

Two elected to fill KBC Brotherhood, Student staff vacancies

by James H. Cox, Associate Editor

Two persons were named Mar. 29 to fill Kentucky Baptist Convention executive board staff positions by the board's administrative committee.

John L. Lott Jr., pastor of Smiths Grove (Ky.) Baptist Church, will become associate director of the state Brotherhood Department, Middletown, May 1. He fills the vacancy created by the election of Rob Carr as Brotherhood director of the Illinois Baptist State Association, Springfield, more than a year ago.



Lott

Campus ministry is housed in the state convention's Student Department,

John P. Meadors, pastor of Sonora (Ky.) Baptist Church, has been interim Baptist campus minister at Elizabethtown Community College since Nov. 1. He began filling that part time position on a permanent basis Apr. 1.

Middletown.

A Louisville native, Lott, 36, has pastored the Smiths Grove church in Warren Association since 1985, after earning the MDiv degree at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville. Earlier he had received the BA in political science at the University of Louisville. He has held several positions with the former Stewarts Dry Goods Co. of Louisville.

Lott is married to the former Carol Lee Tucker of Louisville. They have no children.

Meadors, also 36, is a Paducah na-

tive and has pastored the Sonora church in Severns Valley Association since February 1989. Earlier, he served the pastorates of Corinth Baptist Church, McQuady, Ky., five years and English Baptist Church, Ammons, Ky., three years. He is a graduate of Troy (Ala.) State College and holds the MDiv degree from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. He has served both in the U. S. Army Reserve and the U. S. Air Force.

Meadors and his wife, the former Dorothy Doom, are parents of three daughters, 17 and 11-year-old twins.

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Dissatisfied panelist will challenge SBC report

by Dan Martin

The report of the 1990 Southern Baptist Convention committee on nominations will be challenged by committee member David Montoya of Gravette, Ark.

Montoya is pastor of First Baptist Church in the northwestern Arkansas town. Within hours after the committee adjourned its Mar. 22-23 meeting in Nashville, Montoya said he would present alternates to about half of the nominees at the SBC annual meeting June 12-14 in New Orleans.

"I was told before this meeting that this committee would be inclusive; I discovered that it was not," Montoya told reporters. "I was told the hard-line people would not be appointed this time and that we (the SBC) would be moving back to the center.

"But in this report you will find the hard-liners," he said.

Montoya is one of two Arkansas representatives on the committee on nominations, which nominates trustees to the national boards, agencies and institutions of the 14.9-million member SBC.

Each year the 66-member committee meets in mid March to deal with about 250 trustee posts; about half of the trustees considered are eligible for nominations to second terms. Thus, each year, under the staggered representation used by the SBC, about 125

new trustees are named.

Under SBC bylaw 16 the report of the committee on nominations is made public at least 45 days in advance of the annual meeting. The bylaw also specifies that anyone who plans to challenge the nominations make the challenges known in advance so messengers may be informed.

The 1990 committee on nominations met in closed session at the SBC Building in Nashville. Members voted to keep the procedures and nominations confidential.

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The committee on nominations has been at the heart of the 11-year theological political controversy in the denomination. Under SBC bylaws the convention president appoints a committee on committees which nominates members of the committee on nominations. The committee on nominations, after election by the convention, nominates trustees to be presented at the next annual meeting.

The election of conservative presidents—who appoint conservatives to the committee on committees, who nominate conservatives to the committee on nominations, who, in turn, nominate conservatives as trustees—has been a key strategy in the effort to turn the convention in a more conservative direction.

Montoya said he had been "a soldier in the political machine created by a group of individuals who abused the inerrancy issue for their own advantage" from 1982, when he graduated from Criswell College and became a pastor in Arkansas, until August 1989.

The leaders of the conservative "political machine," he said, "are men who are using the issue of inerrancy as an opportunistic base...to gain political power. They do not reward soldiers for their theological homogeneity but rather for their political loyalty.

"Because of my involvement in this political machine, which is easily verifiable and well documented, I was placed on the committee on nominations with instructions to place key people of the Arkansas network on the boards."

In August 1989 Montoya secretly tape recorded a political strategy meeting of the Arkansas network in which the election of their candidate for state convention president was discussed, as were other Arkansas and SBC objectives.

Montoya made the recording public and wrote articles for national publications accusing the conservative political machine of changing the inerrancy movement "from one of correction to one of corruption...from pursuing doctrinal purity to pursuing power politics, focusing not on inerrancy but on personal advancement, prestige, vendettas, power and, of course, money."

He said the inerrancy movement began as an effort to end liberalism in the SBC. "Finding those liberals is like going on a snipe hunt—you're told they're out there, but no one's ever seen one," he said.

He noted during the news conference a promise by conservatives to "enlarge the tent" of the SBC to be more inclusive in the appointments. "I did not recognize one single person (nominated) who would be recognized as a moderate. I did recognize some very hard-liners," he said.

The Mar. 22-23 meeting of the committee on nominations "was definitely their (the conservative political machine's) meeting," Montoya said. "I believe the members were sincere and felt they were doing right. I stood, I opposed, I voted, I abstained because I saw another process taking place.

"At the close of the meeting I asked that I be allowed to present a minority report. They voted that down. I was the only person in the room that asked for a minority report.

"I am going to present a minority report because I believe there are other middle-of-the-road nonpolitical Baptists out there who need to be appointed. I don't believe we are going to get anywhere with this controversy as long as we keep recirculating the same political leaders over and over again.

"There are those who will be angry because I have brought this out. I am sorry but it needs to be brought out," he said. "There are some who will say my integrity is worthless because I

talked with the press but I say the Bible says, 'Whatever you do, don't do it in secret.' They are talking about being inclusive but they are doing something else."

Montoya mentioned two examples he identified as "hard-liners" being named by the committee: Lee Roberts, a Marietta, Ga., businessman who led a challenge against Mercer University and its president, being named to the SBC Executive Committee, and Robert Tenery, pastor of Burkemont Baptist Church, Morganton, N. C., and editor of a conservative publication, the Southern Baptist Advocate, being named to the Baptist Sunday School Board. Tenery has served an eight-year term as a BSSB trustee, rotating off in 1989.

Montoya said he would begin contacting state executives, denominational leaders and "anybody I can find" to begin assembling his list of alternate nominees. He said he would make them public in conjunction with the release of the report of the committee on nominations in late April.

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After Montoya's news conference Barrett Duke, pastor of First Baptist Church of Highlands Ranch in suburban Denver, Col., and vice chairman of the committee, also met with the news media.

Duke commented he thinks it "improper" for Montoya "to release any names at this point. But no one of the committee tried to deny David the privilege of saying whatever he wanted to say. I do not think that (discussing the nominations) is what the committee wanted to do but David is within his rights to divulge that; he is free to do whatever he wants to do." (BP)

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Let's not overlook something positive

The Mar. 1-2 meeting of the commissioners of the Christian Life Commission has received a good deal of attention across the convention. The commissioners voted 12-11 to encourage the CLC staff to make the issue of abortion the "litmus" test for all speakers and participants at CLC sponsored events. Specifically, they voted to encourage the staff to bar any speaker on any subject if that speaker was sympathetic to the pro-choice position. This action is an illustration of what happens when SBC-elected leaders use their position for advocacy rather than for oversight.

There are plenty of folks around, including this writer, who are dead set against abortion as a means of birth control, but who are also very wary of making any single moral issue the benchmark for participation in SBC events. No question about it, the abortion issue is one of the most significant with which we have to deal. But there are other issues with equal moral significance. When we single out one issue and make that the bedrock for decision making about leadership we are asking for trouble. The close vote of the commissioners indicates their divided mind on such a move. Kentucky Baptists should be happy to note that Jerry Hopkins, our representative on the commission, voted against the motion.

What troubles me about the vote is that the positive work of Richard Land has been overlooked. The fact is, this motion was a rebuke of a conservative agency head by a conservative board. Land did not know this motion was going to be made and he attempted to diffuse the issue. Alas, he was unsuccessful. Land ought to be given credit for his attempts to be inclusive in the selection of leadership for CLC events. If he had not attempted to encourage speakers that represent the broad spectrum of Southern Baptists this motion would not have surfaced. Land deserves the thanks of Southern Baptists for his attempt to reach out to all sides, and the commissioners ought to rethink this dangerous and self-defeating motion.

Here's Hope makes an impact on Kentucky

The revival meetings for which Kentucky Baptists have been preparing are now underway. In every corner of the state, in churches large and small, the work is now underway. Our state family has united in an effort to pray down, preach out and praise in the Holy Spirit on our churches and the lost. It will be an effort rewarded by God's own encouragement.

The other day I was cutting across Spencer County when I happened by River View Baptist Church. I don't know one soul in that church but I feel kin to them. If you've driven south by that church you know that it sits in one of the most beautiful locations of any church in the commonwealth. At the crest of a ridge, the front doors look out over the valley of the Salt River. It is a breathtaking view! Climbing the hill, I was looking out at the valley, then, at the crest, my eyes darted right to the church. And what did I see? A banner, right by the road, saying, "Here's Hope, America! Jesus Cares for You!," with the dates and times of the revival meeting.

So this is my way of saying thanks to whoever put up that sign. Its presence made my personal spirits soar because it reminded me of all the churches by the side of the roads of the state who have taken this effort with great seriousness. River View, here's one fellow you don't even know who is praying every day for the success of your revival meeting! And Kentucky Baptists, join me in that—not just for this one church, but for every church who is faithful in its burden for its own field. May God bring real revival to us all!

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viewpoint

Layman speaks against defunding BJCPA

The initial reaction to the recent SBC Executive Committee decision to defund the BJCPA in favor of bankrolling the Washington office (lobby) of the Christian Life Commission is one of anger and frustration. On second thought, however, one may see this decision as providing at last the galvanizing force needed to arouse heretofore apathetic church members into recognizing and acting to nullify the effort of a relative handful of dogmatists to use Cooperative Program funds to finance their political agenda, even as some have acted politically to "fundamentalize" and destabilize the convention itself.

The concomitant recommendation by the Executive Committee that the money-drenched CLC now address "religious liberty issues as well as Christian social ethics" is a loaded gun, the most serious threat yet to SBC unity. Whereas thinking members merely ho-hum the inerrancy hokum, knowing full well they are free to devise their own beliefs regarding spiritual matters, they will not sit still for this obvious ploy by a few self-appointed keepers of the SBC conscience to use SBC money to finance what will amount to another "Moral Majority" that will embarrass the SBC.

These purveyors of a program to do politically what they should be accomplishing voluntarily in their churches do not realize that church-state separation is weakened every time they lobby a government official on any subject other than religious

freedom as guaranteed in the first amendment. There is nothing to prevent any citizen from lobbying individually or as a member of any civic or social organization in behalf of or against any legislation, court decision or candidate for office.

However, when religious denominations as such attempt to force their views on the body politic through arm-twisting government officials, they are asking the government, in turn and in fairness, to exercise similar constraints upon the denominations. A case in point is the reluctance of government to interdict snake-handling services even though such activities, according to many Christians as well as government officials, "ought to be against the law," the reason being that these services constitute a threat to public safety and well being. This social danger notwithstanding, it is a lead pipe cinch that the Executive Committee and the CLC would be against laws prohibiting religious activities involving even snake-handling, the reason being obvious—religious freedom.

Substitute any other social circumstance for snake-handling, such as abortion, gun-control, drugs, military draft, women in combat, homosexuality, school prayer (yes, a social exercise), defense spending, etc. All of a sudden the Executive Committee wants the denomination, as an official religious entity, to work its will on the public in these matters, thus inviting the government, in turn, to address the churches and Christian schools on so-

cial matters such as equal opportunity, discrimination vis-a-vis homosexuals, drug education, sex education, race discrimination and quotas (hiring practices), taxes and on and on. The opening of a can of worms of this magnitude would be intolerable.

The most glaring travesty/injustice, however, with regard to the Executive Committee action is that which is visited upon the membership of the SBC itself and has to do with the vital matter of consensus—or lack thereof. The truth of this is obvious in the almost-hallowed concept of the priesthood of the believer. The SBC is an umbrella organization, not a monolithic, hierarchy-dominated denomination governed by a miniscule minority.

When a handful of CLC employees appointed by a handful of narrow dogmatists furthering a social and political agenda purport to speak on any matter for this writer and practically life long SBCer, they will drive him away—and tens of thousands like him. Denominational dogmatists pose little threat in matters of faith and practice. When the convention survives their purging, they will simply turn on each other.

But they had best look well to their efforts to politicize the denomination in the secular world. Having no corner on the social truth in the first place, they will have much for which to answer if they tear down a spiritual organization supporting a world wide witness of the magnitude of the SBC.

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fourth estate

Dollars well spent

About twice a year my travels take me to Bell County. I welcome the opportunity to visit Clear Creek Baptist Bible College while there. I have just returned from such a trip and my heart is overflowing with gratitude for the school.

Founded in 1926, Clear Creek holds a distinctive place in denominational life. Geared to adults, the median age of its students is 31. More than 90% of the 157 young adults there now are married, most with two children. Clear Creek's special appeal is to the student who is either unable or unwilling to return to the traditional college classroom but who has experienced a call, often later in life, to prepare for ministry. Clear Creek focuses on a "family environment" rather than a core decidedly for singles. Classes are provided for spouses and activities offered for children.

The institution is fully accredited by the American Association of Bible Colleges. A four-year college degree, Bachelor of Arts in Ministry, is offered. A three-year diploma program is available.

Costs are low. Tuition averages \$80 per semester. Campus family housing rents from \$125-\$185 monthly including most utilities.

Recently I addressed combined communications and speech classes. I was impressed once again by the sacrifice, determination and ability of those young adults. Inquiring minds and winsome spirits suggest that the churches which call them will be immeasurably blessed.

I almost never go to Clear Creek that I don't find SBC personalities who regularly include Pineville on their itineraries. This exposes future leaders to areas heretofore beyond their grasp. The day I was there I heard a Home Mission Board colleague preach in chapel. I could not help but notice the attentiveness with which he was heard.

From all indications president Bill Whittaker is doing a splendid job of building upon Clear Creek's foundation. He and other able administrators, a full time faculty of a dozen choice intellects and several part time instructors lead one to think the little school in the mountains is in capable hands.

Kentucky Baptists have a significant investment in Clear Creek. While we supply only about 23% of its \$1.7 million budget, my belief is that the return on our dollars is greater than what we give. I'm proud to be a Kentucky Baptist. Clear Creek is one of the reasons why.

Ecology: Biblical injunctions, Baptists' response

by Robert Parham

We've ignored the Bible

The cargo ship *Pelicano* sailed the seas for more than two years searching for a place to dump 14,000 tons of toxic waste. Nation after nation refused to accept its incinerator ash from Philadelphia. The vessel eventually dumped some of its poisonous cargo off a beach in Haiti and left the rest of it in the Indian Ocean.

The story of the *Pelicano* raises two questions. First, what are we doing to our environment? Second, what does the Bible say about earth care?

The answer to the first question is that we seem bent on destruction. In almost every imaginable way we endanger the earth at an astonishing rate. Consider a few of the threats:

- Discarded refrigerator coolants and plastic-foam products release a gas which has burned a hole in the paper-line ozone layer shielding the earth from harmful solar radiation.
- Industrial pollution has damaged as much as 22 percent of the forests in Europe and has made some east European rivers void of life.
- The destruction of tropical rain forests is driving into extinction species as yet undiscovered which could provide miracle cures to illnesses.
- Sixteen billion disposable diapers, 220 million tires and tons of other refuse are thrown away in America every year with the result that the nation is running out of landfills.

The endangerment of the earth has resulted in large measure from our failure to hear the Bible speak on ecology. The Bible's message on earth care is as clear as an unpolluted mountain stream. We have just ignored it.

In the 1990s we Southern Baptists need to recover the biblical message about care for creation. Gen. 1:28 and 2:15 are good places to begin. Both passages set out God's desire for human care of creation.

Gen. 1:28 often has been misinterpreted. The commandment to "have dominion" over the earth has been interpreted to mean "have domination." Dominion and domination may seem like the same concept but they are two radically different ideas.

Dominion entails an oppressive rule which lacks justice. The image is that of a powerful king trampling on the neck of a conquered enemy.

Dominion, on the other hand, does not allow for a ruthless assault on nature. It expresses God's desire for responsible human action in pursuit of justice and peace. Dominion means human beings are to rule over creation as a king reigns with justice and peace.

If Gen. 1:28 has been misunderstood, Gen. 2:15 has often been overlooked. Here the biblical witness tells us that man was in the garden "to till it and keep it." The Hebrew word for "to till" can also be translated "to serve," providing the idea that human beings are to serve creation just as a king serves a people.

The other word in the phrase is "to keep." As human beings are to keep God's statutes (Ex. 15:26) and commandments (Ex. 20:6), we are to keep the garden (Gen. 2:15). We are to look after creation with the same faithfulness that we are to obey God's laws.

The endangered earth needs us to hear what the Bible is saying.

We can do a lot

Each of us can become involved in

earth care. Here are six practical steps to consider:

- First, study the Bible. Scripture offers a clear message about earth care. Many of us either have failed to hear the message or just plain ignored it. We need to hear and to heed God's call.

- Second, recycle. Landfills are disappearing. More than 66 percent of America's landfills have been closed since 1970. A significant portion of those remaining will be closed in the next several years. The best way to respond to our landfill problem is to reduce our waste through recycling. Consider recycling glass containers, aluminum cans, newspaper, compost leaves, lawn clippings and vegetable wastes from the kitchen.

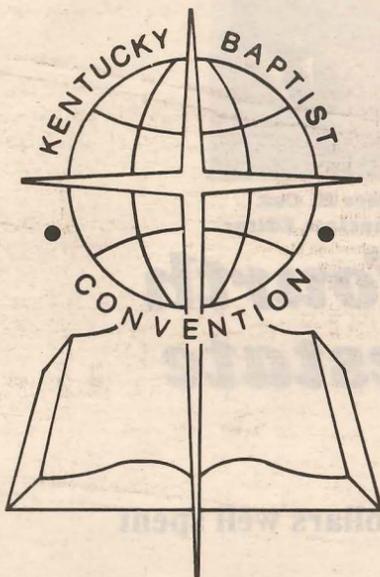
- Third, plant trees. Tree planting can be a meaningful family activity with important environmental consequences related to the threat of global warming. Think about planting a tree this year and buying a living Christmas tree, rather than one destined for a landfill.

- Fourth, use energy wisely. Wear a sweater in winter, rather than turning up the heat. Keep the lint screen clean in the dryer. Turn off the television when no one is watching it.

- Fifth, exercise consumer power when you go shopping. Ask for paper sacks rather than plastic ones. Purchase items with less packaging. Buy products made from recycled material.

