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Welcome to the Golden Jubilee Convention

This wonderful month—the time for the Golden Jubilee Convention of the Tennessee Woman's Missionary Union is here! Within a week hosts of women from every section of the state will be thronging Nashville to share in the joyous celebration.

It is fitting that the Jubilee meeting is to be held in the capital city. Here in 1882 the first Central Committee of Tennessee was organized in the First Baptist Church, then located on Fifth Avenue, North. Again the First Church was the scene of the Central Committee of 1887. The largest number of societies in a town or city known at the time of the Central Committee was in Nashville. The moving spirit in the organization of the Tennessee Union and its first president were both Nashville women. The first girls' missionary society in the state was the Earnest Workers of Third Church. The Baptist Orphanage now at Franklin, was started in Nashville by Mrs. Roger Eastman, a member of First Church. Nashville has contributed more state officers than any other city or town. The State W. M. U. office is in Nashville.

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Will speak at the banquet, and on
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Missionary to Africa will speak at the
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EDITORIAL

Satan As A Religionist

Contrary to the traditional view that the devil is hideous in appearance and promotes only those things which are low and degrading, Paul says that "Satan is transformed into an angel of light" and that "his ministers are transformed as the ministers of righteousness" (2 Cor. 11:14, 15). **He poses as a religionist.**

His religion is a counterfeit. Ever since his fall from his first estate in an ancient rebellion against God, he has been trying to "be like the most High" minus the character and truth of the most High (Isa. 14:12-15).

In his imitative religious system Satan is "the god of this world" (2 Cor. 4:4). He has his "false Christs and false prophets" (Matt. 24:24), "his ministers" (2 Cor. 11:15), his gospel, "another gospel; which is not another" (Gal. 1:6, 7), his professors of religion, "tares" (Matt. 13:38) and his churches, "the synagogues of Satan" (Rev. 2:9). These and other elements which could be mentioned make up the religious system which he offers as a substitute for New Testament Christianity.

Few of the devil's followers are conscious hypocrites. The most of them are simply deceived by him. Many of them are cultured, humanitarian and "deeply religious." But they have not been "born again" and they imagine that they are worshipping and serving God when they are only worshipping and serving "the god of this world." And sometimes even certain genuinely born again people are tricked into lining up with his counterfeit schemes.

To be effective, a counterfeit must have some elements of the genuine in it. But these are gathered into a false combination and are intended only to deceive people into accepting that combination. Likewise, the devil sets forth just as many excellent things as he possibly can, but only for the purpose of deceiving men into accepting his counterfeit religious system. One should not, therefore, be too quick to take up with a movement or teaching simply because it displays some things that are "good" in themselves. These "good" things may be only the credentials offered for a Satanic combination.

The most subtle and dangerous thing of all in Satan's religious system is his gospel—"another gospel; which is not another." This is a perversion of and a substitute for the gospel of grace. Desperately always, sometimes openly but in most cases subtly, he seeks to turn men away from "the glorious gospel of Christ" (2 Cor. 4:4). He knows that in so doing he is striking a blow at the very heart of New Testament Christianity and the very source of all genuine Christian living. Since this had to do with the very heart and source of spiritual life and service, Paul waxed hotter over error at the point of the gospel than he did over immorality even. But many a man today becomes much more intensely aroused over immorality than over a perversion of the gospel of grace.

The gospel of Christ presents a plan of salvation "by grace . . . through faith . . . not of yourselves . . . not of works" and of the righteousness of Christ imputed to believers (Eph. 2:8, 9; Rom. 4:6). Works are presented in this plan as the fruit, not the condition, of salvation (Eph. 2:10). In opposition to this, Satan has "his ministers" to pose "as the ministers of righteousness." But sound it to the bottom, and it will be found to be a righteousness of human merit and effort minus the saving grace of God as centered in the atoning cross. Satan wants men to take natural excellency and religiosity and offer these as a substitute for the imputed righteousness of Christ. Self-righteousness is the devil's righteousness!

Now a respectable and helpful life on the natural plane is well-pleasing to God simply as a natural matter. But when one proposes to invest this with spiritual quality and put it up as a condition of salvation, it becomes "an abomination in the sight of God" (Luke 16:15). This is exactly what the devil tries to get men to do. There is nothing which he hates as ardently as "the offense of the cross." So he zealously promotes his religion of supplements to and substitutes for the cross.

In this day of multiplied movements and teachings claiming to be the embodiment and expression of "the gospel of Jesus," "the religion of Jesus," "the principles of Jesus" or "the spirit and ideals of Jesus," God's people should apply the test of grace and distinguish between things that differ (Gal. 1:6, 7). It neither requires much learning nor much knowledge of theology to apply this test. Just remember that any message or movement which under any guise adds anything to faith in Christ as a further means of salvation reveals that it is "of that wicked one." Apply the blood test!

"Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world" (1 John 4:1). If this is not done, one may be found unwittingly aiding and abetting the religion of Satan, posing as "an angel of light."

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Let Me Urge

J. E. DILLARD

(Editor's Note: This article and that which follows by Dr. Dillard are so important that we are running them (slightly condensed) on the editorial page as not only his but our own expression on the matters discussed. When it is recalled that contributions through the Hundred Thousand Club are "over and above" regular budget contributions and that it is imperative that Baptists pay their debts, one can see that there is no conflict between solicitations for the Club and the special Missionary Day and offerings referred to. But since March is the month when special emphasis is laid upon Home and Foreign Missions, we particularly urge our pastors and churches to place that emphasis and on March 27 (or on some other Sunday if needful) observe the special missionary program in the Sunday School and take an offering for the causes presented.)

January and February, designated in the Convention calendar for stressing the Baptist Hundred Thousand Club, have expired. While many new members have been enrolled, others have let their memberships lapse. Thus we have few if any more live memberships than we had last year.

That six of our states are retaining half their club receipts to apply upon their own debts means that while the total amount paid upon denominational debts will probably be larger than last year, the amount that will be paid upon the southwide debts will probably be less.

Let me urge the state organizations in these six states to put forth the best effort possible to more than double the number of club members in order that the Southwide agencies may not lose by the 50-50 division of club funds.

Let me urge every pastor and every organization that has failed to present the Baptist Hundred Thousand Club to do so at once. We must not let this important debt paying plan fail because we are busy with other matters however important they may be. Our people will respond if we will sympathetically tell them. They are honest; they want to pay their debts; they do not believe in indulging in luxuries or extravagancies while our dear denomination is in debt.

Let me urge all our pastors and all our leaders who began to enroll members in the club to finish it up. Have you enrolled every individual member you can? Then see if you cannot get every class, circle and group you have to take a membership. They will probably gladly do it if you will ask them. Every little we get added to what we have makes a little bit more.

Let us urge all who have completed this special effort and did their best to now follow it up faithfully: Report results; remember the club constantly in prayer; make frequent reference to the club, tell what it is doing, urge members to pay their dues promptly, say that new members may join at any time. Appoint a club leader in your church or organization who will keep the club constantly before the people.

Let us keep on and speed up so as to have a Debtless Denomination.

"Do come to the front in this gracious enterprise."—Paul

Why Missionary Day

J. E. DILLARD

"Why this Missionary Day the last Sunday in March; we have put on our Every Member Canvass and also talked Hundred Thousand Club; isn't that enough?"

No, it is not enough. No one ever does enough for Jesus and a lost world. You have done well in putting on the Every Member Canvass and enrolling members in the Baptist Hundred Thousand Club.

But you didn't reach all your members in the Every Member Canvass. Probably if they had known more about our mission work more of them would have subscribed, and many of those who did subscribe would have made their subscriptions larger.

And this gives you an opportunity to present our mission work more completely and more concretely than was possible when presenting the entire Co-operative Program. People can not easily visualize all the objects at once, it is well to preach on and teach about the various items in the program using concrete examples.

And then some people have enjoyed special blessings and would give expression to their gratitude if given the opportunity to contribute to a cause they especially love. There is an especial appeal in the present crucial situations existing on our mission fields.

And yet again, we need to teach all our people, especially all our young people the Master's will concerning a lost world and what we should do about it. Missionary day may mean a day of increased information, and enthusiasm, and consecration, and sacrifice. Young people may catch the vision of a lost world and hear the call to special service.

Then how greatly our mission boards need money to carry on and get out of debt. No, there isn't any danger of our people knowing too much about our work or giving too much for Him who gave Himself for us.

Wise pastors and superintendents and B. T. U. leaders and W. M. S. presidents et al will think and pray and plan together to make March 27 a **real missionary day** in their church. (See program in "The Teacher" and "The Sunday School Builder.")

"We must work the works of him that sent me."—Jesus.

Welcome, Woman's Missionary Union Convention!

Among the most faithful and fruitful promoters of the Baptist and Reflector are the W. M. U. forces of the state under the leadership of the State President, Mrs. R. L. Harris, and the Corresponding Secretary-Treasurer, Miss Mary Northington. Many a time has God been thanked because of them.

And now, since Woman's Missionary Union of Tennessee is soon to meet in Nashville, March 22-24, Baptist and Reflector wishes to join your other friends in the city in sincerely welcoming you. May your stay in our midst be both pleasant and profitable to you in a marked degree. If while you are here you will walk over to the Baptist and Reflector office in the Baptist State Building, 149 Sixth Avenue North, you will find a hearty welcome awaiting you there. And you will also find the same welcome in the other offices and departments in the building.

