The fact that Hawkins' squad was nationally ranked in the top ten for most of the season and in the title hunt makes having half of the team's starters chosen even more remarkable.

"I think there is criticism of

athletics putting athletes in front of studies. That obviously is not the case," said Hawkins.

Of the 41 student-athletes selected across the country, only the Schimmoeller twins had perfect 4.0 grade point averages.

All three of the honored athletes will return next season. Two players graduated from this season's team that was upset two weeks ago in its bid to make a return to the national playoffs.

"We have a record of graduating players at a higher rate than the school in general," said Hawkins. "I think that speaks well of the students we bring in."

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Using these newspapers as workbooks, teachers in grades one through 12 emphasize a variety of subjects ranging from English and reading to mathematics and economics. According to Sylvia Smith, NIE Coordinator at the Herald-Leader, "most teachers report that the newspaper stimulates their students, captivates their interest and enhances their classroom experience."

SADLON SERVES ON WRITING CENTER EXECUTIVE BOARD

Georgetown, Ky. —Dr. John Sadlon, associate professor of English at Georgetown College, has been elected to serve a third year term on the Executive Board of the Writing Centers Association: East Central U.S. Region.

During the Board's Oct. 13 meeting at the University of Cincinnati (Oh.), Sadlon was instrumental in persuading the association to provide funding for college students to travel to writing conferences where they may present papers.

HEIZER CONSULTANT TO PEACE INSTITUTE

Georgetown, Ky. —Jim Heizer, professor of history, has been invited to be a resource consultant by the Baker Institute for Peace and Conflict Studies.

Based at Juniata College in Huntingdon, Penn., the Baker Institute's primary purpose is to organize faculty development programs that are about the Soviet cultural, social, political and economic system. There programs include creation of curriculum materials and study tours for faculty to visit the USSR.

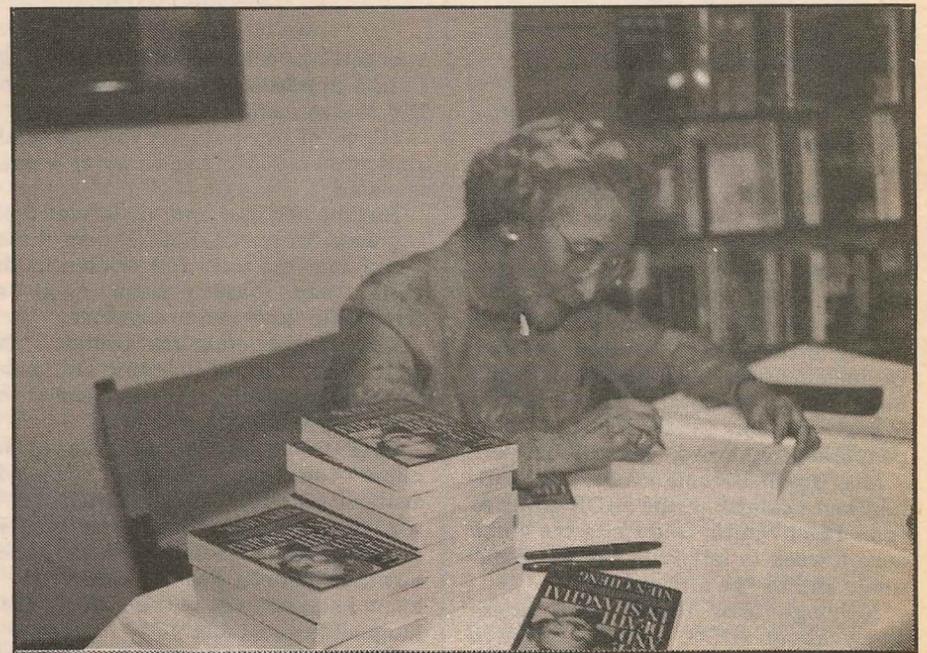
Admissions Day Second Highest Attended in Seven Years

Georgetown, Ky. --Georgetown College witnessed its second highest-attended fall student-visitation day in seven years, according to Garvel Kindrick, director of admissions.

This year's VIP Day, held Oct. 21, had 165 students and 201 parents from Kentucky, Tennessee, Virginia, Ohio, West Virginia, Indiana and New Jersey to attend. Total attendance for the annual visitation day was up 25 percent over the last six year average.

In addition to various campus activities held that day, scholarships were offered in biology, chemistry and mathematics for students who took the science exams.

Ten students from a field of 77 took honors. First place winners received a \$1,000 scholarship (renewable four years for a total of \$4,000); second place received \$750 (for a four year total of \$3,000); and third place received \$500 (for \$2,000 for four years).



Nien Cheng, New York Times' Bestselling author of Life and Death in Shanghai, recently autographed copies of her autobiography at Georgetown. She later addressed the faculty and students

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