- Sixth, become an environmental activist. Talk up earth care in your Sunday school class and neighborhood. Support community recycling efforts. Remove your address from the junk mail lists: write Mail Preference Service, Direct Mail Marketing Association, 6 East 43rd Street, New York, NY 10017.

KBC six month Cooperative Program report



The following report is for the period September 1, 1989 through February 28, 1990. A comparison of Cooperative Program receipts for the previous year is being reported to provide additional information. The first column of figures contains the 1989 six-months Cooperative Program gifts, and the second column contains the 1990 six-months Cooperative Program gifts given through the KBC Accounting Services Department, prepared by the KBC Computer Services Department and coordinated by the KBC Office of Resource Development. If you have any questions, please call the KBC Accounting Services

ASSOCIATION/CHURCH	CP 89	CP 90
ALLEN		
Bays Fork		
Bethel		61
Big Spring		
Dover Msnry		
Harmony		
Holland	412	412
Hopewell		
Liberty	973	871
Mt Gilead Msnry		
New Hope	568	643
New Middle Fork		
New Salem		
Rough Creek		
Scottsville	20,706	25,937
Trammel Fork	250	1,396
White Plains	433	
	23,342	29,620
ANDERSON		
Alton	3,152	3,514
Ballard	1,216	717
Fellowship	270	270
Friendship		
Glenboro	1,263	1,044
Goshen	252	313
Lawrenceburg First	28,305	30,137
Mt Pleasant	860	
Pleasant Grove	125	100
Sand Spring	24,458	18,270
Tyrone	285	
Van Buren		
	60,186	54,365
BELL		
Antioch		
Arjay		
Bennetts Fork	562	568
Bethlehem	777	945
Binghamtown	1,333	2,000
Blackmont	300	350
Blue Ridge		
Calloway	498	488
Charity No. 2		
Chenoa Mission	50	50
Clear Fork		
Dunlap		
East Cumberland Ave	6,242	6,456
East Jellico	826	739
East Pineville		
Ferndale So Mission	207	153
Fonde		276
Fuson Chapel		
Garmada		
Harmony		
Hensley Chapel		
Hosman	1,875	1,440
Insull		
Jenson		284
Meldrum		
Mill Creek		
Millers Chapel		
Moss Chapel	150	90
Mt Hebron	96	45

ASSOCIATION/CHURCH	CP 89	CP 90
Mt Mary		
Newtown	33	40
Northside		
Old Cannon Creek		
Old Salem 1		
Old Salem 2		
Old Straight Creek		
Old York Creek	4,722	4,419
Pathfork	249	244
Pine Grove	121	48
Pineville First	14,186	16,417
Pioneer	53	39
Red Oak		
Richardson Chapel		
Riverside	907	1,032
Riverside	288	299
Southside		250
Stoney Fork		87
Tracy Branch Msnry		
Tugglesville Msnry	69	31
Varilla		
Victory Msnry	622	476
Wasoto	300	300
West Cumberland Ave	624	789
West Pineville	1,268	1,182
	36,358	39,537
BETHEL		
Adairville	6,392	6,673
Auburn	3,500	4,667
Calvary	1,830	4,531
Dripping Springs	3,111	3,576
Elkton	6,875	7,000
Forest Grove	1,442	1,614
Grace Southern	502	508
Guthrie	4,751	4,593
Keysburg	1,321	1,439
Mt Gilead	2,550	1,662
Mt Zion	347	415
New Union	4,662	4,286
Post Oak	5,558	6,707
Russellville First	21,535	30,776
Russellville Second	8,569	3,353
Sharon Grove	2,024	1,476
Southern Heights	4,708	5,644
Spring Valley		266
Tiny Town	600	600
Trenton	4,726	5,355
Walnut Grove	4,690	44,245
Whippoorwill	1,572	1,577
Woodlawn	1,447	1,352
	92,712	142,315
BLACKFORD		
Blackford	9,064	8,155
Central	810	870
Chestnut Grove	1,297	1,497
Dawson Memorial	261	401
Friendship		
Hawesville	16,973	14,626
Lewisport	14,449	14,644
Lewisport First	439	287
Mt Eden	1,236	1,460
Newton Springs	1,382	1,030
Old Panther Creek	1,413	963
Patesville		
Pellville	12,229	11,134
Roseville		
Union	3,118	4,194
West Point	144	115
	62,815	59,376
BLOOD RIVER		
Altona	5,077	4,649
Benton First	21,169	20,353
Bethel	11,147	11,326
Bethlehem	1,479	1,364
Blood River	622	860
Briensburg	33,913	35,438
Calvary	144	120
Calvert City First	5,926	12,533
Cherry Corner	5,982	3,576
Coldwater		140
Dexter Msnry	1,173	1,207
Elm Grove	10,195	11,818
Elva		
Ferguson Springs	820	300
First Benton Msnry	2,203	9,690
Flint	2,579	3,217
Gilbertville First	4,129	3,647
Grace	4,236	5,056
Hamlet	2,436	2,460
Hardin	4,083	4,746
Hazel	14,573	16,420
Hilltop	232	117
Kirksey	1,226	3,205
Lakeview	1,669	1,715
Ledbetter	421	559
Lighthouse	15	0
Locust Grove	4,239	5,845
Memorial	12,234	9,301
Murray First	62,954	66,659
New Bethel	2,400	2,400
New Harmony	9,370	14,149
New Mt Carmel	1,306	1,409
New Providence	88	162
New Zion	3,543	3,405
Northside	2,778	1,980
Oak Grove	1,284	974
Olive	3,755	3,368
Owens Chapel	903	1,202
Pleasant Hope		
Pleasant Valley	656	563
Poplar Spring	2,151	2,636
Salem	3,977	4,976
Scotts Grove	1,727	1,804
Sharpe	1,729	2,037
Sinking Spring	550	285
South Marshall	160	150
Spring Creek	1,500	1,800
Sugar Creek	400	400
Union Ridge	1,158	1,349
Vanzora	2,275	2,391
Walnut Street	250	300
West Fork	3,188	3,757
Westside	4,832	5,084
Zions Cause	4,767	6,605
	275,053	299,507

ASSOCIATION/CHURCH	CP 89	CP 90
BOONES CREEK		
Allansville	2,865	2,904
Beech Grove	368	287
Boones Creek	9,000	11,400
Calvary	3,462	3,160
Central	56,164	73,955
Clay City	541	521
Corinth	4,047	2,390
Cow Creek	1,334	1,206
Emmanuel	376	505
Ephesus	3,782	2,340
Faith	66	66
Friendship	3,036	4,692
Greenbriar	53	
Heidelberg	193	380
Howards Mill	1,367	1,187
Irvine First	740	1,053
Ivory Hill	553	482
Jeffersonville	1,512	1,434
Kiddville	190	210
Macedonia	2,111	2,408
Means Mission	654	607
Mt Olive	443	434
New Hope Pine Grove	440	488
Northside	4,732	3,981
Panola	974	899
Powells Valley	562	486
Providence CC	1,059	974
Providence EC	1,488	1,267
Reid Village	300	300
Salem	536	558
Spring Street	736	1,065
Thomas	768	808
Valley View Mission	70	130
Williams Memorial	1,323	1,299
	105,845	123,876
BOONEVILLE		
Big Creek	1,158	829
Booneville First	1,422	1,539
Crane Creek		400
Garrard	317	333
Gray Fork		
Hopewell		
Horse Creek	32,303	25,547
Island Creek	1,109	1,472
Lerose	30	30
Lily Grove		186
Lytleton	4,761	4,314
Macedonia	2,802	3,725
Manchester	14,261	7,983
Muddy Gap		
New Hope		622
New Hope Msnry		
New Prospect	787	1,305
New Zion Msnry	214	183
Oneida	2,496	2,858
Pleasant Point	250	0
Pleasant Run	2,467	2,640
Second Black Water	456	364
Vincent		
White Hall		
Zion	632	567
	65,465	54,897
BRACKEN		
Aberdeen	3,106	3,452
Augusta First	53	340
Calvary	225	240
Carlisle First	5,884	6,164
Central	7,502	7,105
Dover		
Ewing	750	1,090
Flemingsburg	1,790	2,350
Foxport	350	551
Garrison First	788	867
Germantown	781	783
Heselon		
Irvingville		
Lewisburg	687	784
Locust Grove	413	333
Mays Lick	150	1,700
Maysville First	1,684	1,997
Minerva	15	
Morehead First	3,495	7,235
Mt Olivet	1,555	1,558
Mt Pisgah	29	89
Oak Ridge	411	478
Owingsville	2,586	2,620
Plain View	290	236
Sharpsburg		30
Slaty Point	118	143
Stonelick	376	409
Union	295	192
Vanceburg First	3,740	3,093
	37,073	43,839
BRECKENRIDGE		
Bewleyville		150
Black Lick		150
Cloverport	4,088	4,167
Corinth	4,702	4,938
Dry Valley		
English	250	200
Friendship	600	600
Garfield	558	631
Goshen	600	750
Hardinsburg	10,690	12,602
Hites Run	1,617	1,834
Macedonia	651	582
New Bethel	2,014	1,079
New Clover Creek	1,216	1,426
Pisgah	139	351
Rough River		
Stephensport	141	139
Walnut Grove	793	668
	28,209	30,098
CALDWELL/LYON		
Adriel	450	450
Beulah Hill	1,115	435
Calvary	2,859	3,023
Cedar Bluff	2,548	2,096
Chapel Hill	1,055	617
Creswell	3,438	3,471
Crider	219	211

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Donaldson	3,358	3,540
Eddy Creek	4,326	5,173
Eddyville First	12,831	12,897
Eddyville Second	457	378
Emmanuel	335	381
Fairview	270	198
Fredonia First	2,700	3,000
Hebron	4,229	5,400
Highland	584	315
Hopewell Msnry	600	1,248
Kuttawa First	5,758	4,543
Lamasco	2,100	2,140
Lebanon	800	931
Liberty	1,948	1,851
Macedonia	1,655	1,488
Midway	1,417	1,571
Mt Pisgah	469	567
Mt Zion	1,915	2,405
New Bethel	2,209	2,810
Northside	19,024	23,972
Pleasant Grove	2,749	2,860
Pleasant Hill	726	642
Princeton First	24,577	24,583
Princeton Second	3,066	3,441
Quinn	646	938
Southside	15,433	17,319
Sugar Creek	2,804	2,286
Suwanee Furnace	319	413
Unity Msnry	274	292
Walnut Grove	9,702	8,657
White Sulphur	1,604	1,618
	140,569	148,160
CASEY		
Chestnut Grove		869
Creston Msnry		1,181
Ellisburg		146
Grove Ridge		240
Indian Creek		316

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Riverview	200	200	Hillcrest	2,250	8,376	Pleasant Grove	80	120	Fairview	3,720	2,544
Sherman	2,948	2,590	Hillsboro	3,803	4,212	Quality	905		Faith	228	253
Short Creek	1,226	1,263	Immanuel	103,807	94,328	Richland	1,220	1,433	Fellowship Chapel	19	
Trinity Southern	1,370	1,694	Lawrenceburg Commy	525	533	Rochester Msnry	1,200	1,200	Flatwoods First	5,788	7,403
Turner Ridge	8,537	9,672	Lexington First	3,784	5,261	Rock Spring	340		Grace	724	554
Unity	2,695	3,837	Long Lick	2,182	2,434	Salem	757	726	Grayson First	9,092	6,265
Victory	373	254	Lyle Road	250	300	Sandy Creek	1,179	1,357	Greenup First	2,280	3,480
Williamstown	14,685	19,224	Midway	2,302	2,368	Union	1,281	1,115	Hyland Heights	900	900
	60,408	66,431	Millersburg	389	203	Woodbury			Kenwood Msnry		583
DAVISS-MCLEAN			Millville	3,502	2,587		24,894	21,690	Kirk Memorial	228	228
Apollo Heights	4,120	3,701	Mt Freedom	2,624	3,569				Liberty Msnry	2,336	1,541
Bellevue	36,954	42,404	Mt Pleasant	3,468	0				Lloyd First	2,571	2,668
Bethabara	7,792	6,696	Mt Sterling First	11,000	11,333	GOSHEN			Louisa First	8,348	7,545
Bethel	258	244	Mt Vernon	1,192	1,158	Broadway			New Hope		
Brushy Fork	807	764	New Hope	3,322	3,495	Grandview			Oakland Avenue	11,590	14,491
Buck Creek	2,251	2,002	Nicholasville	5,100	4,250	Hanging Rock	456	880	Olive Hill First	4,428	3,964
Buena Vista	30,390	29,281	Northview	6,092	9,365	Hopewell Msnry			Pollard	4,216	879
Buttonsberry	812	813	Paris First	10,686	11,790	Little Flock Msnry			Raceland First	1,083	1,083
Calhoun	12,033	11,793	Parkway	8,424	6,847	Meeting Creek			Richardson Msnry	507	353
Cedar Street Msnry			Penn Avenue	3,347	4,642	Millwood	30	30	Riverview	844	817
Crabtree Avenue	4,341	2,651	Porter Memorial	73,108	74,091	Pilgrim			Rose Hill Msnry	8,712	11,746
Crossroads		614	Revelation			Pleasant View			Rush Chapel		
Curdsville	840	927	Riverview			Sulphur Wells Msnry			Russell First	7,427	7,804
Dawson	4,582	2,606	Rosemont	18,539	20,611		486	910	Sandy Hook First	590	460
Eaton Memorial	13,095	13,842	Royal Springs						South Shore First	1,932	2,016
Friendship	1,423	1,751	Russell Cave	3,083	3,220	GRAVES			Southside	270	270
Garden Green	200	275	Sadieville	512	595	Baltimore	120	120	Summitt	3,519	3,359
Glenville	6,190	5,945	Seventh Street	409	273	Bell City	339	443	Unity	24,475	20,835
Green Brier	2,261	558	Silas	351	343	Bethany	198	426	Wayside	300	250
Hall Street	16,347	16,479	South Elkhorn	10,498	8,566	Clarks River	8,521	10,343	Wildwood	3,905	4,375
Hopewell	616	679	Southern Heights	7,819	8,166	Cuba	4,816	4,557	Willard Msnry	409	388
Immanuel	490		Spears Mill	752	1,195	Dublin			Wilson Creek Msnry	105	135
Island	10,164	10,699	Springdale			Emmanuel	510	759	Wolf Creek	912	500
Karns Grove	2,319	4,141	Stamping Ground	2,563	1,110	Enon	1,200	1,200	Worthington First	2,114	2,147
Lewis Lane	14,974	16,161	Stonewall			Fairview			Wurtland Msnry	574	701
Livermore	8,551	8,465	Tatesbrook			Farmington	2,909	4,051		158,214	146,629
Macedonia	21,088	21,639	Trinity	1,250	2,100	Fellowship	72	76	HENRY COUNTY		
Maceo	2,883	3,152	Versailles	30,037	29,296	Hardmoney	500	600	Bethlehem	8,111	5,423
Masonville	5,708	6,430	White Sulphur	1,361	1,265	Hickory	1,620	1,824	Campbellsburg	4,098	1,269
Mt Vernon	1,313	503	Winchester First	25,465	22,775	High Point	22,279	23,876	Eminence	5,946	5,402
Newman	1,683	2,360	Woodland Avenue			Liberty	6,614	7,298	Franklinton	1,110	1,927
Old Buck Creek	129	121		556,569	545,066	Little Bethel			Hopewell		100
Owensboro First	63,113	66,514	ENTERPRISE			Lynnville	603	401	Lockport	946	1,411
Owensboro Third	52,240	38,747	Allen First	375	750	Mayfield First	41,918	36,920	New Castle First	4,439	7,201
Pack		664	Benedict	449	564	Melber	404	416	Orville	695	1,140
Panther Creek	6,133	6,550	Brushy Fork Msnry	363	413	Mt Haven		410	Pleasureville	3,870	4,293
Parrish Avenue	4,476	8,313	Fitzpatrick First	1,633	511	Mt Olivet	855	979	Port Royal	1,628	1,800
Pleasant Grove	9,939	7,946	Garrett	365	413	Mt Pisgah			Smithfield	4,750	4,744
Pleasant Memorial	3,798	3,087	Inez First	11,538	11,600	New Concord	200		Sulphur	783	
Pleasant Ridge	3,141	2,877	Ivyton			New Home	658	632	Turners Station	488	738
Red Hill	812	740	Jacks Creek		440	New Hope Msnry	537	615	Union	769	1,163
Ridgewood	476	504	Lancer	714	606	New Liberty	176	256		37,633	36,611
Riverside			Liberty	330	381	New Life		200	IRVINE		
Sacramento	3,808	3,270	Licking River	196	20	Northside	295	2,750	Annville	450	600
Seven Hills	8,000	8,400	Martin First	498	586	Oak Grove	300	300	Clover Bottom	750	650
Sorgho	3,255	2,839	Maytown First	821	841	Pilot Oak	1,618	1,741	Deer Stables Msnry	115	304
South Hampton	1,644	2,147	McDowell First	1,308	1,532	Pleasant Grove	1,688	1,166	Egypt	973	1,091
Stanley	1,407	1,172	Paintsville First	5,975	9,435	Pryorsburg Msnry	692	907	Gray Hawk	849	867
Station	240	240	Pine Grove	90	81	Sand Hill	347	268	McKee	4,288	3,958
Sugar Grove	3,302	2,993	Prestonsburg First	6,989	8,077	Sedalia	4,582	2,866	Mt Zion	28	67
Temple	8,873	11,121	Salysville First	480	480	Sharon	3,965	4,879	New Zion Msnry	50	60
Utica	9,824	6,513	Topmost			South First Street			Oak Grove	804	751
Walnut Street	8,601	6,917	Warfield Msnry	1,441	1,318	Trace Creek	700	618	Old Orchard	253	269
Whitesville	1,800	1,500	West Van Lear	354	351	Viola	485	353	Pilgrims Rest	89	92
Wing Avenue	5,266	6,658	Wheelwright First	215	106	Water Valley			Red Lick	60	60
Yellow Creek	17,266	17,143		34,134	38,505	West Broadway	440	656	Stone Coal	120	120
Yelvington	1,011	623				Wingo	7,566	7,083	Tyner	440	531
	433,039	425,174	FRANKLIN				117,727	119,989	Wind Cave	64	57
EAST LYNN			Bellepoint	4,670	4,990	GRAYSON				9,333	9,477
Allendale			Bethel	681		Big Clifty Mission	64	62	JACKSON		
Bethel			Buck Run	8,231	5,402	Caneyville	6,181	5,381	Black Water #1	0	0
Corinth Msnry			Calvary	2,245	2,322	Clarkson	3,821	2,790	Drip Rock	0	0
Green Hill	728	665	Camp Pleasant			Holly	240	320	Indian Creek	0	0
Holly Grove	1,041	1,333	Cedar Grove			Leitchfield First	25,210	25,677	Letter Box	0	0
Liberty	1,023	1,333	Corinthian First			Liberty	1,408	1,390	Mauldin Msnry	0	0
Life Gate			Crestwood	15,022	13,000	Little Clifty	2,804	3,291	New Bethel	0	0
Mt Carmel	18	28	East Frankfort	1,199	1,572	New Hope Msnry	105	105	Pine Hill	0	0
Mt Roberts	1,142	1,069	Evergreen	5,990	5,730	Shrewsbury	421	772			
Mt Washington	400	400	Faith	627	815		40,254	39,788	LAUREL RIVER		
Rolling Fork			Farmdale	1,500	3,534	Advance	1,381	1,216	Arthur Ridge		
South Summersville	781	822	Forks of Elkhorn	1,767	2,493	Airline	9,718	8,889	Baldrock	427	380
Union Band	222	192	Frankfort First	11,362	13,331	Ambassador	4,468	648	Bond	1,185	1,217
Whickerville			Hillcrest	3,725	4,148	Audubon	6,154	6,040	Buffalo		
	4,314	5,550	Immanuel	27,417	28,875	Bethel	1,518	1,715	Calvary	2,348	2,173
EAST UNION			Lebanon	1,725	964	Cairo Msnry	311	359	Corinth	18,164	20,458
Big Poplar Creek			Memorial	12,424	13,075	Calvary Msnry	1,768	1,522	East Bernstadt First	8,365	9,247
Black Oak			Mt Carmel			Cash Creek	2,437	2,283	East Pittsburg	919	318
Cane Gap Msnry			Mt Vernon			Cherry Hill	450	858	Emmanuel Msnry	201	213
Carpenter			North Benson	2,959	3,757	Corydon Msnry	504	1,287	Greenmount	264	273
Clearfork			North Fork	5,150	4,801	Dupey	60	60	Hart	1,984	1,547
Emlyn			North Frankfort	792	800	Eastview	252	210	Hawk Creek	766	941
Kensee	309	353	Pleasant Ridge	1,964	1,468	Finley	2,920	3,099	Hazel Patch		
Little Poplar			Providence	2,691	3,267	Geneva	989	946	Jackson Memorial	25	41
Louden			St John	1,541	1,524	Greater Norris Chape			Laurel Chapel		
New Buffalo			Swallowfield	487	300	Henderson First	27,277	21,198	Laurel River	1,927	1,375
New Hope			Thornhill	7,765	10,329	Hyland	12,142	11,741	Liberty	1,396	1,712
Old Poplar Creek			Trinity	550	30	Immanuel Temple	15,148	16,355	Lick Fork	490	480
Pleasant View	1,260	1,433	Westview	768	541	Lawndale	1,202	951	Lily	2,266	3,249
Saxton	689	288		123,252	127,068	Loeb Street Msnry		12	London First	26,332	28,682
Valley Creek			FREEDOM			Morganfield First	11,428	15,943	Long Branch	546	531
	2,258	2,074	Albany First	5,632	5,129	Mt Pleasant	2,035	1,549	Mill Street Mission		
ELKHORN			Branham Grove		60	New Hope	785	900	Mt Zion		
Becknerville Mission		152	Burkesville	4,777	4,101	Poole	2,996	3,456	New Salem	500	363
Broadway	13,942	10,923	Cave Springs	564	664	Rangers Landing	422	272	Old Salem		
Brookside	400	1,200	Central Grove	614	619	Robards	3,383	3,614	Pilgrims Rest	480	763
Calvary	38,250	49,583	Fairland			Sebree First	8,353	11,307	Pine Grove	1,018	1,374
Calvary Chapel			Grace Union			Spottsville Msnry	3,473	3,704	Pleasant Grove	144	335
Cane Run	3,800	3,951	Green Grove Msnry	350	350	Watson Lane	1,133	1,367	Providence	2,003	1,963
Central Lexington	2,865	2,000	New Sulphur Msnry			Zion	14,524	21,189	Sinking Creek	420	872
Central Paris	9,585	10,819	Pikeview	598	590		137,231	147,974	Slate Hill	730	574
Chevy Chase	9,230	9,963	Stony Point		2,918	GREENUP			Slate Lick		
Clear Creek	1,008	865		12,535	14,431	Ashland			South Fariston		
Clover Bottom	875	750	GASPER RIVER			Ashland First	27,293	19,330	Swiss Colony Msnry	7,922	8,674