As you carry on for the Lord in your Convention in reports on the past and in plans for the future, the prayer of Baptist and Reflector is that abundant "grace to help" shall be upon you.

Greetings to you, friends, and God bless you!

J. S. Farmer

Baptist and Reflector carried last week a brief notice of the sudden death, on Sunday, Feb. 27, 1938, of J. S. Farmer, editor of the Biblical Recorder (N. C.). He died of heart trouble. His widow and two children, Fannie Memory and James S., Jr., survive him.

First becoming field representative of the Biblical Recorder in 1902, then secretary-treasurer and business manager of the company, then editor in 1931, he had been officially connected with the paper for a longer period than any other person. He was a fine, faithful and fruitful editor.

Bro. Farmer had a strong mind and body and a wealth of common sense and clean humor. Along with these qualities, he was ruggedly honest and sincere and positive. No one had to doubt where he stood and yet he was balanced and fair. And, as the Biblical Recorder said after his death: "He loved Jesus Christ and the religion of Jesus Christ and tried to live it. He was a Baptist from the deep conviction that Baptists are Christians after the way of the New Testament. . . . He was an ardent supporter of all Baptist agencies and institutions for the spread of the Gospel throughout the world. . . ."

In the early part of January of this year, the Southern Baptist editors met in annual session at the Baptist Memorial Hospital, Memphis. Bro. Farmer was there. Some, perhaps all, of those present will recall how in a talk he was making he made some comments on sudden death. And now, sudden death has called him away. Greatly shall the editors miss him. He was both the personal and editorial friend of us all.

Blessings be upon his memory and God's grace be upon his loved ones and the North Carolina Baptists whom he so finely served.

"Station WMU Broadcasting"



Since the last broadcast the following have sent in subscriptions other than their own:

Mrs. W. R. Farrow, Covington; Miss Anna Crosby, Spring City; Mrs. Maggie Mayo, Knoxville; Mrs. Elmer Winfree, Brush Creek; Miss Myrtle Riggan, Nashville; Mrs. J. E. Carter, Rossville; Mrs. U. L. Jennings, Lebanon; Miss Nora Stinnett, Polk County; and C. B. Cabbage, Rutledge.

Thank you, friends, very, very much!

Mrs. Percy E. Kerley, Memphis, is W. M. U. campaign worker in Shelby Association, instead of Mrs. "Kervey" as we stated in last week's issue.

"A special word repeated from last week: Any one anywhere who sends in a club of **not less than ten new or renewal yearly subscriptions** to the paper will receive an additional subscription for herself or himself or sent to another if preferred and if we are accordingly notified.

"A Special Broadcast to the W. M. U. Forces: Consider the fact that January and February are gone and March is passing and only a little more than a month and a half remains till May 1 when the campaign ends. And to date **only 641 subscriptions have been received!** Here is a call to speed on and speed up in the campaign! Who will get that trip to Richmond?"

"A Special Broadcast to Pastors, Churches and all Others: It is a fact that the more the Baptist and Reflector is read the better churches develop and serve at home and the larger part they take in worldwide service. This being true, your W. M. U. announcer appeals to all of you to "help those women" in the campaign for the paper, the reading of which helps us all.

"Station WMU/signing off till next week."

Madisonville Church Moving Forward

By DOLLIE HENDERSON



REV. C. S. MCCOY



First Baptist Church, Madisonville, Tennessee
Rev. C. S. McCoy, Pastor

Not long since at the Wednesday evening service, the members of the First Baptist Church gathered to discuss ways and plans whereby we might purchase a parsonage or home for our pastor to live in. Our present pastor, Rev. C. S. McCoy, has been here hardly ten months and has already moved twice and is being moved again due to the residence being sold and the purchaser wanting it at an early date. So you see we really needed a home for the pastor.

At this meeting the body voted to build a house on the church lot, just back of the church, and G. W. Kimbrough, who was

appointed chairman for the occasion, appointed a building committee as follows: W. N. Vineyard, chairman, J. R. Sheets, Ben F. Sands, Dr. R. C. Kimbrough and O. R. Sloan. This committee was to secure plans and estimates of a colonial type building and make their report to the church on the night of March 2.

Our church is progressing nicely under the pastorate of Rev. C. S. McCoy. Every service is growing in attendance and we feel that when the attendance grows the interest is growing.

—Madisonville, Tennessee.

First Anniversary Observed At Corbin

(In the Western Recorder of recent date was an account of Pastor C. L. Hammond's first year as pastor in Kentucky. Since Bro. Hammond was for some years pastor of Oakdale Baptist Church, Knoxville, and, as moderator of Knox County Association and otherwise was prominently identified with our Baptist work in Tennessee, we feel that his friends will be glad to read of his work in our neighboring state.—Editor.)

Our first anniversary service as pastor of the First Church of Corbin, Kentucky, was observed on Sunday, February 6. We had a wonderful service, and four joined, three of them being by letter and one by conversion. There were 539 in Sunday school, and 166 in Training Union. The auditorium was packed twice during the worship hours.

The Sunday school has an enrollment of 813, with an average of 535 for the month of January—the greatest record on our books. There were 566 present on the last Sunday in January—the largest attendance record for a single day. We have a Standard Sunday school and W. M. S., and three departments will be standard immediately. Four classes are already standard.

We had the largest delegation to the Sunday School Conference at Ridgecrest of any church in the South—thirty-two in all. Our school raised \$1,300 in the regular offerings. An Extension Department has been organized, and we have twenty-one memberships in the Baptist Hundred Thousand Club in the Sunday school.

We have ten Training Unions, and stand fourth in the State in attendance every Sunday. The W. M. U. was standard for 1937, as already mentioned, and they have organized one circle for working girls. They average nearly 100 in their meetings. The women gave over \$1,400 last year to missions. The work is growing, and there is a splendid spirit of fellowship and co-operation among the women and young people's organizations.

We organized our Brotherhood with twelve members and are averaging thirty-five each Thursday night. The Brotherhood took the Every-Member Canvass, completing it thoroughly for the first time in the history of the church. The pledges over-subscribed the budget for 1938 by \$3,000. We organized Brotherhoods in six other churches during the year.

The Brotherhood has opened a Mission Sunday school on Depot Street, which has been one of the most neglected sections of the

city. We had 200 present for the first service, and two men were converted at that time—one of them sixty-five years of age. One man attended who said he had not been in a church for thirty years.

Our treasurer reports that the finances doubled for 1937 over the previous year, and our clerk reports that we had 200 additions during 1937—140 of them by baptism. The heads of all departments said that the church in every way is in the best shape of its history.

Clarence L. Hammond, Pastor, First Church, Corbin, Ky.

Consolation Corner

By J. LUTHER MCALILEY

An old lady said not long ago: "I hope I will not see another birthday; it is absurd for one to live beyond one's usefulness here, when one can enter a larger usefulness over there." She was ninety-six.

An ancient philosopher once wrote: "There is no one who does not hope to live another year."

The former wrote from the hope of a better world; the latter from the hope of a little longer here.

Is it not true that human beings in their life courses follow a routine somewhat similar to that of all other forms of life?

The grain of wheat falls into the earth, germinates, grows through every stage of development till its fruitage is ripe, and then the stalk is gone, leaving the ripened grains to carry on.

All animals serve their time: The horse, the sheep, the dog all have their periods of play, of serious work, of old age, and pass on.

For a man the same is true; but for man there is another clime, a larger, a happier, a fully perfect sphere. The full span of eternity offers everything that soul can desire; and man's short span of years here gives him opportunity to prepare himself by mental and soul development; by service to his fellows, that he may enter upon the great stage of eternity as an accomplished artist, ready to do his part in the Heavenly drama.

When your loved one has lived well here and is fitted to make his entry into God's great stage of perfect play, should you not rejoice, rather than weep?

Preachers Have A Great Week

An innovation in the way of an institute for pastors was held in McMinn Association February 21-25. East Athens Church in Athens furnished a building for the school. The enrollment for the week was 60 of whom 49 were pastors and 11 laymen. It was a real school with morning and afternoon sessions, one hour for lunch and morning and afternoon recesses.

Ira C. Dance, of Etowah, taught a course in "Salvation by Grace," a wonderfully fine presentation of the subject. J. Burch Cooper, of Decatur, taught a course in "Rural Church Problems." R. W. Selman, of Chattanooga, (two days) and John D. Freeman, of Nashville, (three days) taught "Church Polity" and "Co-opera-

tive Church Labor" respectively.

The Association, led by Layman W. S. Bates, who was supported by the efficient moderators, E. L. Wilson, of Athens, and Brother B. C. Land, of Decatur, arranged for the school, providing gas and oil for pastors having cars, who would bring others to the school. The plan worked well and made it possible for the pastors to look after home duties each night. It was the best such meeting ever undertaken in McMinn County.

Herewith is given a picture of the group present on Thursday. So successful was the venture that it is hoped to make the school an annual affair.