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Coral Hill	649	644	Cave Spring		2,350	South Jefferson	9,247	9,156	MOUNT ZION		
Edmonton	2,189	2,465	Center	275	275	South Waterson Tr	300	300	Antioch	49	19
Grace Union	35,307	26,884	Concord	321	338	Southside	7,258	6,894	Bacon Creek	990	1,076
Hardyville	139		Elk Lick	6,728	5,858	St Matthews Hispanic	463	1,645	Bethlehem	188	0
Hardyville Msnry	525	793	Epley	1,654	1,546	St Matthews	10,645	9,121	Buffalo		
Hiseville	25		Green Ridge	982	1,032	Stites Station			Cedar Gap		
Horse Cave	1,500	850	Guptions Grove	738	513	Sunmitt Hills	2,561	2,096	Central	57,109	62,177
Little Bethel	10,762	11,528	Liberty	4,560	4,633	Taylorville First	1,478	843	Chapel Grove	447	487
Lonoke			Mt Pleasant	8,423	9,009	Third Avenue	6,891	7,086	Corinth Msnry		100
Monroe	411	528	Mt Tabor Msnry	72	60	Thixton Lane	2,538	2,235	Corn Creek		
Mt Tabor			Muddy River	50	63	Valley Station	505	775	Faber Msnry	148	27
New Hope	750	547	New Cedar Grove	250	300	Valley View	10,231	7,883	Flat Creek Msnry	636	696
New Liberty			New Friendship	3,417	2,494	Van Buren	21,684	29,670	Frankfort		
Park City	601	397	New Hope	887		Victory Memorial	1,268	1,214	Goldbug	454	593
Pleasant Valley	3,988	4,031	Oak Grove	764	847	Vine Street	1,600	1,622	Good Hope	1,809	1,431
Poplar Spring	2,810	2,950	Oak Hill	8,220	8,198	Walnut Street	705	1,099	Greenland	4,328	3,876
Rowletts	90	180	Pleasant Hill	449	634	West Broadway	68,941	54,279	Highland Park		
Salem	445	577				West Buechel	6,607	9,144	Hopewell	3,411	2,939
Shady Grove Msnry	1,481	1,448				West End			Indian Gap		
Siloam	1,376	1,185	LONG RUN			West Side Portland	375	125	Level Green		
South Fork	500		Arcade		250	Westport Road	104		Main Street	14,567	14,171
Three Springs	90	115	Ashby Lane	330	375	Woodland	31,103	27,952	Meadow Creek		
Walnut Hill	275	324	Auburndale	6,231	5,523	Yorktown	5,355	5,043	Mossy Gap		
Zion	90	105	Audubon	8,791	6,381		608	909	Mt Pisgah	189	180
	45	45	Baptist Tabernacle	3,571	3,039	LYNN			New Mount Zion		
	79,445	72,784	Bashford Manor	3,487	506	Aetna Grove	3,689	4,827	Oak Grove	1,467	150
LINCOLN			Baxter Avenue	2,077	1,481	Aetna Union	60	60	Park Hill	1,211	1,206
Blue Lick	1,209	1,220	Beargrass			Bethel Msnry			Pleasant Grove	876	596
Calvary Hill	390	390	Beechland	15,462	12,155	Boiling Springs	1,758	1,780	Rockhold First		
Crab Orchard	1,440	1,946	Beechmont	11,200	16,200	Bonnieville	600	600	Sandstone	222	294
Doubles Springs	2,245	3,162	Beechwood	9,160	9,387	Falling Springs			Southside	80	
Drakes Creek	598	519	Bethany	6,733	5,332	Friendship 1			Tidal Wave		
Fairview	4,967	5,835	Bethlehem	8,549	8,988	Friendship 2	375	362	Twentieth Street	750	756
Friendship			Bicknell Avenue			Hiawatha Msnry			Watson Chapel	626	201
Geneva		130	Broadway	37,224	41,850	Knoves Creek	224	213	West Corbin	4,810	5,325
Harris Creek	52	55	Brooks	2,259	2,774	Leitchfield Crossing		1,106	White Oak Mission		
Houstonville	1,910	1,940	Brookview		159	Lincoln Memorial			Williamsburg First	18,071	16,671
Locust Grove	600	661	Buechel Park	11,182	12,951	Lucas Grove	1,447	1,159	Wofford	255	225
McKinney	1,740	1,831	Cardinal Hill	3,051	2,722	Mt Moriah	4,030	4,184	Woodbine	432	225
Mt Hebron	677	620	Carlisle Avenue	11,641	12,081	Mt Olivet Msnry	250	300			
Mt Salem	2,009	2,855	Cedar Creek	8,226	6,425	Mt Pisgah	315	379			
New Hope	293		Chapel Park	3,855	3,448	Mt Tabor	1,500	1,500	MUhlenberg		
New Salem			Chenoweth Park	210	300	Munfordville	9,254	10,630	Beech Creek	375	450
Olive			Clifton Heights	1,934	3,116	Oak Hill	2,231	2,306	Beechmont Msnry	1,987	2,002
Parlor Grove	991	1,117	Cloverleaf	473	100	Pike View	2,500	2,500	Bethlehem	8,881	11,716
Pilot	781	737	Cove	6,205	5,978	South Fork	4,863	4,651	Bowler Msnry	2,074	1,705
Pleasant Point	1,208	1,643	Crescent Hill	39,679	47,246	Three Forks Bacon Cr	600	600	Calvary	2,638	2,281
Pleasant View	6,088	6,793	Davis Memorial	4,572	3,202	Upton	5,727	6,198	Carter Creek	390	390
Polly Ann	908	640	Deaf Mission of Lynd	433	470				Cave Springs	579	844
Pond Msnry	622	426	Deer Park	11,703	10,380				Cedar Grove	509	600
South Fork		30	East	1,231	1,318				Central City First	31,145	30,573
Watts Chapel	210	270	East Audubon	2,413	1,680				Cherry Hill	3,742	3,074
	28,938	33,675	Eastern Gate	1,509	300				Drakesboro First	3,611	3,190
LITTLE BETHEL			Eastern Parkway	2,926	1,951				Dunmor	3,819	4,092
Charleston	2,795	3,536	Eastwood First	1,463	1,478				East Union	5,449	6,150
Concord	4,112	4,455	Ebenezer	3,277	3,411				Ebenezer Msnry	2,447	2,523
Corinth	20	92	Eighteenth Street	1,284	787				Ebenezer Msnry, Drakesboro	450	450
Dalton	457	589	Elk Creek	2,054	3,138				Forest Grove	1,307	1,227
Dawson Springs First	4,120	4,194	Fairdale First	169	535				Forest Oak	2,100	1,500
Diamond	360	360	Farmdale	8,803	5,233				Friendship	2,318	1,864
Dixon First	1,776	1,719	Fern Creek	1,763	2,681				Graham	32,150	40,659
Dunn Msnry	2,203	2,250	Filipino Mission	30					Greenville First	36,645	41,660
Earlington First	24,946	15,745	Fist Southern	6,584	400				Greenville Second	2,994	2,652
Freedom			Fisherville	2,022	2,335				Hazel Creek	910	473
Grapevine	7,417	7,725	Foster Avenue	2,512	2,526				Macedonia	1,649	1,388
Green Grove Msnry	300	300	Fourth Avenue	510	510				Martwick	1,365	1,030
Hanson	1,523	3,376	Fourth Ave for Deaf						Mercer	34,201	63,478
Harmony	590	679	Franklin Street	455	377				Mt Pisgah	4,585	2,856
Johnson Island	592	721	Garfield Avenue	6,004	5,972				Nelson Creek	7,138	5,395
Lafayette	300	300	Gethsemane	333	333				New Cypress	5,153	5,572
Lakeview Msnry	10,033	8,986	Grace	5,976	4,338				New Harmony	1,266	1,043
Liberty	80,286	76,678	Green Acres	2,504	2,451				New Hebron Msnry	294	475
Madisonville First	15,263	18,417	Harmony	3,084	7,633				New Hope	2,217	619
Madisonville Second	90	90	Hazelwood	22,297	16,990				New Paradise	300	250
Manitou	307	240	Highland	3,336	2,777				New Prospect	1,703	1,801
Mannington	2,014	1,738	Highland Park First						Oak Grove	1,524	1,216
Mortons Gap First	1,843	1,842	Highland Park Second						Pleasant Hill		
Mortons Gap Second	2,820	2,780	Highview	25,000	35,000				Powderly	1,241	1,084
Nebo	219	251	Hillcrest	696	849				Riverside		
New Hope	3,240	2,083	Hillsdale	5,132	3,060				Roland Memorial	3,872	6,163
New Salem	1,999	2,268	Hillview	3,539	3,425				South Carrollton	905	1,297
Nortonville	1,813	1,973	Hopewell	3,229	3,460				Temple	4,746	3,944
Olive Branch Msnry	4,642	5,655	Hurstbourne	39,592	50,536				Unity	479	349
Park Avenue	2,309	2,252	Immanuel	1,847	887				Vernal Grove	1,078	1,186
Pleasant Grove	1,774	4,136	Jefferson Street	508	423				Woodland	12,192	12,524
Pleasant Valley Msnry	639	441	Jeffersonstown	4,500	4,695				Woodson	2,487	2,799
Pleasantview			Kenwood	1,537	1,167						
Pond River	607	553	Keys Ferry	250	541						
Prospect	11,243	13,529	Kings	9,513	10,677	MERCER					
Providence First	3,509	977	Korean First	373	404	Benton	3,097	2,915	NELSON		
Providence Second	1,880	925	Kosmosdale	641	951	Bethel	10,633	9,851	Bardstown	16,874	22,010
Richland	9,660	10,013	Lake Dreamland	1,060	825	Bruners Chapel	14,932	18,952	Bardstown Junction		4,665
Salem	662	660	Lakewood	3,521	5,140	Burgin Vista	20,899	13,305	Beech Grove		
Silent Run	1,901	2,167	Lees Lane	3,356	3,870	Burgin	3,668	3,535	Belmont	400	100
Slaughters	540	514	Little Flock	12,101	14,030	Calvary	750	750	Bethany	500	660
Slover	1,146	1,244	Long Run	28,179	25,918	Cornishville	2,072	5,907	Bloomfield	10,243	10,326
Suthards	13,120	13,775	Lyndon	1,699	1,473	Deep Branch	2,551	3,427	Bullitt Lick	13,881	11,527
Victory	3,315	2,706	Lynn Acres	8,336	8,348	Eller Memorial	3,706	2,945	Calvary	3,687	3,964
White Plains Msnry	140	100	Manly Memorial	3,540	2,708	Faith	63,698	35,778	Cedar Creek First	3,773	3,537
Zion Brick			Maple Grove	17,995	21,068	Fellowship	6,434	7,949	Cedar Grove	8,702	11,746
	228,525	223,034	Melbourne Heights	338	229	Harrodsburg	1,900	2,988	Chaplin	1,687	1,679
LITTLE RIVER			Memory Lane	4,572	5,824	Hopewell	1,679	1,806	Chaplin Fork	2,229	2,381
Bethany	864	881	Middletown First	2,556	2,269	Kirkwood	10,515	11,215	Clermont	275	300
Blue Springs	3,742	5,455	Midlane Park	265	200	Pioneer	600	600	Coxs Creek		
Buffalo Lick	16,045	4,007	Morningside			Shakertown	2,870	2,712	Eagle Heights		
Cadiz	1,569	1,798	Mt Elmira	332	434	Shawnee Run			Hobbs		
Cerulean	2,390	2,769	Mt Hermon						Immanuel	4,953	6,227
Delmont	525	1,383	Nebo	389	407				Lebanon Jct First	1,187	948