McMinn County Preachers' School Group reading from left to right—Kneeling: C. W. Monroe, Secretary John D. Freeman, J. P. McDonald, Athens, E. L. Clark, Charleston.
 Front Row: C. E. McDonald, Athens; D. H. Feezell, Decatur; L. Ray Creasman, Athens, Route 2; F. A. Webb, Cleveland; L. A. Hurst, Etowah; C. D. Doss, Calhoun; W. E. Haney, Center Point; Billy Liner, Calhoun; Lester Lewis, Calhoun; J. R. Land, Decatur, Route 1; R. L. Emery, Athens.
 Second Row: W. T. Jones, Athens; T. B. Rosson, Athens; J. W. Townsend, Eastanallee; John L. Dodge, Cleveland; J. P. Massengill, Decatur; J. C. Johnson, Niota; T. C. Jacobs, Calhoun; L. A. Feezell, Decatur.
 Third Row: J. A. Barnes, Good Springs; Paul Watson, Athens; D. C. Watson, East Athens; John Brown, Athens; Kyle Shaw, Charleston; H. Ross Arnold, Athens; Chas. Runzon, Athens.
 Top Row: C. F. Moss, Athens; Walter Carruth, Riceville; W. S. Lovingood, Athens, Route 4; Ira Dance, Etowah; J. Burch Cooper, Decatur; Arbin Watson, Niota, Route 1; Howard Goodin, Englewood.
 Enrolled but not in the picture were: Ministers, F. R. Sherrill, Etowah; J. A. Bivins, Englewood; J. R. Milsaps, Niota; J. W. Creasman, Riceville; John Gibson, Cleveland; R. R. Denny, Chattanooga; R. P. Bishop, Calhoun; Thomas Franks, Athens; J. Horace Atkins, Tellico Plains; Samuel Melton, Cleveland; J. W. Ray, Etowah; P. B. Sharp, Decatur; John Kelly; Edgar Calloms, Charleston; George Moss.
 Laymen: Dillard Brown and J. M. Pipkin, Athens; W. S. Bates, Sr., and T. R. Wood, Decatur; H. F. Hawk, Etowah; Walton Bolen, Calhoun; James Webb.

No Papa, No Mama, No Chow

That is the case with thousands of children all over China today, but we have in mind now the little girl who followed us for quite a distance one night in Hongkong. Now, she may have been a professional beggar—we don't know, but what she said was significant of the dire distress that exists all over China, and especially during this time of war. "No papa, no mama, and no chow-chow."

Always living at the point of starvation, the question of "chow" in China is an important one. Food is the greatest appeal to the mouth that is hungry. Lack of it causes men to fight like savages. People may get along without papas and mamas, but they cannot get along without their daily chow. The improper distribution of it is the cause of all wars, directly or indirectly.

During the time we have had to be in and out of Hongkong we have seen numberless men and women, boys and girls on the streets. We see them from our windows; we hear their cries; we are so conscious of their needs. What can we do about it?

Jesus said: "The poor ye have with you always." And it is

true. There has not been a day since He spoke those significant words when they were not true. And no doubt it will be so until He comes again. Certainly He alone can untangle the economic web that keeps men bound. Until He rules in the hearts of men there will be want. It is Satan who keeps men in want—dissatisfied and miserable.

No papa, no mama, and no chow! We recognize the fact that there is no man who can restore parents to children once they are gone, but we know from that fine statement from James what we can do. "True religion and undefiled before our God and Father is this, to visit the fatherless and widows in their afflictions," etc. Especially in China today are there the fatherless and widows by added thousands, made so by bombs from the air and the onslaught of aggressors. Nay even mothers and babies themselves are the victims of these tirades. If the world at large does not come to the rescue the suffering is going to be immense, with death taking a heavy toll. A challenge to the Christian world. May the Lord lead us in meeting it.

A. R. Gallimore
 Wai Chow, South China.

KINGDOM NEWS FROM MANY LANDS

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AMERICA REDEEMED, THE HOPE OF THE WORLD

Charles E. Maddry

Rhode Island Baptists are celebrating this year the three hundredth anniversary of the organization of the First Baptist Church of Providence and the founding of the colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantation. This was the first time in America that a church had adopted Baptist principles and policies in its life and worship. Roger Williams and his associates then proceeded to organize the civil administration of the colony, guaranteeing to every one absolute freedom of conscience in all matters of faith and worship, and establishing for the first time in America the principle of the total separation of church and state. Roger Williams wrote the following fundamental clause into the charter of Rhode Island:

"No person within the said colony, at any time hereafter, shall be in any wise molested, punished, disquieted, or called in question, for any difference of opinion, in matters or religion, who do not actually disturb the civil peace of our said colony; but that all and every person and persons may, freely and fully have and enjoy his own judgments and consciences, in matters of religious concerns; they behaving themselves peaceably and quietly and not using this liberty to licentiousness and profaneness, nor to the injury or outward disturbance of others."

This commonwealth thus became the first state or political unit in the world to be organized on the principle of a free church in a free state. Williams said to his new colony: "I desire it might be for a shelter for persons distressed of conscience. I communicated my purchase (from the Indians) unto my loving friends who desire to take shelter with me."

The principle of religious liberty was written into the federal constitution in 1787 and now it is incorporated into the fundamental law of forty-eight sovereign states.

Strictly speaking America is the only great nation in the world today where there is absolute religious liberty and the total separation of church and state. The Scandinavian countries around the Baltic are progressive and constitutional democracies, but they have the anomaly of a state controlled and a state supported church. England is one of the world's great democracies in many respects, but she does not have religious liberty. She has religious toleration, a thing Baptists despise. Baptists and other dissenting groups are taxed to support the established church.

In all the lands where we are trying to carry on mission work, we are hindered and disturbed and harassed by petty, and often mean and contemptible police interference, and everywhere we are beset with endless governmental red-tape. One thanks God a thousand times for free and liberty loving America.

More and more we are convinced that the one and great undimmed hope of a world for the pure and untainted Gospel of Christ is America, redeemed by the Gospel of Christ and dedicated to the high and holy purpose of giving this same Gospel to all mankind.

The one all inclusive agency through which all Southern Baptists are privileged to labor for the redemption of our beloved homeland is the Home Mission Board. America is very far from being wholly and vitally Christian. There are many unwholesome and un-Christian influences now at work in America to undermine and destroy the great Christian principles upon which the nation was founded.

The Home Mission Board was never more virile and militant in all its ninety-three years of life and work than today. Dr. J. B. Lawrence, the Secretary, is a great Home Mission statesman and leader, and he is supported by a worthy and efficient staff of experts in their respective fields and departments. The Baptists of the South should rally to the support of the Home Board and

its leadership, and pay off the burdensome debt that is now all but crushing the Board and hindering and crippling its great program of work.

Having seen a good deal of the religious and spiritual condition of the nations still without the Gospel, we do not hesitate to declare that the one and supreme hope of mankind today for Christ and His unfettered Gospel is in America, redeemed by the blood of Christ and dedicated to the high and holy task of giving the whole Gospel to the whole world.

The Home Board with its several well organized departments and its aggressive program of evangelism is set for the creation and maintenance of a strong and efficient home base from which the Gospel of Christ may speedily be given to the nations.

The month of March is set apart by the Woman's Missionary Union of the South as the season of prayer for Home Missions, to be followed by the Annie W. Armstrong offering for the work of our Home Mission Board.

We sincerely hope and pray that through these special efforts, there will be released great flood tides of spiritual life, and power for Home Missions, and that the sacrificial offering will go far beyond the hopes and aims of the leaders.

MUCH TO BE DONE

Of the great opportunity facing Baptists today, Dr. J. B. Lawrence, Executive Secretary of the Home Mission Board, says:

"Twenty-two million souls out of Christ here in the homeland cry out to us for the bread of life.

"Our brothers in black, 11,000,000 of them, right at our door, are looking to us for help.

"Five million foreigners, spiritually marooned on our shores, are a challenge to our passion for the lost.

"Catholic-ridden Cuba, in poverty and spiritual despair, holds out to us its hands in mute appeal.

"In Oklahoma and New Mexico more than 150,000 Indians will never have a chance if the Home Mission Board does not send them the Gospel.

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Sunday School Lesson

By LeRoy Steele, Oakwood Baptist Church, Knoxville, Tenn.

March 27, 1938

Correcting Wrong Ideas of Religion

Lesson Text: Mark 7:1-13.

Golden Text: "This people honoreth me with their lips, but their heart is far from me." Mark 7:6.

Jesus is probably at Capernaum. There appear on the scene some of the Pharisees and certain of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem. It is likely that these "certain" ones were picked men, charged with the duty of following Jesus wherever He went, engaging Him in dispute and bringing Him into disrepute where possible with the aim of bringing about, as soon as possible, His destruction and the end of His ministry. Their coming from Jerusalem would indicate the determination of His enemies to bring about His end and that His opposition was springing from the highest ecclesiastical quarters.

Certain it is that these men utilized the first opportunity they saw to find fault with Jesus and to test His attitude toward their established system of religion.

I. The Charge of the Critics.

When they saw some of Jesus' disciples eat with "unwashed hands" they found fault and grounds for public criticism. It was not that the men did not wash at all. Their criticism was that they did not wash ceremonially. For, we are told, they held to, or practiced, the tradition of the elders. This tradition required that they should wash their hands often. The Revised Version says they washed them "diligently." The center column reference says they washed them "up to the elbow." The Greek says they rubbed them "with the fist." No matter, the important thing with them was that the form, whatever it was, should be kept. If they came back from the market place, they ate not until they had taken a bath. The word here is "baptize"—they made a good job of it. In the market they would probably have come into contact with meat or other contaminating merchandise and, even unknowingly, have become ceremonially unclean.

They had all sorts of ceremonies for washing of the hands and of the body, but there were also many for the washing of pots, pans, brazen vessels, tables. Such ceremonies must be kept or the tradition of the elders offended.

The tradition of the elders was called by the Jews, "The Oral Law." It was afterward embodied in their Talmud, their book of civil and religious law. It was reckoned as having at least an equal authority with the Written Law. For instance, one elder taught that to eat with unwashed hands was a sin of guilt equal with adultery.

So, they said to Jesus, "Why do not your disciples observe the tradition of the elders? Why do they eat without ceremonially cleansing themselves?"

One often wonders if those who are offended by the eating of meat are not, sometimes, more offensive and trouble-making in the church than the meat-eaters themselves. According to these Pharisees, these men were guilty of an offense for which there could be no defense because they did not walk according to THEIR standards.

There comes this thought also—that their tradition was an interpretation and an elaboration of the law. The interpretation became, for them, the law itself. There is

the same danger for us in our systems of theology. Theology is an interpretation of the Word. Let us take care that we do not accept theology AS the Word. I have heard all kinds of sermons called, "The Gospel." Not all of them were "The Gospel"—and some of them were a million miles from it. People will go to hear some "Internationally Famous Evangelist and Bible Teacher" whose sermons are nothing but tirades of abuse and destructive criticism and will go away to scatter the news that, "He certainly does preach the Gospel!" The sermon, or lesson, which does not exalt Christ and His saving work, which does not proclaim the good news of His redemptive work, past, present and future, is NOT a gospel sermon or lesson!

II. The Reply of Jesus.

Jesus answered His critics by quoting from Isaiah 29:13-14. He paid the prophet a high compliment by saying that he had drawn a vivid, life-like picture of those who now stood before Him. Isaiah had seen the day when spirit would depart from religion, when worship would descend into a form and when the word of man would be substituted for the Word of God. Jesus answered their charge with a counter-charge—if He had disregarded tradition, they had disregarded His Father's Word and the very spirit of the law.

What Jesus says on this occasion reminds of what He said on another like it. We would do well to heed what He said to pretenders. He called them hypocrites, blind guides, strainers at gnats and swallows of camels, clean outside but full of dead men's bones within, whited sepulchres, things of beauty outwardly but filled with rottenness and corruption within. He said that they were serpents, vipers, and cried, "How shall you escape the damnation of hell?" He was all tenderness with acknowledged sinners. But His denunciation of pretenders was terrific.

Then Jesus gives an example of what He means by rejecting the commandment of God in order to keep the tradition of the elders. "God," He said, "commanded that you should honor your fathers and mothers. But you have devised a scheme to evade even your filial duties. Your tradition says that a man may say to his father or mother, 'It is Corban' that is to say, a gift, this part of my income or property which might support you in your need. By so doing, he is free from any responsibility to care for his dependent parents. Thus do you circumvent the commandment of God by a commandment of man."

The Talmud actually commands respect for parents and the faithful discharge of filial duties. But a greater importance was attached by many to the keeping of vows, whether rightly or wrongly made. It was of less importance that parents should be supported than that a vow should be kept. So, if one wished to avoid support of his parents, all he had to do was to say, "That which I possess and which might be used for your support is Corban—or dedicated as a gift to God." After a time, it came to be that it did not matter that the gift was never actually made to God and might be put to any use the son or daughter might wish.

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III. Lessons From the Lesson.

1. God is pleased only with the sincere worship of the heart. There is a note of pathos in His words, "This people honoreth me with their lips but their heart is far from me." We cannot but wonder how He will feel as we shall gather in His house today and as He looks into our hearts. We may well pray, "May the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable in Thy sight."

It was Spurgeon who said, "God requires soul worship, and men give Him body worship; He asks for the heart, and they present Him with their lips; He demands their thoughts and their minds, and they give Him banners, and vestments, and candles. No matter how painful may be the mortification, how rigid the penance, how severe the abstinence; no matter how much may be taken from the purse, he will be content to suffer anything sooner than bow before the Most High with a true confession of sin."

2. Again, we need, in our busy day, this word of Jesus concerning the blessing which comes with keeping God's commandment to honor our fathers and mothers. Many an aged father, and many a mother, relegated to the back or to the worst room in the house, if the truth were told today, would prefer death to the knowledge that they are in the way and not wanted—which knowledge they have painfully received again and again. "Honor thy father and mother" is the first commandment with promise. It is God's divine provision for the preservation of the sanctity of the home and the family. When respect for parents, obedience to parental authority, love of father and mother disappears from among us, we are on shaky ground.

Perhaps all know that George Washington planned, in his youth, to go to sea as a midshipman. The papers had all been signed, the ship was opposite his father's house and the small boat had come ashore to take him off. His heart was set on going. When his trunk had been sent off to the landing he went to tell his mother goodbye and found her weeping. He just turned to the servant and said, "Go and tell them to bring my trunk back. I will not go away and break my mother's heart." Afterward, his mother said to him, "George, God has promised to bless the children that honor their parents, and I believe He will bless you."

TAKE HEED

J. T. Henderson, General Secretary,
Baptist Brotherhood of the South,
Knoxville, Tennessee

Programs

While our office made a liberal increase in the number of Quarterlies published for January, February and March, 1938, over the edition for the last Quarter of 1937, our current Quarterly is completely exhausted and orders continue to come daily.

The growth in the number of Brotherhoods has exceeded our estimate, although quite liberal. While we are very solicitous to meet the demands of the Brotherhoods, our financial situation admonishes us to be on our guard and avoid the loss involved in having a large number left on our hands. We shall plan in the future, however, to publish a larger increase in the number each quarter.

Hundred Thousand Club

We would commend the vigor and success with which Doctor Dillard is promoting the Hundred Thousand Club, and we are deeply solicitous that our Baptist men in general, and especially those who are members of Brotherhoods, shall first become members themselves, when at all practicable, and also re-enforce him by helping to create sentiment for this worthy cause.

The Brotherhoods are urged to order literature immediately on this movement from our office at Knoxville or from Secretary L. H. Cooke, 1040 Commerce Title Building, Memphis, Tennessee and give it a careful and prayerful reading.

Doctor Dillard is announcing Sunday, February 27, as Hundred Thousand Club Day; we trust that every Brotherhood will have the merits of this vital enterprise presented in the most winsome way on that day and enroll a large number of new members.

We must not fail to reach our goal: "A debtless denomination by 1945, the Centennial of the organization of our Southern Baptist Convention."

A Live Brotherhood

A Kentucky pastor writes as follows: "We organized less than a year ago with a dozen members. At the last meeting we had 44 present, a warm and gracious meeting, with the program on Home Missions well presented and well received. Our Brotherhood has organized Brotherhoods in five churches and is invited to render a similar service in three other churches, one of which is a Methodist."

"Our Brotherhood put on the Every Member Canvass, and for the first time in our history, it gave every member an opportunity to pledge; the response was the best in the history of the church. We had a liberal budget for the year, but the pledges have gone nearly \$4,000 beyond the budget. The number of our titheers has increased from 12 to about 100 in less than a year."

"I am convinced that a Brotherhood will work, if it is given a fair chance. It has worked wonders in our church and town. Everybody in this section is talking about our Brotherhood and its great work."

Reports From Two Pastors

The pastor of a North Carolina church that was visited by the Brotherhood representative, writes as follows: "Sunday night following your visit, we organized a Brotherhood with thirty-six charter members. We decided to meet each Sunday evening; at the second meeting we had fourteen new members, bringing the total to fifty. The men have a fine spirit in every way. Because of its rapid growth,

the Secretary has ordered Brotherhood Quarterlies three times."

The second report comes from the pastor of one of the leading churches in the entire South. The Brotherhood representative spent four days with this church in the study of Scriptural Finance, preparatory to their Every Member Canvass. The pastor writes: "Our Every Member Canvass was the most successful and the most thoroughly carried out of any I have had any dealings with. Because of the work you did with us, you will be especially interested in the results. Out of a resident membership of 1,830, we have received responses from 1,514. The budget adopted by our church was \$64,000. The total amount pledged to date is \$69,021." At least 300 members of the church attended the study of Stewardship and Scriptural Finance.

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THE PRESIDENT RECEIVES THE WASHINGTON MINISTERIAL UNION

By Rufus W. Weaver

Over two hundred Protestant pastors Monday noon, January 31, crowded into the private office of President Franklin Delano Roosevelt. The President of the Ministerial Union, Dr. Oscar F. Blackwelder, thus expressed the object of their coming: "We, the pastors of the Protestant Churches of Washington, although holding many different political opinions, wish to pay our respects to you as our fellow churchman as well as Chief Executive. We desire to pledge through you our thought, our prayer, our useful service to our country in these difficult days and to request you to make any suggestion of ways and means by which we and our brethren in the ministry can be of the highest value to our day and generation."

The President replied, speaking extemporaneously: "I am grateful to you for this wonderful expression of faith—of faith and works, and I am glad that you referred to what I said in 1934 about the need of spiritual awakening in this country. . . . I must make a confession: I did not realize until the last few years how much influence America has in the world. I did not really deep down in my heart, believe very much in church missions in other lands. Today I do. I have seen what the American church missions have accomplished in many countries, not only on the religious side but on the side of health and of education. After all, the three of them tie in very definitely together. We call what we have been doing 'human security' and 'social justice.' In the last analysis all these terms can be described by one word and that is 'Christianity.' . . . I appreciate your coming here and all I can say is 'God bless you; keep up the good work.'"