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Pigeon Fork	1,833	1,899	Unity	700	710	Loyall First	5,646	6,221	WEST UNION		
Salem	4,139	3,000	Valley View	61	30	Lynch	300	300	Antioch	2,904	3,163
Shelbyville First	39,359	42,960	Viney Fork	1,138	1,148	New Riverside		248	Bandana	4,651	4,560
Simpsonville	7,402	6,389	Waco	7,593	9,243	North Everts			Baptist Tabernacle	1,547	1,725
Waddy	1,335	927	Wallaceton		1,403	Pansy Msnry	987	1,084	Barlow First	3,299	4,288
	105,973	107,428	Westside	2,085	2,151	Pounding Mill Msnry			Bellview	2,401	4,089
			White Lick	1,603	1,670	Putney	181	183	Bethel	378	406
SIMPSON				109,099	114,552	Red Bud Msnry	80		Bethlehem	224	239
Barbe			TAYLOR COUNTY			River Ridge			Blandville	712	810
Black Jack	2,141	2,460	Acton	682	592	Riverside			Calvary Msnry	195	83
Calvary	6,741	6,583	Campbellville	66,291	62,876	Sunshine	1,319	1,418	Cane Creek	150	150
Cedar Grove	1,116	1,156	Eastside	125		Teetersville	1,494	3,126	East Paducah	950	792
Fairview	1,108	0	Elkhorn	7,117	12,579	Turner	1,917	1,458	Eureka	75	45
Franklin First	29,083	29,648	Fairview	433	431	Verda First			Faith Msnry	2,987	3,795
Lake Spring	3,477	2,802	Friendship	2,456	2,328	Wallins	881	864	First Liberty	10	110
Middleton	4,316	5,852	Good Hope	8,060	8,616	Willow Grove	200	300	Grace	733	373
New Hope	1,387	1,667	Green River Memorial	6,756	5,195	Yocum Creek			Harmony	6,286	7,442
Providence	2,686	700	Liberty	1,489	1,726		52,444	57,252	Highview	450	500
Shady Grove	150	0	Lowell Avenue	6,867	6,957				Immanuel	20,604	21,155
Sulphur Spring	7,999	8,703	Meadowview	844	1,044	WARREN			Kevil	5,713	6,645
	60,204	59,571	Mt Gilboa	3,879	5,447	Andrew		65	Lacenter First	8,052	7,242
			Palestine	13,498	12,464	Barren River	1,634	2,379	Lone Oak First	36,333	39,417
SOUTH DISTRICT			Pitman Valley	60	60	Bethany	2,358	2,442	Lovelaceville	1,209	1,596
Beech Fork	129	135	Pleasant Hill	17,700	14,557	Bethel	51	25	Mt Pleasant	997	692
Beech Grove	1,950	2,100	Raikes Hill Mission	293	324	Bowling Green First	27,881	13,258	Mt Zion	5,936	7,086
Bryantsville First			Robinson Creek	5,188	6,336	Brownsville	2,860	2,675	New Hope	120	120
Calvary	21,464	13,106	Salem	4,869	4,280	Burton Memorial	2,578	2,270	Newton Creek	4,721	4,144
Danville First	22,103	24,275	Saloma	1,744	1,609	Calvary	8,585	8,507	Oak Grove	172	222
Doctors Fork	1,419	1,541	South Campbellsville	1,889	1,786	Cedar Bluff Mission	515	425	Oaklawn	17,545	17,394
Forks of Dix River	5,655	4,616	Yuma	846	897	Clear Fork	2,694	2,163	Olivet	16,668	14,172
Friendship				151,086	150,104	Dedicated	122	171	Oscar	1,011	1,148
Gethsemane	11,796	9,293	TEN MILE			Eastwood		29,828	Paducah First	118,505	127,351
Gravel Switch	337	497	Clarks Creek		34	Emmanuel Chapel		116	Park Avenue		1,176
Hedgeville	1,035	1,088	Concord	60		Forest Park	4,493	6,540	Providence	1,037	1,176
Hyattsville	3,136	3,275	Elliston	349	426	Friendship	678	676	Reidland	10,817	7,113
Immanuel	1,657	2,079	Glencoe	2,837	3,332	Glen Lily	2,162	870	Rose Chapel	74	
Junction City First	6,211	9,018	Macedonia	4,102	4,366	Glendale	575	635	Rosebower	9,519	10,441
Lancaster	29,599	28,975	Mt Zion	3,370	3,382	Greenwood	9,380	11,458	Schneidman Road	150	100
Lexington Avenue	32,713	41,152	New Bethel	7,904	7,761	Halls Chapel			Southside		
Mitchellsburg	728	777	Oakland	768	447	Highland	219	262	Spring Bayou	3,292	3,034
Mt Freeman	665	854	Paint Lick	1,013	3,163	Hillview	50	60	Strathmoor	728	840
North Rolling Fork	946	970	Pleasant Home	3,069	3,371	Hillvue Heights	1,912	515	Temple		329
Parksville	1,483	1,759	Poplar Grove	1,516	804	Iva	539	514	Trinity	5,518	6,710
Perryville	6,824	9,689	Stewartsville	758	792	Jackson Grove			Twelfth Street	10,462	14,339
Pleasant Hill	1,082	1,089	Ten Mile	4,116	3,587	Lawrence Chapel			Washington Street	120	120
Pleasant Run	84	74	Vine Run	5,271	5,591	Living Hope	19,012	20,223	West End	9,146	8,282
Salt River	360	300	Warsaw	5,818	6,178	Martinsville			Wice Memorial		
Southern Avenue	100	304		40,951	43,234	Mt Zion		300	Wickliffe First	3,250	3,500
Willow Grove	2,935	3,267				New Gasper		899			
	154,411	160,233	THREE FORKS			Oak Forest Msnry	629			319,651	336,938
			Airport Gardens	650	600	Oak Forest			WHITES RUN		
SOUTH UNION			Berean	100	120	Oakland	3,257	3,081	Bramlett		183
Alsile Msnry	59	74	Big Creek	4,234	5,540	Plano	437		Carrollton First	6,050	5,329
Big Cane Creek			Blackey	150	200	Pleasant Grove	53	94	Cove Hill	1,323	1,021
Clay Hill Msnry	25		Bluegrass	41	21	Plum Springs			English	1,111	1,429
Fairview Msnry			Caney	385	445	Providence Knob	3,362	3,337	Faith		
High Cliff	45	81	Combs First			Rich Pond	6,848	10,189	Ghent	280	1,933
Jellico Creek	159	305	Confluence			Richardsville	625	684	Jordan	499	491
Kentucky Hill	240	200	Dwarf	120	120	Riverview Msnry			Mt Hermon	920	900
Mountain Ash			Emmanuel	5,443	3,081	Rock Hill			Sanders	1,250	1,500
North End			First Creek	697	516	Rocky Springs	559	603	Whites Run	1,197	1,066
Oswego Msnry	300	334	Hardburly			Smiths Grove	2,696	2,987	Worthville	1,397	1,775
Patterson Creek	100	50	Hazard First	17,979	16,630	White Stone Quarry	3,892	2,307		14,284	15,627
Piney Grove	100	60	Hindman First	7,445	5,394	Woodburn	110,656	130,658	MISCELLANEOUS		
Pleasant Hill	267	217	Hyden	1,601	1,379	WAYNE			Athens		
Red Bird	263	244	Jeff Msnry	91	25	Big Sinking			Briar Creek		
Ryans Creek	245	199	Jeremiah Msnry			Cedar Hill			Faith		
Tannery Hollow Msnry	360	360	Lone Pine	300	300	Concord			Grove		
Wolf Creek	1,367	1,236	Lothair	1,672	750	Cooper	210	210	Kerby Knob	240	240
Youngs Creek	41	81	Montgomery Creek	1,670	1,464	Elk Spring Valley	2,369	2,866	Pine Flat		
	3,571	3,441	Mousie First	172	417	Gap Creek	558	488	Restoration		
			Muncy Creek	276	365	Green Hill			Rock Spring		
SULPHUR FORK			Petrey Memorial	3,237	3,430	Lower Turkey Creek			Shawhan		
Antioch			Premium	2,000	1,900	Meadow Creek	150	150		240	240
Ballardsville	5,988	6,630	Red Hill	300	300	Missouri Hollow			SPECIAL GROUPING		
Bedford	1,950	2,900	Rockhouse	699	984	Monticello First	9,000	9,250	Allen Grove Msnry		
Buckner	3,585	4,105	Short Creek Mission	179		Mt Zion	1,955	1,851	Beaver Creek		
Corn Creek	1,073	1,372	Smithsboro	5,636	7,606	New Charity	225	225	Becknerville Mission		
Covington	82	282	Typo	150	150	New Salem	1,413	1,035	Big Laurel	398	355
Crestwood	17,825	21,394	Upper Second Creek	435	347	New Town	260	342	Birch Lick		
De Haven Memorial	23,229	20,876	Vicco	296		Oak Grove	280	240	Corbin First	4,610	5,194
Eighteen Mile	270	276	Whitesburg First	17,148	19,809	Parmley's Grove			Cornerstone	175	125
Goshen	252	236	Wooton First	876	889	Rectors Flat	145		Cornerstone		
Harrods Creek	2,240	2,548	Yerkes			Sandusky Chapel	600	725	Cub Run		
LaGrange Heights	100	333		73,982	72,782	South Main			Dover		
Liberty	671	707	UNION			Spann Hill	108	89	Freedom		113
Milton	2,269	3,560	Beaver	3,052	2,339	Steubenville	2,632	2,129	Grider Memorial		
Pleasant View	73	87	Berlin	161	287	Zion			Harmony		360
Poplar Ridge			Berry			WEST KENTUCKY			Heritage		672
Providence	1,339	1,754	Blanket Creek	1,258	1,822	Antioch	645	641	Hill Grove		
Sligo	3,680	3,574	Brooksville	4,079	3,673	Arlington First	2,083	2,500	Hopewell		
Union Grove	283	307	Butler	1,443	936	Bardwell First	9,925	12,840	Immanuel	1,616	2,868
Westport	2,025	4,970	Cynthiana	15,508	18,155	Bethlehem	7,344	5,915	Kentonia		
	66,934	76,032	Fairview			Beulah	4,451	4,840	Lighthouse Msnry	25	
			Falmouth	3,896	5,455	Burkley	220	1,100	Little Hope		
TATES CREEK			Forest Hill		100	Cayce	750	900	Little Obion		
Berea	16,177	17,083	Lenoxburg			Clinton First	13,514	15,088	Mallard Point Miss	200	947
Bethel	629	590	New Zion	120	120	Clinton Second	120	105	Meadow Land Mission		216
Bethlehem	300	300	Oakwood Avenue			Columbus	2,275	1,864	Middlesboro First	3,350	3,500
Blue Lick Msnry	144	124	Powersville	1,020	1,020	Crutchfield	1,020	1,153	Moreland First	3,802	4,340
Broadway	903	692	Richland			Daids Chapel			New Bethel		
Calvary	524	441	Union	215	330	East Hickman		50	New Gasper		
Clarksville			Willow	1,410	1,353	Fulton First	19,610	18,676	New Hope		
Eastside Bethel	169	181	UPPER CUMBERLAND			Green Valley Msnry			Ohio Valley		
Emmanuel	2,004	3,067	Ages	876	300	Hickman First	3,574	2,843	Old Steam Msnry		
Fellowship	1,258	1,006	Baxter First	1,085	521	Hopewell	163	131	Pleasant Home	333	319
Freedom	150	150	Black Mountain	112	102	Kirbyton	736	718	Pleasant Run		
Galilee		458	Brittians Creek			Liberty	1,200	1,200			

HERE'S HOPE TODAY

First Middlesboro holds first revival in 15 years

by Beth Wyatt
State Correspondent

"We have experienced renewal by being reminded, here's hope, Jesus loves us," commented pastor of First Baptist, Middlesboro, Bill Daniel.

The Middlesboro church held its first revival in 15 years Mar. 4-7.

Daniel said he had not seen as much love, as many tears, hugs or expressions shown in all his years as a pastor as he did during revival.

Middlesboro First is located in southeastern Kentucky near the Cumberland Gap. The small town is economically depressed. The church has had a predominant number of members 60 and older for several years. Now, with the recent addition of 50 young adults, the median age is 55.

Since Daniel became pastor six years ago the church has had a family life conference, a spiritual quest, days of discipleship and other emphases, but no revival.

"The church membership had declined and our community had experi-

enced disappointments and upheaval during the past two decades," he reported. "That has resulted in a general feeling of heartbreak and depression."

Upon assuming the pastorate in 1984, Daniel began the task of unifying and shepherding the flock. About a year ago during a meeting of the long range planning committee the church discovered it had become preoccupied with defending itself to the point of forgetting its purpose. It was time for renewal.

Planning sessions for a spiritual renewal emphasis began at that time. This time of renewal was linked with the convention's promotion of *Here's Hope. Jesus cares for you.*

Deacons held prayer meetings and promoted the time of renewal through the Deacon Family Ministry Plan. The WMU had a week of prayer emphasis.

During the revival, the week night attendance equaled 60% of the Sunday service. Special music was provided. Members were added by baptism and by transfer of membership from sister churches. Many made significant deci-

sions.

Glenn Mollette, pastor, First Baptist Church, Pikeville, was guest evangelist. According to Daniel, Mollette was chosen as evangelist because of the similarities of the two churches. Mollette worked with Daniel and a team of mission volunteers from Middlesboro in Kenya last year. His church is growing and has women ministers on staff as does Middlesboro First Baptist. Mollette, a native Kentuckian, is a graduate of Georgetown (Ky.) College and Southern Seminary, Louisville.

According to Daniel, "Renewal was our hope and is not a reality for us. Hope is important! Christians are frustrated and stressed out. They need affirmation. The church is losing credibility in today's society. With *Here's Hope. Jesus cares for you* our people can experience renewal. Our revival experience has been good. It bears repeating."

The emphasis of the week was "developing spiritual gifts." The gifts of love, compassion and forgiving were stressed.

Winning young people concern of crusades

by Mary Royals Driskill
Editorial Assistant

A recent Gallup Poll revealed the following statistics:

- 95% of high schoolers believe in the existence of God
- 76% believe that God is personal and works in people's lives
- 93% believe Jesus Christ walked the face of the earth
- 67% believe Jesus was or is the Son of God

Youth are part of the focus for the *Here's Hope. Jesus cares for you* revival emphasis. A news release from the Home Mission Board calls for renewed efforts in reaching our youth.

In Kentucky, baptism rates fell from 6505 in 1971 to 4073 in 1988.

The KBC Office for Evangelism has several avenues for involving youth in the *Here's Hope* efforts.

In addition to involving youth in prayer, witnessing and visitation during revivals, plans are underway for the youth evangelism conference, *Here's Hope. Jesus cares for youth.*

E'town mission makes subdivision canvassing look like simple addition

by Suzanne Darland
State correspondent

Can a small mission meeting in a daycare facility get much response from a *Here's Hope. Jesus cares for you* survey?

Just ask Northside Baptist Chapel pastor Garland Hawkins.

Four teams of adults and youth surveying an adjacent subdivision have yielded 16 baptisms since November and increased Sunday school average attendance by more than 50 percent, from 40 to 63.

"In a way, it's just like an insurance agency," noted Hawkins, who entered the ministry after a 12-year career in selling insurance. "To be successful you have to knock on doors and see what people need."

Hawkins is the full time pastor of the mission of Severns Valley Church in Elizabethtown. Begun about two and one-half years ago, the mission is located in the growing north end of Elizabethtown.

A core group of Severns Valley members, along with a few residents of the adjacent Airview Estates subdivision, set up basic Sunday school and worship services. Now the first through third grade Sunday school class is being split because there are so

many children. And an Airview resident who joined only a month ago will teach the new class.

"Everybody is just pumped up," Hawkins chuckled. "There's a good time of fellowship and praising here."

Hawkins said he enlisted members late last summer after he had mapped the 220 Airview homes. An adult was matched with a youth to visit and assigned a section of houses to survey.

He trained the teams to use the *Here's Hope* survey cards, using a series of seven questions to move from general interest to spiritual matters.

But he found that some teams weren't as comfortable sharing the plan of salvation as they would have liked to have been.

"So we concentrated on inviting them to church and going back to do followup," he detailed.

Hawkins said they fell back to the *Good News America. God loves you* simultaneous revival cards which indicated whether a family was church or unchurched and interested in followup or not.

Then the households were rated as to whether they were good, fair or poor prospects or not prospects at all. There were 35 prospects in the subdivision.

"If we have good prospects, we try to follow up on them as soon as possible," Hawkins related. "We weigh the good prospects and go see them first, then check back on the fair prospects."

But some fair prospects turn into stories with happy endings like the inactive Roman Catholic who received Christ in her home and returned to her church with a new enthusiasm.

The survey work began in August, and some team members began followup visits in October. But "things really started popping," Hawkins said, in November.

In one family, a man was an inactive member of Northside's parent church, but his wife and daughter were not Christians. On a subsequent visit his wife accepted Christ. When he and his wife came forward the following Sunday, the daughter came on profession of faith as well.

After that Sunday, there has been at

least one profession of faith or request to move a church letter every week. On Jan. 28 there were five decisions.

Buoyed with enthusiasm, the youth Sunday school class began canvassing another nearby subdivision, Meadowview. Young people were won to the Lord when youth leader Irvin Bowen followed up initial contacts.

There were five decisions in that subdivision, bringing the total to 23 since the survey work began. Of these, 20 were first-time decisions for Christ.

Hawkins said Bowen, with "an evangelist's heart," is to be credited with much of the enthusiasm as well as the stick-to-it labor of canvassing families. "He keeps me pumped up," Garland noted. Bowen and pediatrician Leslie Langley have visited homes weekly since August.

Visitation teams left New Testaments in receptive homes as they conducted the survey. "We didn't push," Hawkins explained.

He admitted that some of the good responses can be traced to the excitement of a new church. People like to be involved with fresh beginnings.

But he added that any church can have similar results.

"We're a mission and we want to grow. We need people," he stated. But if older, established churches don't become complacent thinking they know everyone in their fields and will be innovative in their approach to visiting, the Holy Spirit can make "miracles," Hawkins allowed.

Betty White knows about those. The Severns Valley member never could get her grown daughter to join her at church. But then the Airview Estates resident was visited by a Northside Chapel team as White "continued to pray," she recounted. Her daughter became a part of the new venture, and while Mrs. White hesitated to leave her home church, she ultimately threw her lot in at Northside. She teaches the older children's Sunday school class and acts as unofficial "prayer warrior," according to Hawkins.

"In all my years as a Christian this is the highlight," remarked Mrs. White. "The Lord takes nothing and makes

something out of it."

Mrs. White is also prayer chairman for the *Here's Hope* revival at Northside Apr. 22-27. Past Kentucky Baptist Convention president A. B. Colvin will be the evangelist.

Now the group has set its sights on another nearby subdivision, Plantation Park. About half of the 160 units are mobile homes and the rest are single-family houses.

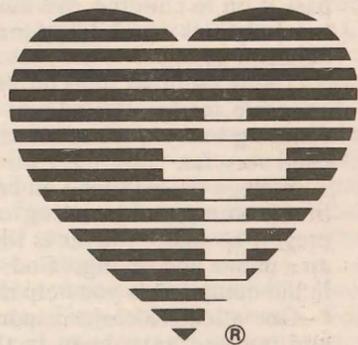
Hawkins has already made a rough map of the subdivision with numbered areas for the teams to canvass.

Now when they visit, they'll be able to talk about a building and a permanent home for the mission. Last month Severns Valley church voted to accept a proposal for a \$550,000 75' by 100' sanctuary.

"God will bless the efforts of his people when they go into all the communities and tell the Good News," Hawkins concluded.



Subdivision children are being reached through canvassing efforts.



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HOPEFUL SIGNS

- Tates Creek Association held a Here's Hope rally Mar. 11 at First Baptist Church, Richmond. Over 570 attended. Dale Cross of the Home Mission Board was speaker.
- 800 attended the Northern Kentucky Here's Hope rally Mar. 18 at Florence Baptist Church. J. K. Pierce Jr. of Porter Memorial Baptist Church, Lexington, was speaker.
- The Shelby County associational Here's Hope rally drew 600 to Highland Baptist Church Feb. 25.
- Casey County Association's rally at First Baptist, Liberty, brought a crowd of 140 Mar. 17.
- Bracken associational rally and semiannual meeting Mar. 19 at Lewisburg Baptist Church reports 100 in attendance.

LIFE IMPACT

Jack Sykes of Pikeville was raised in Millard located in Pike County. During his boyhood years the church he attended with his mother did nothing to attract youth. "Nor did they ever tell us how to be saved," he added. Religion was a mystery. Along with this background of mountain religion Sykes noted he grew up very poor.

Religion and poverty eventually dissipated from Sykes' life. He went on to school to receive an engineering degree. After a few years of engineering work he became president of Summit Engineering, a Pikeville-based operation that employs 61 people in Pikeville, Lexington and Grundy, Va.

At age 36 Sykes had success and prosperity. "I had all the material possessions of life," he noted. "Yet, there was a great lack of contentment in my life. Something was missing. I had family and money but I was empty."

In the meantime Sykes began attending different churches. It was after attending Elkhorn City Baptist Church that Gene Crowder and evangelist for the week Joe Mobley visited him in his office. "I told them I was looking for a feeling. Mobley then touched me on the arm and said, 'There is your feeling.' He then went on," remembered Sykes, "and gave me the plan of salvation." Sykes was saved that day. Since then he and his family have become active members of Elkhorn City Baptist Church. He serves on several committees along with being a new active deacon.