Earlier the Ministerial Union had met in the auditorium of the Department of Commerce as guests of the Secretary, Hon. Daniel C. Roper. This distinguished Christian statesman, in his welcoming speech, stirred the ministers present by his earnest appeal to increase the effectiveness of spiritual forces in American life. "True religious principles are the foundation of good society, the basis on which our civil charter rests and from which our basic laws derive their sanction." He concluded his penetrating and challenging address with these words: "The hour has struck for every pulpit, every moral, educational and religious unit to call upon every believer for a rededication to the service of God and country. The endeavor must seek all men and women in all stations of life and enlist their dynamic support. It cannot be done under a single unit procedure, it can be achieved through a co-ordinate program in which jealousies and prejudices will yield to the righteous goal sought. The acclaimed objective of Christianity can only be attained through the consecrated co-operation of the almost countless units of the great Christian Church. The future of our democracy and the future welfare of all our people await your constructive response to the challenge."

Following this address, Dr. Rufus W. Weaver presented a series of resolutions

which were adopted by a unanimous standing vote. One of these resolutions authorizes the President of the Ministerial Union "to appoint twenty-one members of this body, not over two from any single denomination, to confer with leading men, including business and professional, who are conscious of the necessity of these Christian ideals, relative to the procedure that should be taken by the religious forces in America, in arousing all our people to the imperative necessity for a return to God, a return which will find its individual expression in a rededication to the service of God and country and its corporate expression in a keener social conscience and higher ethical standards." This Committee meets the coming week.

Whatever is done, there will not be created another organization to prepare a program of action for the evangelical churches of the nation. That has been tried, and it has always failed. The significance of the addresses by the Secretary of Commerce and the President of the United States is that these distinguished men have voiced the growing convictions of a multitude of thoughtful men, many of whom have taken but little or no interest in evangelical religion. The basic issue that confronts the civilized world is whether pagan ideals should prevail or whether there shall be a revival of evangelical religion.

—Washington, D. C.

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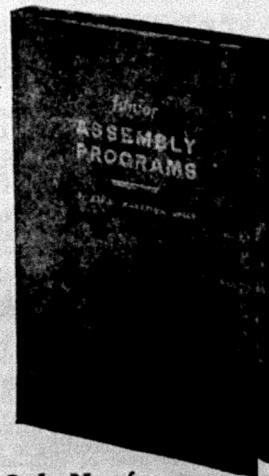
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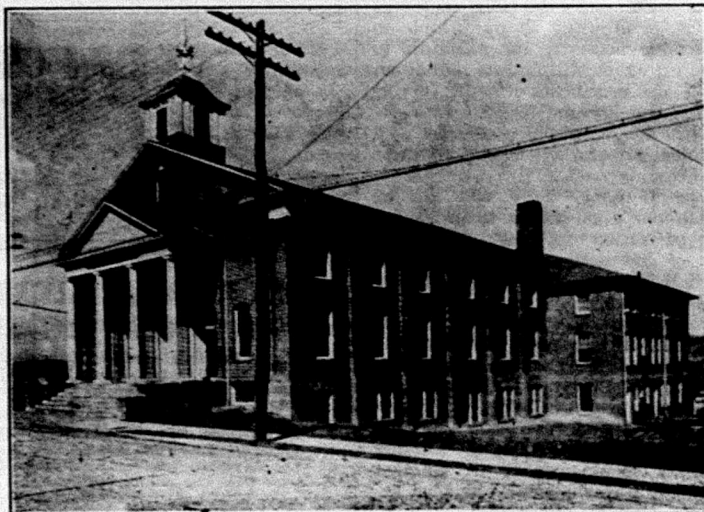
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Activities for the week will be under the general direction of Mr. Harold Ingraham, Secretary of the Department of Sunday School Administration, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville.

MARCH 27 HOME AND FOREIGN MISSION DAY IN THE SUNDAY SCHOOLS

If you are a Sunday school superintendent but have not yet received your copy of "The Call to Every Christian," which is the program to be presented on this Sunday, please send a postal card requesting the free material to the State Sunday School Department. See the March numbers of the *Sunday School Builder* and the *Sunday School Young People and Adult Magazine* for more missionary information.

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AN OPEN LETTER

Dear Fellow Workers:

Doctor Holcomb stated frequently during the first year of the Five-Year Program that the Vacation Bible school would show more quickly than any other department the value of the program. Two years have passed, and here is what the Vacation Bible school shows:

Year	School		Enrollment		Average to School
	Schools	Growth	Enrollment	Growth	
1935..	1,044	140,878	135
1936..	1,810	766	213,581	72,703	118
1937..	2,514	704	263,920	50,349	105

Growth in number of schools for two years..... 140%
Growth in enrollment for two years..... 87%

Decrease in average attendance to school from 135 to 105 is due to the rapid expansion of the school into smaller churches and more sparsely settled communities. The average to the school through these years is 115. Another year or two the average should begin to climb some.

This wonderful growth is largely due to the opportunities for reaching the people that the Program has provided, and to the wonderful spirit of co-operation and service from the other Promotional Departments and the Executive Secretary and the Business Manager, and the State Secretaries and their associates. Truly in unity there is strength.

Prospects for 1938 are unusually favorable. Several State Secretaries plan their vigorous campaigns thus far. Texas will include the V. B. S. in its intensive Evangelistic Program, and try to get the churches to have the school before the revival. We may have 4,000 schools in 1938, but the goal is 3,000.

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Several weeks ago the First Baptist Church at Portland, Tennessee, conducted a Baptist Training Union study course. The pastor, Rev. Lofton Hudson, taught "Southern Baptists in World Service" to the adults and seniors. Miss Roxie Jacobs taught the intermediates the "Intermediate B. Y. P. U. Manual" during the evening and also taught the book "The Junior and His Church" to the Juniors in the afternoon. All classes were well attended with an average of sixty-eight for the week.

On the last evening of the study course, the Workers Counsel was held in connection with the classes and dinner was served to fifty workers. Miss Jacobs had charge of the devotional, and it will be long remembered. She is always an inspiration to the church, and we are eagerly awaiting her next visit.—Katherine Green.

CONGRATULATIONS!

It makes us happy to congratulate Idlewild church in Gibson County Association upon organizing three new unions and a Training Union in this church. The organization was completed with the aid of Mr. N. D. Guy and a group from the Bradford Baptist Church. The Junior union was organized with twelve members; Intermediate Union organized with eighteen members and the Senior Union with twenty members. Mrs. Mary Waldrop was elected as director; Mr. King Thetford as Intermediate Leader and Mrs. Florin Conway Curtis as Junior Leader. The Senior president is to be elected just a little later.

SOUTH PITTSBURG CHURCH TRAINS

The Intermediate Union of the South Pittsburg Baptist Church in Gibson County Association has just closed a study course taking the book "Messengers of Light." Miss Mary Florence Padgett taught this course. There was an average attendance of eighteen with fifteen taking and passing the examination and receiving awards.

ERWIN, FIRST CHURCH HOLDS TRAINING SCHOOL

The First Baptist Church of Erwin in Holston Association has ended a very successful week in a Training Union Training School. Five classes were held. "Junior Manual" was taught by Miss Berlin Hardin and 17 took and passed the examination; "Messengers of Light" was taught by Miss Florence Rennie with 14 taking and passing the examination; "Senior Administration" was taught by Mr. Lawrence Trivette with 12 taking and passing the examination; "B. A. U. Manual" was taught by Miss Eleanor Robertson with 6 taking and passing the examination; and "The People Called Baptists" was taught by Rev. D. H. Willett with 26 taking and passing the examination.

Average attendance during this school was 94. Lowest attendance during school was 72 and highest attendance was 108. Seventy-five awards were issued. Miss

Martha Sherwood is the director of this fine Training Union and Rev. Dwight H. Willett is the pastor.

UNION AVENUE TRAINS

A successful training school has just closed at the Union Avenue Baptist Church in Shelby County Association using the book "Pilgrims Progress" taught by Mr. Henry C. Rogers. Mr. Frank Randle was dean of the school; Orelle L. Ledbetter is director of Union Avenue Training Union and made the plans for the school. During the week Mr. Gerald Webb served as chorister and Miss Maggie Lee Bell as pianist with Mr. Seal Tate acting as General Secretary.

Average attendance at the church was 148; the highest attendance was 173 and the number enrolled in the school was 252.

Devotionals each night were as follows: Monday, "Thy Will Be Done" led by Mrs. W. Prince Cooke; Tuesday, "Is He Satisfied With Me" led by Miss Eleanor Mothershed; Wednesday, "Training Essential To Christian Growth" led by Dr. H. P. Hurt; Thursday, "What the Training Union Means To Our Church" led by Mr. Allan Webb; and Friday, "Flowers" by Mr. Henry C. Rogers.

After the devotional each night a demonstration program was given. Monday night the Pep Senior Union gave a demonstration on "Visitation." Tuesday night the Henry Hurt B. A. U. led a Bible Drill demonstration; Wednesday night the Challengers Senior Union held a program on methods questions; and on Thursday night the Progressive Senior Union led the demonstration on a Program Planning Meeting.

The large attendance at this school was in a measure attributed to this fact. Each night everyone was given a list of names to call and invite to the school. Each night there were around 150 different people called. This plan worked in a splendid way toward getting members to the school.

One of the most interested members of the class was Mr. Lane McCrosky, 81 year old member of the Union Avenue Training Union.

QUARTERLY REPORTS

In filling in the blanks for your quarterly report to be sent to the State Training Union office at 149 Sixth Avenue, North, at the end of March, remember two or three definite suggestions as follows:

1. Associate members means those not belonging to a Baptist church. Active members are those who are the right age and members of a Baptist church. Be sure to designate in spaces provided for this information at top of a blank the number of associate and the number of active members. The grade on some of the points will be determined by this information.