His pastor Gene Crowder remarked, "He is the most changed man I've ever seen. To Sykes becoming a Christian has meant 'a tremendous sense of satisfaction and personal contentment.'"

Glenn Mollette

DIRECTIONS

"Then little children were brought to Jesus and he placed his hands on them and pray for them. But the disciples rebuked those who brought them. Jesus said, 'Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these.' When he had placed his hands on them he went on from there." (Matt. 19:13-15, NIV)

Cedar Grove Baptist Church ponders: 'Is there no God in our community?'

by Denise Spencer
State Correspondent

HERE'S HOPE: WEEK 2

A feeling of excitement sparked the air as over 125 people gathered for revival at Cedar Grove Baptist Church, Nelson Association. Sunday, Mar. 18 marked the first evening of a six-day revival.

The service began with a mini concert by the Journeymen quartet. They sang five songs, including "One of His Own" and "His Tomb is Empty Now." The upbeat gospel tunes prompted the congregation to clap during many numbers and raise an occasional hand in praise.

Associate pastor Ron Lasley led the congregational singing. He added to the worship experience with words of testimony before each of two hymns.

The Journeymen returned twice after their initial concert, bringing three songs each time.

Pastor Steve Carney preached. First reading his main text of 2 Kings chapter 1, he pointed throughout the sermon to many other scripture references. His focal verse was 2 Kings 1:3b: "Is it because there is no God in Israel that you are going off to consult Baal-Zebub, the god of Ekron?"

Much of Carney's message was aimed at his own people. Often tempered with "Dear heart," his words warned the church against making foolish choices. "Like Ahaziah, we're making silly, ludicrous decisions, chasing after false gods...Is there no God in our community? Is that why revival doesn't come?"

Carney encouraged Cedar Grove to heed their call to witness to the area. "We need to be true to our commission...Our message is not to be taken lightly. It's a powerful message!" He urged his audience to never tire of living out their faith. "If we're going

about doing good works that means we're tearing down the works of Satan. We've got to keep on keeping on for the glory of God. We can't faint; there's too much work to do!" Carney reminded his listeners that forces are working to oppose them. "The demons of hell say 'come down! Quit what you're doing!'"

Carney preached to the lost as well. "You either make a wise choice or an unwise choice and that choice determines your destiny...When we stand before God he's only going to be concerned about one thing: are we saved or are we lost?" Carney stressed that it is not any particular sin that severs a person from God. "The only thing to send you to hell is simply rejecting Jesus."

"You either make a wise choice or an unwise choice and that choice determines your destiny."

At the invitation a Cedar Grove member came forward and shared a spontaneous testimony.

Cedar Grove's preparation for revival began several months ago when the church hosted a "Prayer for Spiritual Awakening" retreat. Led by vocational evangelist Harry Porter, the retreat prompted people to begin praying for revival. Two weeks later Carney challenged the church to make a commitment to intercessory prayer. The invitation that day lasted over 30 minutes as members publicly accepted his challenge.

Since then Cedar Grove has seen the birth of five weekly prayer groups. Carney is quick to praise the church. "We've really gotten the lay people involved. They feel good about themselves."

When Nelson Association decided

to promote their revivals by selling sweatshirts bearing the Here's Hope logo, Cedar Grove was quick to join in. The congregation bought over 100 sweatshirts to begin advertising.

Carney planned to use the theme *Here's Hope. Jesus cares for you* as his sermon theme for the week. The church promoted a different emphasis each night:

- Sunday - Youth night
- Monday - Children's night
- Tuesday - Bring a friend night
- Wednesday - Family night
- Thursday - Pack a pew night
- Friday - Testimonial night

Every service was to be preceded by a mini concert. Lasley voiced his excitement over this idea which the church had never tried before. Several of these concerts were given by Cedar Grove members. Musicians included the Shadburnes, Freda Reeves, Maria Waters, Nancy Hasting, the Canarys, Shelia Fulkerson, Julis Hatfield and the New Joy.

Carney has pastored Cedar Grove six months. Previously a vocational evangelist, he became acquainted with the congregation as he supplied for it. He soon became interim pastor and he was asked to stay. Long before the church called him as pastor he was asked to preach the Here's Hope revival.

Cedar Grove is part of a rapidly growing community.

"Houses are going up everywhere," Carney observed. "The timing is absolutely perfect."

He hoped revival services would motivate his people to share Christ with their new neighbors. The church plans to follow the revival with a detailed survey of the area.

Carney's outlook is positive.

"Many of our people are getting that burden. Our greatest need is to evangelize the community."

"God grant us Christian homes": laying the foundation

by Jane Taylor Howell
State Correspondent

Early childhood and children's teachers in churches are concerned about the push to hurry the salvation experience of children.

Many pastors, parents and teachers are expecting the young child to make a profession of faith commitment—and many children do—without a true understanding of it.

Eugene Chamberlain, in his book *When Can a Child Believe?*, states: "We must not forget that the Bible does not offer one way of salvation for children and another for adults. The basics in the conversion experience are the same regardless of the age of the person. Accountability is inevitably related to one's ability to deal with the basic truths of the gospel. Until one reaches that point, he is scarcely to be judged accountable."

Ann Smith, minister of education at Highland Baptist Church, Louisville, said that children often have the verbal skills before they understand the words they use. She stressed that children naturally begin to understand what being sorry for something means. Then they

can understand what repentance is all about. "When a child recognizes what sin is, a willful choice, then and only then can repentance take place," said Mrs. Smith.

The first sign that children are becoming spiritually sensitive is often feeling remorse. She remembered when an 11-year-old made fun of a fat girl at church. The girl's feelings were hurt deeply. After a while, the young boy came to Mrs. Smith and told her it didn't use to bother him when he made fun of that girl—now it did.

"When children evidence that naturally, they're beginning to get under conviction...Salvation is more than saying, 'I love Jesus.'"

In *A Theology for Children* William L. Hendricks speaks of setting the stage for telling children about the gospel. He asks, "How do you speak to a child about God?," and answers: "Very simply and very kindly." Speak simply so a child can understand and kindly so

the child will want to understand. He points out that no special theology for children exists but special ways of talking to children about God do.

This is the *how*.

The *why* of speaking with children is because the "God question" is inevitable. It is about meaning in life.

Speaking with a child is not easy. We as adults use holy language and pass it on to children. We must explain our holy talk or children may not understand us.

Young children think in very literal, concrete terms. Their level of understanding and experience hasn't developed very far.

When a pastor spoke on being down in the dumps and calling on God in prayer, he said, "Prayer is like picking up a phone and saying, 'God, I'm down in the dumps. Can you help me?'"

One attentive child responded, "Me and my dad have been in the dumps many times and we never did find the

FRONTLINE

PE TODAY

Bivocational pastor brings hope and energy to Moorman Community

by Betty Anderson
State Correspondent

Gary Taylor, pastor of New Hope Missionary Baptist Church, Moorman, passed out prospect cards for the Apr. 15-20 revival and in one week received 213 names. These people live within three to four miles of the Muhlenberg County church which is just off Highway 431 near the McLean County line.

New Hope baptized 38 people last year. A recent Sunday school attendance numbered 102, up from 30 a year ago when Taylor became pastor. They average 84 in Discipleship Training.

Taylor is a young bivocational pastor. The Muhlenberg native graduated from Bremen High School in 1981 and from Murray State University in 1985 with a degree in agri-business. The son of a coal miner and deacon, his first job was selling insurance with Farm Bureau. The past three years he has been with Metropolitan Life.

His job, Taylor asserts, has given him the flexibility he needs to pastor the growing church. He is able to adjust his work hours to accommodate pastoral duties and family needs. For now he plans to stay bivocational and concentrate on pastoring New Hope. He resides in their parsonage and lives as they do—working, riding four-wheeling and hunting.

"I set a lot of goals," Taylor said, "for life, and for the church. I'm in the people business. I tell them 'I'll sell you eternal life and I'll sell you permanent life.'"

Not only is Taylor working on prospects for the church, he is also restoring attendance among the almost 300 resident members. With offerings having doubled the past year, the young pastor is looking toward building a fellowship area in the fall.

Here's One Big Reason Why You Should Be In Church Next Week.



Your children. Whatever their ages, there's so much they can learn in church. Principles that will serve them well throughout life. And help them to be better human beings. Because our church is a place where positive life values find expression. Where the enduring love of God is taught. Where the nature of life and the meaning of happiness are conveyed through simple yet profound Bible stories.

That's why we're inviting you to join us in worship. So that your children can experience the love that only God can give. So please come.

Whatever your age, there's hope that you might learn something too, because Jesus cares for you.

Here's Hope.
A message of life from Southern Baptists.

© A national revival emphasis sponsored by Southern Baptists and the Home Mission Board

This is one of the national media ads for the Here's Hope revivals. The appeal is to young parents. Children have been the subject of much debate in Baptist history as to the acceptable age for baptism and making professions of faith. Despite various opinions, children remain an integral part of Baptist life and the focus of evangelistic efforts.

foundation for our children to respond to Christ

phone you were talking about."

The child learns from experiences that are real and concrete rather than abstract. They learn by doing and from demonstrations rather than abstract discussions or reading. A young, literal-minded child said, "If Jesus comes into my heart he's mighty little."

Another preschooler in another place and time prayed, "Give us this day our jelly bread."

Yet another who had heard "Jesus lives in my heart" leaned against her mother and said, "I hear Jesus in your heart. He's perking coffee."

The focus should not be on comparing children with each other or a certain standard but on determining a child's level of mental development when setting the stage for the conversion experience. Adults should avoid judging a child's emotional reaction by adult standards. They should use a yardstick gauged to a child's actual stage of maturity.

In approaching the child "we (must) do all we can to create a climate of faith and recognize that children will begin to show interest and ask questions before they're ready to receive salvation," writes Howard H. Ramsey in *Helping Children Understand Salva-*

tion. "This means we must learn to ask questions requiring answers that cannot be memorized."

Memorization is easily done in childhood; words accompanied with Christlike acts and attitudes give a proper balance to religious education.

Ramsey suggests talking individually with a child and having the parents present and asking the child, "If one of your friends asked you how to become a Christian, what would you tell him?" Then listen and determine whether you think the child understands. Allow the child to pray, perhaps using a guided prayer with simple, clear language. Allow the child enough time to properly understand what being baptized and becoming a church member means. Then continue to nurture the child.

Jewell Nelson, associate in the Kentucky Baptist Convention's Sunday School Department, Middletown, stresses avoiding using "Let Jesus come into your heart" or "Give your heart to Jesus," as children literally see a heart removed as seen on television some months ago. This is what the concrete-thinking child understands when symbolic language is used.

"Getting ahead of the Holy Spirit is as dangerous as missing an opportu-

nity, when a child is under conviction by the Holy Spirit," says Mrs. Nelson.

"Some children will 'walk the aisle' to please an adult. It is essential to know if a child really understands how to become a Christian before a public profession is made. This is an eternal decision. It should not be rushed. Pray. Feel the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Talk with the child. Let the child talk," stressed Mrs. Nelson.

Cos Davis in the book *Children and the Christian Faith*, writes: "Questions which make the child think are most effective. For example, a question such as: 'Why do you think you need to become a Christian?' can expose many of the child's thoughts and feelings. Remember that questions with 'why,' 'what' or 'how' at the front of them are most likely to provide the real reasons and ideas you need to hear."

Christians must continue to believe that no matter how faithfully one teaches the Bible, each individual must willingly make that decision to become a Christian. One can lay the foundation, the Holy Spirit must lead and the individual must act.

Also contributing to this article was Mary Royals Driskill.

COUNTDOWN

March-May: Follow up results of revival

A list of suggested follow up activities for churches is given on page 13 of the *Pastor/Church Revival Preparation Manual*. Several resources are listed that can be effectively used in conserving the results of revival.

Several associations are in revival. Among them:

Mercer: Mar. 18-Apr. 29
Mt. Zion: Mar. 18-Apr. 29
Nelson: Mar. 18-Apr. 14
North Concord: Mar. 25-Apr. 8
Pine Mountain: Mar. 18-Apr. 29
Pulaski: Mar. 25-Apr. 8
Ten Mile: Mar. 25-Apr. 8
Three Forks: Mar. 25-Apr. 6
Upper Cumberland: Mar. 18-Apr. 29
West Kentucky: Mar. 18-Apr. 29
West Union: Mar. 18-Apr. 29

PERSPECTIVE

Here's Hope. Jesus cares for you is indeed the message that America and the rest of the world needs to hear. Our society has become conditioned to walk by sight and has been duped into believing that "seeing is believing." How will America ever be convinced of the reality of this unseen hope?

I am convinced the hope of America depends on how we as believers handle our hope! Paul closes the second chapter of his letter to Titus by reminding him, "Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our savior Jesus Christ; who gave himself for us that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works. These things speak, and exhort, and rebuke with all authority" (Titus 2:13-14). According to these verses Christians are to be a "peculiar people with a blessed hope." The following are a few ways to carry out this message of hope:

■ Pastors, evangelists and missionaries must constantly remind other Christians of this by exhorting, speaking and even rebuking.

■ We must live redeemed lives free from all iniquity. Anyone that has this hope will purify himself or herself.

■ We must be zealous of good works, never satisfied with doing the least that we can but always abounding in the work of the Lord. We must put some enthusiasm in our work.

■ We must live and serve in earnest expectation of the return of our Lord.

Lincoln N. Bingham
Cooperative Ministries Consultant,
KBC

HOPE QUOTE

"When people think of Southern Baptists they think of missions and evangelism because we've been known to be aggressive as a denomination in reaching people for Christ. But if we aren't careful we're going to be guilty of false advertising."

Bobby M. Sunderland, Director
Direct Evangelism Division
Home Mission Board, Atlanta Ga.

HERE'S HOPE TODAY

'Here's Hope' has hope, say SWBTS evangelism professors

by Pam Alewine

The man in the advertisement of the Mar. 19 TIME Magazine is leaning against a Rolls Royce while the chauffeur looks over his shoulder.

Riches can't buy happiness is the point of the ad. But there is hope, the advertisement states.

The ad is part of a national media blitz by the HMB's Here's Hope simultaneous revivals. And according to evangelism experts at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Ft. Worth, Tex., the campaign itself has hope.

Roy Fish, professor of evangelism at Southwestern, says the revivals are coming at a crucial time for the Southern Baptist Convention.

And judging from past campaigns, Fish believes Here's Hope has a good chance of making a difference. "We have found that in the years we've held these simultaneous revivals, the convention does baptize more people."

Malcolm McDow, professor of evangelism at Southwestern, said simultaneous revivals also tap Southern Baptists' event-oriented nature. "It's easier to get church members prepared for an event than a process," he said.

He also said preliminary reports he has heard from pastors "have been outstanding."

That is good news, Fish said, because of Southern Baptists' need for real revival.

Theology of 'goosology': putting simultaneous in Here's Hope

by Brad Bull, Staff Writer

There is strength in numbers.

The truth found in this adage is the philosophy behind the 1990 simultaneous revival campaign *Here's Hope. Jesus cares for you.*

During a Here's Hope rally Mar. 5 in eastern Kentucky's Three Forks Association, Billy Compton, associate director, Office for Evangelism, Kentucky Baptist Convention, Middletown, stated his vision of teamwork.

"Geese can fly 70% farther in 'V' formation than a goose flying alone can," he said. "Christians need to follow that example. I call it the theology of 'goosology'."

Realizing the possible effects of Christians "flying in formation," the Home Mission Board set goals to make Here's Hope have a widespread impact. The HMB sought and received 100% participation among states with Baptist work. In addition, goals were set for 100% participation by associations within the states and 80% involvement of all churches.

Of 78 associations in Kentucky 77 are officially participating in Here's Hope.

However, the Kentucky Baptist Convention Office for Evangelism notes that even in the one remaining association there are churches participating in conjunction with a neighboring association.

Seven associations have 100% participation among their member

churches. Three Forks Association even exceeded the 100% mark when two non-member churches requested to take part in the campaign.

The plans and goals are attractive in theory. However, as with any program, there have been obstacles to overcome.

Conforming to a joint community effort may require that a church break its tradition of holding annual revival a certain week. For other churches, availability of evangelists is a concern.

Difficulties arise when the evangelist a church wants is not available during the time for simultaneous revival. Furthermore, churches may find themselves competing for the same speakers.

Overcoming such obstacles is no easy task. Asked how their associations mustered high rates of cooperation, pastors surveyed in associations with 100% participation gave credit to the "hard work" of their directors of missions (DOMs) and directors of evangelism (DOEs).

The DOMs and DOEs contacted by Western Recorder unanimously affirmed their steering committees as those responsible for recruiting high levels of support.

Jerry Browning, DOE for Casey County Association, and Phil Rosenbaum, DOM for Three Forks Association, cited state and national Baptist agencies as sources of tremendous help in planning their Here's Hope efforts. Both said they never had to resort to gimmicks to recruit support. "I just fol-

lowed the suggestions of the (HMB's) Mass Evangelism Department," said Browning.

Rosenbaum suggested that his major problem was the geographical size of Three Forks Association. "This association is 85 miles across," he stated. "Sometimes it's difficult to get everyone together."

He quickly added that most of the congregations in the association were excited about Here's Hope after his first contact. "Only a few required a second call or visit. These people are just excited about revival."

The shared responsibility between Baptist agencies, DOMs, DOEs, steering committees and local congregations exemplifies the "theology of goosology" preached by Compton.

In his sermon to Three Forks Association Compton said the "V" formation is successful for geese because "the geese in the back 'draft' the goose in the front. When the goose in front gets tired of splitting the air, they switch."

Kentucky Baptists are already seeing the effects of sharing responsibility and working together for simultaneous revival. Rosenbaum reported that Three Forks is already seeing a surge in decisions and baptisms before the "migration" has officially started.

For geese, flying in formation means relocating for the season. For Christians, flying in formation means changing lives permanently. And in the theology of 'goosology' the "V" is for "victory."

'Ten Most Wanted List' sets Russell Springs church on target

by Virginia Flanagan
State Correspondent

His excitement is visible. When Jeff Eaton, pastor of Russell Springs (Ky.) Baptist Church, talks about the plan his church has for *Here's Hope. Jesus cares for you*, he is animated and his words come quickly.

Eaton believes that Here's Hope has opened his eyes and caused his church to "catch a vision" of what it needed to be doing and how to get it done. He feels that one of the most important ideas to come from the planners of Here's Hope is that there is a plan.

So the Russell Springs Church has made a plan to reach the lost in their growing community. This plan is centered around the Southern Baptist Convention Home Mission Board's idea of the "Ten Most Wanted List." Each Sunday school class has prepared its list of prospects and the church is in the process of reaching these people for Christ. Eaton said that even the nursery is participating in the list.

But he is quick to say that his church did not just vote to do this and begin. First there was his plan.