2. Be sure to note carefully the point "Did all of your active (Baptist) members take part on the program at least twice during the quarter aside from congregational singing—reading from the Quarterly not to be counted. Answer 'yes' or 'no'."

3. Under no circumstances is study course to be counted by Juniors in compli-

ing their grade on Sunday night. Memory work is to be counted instead.

4. Be sure to fill in every blank listed on the page—particularly do we need the names and addresses of the Senior and Adult presidents and Junior and Intermediate leaders and directors. We need this for our mailing list.

CLEVELAND

What? Associational officers' meeting for Tennessee.

Where? First Baptist Church, Cleveland, Tennessee.

When? April 8-9.

Who should attend? Every associational officer including director, associate director, secretary, treasurer, group captains, pastor adviser, Adult leader, Senior leader, Intermediate leader, and Junior leader, and Story Hour leader, chorister and pianist. Also all regional and state officers.

What will it cost? The Sunday School Board pays the travelling expenses of three carloads at the rate of two cents per mile per car. Cleveland will furnish bed and breakfast.

Who will be the speakers and conference leaders? Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Lambdin, Mr. W. A. Harrell, Mr. Aubrey Hearn, Mrs. John Rogers, Mrs. Emmett Golden, Mrs. Aurora Shumate, Dr. T. L. Holcomb, Dr. J. O. Williams, Dr. John D. Freeman, Henry C. Rogers, Roxie Jacobs, and others. Mr. B. B. McKinney will lead the singing.

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WELCOME, TENNESSEE W. M. U.

WELCOME, WOMEN OF TENNESSEE!

In behalf of the Nashville Association I wish to welcome you to Nashville. We are doing our best to make you comfortable and happy while you are with us. In our hearts there is a deep sense of gratitude for the joy and privilege of being hostess association for the Golden Jubilee Convention. Through the concerted efforts of practically every society in the association and with God's help and blessings, we are expecting it to be a glorious convention.

Come! Again I say welcome, and I DO mean YOU!

MRS. CLAY I. HUDSON,
Superintendent.

BROADCASTING THE CONVENTION

If you cannot attend the convention, tune in on WSIX, Tuesday evening from eight to nine, Wednesday morning at eleven twenty until noon, and Thursday morning at the same time.

On Tuesday evening you will hear Miss Ruth Walden from Africa and Mrs. W. J. Cox broadcast from the banquet. On Wednesday you can hear Mrs. Cox and on Thursday Dr. John L. Hill.

On Wednesday afternoon from five fifteen to five thirty Mrs. Cox will bring a message over WSM. This powerful radio can be heard anywhere in the South. Tune in if you cannot be at the convention.

GOLDEN JUBILEE BANQUET

March 22 — 6:30 P. M.

One of the most outstanding features of the Golden Jubilee Convention of Woman's Missionary Union will be the Golden Banquet in the Scottish Rite Temple, Tuesday evening, March 22, at 6:30 o'clock.

The theme for the banquet and the evening program, "Visions—Yesterday and Today"—will be very effectively carried out throughout the entire program. With the skits and live pictures and the splendid speakers we anticipate a very delightful and impressive evening. Miss Ruth Walden, Mrs. W. J. Cox, Miss Emma Leachman, Miss Carrie U. Littlejohn, and quite a number of other outstanding speakers will be on the program.

Never in the history of our Union have we had such an unusual gathering for the women and young people. We are planning for one thousand people and a very delicious menu will be served. The tickets are 50c and must be bought immediately. If you plan to attend the banquet send your money to Mrs. Raymond Rogers, Blackburn Drive, Nashville, and make your reservation before all of the tickets are sold.

Mrs. C. D. Crasman, the State Golden Jubilee Chairman, will be the toastmistress, and with her charm and wit the Visions of Yesterday and Today will make the Golden Jubilee Banquet an occasion long to be remembered by Sunbeams as well as the entire W. M. U. family.



DR. W. F. POWELL
Pastor-Host

The noble Greeks employed magpies perched over the thresholds of their palatial homes to cry "Xaire," a salutation of welcome, to their approaching guests. The noblest Romans of them all had inscribed upon the door mat lying before the tessellated marble entrance to their mansions the one word "Ave," meaning Hail, or Welcome, in that case. I do not know whether Miss Mary Northington, the worthy Executive Secretary of the Baptist Woman's Missionary Union of Tennessee, is making a door mat out of the Baptist and Reflector or a magpie out of me, or both, but Doctor Taylor, our fine editor, and I would gladly serve as such to bear the heartiest welcome of the people of Nashville, and especially our Baptist hosts of the Capital City, to the glorious group of God's greatest women, the members of our Woman's Missionary Societies in the Baptist churches of Tennessee.

Last at the Cross, first at the Tomb and foremost around the world with the Gospel for nineteen hundred years, the chosen women of God have blessings to bring to any community in which their coveted meetings are held. Nashville realizes therefore in this Convention an unusual opportunity to swap hospitality for inspiration. Please hurry on!

W. F. POWELL.

LOCAL CHAIRMEN FOR W. M. U. CONVENTION

General Chairman—Mrs. Clay I. Hudson.
Assistant Chairman—Mrs. J. I. Waller.
Hospitality—Mrs. Raymond Rogers.
Assistant Chairman—Mrs. Harvey Reese.
Registration—Mrs. N. F. Richardson.
Luncheon—Mrs. M. O. Armstrong.
Training School Breakfast—Miss Willie Jean Stewart.

Golden Jubilee Banquet—Serving, Mrs. Edward Chatham; Decoration, Miss Frances Ewton.

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TRAINING SCHOOL ALUMNI BREAKFAST

The W. M. U. Training School Alumni Association will have their annual meeting at a breakfast in the James Robertson Hotel Wednesday morning at seven-thirty. All former students are urged to be present. Miss Carrie U. Littlejohn, Principal of the school, will be the special guest.

PROGRAM FOR W. M. U. QUARTERLY MEETING

March-April, 1938

Theme: "Come, Women Wide Proclaim"

10:00—Woman's Hymn, "Come, Women Wide Proclaim."

Devotional: "Life Through Your Saviour Slain." 1 John 5:11-15.

Remember one on Prayer Calendar.

Welcome—President of Hostess Society.

Strains from the Woman's Hymn (five minute talks).

"Come Women Wide Proclaim." Plans of the Superintendent for 1938.

"Bounteous Store." Treasurer's Report. Present associational budget for expenses.

"Your Love Outpour." Plans of the Stewardship Chairman for the year.

"Teach to Adore." Plans of the Mission Study Chairman for the year.

"For Sick and Worn." Plans of the Personal Service Chairman for the year.

"Come, Clasp Children's Hands." Associational Young People's Leader.

Prayer for the association.

Hymn: Jesus Calls Us O'er the Tumult.

"Work with Your Courage High." Golden Jubilee Plans for the Association. (Present Golden Jubilee Goals.)

Golden Jubilee Hymn. "This Glad Year of Jubilee."

Offering for associational expenses.

Address: "Praise, Pray, Work Yet More."

Afternoon

Hymn: Somebody Did a Golden Deed.

Devotional: Women Ministering Unto Jesus." Luke 8:3; Matt. 25:40.

Recognition of Pioneer Workers.

Roll Call. Business.

Roll call of the W. M. U. Superintendents of the years.

Playlet: "Clouds of Witnesses" (Page 32 Golden Jubilee Manual), or Report of W. M. U. Convention.

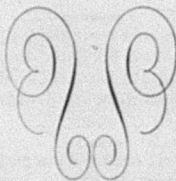
Presenting Our Speakers....

WE ARE HAPPY TO PRESENT TO YOU SOME OF OUR SPEAKERS AT THE CONVENTION. WE ARE SORRY NOT TO HAVE THE PICTURES OF ALL OF OUR GUESTS



DR. JOHN D. FREEMAN

Executive Secretary Tennessee Baptist State Convention. Speaker Wednesday morning.



DR. T. L. HOLCOMB

Executive Secretary Baptist Sunday School Board. Will speak on Thursday morning.



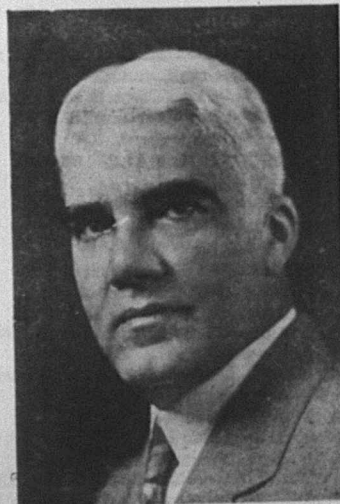
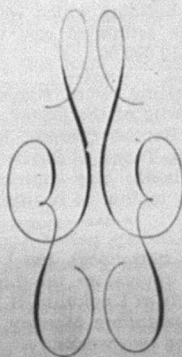
MRS. HIGHT C. MOORE

President Tennessee W. M. U. 1918-1920. President of hostess W. M. S., First Baptist Church, will give address of welcome Tuesday afternoon.



MISS KATHLEEN MANLEY

Missionary to Africa, will speak on Thursday morning.



DR. JOHN L. HILL

Book Editor of the Baptist Sunday School Board. Speaker on Thursday morning.