Eaton shared that his community is growing and he felt the potential for his church is enormous. Even though the church had experienced substantial growth in the past year, he says it was still "church as usual." He liked the idea that a plan could be made to meet goals. The best ideas for this plan came from the HMB and were put into place.

Starting in February Jewell Nelson, of the Kentucky Baptist Convention Sunday School Department, was asked to come and help reorganize the church's nursery program. Eaton says this was very important because of the

need of the young adults with small children in the community who were on the list. He said the nursery is now open all the time.

Eaton also used February to set the stage for witnessing with his sermons and with Sunday morning worship skits. Along with members of his youth group he has been writing informational skits. His young people have been performing them during Sunday morning services.

Eaton has also been teaching the home mission lesson at Wednesday night services and then giving tests over the material from the home missions study guide. Included in this activity is scripture memorization that would be helpful in witnessing.

Over and over again Eaton emphasized that his church made the plan and is sticking with it.

In March Eaton taught the eternal life booklet. He used the booklet as a service to do this. This little booklet is to become part of each person and he is to keep it with him at all times. He says this will help them do "off the wall" witnessing. Church members are to take every advantage to witness to their "Ten Most Wanted List" above the formal times set by the church.

He is quick to explain that the visitation program which began in March is not just for the month but "for here on out." Eaton says Here's Hope is "causing us to do far greater things than just revival." He goes on to explain that this program has "opened his eyes to the fact that you have to prepare so many things and to organize correctly in order to meet your goals."

Apr. 22-26 the church will have its Here's Hope revival with Alan Withan preaching.

During the month of April the church also plans to completely redo Discipleship Training. Eaton says that a survey will be done through Sunday school and the worship services to find out what everyone wants in this program. Jim Clontz, associate, Discipleship Training, KBC, has been helping prepare for this activity.

May will be Sunday school and stewardship month. Every week in May Eaton said Sunday school attendance is going to "try and shoot over 200."

With the start of the warm spring and summer months in May the church will start another phase of its ministry: Eaton declares Russell Springs is a "picnicing church." He says the church includes great cooks, volleyball games and gospel singers. The church members hope it will be another avenue to reach the names on the "Ten Most Wanted List."

Eaton says something special will be planned for each month from now on. He wants the church to have goals, to make plans for these goals and to follow the plans to success.

Here's Hope and the "Ten Most Wanted List" have set the church on a whole new series of activities. Eaton says that the home mission study and preparing for Here's Hope have "helped us to see all these other things we need to be doing."

For example he says that in preparing for witnessing to the "Ten Most Wanted List" he has discovered wonderful methods of success. He cites an article by Glenn Mollette titled "Witnessing By Appointment" to have been a great help. Eaton is encouraging his members to make appointments with the names on their lists and keep those appointments.

Church members are using the lunch hour and many other normal activities during the working day to witness to those on their lists.

Eaton feels that in the past the church has felt some people in the community knew the church was there, everyone was welcome to come and to be a part of the fellowship. He says that attitude is not the attitude the church has now.

Now the lost in the community know that the church is there and they are welcome but there's a new dimension. Eaton says the church is going out to bring in the lost and the lost in the community are going to know why the church is coming to them.

He is encouraged with the commitment the church has made to this project. He stresses this is not just a hastily thought out project but has been the result of long range church planning with committees to help get things started.

Eaton says the core of his membership who have made all this possible was not afraid to ask the difficult questions and bring up the "tough issues." Eaton feels the church is ready for growth and to meet the goals of Here's Hope.

The church is not looking for numbers but for changed lives, Eaton declares. He feels they are on the right track. They have done the research, obtained help from the Kentucky Baptist Convention and gathered all the information they could. Most importantly, they have sought God's will in prayer.

The total program for the Russell Springs Baptist Church Here's Hope campaign with its "Ten Most Wanted List" can be summed up with Eaton's motto: "Success is the sum of small things done well."

'Here's Hope' seeing positive results nationwide

by Mark Wingfield

Southern Baptists nationwide launched a six-week period of simultaneous revivals Mar. 18 with expectations for results and momentum built by a national media blitz.

Between Mar. 18 and Apr. 29 about 80 percent of the denomination's 37,000 churches will host revivals with the theme *Here's Hope. Jesus cares for you.* The simultaneous revival emphasis is sponsored by the Home Mission Board.

The board hopes Southern Baptists nationwide will lead 175,000 people to faith in Christ, start 1000 new churches and distribute 15 million pieces of scripture during this year's simultaneous revivals.

This year marks the eighth time the board has sponsored simultaneous revivals in Southern Baptist churches. Previous revivals were in 1950, 1951, 1955, 1959, 1964, 1969 and 1986. The 1986 revivals carried the theme *Good News America: God loves you.*

During the *Good News America* revivals Southern Baptist churches recorded 145,000 professions of faith with 103,000 baptisms. Seventy-seven percent of all SBC churches participated.

Prior to this year's revivals a national media campaign on the "Here's Hope" theme began with advertisements in magazines and newspapers and on local radio and television stations.

For more than a month churches have jammed the board's customer service center phone lines with orders for "Here's Hope" products such as marked New Testaments and evangelistic tracts. The board has added extra telephone lines and temporary workers to meet the crunch, said director of marketing Jerry Wolverton.

Callers who cannot get through on the "Here's Hope" order line—(800) 346-1990—may use the board's regu-

lar customer service line: (800) 634-2462, Wolverton said.

As of Mar. 12 more than one million "Here's Hope" items had been shipped to churches from the customer service center in Atlanta.

As the revivals started nationwide, churches began to report a variety of victories, ranging from unusually high attendance to restoration of broken fellowships to large numbers of professions of faith in Christ.

Ron Zamkus, pastor of First Baptist Church, Boonville, Mo., reported his church saw an average attendance of 175 people—higher than the church's average Sunday school attendance of 170.

And on the first day of the revival the church broke a record for Sunday school attendance—the previous high attendance was 270 in 1971; the new record is 273.

The Missouri church also recorded six baptisms and two other professions of faith during the revival. Three people baptized were adults which the pastor said is significant because the church had baptized only two adults over a three-year period before the revival.

The church had been through a period of "tremendous difficulty" in recent years but had experienced healing through the revival, Zamkus said.

"People who've been in this church 30-plus years say they've never seen a revival like this," he said. "We've learned that God is still in the business of changing lives and that God is not finished with First Baptist Church of Boonville."

Across the country, in Florida, Sunset Point Baptist Church in Clearwater literally was set on fire during its

"Here's Hope" revival. An arsonist set two fires at the church sometime between Friday night cottage prayer meetings and a Saturday morning prayer vigil, pastor David Throckmorton reported.

The blaze was detected early and damaged only a storage shed and the church's kitchen, he said. "We told people that Satan made his move at the wrong time. We were prayed up and prepared for the enemy," he noted.

The revival meetings averaged 183 in attendance which Throckmorton said was excellent. "We had a good number of people visit just to see what was going on because of the fire," he said.

The church, which averages 200 in Sunday school attendance and has baptized an average of 25 people per year, recorded 65 professions of faith during the revival.

"This revival has made all the difference in the world for our church," the pastor said. "It has made our people aware of the fact that maybe we've spent too much time inside the four walls of the church and if we'll make some effort to reach out to our community, there are people who will respond

to the gospel."

In Texas, Calvary Baptist Church, Gladewater, recorded 106 professions of faith during its "Here's Hope" revival. The church averages 120 in Sunday school attendance.

Prayer was the essential ingredient in the revival's success, said pastor J. Prentiss McGee, who started the church eight years ago. The pastor also led members in scripture training for sharing their faith.

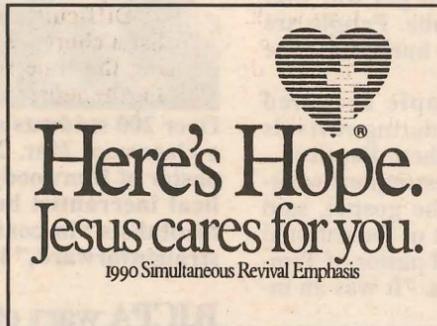
"We urged them to pray like it all depends on God and to work like it all depends on us," he said.

Months before the revival laymen began meeting at 6:30 every Wednesday morning to pray for revival, the pastor said, noting, "We weren't praying just for revival but for the spirit of revival to permeate our lives."

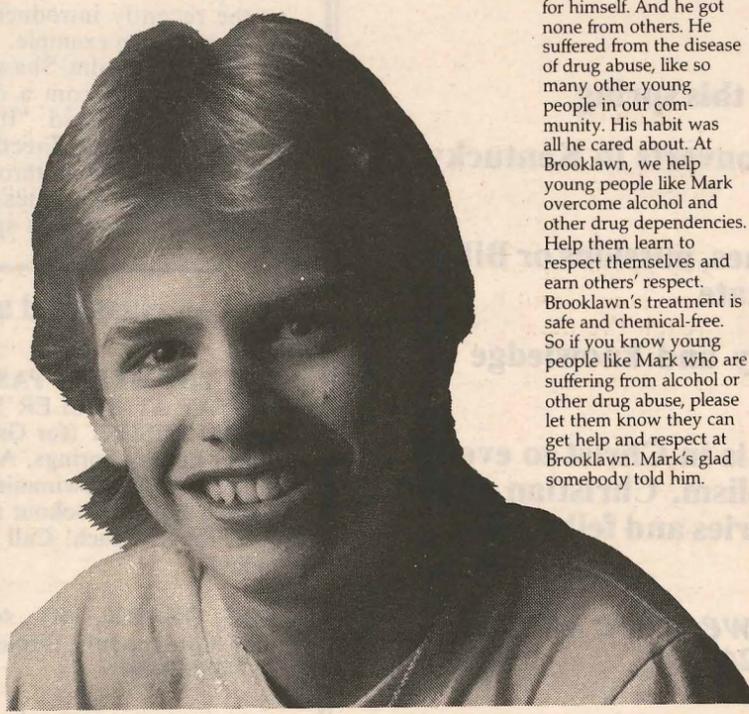
As a result the church has "truly experienced revival," McGee said. "I could hardly believe we could have such a revival in four days in a church of this size."

The board has established a "Here's Hope Victory Line" for churches across the nation to report similar results of their revival experiences. The number is (404) 898-7589. Calls are received between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Eastern time, Mondays through Fridays. (BP)

Orville Scott of the Dallas bureau of Baptist Press contributed to this story.



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Where are we going?

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The kids' combined agenda is Disneyworld, the beach, plenty of junk food, taking at least one of their best friends with them, buying completely new wardrobes for each season and Mom and Dad should not sit, eat, walk or be within one hundred yards.

My personal agenda for a vacation is very simple: play golf every day, relax in the afternoon and do absolutely nothing in the evening.

As you can see there are very few similarities in my family's vacation desires. Some people can't make plans. "Where are we going?" is a question they have never asked. These people are frequent patients in our hospitals that are fighting an illness, broken bones, substance abuse, depression, heart problems or other ailments. The hospital staffs provide these patients with the best Christian health care available.

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Fields ripe for harvest in Cuba, results indicate

For the first time in more than 30 years the government of Cuba has allowed Baptists to conduct a national evangelistic campaign in the country.

A team of Hispanic Southern Baptists conducted simultaneous revivals Mar. 2-13 in 38 Baptist churches in eight Cuban provinces, according to trip coordinator Bob Sena, pastor of First Spanish Baptist Church, Atlanta, Ga.

"The word needs to get out that there's a revival in Cuba. People are being saved. There's a hunger for the gospel," said Sena.

More than 825 people accepted Jesus Christ as savior during revivals led by 11 Hispanic Southern Baptists.

The group had "no restrictions whatsoever" in preaching the gospel, said Daniel Sotelo, president of the national Hispanic fellowship and pastor of Templo Bautista, Fresno, Ca. "It was an incredible thing."

Several volunteers presented Cuban authorities with a Bible to give to president Fidel Castro, who responded with a thank you note to Sotelo.

On the streets, Baptists spread the gospel informally. "No one I talked with turned me away," said volunteer Jery DeOliveira, director of ethnic church relations at the Foreign Mission Board. The group had thought they would not be able to hand out tracts, so they had not taken many, he said. But they gave away all they had. (BP)



Over 200 students at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, packed a classroom Mar. 21 to hear SBC presidential candidate Daniel Vestal. Vestal, pastor of Dunwoody Baptist Church, Atlanta, Ga., said he is a conservative, biblical inerrantist but is opposed to the "sneaky" politics practiced by fundamentalists "in control" of the Southern Baptist Convention. "My politics are straightforward," he said.

BJCPA wary of child-care bill, points out CLC contradiction

As a child-care vote in the House of Representatives approaches, the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs has continued to warn members of Congress and the Bush administration of potential church-state problems contained in proposed legislation.

"The BJCPA has consciously abstained from endorsing any particular child-care proposal on the merits," said

J. Brent Walker, BJCPA associate general counsel. "Instead, we try to critique the church-state aspects of all of the proposals.

"Premature endorsement of any bill—on the merits or otherwise—can be counterproductive because of the rapidity with which bills are amended and because such an endorsement can detract from our credibility when we speak to church-state issues, which are the core of our program assignment."

In the past month Walker has met with president George Bush, the House Democratic leadership and congressional staff members to discuss the various child-care proposals pending in the House.

"We continue to oppose any proposal that would use federal tax dollars to fund sectarian child care, whether in the form of vouchers or direct grants," Walker said. "We do not oppose the use of non-discriminatory earned income tax credits as an aspect of child-care policy, because they do not have obvious church-state implications. This kind of tax credit is not a voucher."

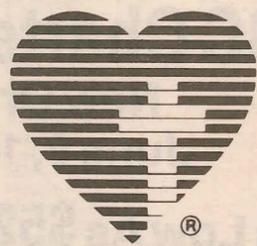
Each of the major child-care proposals before the House contains church-state problems, said Walker. He pointed to the recently introduced Stenholm-Shaw bill as an example.

"The Stenholm-Shaw bill is seriously flawed from a church-state angle," Walker said. "It provides for federal funds to go directly to religious child-care providers through Title XX block grants to the states and mandates a voucher program. It specifically al-

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Acteens will leave heartprints Apr. 27-28 at Eastwood, BG

by James H. Cox, Associate Editor

"Leaving Heartprints" is the theme of the state Acteens conference Apr. 27-28 at Bowling Green's Eastwood Baptist Church.

Grace Powell, Acteens-Campus Baptist Young Women consultant of Kentucky Woman's Missionary Union, Middletown, has announced program personalities for the annual overnight event for teenage girls.

Principal speakers: Mrs. Janet Dillard, Owensboro born Southern Baptist missionary to Kenya; Jerome Byrd,

lows vouchers to be used to purchase services from 'providers which have religious activities.'"

Such provisions run contrary to the historic Baptist advocacy of church-state separation, he said. They also flout the will of Southern Baptists as expressed in a 1988 Southern Baptist Convention resolution and a half-dozen Baptist state convention resolutions passed during the last six months.

Echoing those sentiments, Oliver S. Thomas, BJCPA general counsel, said: "Government funding and regulation of church child care is a bad idea whether it's suggested by Charles Stenholm or Edward Kennedy. The SBC in a nearly unanimous resolution, called upon its churches to conduct their child-care programs 'without financing from the federal government.' Moreover, the resolution urged that any child-care bill 'include adequate safeguards to maintain the separation of church and state,' which the Stenholm bill clearly does not do.

"The recent 'qualified' endorsement by the Christian Life Commission of a bill that so clearly contradicts one of the primary points of the SBC resolution is surprising, to say the least." (BP)

MasterLife, MasterBuilder workshops offered in May

Together with the Baptist Sunday School Board, the Kentucky Baptist Convention's Discipleship Training Department will offer *MasterLife* and *MasterBuilder* workshops May 21-25. Both workshops will be at Immanuel Baptist Church, Lexington.

According to the Discipleship Training Department, *MasterLife* has equipped hundreds of thousands of

mission pastor, The Good News Baptist Chapel, Cincinnati, Oh.; June Hardy Dorsey, minister of education, Ginter Park Baptist Church, Richmond, Va.; Karen Smith, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary student, Louisville.

Music will be led by Southern Seminary student David Burroughs.

Sessions are set Friday at 7 p.m. and Saturday at 9 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. Final adjournment is at 4:15 p.m. Saturday.

An \$8 registration fee provides program costs and T-shirt. The fee should be mailed before Apr. 17 to: Kentucky

people world wide for ministry. *MasterBuilder* enables *MasterLife* alumni to develop qualities and skills of leadership and multiply their ministries by equipping disciples to grow at each stage of the Christian life.

Registration for *MasterLife* is \$82.50 and \$50 for *MasterBuilder*. The first 20 persons who mail in a registration form available from the Discipleship Training Department will be eligible for a *MasterLife* scholarship. Participants are expected to complete the registration process between 3-5 p.m. Monday, May 21.

For more information contact the Discipleship Training Department, Box 43433, Middletown, KY 40253, (502) 245-4101.

Dilday OK after triple-bypass heart surgery

Russell Dilday, president of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Ft. Worth, Tex., is recovering in a Ft. Worth, Tex. hospital following more than two hours of open-heart surgery Mar. 28.

Doctors performed triple-bypass heart surgery to relieve blockage in three cardiac arteries.

The 59-year-old seminary president is "doing fine," said his wife, Betty.

Manucher Nazarian, Dilday's surgeon, said the president's heart is in good condition and told family members the surgery was a success. Dilday was to be in intensive care two days, followed by a week in the hospital and three weeks of recovery at home, Nazarian said. Dilday is expected to resume his duties in late April.

Doctors said the surgery was necessary after balloon dilation failed to clear the arterial blockage. (BP)

WMU, Box 43433, Middletown, KY 40243.

Information on housing is available from that address.

Several special recognitions will be made during the convention.

Six state Acteens panelists for 1989-90 will be honored: Christy Bell, Murray; Garah Gamblin, Morganfield; Melissa Hickman, Louisville; Christina Hogsten, Ashland; Martha Justice, Corbin; Mary Paris, Sturgis.

Three national top teens for 1990 will be cited: Stacey Durbin, Sturgis; Melissa Hickman, Louisville; Becky

Stinnett, Frankfort.

In addition, eight young ladies will be named 1990-91 Snider-Creal scholarship recipients during the Bowling Green conference.

The scholarships, \$700 each for the first year of college, are given to deserving young women who have attained certain levels of Acteen requirements.

The weekend agenda includes appearances by Western Kentucky University performing group Jubilante, testimonies, special music, panelists and an audiovisual presentation.

BSSB sets July date for writers' workshop

The 1990 Sunday School Board writers' workshop has been scheduled for July 16-19 at the board's Church Program Training Center.

The annual conference provides training to aspiring writers in preparing articles, books, devotions and curriculum for board periodicals, according to Bob Dean, conference coordinator.