Among The Brethren

SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE FOR MARCH 6, 1938

Memphis, Bellevue	1852
Nashville, First	1188
Chattanooga, First	1137
Memphis, Union Avenue	1059
Knoxville, First	1011
Memphis, Temple	982
Nashville, Grace	838
Knoxville, Fifth Avenue	765
Chattanooga, Ridgedale	679
Maryville, First	679
Jackson, First	644
Knoxville, Broadway	637
Fountain City, Central	572
Etowah, First	549
Kingsport	538
West Jackson	519
Memphis, Speedway Terrace	490
Jackson, Calvary	475
Dyersburg, First	457
Murfreesboro, First	453
Elizabethton, First	446
Knoxville, Lincoln Park	430
Memphis, Seventh Street	430
Union City, First	423
Trenton, First	385
Nashville, Edgefield	363
Harriman, Trenton Street	360
Brownsville	334
Fountain City, First	330
Sweetwater, First	327
Martin, First	302
Humboldt, First	300
Erwin, Calvary	287
Alcoa, First	281
Nashville, Inglewood	256
Nashville, Seventh	250
Columbia, First	245
Rockwood, First	224
Elizabethton, Siam	218
Gatlinburg	218
Milan, First	213
Gallatin, First	208
Elizabethton, Calvary	187
Selmer	182
South Pittsburg	182
Butler	179
Dyer, First	147
Nashville, Centennial	120
New Market	92
Camden	90
Elizabethton, South Side	82
Crossville, First	76
Doyle	75
Roan Mountain	42
Wheat, George Jones Memorial	41

By FLEETWOOD BALL

In a revival at Crystal City, Okla., B. G. Holloway, pastor, there were 50 additions. Evangelist W. H. Joyner did the preaching.

Joe T. Odle, pastor of East Church, Paducah, Ky., is happy over the success of his labors. There have been in the last five months 57 additions, 37 by baptism.

Effective March 1, the First Church, Hillsboro, Texas, became pastorless by resignation of Alvin Swindell. He will do the work of an evangelist.

W. D. Nowlin, Plant City, Fla., will begin on March 27 a revival at Corbin, Ky., C. L. Hammond, pastor. Each is a former honored Tennessean whose labors have been greatly blessed.

J. D. Tolleson, student in the Southern Seminary in Louisville, Ky., has been called

to the care of the church at Martinsville, Ind., and has accepted the work to begin March 13.

Arthur Fox and son, Paul, of Morristown, have just closed a revival in West Side Church, Hamilton, Ohio. N. H. Welch, pastor, resulting in 135 additions. Most of them by baptism.

J. Whitcomb Brounger of Los Angeles, Cal., began a revival March 6 in the First Church, Indianapolis, Ind., C. W. Atwater, pastor. The guest preacher was born in Vernon, Ind.

R. W. Bailes has resigned as pastor at St. George, S. C., and accepted the care of the church at Fountain Inn, S. C. He is already on the field with glowing prospects of great success.

R. L. Sanders, eminent surgeon and loyal, active Baptist of Memphis, was last week elected president of the Southeastern Surgical Congress in Louisville, Ky. It is a high honor worthily given.

Effective March 15, M. M. Hall has resigned as pastor at Covington, La., and accepted a call to LeCompte, La.

A tour of the Holy Land will be directed this summer by J. Wash Watts, Professor of Old Testament and Hebrew in the Baptist Bible Institute, New Orleans. He was at one time missionary to Palestine.

The church at Copan, Okla., J. W. McKinney, pastor, enjoyed a successful revival in which H. A. Turner, of Dumas, Ark., did the preaching. The guest preacher was born near Medina, this state.

G. C. Boston, Pawhuska, Okla., an exile from Tennessee, did his own preaching in a recent revival in which there were 85 additions. The pastor will finish his twelfth year there April 15.

By THE EDITOR

A record-breaking crowd heard John W. Inzer, the new pastor, deliver his first sermon in the First Baptist Church, Asheville, N. C., on Sunday, March 6.

Work has begun on a new church building at Dyer, V. A. Rose, pastor, to take the place of the building which was destroyed by fire. The estimated cost of the new building is \$12,000.00.

At this writing, word comes that Mrs. L. B. Cobb, wife of the pastor of the Seventh Street Baptist Church, Memphis, is in Fort Worth, Texas, at the bedside of her mother who is ill. May it please the Lord to restore her mother to health.

Homer G. Lindsay, pastor Avondale Baptist Church, Chattanooga, has been invited to lead in a revival in the Lincoln Park Baptist Church, of Knoxville, H. F. Templeton, pastor, beginning Monday, March 21, and continuing two weeks.

Rev. Gordon Greenville, Jefferson City, will begin a revival at Bethel Baptist Church, Morristown, March 27. Eugene B. Roberts, student at Carson-Newman, is pastor. Prayer for the success of the revival is requested.

We are also glad to report that Mrs. J. N. Barnette, wife of J. N. Barnette, Associate Secretary of the Sunday School Administration Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board, is rapidly recovering, following a recent operation for appendicitis.

The report of the gifts to missions in the Baptist and Reflector for the first three months of the fiscal year shows that the Trenton Baptist Church, C. O. Simpson, pastor, gave \$842.00, and leads in the Gibson Association by \$186.48. Only four churches in Memphis, three in Nashville, and one in Jackson did as well.

We are glad to report that J. E. Miles, pastor of Una and Eagleville Baptist churches and teacher in the American Baptist Theological Seminary, is greatly improving and is attending to his duties following his recent illness. Brother Miles is one of the best friends Baptist and Reflector has in the state.

And also, Baptist and Reflector is glad to report that Mrs. Henry C. Rogers has been discharged from the Baptist Memorial Hospital, Memphis, and after spending a few days in Nashville has gone to visit her mother for a while, at 1432 Avenue I, Bessemer, Alabama.

Baptist and Reflector appreciates the recent visits to the office of the following: J. A. Gifford, H. W. Young and V. G. Hawkins all of Mt. Juliet; Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Stringfield, Monterey; Mr. Seale Johnson of McCowat-Mercer Printing Company and Mr. J. S. Gest of the Second National Bank, both of Jackson; and Pastor Grady Craddock, Murfreesboro. Come again, friends!

First Baptist Church, South Pittsburg, Tennessee, has called Rev. N. V. Underwood, Mt. Nora, Fla., as pastor, effective April 1, 1938. Brother Underwood is the son-in-law of Dr. J. H. Sharp, president of the Tennessee Baptist Convention. He was formerly pastor at Rockwood, and we are glad to welcome him back to the state.

Pastor L. S. Sedberry of the First Baptist Church, Murfreesboro, has closed a revival at the Westvue Baptist Church, Murfreesboro, M. M. Ayers, pastor. There was a fine spirit of co-operation between the two churches and the presence of the Spirit was felt at every service. There were 22 professions of faith, 7 additions by baptism, 2 by letter and 1 by restoration.

Missionaries on their way to the foreign fields were special speakers at Baptist Bible Institute during the days of March 3-4. These included Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Harrington, Mrs. Rosalee Mills Appleby and her son David, and Miss Letha Saunders. Miss Saunders is going out as a new missionary; all are going to Brazil. Miss Juanita Byrd, who has been in Shanghai, China was also a special speaker along with the other missionaries but is not returning immediately to her post.

The editor appreciated a good letter recently received from Pastor J. W. Cunningham, of Steele, Mo., who was formerly pastor of the Grand Junction and Saulsbury Baptist churches in Tennessee, where we once assisted him in meetings. We will always remember those days with pleasure. We appreciated his subscription to the Baptist and Reflector and rejoice with him in the blessings of the Lord upon his ministry.

In the First Baptist Church, Jackson, W. C. Boone, pastor, a widow, who doesn't wish her name announced, has, in devotion to the Lord's cause and in memory of her loved one, made a gift of \$100.00 in cash to be the beginning of a "Building Fund." It is specified that the money is to be kept intact, and if within a reasonable time the church does not decide to embark upon the building of a new educational building, it is to be used in some other way, as the donor may direct.

Sunday morning, March 6, at the Sunday school hour, the Mt. Juliet Baptist Church building was completely destroyed by fire. The loss is partially covered by insurance. John D. Barbee is the pastor and J. A. Gifford, H. W. Young and V. G. Hawkins are the Building Committee. We sympathize with the church in its loss.

With the Churches: **Memphis**—Seventh Street, Pastor Cobb, welcomed 3 by letter, 7 for baptism and baptized 4; Temple received 2 additions; Speedway Terrace welcomed 3 by letter and 4 for baptism; Bellevue welcomed 7 additions. **Nashville**—Grace, Pastor Ewton, received 1 by letter, 1 for baptism and baptized 1; Eastland welcomed 1 by letter and 4 for baptism; Edgefield received 1 by letter. **Chattanooga**—Ridgedale, Pastor Livingstone, welcomed 2 by letter, 2 for baptism, and baptized 4. **Elizabethton**—First, Pastor Bowden baptized 2; Calvary welcomed 7 by letter, 3 for baptism. **Knoxville**—Lonsdale, Pastor Thornton baptized 2. **Murfreesboro**—First welcomed 4 by letter.

Pastor C. W. Pope of the First Baptist Church, Jefferson City, recently did the preaching in a revival at Dumlplin Valley Baptist Church, Roy W. Hinchey, pastor. Following the splendid meeting those joining the church as candidates for baptism were baptized on Sunday night in the baptistry of the First Church, Jefferson City. The father of Brother Hinchey, Rev. G. H. Hinchey, recently assisted him in a revival at Piedmont, resulting in a number of conversions. Pastor Hinchey is rejoicing over the fine co-operation between the two churches and over the results of the revivals in about a 50% increase in Sunday School attendance and in other respects. A new B. A. U. at Dumlplin is filling a great need and rendering a fine service.