Dean said goals of the conference are teaching basic writing skills, making participants aware of writing opportunities through Sunday School Board publications and presenting the challenge of writing as a Christian ministry. The workshop is also helpful as a refresher for experienced writers.

Robert J. Hastings, editor emeritus of Illinois Baptist will be guest speaker for the 10th consecutive year, Dean said. A photocopy of Hastings' *The Answer Book: a Manual for Aspiring Writers* will be presented to all workshop participants.

The workshop begins at 6 p.m. Monday, July 16, and concludes at 4 p.m. Thursday, July 19. Registration fee is \$60 and an additional \$40 if a spouse enrolls in the same seminar.

Participants are responsible for securing their own lodging, but the Church Program Training Center makes available a list of local hotels and motels. To register or for additional information, write the Church Program Training Center, Box 24001, Nashville, TN 37203. (615) 251-2294. (BP)

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Fifty years ago Jackson Robertson got "ticked off at the boss," as he now puts it, and his life changed. He was 24, a law school graduate and a Louisville radio broadcaster. He called the station owner to request another job and in March 1940 moved to Monroe, La. Robertson recalls that first Sunday in town, "I faced the decision of going to church or staying home. For the first time I was totally on my own." He went to church and his life took a dramatic turn. A young woman named Jeannette Ziegler was in the choir and sang a solo. They met and both thought, "I could marry him/her." Marriage came 11 months after their first date.

The Robertsons reared three children: Jeanne, Birmingham; Julia, Nashville; Jack Jr., Huntsville, Ala. Three granddaughters are a special joy. Mrs. Robertson died in 1981. Memorial gifts established the Jeannette Robertson award granted each graduation to a student wife who "exemplifies the ideal wife of a minister."

Mar. 2, 1941 God called "Dr. Jack" to preach. He returned to Southern Seminary to earn a theology degree and pastored for 40 years in Kentucky and Alabama. In Birmingham he pastored the widow of Clear Creek founder L. C. Kelly. She kept insisting president Aldridge get him as a teacher. The move was made in 1977. In 1986 Robertson became the L. C. Kelly professor of biblical interpretation.

Robertson never had a call to missions but was willing to do whatever the Lord desired. For several years he has prayed 15 minutes daily for foreign mission needs. He recently heard my testimony about missions in Nigeria and thought, "I could do that." One morning a few days later he read Isa. 6:1-8 in his prayer time and had this request: "Pray for your personal availability." He sincerely acknowledged, "Certainly Lord, I am available."

Within two weeks he was asked to go and teach at the Baptist seminary in Vitoria, Espirito Santo as part of the Kentucky/Brazil partnership. The 14-day trip will include five days teaching, daily chapel sermons and preaching in two churches on weekends. "Once I said I was really available, it all started," Robinson testified.

To all who would write to Baptist Forum: We welcome for consideration your letters on any subject, provided they do not make personal attacks on anyone. We ask, however, that you accommodate a longstanding policy of a 300-word maximum limit for published letters. Thank you for adhering to this, and welcome to the pages of Western Recorder.—James H. Cox, Associate Editor

We were misinformed

I feel the need to write and share with our Baptist family the experience my wife and I have had over the past three years, and especially the past nine months, with the Foreign Mission Board.

After acknowledging and responding publicly to God's call to serve him on the foreign field during foreign missions week at Southern Seminary, fall 1985, we began by meeting FMB candidate consultant Ruford Hodges. He gave helpful information about the requirements and procedure for appointment.

Later, as we moved toward the fulfillment of the standard requirements, Rick Bates became our candidate consultant. He was also helpful but never solicitous. We asked to begin the appointment process formally, wrote life histories, etc. and prayerfully committed to equatorial Brazil as our specific place of service.

We had heard people speak of people who had been upset by FMB requirements, questions, etc. and were somewhat anxious throughout the process. We kept wondering when the "witch hunt" questions were going to be asked.

It didn't happen at candidate conference. Our references never spoke of getting the third degree. But we and the other 27 "candidates" were still anxious during appointment week. Still being treated with great care, prayer, love and respect, we met with trustees the night before appointment and had a great time of personal sharing, prayer and fellowship. (No witch hunt.)

All of this is to encourage all. Be open to God's call. And if he calls you to foreign missions, don't hesitate to apply through the best organized, supported and prayed for missionary-sending organization, SBC Foreign Mission Board.

*Don and Billie Dixon
Waddy*

Stonewalling by Stassen?

I applaud the strong stand the Christian Life Commission has taken by not allowing so-called "pro choice" advocates to speak at their conferences.

The CLC with its new leadership now reflects the biblical respect for life which Southern Baptists overwhelmingly support. The commission certainly reserves the right to bar any speaker who adheres to views that are in direct contradiction to the CLC's intents and purposes.

While I sympathize with Dr. and Mrs. Stassen's situation concerning their son and support his general concern regarding "practical ways to deal with the actual causes of abortions" and "practical ways to deal redemptively with the causes of abortion," there is one thing that disturbs me. Since Dr. Stassen maintains, "No one asked me what my current views on abortion may be," why did Dr. Stassen not seize a golden opportunity to state clearly and precisely what his "current" views are?

We have all said things in the past or perhaps have signed statements that do not reflect our current views. That is understandable. These are "ghosts" that

haunt us sometimes but they can be dealt with effectively.

Own up to them, state clearly where you stand at present and move on. Since this is the new policy of the CLC, I see no reason for Dr. Stassen to gripe, unless his views on abortion are not in line with the CLC and he is stonewalling.

*Paul Blizard
Fairdale*

Unwanted contributions

The commissioners of the Southern Baptist Christian Life Commission have made a grievous mistake. They are attempting to narrow the complexities of Christian ethics to the particular issue of abortion. They are censoring valuable resources from Southern Baptists if those persons dare to disagree with a particular stance on abortion.

These commissioners were given their positions in order to enlighten Southern Baptists on a wide variety of ethical issues: AIDS, the living will, the nuclear arms race, the reunification of Germany, ministerial integrity, etc. They were not appointed to turn the CLC into a branch office of the National Right-To-Life movement. How dare those 12 commissioners so flagrantly abuse their authority!

The choice of Glen Stassen as a target for oppression epitomizes the tragic consequences of this abuse. A person nurtured and affirmed by Southern Baptists as a distinguished professor of Christian ethics is ordered to be silent before Southern Baptists. A teacher who consistently holds up before heads-of-state and student ministers alike the model of Jesus as a paradigm for peacemaking is being told that his contributions are unwanted among Southern Baptists. These commissioners have no right to make this judgment on my behalf nor on behalf of my church.

Let the CLC become an advocate for creative moral discourse. Ironically, establishing "litmus tests" for speakers amid ethical dialog aborts the CLC's responsibility to facilitate such moral discourse. I respectfully urge executive director Richard Land to work vigorously for the rescission of this tragic mistake.

*Timothy E. Madison
Louisville*

Not our sole agenda

Regarding the recent decision of the commissioners of the Christian Life Commission about a pro-life litmus test for future speakers, I am saddened to see an ever shrinking circle of fellowship within the SBC typified by this kind of stance.

I attended a CLC meeting years ago on the family when speakers ranged from Captain Kangaroo to James Dobson, David Mace and Jerry Falwell. I enjoyed the diversity of opinion and opportunity to think through the various presentations.

I think abortion is an important issue and a national tragedy but the church was here before the abortion issue and it will be here after it. It is not our sole agenda. Far sadder is the Christian Ghetto mentality that is clouding our agency life. Give South-

ern Baptist leaders and people a break—we are capable of separating wheat from chaff and thinking responsibly about significant issues.

Too many conspiracy theories exist today when what we need is more trust, more dialog, more understanding. Discussion and clarification are not necessarily compromise—but they do require courtesy, patience, respect and consideration, qualities that seem in shorter supply each year.

I'm glad our church doesn't operate like the commissioners. No one could get in. If a 13-year statute of limitations were applied on us all regarding previous sins, petitions and statements, I doubt seriously we'd have any members left! Dr. Stassen has been needlessly insulted, Dr. Land handcuffed and energy wasted once again on the creation of a policy that won't change the tragedy of abortion anyway. When is reality going to set in on us?

*Gary Furr
First Baptist Church
Blakely, Ga.*

\$50,000? Winner, take all!

Re: "Conservatives map strategy to win SBC" (WR, Mar. 6), James Hefley reports that the conservatives fear Carolyn Weatherford Crumpler would attempt to set up precinct type organizations in each state in an attempt to win the first vice-president's office of the SBC.

"Leaders pledged to monitor WMU to make sure it is not used for political purposes," Hefley said.

This would be hilarious if it wasn't such a serious church matter. I suppose they think others will resort to the same type of tactics that they have employed for the last 11 years to gain control of the convention.

If they really want to monitor something I suggest they need look no further than their own pulpits. These have been deeply involved and I am sure still are in and for political purposes.

If the defunding of the BJCPA is passed at the New Orleans convention I believe we can say goodbye to the SBC as most of us have known it. I wish those that propose and support it would be completely honest with themselves and with us. What they really want to do is get rid of James Dunn. Why leave \$50,000 in the budget? Why not take it all away?

*Wallace C. Stone
Greenville*

Difficult issues

At the Daviess-McLean Association executive board meeting Mar. 12, the Christian life committee brought before the board for possible action three important issues all adopted:

The request to our local radio stations to ban the airing of the music by the rock group known as "Guns 'n Roses." This group is known for its obscenity and generally bad behavior.

The formation of the DUI legislation telephone network for the purpose of notifying and mobilizing the pastors in our association (on short notice) to drive to Frankfort and be part of Kentucky Baptists' show of support.

The resolution from Joe Thomas, pastor of Dawson Baptist church, Philpot, concerning the boycott on products produced by the Mennen Co. and Clorox Corp. (the major sponsors of programs high in incidents of sex, violence and profanity).

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On the next day the chief priests and Pharisees approached Pilate and urged him to take precaution to prevent Christ's disciples from stealing his body. Pilate ordered the religious

leaders to seal the tomb and place soldiers there to guard it.

Matthew 28:1-10 Even though the tomb was sealed and a huge stone was rolled in front of the entrance, neither the stone, the seal nor the guards could keep Christ a prisoner of death. Christ's body remained in the tomb until early Sunday morning. Then God raised him from the dead, and Christ laid aside his grave clothes and walked out of that tomb a living Lord, triumphant over death and the grave.

As it began to dawn on Sunday morning Mary Magdalene, Mary, the mother of James and John, and Salome approached the tomb where Christ was buried for the purpose of anointing his body with spices and perfumes. There was an earthquake, an angel of the Lord descended from heaven, the stone was rolled away from the entrance to the tomb and the angel sat upon it.

When the angel saw how terribly frightened the women were he said, "Fear not ye; for I know that ye seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for he is risen as he said." The angel urged these women to "see the place where the Lord lay. And go quickly and tell his disciples that he is risen from the dead." The women departed immediately to carry to the disciples the good news that Christ was alive. As they went Christ met them with the greeting "All hail." It was the presence of Christ that dispelled their doubts.

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John 19:28-42 Upon their arrival at the skull-shaped hill outside the walls of Jerusalem the Romans drove the spikes through the hands and feet of Christ and fastened him to the cross. Then they lifted the cross on end and dropped it into a hole which had been dug in the ground, leaving Christ to suffer a lingering and painful death as the blood dripped from his head, his hands and his feet. While hanging on the cross our Lord uttered seven sayings, the shortest of which was "I thirst." Christ's cry revealed intense agony.

Near the end of his hours on the cross Christ uttered the word *tetelestai*, which is translated, "It is finished." We are to accept the finished work of him whose death was sacrificial, substitutionary and sufficient.

According to Jewish law it was necessary to remove the bodies of executed criminals before sunset. In order to hasten the death of the three sufferers, permission was received from Pilate to have their legs broken. But when they came to Christ and saw that he was already dead, they did not break his legs. One of the soldiers pierced his side with a spear and there came out blood and water.

Joseph of Arimathea and Nicodemus, after wrapping Christ's body in linen provided by the former and in spices provided by the latter laid the body of their Lord in a new sepulcher. The tomb was fastened with the king's seal, and a huge stone was rolled in front of the entrance. Early on Sunday morning Christ arose, laid aside his grave clothes and walked out of that tomb a living Lord, triumphant over death and the grave.



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March madness

For a basketball fan, and to a great extent to be a Kentuckian is to be a basketball fan, March is the most exciting time of the year. High school tournaments begin at the district level and culminate in the Sweet 16 and the eventual state champion. On the national level it's NCAA time and everything focuses on reaching the final four and the national championship.

There is a tremendous emphasis on winning and the competition is never keener. The other side of the coin, however, is that there are a lot of losers. I am always saddened to see a team that has played its heart out lose on the last second shot, and as a fan of the underdog I always feel a loss when the Cinderella team is finally eliminated.

But when I think about the appeal of competition I realize that there is nothing else which can cause us to focus our energies and do the best we can.

Winning and losing is a very crucial part of life. Most of us want to focus on winners, but the reality is we have to deal with losing as well.

For the children in our care life has handed them only the losses. Like the team that goes 0-30 for the season, our youth often come to us convinced that they can win at nothing. Their self esteem is nonexistent and they have no concept of how to succeed in life.

Our job is to help those youth begin to feel like winners and to learn that though there are losses in life, that does not mean the individual is a loser. The motivation of boys and girls from the background of our children takes special skills and special people. The most important ingredient is that the individuals themselves have to be able to model success to the youth in care.

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Some giant steps

It is very quiet tonight as I write. Most of our students and staff left yesterday for spring break. Our seniors and seven staff left at 6 a.m. this morning on the annual senior trip to Washington and colonial Williamsburg. They will be gone a full week. Two days after their return everyone else will be back and we'll be into our fourth academic quarter.

With Greyhound on strike it was a massive undertaking getting each girl and boy away. We have never had such a situation before in the history of the school. But everyone rose to the occasion. Some parents banded together and chartered vehicles, others carpooled, many students went home

with other students. Amazingly all got away. If the strike is not over it will all be to do in reverse nine days from now. Moving over 500 students and luggage is a massive undertaking even when the buses are running. Our nearest bus station is now 55 miles away.

Fortunately our senior trip, for which the students work so hard to raise the money each year, was never in question. We have our own diesel buses for such long trips and very capable drivers.

The days leading up to the end of our third academic quarter were very busy ones as usual. The chapel services of each day was led by the handbell choir of nearby Sue Bennett College; Bro. Bill Holeman, who has done mission work in our county for 37 years, with "the Crusaders" and ever popular "Homer" and "Henry;" Dr. Eugene Enlow, who has done such a great job helping prepare all of Kentucky for the Here's Hope simultaneous revivals; Dan Midkiff of Texas; the BSU of Carson-Newman College; myself a special athletic awards service; and a congregational hymn sing just an hour before the start of spring vacation.

During these days we had many guests including prospective students and their parents planning to come for the start of fourth quarter; 25 students and staff a day and night from a Christian school in Texas where Oneida '84 graduate Jacque Wasson is a teacher and head coach; former Oneida student Pat Rowe, now a student at WKU, came to stay with us two days so we could meet his new wife.

Hundreds of guests were on campus on both Friday and Saturday nights to see our students splendidly

perform *The Robe*.

The director of the Carson-Newman BSU and eight Carson-Newman students came to stay six days with us as a volunteer work group and had a lot of interaction with our students and took part in six different services. Rev. Ken Adams and some of the men of Lucas Grove Baptist Church south of Elizabethtown came for a day of volunteer work as they did last year.

Our choir sang at *The Robe* performance on Friday night, and some of them were away on Saturday for a competition as was our chess team. Sunday the choir got up about 5:30 a.m. and sang later in the morning at FBC, Walton, which hosted the group with a wonderful lunch afterwards. I was with them and then off to a pizza supper that evening at Highview Baptist, Louisville, and a thrilling service afterwards. The choir received two standing ovations and there was a special ovation also for our choir director, Richard Burns, now in his fifth year of OBI service. We got back to Oneida about midnight and the start of finals the following day.

We have just gotten a letter from the father of one of our girls with a \$150 donation. He writes: "My daughter, in the past six months alone, has taken some giant steps towards growing up. When we first placed her in Oneida's hands, I had hoped for the best. I have now received the best. Louise is not a bookworm. However she is a good person. Although she may not have all the knowledge of God and his works she now has the information to make her own decision. She will do well after she graduates. Oneida has made a difference in her life."

christian education



on mission together

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From Henderson to Espirito Santo

I receive lots of letters; it goes with the job. This one from Russell Hibbs, a medical doctor from Henderson, is special. It brings joyful affirmation for all the planning and foundation-laying for the Brazil partnership.

I would just like to take a moment to thank you and all our 'denominational servants' for their love and assistance in making my first overseas mission tour a wonderful experience.

Ever since I became a physician, persons have suggested—even insisted—that I should have been called into foreign medical missions. I never felt that God was calling me to full time service in that way, but I have always thought that someday I would get a chance to go on a short term basis. None of this was available to my knowledge in the 1950s and later with children to take care of it has only been in the last few years I have had the time and money to do so.

Medical mission (volunteer type) work was not available during the Kenya partnership, but Bob Jones evidently remembered my request and informed me in January that such a position was open in Espirito Santo. I followed up with talks with Calvin Wilkins and have just returned from two weeks of what can only be described as a truly moving spiritual experience for me and my wife, Judy. We not only got to see what foreign missions is all about but to share with our missionaries, the National Baptists and the wonderful friendly Brazilians. The love of God is almost too much to put adequately into words.

We just praise God for the vision he put into all your hearts for a partnership with different countries, using volunteer laymen and laywomen sharing the jobs they know best with others in the hopes of winning many for Christ. I will never forget the joys and blessings of my first trip and can only thank Kentucky Baptists and God for making it all possible.

Our partnership with the state of Espirito Santo in Brazil is off to a good beginning. May many more Kentucky Baptist laypersons have similar blessings during these three years in Brazil.

georgetown college

Georgetown (Ky.) College will award four honorary degrees during its spring commencement May 12: Lincoln N. Bingham, DD; J. Howard Cobble, DD; Rebecca Mason Irvine, DL; Ernest Joseph Loessner, DL.

Bingham, a resident of Louisville, is a missionary of the Home Mission Board's Black Church Extension Division. He serves as cooperative ministry consultant for the Kentucky Baptist Convention and superintendent of missions for the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky.

Prior to his current position Bingham was pastor of West End Baptist Church, Louisville, 26 years. Cobble, of Elizabethtown, is pastor of Severns Valley Baptist Church where he has been since 1981.

Cobble has held numerous leadership roles in the Southern Baptist Convention. He is past president of the Kentucky Baptist Convention and the KBC Pastor's Conference. He was also on the SBC Annuity Board pension study committee and is president-elect of the Kentucky chapter of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary Alumni Association.

Mrs. Irvine, of Louisville, is active in both banking and real estate. She is stockholder and board member of the Shelby County Bank and Trust, Shelbyville, and the Commonwealth Bank, Middletown. Mrs. Irvine also is on the board of the Kentucky Bankers Association and is a real estate agent with a Louisville firm.

Loessner, of Avon Park, Fla., is considered by many Southern Baptists as one of the "foremost authorities" in church education.

Now retired, Loessner has been minister of education in Baptist churches in Kentucky, Arkansas and Texas.

He joined the faculty at Southern Seminary in 1953 and was dean of Southern's School of Religious Education 1968-73.

Loessner was a professor at Hong Kong Baptist Seminary and Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary, Mill Valley, Cal. He also has been a foreign missionary in Argentina, Paraguay, Uruguay, Italy, Israel, Hong Kong and Japan.

Wendell H. Ford, United States senator from Kentucky, will address Georgetown College graduates during the institution's spring commencement ceremony, Saturday, May 12 on Giddings lawn.

Ford, Kentucky's senior U. S. senator, has served in the Senate since 1974. Now in his third term, Ford was re-elected in 1980 and 1986, when he made political history by carrying all 120 Kentucky counties with 74% of the statewide vote.

Ford's career spans nearly a quarter of a century in elective office. He began as a Kentucky state senator in 1965 and was elected lieutenant governor in 1967. Four years later he became the commonwealth's 49th governor.

After 14 years in the Senate Ford has risen to 23rd out of 100 members in overall seniority and 13th among Democrat at the beginning of the 101st congress.

Georgetown College Chorale will perform its annual spring concert at Cardome Center, Georgetown, Apr. 19, 8 p.m.

The chorale is under the direction of Anthony G. Whitfield, professor of

music. American spirituals and selected classics are among the works to be performed.

The concert is free and open to the public but tickets are required. For more information contact the college at (502) 863-8056.

The United States Air Force Logistics Command Band, "Night Flight," will perform at Georgetown (Ky.) college in Hill Chapel Apr. 17 at 8 p.m.

The performance is free and open to the public but tickets are required. For reservations call (502) 863-1111 or send a self addressed, stamped envelope to "Night Flight," Georgetown News and Times, 218 East Main, Georgetown, KY 40324.

Approximately 200 Georgetown (Ky.) College graduates will hear Robert G. Baker deliver the 1990 baccalaureate address. The baccalaureate service will be held in John L. Hill Chapel, May 11, 8 p.m.

Baker is chairman of the board of trustees at Georgetown, which is also his alma mater. He also received an MDiv and PhD from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville.

Baker has pastored two churches in Kentucky and was an adjunct professor of Old Testament at Southern Seminary in 1982.

clear creek college

After relocating, a popular attraction is again open to the public at Clear Creek Baptist Bible College, Pineville, Ky. A scale model of Jerusalem as it was in the days of Christ is in the college's "front oval room" where it will be more accessible to guests.

The model, which took seven years to complete, was built by Robert O. Fitts, a professor at Clear Creek from 1963-86; Tommy Holtzclaw, a former student and director of admissions; and Wayne Henderson, a former student. The display features a synchronized lighting and audio narration system.

baptist seminary, richmond

The provisional board of trustees of Baptist Theological Seminary, Richmond (Va.) has announced it anticipates opening the new school for classes in the fall of 1991.

At their Mar. 5 meeting trustees heard progress reports on fund raising efforts from acting president Morris Ashcraft and development and admissions director Frank Goare. Cash contributions were reported to be just over \$100,000 and total cash and pledges at slightly under \$500,000 (within 10 days of the meeting cash and pledges exceeded one half million). Thus far four churches and more than 250 individuals have made gifts and/or pledges.

The board earlier set tentative operational budgets for the seminary's first three years, including \$578,000 for the first year, \$827,000 for the second and \$1 million for the third. Goare told trustees an endowment of \$5-10 million, or its equivalent, will be required to guarantee needed funds.

midwestern seminary

The marks of distinctively "Baptist" preaching were examined during a recent H. I. Hester Lectureship at

Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Kansas City, Mo.

Guest speaker H. Stephen Shoemaker, pastor of Crescent Hill Baptist Church, Louisville, outlined several characteristics of true Baptist preaching. These included "preaching for conversion, helping the hearer meet the God of the Bible and Jesus the Christ, preaching for personal decision" and preaching from the Bible as an exercise of "biblicism" rather than "bibliolatry."

new orleans seminary

Meeting Mar. 13-14, trustees at New Orleans (La.) Baptist Theological Seminary approved a \$7 million budget, voted to study the process of electing trustee officers and honored Landrum P. Leavell II on his 15th anniversary as seminary president.

Trustees also named Jimmy W. Dukes director of the School of Christian Training, replacing Jerry L. Breazeale, who retires May 31.

southern seminary

The Gheens Center for Christian Family Ministry at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, will host an annual meeting of the Southern Baptist Association of Family Ministers Apr. 26-28.

The theme for the gathering is "Family Time: Conversations with Elders and Others." Program personalities will include D. Swan Haworth, R. Lofton Hudson and Wayne E. Oates. The three were pioneers among Southern Baptists in the fields of pastoral care and family ministry.

New Braunfels native Lisa Ullrich has been named coordinator of foundation, research and information support at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville.

Miss Ullrich will be a grants writer and research specialist in the seminary's development division.

She is currently an MDiv student at the seminary. Prior to enrolling she was a US-2 missionary in New London, Conn. for the Home Mission Board. She has most recently been secretary to the director of annual giving at Southern.

southwestern seminary

Six graduates of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Ft. Worth, Tex., will be honored during the school's national alumni luncheon June 13 at the Southern Baptist Convention annual meeting in New Orleans, La.

The six, representing a variety of backgrounds and ministries, are being recognized by the seminary's national alumni association as distinguished alumni.

Recipients are Clint Ashley, president of the Canadian Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Cochrane, Alberta; Charles Fuller, pastor of First Baptist Church, Roanoke, Va.; Marvin Griffin, pastor of Ebenezer Baptist Church, Austin, Tex.; Essie Mae (Mrs. T B.) Maston, Ft. Worth; Paul Powell, president of the SBC Annuity Board, Dallas; and Scott Tatum, senior professor of preaching emeritus at Southwestern and former pastor of Broadmoor Baptist Church, Shreveport, La.

Dateline: Comanesti, Romania



Fedor works six days a week and earns \$119 per month as crane operator at a local furniture factory.

In the mining-petroleum town of Comanesti, near the mountains of central Romania, Baptists Mihai and Elena Fedor are rearing their 10 children on his crane operator's salary of about \$119 per month.

Life has been hard. Fedor has borrowed money the last two autumns to buy firewood and food for winter. Even with money there has been little to purchase.

Clothes have been hard to buy. Meat is a luxury. Sweets for the children are almost impossible to find. Canned fish has been unavailable for two years. The family has had to depend on its garden and farm animals to survive.

Life as Baptists also has been hard.

Last May the communist government destroyed the Baptist church building in Comanesti, on which members had worked for nine years. Inadequate documents, the secret police said. Fedor and Cornel, one of his older sons, were jailed briefly during the incident.

Since the revolution that left communist dictator Nicolae Ceausescu dead, things have improved. The Baptists gained permission to rebuild their church. Mrs. Fedor was able to buy lemons recently. Alina, 10, said her school is now warm and nobody makes fun of her for being a Christian.

Life is better now, but a long way from easy. (BP)

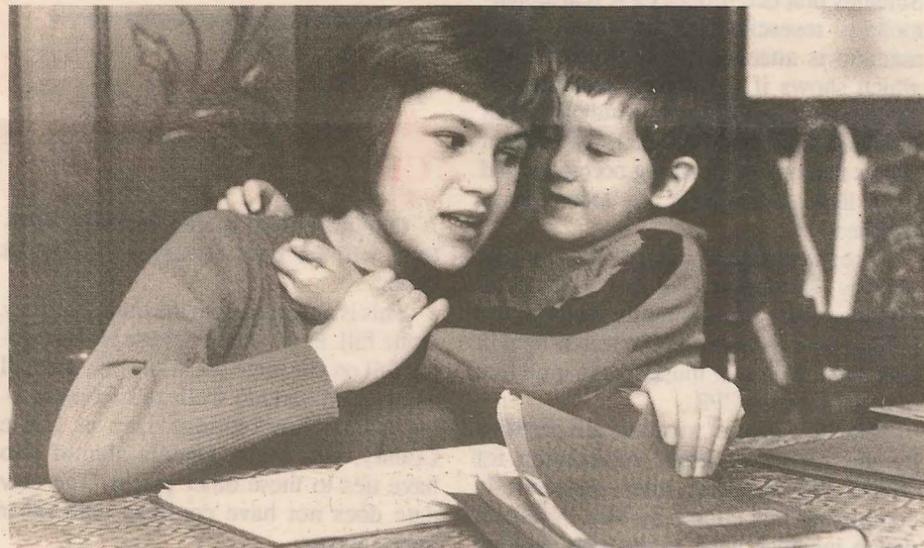
Mike Creswell



Fedor hugs daughter Alina, 10, one of his 10 children.



Mrs. Fedor reads to her children, Mariana (l), 11, Alina (r), 10, and Lucian, 5. Books, among other things, have been hard to find in Romania in recent years. Candy for the children—a rare treat—can be bought at times now, Mrs. Fedor said. When she looked for a shirt for one of her sons last fall, she could find nothing at any price.



Despite the rigors of life under past communist rule in Romania, the Fedor family pursued education as one ticket to a better life. Here, Luminita, 14, gets some junior assistance with homework from her younger brother, Lucian, 5.



Tending the Fedor family's sow are Adrian (l), 18, and Sorin, 20. The family has raised pigs to have meat and extra income. Until revolution swept Romania in December, meat, eggs and other items were strictly rationed. At one meal, the Fedors served nearly pure pork fat as a meat dish, an indication they can afford to waste nothing.



Mrs. Fedor (r), tends the family's chickens with daughter Luminita, 14. The family has had to raise chickens and tend a garden to survive. Romania's crippled economy resulted in severe shortages of even the most basic foods under communist dictator Nicolae Ceausescu's 22-year rule. During a recent visit to one store in Comanesti, they found only three items for sale: bread, pickled beets and toilet paper.

"Health Careers" Class One Of Many Oneida Extras!

"Mr. Rogers" does not appear so very ill, but he receives much tender loving care from Oneida's "Health Careers" class taught by fulltime Oneida teacher, Mrs. Mary Jefferson R.N.

Adjoining Mrs Jefferson's 720 sq. ft. classroom is a 300 sq. ft. clinical lab. In that lab, "Mr. Rogers" can be found sitting in his wheelchair or lying down or sitting up in his new electric hospital bed. One is invariably startled when first seeing the lifelike patient manikin.

"Mr. Rogers" may be sipping water from his over-the-bed table or reaching for a paper cup on his bedside table. Sometimes the portable screen is around him to give him privacy. Near the foot of his bed is a sink with hot and cold running water where students are taught proper hand-washing techniques before caring for the patient. Also a color VCR-TV is utilized, as is an overhead projector, for a variety of color films and slides.

Quietly resting in another part of the room are two electronic CPR manikins. One is a female adult Resusci-Anne and the other is three month old Resusci-Baby. Students practice proper CPR (cardiopulmonary resuscitation) on them. Each manikin is attached to an electrical box which shows if the correct technique is being used. A yellow light indicates that the hands are correctly placed, a green light shows that one is breathing correctly, and a red light comes on if any technique is incorrect.

Also the students practice on a five year old boy, Resusci-Jr. The boy is used for teaching water life-saving for he has holes in him. When thrown in the water, he will sink and the rescuer must dive in, pull him out, and then do CPR.

"Health Careers" students are certified by the American Heart Association for "basic life support" after successfully completing this course by Mrs. Jefferson which includes what to do with choking victims or cardiac arrest. These certificates must be renewed by refresher training yearly. All athletic coaches are required by the Kentucky High School Athletic Association to have this same training.

The "Health Careers" class is a part of Oneida's vocational training program that also includes manual and computerized drafting, auto mechanics, welding, crafts, agriculture, printing, photography. Also fifty students are taught driver's education each semester.

The purpose of the "Health Careers" class is to actively train interested high school juniors and seniors to be nursing assistants such as orderlies or aides. It is also to get them interested in possibly pursuing further education to be a medical doctor, practical or registered nurses, pharmacists, physical therapists, respiratory therapists, x-ray or lab technicians. There is a growing shortage in these vital health care fields.

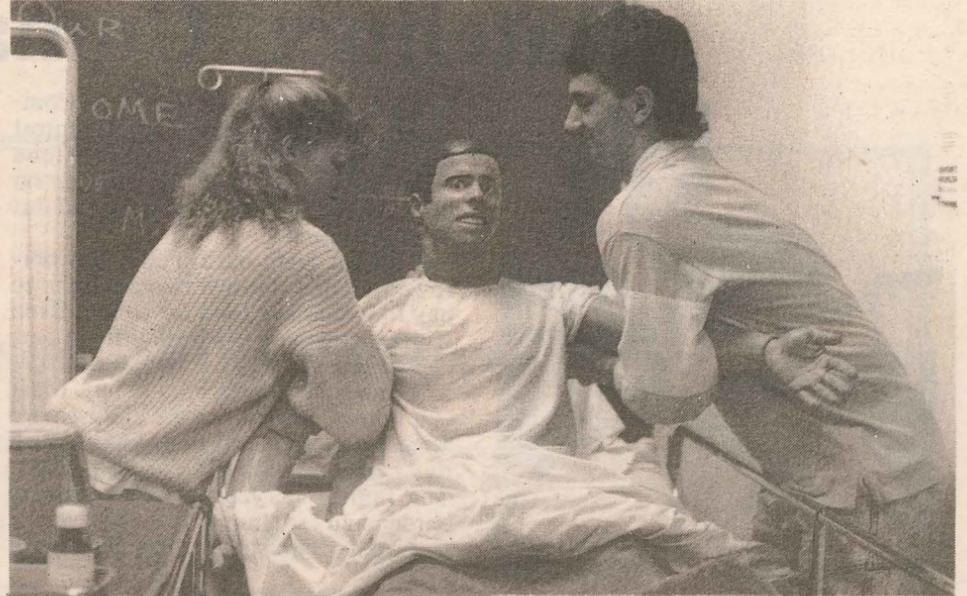
Nurse Jefferson, now in her third year of Oneida service, is tremendously qualified for teaching these courses. She has twenty years of nursing experience having a bachelor of science in nursing degree from the University of Kentucky. Most of this experience was in hospitals prior to her coming to Oneida. Her son is on the dean's list as a

college freshman and her daughter is on the sophomore "A" honor roll at Oneida.

The last academic quarter of this year, her current students will work in the nearby Laurel Creek Health Center two days a week giving hands-on care to the more than 100 patients there. Administrator of that very modern nursing home is Ben Bays, a 1981 graduate of Oneida.

Nurse Jefferson and her students wear "first aid" shirts and sit together ready to assist at all home athletic meets. Also several of them accompany the swimming and diving teams on all "away" meets. Mrs. Jefferson's medical bag is packed and nearby at all times. Included in the varying pockets of the bag is equipment to handle most emergencies including oral airways, a handsuction pump if someone is choking on fluid, blood pressure cup and stethoscope, otoscope for looking in ears, solutions for eye emergencies and special eye patches, sterile bandages and dressings, elastic bandages and splints, padded tongue sticks for convulsions, varying instruments including forceps, suture and bandage scissors, tweezers, emergency drugs that can be given under a doctor's standing orders.

Truly Oneida's classes in contemporary health issues, anatomy and physiology, general health, and the health careers classes are a very special "extra" of Oneida's varied academic and vocational offerings.



Michelle Parr (senior) and Brandon Bowman (junior) practice lifting techniques in "Health Careers" class. They are lifting "Mr. Rogers", a patient manikin, who is approximately six feet tall, weighs nearly 100 pounds, and is fully jointed. The students are taught to bathe him, to remove his dentures and brush them and general care. Mr. Rogers has had a colostomy, so the students are taught to irrigate it and learn how to insert a catheter. Mr. Rogers can also be given an enema. Students can also review previously learned CPR on Mr. Rogers. He has an open airway including a tracheostomy. Also he has an open mouth, artificial lungs and a flexible chest.



Christy Wilkey (senior), teacher Mary Jefferson R.N., and Britt Voyles (senior) practice taking blood pressure. Equipment for teaching vital signs include blood pressure cups, thermometers, and stethoscopes.

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ONEIDA'S HOMECOMING DATE CHANGED TO APRIL 28

Oneida's first spring HOMECOMING will be held Saturday, April 28 1990.

This is a change from the traditional day in the fall. Each year Oneida's Homecoming fell on the same day as a U.K. football game, Cumberland College's Homecoming, Mary Breckenridge Day in Leslie County, etc. Many Oneida alumni also have ties to these other places. The new date does not have conflicts with other major events.

Saturday, April 28 comes at a beautiful time for alumni, former staff and friends to be back at Oneida. The dogwood and redbud will be in bloom, and all the beauty of spring in the mountains!

Events of the day will include being able to watch both the Oneida baseball and softball teams play games against two other schools. That will bring back many memories. Also a track and field meet will be held with other schools. Oneida has won five state championships in varying track and field events in recent years. Alumni will get to see OBI student Damon Tigner perform. He has won the state championship in the highjump the past two years, winning with a 6'8" jump this past spring. Also both the Oneida Choir and the Oneida Marching Band will give performances.

The Class of 1940 will have their 50th anniversary dinner together.

Other 5-year interval reunions include those of 1935, '45, '50, '55, '60, '65, '70, '75, '80, '85. Former students and former staff of every year are encouraged to be back, but there is a special emphasis on the five-year reunions for those that cannot return every year.

Mark your calendar---Saturday, April 28.

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Oneida's Chosen "Best New Delegation" In Junior KYA



Oneida's Middle School Academic Team was voted the "best new delegation" in the annual Junior Kentucky Youth Assembly meeting in the State Capitol.

Oneida's high school academic team has participated in the KYA winning varying honors since 1986, but this was the first year for the younger team's participation.

Pictured are: Shayla Dean, Oneida, sixth grader and daughter of Gary Dean who is an OBI '71 graduate and Sarah Newbury, seventh grader from Danville. Standing L to R: Eric Newbury, eighth grader from Danville; seventh graders Joel Cappo, Louisville; Todd Ellis, Louisville; Kris Perry, Shelbyville; Mike Gilbert, son of Oneida graduate Stanley Gilbert '76, London; and sixth grader, Shawn Carter, Cleveland, OH.

Eric and Sarah Newbury are the nephew and niece of former teacher Bob Turner who was as assistant dean of boys, teacher and fencing coach during ten years of able Oneida service.