Pastor J. Lacy Basham of the First Baptist Church, Sevierville, recently did the preaching in a revival in the Second Baptist Church, Newport, S. E. Loxley, pastor. Pastor Loxley writes that the crowds were so large a loud speaker was installed in the basement to care for the people, and he says that Brother Basham is one of the most forceful speakers in a revival that Newport has ever had. There were 43 professions and 12 by letter, with the church greatly revived. On Sunday following the meeting there were two more additions. The church is planning to enlarge its building next summer.

The First Baptist Church of Longview, Texas, John L. Whorton, pastor, observed its debt-free celebration and dedication services on Sunday, March 6, with President Pat M. Neff, president of Baylor University, as principal speaker. The church's commodious building with 117 Sunday school and assembly rooms and an auditorium seating 1,350, was declared free of debt. Within the last five and a half years,

2,918 members have been added to the church, 1,048 of whom came by baptism. The church's gifts have amounted to \$240,945.41, of which \$71,000.00 were given for outside denominational causes. It was a new day for the church, with 1,369 in Sunday school and 540 in the Training Union, both of which were high records.



MR. H. E. BARNETT

H. E. Barnett, evangelistic singer, formerly minister of music in Nashville churches, is now available for engagements for evangelistic services. Those desiring further information about Mr. Barnett can get in touch with B. B. McKinney, music editor of the Baptist Sunday School Board or with him personally at Linden, Tenn. Bro. Barnett is a fine singer and should be kept busy.

BLUE SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH

To the Baptist and Reflector and its many readers, we are pleased to submit the following report of our revival which began February 13 and closed March 6, Joseph H. Stephens of Morristown, pastor, and John R. Hazlewood doing the preaching. Our revival resulted in 47 additions to the church, and 40 which were saved during the meeting and a number reconsecrated themselves. We feel that the church is greatly helped by the coming of Brother Hazlewood and his wife, who rendered very efficient and helpful service during the meeting. We earnestly solicit the prayers of the readers of this paper to rest on the body of new converts of our place. Thanking you for space in the column of your paper for this little message, we are,

Very truly yours in His Name,
G. N. Russell and Elijah Coffey.

Lewisburg, Tennessee
March 7, 1938.

Dr. O. W. Taylor,
Nashville, Tennessee.
Dear Dr. Taylor:

We have just closed a good meeting in our church. I did the preaching and Roger M. Hickman of Petersburg, led the music. The visible results were 17 conversions and 18 additions to the church, 17 for baptism and one by letter. Large crowds attended and the spirit was unusually fine. The church has been revived and many of our people rededicated their lives to the Lord. The outlook is indeed encouraging. This makes a total of 37 additions to the church

since I came, less than four months ago. The Lord is gracious.

Mr. Hickman rendered valiant service in directing the music. He is an experienced leader, and an excellent soloist. In addition to these qualities, he is adept in the use of the Marimba. This instrument added much to the music. He is a true yoke-fellow and ought to be used by the brotherhood at large.

Blessings on you in your noble work. Come over to see us.

Cordially yours,
Lloyd T. Householder.

Parsons, Tennessee,
March 8, 1938.

Dr. O. W. Taylor,
Nashville, Tennessee.
Dear Dr. Taylor:

There are several things that have happened around Parsons that I am writing you about in hopes that they may be of use to you in Baptist and Reflector.

Rev. H. L. Waters, Harrisburg, Ill., has been called to care of Parsons Baptist Church. He has accepted and will be on the field next Sunday.

Mt. Zion Baptist Church, seven miles east of Decaturville, celebrated most gloriously last Sunday, March 6, by the ordination of two preachers, Charley Broadway and Les. Haggard, and also two deacons, Les. Jackson and Collis Story. The presbytery consisted of W. R. Belew, Parsons, as pastor and moderator; Dewey Dunnivant, Mt. Zion, clerk; W. H. Brewer, Parsons; W. L. King, Parsons, questioned the candidates; C. O. Young, Sardis Ridge, delivered the Bible; C. B. Pennington, Decaturville, presented the charge to the church; A. U. Nunnery, Parsons, preached the ordination sermon. It was also a time of rejoicing over the purchase of a new piano for the church. Ruth Carrington, Associational Young People's Leader, was the invited accompanist for the day, assisting W. H. Brewer in the music.

With very good wishes for you and Baptist and Reflector's success, I remain,
Sincerely yours,
Ruth M. Carrington.

BRIEFS CONCERNING THE BRETHREN

Called and Accepted

Floyd Looney, Grove Church, Oklahoma.
Floyd Mullins, West Side, Muskogee Association, Oklahoma.

A. E. Teem, Missionary Muskogee Association, Oklahoma.

Glenn Sumner, Educational Director and Associate Pastor, Second, Okmulgee, Okla.
J. C. Pinson, Rayne Church, La.

G. F. Winstead, Columbia Church, La.
Vernon T. Bodein, Blacksburg Church, Va.

Earl L. Grose, First, Beckley, W. Va.

Resigned

M. M. Hall, Covington, La.
John Black, Menlo Church, Ga.

Died

Rev. J. W. Morgan, Baptist Hospital, Winston-Salem, N. C.

Rev. T. H. King, Pastor Piney Grove Baptist Church, N. C.

Rev. A. L. Eaves, San Angelo, Texas.

Dr. H. Lee McLendon, Pastor Calvary Church, Cleveland, Ohio.

Dr. William Thomas Derieux, Secretary-Emeritus South Carolina Mission Board, Columbia, S. C.

Ordained

Charley Broadway, Mt. Zion Church near Decaturville.

Les Haggard, Mt. Zion Church near Decaturville.

Fellowship Conferences For Busy Baptist Workers In Tennessee

Your Opportunity For Helping Unify And Inspire Our People

Beginning April 3rd and continuing until May 6th, there will be held in Tennessee a series of regional conferences to which it is hoped hundreds of our workers will come. Be sure and keep this issue of your paper, or at least this page, and thus remind yourself of the schedule. Please do these things:

- (1) Pray daily for the program on that day.
- (2) Check the most convenient place to you and keep that date open for the meeting.
- (3) Tell every Baptist you see about this meeting and urge him or her to attend.
- (4) If you have a car, use it that day for the Master's cause and bring it full to the meeting.

The Purpose of these conferences is to get together with pastors, other preachers, members of associational boards, other associational officers, Sunday school superintendents, W. M. U. and Training Union officers, for fellowship and for discussions of our work. If you have a complaint, bring it along; if a criticism, come and make it; if a good suggestion about how to improve our work, come and tell it.

SCHEDULE BY DAYS

April 3	Morning, Murfreesboro, First and Westvue. 2:30 P. M. Smithville. 7:30 P. M. Doyle and Shells Ford.	April 17-22	Ocoee Association Mission Schools.
April 4	Day, Monterey. Night, Rockwood.	April 19	Day, Dunlap.
April 5	Day, Lenoir City. Night, Madisonville.	April 24	Morning, Shelbyville. Afternoon, Lewisburg. Night, Fayetteville.
April 6	Day, Tellico Plains. Night, Riceville.	April 25	Day, Mt. Pleasant. Night, Lawrenceburg.
April 7	Day, Spring City. Night, Dayton.	April 26	Day, Waynesboro. Night, Centerville.
April 8	Day, Ocoee (Benton). Night, Mine City.	April 27	Day, McEwen. Night, Ashland City.
April 9	Morning, Cleveland.	April 28	Interracial Conference, Nashville.
April 10	Jamestown.	May 1	Morning, Nashville, Belmont Heights. Afternoon, Westmoreland. Night, Gallatin and Hartsville.
April 11	Day, Oneida. Night, Wartburg.	May 2	Day, Erin. Night, Dover.
April 12	Day, Coal Creek. Night, Maynardsville.	May 3	Day, Springville. Night, West Paris.
April 13	All day, Duck Creek, near Sneedville.	May 4	Day, Trezevant. Night, Trenton.
April 14	Day, McPheter's Bend. Night, Rutledge.	May 5	Day, Kenton. Night, Halls.
April 15	Day, Dandridge. Night, Pigeon Forge.	May 6	Day, Somerville. Night, Selmer.
April 16	Morning, First, Maryville.		

TENTATIVE PROGRAM

MORNING			
10:00	Devotional.	2:30	Conferences and Discussions.
10:15	The Pastor and Worship.	3:15	Inspirational Message.
11:00	General discussion by everybody.	3:45	Adjourn.
11:45	A Baptist Day (Address).		
AFTERNOON		NIGHT	
1:15	Worship.	7:15	Worship.
1:30	Our Baptist Tasks.	7:30	A Church That Meets the Needs of Today.
	a. Spreading Information.	8:15	Open Discussion of Problems.
	b. Building Pastorates and Supplying Pastors.	8:45	A Vital Ministry for the Day.
	c. Unifying Our Ranks.	9:15	Adjourn.

Suggestions. (1) We have no way of knowing how many people may attend any day conference, hence we are asking everyone to bring his own lunch. Let us "play going to school" once more, and have a big time eating together from paper bags, or the old tin bucket. (2) Plan to be on time and remain for the entire session. The same program will be given at night as far as time will allow. (3) For further information, write

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